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## MR. BORDEN'S PLATFORM.

In Halifax on the 20th ultimo, Mr. B. L. Borden enunciated his platform, which, in order that our readers may have for themselves, we publish in full in another column.

The platform appears to us to be one of the most cautiously worded documents ever issued by a political leader. Many of its planks may mean very much or nothing at all—they are so indefinite that they would impose little or no obligation upon anyone who subscribed to them before election and found it convenient to afterwards ignore them.

For example, plank No. 5 lays down no rule for dealing with the Senate, but merely promises to make that body more useful and representative. Mr. Borden's party would in all probability consider that promise well kept when all the Senatorial vacancies were filled by Conservatives.

Plank No. 6 promises a more careful selection of the sources of immigration, but conveniently neglects to specify; it would abolish the bonus system "except under very special circumstances and for the purpose of obtaining a particularly desirable class of settlers." Delightfully vague. By what rule is it to be determined which classes or nationalities are desirable or which undesirable? Evidently no rule is contemplated but the opinion of the Conservative officers who should then be in power. What guarantee would the country then have of better immigrants than it now receives?

Plank No. 7 promises that a "reasonable proportion of the increment of value arising from the public domain (including great national franchises) shall inure to the people. Very good. But who shall determine what proportion is reasonable? The people, or the corporations who contribute to the Conservative campaign funds? Judging from the past history and traditions of the party, the people would under Conservative rule have no more to say about such things than they have now, if as much.

The 11th plank promises the establishment "after due investigation" of a system of national telegraphs and telephones under conditions which shall be just to capital already invested in those enterprises. We should think the great success that has already attended the nationalization of telegraphs in Britain and telephones in New Zealand should obviate the necessity for much further investigation; but it seems that, in the event of Conservative success we are to have a Royal commission to enquire into what we already know. The conditions of nationalization are to be "just to capital." Whether that means confiscation or the taking over of the lines at the present owners' valuation is left to the reader's imagination. Nobody but Mr. Borden himself can tell us.

Plank No. 12 is to take effect "after proper enquiry as to the cost." The proper enquiry may take years.

With plank No. 13 everyone will agree. It is so worded that you can take whatever meaning out of it you please.

Plank No. 15 promises to restore the public lands in Alberta and Saskatchewan to these provinces. Why the same promise is not made to Manitoba we do not know. But on the whole, the public lands in any province are as safe in the hands of the Dominion government as they would be if under the control of the local legislatures.

Plank No. 16 is another with which everyone else, or at least all the Liberals will also agree.

Planks Nos. 1, 2, and 3 are such as are promised by all parties in opposition, and are of value only so far as the personnel of the promising party is reliable.

Unless the Conservative party has greatly changed since 1896, the personal integrity of its leaders is no higher than the average.

Plank No. 9 is another agreeable to all parties.

Only four planks of the sixteen make any definite promise of change. No. 4 advocates the appointment of civil servants by an independent Commission acting upon the report of examiners after competitive examinations. All that is needed to make this plan workable is to find the independent commissioners, who are usually scarce. No. 6 advocates the control of government railways by an independent commission, free from partisan control or interference. It sounds very nice, and will work as soon as an independent commission can be appointed by a partisan government. No. 10 will work as soon as governments can be rescued from the control of corporations—not before. No. 14 is good. It is the goal towards which all true patriots look as a step to the realization of, first, free trade within the empire; second, free trade with the world over.

The Conservative platform did not emphasize this idea when they were last in power; in fact, it was the present government that first gave Britain a preference in our markets. However, we rejoice that Mr. Borden has now adopted the idea of mutual preference as his own, and feel sure that much good will result from its agitation.

## THE NEW MINISTERS.

In selecting Messrs. Pugsley and Graham for the vacant portfolios, Sir Wilfrid Laurier has considerably strengthened his cabinet and the latter's hold upon the country.

Mr. Pugsley, whose leadership in the local legislature commanded such a compact following and steady allegiance, should be, and is, well fitted to lead the Liberals of the province in the Dominion arena. His department of Public Works is as important as that held by Hon. Mr. Emmerson and will afford him many opportunities of serving his native province and the country at large.

We are specially pleased to see the portfolio of Railways and Canals go to an Ontario man. Ontario is deeply interested in the extension of the government railway to Georgian Bay, and we count upon Hon. Mr. Graham's influence to bring about that very desirable consummation. The placing of the I. C. R. in a position to handle the immense amount of extra freight an outlet on the lakes would give it would benefit the Maritime Provinces as much as Ontario and the West. Judging from Mr. Graham's record as Opposition leader at Toronto, we feel sure that he will do his utmost to improve and extend the government road, and thus carry out the plans known to be favored by his predecessor.

Altogether, the premier is to be congratulated upon the wisdom of his choice.

HIGHER TARIFF NO CURE.  
Mr. J. G. H. Bergeron, M. P., speaking here last week, said that the blame for the fact that for what the workingman got for one dollar under the Conservative régime he now had to pay two dollars was due to the tariff changes introduced by the present gov-

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ernment. He promised that the tariff proposed by the Conservatives, which tariff we understand would be higher than at present, would remedy the evils of low wages and costly living now endured by the workingman. But in the United States, where the tariff is the highest in the world, the people are no better off than they are here; and in Britain, where the trade is much freer than in most countries, the poor are no worse off than they are in protectionist countries where the population is equally dense. Mr. Bergeron cannot overcome the evils he complains of by merely raising or lowering the tariff.

## KENT NEWS AND NOTES.

News Items Gleaned from Leading Places of the County.

### PINE RIDGE.

Pine Ridge, Aug. 31.—Mr. Leslie Whitney, of Summerville, Mass., is visiting friends here.

Miss Agnes Cail left last week to visit her sister, Mrs. Wm. Leslie, Woodland, York Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cail, of Woburn, Mass., who have been spending the last few weeks here amongst their friends, returned home.

Mrs. Jennie Sullivan spent a few days last week in Rexton.

Miss Debbie Morton left last week to visit her sister, Mrs. McKinnis, of Everett, Mass.

Our school opened last week in charge of Miss Elizabeth Morton. Master Charles Hatch, of Randolph, Maine, is visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cail.

Mrs. Samuel Howell is home from Rexton, very much improved.

### EMERSON.

Emerson, Aug. 31.—Mr. Ernest Miller, who has been ill, is recovering slowly.

George McKay, of Moncton, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKay.

Hartford Beers is very ill and has Dr. Coates in attendance.

Isaac Boyce, who has been visiting his brother, Peter Boyce, of Fords Mills, has returned to Boston.

Miss Lizzie Beers, who has spent a month at her home in Emerson, has returned to Cambridge, Mass. accompanied by her friend Laura Austin.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ogden, of Harley Road, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Beers.

Miss Ida McCray, of Yarmouthville, Maine, is visiting friends in Emerson.

### HARCOURT.

Harcourt, N. B., Aug. 31.—Miss Ida McCray, of Yarmouthville, Me., is here, spending a few days with old friends.

Miss Alice Crystal, who has been spending her vacation at her home here, has returned to Boston. Miss Lizzie Beers, leaves to-day for Boston.

Wm. Foster, of Emerson, is leaving to-day for Oldtown, Me.

Harcourt, Sept. 2.—A very enjoyable time was spent at the Tennis Tournament this afternoon. Tea was served on the Lawn.

Miss Drusilla Smallwood and Messrs James Wathen and Melvin Dunn, of Harcourt; Miss Ethel Rogers, of Bass River, and Miss Maggie Curran, of West Branch, also Miss Mundle of Mundeville, left to-day for Normal School.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Potts, who have been spending some days with Mr. and Mrs. Keswick, left to-day on their return home.

Mr. McLean spent Sunday at his home in Jardenville.

Mr. Bert Keswick leaves to-night with his men to spend the winter lumbering in Quebec.

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11 pairs Ladies' Tan Boots	" 2.75, " 1.98
18 " Women's Low Shoes,	" 2.25, " 1.59
12 " " Chocolate Shoes,	" 2.00, " 1.48
13 " " Slippers,	" 1.60, " 1.19
11 " " "	" 1.85, " 1.35
29 " Childs' "	1.00 and 1.10, " .79
10 " " "	" 1.20, " .98
16 " " "	" .80, " .65
14 " Boots, "	" 1.35, " .98
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Harcourt, N. B. July 12, 1907.

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