

CERTAIN VICTORY FOR JOHN JARDINE

Candidate is Endorsed By Both Liberal and Labor Elements—Neglect of Conservative Candidate.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

The nomination of John Jardine as the Liberal candidate for Esquimalt is conceded to mean the defeat of the late member, C. E. Pooley, and the winning of the seat by the Liberals. Mr. Jardine, it will be remembered, contested the riding at the last election and came very close to carrying the constituency. The limited time at his disposal on that occasion alone prevented the winning of the seat by him. It was conceded even by the Conservatives that the naming of Mr. Pooley as the party candidate this time would result in the carrying of the constituency by the Liberals. Mr. Jardine, the popular standard bearer of that party, being then understood to be the coming choice.

The Liberal candidate is a very vigorous campaigner. He is well acquainted throughout the riding and is popular with all classes.

So liberal in his views is Mr. Jardine that the labor men of Esquimalt long ago tendered to him their support without opposition if he would consent to stand. Thus Mr. Jardine came out

scientious work performed by Mr. McIntosh during the past three years in the organization of one of the largest and most aggressive Liberal associations in the province. By his work of organization he had placed the Liberal party in Esquimalt in the position which it held as the dominating factor in the coming election.

On a vote being taken it was found that Mr. Jardine was the choice. Mr. McIntosh immediately moved that the nomination of Mr. Jardine be made a unanimous one, and after thanking his friends for their support, spoke of the long and conscientious stand made by the candidate in the interests of the Liberal party. There was no question of the result, both from the personal popularity of the candidate, and also from the unanimous and splendid organization which was behind him. He would undoubtedly receive the support not only of his own party, but also from the Conservatives, who were dissatisfied with the neglect of the district by Mr. Pooley. Mr. Pooley had spoken of his having been 24 years a member for Esquimalt.

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primarily at the instance of the Labor interests in the constituency who regard him as extremely favorable to them. The Liberal Association of the district have also shown their confidence in him by endorsing the candidature so that Mr. Jardine enters the fight uniting the solid Liberal vote and that of the labor men in the riding.

The Liberal candidate is well informed on public questions. He is a good campaigner and a ready speaker. He has lived in the district for many years, always taking a prominent part in all matters of public interest.

The Liberals of the district, with the enthusiasm which goes with the assurance of victory, have entered heartily into the campaign. The convention, which resulted in the final nomination of Mr. Jardine, was probably the most representative ever held in the riding. It was held at Colwood, as previously mentioned on Monday night, and despite the severe weather all but two of the thirty-one delegates selected in the different centers were present. The delegates were as follows:

From Esquimalt—J. Chas. McIntosh, V. L. V. Howard, Wm. Thompson, Henry Fae, Capt. Harris, T. D. Seider, W. W. Pauline, Jas. Flannery, Sidney Thomas, Robert Nunn, Jos. Buscombe and C. N. Tubman.

From Metchoen—H. C. Helgenson, Wm. Witty, W. Harte and Jas. Wallace.

From Colwood—A. N. Wale, C. A. Thompson, J. G. Frazer and Frank Campbell.

From Sooke—Edwin Milne, Sr., J. A. I. French, Edwin Clarke, Adam Godtelle, Jr.

From San Juan—H. E. Newton, T. M. Baird, Sr., F. V. Hobbs and J. J. Baird.

Upon receipt of the report of the credential committee the chairman asked for a motion that the convention proceed to the selection of a candidate, which was duly carried.

H. V. Hobbs, of Port Renfrew, placed before the meeting the name of John Jardine, of Esquimalt, and spoke of his consistent career as a Liberal in Esquimalt, and the faithful work he had performed in the interests of the party. Mr. Jardine, having been the Liberal candidate during the last provincial campaign, he considered he should be given the unanimous support of the convention. H. C. Helgenson, of Metchoen, seconded the motion, and in a few well chosen words asked that the delegates present should support the candidature of Mr. Jardine.

Nominates Mr. McIntosh.

The name of J. Chas. McIntosh, of Esquimalt, was placed before the convention by V. L. V. Howard as the standard bearer of the Liberal interests. He reviewed the hard and con-

but his record had been only one of neglect of time, and he had been conscientious in his studied neglect of the district, and after the second of February Mr. Pooley would no longer have that opportunity. The people, the workers, would be behind the Liberal candidate, and the ultimate result was no longer a matter of conjecture, and the Liberal candidate would be a member in the next House who would attend to and further the best interests of the district.

The convention, with the Liberals present, was immediately turned into a campaign committee, with A. W. McCurdy chairman and J. Chas. McIntosh secretary, and the work of the campaign outlined and commenced with vigor.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to J. Chas. McIntosh by the meeting for the faithful and arduous work he had performed in the interests of the party in Esquimalt, which had placed the means of victory within their hands.

Cheers were given for J. A. Macdonald, the Liberal leader, and John Jardine, the winning candidate for Esquimalt, with a vigor which presaged well for the result.

Mr. Jardine being ill with a gripe was unable to be present, but his interests were well looked after by his friends. The popularity of the candidate was well attested by the number who came to his support from a distance, notably the Port Renfrew delegation, and Edwin Clarke, of Sheringham Point, and the other side of the Island.

Besides the almost complete attendance of the delegates, the hall was crowded with supporters of the party.

The dominating factor was the enthusiastic welcome which the name of the candidate always evoked.

The workers, and Esquimalt is a district of workers, are clearly behind the Liberal candidate.

The popularity of Mr. Jardine and the neglect of the district by Mr. Pooley can only have one result.

A. W. McCurdy made a most efficient chairman.

Mr. Jardine's committee has gone to work on what will be a most vigorous campaign. While no doubt is entertained as to the results, nothing will be done to make absolutely sure of the election of the Liberal candidate. Central committee rooms are being opened next door to the local Liberal headquarters on Douglas street. Rooms will also be opened in Esquimalt, and at other points throughout the riding. Led by one of the most vigorous politicians in the province, there can be no question that a signal victory will go to Liberalism and the cause of labor in Esquimalt district.

EXIT SCHOOL BOARD.

Last Meeting of the Civic Year was Held Tuesday.

Tuesday afternoon the last meeting of the 1901 board of school trustees was held in the secretary's office. The question of heating the schools came up and the present situation was discussed. At the invitation of the board A. Sheret was present and gave his views on the matter.

Pell & Gregory wrote, on behalf of J. Pierson, in reference to their client's claim in regard to the recent cabinet enquiry. In reviewing the case it was found that the applicant had no claim to fees as witness and he will be notified to this effect.

G. W. Smith was appointed janitor of the Central school, and J. Clertius was appointed to a vacant position on the staff of the Boys' Central.

The retiring members of the board made a few appropriate remarks before the meeting closed thanking their fellow trustees for the assistance given to them and expressing mutual esteem.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY.

Mrs. A. B. McNeill Died Very Unexpectedly Wednesday Morning.

Mrs. McNeill, wife of A. B. McNeill, Stanley avenue, who has been ill for nearly two years, died suddenly Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Her death comes as a great shock to her husband, family and friends, as though greatly weakened by the illness, no danger was anticipated.

Mrs. McNeill was born in Paisley, Ont., and came to Victoria upon her marriage, nearly 18 years ago. She survived by her husband and three children.

The funeral will take place Friday.

FIVE NEW SENATORS ARE APPOINTED

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Hon. G. W. Ross and Robert Belfin, ex-M. P. for West Durham, have been called to the senate from Ontario, and Hon. John Gossage and Daniel Gillmor, the defeated candidate in Charlotte, from New Brunswick. A. B. Comeau, a member of the Nova Scotia government without portfolio, has also been called to the senate. This leaves one vacancy for Nova Scotia.

Hon. G. W. Ross is one of the best known public men in Canada. For years under Liberal rule in Ontario he was a member of the government, first in the capacity of minister of education, and later as premier. He is regarded as one of the most finished orators in the Dominion.

Hon. John P. Gossage has been an interesting figure in Canadian politics. He was a member of the New Brunswick legislature from 1861 to 1884. In 1887 he was elected to the House of Commons, and has been returned at each election for Victoria, N. B., since that time. He was a member of Sir John A. Macdonald's government, and succeeding Conservative administrations. He has given the Liberal government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier his hearty support since its accession to power.

Daniel Gillmor has a half interest in the office firm of Chase & Sanborn, of Montreal, but makes his home in Charlotte, N. B. He comes of a good Liberal fighting stock, his father, A. H. Gillmor, having been in politics from the time of Confederation until the death of a few years ago. A. H. Gillmor represented the county of Charlotte, N. B., in the House of Commons from 1867 to 1896.

Robert Belfin, of Bowmanville, is known all over Canada as a breeder and importer of thoroughbred horses. He was elected to the House of Commons in 1896, and again at the bye-election in 1902.

A. H. Comeau is a native of Nova Scotia. He has been a member of the House of Commons as member for Digby since 1890.

GRAND FORKS MAYORALTY.

Protest Against Nomination of J. D. McDonald—The Candidate's Reply.

Grand Forks, Jan. 15.—Great excitement prevails here to-night over the fact that this afternoon ex-Street Commissioner M. B. Cannon filed an official protest against the nomination of J. D. McDonald, one of the mayoralty candidates. The grounds of the protest were that Mr. McDonald did not possess the requisite property qualifications.

Mr. McDonald met the protest by making the necessary declaration of qualification, and will consequently oppose Jeffrey Hamer on Thursday. Mr. McDonald's opponents stated to-night that should he be elected at the polls he will be prevented from taking his seat by an injunction of the courts, while Mr. McDonald protests that he is thoroughly qualified and will fight the qualification question through to the bitter end.

COASTING FATALITY.

Seattle, Jan. 14.—Charles McSorley, of Ballard, 16 years old, is dead as the result of an accident which befell him Saturday afternoon while coasting near Olympia. The boy was sliding down a high speed slide on the coasting sled, when he lost control of it. He slid veered off his proper course, hurling the occupant with such force against a protruding beam that he was killed.

The accident occurred at Lacey, four miles from Olympia, where young McSorley was attending a Catholic school, a Catholic institution. As quickly as possible he was removed to a hospital at Olympia, where he died at 11 o'clock Saturday night. It was the boy's second year at the institution. He received the honors for scholarship in his class of 188 last year.

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