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THE PEOPLE'S OPPORTUNITY

When the date of the provincial elections was announced there were many electors in doubt as to the course they should pursue. The opposition candidates were not all in the field, and there may have been a doubt as to the calibre of the men who would be nominated. The government press was busy beclouding the issue and seeking to persuade the people that the Murray government was quite a different thing from the Flemming government, and that there would be no serious opposition.

There has been a marked change in the last two weeks. Not only is there opposition in every constituency but the man who looks over the list of names of opposition candidates is convinced that here is material for a strong and capable and honest administration.

There was no doubt in any mind as to what should be done with Premier Murray and the whitewashers of Flemming, if only the opposition put forward worthy candidates. This they have done, and only self interest or an unreasoning partisanship could now prompt electors who want cleaner politics to vote for the return to power of a group of men who have betrayed the trust reposed in them.

The Times is not making any predictions, but it would like to be able to record the fact on the evening of Feb. 24 that the people of New Brunswick, in this trying period in their national life, had refused to be influenced by self-interest or partisanship, and had served notice that men who regard J. K. Flemming as a fit and proper candidate for parliament, and J. K. Pinder and Martin Robichaud as fit and proper candidates for the legislature, are not themselves worthy to be the rulers of the province.

THE CITY TICKET.

W. H. Barnaby.
W. E. Scully.
W. F. Roberts, M. D.
John A. Sinclair.

"Government is business. Good government is the application of business principles to the administration of public affairs."—W. H. Barnaby.

And the opposition convention last evening applied business principles, and selected four candidates admirably qualified to aid in giving this province better government.

These four men need no introduction. They form one of the ablest tickets ever endorsed by a convention in a provincial campaign in St. John. They are representative men with a clean record, and may be relied on to make good the remark of Mr. Barnaby that there will be no more need of royal commissions if they are enabled as members of the legislature to influence the government of the day.

Mr. Barnaby has had a long and successful business career. Mr. Scully is also a successful business man, and has had valuable experience in civic life. Dr. Roberts is not only a widely known physician, but an outstanding leader in temperance work. Mr. Sinclair has taken no part in public affairs, but he is a successful lawyer, and will be able to do great service in that capacity in dealing with bills brought before the legislature. The people of St. John will be serving their own best interests and the interests of the province by electing these four men.

Last night's convention was a great success. Even the Standard says "a goodly number were present." It was harmonious, business-like, aggressive. It was a message to the opposition party throughout New Brunswick that St. John is strongly in the fight for better government, with candidates worthy of universal support. There was no stooping to personal abuse of opponents, but keen criticism; and the most vigorous denunciation of that brand of politics which exalts to leadership men who have been condemned by royal commissions of their own appointing.

Those citizens, if there are any, who have been waiting to learn whether the opposition would put forward able and reputable men as its candidates, are now invited to join with other good citizens in electing the whole ticket. The time is short, and vigorous work is needed, for the government party will use every means within its power to win a victory. All over the province the opposition is lined up for the contest, and St. John should respond by sending Messrs. Barnaby, Scully, Roberts and Sinclair to the legislature, to aid in applying good business principles to the conduct of public affairs.

A group of men whose interest in politics is measured by what they may be able to get in the shape of business favors are eagerly stumping for the government candidates in this city and county. They know that if they succeed their reward will be assured. And the people will pay the bills.

TAKE THEM OUT OF POLITICS

If for no other reason than that it is pledged to take the roads and the crown lands out of politics, the opposition party deserves the support of the people of New Brunswick.

With regard to roads, the people have been getting good promises and bad roads ever since 1908. Now a new man comes along with a new promise, and there is the same chorus of joyous approval from the party press that greeted former announcements. Surely the policy of humbug has prevailed long enough. There should be an end of partisan jobbery, padded accounts, and the whole discreditable story of manipulation and graft.

The case for taking the crown lands out of politics is infinitely stronger. The revelations made before the royal commissions which dealt with the Flemming-Teed-Berry scandal and the shameless activities of Mr. A. J. H. Stewart are the very strongest proof that a change is needed. The whole country is talking about the importance of the conservation of our national resources, and New Brunswick's crown lands are its greatest asset. They should be administered for the public good, and no politician should be given the opportunity to use them for personal or political profit. They should be taken out of politics, and that is what the opposition propose to do. A vote for opposition candidates is a vote for better roads and a better crown land policy. We want no more exposures like those in relation to the hold-up of the lumber operators for $71,000 and the dodging of stumpage dues by a member of the legislature.

The Standard this morning grossly insulted Dr. Roberts and his friends by charging that he is "taking up the fight for a party which stands pledged to nothing more than an act and a referendum, and who, if given power, will not introduce prohibition before July 15th, 1918." Dr. Roberts made his position absolutely clear last evening, as did Mr. W. E. Foster, the leader of the opposition party. The prohibition law is on the statute books. It will be enforced. That is the policy of the opposition party, proclaimed by its leader and endorsed by his supporters. The Standard's attack on Dr. Roberts will be resented by every temperance man who believes in fair play.

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His political opponents are unanimous in their acknowledgement of the integrity and business ability of the opposition leader. That is an important admission. The province needs honest and capable men, as it never needed them before, at the head of its affairs.

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Mr. Elwood Burtt, opposition candidate in York county, declares that if any man will not vote for him without a bottle of rum or a dollar he does not want that vote. If the opposition cannot go in with clean hands it does not want to go in at all.

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There is only one way to get cleaner politics and more honest administration, and that is to turn out the men who have betrayed the people's trust in them. That opportunity is now offered to the people of New Brunswick.

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Mr. J. K. Flemming will soon have cause to ask his friends why they are now so silent as to his merits. He can exhibit the coat of whitewash—which speaks for itself.

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If honor is to be restored to public life in this province the opposition party must be given a chance. The government party has utterly failed to get rid of the grafters.

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The young man who casts his first vote on Feb. 24 should vote for the opposition because it stands for the higher politics, and for honor in public life.

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The state of the roads throughout the province makes political campaigning somewhat difficult, but the people are warming up.

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A vote for Murray is a vote for Flemming, Pinder and Robichaud, of royal commission record.

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Scan the list of opposition candidates all over the province. Is it not a good showing?

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A Suspicion.

"Why is George Washington described as 'First in war and first in peace.'?"

"I dunno," replied Senator Sorghum. "I suppose some one was trying to square him with both the preparedness people and the pacifists."—Washington Star.

Precautions.

The Host (to nervous guest)——Have you seen the presents, old chap?

Nervous Guest—No, but I should like to awfully.

The Host—Well, just a moment, and I'll get a detective to show you around. —London Opinion.

Not Gone Up.

Patience—And don't you find everything higher now than formerly?

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"Not everything?"

"No."

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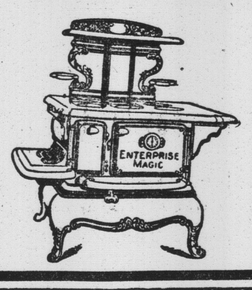

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Westmorland Strong for the Opposition

Moncton, Feb. 14—Enthusiastic meetings are being held in various parts of Westmorland county in the interests of the opposition. At Petitcodiac last evening a largely attended meeting was addressed by the opposition candidates in the county, Hon. F. J. Sweeney, Dr. E. A. Smith, C. M. Leger and Fred Magee. Councillor I. N. Killam presided. Another enthusiastic meeting was held at Steeves Mountain Tuesday evening, when speeches were given by Hon. C. W. Robinson, A. B. Copp, M. P., and Tuttle T. Goodwin, of Moncton. Councillor C. B. Keith, Berry's Mills, presided.

This evening at Irishtown a public meeting was addressed by Dr. E. A. Smith, John A. Doherty, of Moncton, and James A. McQueen, of Shediac. Tomorrow evening an opposition meeting will be held at Scotch Settlement. Speeches will be delivered by Fred Magee and others.

The meeting which was to have been held in Moncton tonight in the interests of the government did not materialize. Premier Murray was advertised as the principal speaker but today the announcement was made that he would come later in the campaign.

Everywhere the opposition candidates go they are accorded a fine reception and their friends are full of confidence.

What a union for two believers is a Christian marriage—to have one life, one desire, one course of life, one service of God in common with one another.—S. Tertullian.

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Relations of U. S. and Germany

Need Not Lead To War At Present

SOME PRECEDENTS QUOTED

Italy Delayed Declaration of War When it Would Have Been Profitable, and Few Hostilities Have Followed Since

When nations sever diplomatic relations with each other, it is as though two men took off their coats, doubled their fists and began warily circling each other. A fight is imminent, but sometimes before the preliminary dance is over some spectator intervenes and the prospective combatants shake hands and adjourn to the nearest dispensary. That is to say, nations at war invariably sever diplomatic relations, but this fact of itself does not mean a state of warfare. However, there is no further step to take but to attack each other. In the present war we have a very remarkable instance of diplomatic relations being severed without actual warfare, even though each of the nations involved was fighting the allies of the other. That is the case of Italy. For months after Italy had been at war with Austria and had severed her diplomatic relations with Germany she was not at war with that power. Finally the declaration was made last September, but even yet the injury that Italy and Germany have been able to inflict upon each other has been trifling and almost wholly confined to German submarine attacks.

The Italian Mystery.

The case is by no means parallel to that now existing between the United States and Germany. The reason for Germany refraining from declaring war upon Italy and resisting all Austria's entreaties to send an army against her was plain enough. Germany had invested tremendous sums of money in Italy. Italians owed Germans great amounts. If war was declared Italy could confiscate all German property in Italy and Italians could write off all debts they owed to Germans. There was not enough Italian capital in Germany to make the deal an even one. Moreover, there were many valuable German ships in Italian ports. These were not permitted to sail of course, and were eventually taken over by the Italian government. They were merely requisitioned, and the Italian government became morally and legally bound to pay Germany for the use of the ships from the time they were requisitioned until the two countries were at war. Once war came the ships became automatically the property of the Italian government.

Kaiser Doubles in Cross.

Eventually Germany was able to withdraw most of her capital from Italy, the necessity for any longer keeping up the pretence of peaceful relations ceased, and war was declared. Germany's course throughout was clear and logical, but no satisfactory explanation of Italy's failure to declare war when she might have profited by it has been given. At the time when Germany and Italy were nominally at peace the Kaiser was promising that if the Central Powers succeeded they would re-establish the temporal powers of the Pope, an attempt which Italy would resist to the death. The Kaiser probably had no intention of thus turning back the hands of the clock, for he has always posed as a great champion of Lutheranism, and even in the stress of war is giving some attention to plans for celebrating this summer the four hundredth anniversary of the publication of the ninety-five theses on the subject of indulgences. It was this publication that laid the foundation for the Lutheran Church.

No Certainty of War.

In the United States there is much more property owned by Germans than American property in Germany, and if war came the United States would have a great advantage in making a seizure. But such a consideration would not enter the head of President Wilson. He does not lust for German property or possessions, and the United States, unlike Italy, may not believe that war is inevitable. The American government is not determined at some future and suitable date to declare war on Germany. Only the loss of American life will bring on a war, and perhaps not even this provocation. For more than thirty years after the execution of the Emperor Maximilian of Mexico, there was a rupture of diplomatic relations between that country and Austria, for Maximilian was a brother of the Austrian Emperor. In the meantime Austrians carried on business in Mexico, and Mexicans traveled in Austria with perfect freedom. In the past the United States has broken off diplomatic relations with Mexico, Nicaragua and Brazil, and Britain has suspended relations with Brazil, but in no case was there war.

A Murder Campaign Feared.

E. Cunliffe Owen, writing in the New York Herald of Monday, says that the chief danger to be apprehended from the present situation is that German reservists in the United States, and the more fanatical of German-Americans, may be emboldened to resume their attacks by means of bombs and poison and whatever other devices are handy, upon munition plants and upon those Americans whom they regard as particularly hostile to Germany. He says that a well known German-born Harvard graduate and instructor, speaking at a New York school last year, expressed the opinion that a German would be perfectly justified in killing such Americans outside the three-mile limit. That is to say, he could and should kill a man like Pierpont Morgan if he could come across him in some secluded spot in Canada or Mexico. The three-mile limit was to be respected only because the United States and Germany were on friendly terms. Now that they appear to be drifting to war these murdering patriots may consider themselves justified in undertaking a campaign of assassination. President Wilson is not by any means the only American, nor the chief American, who needs to be particularly safeguarded.

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