

The Standard

Published by The Standard Limited, 82 Prince William Street, St. John, N. B., Canada.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.
Daily Edition, by Carrier, per year.....\$5.00
Daily Edition, by Mail, per year.....3.00
Semi-Weekly Edition, by Mail, per year.....1.00
Single Copies Two Cents.

TELEPHONE CALLS: Main 1732
Editorial and News.....Main 1746

ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 1912.

MR. COPP'S POLICY.

Mr. Copp comes before the electors of the Province with a platform which contains numerous pledges and promises of reform. Unfortunately for Mr. Copp he also comes before the electors with unclean hands and a record sullied and scarred. How can he expect the electors to accept his pledges of today in the light of his performance of yesterday? While a member of the House of Assembly he accepted fees for work performed for the Government some of which was of a very doubtful character.

His connection with the Central Railway was an offence which the electors should punish by relegating him to private life forever. He accepted a fee of \$1,425 for which he practically did nothing. At least such is the opinion of the Commissioners who held an enquiry into that disgraceful episode in the political history of New Brunswick, which is a monument to the incompetency and dishonesty of the old Administration.

Mr. Copp is also one of the apologists for the failure of the old Government to collect the Territorial Revenue of the Province which, next to the Central Railway scandal, was the greatest scandal in the history of the Province since Confederation. The Central Railway blunder of the old Administration has cost the Province over a million dollars and the failure to collect what was justly due the people from the Public Domain has caused an addition of another million to the permanent debt of the Province.

Mr. Copp knew these things were going on but made no effort to prevent them. Instead he drew fees from the public treasury for legal work of a doubtful character and remained silent regarding the malfeasance of the Government. It is an insult to the intelligence of the electors to ask them to support a Government to be led by a man with the record possessed by Mr. Copp, an insult they will not tolerate.

The Telegraph and Times are today under the direct control of Mr. Pugsley, and Mr. Copp is Mr. Pugsley's selection as Provincial Leader of New Brunswick. By electing Mr. Copp they would be voting for a continuance of suspense accounts and a return to the worst Government the Province ever had.

THE VALLEY RAILWAY.

The Telegraph reprints an article from The Standard a year ago describing the course of the Valley Railway as proposed to the Dominion Government at that time. It was the policy of the present Government to secure railway facilities for the people residing along the valley of the river St. John. In pursuance of that policy a proposition was made in 1908 by the Government of New Brunswick to the Laurier Administration at Ottawa that if the Federal Government would undertake the operation of a railway down the valley of the St. John, the Provincial Government would guarantee the bonds of such a railway to the extent of \$2,000,000.

No answer was received to this proposition whatever, but when a proposal was made for a conference between the two Governments by Mr. Hazen, Mr. Pugsley, after declining to meet Mr. Hazen, wrote a letter in which he set forth the specification of a railroad which, if constructed, the Government of Canada would agree to operate. This specification called for construction of the most expensive character and practically impossible over a portion of the country which the proposed line traversed.

In 1910 the Government of New Brunswick passed an Act agreeing to guarantee the bonds of a railway constructed as Mr. Pugsley proposed, to be operated by the I. C. R., and also giving the Government authority to guarantee the bonds of a railroad to be operated by a private company. No one could be found willing to build the railway proposed by Mr. Pugsley, but a company was found willing to undertake the construction of the less expensive railway and also prepared to furnish guarantees for its operation.

These guarantees were of such a character that the Government of New Brunswick felt justified in asking the Federal Government to turn over the Dominion subsidies to this company, as without the \$6,400 per mile, provided for in the Dominion Subsidy Act, the company would not undertake the construction and operation of the railway. The question was submitted to Mr. Pugsley at Ottawa and the answer of the Dominion Government was that the Dominion subsidy would only be granted to a railway that would afterwards be operated as a part of the Intercolonial.

The refusal of Mr. Pugsley to allow the Dominion subsidies to be applied was simply a continuance of his policy to prevent the construction of the Valley Railway by the Government of New Brunswick. Mr. Hazen was absent in England at the time, attending the coronation of King George, and Mr. Fleming was acting Premier. A Dominion election was pending which it was evident could not be long delayed. Mr. Fleming suggested to Mr. Pugsley that as he would not accept the railway suggested by the Provincial Government, it would be advisable that both Governments should meet and discuss the question.

Mr. Pugsley accepted and the conference was held, resulting in Mr. Pugsley accepting a modification of his original specification for the construction of the railway, and the Government of New Brunswick and the constructing company accepting Intercolonial operation. Had Mr. Pugsley accepted the modifications in his specification some months earlier, the proposal for operation by a private corporation would not have been necessary, but it was so evident that he was attempting to hold up the construction of the railway for political purposes, that unless some decisive step was taken by the Provincial Government the people of the St. John River Valley would be left without railway facilities for an indefinite period. It was only the fear of direful consequences in his own party that compelled him to yield the ground he did in July, 1911.

The Provincial Government have always desired the construction of the railway from St. John to Grand Falls, and Mr. Fleming's attitude since the defeat of the Laurier Administration furnishes the strongest evidence of that desire that is possible to obtain. When the present Dominion Government came into power he resumed negotiations with the new Minister of Railways and was successful in getting much better terms from him than were ever proposed by Mr. Pugsley.

The part taken in this great enterprise by the Opposition has always been censurable. Every obstacle possible has been placed in the path of the Provincial Government to prevent the construction of the railway.

Every act of the Government has been misrepresented by the Opposition press and speakers. The Telegraph even says that Mr. Copp favors the construction of the railway all the way to Grand Falls. On March 22nd of the present year Mr. Copp and every member of the Opposition in the House of Assembly voted against the bill providing for the construction of the railway, the record of which is preserved in the Journals of the House. While Mr. Fleming has been endeavoring day and night to secure the construction of the railway, the Opposition have employed every effort in their power to prevent his building the road. It was only the persistency and courage of Mr. Fleming that secured the railway now under construction from St. John to Grand Falls. The history of the transaction shows that Mr. Pugsley did everything possible to delay construction and to kill the enterprise.

AGRICULTURAL EXPENDITURES.

The criticism is made against the present Provincial Government that they are not spending as much for agriculture in proportion to the revenue received as did the preceding Government. Like most of the criticisms made against the present Administration by their opponents it is not based upon facts, for, as a matter of fact, it will be found that while the old Government spent, approximately, in the last four years of their existence, 3.7 per cent. of their income for that period on agriculture and immigration, the present Government have spent slightly over 4 per cent. of their income on these services during the four years they have been in power.

In making the comparison it must be borne in mind that the old Government received large sums of money from the banks as loans, which did not appear as receipts in the Auditor General's report, but were carried in suspense accounts until they were bonded and added to the public debt. These sums were, however, just as much receipts for the purpose of ordinary expenditure as if they had been obtained from ordinary sources of income.

The figures are as follows:

1904 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	\$ 890,653.61
1905 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	865,637.05
1906 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	887,201.53
1907 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	969,939.23
1907, Proceeds of Bonds (over Expenditure)	197,065.97
1907, Credit Foncier Loan Interest ..	29,289.00
1907, Proceeds of Smallpox Bonds ..	46,000.00
1907, Prov. Hospital over-expenditure ..	22,502.31
1908, Proceeds Oxe-Ex. to Oct. 31, 1907	215,781.40

Total spent on ord. ex. in 4 years .. \$4,134,070.10

The expenditure for agriculture and immigration during the same period was:

1904	\$ 35,487.68
1905	33,979.91
1906	30,987.07
1907	63,426.55

Total

The income of the present Government for the four years of their existence has been as follows:

1908 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	\$1,086,738.34
1909 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	1,259,826.89
1910 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	1,324,440.05
1911 Revenue, as per Auditor's Report..	1,347,077.15

Total

The expenditure for agriculture and immigration for the same period has been as follows:

1908	\$ 37,598.16
1909	46,713.56
1910	61,412.78
1911	56,464.47

Total

Had the present Government only spent proportionately as much for agriculture in the last four years as the old Government did in the preceding four years, the amount would have been \$186,782.89, whereas they spent as the above figures show \$202,188.97, proving conclusively that the charge that the present Government have not spent as large a proportion of revenue on agriculture is entirely unwarranted and false.

THE LIBERAL REVOLT.

While the Telegraph and Times have been calling out in strenuous tones for Liberals to attend the Opposition ward meetings and assist in the defeat of the Government, it is notorious that hundreds who have been identified with the Liberal party for years have failed to respond, and in every ward scores of well known faces are missing among the workers. The revolt within the Liberal party against its present managers is most serious and is certain to bring about the defeat of the six so-called Liberal candidates running in St. John city and county in support of the local Opposition.

Every effort has been made by the candidates chosen by the machine to bring the old Liberals into line and secure them as supporters for their ticket and as workers on election day, but so far they have failed, and the number of the dissatisfied is increasing day by day.

The reason is plain. When Mr. Pugsley was selected as Minister of Public Works and representative of the city and county of St. John, he turned the cold shoulder on many life-long Liberals and sowed the seeds of dissatisfaction which were so manifest at the nomination convention two weeks ago, when the present ticket was chosen. The proceedings of that night made it plain that the ticket does not represent the Liberal party of St. John but only one section of it. Those who compose the other section realize that they have no candidates, a condition they strongly resent. This resentment is so pronounced that hundreds of them will vote against the machine nominees while others will refuse to go to the polls at all.

There is no reason why Liberals should support the Pugsley-Copp combination. When in power Mr. Pugsley gave the Province the most corrupt and worst Government it ever had, and Mr. Copp was one of his most ardent admirers and strongest supporters. Honest Liberals will not be dragged into supporting a Government led by Mr. Copp. It would mean nothing else but a return to the corrupt practices that almost brought the Province to bankruptcy.

The Times last evening admitted that the Liberal party in New Brunswick had been losing ground since 1908. The statement is true as shown by the popular vote cast in the Federal elections of 1908 compared with that cast in the Federal elections of 1911, but this makes its appearance in the Times all the more remarkable.

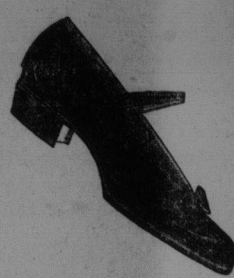
The Telegraph says that the Fleming Government have done nothing to build up the Province. What about the Valley Railway which is now under construction?

The Northumberland deal which made Mr. Tweedie Surveyor General, cost the Province over \$2,000,000.

Confidently Guaranteed
YOU'LL LIKE THE FLAVOR.
Or you get your money back.
35c., 40c., 50c. per lb.

KING COLE TEA

Girls' and Boys' Dressy Shoes
For School Closing



Patent Pump, medium or low heels, \$1.75, 2.00, 2.50 up to \$4.00.
Patent 5 strap Roman Sandals, sizes 11 to 2, \$2.00
Patent Cloth Top Button Boots, \$2.30, 3.00, 4.00
Kid and Patent Ties, \$1.50, 1.75, 2.00 up to \$4.00
Closed Friday Evenings. Open all Day Saturdays until 10:30 p. m.

Francis & Vaughan
19 King Street

45 Successful Years The Last Year the Best of the 45

Thoroughness and progressiveness have always been the dominating ideas in the management of this College; showiness and superficiality, the rocks to be avoided. Our reward has been ample and satisfying.

St. John's cool summer weather makes study during the warmest months just as pleasant as at any other time.

Students can enter at any time.

S. KERR, Principal.

D. MONAHAN
—Retail Dealer In—
FINE BOOTS & SHOES, RUBBERS, GAITERS, ETC.
REPAIR WORK NEATLY DONE.
32 Charlotte Street, St. John, N. B.
Telephone, Main 1921.

The News in Short Meter

LOCAL.

Fire in West End.
About 7:30 yesterday morning a still alarm was sent in for a slight fire in the West End. The assistance of the firemen was not required, however, as the blaze was extinguished before they got there.

High School Entrance Exams.
The High School entrance examinations started yesterday in the primary schools, and in all there were 240 pupils taking the exams. This means that the accommodations of the High School may have to be increased if all the candidates pass.

The Band Concerts.
Representatives of the city banks are asked to meet with Mayor Prink at City Hall this evening to discuss the apportionment of the city grant for the purpose of band concerts.

Civil Service Examinations.
The Canada Gazette publishes the result of the civil service examinations for the outside division, held in May at St. John. The successful candidates were:

Preliminary: Barnes, Harold R.; Belyea, Olive S.; Bland, Fred. A.; Colwell, Oscar S.; Cole, William; Higgins, Herbert; Ingraham, William; Lane, John P.; Leblanc, O. J. O.; McGee, Harold A.; McLeish, A. Leslie; McLellan, William; Rolston, Edwin; Somers, Guy C.; Winton, Leonard; Wiltren, Charles.

Qualifying: Emery, Gret F.; Ferguson, Grace D.; Lane, J. P.; Parker, William S.

Fred. Weldon passed the competitive examination for clerkship in subdivision B, of the inside service.

Police Court.
In the police court yesterday morning hearing in the case of Frank McDermott, charged with pejury, was taken up. The case arose out of a liquor charge made against Louis Fader, who was convicted of selling liquor without a license. The conviction was secured largely on the evidence of McDermott. Fader then laid a charge of pejury against McDermott, and this was the charge heard yesterday. The case was adjourned. Patrick Walsh, charged with being drunk and resisting the police, was fined \$40, while two ordinary drunks were disposed of in the usual way.

COMMENTS ON THE CAMPAIGN

CAPE BRETON'S VIEWS.
(Sydney Daily Post.)

The four years of administration have been fruitful ones under Hon. J. D. Hazen, now in the Dominion Cabinet, and under Hon. Mr. Fleming, his successor, the government has been faithful to its pledges and declarations of policy. The provincial auditor-general has been made an independent official; half a million dollars more revenue has been obtained from the crown lands, and spent in roads and bridges. A school book flog has been smashed, and \$20,000 saved thereby to the people. The Department of Agriculture has been brought to life, and made a real power for good to the farming industry.

Among many other useful projects, Hon. Dr. Landry, the head of that department, is planning the development of great orchards, New Brunswick being peculiarly adapted for apple culture. The "ready made farm" scheme to colonize the unoccupied areas, the St. John River Valley railway project, measures to promote the development of the oil shales in Westmorland and Albert, and of the iron deposits in Gloucester county, advanced in forest conservation, and the prohibition of the export of pulpwood have been instrumental in bringing about a great increase of manufacturing and commercial activity. Premier Fleming's election manifesto commits him to promises to aid the paper industry, and to seek from the Dominion government assurance that redistribution will not lessen New Brunswick's representation in the House of Commons.

In his platform of eighteen planks, Mr. Copp has incorporated a promise to aid in the establishment of cheap rural telephones. For the working man he has an abundance of generosity. His proposal that in all public works the contract shall stipulate that the current rate of wages for competent workmen shall be paid.

That this is so much word juggling has been made quite apparent during the campaign, for the workmen have never received less than the customary wages for the several classes of labor.

The opposition has failed to advance substantial policies in respect of the encouragement of industry, or the development of the natural resources. Criticism has been principally devoted to a deficit of \$56,000 incurred last year. On all points the Fleming government has been able to give a satisfactory account of its stewardship.

DESERTING MR. COPP.

(Moncton Times.)

A feature of the provincial election campaign is the fact that several Liberal journals have either declared their neutrality or give the Fleming government an independent support. The St. John Globe says "it is no easy matter to find any substantial reason" for a decision against the government. It says Mr. Fleming seems to be a hard-working, a determined and an earnest man; that the party opposing him, if returned to power, would simply restore the conditions of political chaos which "existed when the Robydon administration was defeated," and that that is a condition from which "we may pray to be safely delivered." The Chatham Commercial, the leading Liberal journal on the Miramichi, gives the government an independent support and ridicules the idea of serious opposition in Northumberland. The Albert Journal finds the current so strong against Mr. Copp in Albert county that it declares its neutrality in this contest, and the Campbellton Graphic, the only Liberal journal in the Hon. C. H. Labllois's constituency, does likewise.

The Graphic, in explaining its position, says: "Some criticism has been expressed among strongly partisan parties as to the attitude of the Graphic in the present local campaign, and we wish to here state that during this contest the Graphic has deemed it advisable to pursue an independent course. Political meetings and other news of the campaign will be printed just as the facts warrant. Political matter of interest to either political party will be inserted in our columns, but will be charged for at regular advertising rates."

THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.

(Montreal Gazette.)

On nomination day in connection with the elections of a new legislature for New Brunswick, one conservative journal, the Independent Press, in Northumberland failing to put forward a full ticket. Not much importance attaches to this in itself. A good deal is to be paid to the general situation as reflected in the newspapers of the province. The more independent of these are friendly to the government, leaving the opposition only the support of the straight partisan papers. It is a fair sign that the conservative way as the non-partisan press the result should be sure. The non-partisan is often the man who decides which party is to win.

TIME FOR DISAPPEARING.

(Sackville Post.)

Mr. Copp is claiming every county in the province with the exception of York, and no doubt he will be claiming that before the week is out. Mr. Copp gave us the same "dope" four years ago and again last fall, but after the ballots were counted he suddenly disappeared from public view for several days. He will probably do the same thing next Thursday evening.



Grocers are firm friends of Windsor Table Salt. They like to sell it, because it is pure and clean and good. Ask any grocer for his best salt, and he will give you Windsor Salt every time. Not because it costs more—it does not—but because the grocers know that Windsor Table Salt pleases their customers.

WINDSOR TABLE SALT

THE LATEST ACHIEVEMENT OF THE WALTHAM WATCH CO.

THE "EQUITY" \$5.50 WATCH

The Greatest Watch Value Ever Offered

This is a neat model (for Man or Boy). 16s. Open Face. Cased in a screw back and front Nickle case and is guaranteed to be a fine time keeper.

COME AND GET ONE NOW

FERGUSON & PAGE,
Diamond Importers and Jewellers
41 KING ST.

"WORLD"
Babbitt Metal
For General Machine Shop, Mill and Foundry Use, or any place where a Good Metal is required
Price 25c. net per lb.
FREIGHT PAID ON 100 LB. LOTS TO YOUR NEAREST RAILWAY STATION
We know "World" Brand to be a Good Babbitt and will give you satisfaction, even if you are paying a higher price
T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd.
ST. JOHN, N. B.

King George IV Scotch Whisky
Is a Whisky possessing a delicacy of flavour and an aroma seldom found in any other whisky.
The Distillers Company Ltd. Edinburgh.
Best dealers all sell "King George Whisky"

Printing, Bookbinding, Manufacturing Stationers, Up-to-date Methods.
Loose Leaf work and Binders any size or pattern, made in our OWN factory. First-class work guaranteed.
At BARNES & CO. Ltd. 84 Prince William St.

D. K. McLAREN, LIMITED
MANUFACTURERS OF
Genuine English Oak Tanned Leather Belting, Balata Belting
Lace Leather and Belt Fasteners of every Description.
COMPLETE STOCK AT
64 Prince William Street, 'Phone Main 1121, St. John, N. B.

MATCHING, RE-SAWING, PLANING
A Modern House
Is not complete without
ART GLASS WINDOWS

When planning your new house remember that
Murray & Gregory, Ltd.
ST. JOHN, N. B.

Make all kinds of Leaded Glass, Bevel Plates, Mirrors, etc., etc., and sell Plate and Sheet Glass at prices to compete with any firm in Canada. For Bathrooms, Halls, Stair Windows, etc., Art Glass takes the place of blinds and curtains, does not cost any more, has a much nicer appearance and is permanent. Write for designs and prices.

The Christie Woodworking Company, Ltd.
TWO FACTORIES:
245 1-2 City Rd 68-86 Erin St.

WE MAKE Art Glass Domes and Lamp Shades
TO ORDER
Also Art Glass and Mirror Plates of every description.
MARITIME ART GLASS WORKS, Limited
Tel. 1213. W. C. BAUER, Manager, St. John, N. B.

6 Months' Course \$10
COMPLETE COURSE AND POSITION
Bookkeeping or Shorthand
GOOD FOR SHORT TIME
The J. R. CURRIE Commercial Institute,
35 and 37 Union Street, 'Phone: Office, 959; Res., 2223.

Fat, healthy that make too small—with Five R



A. C. S.
WHICH Hay
Mil
Choice Whi
Manitoba O
Telephones W
West St
'New B
Boxed
Every one b
If your groce
ask your frien
PA
CLEMENT
ST. J
B R
MONEY'S WORT
CENT
GU
For quality in
Smoked and S
and Compound
Salad Dressing
handled. All
Phone, wire
GUNN
467 Main St
Fre
Fresh Codfish
JAMES
19 & 20 So
ST. J

MURP
15 C
TURKEYS, CH
WESTERN BE
Everything in
ORANGES
Landing on "SUN"
One car Califor
One car
A. L. C.

BIC
At Cut
Prices
Send for Cut
To Arrive
PR
GANDI
3 and 4