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FORTY-ONE AND FIVE.

DECLARATION DAY PROCEEDINGS—MEMBERS ELECT FOR THIS AND OTHER CONSTITUENCIES—THE OPPOSITION SECURE ONE SEAT IN THIS CITY—HAZEN RETURNED IN SUNBURY.

The political contest ended Wednesday when declaration proceedings announced the members returned to serve the country in support of or in opposition to the Emmerston government. The returns show 41 government and five opposition.

Because of the rumor that had been pretty generally heard throughout the city that there was some irregularity in the returns and that Mr. Wm. Shaw was not present at the election, a large attendance at the court house Wednesday when Sheriff Burdett opened the election court. At 11 o'clock when court opened for the county vote Dr. Stockton had a place at the bar table, very carefully taking down the returns for the county. Mr. John McLeod occupied a seat in the jury boxes, apparently as happy as possible that the seat in the contest had been reached and that a few minutes more would complete the arrangements.

Then Mr. W. K. Reynolds came in, followed shortly after by Mr. Geo. Robertson. Mr. W. A. Lockhart, who was on the scene early, occupied the time till the court opened by a general handshake with the electors present.

Sheriff Burdett, seated by his deputy, then opened the lists and gave the following figures as the result of the balloting for St. John county:

Table with 3 columns: Government, Opposition, Total. Lists names like Simonds, St. Martin, Lancaster, etc.

After these figures were called Messrs. Dams and McLeod were declared representatives of St. John county in the provincial parliament.

Court was adjourned till 12 o'clock, which time was awaited with much impatience by the crowd. At the minute the court room filled. Dr. Alward, Mr. Wm. Shaw and Aid Fordy arrived, and all the political gladiators were present except Mr. McKewen, who was represented by Mr. W. Treisman.

When the court opened the sheriff read the returns of St. John city. There was a very noticeable silence as the returns from the wards were announced, all waiting eagerly to hear the names of the electors, as these were the ones on which the political fate of two men hinged.

The sheriff read the following as the result of the poll in this city:

Table with 3 columns: Government, Opposition, Total. Lists names like Kings, Queens, Prince, etc.

The sheriff waited a few moments for observations or corrections. There being none, he declared Messrs. Robertson, McKewen, Fordy and Shaw as the members elected for St. John city.

The court room was then placed at the disposal of the candidates, elect and defeated. Hon. Mr. Dams moved Dr. Travers to the chair, which was seconded by Dr. Stockton and unanimously carried.

When all was ready for speeches, Mr. Robertson thanked those who voted for him and expressed regret that Mr. Reynolds was defeated. St. John had got in with the rest of the province and he believed would receive justice. The premier today had a right to be proud. He congratulated Mr. Emmerston as a man of ability.

Hon. A. F. Dams thanked the electors for the handsome vote for the government in the county, notwithstanding that he and his colleague were to be snubbed under. He said the charges made against the government had been met and the handsome government vote showed that the electors considered them founded.

Mr. J. Fordy denied that the government bought the voters by rum and money. He felt thankful for the vote he received and would do his best as a representative. He hoped his record would show that he was not a candidate.

Mr. Reynolds said, though defeated, he was glad that St. John had got in with the rest of the province. He said before election a plot was made to defeat him and it had worked out, but he hoped the perpetrator of it would meet his deserved punishment.

That plot was to stop the Catholic vote from Mr. Fordy to Mr. Shaw. It had not fully succeeded, but enough Catholics had voted for Mr. Shaw to give him the election. Mr. Reynolds had been defeated in the house of his friends. Mr. Reynolds dealt with the reason of his being on the losing side, and Mr. Emmerston asked that they should have respect for a representative. They are, he said, 34 per cent of the city electors, and 48 per cent of the county, and Mr. Emmerston asked that they should have respect for a representative. He was a beaten candidate, but retired with the best of feelings towards all, and he heartily congratulated Mr. Shaw.

Mr. W. H. Treisman spoke briefly for Mr. McKewen, who was ill. He thanked the electors for Mr. Shaw's vote and expressed regret that Mr. Reynolds had not been elected.

Mr. Shaw spoke of the change in his own case. He felt proud of the result of his election. He felt grateful to those who had voted for him personally, and also to the friends of Mr. Reynolds who, according to Mr. Reynolds, had voted for him. Mr. Shaw said this was probably the last time he would ever stand here as a candidate. He regretted the fact that he had heard of the orange and green working side by side. There was only one flag to work under—the red, white and blue of England. That was the only flag to fight under. He warmly thanked the electors for their vote.

Dr. Stockton spoke next. After some pleasant remarks he declared that coalition governments are dead in this province and was glad the new government was formed. Without the support and patronage of the dominion government Premier Emmerston would not have elected a corporal's guard. In Madawaska and Victoria the Coalition candidates were defeated. He recognized it as a Liberal victory and congratulated the Premier. He agreed with Mr. Shaw that we are all Canadian, fighting under the old flag.

He also repeated the assertion respecting stampage charges. The public printing is costing nearly twice as much as it should, Mr. Stockton said. He dealt rather severely with the editor of the Fredericton Herald as a government official. He felt that he (Stockton) was unshackled, and that he was not even dead as a political factor, but was free to take his course that he considered in the best interests of the people. He thanked the electors for their vote and expressed the hope that all the promises made would be realized and that there would be no disappointments.

Dr. Alward speaking of his defeat said he did not believe he had any personal enemies. He was a little roughly used in the press, but the fight was over and he forgot it. He thanked the electors and said he was not a person, neither had he been, but he was a friend with them all. Mr. Robertson had said the night before that he was a high spot. He considered the election of Mr. Shaw and Mr. Hazen the bright spots in the campaign. Dr. Alward paid a high tribute to his defeated leader, Dr. Stockton. Mr. Hazen would be in the legislature to fight on the bridge between the opposition and the government. He was a high spot, knowing that one was sure to come up again with a party that had shown such vitality. He thanked the electors and thanked the electors for their vote.

Mr. Lockhart, though defeated, thanked the electors for their vote and declared that one class of citizens, numbering 2,800, had voted for the government. This was a sad admission, but it was not true. Hundreds of honest voters of the class or creed that opposed date had meant had voted the opposite. Mr. Lockhart declared that intimidation, rum and money had won the election for the government. He thanked all who voted for him and whenever he was in St. John to live, and whenever he was needed would be on hand to help the people in their battle against the government.

Dr. Stockton moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Travers. This was seconded by Mr. Robertson and carried unanimously. Dr. Travers thanked the audience and called for cheers for the queen, which were given. The proceedings were then over.

SUNBURY.

Bowen, Feb. 22—As there was considerable controversy throughout the county as to whether Mr. J. D. Hazen was to take a seat in the local parliament, the returns were listened to with much interest. They showed totals as follows: Glazier, 694; Hazen, 687; Harrison, 679; Morrow, 667.

QUEBEC.

GAGTON, Feb. 22—There was a fair attendance at the court room today when the sheriff read the returns of the county showing that Messrs. Farris and Carpenter were returned to parliament by the following figures: Farris, 3,208; Carpenter, 1,209; Woods, 1,175; Hetherington, 1,160.

YORK.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 22—Sheriff Sterling opened his court at 11 o'clock and made the formal announcement of the election of Messrs. Gibson, Thompson, Whitehead and Campbell as the elected candidates. Both government and defeated men spoke. The totals are as follows: Gibson, 3,728; Thompson, 3,727; Whitehead, 3,719; Campbell, 3,684; Black, 2,317; Howe, 2,306; Pinder, 2,196; Pitts, 2,190.

WESTMORLAND.

DOVERHESTER, Feb. 22—Today was declaration day for Westmorland county. The weather is somewhat unpleasant, but despite this fact many persons from different parts of the county managed to be present. The election was opened at 2 o'clock after totalling up the returns the sheriff announced the following returns: Humphrey, opposition, 4,997; Wells, government, 4,984; Robinson, government, 4,028; Melanson, opposition, 4,028; Black, opposition, 3,986; Samson, opposition, 3,885; Robins, government, 3,822; Copp, government, 3,857.

3,857. The candidates then delivered brief speeches in the order of the number of votes. After the candidates had finished, in answer to the repeated calls from the audience Premier Emmerston came forward and spoke for some 15 minutes, dwelling on the grand result throughout the province of New Brunswick. He felt very sorry at the loss of A. D. Richard to his government, but hoped that Mr. Richard was not a temporary absence from the political life of the province. Conservatives at the close of Mr. Emmerston's speech called for Mr. Powell, but, as the Frenchman said, "Powell, she was not there."

KINGS.

HAMPTON, Feb. 22—The contest just closed was one of the most closely contested ever run in this county, but the government comes out of it with three government men. The vote was as follows: Legy, 2,638; Barnes, 2,439; Urban Johnson, 2,322; Goggin, 1,372; B. Johnson, 1,176; Buckfield, 1,116; Campbell, 2,238; Fowler, 2,173; Morrison, 2,088.

KENT.

RICHTON, Feb. 22—The official figures when summoned up today, gave the following result: Legy, 2,638; Barnes, 2,439; Urban Johnson, 2,322; Goggin, 1,372; B. Johnson, 1,176; Buckfield, 1,116; Campbell, 2,238; Fowler, 2,173; Morrison, 2,088.

RESTIGOUCHE.

CAMPBELLTON, Feb. 22—The result of the contest that has been so sharply fought, was declared yesterday by Mr. Mout, 967; Lablino, 933; Bardeley, 854; Calligan, 762.

KINGS RETURNS.

Because of some discrepancies in the telegraphed report we again publish the returns from Kings county. These are correct for every poll:

Table with 3 columns: Government, Opposition, Total. Lists names like Parish, Hampton, Carwell, etc.

CHARLOTTE.

ST. ANDREWS, Feb. 22—Today was declaration day in Charlotte county. The attendance at the court house was small and the speaking by the candidates elected and by the defeated was brief and in a good natured strain.

The following polls were read:

Table with 3 columns: Government, Opposition, Total. Lists names like St. Stephen, Greenwood, etc.

HON. MR. EMMERSTON.

Had to Respond to a Demonstration.

DOVERHESTER, Feb. 22—Last night, about 9 o'clock, many admirers of Hon. H. R. Emmerston collected bareheaded and built a huge bonfire directly opposite the premier's house. In answer to the repeated cheering of the crowd Mr. Emmerston came forth and briefly addressed them, thanking them most heartily for the interest they showed in the government's victory.

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

Passes the House After Four Days of Sharp Debate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—The naval appropriation bill finally passed the house this afternoon after four days' acrimonious debate, most of which was spent upon the question of rehabilitating the naval academy at Annapolis in accordance with the appropriation of half a million in the last naval bill and the proposition to increase the maximum price to be paid for armor plate to \$645 per ton.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Will Be Called Together on March 16.

OTTAWA, Feb. 23—There was a full attendance at today's cabinet meeting, when it was decided to summon parliament for March 16. This will allow of disposal of the debate on the address before Easter.

MAY BE SAFE.

The Fate of the Rev. Mr. Rinhart Still in Doubt—Opinion of the Rev. Mr. Cooper of the China Inland Mission.

"Mr. Rinhart? No, I don't think it is at all necessary to give him up yet. True, we know nothing of his whereabouts, but that does not make the matter serious, when you know the man."

The speaker was the Rev. William Cooper, of Shanghai, China, one of the directors of the China Inland Mission, with whom a "Witness" reporter had an interesting talk in the drawing-room of Mrs. Gray, Radnor street, yesterday.

"He went to China under our board," continued Mr. Cooper, "but severed his connection with us some years ago for the purpose of founding a mission in Tibet. He came to Canada, secured the necessary funds, married, and with his wife and a he started back to the north, far out on ordinary travel routes, for months at a time, during which nothing has been heard of him."

"Needless to say, his wife now, in her great grief, looks for him with sympathy of all. She is an unusually fine person, very much admired by all who know her."

A MISSIONARY'S HOUSE STORY.

"Do you realize, Mr. Cooper, that some western people who have travelled a little in the East, come back with their feet and hands badly shakled? A bright young business man and physician who returned from a trip to China within the last few weeks assured me that he had met a 'body' out there that takes much stock in mission work. For instance—here, he says, is a story well known in Shanghai."

"A missionary was sent money to build a church. He built it and wrote back to the board that as he had a few bricks left he had decided to build himself a house, and now when travellers see the little, they are amazed to see the tiny little house, quite surrounded by a palatial residence."

Just here, instead of looking serious, Mr. Cooper burst into a hearty laugh.

"What do you think of that, do you?" "Oh, yes, we know well in Shanghai. But do you know it is forty years old at the least, and everybody there understands it, though, except the globe-trotter. And you see there was, forty years ago, a balance of the fund on hand to build the church was built, and it was a little more, to complete the house, and then he had a fall, and he was as well as a mile away from his home to his board."

"Having a few bricks left I decided to build a house." The man is living and working in Shanghai today, and I know him. Everybody who knows Shanghai understands the story. Only the globe-trotter swallows it."

TO WHAT DO YOU ATTRIBUTE ALL THE REVOLTS AND RIOTS IN CHINA TODAY?

"Chiefly to the great upheaval at the capital. The Emperor has been deposed, and his reforms too fast. Many of them are very good and badly needed. The Emperor is young and impetuous, and the entire proclamation countermanding every imperial edict. The big official pay her money to further their really schemes and she is happy. One of the main reasons for the reform is the power of the woman in a country which professes to look down on women is one of the marvels of the day. One cause of course is the dense ignorance of the people. They simply don't believe that she does rule. The highest of their selfishness is only a boy; he cannot possibly do all the vast business of this empire."

"Ah, but does. He rules from the Dragon throne. He is the Son of Heaven. Why the graduates of their own universities could not tell you whether the earth is round or square or flat. One of them could not point out his own province on the map. But a few of them are becoming gradually enlightened. They meet western people, get western ideas, see the superiority of western methods. Then they got a few rays of hope from the first reformer, and the withdrawal of these by the dowager empress rouses their indignation and trouble ensues."

"It is a pitiable poverty—starvation staring them over in the face. The country produces enough, but there are no railways to bring the food to the people. They are dying with plenty only a few miles away."

Mr. Cooper has spent many years in

HOW THEY LOST.

CONSERVATIVES OF KINGS SHOUTING TO KEEP THEIR COURAGE UP.

SUMMER, Feb. 21—Now that the smoke of the great political battle has cleared away it is great fun to listen to the many-sided yam being spun by the Conservatives in trying to explain away the crushing defeat administered to the party at the polls all over New Brunswick on Saturday last. In the parish of Sussex the political parties are pretty evenly divided. Previous to the late election the government party here conceded this parish would go against them by about 35 votes, but government workers at the poll on Saturday very soon saw that the majority against them would be considerably larger than anticipated. The opposition were paying as high as \$10 each for votes, and apparently had an unlimited supply of money. George W. Fowler stood at this poll, and Hon. Geo. E. Foster in the days of his prosperity never himself ran an election where he had better workers or more hoodle. When the votes were counted and it was found that the Conservatives had a majority of about 80 they were nearly wild with enthusiasm, but as the returns came in from other places their enthusiasm gradually cooled until it got away down very near the freezing point, and later in the evening when hon. Geo. E. Foster was blessing and Attorney General White addressing by request from the balcony of the Queen Hotel, the multitude which had assembled, only very few Conservatives were to be seen around, and those that were on hand were extremely sad looking countenances. What a boom-swing that Moncton convention was. Hon. Geo. E. Foster, like Haman of old, had his workmen erect a gallows, but he little dreamed that a king, Athanasius, in the shape of Hon. A. G. Blair, would turn up and sentence him to a cruel death on the very gallows which he himself had caused to be built.

THE MISSIONARY'S WORK.

"And what about the direct work of your missionaries in China?"

"Our headquarters, as you know, are in Shanghai. Then we have two training homes in the far interior at Yangchow and Gan King. In these training homes we have two hundred students, but the manners and customs of the country. For instance, a man who would take a cup of tea from his hostess and lay it on the table would be considered not fit for polite society. He must stand up and receive it in both hands. As men who were hindered on a sea beside a woman would be guilty of the gravest impropriety."

"The China Inland Mission has now 806 missionaries, with 160 stations in 15 provinces, and their converts number 1100. The Canadian branch has already in the few years of its existence raised a quarter of a million dollars."

RESCUED MARINERS.

Tell of a Thrilling Rescue in Mid-Ocean.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 22—The British steamship Victoria, Captain Wetherill, arrived here today from Halifax Hampton Roads with four of the crew of the missing Hamburg-American liner Balgaria.

The rescued mariners are: Second Mate E. Schuler, Chief Steward, Carl Lottis and John Schulz and Seaman Wm. Starke. They were picked up by the Victoria from an open boat of the Balgaria when she was heard of on N. longitude 43 W on February 5th.

These, with 15 women and children were picked up by the tank steamer Weeshawan and landed in Porto Del Gada, Azore Islands a week ago. All that have been heard of the crew of 89 men and 41 passengers which the Balgaria had aboard when she sailed from New York for Bremen, January 25, was that she was seen in a disabled condition at 7 a. m., Feb. 5th, and the tank steamer Weeshawan standing by and commencing with her. There was a heavy sea on and his vessel drifted away from the disabled craft, but he steamed toward her and again located her. He saw the men aboard the crippled vessel attempt to lower a boat, and just as soon as they got it, it broke loose from the steamer and drifted away. The four men tried to row back to the Balgaria, but could not approach her on account of high seas. The Victoria was preparing to lower a boat to go to the assistance of those on the Balgaria when the four men came alongside. With considerable difficulty they were taken aboard. During a lull the second officer of the Balgaria, Captain Wetherill, remained in sight of the Balgaria until nightfall, when a hurricane arose and carried the waiting ship miles away. In the morning the Balgaria was not to be seen and the Victoria proceeded on her voyage. The story of the experience of the Balgaria and her passengers and crew as told by Second Officer Charges, is a thrilling one.

EVA'S ESCAPE.

Fourteen-Year-Old Girl Disappeared From Wollaston.

BOWEN, Feb. 22—Police Inspector McKay arrested in this city last night Eva May Elgerly of Wollaston, aged 14, on the charge of stealing diamonds and jewelry to the value of \$500.

The articles were the property of her mother, and were taken four weeks ago, when the girl disappeared from home. She pawned the articles in Boston at a price away below the value, it is alleged. The girl has been going by the name of Mary Lawrence in Boston.

The police say she has been stage struck, and when she was arrested she was at the stage entrance of a well-known Boston theatre.

Maude—Oh, dear! I suppose I shall have to return this ring; for, of course, it is all over between Tom and me.

Maude—For mercy's sake, what's the matter now?

Maude—He went away last night without asking me if I loved him. To think that it should ever come to this!

G. P. R. EQUIPMENT.

Seven Baldwin Engines for Heavy Freight Trains.

TORONTO, Feb. 22—The G. P. R. is bringing a number of engines from United States factories. Seven Baldwin engines for heavy freight work in the west arrived from Philadelphia, and seven more for lighter work in the east were brought through from Richmond, Virginia.

During 1898 6,200,000 passengers were carried over the Ottawa Street Railway.

Thomas Irvine, of Brookville, claims to be a colin of the line of Julius Caesar.