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THE PLAIN TRUTH.

Any attempt to claim that the result of Saturday's elections is a victory either for liberalism or good government is so utterly foolish that one wonders why even the St. John Telegraph should pursue that course. If it is claimed that the fight was on federal lines in St. John, then, as the Globe points out, it was virtually a liberal defeat; for Mr. Blair had a thousand majority and Mr. Lantulum only twenty-four. If the Telegraph insists on the liberal argument it must accept the logical conclusion, and admit that liberalism has been losing ground since Mr. Blair was elected in 1900. Of course it will do nothing of the sort.

That the victory is one for good government is an equally absurd contention. The Telegraph knows and its candidates know that they would have been utterly defeated but for the unparalleled expenditure of money. They know that they were in a panic until they received the assurance that the money would be on hand. Then their confidence was restored. They knew that whether the purchasable vote was five hundred or a thousand, they would have the cash to gather it in. And while the orators talked grave platitudes about good government, and lauded the praises of Mr. Blair, the hired men winked at each other and prepared to purchase votes at five to fifteen dollars per vote. Mr. MacAlpine, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Trueman, and other speakers, and the candidates themselves, knew perfectly well that their unaided oratory was but wasted breath. The victory was not one for liberalism or for good government, it was a triumph for Mr. Blair and the wad. Surely the liberal party as such is not willing to shoulder the responsibility for the most corrupt election ever held in New Brunswick.

The Globe is speaking in the real interests of the liberal party when it says:—"The fight against it (the government) must continue."

ONTARIO AND PROTECTION.

In the excitement of the provincial campaign not much attention has been paid here to the significance of the conservative victory in North Grey, Ontario, the other day. The change in that constituency is regarded in the upper provinces as very significant indeed. For example, the Toronto Telegram, an independent paper, which is occasionally quoted with great pleasure by the liberal press, makes these remarks in an article entitled Free Trade is Dead:—

The political meaning of the result in North Grey is that the Ontario branch of the dominion government is hopelessly and helplessly weak in its own province.

The public meaning of the result is that free trade is dead. Julius Caesar, in the agricultural districts of Ontario.

In so far as there was an issue in the North Grey fight, the conservatives made protection the issue, and their cry was "Canada for the Canadians." The farmers were not stampeded by the bogey of protection, and if the conservatives can do what they did in North Grey, fighting the battles of tariff for tariff against the United States in good times, what could they do with the same issue in bad times?

North Grey has acquitted Sir Wilfrid Laurier with the solemn truth that he is putting his government out of touch with the enthusiasm of Ontario Liberals by his choice of colleagues from the province. Sir Wilfrid has of course no right to stuff his government full of little court favorites. The result in North Grey indicates that there are liberals who are also capable of exercising the right of refusing to follow leaders who do not know how to lead.

Mr. Tarte, who Mr. Blair says has been engaged, also makes some interesting observations on the subject. He says:—

The defeat of the ministerialist in North Grey does not surprise us. Mr. Kennedy was certainly a strong candidate. He is a manufacturer, the head of one of the best equipped foundries in Canada, and has an unblemished reputation. Finance Minister Fielding and Mr. Fitzpatrick spoke in North Grey, preaching a lowering of the tariff, but public feeling in Ontario is that the fiscal policy must be Canada for the Canadians.

That is also Quebec's feeling; but special circumstances have prevented the educational campaign from being as active as in the sister province. The late Dr. Horsey, a liberal protectionist, had succeeded in winning the confidence of a majority of the North Grey electorate. Had he lived he would doubtless have been, one of these days, cast into outer darkness, like others who have the temerity to think and say that the hour is come for Canada to count on herself, to develop her own resources, and lay permanent foundations for her future greatness.

Thus, for those who know Ontario, Mr. Kennedy's defeat is in no way surprising. The present combats between the two political parties are skirmishes, advance guard engagements.

And when the two armies are face to face, Mr. Blair will probably discover that Mr. Tarte, though read out of the party like Mr. Ellis, has not been entirely engaged.

A bold Missouri congressman wants the president to enquire of Great Britain on what terms she will part with Canada. This is rich. He assumes that the people of Canada as a matter of course would jump at the chance to be annexed, and that anyway her people would have no voice in the matter if Great Britain decided to sell. Bus-

ness must be rather dull at Washington, when jokes of this kind are tolerated. Why does the Missouriian turn his eyes northward? There is a nice little home problem in the south for him to take up if he is out after tough propositions. Canada will still be here when he has settled the race question in his own country. Let him go up against that as a beginning.

The Telegraph magnanimously invites the other liberals to enter the fold of the Tweedie liberals and be good. It will forgive them if they do. How very generous the Telegraph has become. Mr. Blair said he would welcome the vilest sinner into the fold again. How nice of Mr. Blair and his organ. They will want to use those liberals presently in a federal campaign, for the further exaltation of Mr. Blair.

The Star learns of one country parish where the government party spent over a thousand dollars on Saturday. In a smaller parish in the same county they spent over five hundred, and so on through the list.

WASTING HIS BREATH.

Why De Armond Would Like U. S. to Acquire Canada.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—"If the United States must expand it certainly can be done far more advantageously from every viewpoint, by acquiring territory contiguous to their own boundaries than by reaching out all over the world for new possessions," said Representative De Armond, of Missouri, "and with that end in view I have introduced a resolution in the house requesting the president to ascertain if Great Britain would consent to dispose of all or part of Canada."

"This country lies right at our doors; the characteristics of its people are similar to ours, and, if acquired and opened up to settlement under the protection of the American flag, a wholesome and satisfactory expansion would result."

"The available land in the United States is being rapidly taken up. As our population increases some provision ought to be made for its accommodation."

"My resolution provides that the president be requested to learn and advise congress on what terms, honorable to both nations and satisfactory to the territory to be primarily affected, Great Britain would consent to cede all or any part of the territory lying north of and adjoining the United States."

"It further provides that this territory be formed in due time into one or more states and admitted into the union on an equality with the other states. The inhabitants thereof, in the meantime, are to enjoy all the privileges and immunities guaranteed by the federal constitution."

"I am hopeful that this resolution may receive careful and serious consideration by congress, because it deals with the growing needs of the United States."

FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, March 2.—Today was nomination for next year's city council and the lamentable lack of interest in civic affairs is shown by the dearth of candidates.

John Palmer, the well known manufacturer and president of the city's board of trade, was elected mayor by acclamation in succession to Dr. W. C. Crockett, who served two terms, and refused renomination. Candidates for aldermen are:—

Wellington ward—D. J. Stockford, M. Ryan and John Scott, two former being present representatives of the ward, and Scott is a new man.

St. Ann's ward—Mr. Vanvart and George Ross, present members, by acclamation.

Carleton ward—Patrick Farrell and John Maxwell, re-elected by acclamation.

Queens ward—John Moore and W. G. Clark, re-elected by acclamation.

Kings ward—Walter Boyce, John A. Edwards, Wm. K. White and James Rogers.

THE ELECTIONS.

BATHURST, March 2.—Full returns from all parts of Gloucester Co. show the return of the old members by the following vote:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote. Burns 2361, Power 2317, Gladstone 2194, Curran 2072, Boudreau 2050, Marais 2064.

The full vote in Sunbury Co. was as follows, the result showing a desperate but unsuccessful effort on the part of Mr. Blair to defeat Messrs. Hazen and Glasier:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Vote. Hazen, Glasier, Harrison, Peake. Burton 153, 169, 153, 158, Blissett 107, 106, 64, 63, Gladstone 102, 55, 75, 74, Lincoln 104, 109, 59, 43, Musgrave 58, 58, 53, 49, Northfield 59, 59, 58, 58, Sheffield 86, 86, 87, 83, Totals 649, 653, 568, 606.

STEAMER MINTO.

SACKVILLE, N. B., March 2.—The steamer Minto left Georgetown on Saturday morning to take provisions and coal to the Stanley. This object was effected, but all three blades of the Minto's propeller were broken close to the hub and she now lies helpless in the same pan of ice as the Stanley.

The purser of the Minto landed at Cape George this morning.

Passengers for Prince Edward Island must now go via Capes Tormentine and Traverse.

MILLBROOK, Ont., March 2.—W. A. Falls, M. L. for East Durham, died today, aged 72. He was a conservative.

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., March 2.—A strike embracing the building trades of this city was declared today. The men demand eight hours a day and an increase in wages. About 250 men are out.

Louis A. Farnell, eldest son of Sydney Farnell of Grantham township, was instantly killed today, while engaged in taking down an old barn. A portion of it fell on him.

SPORTING NEWS.

YACHTING.

MRS. ISBLIN TO CHRISTEN YACHT BRISTOL, R. I., Mar. 2.—It was learned Monday that Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin, wife of the manager of the new cup defender will christen the boat and will probably accompany her husband on the craft during the racing season. Mrs. Iselin has christened previous cup defenders.

It is expected that the work on the boat itself will be practically finished by April 15. If the defender cannot be identified from the fleet of 30-footers at a distance of several miles, it will not be the fault of the designer, for he has not only set her forebody nearer the water, but has also given the outline of the stem where it turns into the stemhead such a long curve that the craft will be different in appearance at the bow from either Columbia or Constitution. The stemhead is extremely sharp, though further aft, near the waterline, the body shows a sponsohsape.

A large force of platers was set at work today, constructing a new main-boom which is being built of steel and constructed on lines similar to that of the mast.

A BOLD EXPERIMENT.

Although the greatest precautions are taken to prevent information regarding the design of the new cup challenger from being given to the public, the Associated Press learns from a reliable source that Designer Fife has taken a desperate chance in introducing a revolutionary feature in the building of Shamrock III which if successful at all will add fifteen seconds to the yacht's speed. The boat is to be built of metal, to be only twenty feet long, whereas thirty-five feet has heretofore been considered the shortest possible length of a keel. This means that the boat must be perfectly designed in order to balance the one hundred and thirty feet of hull over the short length of metal. Mr. Fife considers the Columbia's success to have due to perfect balance. If the Shamrock III proves to be equally proportioned, her remarkably short keel will enable her to spin like a top when the time she goes about. This new feature is considered by competent judges to be the boldest sort of an experiment but certain to provide a marvellously fast boat if she will sail at all.

CURLING.

Scots All Say Had Good Time in Canada. LONDON, March 2.—The Scotch curlers, who have just returned from a trip across the Atlantic, are very enthusiastic over the outing. They all say Scotch curlers play a grand game.

At the St. Andrew's rink last night the final game was played in the Blair trophy series. The players and result are here given: F. S. White, C. S. Robertson, R. L. Johnson, J. H. Tilson, F. C. Jones, J. U. Thomas, skip; 22 A. Watson, skip .. 13

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