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MR. COPP'S SUCCESS

As the campaign progresses the Liberal party are more and more highly pleased with the vigor and success of Mr. Copp's leadership. He is not sparing himself in his campaign, and wherever he has gone through the province there has been a hearty response to his appeal for strong standard bearers to uphold the Liberal cause. In every constituency the Liberals will be represented by strong men possessing the confidence of their fellow citizens. The manifesto and platform which he has issued as leader of the party has been received with the greatest satisfaction throughout the province. His opponents are amazed by the strength which he has developed as a leader and at the array of able candidates he has rallied around him. They have discovered that the Liberals are in deadly earnest, and that there is to be no waffling for the Tories in any constituency. They are face to face with defeat. A Liberal wave is sweeping over the province.

THE OUTLOOK

We are now entering upon what is practically the last week of the provincial campaign, and the outstanding fact is that the opposition cause has made extraordinary progress in every part of New Brunswick since the date of the elections was fixed, and that the defeat of the government is now expected by political observers.

Westmorland, Kent, Northumberland, Restigouche, Gloucester, Victoria and Madawaska return twenty-two members to the Legislature, and the outlook today is that all of those seats will be carried by the opposition. It is admitted that the opposition will carry Queens and Albert and that they have the best of the argument in St. John City and County, and in Kings and in several other constituencies, so that the political forecasters who are estimating the composition of the next Legislature are fully justified in their opinion that Mr. Copp will be Premier, with a comfortable majority at his back.

Day by day the reports coming in from the various constituencies are of increasing cheerfulness. Notwithstanding the fact that the Conservative governments, local and federal, have large resources, and are using them without stint, it becomes plain that the general sentiment of the province is distinctly hostile to the Fleming administration. Besides, the government campaign has gone badly. Mr. Fleming, in addition to the unsatisfactory condition of the provincial finances, made a great mistake in appealing to the country before he had promulgated any really effective programme of constructive legislation. His proposal to borrow money for the purpose of purchasing perhaps 100 abandoned farms, (although his own department of agriculture has estimated that the province contains 3,400 farms that are abandoned) has made a very poor impression in the agricultural districts. Yet it may be said that this is the only plank in the government's platform that, by any stretch of the imagination could be regarded as progressive.

On the other hand, Mr. Copp's appeal to the electorate brought to their attention really progressive and constructive policies, calculated to bring about an immediate change for the better in the condition of many of our leading occupations, and to give the province a distinct impetus toward additional comfort and prosperity. The government from the first has been on the defensive. Its wild efforts to distract attention from its own record, and have the jury consider only the record of the old government, has everywhere proved to be a miserable failure. The people at large have come to realize that after four years of power the Fleming administration has recklessly wasted money by partisan expenditures, without effecting any reasonable improvement in the public service.

Today there is a growing impression that New Brunswick on June 20 will follow the example of Quebec in giving the Liberals a most welcome and significant victory.

THE CITY AND THE CHILD

The city of London, Ont., is taking up the playground question in earnest. Dr. Curtis of Philadelphia, an authority on the movement, has been engaged by the local Playground Association to visit the city this week and deliver addresses daily from Thursday until next Monday. He will address the National Council of Women, the factory workers, the city teachers, the Ministers' Alliance, the Mothers' Club, the Canadian Club, and other organizations. This action on the part of the city of London is the more remarkable because it is a city of wide streets, parks and boulevards, but we find the Advertiser making a very vigorous plea for more playgrounds. It says in an article on "The City and the Child":

"The coming of Dr. Curtis to stir up the playground movement, is an event of much interest. He has given his life to promoting the one object that he has at heart, and is the greatest living expert on the subject. Both in Europe and in America the inception of playground movements has been frequently due directly to his efforts. In the crowded cities of England he saved the people to the children's need, inaugurating the work in which Mr. Humphrey Ward, the novelist, now takes so strong an interest. He will spend a week with us in London, addressing all

sorts of meetings in a whirlwind revival campaign beginning on Thursday. It might not seem that a city like London, with gardens, wide streets and boulevards, parks and empty corner lots on the outskirts, should particularly need this sort of revival. But even here the children need better provision. London may be, as Mr. Vivian, the English expert, called it, a garden city. But gardens and boulevards and parks are really the opposite thing to children's playgrounds. The street is more dangerous than ever since electric cars, automobiles and motor-cycles came in. Vacant corner lots keep filling farther and farther out; every time a street is built up the children lose by it. There should be permanent provision, plenty of it, in various parts of the city for the children's play. Some of the school grounds are too small, even for a recess romp, let alone games. More grounds, as well as larger, are wanted. Social reformers are coming to be fully impressed with this need. It is well understood that children must find expression in play. If play be stopped up, the growth of the child, physical, moral and mental, is stunted. Jack becomes a dull boy and sometimes even a vicious boy. On moral considerations alone the playground movement must appeal to the citizen body. Dr. Curtis will find that considerable progress has already been made by his ideas in this city, and it is hoped that his visit will give an impetus to still greater success."

The people are rallying to the support of Mr. Copp because he has a progressive policy, which will build up the rural communities, and build up the province.

Commissioners Agar and Wignore have enough to do at city hall, if they care to exert themselves. They will not save the Flemings government.

The Standard says today that the "opposition is losing ground." Last week according to the same authority, it had no ground to lose.

New Brunswick on June 20 will declare for better government, and a great forward movement, in which the provincial government will lead, and not be found inactively in the rear.

From various constituencies comes word of former strong supporters of the government rallying to the side of Mr. Copp and his progressive policy. They are weary of broken pledges.

Why does the Standard repeat the falsehood that Mr. Copp voted against the construction of the Valley Railway? Mr. Copp wants the railway constructed all the way to Grand Falls. That is his attitude toward it.

The large attendance at the Liberal meetings all over the province at this very busy season of the year shows that there is intense popular interest in the campaign, and opposition to the Fleming government is sweeping over the province.

Greatly to the surprise and alarm of the government a strong Liberal ticket is in the field in York county. When Northumberland lines up there will be a battle royal all along the line, with the opposition forces on the aggressive at every point.

Mr. Hasen's visit to St. John has not strengthened the Tory cause.

The speakers at the temperance meetings in this city yesterday not only charged but proved duplicity on the part of the government. Whatever views people may hold regarding license or prohibition, they have a right to expect a square deal, and that the government will not try to ride two horses at the same time.

The Standard says that several labor unions in 1909 adopted resolutions approving of the passage of the Compensation Act. That was in 1909. But in 1912 Mr. Frank Hatheway withdraws his active support from the government, and one of his reasons is its failure to do justice to the labor interests which he represented.

"I take this stand. If a man does not consider it a sufficient honor to represent this grand old county of Kings without resorting to subterfuges to evade the law against the independence of parliament, it is time for the people to relieve him and his colleagues of the responsibility and they will do that on June 20."—Dr. G. N. Pearson.

"Mr. Hazen is to tell the people, however, that he dealt the city of St. John a cruel blow by refusing to accept the tender of Cammell Laird & Co. for the building of eleven Canadian battleships at Courtenay Bay. The sum of \$100,000 was on deposit with the tender of this firm, and Mr. Hazen returned the money at the behest of the Nationalist wing of his party, and I fear that this project is dead, at least for the present, with but little chance of resurrection, and St. John thus loses an industry employing 3,000 hands which would have meant the building up of a great city on the eastern shore of Courtenay Bay."—Hon. William Pugsley.

A vote for the Liberal candidates in this campaign will be a vote for progressive government and for a real forward movement in New Brunswick.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

PROBLEMS OF A TEN-YEAR-OLD
A young lady of ten was discussing her future with her mother.

"Yes, mommie," she said: "I shall get married and I shall have four children."

"That will be nice!" commented the mother.

"No!" continued the young lady, after a minute or two of deep thought. "Maybe, I won't have four children. I might marry a bachelor!"

A GRIEF WITHOUT REDRESS

I fell in love the other day
A way I have in spring.

And, since one's plumage should be gay,
I ordered a new suit, and meant
To meet her, and if she'd consent,
To woo like anything.

But now, around the shadier streets
By quiet ways I roam;
No parcel on my table greets
The longing eye I feel an ass;
I cannot press my suit—alas!
My suit has not come home!

TERRIBLY SICK

He came creeping in at the usual hour
When a man finds it convenient to enter his house with as little commotion as possible.

He replied, in response, to the usual widely query put to the gentleman who arrive home at that hour of the night, that he had been sitting up with a sick friend.

"A sick friend, indeed? And what ailed him?"

"Why, he lost twenty pounds!"

WHICH!

A suffragette lady named Hopper,
Dressed clothes of a fashion so proper,
That her infant son Brooks,
Looked up from his books,
And asked: "Is this mommer or popper?"

OF COURSE.

"Mrs. Spende says they have a harder time than we use, trying to live on their incomes."

"That's natural enough—Spende has had his salary increased."

CORRECTED.

The farmer was escorting the newly arrived boarder, a young city lady, from the train to the farmhouse, when all at once she spied a small herd of calves in a fold near by.

"Oh," she cried, "look at the little cowlets!"

Grimacing, the farmer replied: "No, Miss; them's bullets."

Some people use stimulating medicines in the spring. This is a mistake. The action of the heart is increased. You feel better for a time, but the reaction soon sets in. You are exhausting the future by using up more rapidly the little strength you have left.

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—St. John Globe.

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