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MR. BLAIR AND THE CONTRACT.

Speakers and writers on behalf of the government have utterly failed to answer the charge that the Grand Trunk Pacific enterprise must injure rather than help Canadian winter ports.

But having heard Mr. Borden let us hear another public man who should know something about railway matters, since he was minister of railways seven years and is chairman of the railway commission.

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"not stop them. People were routing as the Canadian Pacific railway decried. They are a wealthy corporation and perhaps they could offer some inducements to these people."

This led Mr. Blair up to discuss again the question of government ownership, though he had dealt with it before.

"All this, I think, points very clearly in one direction and one direction only, that it emphasizes to my mind in a sense the position which I have taken for some time past and which I took in my opening remarks this afternoon in respect to this measure."

It shows that if it were so important that we should spend \$120,000,000 to try and get the western traffic to find its outlet through Canadian ports, then it is vital that the government should not only own, but operate the railway, because in any other way can you guarantee that the traffic will go through a Canadian outlet.

It is the opinion of the expert railway man whom Sir Wilfrid has placed at the head of the railway commission at the highest salary allowed to any public official in Canada. It is the opinion of a minister to whom so long as he remained in the cabinet Sir Wilfrid entrusted the transportation interests of this country.

The government nomination in St. John city was practically made in the ward meetings. Some complaint has been made of sharp practice in Mr. O'Brien's interests at these primaries.

So Mr. O'Brien was unanimously nominated. No one else who a week ago had aspirations would dispute the foregone conclusion. They took their defeat with outward calm, and perhaps with the mournful consolation that the third of November would bring another day of reckoning.

The liberal ward meetings were manipulated in such a fashion that the action of the liberal nominating convention this evening, in so far as at least as the city nomination is concerned, must be regarded as already known.

We do not pretend to say whether Mr. O'Brien will be weaker than another candidate of his own party. He will probably be found several hun-

dred votes weaker than Dr. Daniel, if the latter should be the opposition candidate for the city, but that experience has already come to Mr. McKewen. It is just to say that Mr. O'Brien is a man of good character and that he is not inferior in ability to any whose names have been presented.

The convention for the city and county resulted in a close contest between Hon. H. A. McKewen and Colonel H. H. McLean. Colonel McLean, who made no secret of his desire to be nominated, was the favorite in the afternoon speculations.

Colonel McLean is no doubt disappointed, but the man with the most right to that feeling is Colonel Tucker. With the exception of the late Hon. Isaac Burpee, no other man in St. John made such large financial sacrifices for his party as the ex-member for the county.

Where Colonel Tucker erred was in being too good a party man. He paid his money too freely. He followed his leaders too loyally. When a question of such vital importance as the Grand Trunk Pacific question came before him he should have stood with the Blair for the interests of the Canadian people, and especially of the port. He chose to stand with Mr. Emmerson and the Grand Trunk interests.

We do not see how Mr. McKewen or Mr. O'Brien can expect to carry their election in the St. John constituencies. If they fail, as they must, they will be due to their personal weakness, though no doubt they will be helped by their bitterness, resentments, and the sense of injustice within the party ranks.

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The acquittal of the two alleged pickpockets who were tried at Fredericton was perhaps justified by the evidence. The verdict of the jury appears to have been a just one, and so it may be assumed that the case for the prosecution was not fully made out.

Mr. Hale has also the good fortune to lead a splendidly successful campaign. The liberal conservatives of the constituency have given a great account of themselves in provincial as well as in federal campaigns. It must be a pleasure to such a candidate to have a party behind him, and to know that as strong as the party is he has many supporters outside the conservative ranks.

THE PREMIER IN A PANIC.

It is evident that a panic has struck Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his western colleagues, Mr. Sifton. On the very eve of the election the premier has written to Premier J. A. Aitken of the territories regarding the election to take up negotiations on the subject of provincial home rule for the Northwest.

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CAMPAIGN NOTES.

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with it. He was afterwards able to obtain a place with Canadian ministers on the joint high commission which accomplished nothing. No doubt he understood the trade question much better than any other commissioner.

The liberals of Annapolis county have chosen Mr. S. W. W. Pickup of Granville Ferry as their candidate in the place of Mr. Wade, who recently surprised himself or expecting an eight thousand dollar office. Mr. Pickup is said to be an excellent man.

Mr. John Wells, the opposition candidate in Guysboro, is a merchant of Whitehead. He is described as a man of high repute and large influence in the district.

Success to the Borden Club. The young men who have formed this organization, and the others who shall join it, may make themselves a great power for good in the city. There are several thousands of voters of their age in the constituency and many of them have not given much attention to public or political affairs. The Borden Club might obtain a large membership among these young men and make itself useful, not for campaign purposes alone, or especially for guidance, entertainment and inspiration.

There are five constituencies in Toronto city, where Mr. Aylesworth lives. Four of them were without government candidates when the new ministry started to find a constituency. Instead of taking one of these he had gone to Durham, where the government had a candidate already. Mr. Aylesworth is not taking too much risk.

Mr. Emmerson is going about offering to buy up all the railways that the Grand Trunk has no use for.

JUST A TEASPOONFUL of Perry Davis' Painkiller in warm water or milk, taken after exposure to cold or wet, will quicken the circulation and thus prevent a chill. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

THE MAY QUEEN. Work Going On and She Will be on Her Route This Week. The steamer May Queen, at present on Hillyard's blocks, undergoing repairs to the injuries which she sustained by grounding in the Grand Lake, will probably be back on her old route before the end of this week. The repairs which are being made to her now are of a permanent character though this winter it is the intention to give her a thorough overhauling. The Queen is being done under difficulties, as only when the tide is out can the carpenters reach the portion of her which was injured in the grounding. She will, therefore, have to work an hour or so at night and for a similar length of time during the day. The work is being pushed forward and the expectation is that it will be completed by Thursday. All defective planks are being removed and new ones being put in their places.

WRECK IN THE LAWRENCE. QUEBEC, Oct. 10.—The coasting steamer St. Lawrence, which ran ashore Saturday night at English Point, on the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, will probably prove a total loss. Passengers and crew are all saved, and as they are probably without food or shelter, the government steamer Aberdeen left last night to go to the rescue.

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Recent Events

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The death occurred yesterday of Annie, the youngest and eldest daughter of Manner Farm.

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