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DR. PUGSLEY AGAIN.

The Ottawa despatch to the Toronto World, published in these columns yesterday, confirms the report published in the St. John Globe of a few days ago that Dr. Pugsley will not be called to any spending department in the Federal government. The reconstruction of the Cabinet will not of course take place until some weeks after the return of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from Europe. Then, as The World says, there will be a general shuffle, and it seems to be pretty certain that in this shuffle New Brunswick is to lose the portfolio of Minister of Railways and Canals, the Liberals having decided to pass it to Mr. E. M. Macdonald, of Picton, Nova Scotia. The Department of Militia may be given to New Brunswick, and in this connection Mr. Carvell, of Carleton, is mentioned as the minister. There are some who incline to the view that New Brunswick's representation in the Cabinet will go to a member of the Senate, who may be called in as Secretary of State, and by general consent Senator John V. Ellis will be the man. But whatever doubt there may be as to the placing of the latter two gentlemen, there appears to be absolutely no doubt as to the unanimity of opinion that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not entrust Dr. William Pugsley with any spending department in his cabinet. It also appears that the influences which have prevailed with Sir Wilfrid, if influences were necessary to bring him to a decision, were not wholly from the Liberal representation in this province. There is reason for the belief that Dr. Pugsley has not the respect and confidence of the representatives of the party in the other provinces; and during all the months in which Dr. Pugsley has been endeavoring to prepare a way by which he could get into the government, the rank and file of the party have been impressing upon Sir Wilfrid the wisdom of strengthening the cabinet if possible with men of unimpaired reputation. The cabinet is already admittedly very weak in this respect, and the plea of the rank and file has naturally had its influence. Dr. Pugsley's apparent strength of a few years ago in this province, where public sentiment did not rebel to any very pronounced extent as it does now against reckless expenditure and take-offs and graft, is his weakness to-day, except with "the bosses." His reputation has gone beyond the bounds of the province; he is looked upon as a suspicious quantity in the political life, and a very undesirable factor in these days when public opinion is stoutly demanding prudent government at Ottawa. The wholesome atmosphere at Ottawa. The work of the session of Legislature recently brought to a close has too contributed largely to the pretty general belief that Dr. Pugsley is an exceptionally undesirable influence. The lavishing of large sums of the public money upon his personal friends under circumstances that have aroused public suspicion, and upon friends who have already been mixed up in pulls from the public treasuries, together with a dozen and one other moves having the taint of graft, have naturally had their effect upon public opinion. Under these not surprising conditions, influenced also to some extent by "the local bosses," the Liberals of St. John have been led into a somewhat humiliating position.

PROMENADING PREMIERS.

They have been having a good time over in England, those colonial premiers. What with their freedoms of cities, their banquets, their concerts, their receptions and their other functions, they have been having the time of their lives. Not even the at-

tention bestowed on them on the occasion of the late Queen Victoria's jubilee, or diamond jubilee, approached the tributary entertainments of the present conference. Then happenings of equal and even greater importance, in the eyes of the British people were in progress and consequently the extra hospitality shown to the representatives of the colonies was more or less of an incidental and flimsy nature. Now they have the field to themselves and the most of the occasion is being made for them.

This sort of thing is all very nice, very complimentary to the colonies, and so on, but it isn't business, and the premiers are not over in England for a promenade. They are over there to give all the attention that lies in them to weighty matters, to grave matters of state, to matters upon which depend the future of the greatest empire that is, to matters that will attract the attention of all the civilized nations as showing to how great an extent the unity of the empire can be depended upon and to matters that are thus of concern to the entire world.

In fact, the importance of the conference cannot be exaggerated. Disension might mean the breaking in to fragments of the empire—might mean the fall of the greatest conglomeration of nations and of nationalities that has ever been built up.

On the other hand, unity, hearty unity, will carry a message to the world that Britain exists, that she and her children are one and indivisible, that joy that comes to one comes to all, and that trouble that comes to one comes to all.

If that message finds its way at the close of the convention or conference across the network of cables the peace of the world will be better assured. Mohammedans and Moslems will likely be quieted. Arab agitation allayed. Boers for all time pacified. Mongolian pretensions modified. The yellow peril prove less threatening and the entire world be forced to recognize, for better or for worse, the continued predominance of Britain.

In other words, there was probably never a conference more burdened with destiny. Even a conference, for instance—could hardly be fraught with greater, and certainly not with more permanent consequences.

A recent visitor to England said on his return that no interest was being taken in the then coming conference. The less the serious interest now, the graver the serious interest of the future. Recognize it or not, we are at the parting of the ways. The colonies have grown—at least Canada pre-eminently has—to that time in their lives when the relationship must not be of the governed to the governor, but of full and equal partnership—of a partnership, or better still an affiliation, that permits each to control its own affairs, for the common good as far as possible, but for the individual good at all risks.

Now, towing and adorning smooth the way to the end and win children, but we are past the childish age and without discounting the future to any extensive extent, are entitled to the consideration that one man owes to another—that the greater man of to-day owes to the promising giant of the future.

DR. PUGSLEY AND THE ST. JOHN VALLEY.

The St. John Globe, Liberal, noting the fact that Parliament has decided not to allow the Canadian Northern Railway Co. (Mackenzie & Mann) power to extend its existing line, but to give power to raise money by the issue of bonds to equip its existing roads, says: "It may perhaps be well to add that Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have not been seeking permission from Parliament to build the St. John Valley Railway."

To this the St. John Sun, possibly in the political interests of Dr. Pugsley, replies, at the risk it says of giving the editor of the Globe a heart-ache, whatever that may mean, "that Mackenzie & Mann already have a charter which will enable them to build down the valley of the St. John river."

There is possibly some truth in this, but the difficulty comes in in the fact that the authorized representatives of Mackenzie & Mann have been forced to pledge Parliament that the company will not undertake to extend their road, but instead devote their energies and their means entirely to thoroughly equip their lines in the west.

As against these records of Parliament we have merely the word of Dr. Pugsley, the provincial premier, who has so frequently sought to mislead the people of the St. John Valley; and there is no evidence that he has even a remote idea of what the intentions of Mackenzie & Mann are or have been.

Says the St. John Sun, "If we had the notion that Mr. Borden is not a successful leader, it is largely due to perusal of such Conservative journals as The Toronto World, The Montreal Star and The Halifax Herald," all of which serves to confirm the general opinion that The Sun does not think for itself.

A surplus which appears only on the books of the government will have but one effect, that is of deceiving the people; it won't pay a dollar of indebtedness.

A government which announces a surplus from year to year, and continues to spend more money than it receives will soon find itself in financial straits.

How long can a government endure which arranges to spend \$120,000,000 out of an income of \$80,000,000?

PUGSLEY NOT IN FAVOR.

(Montreal Gazette.)

Ottawa, April 24.—Although Premier Pugsley of New Brunswick, is disposed to quit provincial politics, he having on Saturday accepted the Liberal nomination for St. John city and county, the vacancy created by the lamented death of Dr. Stockton, it is not altogether certain that he will be the next minister of railways and canals. Certainly he will not be Mr. Emmerson's successor if the Liberal delegation from New Brunswick in the Commons have any say in the matter. No one knows here what transpired between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Pugsley at the conference which they had at St. John two weeks ago last Friday. The Premier may have offered the portfolio to Mr. Pugsley, but if so, this selection will not be pleasing to the Liberal rank and file in the Commons. It is currently reported round the lobbies to night that with the exception of one New Brunswick member and the remainder of the Liberal delegation from that Province is in favor of Mr. Carvell, member for Carleton.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. William Bradley and Miss Margaret Bradley of Gibson left this week for St. John in the Canadian West. Mr. M. L. Orchard of the U. N. B. will conduct the services in the Broadway United Baptist Church, Gibson, on Sunday, April 28th, in the absence of Mr. Simpson.

A Horse for Canon Montgomery. The friends and parishioners of Canon Montgomery of Kingsclear have purchased for him a handsome black driving horse formerly owned by Police Officer George Ridout and have also installed at the Rectory at Springhill a telephone. Needless to say the Canon appreciates this kindness.

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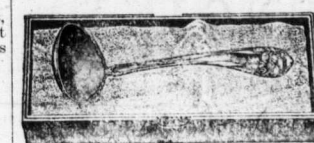
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