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COMPLETELY DEMORALIZED

The more the results of the election are examined the greater and more remarkable appears the triumph achieved by the Laurier Government, and the more disastrous the route of the Opposition.

Let it not be forgotten that the Opposition expected to win this fight. Since 1896 had they been so confident, not merely of securing a majority of seats, but also of making a sweep of the Dominion. To this end they had laid careful and elaborate plans. First of all they had the best and most efficient organization in the history of the party. They placed the "party" badge for all it was worth. They assiduously exploited "scandals" which had no foundation or basis in truth. They entered upon an organized campaign of slander, so desperate in its character, that they were convinced that it could not fail to stampede the country. They engaged in a conspiracy to destroy the National Transcontinental Railway, by exaggerating the cost of the work and by circulating malicious stories about "graft" in connection with its construction, and, so, to cripple the credit of the Dominion.

And finally came the grand stand play of the Tory managers—the tour of the Provincial Premiers. Having nothing but defeats to his own credit, and having no followers of sufficient prominence or reputation to present to the country, Mr. Borden called upon men who bore the prestige of victory in their respective Provinces, with a view to persuading the public that he had a winning combination behind him. This is the explanation of the spectacular tour in Eastern Canada of the now discredited troupe of the Roblins, the Hazens, Hannas, and Bowers, and of the eleven-hour hunt of Premier Whitney, of Ontario.

But in spite of this formidable array of political warriors who had won notable victories in the Provincial arena, and in spite of this skillfully designed plan of campaign, and of the cries of the Slanderband, the Tory Party went down to the most overwhelming and humiliating defeat in its history. Sir Wilfrid Laurier vanquished the Bordenites at every point. The significance of the Liberal victory over these forces cannot be overstated. In fact, we doubt whether the public yet appreciate the measure of the success achieved by the Liberal Party at this time. But when we consider that from the Atlantic Ocean to the boundary of Ontario the Opposition have succeeded in electing only twenty out of a possible membership of 100 in the four Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Quebec, we see how overwhelming has been the rout of the Tory forces. Added to this are the splendid Liberal gains in Ontario and the emphatic rejection of the Western Provinces, the locus of the much exploited land "scandals" of the Tory appeal.

No such decisive and telling victory has been won before by either party in Canada. Not only have most of the fighting leaders of the Opposition been driven out of public life, but the "Provincial Premiers" combination have been so discredited, through the exposure of their slanders and falsehoods, that no leader of the Opposition would dare to present them again to the people of Canada as shining examples of "purity in politics," much less as prospective members of a Federal Cabinet.

The net result of the election is as every intelligent person must perceive, not merely that the Tory Party has been overwhelmingly defeated, but that it is completely demoralized. It is today in a much worse and more hopeless plight than it was after the debacle of 1896. It then had still some semblance of policy and some leaders of national calibre left. Now it has neither policy nor men, and under its present nominal leadership which is the weakest and in every respect and the most disappointing of all, it can never hope to establish itself in the public confidence. It was in a better position, we venture to say, to make a winning fight this time, than it will be again within a decade at least.—Chronicle.

BY THE WAY

Why don't you laugh?
A new post office?
Get down to business.

Honestly, aren't you glad the elections are over?
Be like the sun which never sees the dark side of anything.

Emerson's majority about 1500—Fowler in the minority by nearly 500.

The "I told you so" man has been working overtime since Oct. 25th.

The laboring men of St. George should read M. McLeod's letters, published during the recent campaign.

Beland's majority of 5500, in Beauce, is the largest in Canada.

A man's income is five times what he tells the assessor, and a fifth what he tells his wife.

Mr. Call—Can I see that burglar who was arrested last night for breaking into my house?
Inspector (hesitatingly)—well, I don't know. What do you want to see him for?
Mr. Call—Oh, there's nothing secret about it. I just wanted to find out how he managed to get into the house without waking my wife.—Illustrated Bits.

We have been shown a design for an upholstered front gate, which seems destined to become very popular. The foot board is cushioned, so that a short girl can bring her lips to the line of any given mustache without trouble. If the gate is occupied at 10:30 p. m. an iron hand extends from one gate post takes the young man by the left ear, turns him around and he is at once started home by a steel foot.—Ex.

When you hear a man sneering at the local paper because of its criticism of certain public questions, you can bet he does not squander any of his wealth in assisting his own party, or in advancing the interests of the town. He lives in a narrow groove, considers himself the critic of every person. His stock-in-trade is a man's bigotry, and he is about as much good to the town as a delinquent tax payer. When he goes out he will never be missed and the world will be better without him.

Poor Mr. Hazen. The Highway Act with its double taxation; caught himself reading an absolutely incorrect affidavit designed to serve political ends; with his county gone Liberal; with his dear friend, Hon. Mr. McLeod, accomplishing in York what he failed to do in his home county; with three by-elections bound to come; what a happy, happy man the premier must be.—Tribune.

Speaking of coming close to game, a gentleman was engaged in the illegal sport of showing his wife and nine-year-old son the game on a certain river in New Brunswick by means of a "jack" lantern. As it was only a sight-seeing expedition the man, whose name I withhold for obvious reasons, had only a shot gun with him. While watching several deer grazing at the jack in mild amaze, a crashing in the alders made all their ears quickly, and much to their consternation a large bull moose was coming right upon them. Without a moment's hesitation the man fired both barrels at the charging animal, which was by then in the water. The gun was charged with buckshot and he killed the moose. "As it was close season he had to be careful; but such a supply of meat could not have been allowed to go to waste. Then, too, it really was in self-defence. That plea, however, is not always taken seriously by the courts."—Boston Record.

"Seventy seats out of 86 in Ontario for Conservatives. E. L. Borden will be the premier of Canada within the next eight weeks."—Pun. Gleaner Oct. 21st.

Either run a town with a vim, or just sell out and loaf. One thing must be done—run the town for all that it is worth, get up steam and keep it up. Do you want trade? Bid for it. Do you want business to come to your town? Encourage what you have. Do you want a prosperous town? Then never permit jealousy to ruin your actions, but work together for common prosperity and mutual benefit.

The kickers on the farm are not so hard to get along with as the kickers in town. On the farm there is the kicking cow, and our long-suffered friend, the mule, while in town there is the old mossback who wants all the municipal improvements without paying for them. The cow may be sold for beef, the mule traded for a shot gun, but how on earth will we get rid of the town kickers?—Exchange.

PERSONAL

Thos. McGrattan, St. John, was in town Tuesday.

W. W. Clarke returned to St. Stephen on Wednesday.

F. W. Wetmore spent a few days in St. John last week.

Andrew Sullivan, St. Stephen, has been in town for a few days.

Mrs. F. P. Jenkins has returned to her home in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Clark spent a few days in St. John last week.

G. W. Shaughtney of A. I. Teed Co. was a business visitor last week.

William Edridge and John Thompson, Beaver Harbor, were visitors in town Wednesday.

Winsor Martin is recovering from his recent illness and is able to walk out on fine days.

Chas. Callahan, of the Mutual Fire Insurance Co., St. John, has been in town for a few days.

Mr. McKernin, representing Gunpowder Bros., St. Stephen, was here last week on business for his firm.

G. K. Wetmore has returned to his duties at Ottawa. He spent a few days here with his family.

Mr. Edward Gillman is now a resident of Vancouver, B. C., where he has a fine position in one of the leading houses of the city.

Capt. Mahoney of West St. John, has been in town a few days, attending to some business in connection with his property here.

Miss Jennie E. Curtis of this town and Harrison G. Bouse of Boston, were united in marriage, Oct. 21st, at Temple street Methodist church, Boston, by Rev. F. B. Fisher.

Mrs. Hugh McHugh, of Pennfield, has been spending a few days with Mrs. G. McCormick.

Miss Katherine Carr, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Frauley left for her home in Danvers, Mass., on Monday's train.

A. M. Webster, of the head office, has been in town some days, closing up the business of the American Express Co.

Mr. Branscombe Supt. Dominion Express Co., has been visiting stations along the N. B. S. Ry., arranging for handling business of this Company, which exceeds the American Express Co.

Miss Jessie McCallum, accompanied by Miss Jennie Roche, of Windsor, left on Friday for Sappan, N. S., where they will visit friends.

Elgar Cross, I. E. Cross and Cameron Wright of Beaver Harbor, were in town Monday.

Mrs. E. R. Lawrence accompanied by Mrs. J. J. Wallace arrived home from Moncton on Tuesday.

Miss Annie O'Neill went to St. John on Monday's train.

Chas. McGrattan is spending a few days in St. John this week.

Miss Mae Stuart, Second Falls, is the guest of Mrs. A. Goss.

Mrs. T. B. Goss is visiting her son at Eastport.

Miss Nellie Douglas leaves this week for Moncton where she will spend the winter.

Miss Myrtle Milne has been the recent guest of Miss Eva McIntyre.

C. Hazen, McGehee was home during election week.

Mr. P. Gillmor is suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stewart of Greaver Street, entertained Capt. and Mrs. James McLeod of St. George, N. B., at their home last evening.—Springfield Union.

Mrs. C. McGehee is quite ill with a severe cold.

Collie Spear returned to St. Andrews on Monday.

Senator and Mrs. Gillmor left for Montreal on Tuesday. They will return in December.

Mrs. George Frauley is spending a few days in Calais.

Alderman Magowan is confined to the house by illness.

N. McMillan is home for a few days.

W. F. Todd, M. P. and Mrs. Todd, were guests of Senator and Mrs. Gillmor Friday.

Fred Paul, the genial proprietor of Paul's Hotel, Beaver Harbor, was a business visitor in town Tuesday.

Messrs. David Daley of Pennfield, and Frank Daley of New River were in town Tuesday.

Geo. Anderson arrived here from the city Friday. He is recovering from an attack of typhoid fever.

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