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### WHAT THE SPEAKERS SAY

Pithy Sayings of the Conservative and Liberal Speakers Who Have Appeared In the Constituency This Week

**Conservative**

"Referring for a moment to agriculture, he pointed out that through the Provincial Government it had been made possible to draft pure bred cattle into the province from the East, by means of which it was expected that the cattle men of the country would be able to tone up the calibre of the entire stock of the province."—Mr. R. H. Pooley at Deep Cove.

"It was no argument, he said, to state that nothing had been done for the farmers, as a matter of fact, it was common knowledge that the government was deeply interested in its agricultural industry and was endeavoring to its utmost limit to meet the circumstances of the case."—Hon. Wm. R. Ross at Deep Cove.

"If a local man is one who studies the needs of the constituency with a broad appreciation of perspective and brings to bear on the needs of the community a vision of his electorate in relation to the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion of Canada as a whole, then I am a local candidate."—Mr. Foster at Sidney.

"Mr. Foster is a man of experience and high ability, recognized not only in British Columbia but throughout this Dominion as one of the leading exponents of road-building."—Hon. R. Ross at Deep Cove.

"We have heard this cry of 'The Land for the Actual Settler' years ago, made by the liberal party in connection with Dominion Lands, but when that party came into power at Ottawa they made no change in the land laws and thus proved that they were a party of purity and virtue whilst they were in opposition. Keep them there. It would be a great pity to give them a chance to tarnish their reputations again."—Mr. Spencer Percival at Fulford Harbor.

"Nine years ago the Provincial Government appropriated \$50,000 for the department of agriculture. During last year more than half-a-million dollars was expended by this department, and the question of still larger appropriations in the near future is being discussed."—Sir Richard McBride at Sidney.

"In the last four years 11,000 pre-emptors have taken up land in British Columbia, and during the last twelve months no less than 3,000 pre-emptors have taken up lands. Does this look as if all the land was held up or exhausted?"—Hon. W. R. Ross at Deep Cove.

"Transportation facilities by good roads and railways must precede colonization schemes on any scale.

We do not believe it wise to bring in colonies of aliens because these men will be slow to assimilate with us. Rather would we prefer to fill up our country gradually with people of our own race and aspirations."—Mr. W. W. Foster at Fulford Harbor.

"Mr. Brewster declined to come to close quarters. He preferred to deal in sweeping generalities and denunciations. Doubtless they are easy to make with his vast experience of them, and after all they do not commit one to anything very particular."—Hon. R. Ross, at Deep Cove.

"We confess to be amazed that Mr. Brewster should assert that an average value of timber licenses is \$30 an acre. Such a statement is so gross an exaggeration that we would not be willing to believe it if the report of his observation had not appeared in a newspaper friendly to him. He must have a pretty poor opinion of the intelligence of the people of Sidney when he expects them to swallow such a statement."

**Liberal**

"The wild land tax, if properly enforced, would make it unprofitable to withhold lands from use."—Mr. John Oliver, at Sidney.

"I do not want to do your thinking for you, and I allow no man to do my thinking for me. Go to the polls on December 6th; cast your ballots honestly for clean government and I will be satisfied."—Mr. Alexander Hamilton, at Sidney.

"Land loans, timber for users only, government coal mines to guarantee cheap fuel, strict enforcement of the criminal law, technical education, woman suffrage, non-partisan civil service, clean administration of public affairs is the Liberal policy."—Mr. Oliver at Sidney.

"Dealing with Mr. Bowser's estimate of 103,000,000 acres of agricultural lands which he said were awaiting the settler, the leader quoted a man whom he considered the foremost authority on this matter, who wrote to the Times that he only knew of 16,000,000 acres."—Mr. Brewster at Sidney.

"There were men at the convention whom I had known all the way from ten to twenty-seven years, and if they believe in me, as their vote provided, they must have believed that my Liberalism is orthodox."—Mr. Hamilton at Sidney.

"Road work, which stopped some time ago in North Saanich in common with the rest of the province, has been resumed and all the gangs have been greatly strengthened, the men being in one another's way in some cases."—Victoria Times, November 26th.

"Edmund Burke's definition of the duty of statesmen as being to swim with public opinion, neither ahead nor behind, and giving the people what they wanted."—Mr. Hamilton, at Sidney.

"In regard to pulp lands held under lease, the timber on some of this was really merchantable timber and the land should be leased at 22c an acre instead of 2c."—Mr. John Oliver at Sidney.

"I stand by the Liberal policy and the Liberal leader; I will accept no favor from any corporation; I will serve the people and the people alone."—Mr. A. Hamilton at Sidney.

Mr. Brewster declared that Mr. Foster had not been selected as the candidate at Ganges Harbor, but in the lands and works department under the dome of the Parliament building. The premier professed to be surprised to learn that Mr. Foster was coming out, which showed that he had not read the Colonist of October 30.

[Sir Richard was not in British Columbia when Mr. Foster declared his intention of becoming a candidate].

"If Liberalism were Socialism, then I would be a Socialist, but it is not Socialism and I am no Socialist."—Mr. Hamilton at Sidney.

"The state of Washington insures workmen and pays their claim without litigation. If a man is injured the physician fills up a statement, the claim is sent in, and the man gets the compensation allowed by law. A premium is levied on the employer to provide a fund."—Mr. John Oliver, at Sidney.

"It was as much of a bribe and as much of an insult to offer a man a new road or something else as to offer him a ten dollar bill."—Mr. Brewster, at Sidney.

"One of the faults of the government was its over-appropriation and under-estimate of revenue."—Mr. Brewster at Sidney.

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