

Addresses at Cedar Hill

Lively Meeting Attended by Mr. Eberts and the Premier.

The Latter's Argument Uttered Demolished by Mr. Sanster's Opponent.

Temperance hall, Cedar Hill, was well filled yesterday evening, when addresses on the political issues of the day were delivered by D. M. Eberts, George Sangster and Premier Martin. The Premier and Mr. Eberts, both for over an hour, each dealing with the issues of the campaign at length. Several spirited passages occurred between the two, and it was conceded that Mr. Martin was one of the best speakers in the province. Mr. George Deane was voted to the chair, and, in his introductory remarks, suggested that the speakers be bound to one hour each. He called upon Mr. Sangster to address the meeting.

Mr. Sangster was loudly applauded on taking the platform. He said a feeling existed in the district that it would be better to have a farmer in the legislature instead of a lawyer. He was thoroughly in accord with the government and approved of its policy. He was a book-keeper until a few years ago, but was now a farmer, and he thought his knowledge of book-keeping would stand him in good stead in the house. He would not be a slave to any party, however. Regarding Mr. Martin's platform, the most important plank was the question of dealing with Oriental immigration. He claimed that the Turner government did not deal properly with that question. Petitions were not much good. He did not think Mr. Dunsmuir was sincere in his promise to discharge all his Chinese in the mines. The proper way to deal with the evil was through the legislature. In regard to the question of railways, he quoted figures showing the subsidies that have been granted railways in this province. He claimed that the average would be \$75,000 per mile. Mr. Turner's railway policy discriminated against the island, he thought. Why had Mr. Turner proposed to put money into the Coast Kootenay railway if it would not pay, as was claimed by the opposition? He thought the road would pay and, besides, be a great advantage to the district. Regarding the policy of the Turner government on revenue and expenditure, it was, he thought, a monstrous one. The appropriations for the district were most inadequate, and when the Senate government met last year, only \$1,000 was available—and the money was spent most injudiciously. Regarding Mr. Eberts, he did not think he had looked after the interests of the district properly. He, on the other hand, had always striven in a private capacity to do all he could to help the district. His assessment of lands by the government was another point the government was weak upon. If elected, he would do his best for the district. (Applause.)

The Premier then spoke, being greeted with applause on coming forward. He was sorry there were no ladies present, as was the case at the other meetings he had addressed. He had had some difficulty in other constituencies in locating his opponents, but, presumably, Mr. Eberts was a supporter of the old Turner party, which was thought no longer a factor in the situation. Mr. Turner said he was no longer a leader, and he thought this involved that Mr. Turner's policy was bad. Mr. Turner was defeated in 1898.

A Voice—No.

Mr. Martin—Well, if a man cannot carry more than 10 seats out of 38, I think he can be said to be defeated.

Continuing, Mr. Martin said the Turner party had no candidates on the mainland and few on the island. They were only seven in all; and if they were all elected they could not do much toward forming a government. The policy of the Turner party was simply "Down Martin." No section of the opposition had in the field more than eight candidates. Mr. Wilson was repudiated as a leader by Mr. Eberts and the others.

Mr. Eberts—No.

Mr. Martin—Then is he your leader?

Mr. Eberts—I did not say I repudiated him. (Applause.)

Continuing, Mr. Martin criticized the platform of the opposition candidates. Regarding the eight-hour law, he had supported it in the house and was supporting it to-day. The other members in the house also supported it. It was not a question of the eight-hour law, but it ought to have been understood by Mr. Eberts and others. He would assume entire responsibility for the law, however. It was thought that the government had been unfairly treated by the opposition. Though there was undoubtedly a depression in mining, it was not owing to the eight-hour law—the war had affected the whole world; but the main reason of the depression was the ill effects of wild-cat speculation.

If the government should be defeated, what could be expected of the opposition? If they voted for Mr. Eberts, who were they voting for?

A Voice—A man. (Applause.)

Mr. Martin did not think that a very satisfactory thing in itself. It was a foolish thing, in his mind, to vote for the opposition, as they were wide apart and had no policy. On the other hand, the government had a well-defined policy, which he thought was a good one for the country. That policy was directly opposed to the policy of the Turner party—which was only to favor a small clique.

Taking up the government's platform, he dealt with each plank, expressing approval of them all and repeating the arguments used at former meetings. In regard to the Mongolian question, he thought it was the proper procedure for the province to deal with passing the prohibiting the influx of Chinese. If such action was irritating to the Dominion government, well, that could be helped. The people of British Columbia must look out for themselves. The Dominion government had disallowed the liquor license act because it was against the law. Refusing licenses to Japanese, well, if Japanese could sell liquor, they were surely entitled to vote. The situation was ridiculous. He would be willing to impose a condition that no bonuses should be given by the government unless it was shown that no Mongolian labor should be employed. He had issued instructions that no timber leases were to be renewed to parties who were employing Japanese. There was no doubt about the province's power to pass prohibitive legislation, and the acts which were disallowed by the Dominion government would be re-enacted.

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Mr. Martin then took up the government's railway policy, repeating the arguments he has used so often in favor of government ownership. Some of the roads would not be paying concerns at first, but ultimately would be a valuable asset of the province. It was not the government's intention to collect any taxation for the loss which might be incurred in the operation of the railway. A new start also would be given to the city of Victoria, which had been neglected by the C. P. R. The Turner government, in connection with the Coast Kootenay road, had offered a bonus of \$4,000 per mile. That indicated that at that time the government had confidence in the road, which they now claimed would not pay. He argued that the people of British Columbia were to-day in the hands of the C. P. R. and the C. N. railway companies. That sort of thing should stop and the people have the cream "as well as the skin milk."

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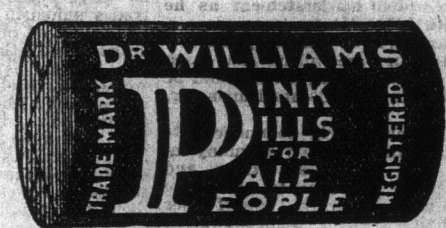
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A Frost At James Bay

Government Candidates Address a Score of Electors at South Park School.

Mr. Martin Seeks Fresh Fields and Pastures New—Compliments for Press.

A chill stillness held sway in the South Park schoolhouse last evening until nearly nine o'clock, at which time the government candidates—minus the premier—looked up the tangled skein of their political work, and inflicted the tale on less than a score of James Bay voters.

After an hour's patient wait, and the audience showing no immediate intention of either growing larger or of taking itself off, Mr. T. C. Sorey, who had been in the vicinity of the platform, and without further ado, and saving any chances of divergence of opinion on the subject, took the chair, and with the remark, "I have nothing new to tell you," explained in a casual way his ideas of state ownership of railways, which was no new thing. His remarks were accepted in the same philosophical manner in which they were offered, and henceforth it will only appear once a month. The war in South Africa has ceased to greatly interest me, for nothing can now do in England will materially affect the result. The same may be said of the war in South Africa.

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PEACE CRUSADE FAILS.

Mr. Ward Admits That the "Stop the War" Business Is Bankrupt.

It is quite true that my paper, "War against War in South Africa," is to cease to exist as a weekly," said Mr. W. T. Ward, a London Daily Mail representative. "I have just sent the last weekly number to press, and henceforth it will only appear once a month. The war in South Africa has ceased to greatly interest me, for nothing can now do in England will materially affect the result. The same may be said of the war in South Africa."

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