

Prince Rupert, B.C.
December 29th., 1921.

General Sir Arthur Currie,
President McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur,-

You will probably have noticed in connection with the election returns that Col. C.W. Peck went down to defeat here. It would at least appear that he will be numbered with those who were defeated but a recount will likely be held after the official count has been made and there is the chance that he may win in consequence of that. The majority in any event will be less than fifty.

It seems too bad that one who has served as well as old Cy has at the front and again as a representative in the House should go down to defeat but that is the chance that is taken in politics. The old Colonel needed the position also as the war left him in anything but good shape financially.

In this riding there was a decided feeling against the Government and in favor of the Liberals, the feeling being that because the Liberal party had conceived the G.T.P. that therefore a Liberal government would put everything in the way of Prince Rupert the terminus of the line.

Cy ran as an Independent and made a good running under the circumstances. He was defeated by a weak selfish party man, "red Stork" whom you may know.

Most of the returned men stayed with the Col. But after what he has done for returned men there should have been no division among them. It is an ungrateful world however and no one learns this better than the one who takes a part in politics.

We have a very disturbing question in the railway proposition in this country. I suppose time will solve it. Living here where everything depends upon the railway development, especially that connected with the old G.T.P. it becomes a very live issue.

I have written too long I fear but felt that you would be interested in knowing the situation as it developed during Col. Peck's campaign, for your experience with him I feel sure has impressed you with the merit of the old Col.

With best wishes for the New Year, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

O. H. Nelson