

Editorial

WAIT AND SEE

The number of prominent Liberals from all over Canada, including Premier King, to address the electors of Northumberland in the interest of Mr. W.B. Snowball, the Liberal candidate in the bye-election in this county on October 7th, has never been heard tell of before in this constituency, and probably in no other constituency. It clearly shows that they are pessimistic of the result and intend to secure the seat at all hazard. But it would make very little difference if all the Liberal orators from the Atlantic to the Pacific came into the county, as the electors of Northumberland have made up their minds, a considerable time ago, that the King Government is not the best administration for Canada and W.B. Snowball is not the representative they want at Ottawa. The electors of this county intend to give tangible proof of this statement on polling day, October 7th. Just wait and see!

THE "ADVOCATE" AND POLITICS

The "Union Advocate" just loves politics. It can't help it. Politics are its life blood. Ever since inception, over 57 years ago it has always been "consistently Conservative." In 1867, the year of the Confederation of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, the "Union Advocate" was founded and derived its name from the fact that it was a follower and supporter of Sir John A. McDonald leader of the Conservative Party and advocated the union of the provinces. From that time to the present moment, it has been Conservative in politics, not because of any monetary advantages, but from a purely PRINCIPLE standpoint.

It is one of the oldest weekly newspapers in Canada today and is in no manner whatever ashamed of the part it has played—in either the political or social welfare of this community. Neither has it any good cause to change its political affiliations and being as old as it is, it should be in a position to know which is the better policy for Canada's government.

We have our politics and admire others for having theirs, even though they do not agree with us—it is a free country. However, the Advocate has no hesitation in reiterating that the Liberal Conservative policy is the better for this country. VOTE FOR HICKEY.

PROOF OF THE PUDDING IS THE EATING THEREOF

Premier King and Mr. W.B. Snowball say it is folly for Northumberland to elect a candidate in opposition to the government but fail to give reasons for such a statement. The Conservatives hold that such is not the fact and have proof to substantiate their denial. Here it is.

The late Hon. John Morrissey, M.P. who was elected in 1921, attended the three sessions of the present Federal Parliament under Premier King and his government. The late Mr. Morrissey was a supporter of the King Government and Northumberland County, knows full well that he was a man who always did his utmost for his county and was also a man, whom it was not easy to put off or refuse anything to, when he went after it. Nevertheless, the only thing that Mr. Morrissey could do for his county in the three years that he represented it, was to get \$1600 for a wharf at Bay du Vin.

This figures out \$533.33 per year as the most that Mr. Morrissey could get for the county of Northumberland. Isn't it disgraceful to think that this county could get no more than this insignificant amount from the King Government. One thing is certain and that is—it was not the late Mr. Morrissey's fault, and it is nonsense to think that Mr. Snowball can do more, if as much, as the late Mr. Morrissey.

Now take for instance, the case of Kent county, which elected last year Mr. A.J. Doucet, M.P. in opposition to the government, and who has only attended one session of the federal parliament. In that one session, Mr. Doucet, a Conservative member, in opposition to the government, got for his county over \$14,000.00 while Northumberland county, which had a member in support of the government only got \$533.33. Is this not proof of the pudding. Vote for Hickey, and

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by so doing enter your protest against such treatment. The opportunity is yours on October 7th. Let it be decisive.

HIS OWN FAULT

The Prime Minister of Canada, Rt. Hon. MacKenzie King, has been here and gone. He addressed large meetings in Newcastle and Chatham and was given good hearings at both places. He is a fluent, clean-cut and intelligent speaker and friends and opponents enjoyed his meetings. It would be nonsense to say that his address here, had no effect on the political opinions of some people. Undoubtedly it had, but whatever good his remarks did for the Liberal candidate, Mr. W.B. Snowball; that gentleman offset that good a hundred fold by the few brief remarks, which he himself made after the Premier had finished.

Mr. Snowball had spoken to the electors of the county at Newcastle in the afternoon and at Chatham in the earlier part of the evening, but nothing would dissuade him from making a few more explanations at the Newcastle meeting again in the evening.

Apparently he finds that it is necessary for him to make a lot of explanations, but he would be well advised if he made fewer. After the Premier had spoken here in the evening, finishing his remarks about 10:30 o'clock, the audience many of whom had yet to drive a long distance to their homes, felt that they had better be on their way, but Mr. Snowball wanted to further detain them a while longer, and started to make some more explanations. A "heckler" in the audience immediately "got" his goat and away he went "into the air," as usual and did himself more harm than good. He has nobody but himself to blame, and he in consequence, lost all the good that Premier King might have done for him.

Because of this he will get very little sympathy from either his supporters or his opponents. It is his own fault. Northumberland does not want a representative who, like the cow that fills the pail with milk, in the next minute, kicks it over. Northumberland wants stability.

EDITORS MAIL

We are not responsible for opinions expressed by writers under this heading. Correspondents would oblige by writing legibly, and on one side of the paper only, name and address (not necessarily for publication) must always be sent. Correspondence should be as concise as possible.

Ed. Note:—We have received a large number of letters bearing on the following matter, but are unable to publish them in their entirety. We, however, publish excerpts from some of the letters received.

Blackville, N.B., Sept. 25 1924.

Editor Advocate,

"Liberals in this parish consider that Chas. J. Morrissey, M.L.A. is entitled to recognition by their party, for the grand and noble stand he is taking in this bye-election. This recognition should be shown at once. If not recognized before election day, I fear the results."

Nelson, N.B., Sept 25 1924

Advocate,

Newcastle, N.B.

Dear Sir:—

"Why is it that Snowball, Copp, Veniot and the rest of the big Liberal political men of this Province refuse to realize that Snowball's chance for election is contingent on C.J. Morrissey's support? Charlie is doing his share in the style, but his friends, resent the

treatment he is being given by leaders of the party. My advice to them is to do something soon and before election day, 7th ult. otherwise let him look out for squalls."

Millerton, N.B., Sept 26 1924

To Advocate Office:—

"Is Northumberland County going to be given the portfolio of Lands and Mines? This is the question the people of this district would like to have answered before election day. If the county does not get this cabinet position, Snowball's defeat in this section is a foregone conclusion."

Newcastle, N.B. Sept 26, 1924

Editor of Advocate:—

"Only a little more than a week now before election day, and up to date we know not whether we are going to see Charlie Morrissey, given his just reward in the way of the portfolio of Lands and Mines. Charlie has stood solidly with the Liberal Party and Snowball in this bye-election, and his friends want to know where he is going to fit in. If he is given this cabinet vacancy it will make a vast difference in the state of the poll in this town. This is not camouflage but the pure essence of truth. Watch the result on election day."

Allainville, N.B. Sept. 24 1924

Union Advocate,

Newcastle, N.B.

Sir:—

Allainville electors are unable to reason out why Morrissey is not given the Lands and Mines vacancy. He has been a good friend to the people in this district and the electors here think that he is capable of administering the department and furthermore that Northumberland County is entitled to it. If he is given it, Mr. Snowball will receive a much larger vote here than he otherwise would get."

Chatham, N.B. Sept. 27, 1924

Union Advocate,

Newcastle,

Dear Sir:—

"A Liberal who knows" struck the nail on the head in your issue of this week. Surely Mr. Snowball is not so dense, not to be able to see that it is his duty to use his influence with Premier Veniot to get the Lands and Mines Department for Northumberland and Morrissey. He is interested in lumbering and Morrissey has stuck to him through thick and thin. Wake up Mr. Snowball, or on election day it will be made so unpleasant for you that your name will be both snowed under and melted out of existence. It is time selfishness was put to one side. It will accomplish nothing.

Rogersville, N.B. Sept. 27, 1924

Editor "Union Advocate"

Newcastle, N.B.

Dear Sir:—

"Rogersville is in a political fermentation. Many are the reasons for this condition of affairs. Things here are not as they were in 1921, when this parish was practically 100% Liberal. That day has passed and October 7th will be an altogether different story. One thing which the electors here are satisfied of, is that Mr. Chas. J. Morrissey, M.L.A. is not responsible for the difficulties, which have arisen in this parish. It would be a very easy matter to say who is. But what I want to point out is, that some of these difficulties can be overcome by appointing Morrissey to the Lands and Mines Department at Fredericton. His many friends here, would like very much to see him given this appointment. It would greatly strengthen Mr. Veniot in this section of the county."

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