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BRIDGES AND SCHOOL BOOKS.

J. D. Hazen, M. P. P., dealt with these topics in his speech at Albert the other day. The leader of the provincial opposition gave the history of the two price bridge scandal, showing that the Emmerson government paid seven cents and upward per pound for bridges which could be furnished in the open market for half that price. He proved that the New Brunswick government had regularly paid for bridges double the price paid for the same kind of structures by the Nova Scotia government, and by the Ontario municipalities.

Mr. Hazen disposed of Mr. Emmerson's excuse for these extraordinary transactions. The government justified itself for giving away some twenty or thirty thousand dollars a year by claiming that it was encouraging a home industry. Yet after all this lavish expenditure the bridge building industry in Nova Scotia had not reached the stage that it had attained in Nova Scotia under competition, and with prices one half as high as ours. The New Brunswick bridge works contained only a few thousand dollars' worth of plant, and employed only a few men a part of the year. After some years of the double price system the Moncton works had not been able to tender at competitive rates for bridges in Nova Scotia, nor for railway bridges. All the bridge building they could do was that for which they made private bargains and received two prices. This was all the people of New Brunswick had got out of the policy of paying double for highway bridges to a favored company.

Mr. Hazen compared the provincial government's bridge policy with the school book policy. When school books were to be made the government shut out New Brunswick from a chance to do the work at home. The school book contract was given to a firm whose imprint as publishers is given on the title page. This firm has no printing office and does not get the work done in this province. There are more good compositors and bookbinders in New Brunswick than there are bridge builders. Yet the whole of the printing and bookbinding of the New Brunswick school books is done in Ontario by a firm with which the New Brunswick contractor deals. The people are not even allowed to buy from the outside publishers at the original price, but pay a profit to the New Brunswick contractor or publisher.

Mr. Hazen went on to say that when this arrangement was made the government had an offer from a New Brunswick printer and publisher to furnish the school geography. He offered to revise the old book in any way required by the educational authorities, and to print and bind the whole edition in the province. This offer was refused and the geography books, printed in Ontario, must be bought from the New Brunswick contractor for every child in the classes. Mr. Hazen explained that the authorized volume had been condemned by the Educational Review.

The opposition leader contrasted these two policies. In one case, he said, the government made the people pay double prices in order to get the work done at home. In the other they were made to pay excessive prices in order to get the work done away from home. In both the people paid a large profit to a favorite contractor. The school book case showed the hypocrisy of the government's excuse about the bridges, and the bridge argument of Mr. Emmerson condemned his own course concerning the bridges.

TIME IT WAS STOPPED.

When Mr. Blair became minister of railways he boasted that though the representation of New Brunswick was then nine to five against the government, he and his colleagues would have a majority from New Brunswick within a year. This meant that Mr. Blair would be able in twelve months to purchase for the premier the support of three members elected to oppose him. Mr. Blair's almost brutal reflection on the honor of the New Brunswick members has not been justified. He has been four years in office, and the only convert is Mr.

Costigan. The latest statement which the minister and his friends have made for the gratuitous insult offered to the public men of this province is the revival of the boast in another form. We read in the press of other provinces, especially in La Prairie and Le Soleil, organs of the government in Montreal and Quebec, that Mr. Hale of Carleton and Mr. Robinson of Northumberland have agreed to give an independent support to Mr. Blair after the election. It seems to be rather low politics for Mr. Blair's henchmen to be circulating such slanders as these on members who during their four years in the house have voted against the government in every party division taken when they were present. The two members have enjoyed and still enjoy the confidence of the liberal conservatives in their constituencies. Even the exigencies of party strife furnish no excuse for the charge that they are ready to betray that trust.

HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER.

The speech of Hon. George E. Foster last evening was wonderfully effective. He carried the vast audience with him. His clear, far-reaching voice stirred every hearer. Every word was to the point. All his arguments were convincing. His arraignment of the inconsistency, faithlessness and corruption of the liberal leaders was thoroughly appreciated by the audience, who knew that every word he said was true.

As an orator Hon. George E. Foster stands unequalled among politicians in this country, if not on this continent. He is not only a great speaker, but he has a great grasp of affairs. He thoroughly understands the financial, industrial and business interests of Canada. Business men who interview him feel that he knows what they are talking about and that he really takes an interest in mastering all the details of any matter with which he has to deal.

The conservative party have reason to be proud of his record as minister of finance during a period of world-wide depression and business disaster.

Eloquent, honest, economical, he is a great source of strength to the conservative party.—Montreal Star.

SIR CHARLES AS AN ORGANIZER.

Sir Charles Tupper is developing good qualities as an organizer. In Nova Scotia he has been successful in procuring strong candidates. In Prince Edward Island he has induced Mr. Letourneau to reconsider his determination not to contest East Prince. In Montreal, Dr. Roddick, the popular member for the St. Antoine district, who had decided to retire from public life, has agreed to be a candidate in the approaching contest. Mr. Perley of Ottawa has been persuaded by Sir Charles to accept a nomination in Argenteuil, which seems to ensure the capture of that Quebec constituency from the government. The success of Sir Charles in persuading Hon. Hugh John Macdonald to return to federal politics has made the other part of the work more easy. The example set by the premier of Manitoba is a splendid incentive to effort and duty, while at the same time it is a source of confidence.

It is thus that Editor McNutt of the Fredericton Herald criticizes Sir Charles Tupper's speech:

An abusive, decrepit old man * Sir Charles, with advancing age, increases in vituperation and recklessness. His address on Saturday was merely the venomous uttering of a disappointed, rapidly decaying old man. As he stood before the audience, the very picture of physical and mental ruin, men observed what a pity that the poor old man was not tenderly taken home by his friends and cared for as senility demands.

This clears the political atmosphere.

The Telegraph says that though Hugh John Macdonald is fifty years old he has not greatly distinguished himself or given indication of superior ability. The organ does not think it was much of a feat to smash the power of Mr. Sifton and Mr. Greenway in Manitoba.

The Telegraph still says that Sir Charles Tupper is St. John's greatest enemy. It is said to think that Dr. Hannay should have lavished such splendid eulogies and so many of them on such a foe.

J. J. RITCHIE NOMINATED.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., Sept. 13.—At a largely attended conservative convention, held in Sable River today, Jas. J. Ritchie, a leading barrister of Annapolis, received a hearty and unanimous nomination by a standing vote for Queens and Shelburne. The following resolution was enthusiastically carried: "That this convention desires to express the warmest regard for and confidence in their venerable leader, Sir Charles Tupper, and trusts he may be long spared to lead the conservative party, and that the forthcoming election will place him once more at the helm of state, to effect which object the conservatives of Shelburne and Queens will use their best endeavors."

ST. JOHN EXHIBITION.

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PRIZE LIST.

CLASS 8—HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSES.

Brood mare, any age, not less than 1400 lbs. (2 entries)—W. A. McFate, Golden Grove, 1st.
Filly, 3 years old (1 entry)—Thos. Moriarty, Silver Falls, 1st.
Filly, 2 years old (1 entry)—Thos. Moriarty, Silver Falls, 1st.
Mare, 1 year (1 entry)—Thos. Moriarty, Silver Falls, 1st.
Foal of 1900 (1 entry)—W. A. McFate, Golden Grove, 1st.

CLASS 10—CLYDESDALE IMPORT-ED OR CANADIAN BRED.

Stallion, 4 years and up (5 entries)—Anrew Dunlop, Upper Hainsville, N. B., 1st; Alex. Anderson, Andover, 2nd; John A. Hughes, Pettitodale, 3rd.
Stallion, 2 years (1 entry)—Hugh R. McMahon, Sussex Corner, 1st.
Stallion, 1 year (1 entry)—Thos. Moriarty, Silver Falls, 1st.
Stallion, any age (5 entries)—Thos. Moriarty, Silver Falls, 1st.
Matched team, Clydesdales (1 entry)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st.

CATTLE.

CLASS 14—SHORTHORNS.

Bull, 3 years and up (3 entries)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st; Wm. Vickerson, North River, P. E. I., 2nd; R. D. Whymore, Moncton, 3rd.
Bull, 2 years (3 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st; Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 2nd.
Bull, 1 year (1 entry)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st.

Bull calf, under 1 year (3 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st and 2nd.

Bull calf, under 6 months (3 entries)—Bliss M. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st.

Bull, any age (1 entry)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st.

Cow, 4 years old (5 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st; Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 2nd and 3rd.

Cow, 3 years old (4 entries)—C. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st; Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 2nd; Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 3rd.

Cow, 2 years (3 entries)—Bliss M. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st and 3rd; Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 2nd.

Heifer, 2 years old (4 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st.

Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 2nd.

Heifer, 1 year (4 entries)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st and 3rd; Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 2nd.

Heifer calf, under 1 year (3 entries)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st; Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 2nd.

Heifer calf, under 6 months (2 entries)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st; Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 2nd.

Female, any age (2 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st, diploma.

Herd of 4 bulls and 4 females (3 entries)—Chas. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st; Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 2nd; Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville, 3rd.

Best bull, any age, owned in New Brunswick (2 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st.

Best heifer owned in New Brunswick (2 entries)—Geo. A. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, 1st.

CLASS 17—HEREFORDS.

Bull, 3 years and up (3 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st and 2nd; H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 3rd.

Bull, 1 year old (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Bull, under 1 year and over 6 months (2 entries)—H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 1st and 2nd.

Bull calf, under 6 months (4 entries)—H. Davidson, Annapolis, 1st; W. W. Black, Amherst, 2nd; D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 3rd.

Bull, any age (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Cow, 4 years and up (6 entries)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st; D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 2nd; Humphrey Davidson, Annapolis, 3rd.

Cow, 3 years old (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st; W. W. Black, Amherst, 2nd.

Cow, 2 years old (2 entries)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st; H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 2nd.

Heifer, 2 years (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Heifer, 1 year (3 entries)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st and 2nd; H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 3rd.

Heifer calf, under 1 year (3 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st; W. W. Black, Amherst, 2nd and 3rd.

Heifer calf, under 6 months (4 entries)—H. Davidson, Annapolis, 1st; W. W. Black, Amherst, 2nd; D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 3rd.

Female, any age (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st (diploma).

Herd, 1 bull and 4 females (2 entries)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st; D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 2nd.

Breeder's young herd (3 entries)—W. W. Black, Amherst, 1st; H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 2nd.

N. B. bull, 6 months (3 entries)—H. B. Hall, Gagetown, 1st.

N. B. heifer, 6 mos. (3 entries)—Humphrey Davidson, Annapolis, 1st.

CLASS 18—POLLED ANGUS.

Bull, 3 years and up (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st; Jas. B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 2nd.

Bull, 1 year (1 entry)—James Atkins, Bon Accord, 1st.

Bull calf, under 1 year (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Bull calf, under 6 mos. (3 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st; James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 2nd; Muniac, N. B., 3rd.

Bull, any age (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Cow, 4 years and up (4 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st and 3rd; James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 2nd.

Cow, 3 years (3 entries)—James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 1st and 3rd; J. B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 2nd.

Cow, 2 years old (2 entries)—James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 1st; D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 2nd.

Heifer, 2 years old (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Heifer, 1 year old (2 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st and 2nd; McMahon & Jeffries, Sussex, 3rd.

Heifer calf, under 6 mos. (3 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Calf, under 6 mos. (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st.

Female, any age (3 entries)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, Quebec, 1st and 2nd; McMahon & Jeffries, Sussex, 3rd.

Herd of 1 bull and 4 females (3 entries)—M. H. Parlee, Sussex, 1st and 2nd; McMahon & Jeffries, Sussex, 3rd.

Breeder's young herd, under 2 years (3 entries)—M. H. Parlee, Sussex, 1st and 2nd; McMahon & Jeffries, Sussex, 3rd.

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D. M. Wilson, Moos River, 1st; James B. Adams, Kilmory, 1st.

Young herd, over 2 years (1 entry)—D. M. Wilson, Moos River, 1st.

Best N. B. bull (1 entry)—James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 1st.

Best N. B. cow (1 entry)—James B. Adams, Kilmory, N. B., 1st.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

By Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association for Shorthorns owned in the maritime provinces and recorded in the Dominion Shorthorn Herd Book.

Herd, bull and 4 females, any age (1 entry)—C. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st.

Bull, any age (1 entry)—C. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st.

Female (2 entries)—C. W. Holmes, Amherst, 1st.

CLASS 3.—STANDARD BRED HORSES.

Stallion, 4 years old and upwards (5 entries)—W. S. McKie, Charlottetown, 1st; James Hill, Calais, 2nd; Gallagher Bros., Woodstock, 3rd.

Stallion, 1 year (1 entry)—J. M. Johnson, Calais, 1st.

Three year old filly or gelding (4 entries)—J. M. Johnson, Calais, 1st.

Two year old filly or gelding (1 entry)—E. L. Burpee, Gibson, 1st.

Foal of 1899 (1 entry)—J. M. Johnson, Calais, 1st.

Best breeding mare (4 entries)—J. M. Johnson, Calais, 1st; E. L. Jewett, St. John, 2nd and 3rd.

Standard bred stallion, with five of his progeny (1 entry)—John Berryman, St. John, 1st.

CLASS 4—Carriage Horses.

Brood mare, not more than 1,300 lbs. nor under 1,000 (4 entries)—John B. Gilchrist, Greenwich, N. B., 1st; L. Echebrecht, Little River, N. B., 2nd; H. C. Burpee, Gibson, 3rd.

Filly or gelding, 3 years old (1 entry)—John Berryman, St. John, 1st.

Filly or gelding, 2 years old (4 entries)—R. V. Millidge, St. John, 1st; W. F. Dockendorff, North River, P. E. I., 2nd; C. W. Holmes, Amherst, 3rd.

Yearling filly or gelding—No exhibits.

Foal of 1899 (2 entries)—L. Echebrecht