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What Borden Would Do

In an interview with the Winnipeg Free Press, Hon. Walter Scott, expresses himself as anxious to know what Hon. R. L. Borden would do with regard to the Grand Trunk Pacific railway if he is elected next month.

Does he think for a minute that when Mr. Borden becomes premier that all the work will stop and that all the extravagance put into this undertaking will be lost altogether?

Payments will not be made for cuttings through sand hills on the basis of those sand hills being rock.

Mr. Borden will do what any honest business man would do, when faced with such a muddle.

Editorial Note

Let Laurier finish his work, not later than October 26th.

"My hair is gray, elect me pray."—From Sir Wilfrid's address to the electors of Canada.

"Let Laurier finish his work." Yes, there are more timber limits to be given away to friends.

If we preach purity and practice corruption we shall be worthy of all the scorn that can be poured upon us.—R. L. Borden at Halifax.

The Almonte Rifle Association have turned in the Ross Rifles supplied them, refusing to shoot with them. Quite a recommend for the rifle that has cost the government and country so much.

All along the Liberals have claimed that the tariff was a dead issue. However they are again trotting it out for this campaign.

The following appeared in last week's issue of the Maple Creek Ranching News: "Regina, Sept. 14.—It is rumored here that 'The West' the Conservative weekly, will shortly change hands, and possibly politics, and appear as a daily."

According to the immigration regulations, all second and third class passengers on boats entering Canada are to be subjected to medical and educational tests no matter whether they hail from Holland or are real Canadians from Saskatchewan or any other province of the Dominion.

In his Halifax speech, Mr. Borden said: "The campaign must be clean; no corrupt practices must be employed in our behalf. I do not fear defeat in a clean campaign, but I prefer overwhelming defeat to victory won by improper means."

Hon. Frank Oliver is stumping in the western provinces and upholding every action of the Liberal government since 1896. Yet here is what the same gentleman had to say, before he became a minister although his party was then in power.

government were a by-word and a laughing stock in the country." Wonderful how personal aggrandizement changes opinions.

Laurier says now that he is going to build the Hudson's Bay Railway. According to the Scott program before the recent provincial elections the people were being led to believe that if the Scott party were returned to power the Hudson Bay railway would be built, if not the day after the election, at least in a very short time.

At the Borden meeting at Quebec, Premier Hazen of New Brunswick made an exceedingly specific charge of dishonesty against Mr. William Pugsley.

Laurier's remark that the Liberal party knows what to do with its black sheep, Mr. Hazen drew attention to Mr. Pugsley's record, and to discoveries made when the Conservatives came into office in New Brunswick.

The story has been published already; it amounts to this, that the New Brunswick ministers under Mr. Pugsley's regime used the provincial treasury as their bank, drawing whatever money they wished whenever they wished, carrying heavy balances over at the end of each year and paying no interest for the money so overdrawn in their private affairs.

One year Mr. Pugsley had a balance owing of \$7,000 which was charged to a "suspense" account. Also investigation has revealed transactions which show that the provincial treasury was drawn upon for campaign funds.

Press Comment

(Wapella Post)

Mr. J. T. Brown returned from Chicago last week fully restored to health, and in first class fighting trim. J. T. certainly has his nerve with him when he expects to turn that 1,000 Conservative majority to a minority.

(Qu'Appelle Progress)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier recently admitted that there were a number of black sheep in his party. But he makes no effort to kick them out. So long as they are allowed to remain and rob the public treasury the pretence of sincerity of the Liberal press and leaders will be discounted when they object to Foster, et al.

(Mail and Empire)

Hon. R. W. Scott has left the cabinet. Sir Wilfrid still plays the title role, but of the "support" he had when he first took office only five performers remain—the two knights, Sir Richard and Sir Frederick, and Messrs. Fielding, Paterson and Fisher. These will doubtless stay on the board till the curtain finally rings down on the tragedy, and the troupe is pulled off the road by order of the voters.

(Montreal Gazette)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Sorel held that the Liberal government was able to deal with its own black sheep. It should be. The objection is that its way of dealing with them is not satisfactory. There was, for instance, the case of Mr. Wagner. He was an immigration official at Edmonton, stole from the immigrants, was accused, tried and convicted; and then when he had served his time in jail, was put back by the Laurier government in the public service. That is not a good way of dealing with black sheep.

POLITICAL NEWS

Clifford Sifton will again contest the constituency of Brandon.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not come west during the present campaign.

Premier Scott says that seats will be found for both W. R. Motherwell and J. A. Calder.

Nominations for Athabasca took place at Prince Albert yesterday.

Three Liberals are in the field, Geo. Russell and A. Benard of Prince Albert and Joe Nolan of North Battleford. No Provincial Righter was nominated.

Toronto Liberals are trying hard to induce Sir Wilfrid Laurier to address a meeting in that city some time during the present campaign. The Liberal chieftain has been assured that there will be an immense outpouring of people to hear him and that the party will make a large noise; but Sir Wilfrid can't be persuaded. He has left the management of the tour entirely in the hands of the provincial organization, which considers a Liberal demonstration in Toronto as so much powder wasted.

The Liberals of west Peterboro have nominated J. R. Stratton as their candidate for the house of commons. Mr. Stratton was in the Ross government of Ontario till he was practically forced out by the exposure of Mr. Ganey. He with Mr. Graham and Mr. Mackay, were taken in when the rotten government Canada ever had, made its last desperate effort to keep its hold on the provincial treasury.

CALDER HAVING A TIME

It is probable now that Hon. W. R. Motherwell will run in Humboldt when Dr. Neesley resigns to contest that constituency for the federal house. It was thought at one time that the people could be induced to take Calder but they would not agree. Moosomin wouldn't have Calder, neither would Rosthern, and it begins to look as if Calder wasn't wanted very badly by even the Liberals of the province.

MILLER FOR SALTCOATS.

Cupar, Sask., Sept. 18.—The Conservative party in the Dominion electoral division of Saltcoats have selected J. C. Miller of Neudorf, as the standard bearer for the contest on October 26.

J. R. Dinnen of Abernethy, whose name was the choice of the convention in April last found it impossible to contest the riding in this election and had requested the party to allow his name to be withdrawn. Mr. Miller is of German descent, but was born and educated in Ontario. Although a comparatively young man he is a successful business man and already an old time westerner, with the best interests of Saskatchewan at heart.

BORDEN AT SHERBROOKE.

Sherbrooke, Que., Sept. 19.—R. L. Borden, accompanied by the premiers of New Brunswick and Manitoba, and Secretary Hanna of Ontario, opened the Conservative campaign here yesterday and had a splendid reception at the Monument National. The meeting in the stadium was very large and keen interest was shown.

Mr. Borden was optimistic regarding the election. He said his critics stated that the party was not a unit on the Halifax platform, but nearly every plank had been discussed in the House and more Halifax planks had been forced on the government than Liberal planks of the 1893 platform.

JAS. MCKAY-NOMINATED

Prince Albert, Sept. 18.—At the largest and most enthusiastic convention ever held here the Conservatives of Prince Albert riding last night nominated James McKay, K. C., for the forthcoming election. There was an attendance of over 80 delegates, numbers coming in from the Duck Lake ridings, and over 30 from the Carrot river country.

The two chief names mentioned in the convention were those of the veteran Dr. Spence, and the nominee. The former graciously withdrew and made Mr. McKay's nomination unanimous. Mr. McKay's nomination came as somewhat of a surprise to the Liberals and considerable of a disappointment. They have been counting on the doctor, whom they thought



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they could defeat. On hearing of Jas McKay's nomination, Senator Tom Davis openly announced that he will compel Frank Oliver to make the Prince Albert riding a deferred election, as this was the only way they could hope to win the seat. There is the greatest enthusiasm in the city and district, and unless some unusually raw work is done by the Grit machine, Mr. McKay cannot be approached.

CASES TO BE HEARD

Justice Johnstone Presides at Supreme Court to Try List of Cases.—Label Cases on Friday Week.

The Supreme Court for Regina judicial district opened yesterday, Justice Johnstone presiding. The cases set down are as follows:

- CRIMINAL
The King vs. J. K. Smith, forgery charged, on bail.
The King vs. C. Marker, theft, on bail.
The King vs. J. Ownes, theft charged, on bail.
The King vs. J. Nestman, assault charged, on bail.
The King vs. R. McLelland, no bail.
The King vs. Walter Scott, libel, on bail.
The King vs. J. G. McDonald, libel on bail.
The King vs. Kaistko, housebreaking, no bail.
The King vs. Jotchen, housebreaking, no bail.

- CIVIL
Warnock vs. Hemstreet, Ontario, judgment, \$2,427.99.
Mah Po vs. Smith et al, false imprisonment, \$2,000.
Matchett vs. Moerike, lien note, \$376.
Euse Land vs. Phillips, commission of sale of land, \$480.
Scott vs. City of Regina, specific performance.
International vs. Hopper, conversion, \$195.
Marin vs. Mollinson, foreign judgment, \$231.96.
Wessel vs. Tudge, injunction and order to convey, \$2,303.17.
International vs. Kleiter, goods sold.
McKee vs. Grover, commission, of \$211.85.
Shuster vs. Halbgewachs, cancellation of agreement, \$104.15.
Shuster vs. Halbgewachs, cancellation of agreement, \$55.
Morgan vs. Smith, detinue.
Howard vs. Selloes, work and labor \$310.
Robinson vs. Bradley, detinue.
Robinson vs. Bradley, work and labor, goods sold and delivered, \$1,181.81.
Small vs. Booth, promissory note, \$519.63.
Heward vs. Clemens.
Campbell vs. Dickinson, bond, \$8,000.
Proc vs. Gilroy, damages \$6,074.
Gillet vs. Proc, wages \$335.
Sworder vs. McLeod, default of mortgage, \$2,082.19.
Heward vs. Barrett, specific performance.
Lambert vs. Rigby et al, money loaned, \$300.
Independent vs. Swangel, goods, \$478.50.
Hicks vs. Mooney, purchase land, \$500.
Flood and Carnegie vs. Brotman et al, specific performance and receiver.

Flood et al. vs. Brotman et al, promissory note, \$515.55. Johnston vs. Orey et al, work and labor, \$106. Colpitts vs. Francombe, purchase of house, etc., \$326.82. Tracksell vs. Evans, commission, \$320. Armstrong vs. Leland et al, damages, \$361. Independent vs. Cleugh.

Label Cases Next Week

When the case of King vs. Scott was called, Norman Mackenzie for the defence asked for an adjournment to Friday week. Mr. Embury acting for Mr. Laird agreed, and the case is fixed for that date. The same applies to the case of King vs. McDonald. Mr. Mackenzie asked that this case might stand till Friday also. C. E. D. Wood and W. S. Ball acting for Mr. McDonald on the understanding that the case be finally decided at this term of the court. The judge remarked that he had noticed there was no preliminary hearing in this case. There was no oath to show that the offense was committed, and the documents did not disclose any libel. At present he was not disposed to consent to a postponement on any charge. The case of Joseph Owens charged with horse stealing was disposed of, the jury bringing in a verdict of not guilty.

CHINAMEN GET DAMAGES

Police Will Have To Pay \$25 and Costs for Improper Detention of Celestials.

Judge Prendergast handed out his judgment in the Chinamen cases last Thursday.

The charge laid by the Chinamen against the police, was for improper arrest and detention. It will be remembered that at the time of the poisoning cases in the Capital case, on Lorne street, that the suspected guilty Chinaman disappeared and that the police were using their best endeavors to locate him. In doing so they arrested the Chinamen in town, 67 in all, and had them detained in the town hall. Afterwards these Chinamen sued the police for damages.

The judge decided that they did not suffer such damage to business or reputation as would justify heavy damages; however he assessed the police \$25 and costs.

Returning Officers

The following returning officers have been appointed for the federal constituencies in Saskatchewan: Assiniboia—Lawrence C. Porter, of Carlyle. Battleford—D. K. Weber of Battleford. Humboldt—F. C. Wright, Lanigan. Mackenzie—H. Christopherson, of Yorkton. Moose Jaw—W. D. McIntyre, of Moose Jaw. Prince Albert—Jas. Wilson, Prince Albert. Qu'Appelle—Angus J. McPhail, of Woleseley. Regina—James M. Wessell, of Regina. Saltcoats—Thos. Bee, Lemberg. Saskatoon—John C. Bell of Saskatoon.

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