

LOCAL ELECTION.

Polling, September 28.

W. J. LEWIS, M. D., The Albert County People's Candidate.

The Weekly Observer.

HILLSBORO, N. B., Sep. 27, 1888.

To the Electors of Albert County.

To-morrow (Friday) you will be called upon to cast your votes for a candidate to represent you in the Provincial Legislature. The candidates now in the field as you are aware, are George Steadman Esq., Judge of Probates, (the Sheriff having overruled the protest against him), Peter Duffy Esq., H. D. Emmerson Esq., and Dr. Lewis. As it is generally expected that the strife will mainly be between Mr. Emmerson and Dr. Lewis we need not refer to the other candidates both of whom are worthy men: Let us, however, carefully consider the qualifications of the principals in the contest in order that an intelligent and consistent vote may be cast. Mr. Emmerson and Dr. Lewis having both pledged an independent support to the Blair government are on an equal footing in that respect. Mr. E. resides in Westmorland County and cannot possibly be expected to know anything about the local requirements of the various sections of Albert County. He may have some general idea of the state of affairs at Hopewell Cape where he sometimes attends court in the paid interest of some client. But what possible chance can he have of knowing about other parts of the County? What can he tell about the roads and bridges of the back settlements, or how can he know what legislation is required by the different Parishes, or by the County at large. Such knowledge is certainly not attainable from his law books, or from his associates in Westmorland County? How then can it be expected that he will be able to properly represent this County at Fredericton? No matter how well versed he may be in legal details, how brilliant his talents, how shining his oratorical abilities, how ready he may be with scriptural quotations, we submit that he cannot possibly have the knowledge of the local affairs of this County that is so essentially necessary to enable one to properly represent us. If elected then we ask how will he perform his duties? Would he not have to consult his supporters and be guided in his decisions by them? Most certainly he would. To whom then would he go for advice? Why, to editor Hawke? To Senator McClelan? To E. W. Lynds; to his particular friends in Dorchester, Moncton and elsewhere who urged him into the contest and some of whom signed his nomination paper two or three times. By voting for Emmerson then you would virtually cast a vote for those Westmorland wire pullers and for that Senatorial party the peculiar tactics and the disreputable scheming of whose leaders were so cleverly and plainly exposed by some of the speakers at Hopewell Cape last Friday. Then, too, Mr. Emmerson has never had any experience of a certain kind that therefore necessarily appear as great disadvantages when compared with Dr. Lewis who has had ten years schooling in the Provincial Chamber of the Province. Dr. Lewis is moreover a resident of the County and is well acquainted in every section of it. He is well posted in our local affairs and knows all about the state of our roads and bridges, etc., and the requirements of the various localities. Though he may not have the speaking ability of the legal information his friends antagonists yet he has what is of infinitely more importance to us, and that is a thorough knowledge of the County and with an experience of 10 years' experience fitted to look after our local affairs. Not being an alien he will have no inclination to slight us while in favour of some larger County. He will know what is required for his constituents without having to consult any outside parties—any political faction or scheming wire-pullers. Viewed in every plain, sensible, matter-of-fact respect is not Dr. Lewis far better fitted to look after our interests than a stranger would be? Electors carefully consider these facts, ponder the matter thoughtfully and see if you are not forced to decide that your own interests and the best interests of your County require you to VOTE FOR DR. LEWIS.

A Little Surprising.

Does it not seem a little strange, to say the least, that the wonderful requisition Mr. Emmerson boasts so much about has never been published? Why was it not printed in the Transcript or Maple Leaf? Why did Mr. Emmerson not produce it at the Nomination? A requisition so powerful as to draw a man from his home and his business; to take him from life long political associates; to force him to relinquish the darling hope of his life—representing Westmorland County at Ottawa—and to compel him to sacrifice everything merely for the sake of trying conclusions with a man, who in the opinion of Mr. E.'s friends is not a man worthy of any ambitious man's steel, is certainly worthy of publicity. This requisition, signed by the "leading men" of Albert County of all shades of politics, should not be hidden under the wings of Hawke or elsewhere, but should, at least be published in the Albert County papers. Why has it not been made public?

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Nomination Proceedings.

We publish elsewhere a pretty full report of the speeches at the Nomination last Friday. The attendance was large, all parts of the County being well represented, but there was an apparent lack of enthusiasm on the part of all present. The speakers were all well received and all got a good hearing. The Transcript's statement that fully three-fourths of those present favored Mr. Emmerson is all but proved. We observed the demonstrations carefully and thought the applause for Judge Steadman was more general and hearty than for any of the other speakers. Messrs. Lewis, Duffy, Emmerson and Miser seemed to have about an equal number of friends present as far as it was possible to form an estimate. Every thing passed off very pleasantly and in the best of feeling prevailed till just at the close of the proceedings when some of Judge Steadman's remarks appeared to stir up a little ill-will and aroused the ire of some of Mr. Emmerson's warm supporters. Editor Hawke's remarks were rather amusing to those present who understood matters to which he referred. His temperance reform and his disinterested and self-sacrificing efforts in behalf of the liberty of the press were doubtless duly appreciated by all present. His explanation of the delay in issuing Judge Fraser's charge of drunkenness until after the Judge's charge of contempt of court was being pressed against him, was as clear as—must. But perhaps the most amusing part of his address was his reference to Mr. Emmerson. He appeared to have such a slight knowledge of that Dorchester lawyer. True, he had heard of the man and understood he once ran an election in the interest of the Liberals of Westmorland County—only this and nothing more. He was horrified to think any one could for a moment suppose Mr. E. had any control of the Transcript. And how could a man liv- ing in Dorchester influence or control a paper published in Moncton. But though he knew so little about Mr. E. he believed him to be the proper person to represent Albert County and felt sure Judge Steadman's charges were false. His remarks were certainly amusing and no doubt Mr. Emmerson was astonished to find how slight was the acquaintance existing between himself and the editor. He doubtless felt charmed that he had met such a comparative stranger to respond to the call made by his Westmorland county friends for a speech from Mr. Hawke.

Cheering Prospects.

We have received letters from all the parishes excepting Coverdale and the reports are very encouraging. Dr. Lewis appears to be gaining strength very rapidly since nomination and his chances for election are considered excellent. We publish below extracts from some of the letters received. Albert, A. Co. Sept. 25th, 1888. Dr. Lewis is gaining friends here daily. The people are beginning to understand the situation fully and to realize the significance of voting for Emmerson. The Dr. may depend on a large vote in this end of Hopewell parish. A CONSERVATIVE. Many of Mr. Turner's friends here have concluded that they cannot afford to vote for Senator McClelan. Let the Conservative friends remember voting for Emmerson means voting for McClelan. Dr. Lewis will do much better in this Parish than was at first expected. A RESIDENT. Since nomination Dr. Lewis has gained numerous friends here. We decidedly object to Emmerson taking Dr. Weldon's place and I hope all of Dr. Weldon's friends will bear this in mind. Let them remember that voting for Emmerson simply means a slap at Dr. Weldon. We expect Dr. Lewis to take about half the votes polled in this parish. A VOTER. In a private letter received by the editor from a friend in Alma the following reference to the election is made: "This is a temperance community and we want temperance men to represent us." From what we can learn concerning Coverdale Dr. Lewis will poll a respectable vote in that Parish. The Westmorland and Albert bidders are up there in full force working night and main for Emmerson but the free, independent, and intelligent electors of that parish are not to be deceived and understand their own interests too well to vote against Dr. Lewis. We expect to hear a good report from Coverdale next Friday. Hillsborough is of course solid for the Dr. Many of Mr. Duffy's warmest friends realizing the critical situation will vote for Dr. Lewis as the only way to prevent the disgrace to Albert County of being represented by an alien. In Hillsborough Dr. Lewis may expect a majority of about 300. A Liberal Speaks.

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Palmer, J. S. Dawson Manning Duffy, Charles McAnulty, Robert Miller, W. W. Steeves, Walter Ayles, Whitfield Josiah, Hood Ricker, Judson Josiah, Enoch Hopper, and Lewis A. Wilson. GEO. H. MINER ESQ. was nominated by Edward Steeves, Joseph W. Dobson, S. G. Morse Esq., J. E. Kinaird, J. E. Kinaird, J. E. Kinaird, D. H. Calhoun, Wm. Wood, Western Crocker and John A. Stiles. HENRY R. EMMERSON ESQ. was nominated by Wm. A. West, J. B. Turner, Chas. Morris, Joseph W. Turner, Peter Turner, J. E. Bishop, H. S. Newcomb, H. E. Graves, Wm. A. Huntly, Isaiah Bacon, Wm. Gouvang, S. J. Calhoun, Edwin Copp, Joseph Starrat, Chesley Smith, Robert C. Bacon, Myles W. Peck, E. W. Lynds, Jas. Wright, L. R. Moore, Ralph Colvinton, Valentine Smith, Ernest W. Lynds, Jas. Ryan, Jas. T. Ryan, W. J. Robinson, I. N. Wilbur, T. T. Ryan, John A. Somers, Samuel Stewart, Joseph H. Dickson, L. M. Wood, William Kinney, Thos. McHenry, D. D. Lattin, John A. Somers, Stanford S. Ryan, Wm. Romley, Wm. Gouvang, Charles O'Regan and 54 others. As the court house could not contain the people the speeches were delivered in the open air. COUNCILLOR MINER was the first to address the assembly. He spoke very briefly saying that at the request of his friends he had decided to withdraw from the contest. After thanking those who had announced their willingness to support him he retired. W. J. LEWIS, M. D. was well received. He referred to the proceedings on Declaration Day at last local election. There was almost a riot that day and amid the tumult and confusion it was difficult to know what to do or how to act. At that time he told the people that he did not desire to hold the seat to which he had been declared elected unless it was the wish of the majority, and said he would resign. He was here now to fulfil his pledge. Made at that time. The reason he had not sooner resigned was because a protest had been entered against his colleague and himself which he had determined to resist as he believed he was legally entitled to the seat unless it was the wish of the majority. He said however that Dr. Lewis had never held seat properly as it was on account of some informality that petition against him had not come to trial so that whether Messrs. Turner & Lewis were entitled to seat had never been properly decided. He thought Dr. Lewis had proved a failure as a politician. Mr. Duffy then reviewed the finances of the Province, and his own course at the Council board. (As these points were covered in the report of Mr. Duffy's speech in Hillsborough published in last week's OBSERVER, we deem it unnecessary to publish them again at this time.) Mr. Duffy said he had been brought forward in 1854 by the party of the day as a supporter of the Government of the County and contested the County with a man, who proved successful while he failed. That gentleman was returned by the corrupt act of the High Sheriff and had controlled the County ever since. The matter was not investigated owing to a wholly alliance that was formed. A great deal of mismanagement at the present time resulted from that unholy act. That man after dragging a respectable resident of the County at his chariot wheels for years had suddenly tired of him; had cast him off and had gone to Dorchester for a man. What was his name? His name was "Mr. Emmerson" he was going to reform our little County of Probate—a mighty act for so great a man. Like the horse-leech this corrupt leader ever cried, "Give! Give! Give! I and never yield." Mr. Duffy closed a vigorous and forcible speech saying if he elected wished him to represent them they must vote for him, if they did not want his services they must vote for some one else. (Cheers.) H. R. EMMERSON ESQ. OF DORCHESTER next addressed the people. He said he felt it a great honor to be a candidate at the approaching election caused by the resignation of Dr. Lewis. While compelled to refer to personal matters he would try to conduct himself in a manner worthy an honorable man. It had been said that a neighbor had taken to the County to take charge of it. That assertion was not correct. He came here at the urgent request of a large number of the electors of Albert County representing all shades of politics and placed himself in the hands of the people for them to use him as they thought best. One cry was against him, was that he was not a resident of the County that he belonged to Westmorland Co. True he was not born in Albert but that was not his fault and if he had to be born again he would prefer to be born in Albert Co. He claimed he was not an alien but a neighbor and took no active part in Albert County legal affairs. The character and ability of a candidate should be considered rather than his birthplace or residence. Men wanting the services of a lawyer did not confine themselves to their own County but looked after them in other parts of the Province where they would have a fair show. Surely the electors would not elect the natives of their County by choosing a man from another County. What was the matter anyway that a change in the representation should be considered necessary. Very few local affairs properly looked after? Our roads and bridges were in good condition and the affairs of the County were now in a better state than at any previous time. He thought the present representatives had looked after the interests of their County faithfully and efficiently. Mr. Emmerson in his card as he will look to the government an independent report. They were therefore not to be elected in that respect. Mr. E. also promises to reform Probate Court. (Dr. Lewis) did not know much about that but had no doubts Mr. Steadman would enlighten them fully in the matter. He thought however the government had not been very successful in its attempts to give us better information. A RESIDENT.

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