

RECIPROCITY CAMPAIGN GOES WITH A SWING ALL OVER THE DOMINION

LANCASTER SHOW WAS THE MAN BE THE MAN

Rousing Organization Meeting Predicts Big Majority for Liberal Candidate in the City and County--Stirring Speeches Heard and Marked Enthusiasm Shown

A large crowd of enthusiastic electors met in Temperance Hall, Parville, last night, to effect the organization of the Liberal party in that district. The big attending and the earnestness displayed by those present indicated in the most positive manner the unity and strength of the Liberal party in that section of the county. The meeting marked the firing of the first gun of the campaign in Lancaster, and the electors who were in attendance showed unmistakably their intention to carry the battle to a successful issue.

In opening his remarks Dr. Curran said that he had not always been a member of the Liberal party and was not bound to its own judgment. He was not advocating the adoption of the reciprocity agreement simply because it was the dictate of the Liberal party but because he had decided, after weeks of careful study, that it was for the best interests of the people to do his utmost to return to power the party which was entitled to be returned to power on their past record alone and he did not doubt that they would be. The fact that they had staked the result on the people's judgment regarding reciprocity made the result doubly sure. We are free of all Canadians, he said, and such a measure, which is destined to make Canada the most prosperous and successful section of the British Empire should always carry patriotic Canadians to a determination to do his utmost to return to power the party which is pledged to its adoption.

The wild attempts of the Conservatives to cast doubts on the loyalty of the Liberal party were flouted by the speaker. He pointed out the practical evidence of the party's loyalty to the Empire and asked what the Conservatives had ever done to entitle them to say that they were the only patriotic party in the country.

Mr. Lowell's Fine Record. It is unnecessary, he said, to say anything about Mr. Lowell's claims for support in a constituency where his personality and his record are so well known. He asked, however, for support for Mr. Lowell as the representative of the party which has the real interests of Canada at heart and which would guard these interests and promote the welfare of the nation by securing the adoption of the Reciprocity agreement.

The conclusion of Dr. Curran's speech was marked by vigorous applause and the meeting then proceeded to the work of organization. W. F. Barnhill was unanimously elected chairman for the party and Joseph L. O'Brien was chosen as secretary. In order to secure the best results it was decided to effect additional organization for Beauséjour and Milford to look after the details of the work in these sections. The representatives of the former place immediately got together and elected Wm. McKee chairman and Charles Russell secretary. The representatives of the latter district and arrangements for this were made in the hands of the party chairman. In discussing the prospects of the party after the meeting, several gentlemen who are close to the situation and who are well known to the electors, declared with the utmost confidence that Mr. Lowell will receive the biggest majority of votes in the county and that he will be sent to Ottawa from St. John county on the 23rd of August.

W. J. Mahoney, who was the first speaker, congratulated the electors on the choice of a representative for the county and spoke in glowing terms of the candidate, his past record and his prospects in the approaching fight. Taking up the subject of reciprocity, on which the election is being fought, he outlined some of its principal provisions and showed how their adoption would benefit the country as a whole and this province in particular. He showed clearly how the farmers would benefit by improvement in the prices which they would be able to secure for their hay and other farm products, and how this would increase the general prosperity of the province. The great stimulus which the lumbering industry would receive with the consequent benefit to the men engaged in lumbering and mill work was pointed out by the speaker. The effect of the treaty on the fishermen was also shown to be greatly to their advantage. Mr. Lewis, who followed, also dwelt on the advantages of reciprocity. He urged his hearers to study the matter carefully and without bias, assuring them that by so doing they could not fail to convince themselves of the advantages of entering into such an agreement with the United States. He traced the history of reciprocity from its inception, showing that the greatest minds of both parties had united in their approval of the principle involved and referring to the very practical benefits which the country had reaped during the period in which reciprocity had previously been in force. The speaker pointed out that the financiers of the country had always been quite willing to avail themselves of their opportunities to profit their money as they saw fit, and that the same privilege should not be given to the farmer and other producers of the country. He declared that the opposition to the agreement arose from selfish class interests and called on the electors to rise to the defence of the common people and the trade agreement which had been framed for their benefit. Speaking of the candidate he said that it was unnecessary to eulogize James Lowell in a section where he was so well known. He held Mr. Lowell up as worthy of their support on the record which he had won by his devotion to the interests of his constituents in the past. He commended Mr. Lowell to President Roosevelt in his energy and his ability to secure results and asked for the co-operation of every elector in securing the election of a man who was peculiarly suited to represent the county in the Federal House.

Dr. L. M. Curran was the next speaker and in a vigorous and telling address laid before the meeting some of the chief claims of the Liberal party for the support of the people and exposed the fallacy of some of the arguments of the opposition. It is depending in their efforts to discredit the Liberal party at an early date.

PRINCE WILLIAM STREET SITE FOR NEW POST OFFICE

Bayard Building and Lot Adjoining Recommended -St. John Firm Gets Contract to Build Suction Dredge for St. John River Work

Ottawa, Aug. 22--Hon. Dr. Pugsley will leave for St. John tomorrow, travelling by the Ocean Limited. He is recommended for the new post office at St. John, which has been received from the post office department and approved by an expert. The site of the new building, which has been dredged out by the public works department, is to be situated in the crown lands between the Bayard building and the rest of the site being unoccupied ground. If the recommendation is approved by the minister of public works the land will be acquired by expropriation through the Exchequer Court. It is expected that the cost will not exceed \$40,000, which officials regard as very reasonable, being less than \$2 a foot, including the suction dredging.

It is intended to erect upon the site a handsome building of a character similar to the new Winnipeg post office which is greatly admired.

The Bayard building, belonging to the White & Clark, Knowlton & Gilchrist, and the Great West Life Insurance Company. The proposed purchase includes the Bayard building and the vacant south of it.

Three Great British contracting firms have tendered for the construction of dry dock, breakwater and wharves at Courtenay Bay. This means an immense development at St. John East, thanks to the efforts of Hon. Dr. Pugsley.

GOVERNMENT IS ATTACKED IN HOUSE BY KIER HARDIE

Charges Aiding of Railways in Strike--Lloyd George Answers and Matters are Lively

London, Aug. 22--There was a lively passage between James Kier Hardie, the socialist leader, and David Lloyd George, the chancellor of the exchequer, during today's session of parliament.

Mr. Hardie accused the government of taking the side of the railway directors in the strike, and said if the government had brought the same pressure to bear on the directors as it had on the men there would have been no strike. He declared vehemently that the men who had been shot down by troops during the strike "were murdered in the interests of the capitalist system." As a protest against the conduct of the government he moved as an amendment to the motion for adjournment that the house of commons adjourn to August 29 instead of October 24.

Mr. Lloyd George replied that the great confederation had been put out but that they will smothering fire here and here about the country which at any moment might burst into flames. He declared he would not be a party to any such a disaster and perhaps cause the men to find away what their leaders had done.

Mr. Hardie's amendment to the motion to adjourn was then defeated by a vote of 93 to 18.

James Ramsay MacDonald, chairman of the Labor party, who took a prominent part in the negotiations for a settlement, was optimistic and told them if the spirit shown on both sides during the rupture of the negotiations prevailed in future, the country had heard the last of railway strikes. However, he was unable to resist making a heated denunciation of Home Secretary Churchill and the employment of soldiers during the strike. He declared that the department which had played the most diabolical part during the whole unrest was the home office. Mr. Churchill's bulls in the situation, he said, were "mischievous and inaccurate and the expression of opinions therein were not sensible and the effect was to make men more desirous of continuing the fighting than coming to a settlement."

Mr. Churchill's return to Mr. MacDonald was that if the Llanelli rioters had been left to themselves they would have wrought more damage and misery in two or three hours than the whole 50,000 troops employed in strike duty.

The home secretary maintained that the wholesale employment of soldiers was necessary to prevent undue loss of life. Mr. Churchill held that if the authors of the strike had succeeded in their intentions they would have brought about a catastrophe compared with which the effect of a blockade by a foreign enemy would have been almost negligible.

"In order to condemn, on principle, any treaty of reciprocity, one must first contend that Sir John Macdonald was neither a Conservative nor a protectionist, that he was an enemy of the Empire and of the Canadian confederation; and bring true Conservatives and the people at large to accept that contention." From "The Reciprocity Agreement," by Henri Bourassa.

PREMIER IS HITTING HARD

Sir Wilfrid Gives Bourassa and Sifton Some Things to Think About

TORIES IN MUTINY

Ontario Party Men Favor Reciprocity and Will Oppose Machine Candidate--News of the Political Campaign

Montreal, Aug. 22--Sir Wilfrid Laurier spent the busiest day of his campaign to date, leaving this city at 8 a. m. he journeyed to St. Hyacinthe to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Beaupart, M. P. Returning noon he dashed across the city from one station to another on his way to St. Eustache, where he addressed a meeting this afternoon, and hardly was this meeting over before he was again upon the move, hurrying to Amqui, where this evening he presented the Liberal platform to the electors of that district.

At the St. Eustache meeting Sir Wilfrid dealt with the Nationalists in a bitter vein. With vehement gestures and stinging phrases, Sir Wilfrid characterized Bourassa as a false and deceiver. Mr. Bourassa had tried to persuade the people that reciprocity would follow the way in this he lied, and knew that he lied.

Mr. Bourassa did not know his own mind, he gave a greater match, passed the daily paper to a commercial man and worked the conversation round so that every man present had a word to say.

With everybody attentive he launched into the subject of reciprocity and no man ever heard a better presentation of the question, or a better presentation of the great benefits to be derived from it.

Incidentally, he remarked that he was from Buffalo (N. Y.), that he was intimate with several of the men close to President Taft and wound up an argument overlying with pictures of Canada's great progress which he hoped the full benefit of reciprocity and became part of the great republic to follow his ad-

I heard him again in a crowded hotel in the same way, the same talk and the same result. He was in the city of St. John, N. B., and he is expected to undermine the faith of the people in the leader of the Liberal party.

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THE HAY TRADE AND RECIPROCITY

(Trade Bulletin, Montreal, Independent) The following appeared in the "Star" of July 31--"Mr. G. Girard sold at the Haymarket Square today, hay at \$10.00 per ton."

"Five years ago," Mr. Girard sold hay at the same place at \$6 a ton.

"Do the hay-growers of the province of Quebec want to revert to the conditions of five years ago?"

If the "Star" thinks the farmers of this province are so ignorant as to be caught by such political clap trap as that, our contemporary will find itself greatly mistaken in any event we are bound to see high prices during the coming season whether we have reciprocity or not, but should the agreement with our neighbors be ratified at the polls as no doubt they will be on September 21 next the price of hay will be higher still, through the removal of \$4 per ton on our hay going to the States. It is fortunate for producers of hay in this province and Eastern Ontario, that the hay crop although not as large as that of last year, the deficiency will be fully compensated by the much better quality of this season's yield. Not only will the United States want our hay, but England will be a customer for our surplus production. So that the prospects for the farmers of this province are good in any case; but they will be still further improved if they have free admission into the United States for their hay.

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The agreement affords an ample measure of reciprocity, the application of which cannot but foster agriculture, and thereby benefit the vast majority of the Canadian people. And such advantages do not appear to be acquired at the expense of Canadian industry." From "The Reciprocity Agreement," by Henri Bourassa.

LIBERAL DANCES IN MANY PARTS OF THE PROVINCE

Rousing Meeting in Woodstock Assures Victory for F. B. Carvell--Plaster Rock Hears Messrs. Carvell and Michaud--List of Kings County Meetings

Woodstock, N. B., Aug. 22--The vigor of the Liberal party in the town of Woodstock and the enthusiasm in the cause of reciprocity was splendidly shown this evening, when the opening rally of the Liberal Club for this campaign was held. The club rooms on Queen street failed to accommodate nearly all of those who sought admission. All through the evening numbers stood about the doorway unable to secure seats within. From the opening of the meeting until the close the greatest interest was shown in the speeches and enthusiasm and a keen determination to win a great victory on polling day was evident.

Dr. N. P. Grant was the chairman. The first speaker was F. B. Carvell, who was elected the host of the evening. Mr. Carvell spoke for about an hour, taking up the various phases of the reciprocity question. Among other points which he took up was the question of the effect of the trade agreement upon the laboring man. He showed clearly that the increased demand for labor and the increased wages which must result from reciprocity would far more than equal any slight advance which there might possibly come.

He took up also the different alleged objections raised against the agreement by opponents of the measure and in a conclusive way showed that the arguments made by the persons who are fighting the trade pact contradict one another in every instance.

Some attention was given to the loyalty rally raised so audaciously by opponents of the measure, and he dealt with it in a manner which brought hearty cheers from the audience.

He also showed up the contemptible excess which is being used by certain Conservatives in this county, who are seeking to raise the race and religious cry in scolding the Liberal party. He showed up these contemptible tactics calculated to stir up dissension in a country where harmony should reign, and he declared that he was able to bring home to Hon. J. K. Fleming himself, who has approached the Liberal candidate for the district, also.

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WHAT RECIPROCITY MEANS FOR THE MAN WHO MAKES CHEESE

The average price of cheese in Montreal for the first half of 1911 was 12 cents per pound.

The average price for the same period in New York was 14.48.

In Chicago 14.81.

In Boston 14.12.

Does the Canadian cheesemaker want access to the American market?--Montreal Herald.

Liberal Ward Rooms

The Liberal Ward Rooms for the various wards are located as follows:--

Queens, Dukes, Sydney Kings O'Brien's, 85 Germain Street

Wellington Oddfellows Hall, 35 Union Street

Princes C. A. C. Rooms, 22 Waterloo Street (over Joe Dalzell's)

Victoria Victoria Rink

Dufferin 609 Main Street (next McConnell's Grocery)

Lorne, Lansdowne, Stanley Temple of Honor Hall, Main Street

Guy's Oddfellows Hall, West End

Brooks McCanlay's Building, St. John Street

IN THE CITY WARDS

The fight is on and the Liberal workers of the city and province are closing their ranks for the contest which gives such excellent promise of resulting in glorious victory on September 21 next.

The ward meetings at the various headquarters throughout the city were largely attended and in some cases men were seen actual work on the lists has been begun. Checking reports were submitted to the Queens ward meeting a list of prominent business men who have hitherto been staunch Conservatives and who will support reciprocity and the Liberal candidates in this election was read and created much enthusiasm. Tonight Lansdowne ward will choose committees for the campaign.

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FOR OTTAWA M. P.

HAL McGINN, RE-NOMINATED AS THE ENGLISH CANDIDATE BY OTTAWA LIBERALS.

"Let us remember, Sir John Macdonald always endeavored to establish better relations with our neighbors, and his efforts have paved the way for the government of today."--F. D. Monk, M. P., at Le Devoir dinner.

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