## The Story of the Last Election Told in Figures

Although the last general election, which so emphatically attested the confidence of the people of British Columbia in Premier Mc-Bride and their approval of his progressive railway policy, took place a little over four months ago—on the 25th of November, 1909—it has only been within the past few days that opportunity has been afforded for compilation of the authoritative returns from every district and every polling division in the electorate, so that statistical analyses and comparisons are made possible, and the returns for all constituencies available in compact and advantageous form for record and reference. Statistics are not usually as absorbingly fas-cinating as certain other forms of literature, and yet even the columns of figures presented in the returns of an election now grown cold are not without a very lively interest for the country when they attest as do these under consideration, how very rapidly British Co-lumbia is growing under the present govern-

The last previous provincial general elec-tion took place less than three years before— early in 1907. At that election 63,294 votes were received by the various candidates of all represented parties, while in the historic contest of last November no fewer than 101,396 were so recorded-indicative of a greater ratio of population growth than has probably ever before been similarly attested in any Canadian province. For sixty per cent increase in the recorded vote of the province within a period of thirty-four months must surely be accepted as indicative of very rapid augmentation of population, and to be regarded with an authority that business men and statisticians will respect as showing that the First Minister was keeping well within the probabilities in predicting a further doubling of British Columbia's population during the next decade, when railway building shall have wrought mighty changes and focussed the attention of the world upon this prespersive province. the world upon this prosperous province.

To deal more particularly with the politi-

cal character of the just completed returns: It shows that recognized Conservative candidates in this last election obtained a total of 53,073 votes, as against 31,160 in 1907, a gain for the party of 21,913 (upwards of 40 per cent.), or almost the total of the Liberal vote of 1907. The rival party organization (Liberal) in the same period gained 13,515, its candidates securing a total of 36,073 in November last, as contrasted with 22,558 in the early spring of 1907. Justifying in a measure the claims of Mr. Hawthornthwaite as to the growing popularity of the Socialistic propaganda, the party of which the member for Nanaimo is in this province the foremost representative, gained 5,682 upon a vote of 5,589 in 1907, or more than 100 per cent. increase.

At the same time the Socialists had the

honor at the more recent elections of contributing no less than \$1,200 of the \$2,500 brought to the provincial treasury in the form of forfeited deposits, there being twelve Socialists of the eighteen candidates of the party throughout the country, who failed to score even one-half of the vote obtained by the lowest of their successful opponents. Even at this an improvement was shown, as in 1907 the Socialist candidates in fifteen cases lost their forfeit money—and they had fewer candidates in the field than in November last. The toll of lost deposits shows less variation otherwise than any other feature of the election returns, twenty-four deposits being lost in 1907, and but one more in 1909. The distribution of the unfortunates may be set forth in abstract thus: Lost Deposits

1907-Socialists, 15; Liberals, 3; Independents, 3; Conservatives, 2; Laborite, 1—24.
1909—Socialists, 12; Liberals, 8; Independent-Liberals, 2; Conservatives, 0; Independent-Conservative, 1; Local Option Liberal, 1; Laborite, 1-25.

To illustrate succinctly party growth and how it has progressed in the various districts, the following table may be of interest to scrapbook-keeping politicians:

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Columbia	254	262	195	245	**	•
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Comox	372	451	292	175		
Cranbrook .	378	761	473	154		378
Chilliwack .	310	604		501	211	111
Delta	261	770	331	518		
Dewdney	384	625	430	564		
Esquimalt .	134	362	241	302		
Fernie	350		187	436		
G. Forks	050	795	66	405	285	649
Greenwood .		516	160	150	323	
Talanda .		260	217	154	176	204
Islands	179	270	173	207		
Kamloops	534	872	439	482		77
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Richmond	417	918	408		A SECURITY SEC	121
Rossland	186	237	241	667	48	
Saanich	275	412	257	217	98	160
Similkameen	298	440		303		
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Fly-fishing for Tro shall next give you some fly-fishing, such as are as Barker, a gentleman t h time in fishing: but I sha variation.

First, let your rod be light ar ke the best to be of two pr your line exceed, especially r links next to the hook, I s ee or four hairs at the mos y fish a little stronger above rt of your line: but if you gle with one hair, you shall ha nd catch more fish. Now you not to cumber yourself with too ost do. And before you begin have the wind on your back; shines, to be before you; and fe stream; and carry the point d downward, by which means ourself and rod too, will be the to the fish; for the sight nazes the fish, and spoils y which you must take great care. In the middle of March, till

man should not in honesty catch in April, if the weather be dar windy or cloudy; the best fishin almer-worm, of which I last s but of these there be divers kind of divers colors: these and the the ground of all fly-angling: wh thus made: First, you must arm your ho line, in the inside of it: then tal

sors, and cut so much of a bro feather as, in your own reason, w wings of it, you having, withal, r bigness or littleness of your hook; outmost part of your feather i hook; then the point of your feat shank of your hook, and, having so it three or four times about the ho same silk with which your hook and having made the silk fast, tak of a cock or capon's neck, or a which is usually better: take off of the feather, and then take the hacrewel, gold or silver thread; make at the bent of the hook, that is to your arming; then you must take the silver or gold thread, and we the wings, shifting or still removi ger as you turn the silk about th still looking, at every stop or turn still looking, at every stop or turn gold or what materials soever you fly of, do lie right and neatly; and they do so, then when you have ma make all fast: and then work your the head, and make that fast: and a needle, or pin, divide the wing and then, with the arming silk, wi cross-ways betwixt the wings: and your thumb you must turn the p feather towards the bent of the hoo work three or four times about the the hook; and then view the prop if all be neat, and to your liking,

I confess, no direction can be give a man of dull capacity able to make and yet I know this, with a little pr help an ingenious angler to a good to see a fly made by an artist in the best teaching to make it. genious angler may walk by the mark what flies fall on the water in catch one of them, if he sees the Tr a fly of that kind: and then hav hooks ready-hung with him, and ha always with him, with bear's hair, of a brown or sad-colored heifer, I cock or capon, several colored silk to make the body of the fly, the fe drake's head, black or brown sheep hog's wool, or hair, thread of gold ver; silk of several colors, especia ored, to make the fly's head: and th other colored feathers, both of little of speckled fowl: I say, having thos in a bag, and trying to make a fly, miss at first, yet shall he at last hi even to such a perfection that non teach him. And if he hit to make hi and have the luck to hit, also, when store of Trouts, a dark day, and a r he will catch such store of them, a courage him to grow more and mo with the art of fly-making.

Venator-But, my loving mast wind will not serve, then I wish I we land, to buy a good wind of one of witches, that sell so many winds so cheap.

Piscator—Marry, scholar, but I be there, nor indeed from under this look how it begins to rain, and by the I mistake not, we shall presently hav ing shower, and therefore sit close; more-tree will shelter us: and I wil as they shall come into my mind, vations of fly-fishing for a Trout. But first for the wind: you are to

tice that of the winds the south wi to be best. One observes, that

when the wind is sou It blows your bait into a fish's m Next to that, the west wind is be the best: and having told you tha wind is the worst, I need not tell y wind is the best in the third degree: as Solomon observes, that "he that the wind shall never sow"; so he th his head too much about them, if the not made extreme cold by an ea shall be a little superstitious: for as served by some, that "there is no go of a bad color"; so I have observed,