

THE NOR'-WESTER.

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EVOLVING ITSELF.

We are not oblivious of what is going on around us. It would be strange, if we were. At the present writing the "mass meeting of the patriots" is still in the future, but the Herald which has been selected as the organ of the salvators by the so-called committee of public safety is kind enough to foreshadow the policy that is to be pursued at the "mass meeting." No doubt the inspiration may be depended upon because one of the "Council" has been commissioned to edit the organ, (it has a new editor every week.) during the progress of the agitation. "Tosay," remarks the editorial agitators in their chosen organ, that we hail with pleasure this proposed action which we are confident will be supported by every citizen in our district would be to express very feebly our entire satisfaction at this early effort to get rid of our shackles and obtain the right of responsible or self government. Then follows the platform to which we give publicity so that our readers may know that everything has been cut and dried by this self-constituted committee:—

- 1st. That the northwest territories be represented in the Dominion Parliament.
2nd. That the Northwest Council be purely elective, and have additional powers and authority.
3rd. That the Calgary reserve, townships 23 and 24, range 1, be opened for settlement, as there no longer exists any reason for their reservation.
4th. That settlers shall have the right to cut all the timber they require for their own use.
5th. The hay tax.
6th. The mining regulations.
7th. That all judicial powers be taken from the Mounted Police in settled centres such as Calgary, McLeod, Medicine Hat, Edmonton, &c.
8th. That no member of the Mounted Police shall have the power to enter, in the discharge of his duty, a private building without a search warrant; and that no member of the force be entitled to any portion of a fine.
9th. To define the respective powers of the N.W.M.P. and the Municipal Police.
10th. That a Gaol and Court House are absolutely necessary to this District.
11th. In order to secure the capture of horse thieves, a telegraph line should be built to Fort McLeod.
12th. That there should be a resident Coroner in each settled district, and that such Coroner should be a medical man.
13th. That a delegation be sent to Ottawa to press these resolutions.
14th. The above resolutions are not hard and fast, but will be subject to discussion and revision by the meeting on Saturday next.
It will be seen that the list is only a repetition of the memorandum of grievances already transmitted to Sir Hector L. Langevin by Mr. Blecker on behalf of the special committee, and which memorandum will occupy the attention of the Cabinet on the return of Sir John A. Macdonald, together with the question of the Calgary reserve, to which the Minister of the Interior is giving his best attention.

The necessity for mass meetings and mischievous agitation has not been clearly shown, nor can it be shown. Perhaps, however, the following radical sentiments from our local contemporary, and written by "one of the committee" will be a sufficient explanation.

THE NORTH-WEST COUNCIL.

"This respectable body is a relic of the past, and as constituted at present with its wretchedly cramped powers, is singularly out of place in the changed circumstances of the North-West. The principle of members in a legislative body having a seat ex-officio, is altogether foreign to the spirit of the age. True it is, that there is provision made for the gradual admission to the Council of elective members, but this does not change the badness of the principle of allowing gentlemen to have a say in the affairs of our government who neither receive the authority from us, nor are in any way answerable to us whether they use that authority well or abuse it. The North-West has outgrown its Council as constituted in the past, and now boldly claims the birthright of every Canadian—the right of self-government. And why should we not have it?"

Were we not Canadians before we came here? In fact are we not as much Canadians here as our fathers, brothers are whom we left in the old home? If this be so, who will be bold enough to say that we are not as capable of self-government as they are? There can be no ground for denying us this our birthright, save the vested interest which the ex-officio members may be supposed to have in the salaries they receive as such members. Certain it is, now that the ball has been set rolling, that it will not stop until all the members of this Council are elective."

Bosh is cheap. The fact remains notwithstanding the above that the nominated members of the North-West Council are by far the ablest and the most independent members. They are head and shoulders above such demagogues as Qu'Appelle Jackson, Bulletin Oliver, and Regino Ross. Some people do not know when they are well off.

The McLeod Gazette would have occupied a portion of our editorial space this issue but for the circumstance that the court has stepped in and taken precedence. Our effort according to the well established rules of journalism must be laid aside until the court has decided the merits of two or three criminal libel suits which our unfriendly McLeod contemporary has on hand. Upon the subject matter of these libel suits we shall not breathe a word while the charges are sub judice; but upon other matters which are not charged in the indictment we may in a general way proceed to remark that by-and-by the Gazette will begin to know that journalism is real, that it is earnest, and that while amateur journalism may have much of the "romantic" and the "beautiful" connected with it, practical journalism must deal with facts and not fiction. The NOR'-WESTER is content to stand by its friends and oppose its enemies. It is and will always be grateful to those who help and encourage its mission. If the Gazette can say this with a clear conscience we will respect it, but we fear it cannot. The role of independence which it professes is, if not sincere—a vain boast—it comes not from a source that can either maintain or defend that alleged independence, and consequently it is as thin as air. If there is any credit in chronic howling which can accomplish nothing our contemporary at McLeod is entitled to that credit, and we shall insist upon seeing that it is given, upon the condition, however, it must first clearly prove that it has accomplished some good by its frequent airing of the "essence of radicalism."

In every small community are to be found those who desire to absorb all the wisdom that may exist. The motive power with these persons is the purest selfishness flanked by a great deal of egotism and heartlessness. When work is to be done these persons are not found in the front; when, however, something is to be gained for individual interests they are found plotting and conspiring against the true interests of the town for the advancement of which they have done nothing. There should be no royal road to public favor, any more than there is to learning, and the men who in these days of progress think they can elbow those out of the way who have earned the gratitude of their fellow citizens will find that they are not only butting their heads against a stone fortress, but that they are jeopardizing the few brains with which God in his infinite mercy has kindly endowed them.

Recently at Wolsley there was a mass meeting on North-West matters. The question of territorial representation came up, and after being thoroughly discussed it was relegated to a special committee composed of four members of the North-West Council to report upon. Elsewhere we give the names of the members together with the resolution. Here our agi-

tators appear so far to have ignored the member for the North-West Council, just as the farmer's union last winter undertook, at first, to ignore the Manitoba government; but in the end they had to seek Norquay and his government or take the consequence of being recognized as out and out revolutionists.

We are perfectly certain that the Minister of the Interior has no other intention than that of acting honestly and justly towards those settlers in this district who are claiming their patents. Those parties who are endeavoring to prejudice the settlers by telling them absurd stories in the hope of creating mischief have neither authority nor truth on their side. There is no doubt that Sir David Macpherson will take care to treat properly and liberally the case of every settler; and that the matter will occupy the prompt attention of the Cabinet as soon as Sir John A. Macdonald returns.

The Grand Cross of the Bath has been conferred upon the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald in recognition of his distinguished services as a Colonial statesman. Sir John's traditional enemies, of course, are making their customary unfavorable comments and many of them are annoyed at the English Premier because he made the recommendation. The Grand Cross is one of England's highest gifts, and it has never been unworthily bestowed. May Canada's greatest statesman long live to wear one of the highest honors that Imperial government can bestow.

The coming celebration which takes place in Toronto about the middle of next month in honor of Sir John A. Macdonald's fortieth anniversary of public life will be the grandest celebration of the kind that has ever taken place in the Dominion, and on the occasion the warmest enthusiasm will manifest itself for the man who has done more to make Canada a great country than could possibly have been done by a regiment of his stoutest opponents in a lifetime.

Mr. Davin, in a despatch to the Leader, urges the question of territorial representation. Mr. Davin has been too long away from the North-West to know the little game that Qu'Appelle Jackson is playing. We are glad to see that Mr. Smith, Acting Editor of the Leader, has been shrewd enough to see the nature of the influences by which Messrs. Jackson and Ross conceive a mischievous point. Extreme vigilance is the price of honest journalism in the North-West.

The Moose Jaw News says:—"Had Blaine's record been morally clean, or had the Republican convention chosen a candidate of unimpeachable moral character his election would have been sure. Had Cleveland's history, on the other hand been from the dark stain of immorality, his majority would have been vastly greater." After all what does our respected contemporary know about it?

The Moose Jaw News which makes great professions of independence endorses the Edmonton Bulletin, the McLeod Gazette and that original of all journalistic conceptions, the Elbow Gleaner. We don't know what the intelligence of the average citizen of Moose Jaw is, but we have a suspicion that if he is as "independent" as the News is he is quite capable of misleading. "Independent journalism in the North-West is the veriest fiction—it is a disguise under which is concealed the man from Smith's Corners."

Canadian Free Traders imagine that free trade with the Dominion will be brought about because Cleveland has been elected President of the United States. They forget that the Democrats party is itself divided upon this question, and that the Dominion itself has a very important say in the matter.

No one will quarrel with the "Citizens' platform;" we all support it. Every party or clique in every municipality in the Dominion, annually lays down one similar to it. But it does not captivate with its originality, there is an oddness about it which is most striking. Public purity is the preponderating sentiment and it is published over the name of Mr. J. E. Ashdover, a gentleman who has a keen scent for casual advantages, and who is popularly supposed to have a finger in every contract that comes within his reach. He had one all to himself a short time ago, but managed to be unsatisfactory to the corporation that he went out, paying four hundred dollars for his release.—Winnipeg Times.

PROCLAMATION MUNICIPALITY OF THE Town of Calgary

PUBLIC notice is hereby given that in obedience to an order of His Honor the Lieut. Governor, dated the 12th instant, appointing me Returning Officer to hold the election of the first Council, for the municipality addressed to be composed of a Mayor and four Councillors, I require the presence of the Electors of the said Municipality at Calgary Town Hall, within the said municipality, on Wednesday, 26th of November, from ten o'clock a.m. to twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of nominating the members of the said Council, and that in case a Poll becomes necessary, such Poll will be open on

Wednesday, 3rd December, which poll shall be kept open from nine o'clock a.m. until five o'clock p.m. of the said day.

Further notice is hereby given that the first meeting of the Council aforesaid shall be held at Calgary Town Hall, in the said Town of Calgary, at ten o'clock on the day immediately following the election of members thereof.

Of which all persons are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand at Calgary this 17th day of November, 1894.

GEO. B. ELLIOTT, Returning Officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ALL persons, including Lessees of grazing lands, are hereby required to take notice that the cutting of timber on the public lands without authority from the Minister of the Interior, or the Local Crown Timber Agent of Dominion Lands for the District, is forbidden by law, and all timber so cut without authority is liable to seizure and to be dealt with as the Minister of the Interior may direct.

Each settler on a homestead quarter section not having timber on it, may, on application to the Local Agent of Dominion Lands, purchase a wood lot not exceeding twenty acres in extent, at five dollars per acre.

Any person other than a homestead settler desiring permission to cut timber, must make application therefor to the Minister of the Interior, who will deal with such application according to law.

Persons who have already cut timber without authority, must pay the dues thereon to the Crown Timber Agent at his office, on or before the 1st of May, 1895; otherwise the said timber will be confiscated under the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act.

(Signed) A. M. BURGESS, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Post Office Inspector, will be received at the Post Office at Prince Albert, on or before the 1st of November, 1894, for the purpose of carrying the mails, on a proposed contract for four years, once per week each way, between

PRINCE ALBERT AND PUCKAHU,

from the 1st of January next. The conveyance to be made on horseback or in a suitable vehicle. The mails to leave Prince Albert on Tuesday at 8 o'clock a.m., and arrive at Puckahu at 11:45 a.m., leave Puckahu same day at 2 o'clock p.m., and arrive at Prince Albert at 5:45 p.m. Or if more suitable for persons tendering leave Puckahu on Tuesday at 8 a.m. and arrive at Prince Albert at 11:45 a.m., and leave Prince Albert same day at 1:15 p.m., and arrive at Puckahu at 5 p.m. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office at Prince Albert and Puckahu, or at the office of the undersigned.

W. W. McLEOD, P. O. Inspector. Post Office Inspector's Office, Winnipeg, Oct., 1894.

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NOR'-WEST

Regina. A public meeting of the town in the Wolsley district the 7th inst. A series of papers advocating the opening of the Bay Route, and the latter being a... "Whereas we the electors of Wolsley, in the learned with pleasure the of the Dominion Government session of Parliament, to for the representation of ritories in the Feder Canada.

"And whereas we ha believe that the present District of Assiniboia is a... "And whereas, owing richness of the soil, the p... tured all over the said Di... nation of two members... inadequate to the arduou... formed.

"And whereas we belie... tilled to just represent... good would result from... Therefore be it resolve... opinion of this meeting, v... less than four represent... of Assiniboia."

The following resolutio... and carried:—"Resolved That this... that Mr. Jackson, Mr. W... and Mr. Ross, members... to take such action and... they in their good judgm... place the subject matter... Government, and press u... importance of the adoption... early a date as possible."

Edmonton

C. Carson's farm instruct... who arrived on Tuesday, re... in that locality, but sixteen... The first snow came about... and has remained ever since... the depth is about a foot... Cook and from there to... some. Fishing is bette... season than for some time... Indians are well supplied... are making a good hunt an... tested. Crops were some... but are not altogether... large number of buildings... this summer in connection... including a dwelling 18x24... 2x0, storehouse 22x28, at... storehouse at the stamb... river, five or six miles... month of Saddle Lake C... buildings are all of tid... shingled roofs and will be... a couple of months.

Jan. Levy, of the Saakin... ing company, arrived on... accompanied by Mr. Macd... employ. The boiler of the... ing some 7,000 pounds... north side of the Red... freezing of the ground, be... on. The machine works... principle and is very powe... Steps are being taken to... district in Edmonton nigh... school ordinance of 1894... question will take place... on Wednesday, December... French and English will... week.

NEWS D

Indian fighting is going... The cholera is again ju... The cholera mortality... Paris. The Congo Conference... Letters had been receive... Berlin. After all Ontario has... harvest. The Federal Bank defic... at \$2,800,000. Hon. Mr. Mackenzie ha... with paralysis. Chinese Gordon is all rig... for five months. The Cameron Highlande... the last Sunday. Matthew Arnold is Abor... headed tour in America. Mathew Prayn, of Na... awarded the seat in Leu... Jamaica has concluded m... mission. That will settle... The franchise Bill has... reading in the House of L... Sir John A. Macdonald... land for home on the 29th... The promotion examina... Service are postponed unt... The Provincial Conventio... to Sir John have been de... December 17th and 18th. Supplementary letter pa... issued to the Alberta Lun... ing an increase of capita... a bill.

Attorney-General Davin... amba, has gone to the No... hold a commission of enq... Indians troubles. The National Stockmen... assembled in session at C... Mr. Blicher of the Canad... way attended the conven... Our Canadian voyageurs... Halls, a week ago last Sun... good condition. They ha...