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SAINT JOHN, FRIDAY MORNING, SEPT. 8, 1911.

PERFORMANCES NOT PROMISED WANTED.

At the meeting in the Queen's Hotel on Wednesday evening, Mr. Pugsley treated the public to a stereoscopic view of the proposed harbor improvements in Courtenay Bay. In 1908 Mr. Pugsley promised the people of St. John that dredging operations in Courtenay Bay would begin immediately after the election and would be completed at as early a date as was possible. He did not have a stereoscopic with him at that time, but the newspapers supporting him published a plan showing a line of wharves on the West Side from Sand Point southward, almost to Partridge Island. The same plan showed a channel dredged from the entrance of the harbor to a long line of wharves on both shores of Courtenay Bay.

Not only was the West Side to be provided with increased wharf accommodation for the use of the Canadian Pacific Railway, but the Grand Trunk Pacific was to have one shore of Courtenay Bay and the Intercolonial the other. It was this alluring picture that caused many innocent persons to cast their votes for Mr. Pugsley on election day.

At that time St. John was greatly in need of increased wharf accommodation for the existing trade and Mr. Pugsley, according to his promise, was to provide, not only for present needs, but for future requirements. The old wharf was played; tenders were advertised for just prior to the election and a contract, on most favorable terms to the contractors, was awarded to a couple of political supporters, who at the time of receiving the contract, were not burdened with any large amount of plant for doing such work.

Since 1908 Mr. Pugsley's friends, the dredgers, have been digging away in a very leisurely manner and apparently have made a hole on the West Side big enough for the erection of a wharf. Another election is on and tenders are now asked for its construction. In the meantime a wharf has been erected by the Government on city land. The net result of three years of Mr. Pugsley, therefore, is the construction of one berth and the digging of a hole big enough for another.

According to the statement made by Mr. Pugsley himself, this work has cost upwards of two millions of dollars. If the statement is correct the people of Canada are justified in asking Mr. Pugsley how much of this vast sum of money is represented by work actually performed, and how much of it has gone into the pockets of the dredgers as profit on the contract awarded by himself through the department which he controls.

There is a strong consensus of public opinion that the profits going to the dredgers are double what they ought to be, and that the people of Canada are not getting anything like value for what they are paying. Mr. Pugsley's department pays for dredging in all parts of Canada and ought to be in a position to know the approximate cost of work of this character in every section. In addition to being able to compare contract prices in all sections of the country, the department has under its control several Government owned dredges, which have operated in St. John, and should therefore know the exact cost of removing a yard of mud from the harbor.

When Mr. Pugsley was selected as a candidate for this constituency, it was the hope of the people generally that he would succeed in promoting the interests of the City of St. John at Ottawa. He promised to do this on every occasion that he appeared on a public platform. The work necessary to be done in St. John was under the control of the department assigned to him, and he had every facility to carry out the pledges he made to the people. He has repeatedly said that his colleagues in the Government were deeply interested and at one with him in the development of the trade of the port of St. John. Without any desire to doubt the word of the Minister of Public Works, it is somewhat remarkable that Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his speech delivered in this city ten days or so ago, had so little to say in the way of endorsing Mr. Pugsley. He did say, however, that if Reciprocity were adopted by the people of Canada, the trade of the country would flow South "as water through a mill-race." In this means anything it is that the trade East and West will be greatly reduced and St. John deprived of the advantages arising from the handling of that trade. For the trade of the West to be diverted North and South would be a blow to St. John's prosperity as bad as the fire of 1877.

Mr. Pugsley has never attempted to explain what his leader meant, but continued to assert what is an impossibility, that there will still be an East and West trade after it has all been diverted North and South by Reciprocity. The difference between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Pugsley is that the former has a correct view of what will happen under the Agreement and the latter dare not admit the actual situation.

As previously stated, all that Mr. Pugsley has to his credit, after three years, is one wharf and a hole for another one. If he had been sincere in his desire to create harbor improvements in Courtenay Bay, he would long ago have made arrangements for dredging out a channel in that direction, particularly as this work is absolutely necessary before anything can be done in the way of wharf construction in the Bay itself. But not a single cent has as yet been expended on the work which, if we are to accept the statements of Mr. Pugsley, during the campaign of 1908, should have been well high completed by this time.

Instead of real wharves in Courtenay Bay, Mr. Pugsley furnishes us, in the present campaign, with a dissolving view on paper only of a bunch of wharves, a breakwater, and a drydock in Courtenay Bay. Surely he thinks the people of this constituency have short memories and are easily beguiled by political promises. It has taken him three years to provide one additional berth in the harbor of St. John. He now says that three years will be required to complete the Courtenay Bay works. If no greater progress is made in Courtenay Bay than on the West Side, it would be nearer thirty years than three before a vessel is docked at the proposed Grand Trunk Pacific terminal, if Mr. Pugsley has the doing of it.

Mr. Pugsley was not the originator of the Winter Port idea in the City of St. John. The trade was well established before he took office and will go on whether he remains Minister of Public Works or is relegated

to private life on the 21st of this month. We have the statement of Mr. Borden, the leader of the Conservative party, that the public works at St. John will continue, that the harbor will be nationalized and that trade development is part of the policy of the party of which he is the leader.

There need be no fear in the minds of the people of St. John that the development of this port will cease if Mr. Pugsley is defeated and the Conservative party is victorious, and all the signs now point in the direction of both of these things. The high priced dredgers are the only ones who are interested in keeping Mr. Pugsley where he is. Mr. Pugsley should have read the life of Barnum in which he gives it as his experience that while it is possible to fool part of the people part of the time it is impossible to fool all the people all the time.

WHO THE COWARDS ARE.

The Times last evening expressed regret that the Canadian Militia and British Regulars chased the invading Americans out of Canada in 1812 and in large type said that the Canadians of today were cowards because they object to the Laurier-Fielding-Taft Reciprocity compact. If the editor of the Times knew the history of Canada, he would be aware that there were quite a number of "poor, puny, drivelling, cowards" in Canada in 1812, who were foolish enough to believe in the bombastic statements of General Hull and to remove themselves under his protection. These unfortunate creatures a month later came sneaking back to seek the protection of the British flag.

The people of Canada are not cowards, neither are their fools. They know full well that the object of the Laurier-Fielding-Taft Reciprocity compact was to "at the parting of the ways," by which he meant that there was an element somewhere in Canada, willing and anxious to cut the cord of British Connection. Every public man in the United States if he is judged by his utterances, seems to hold with President Taft. The cowards are those who fail to resent so impudent a statement.

The ground for the belief in the degradation of Canadians is largely based in recent years upon the utterances of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the attitude he has assumed at every Imperial Conference he has attended. The Unrestricted Reciprocity campaign undertaken in 1891 by Sir Wilfrid was backed by American cash and the object of the contributors on the other side of the line was the annexation of Canada. This Laurier must have known.

The "veiled treason" of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in 1891 is sufficient reason for keeping a careful watch on his movements in 1911. He has publicly stated that his policy and the policy of the Liberal party was a policy of continental free trade. This was what he proposed in 1891. Hon. Edward Blake who preceded him in the leadership of the Liberal party, left that party because he said such a policy would naturally lead to annexation.

Sir Wilfrid fully realized that he could not carry a policy of continental free trade just now and presents the hybrid arrangement as the entering wedge for the fulfillment of his hope.

Sir Wilfrid has consistently opposed everything that would bind Canada more closely to the Empire. He has talked a lot of nonsense about being a Canadian, with the full knowledge that Canada could not stand alone as a nation for a single hour without the protection of the British flag. The desire of the people of Canada, as a whole, is favorable to closer British connection, which is directly opposite to the views held by the leader of the Liberal party. If Sir Wilfrid had his way, the boundary line which separates Canada from the United States would be removed and the silken cord which binds her to the Empire severed. The people of this country desire to grow great as a part of the British Empire, the mightiest and best governed country of the world. They are neither Separationists nor Annexationists, but lovers of the flag which is everywhere respected as the emblem of freedom. The cowards are those who would sell their heritage for a mess of pottage.

THE WANDERER RETURNS TO THE FOLD.

Dear Sirs, we had almost forgotten you, but it is pleasing to know that the passing years have not done with you so kindly. Your memory may be a little defective, but increasing years have neither weakened your legs nor your lungs, and the flow of language still runs "as water through a mill-race."

Two hours and still the story was unfinished, but the Times and the Telegraph both say the speech was magnificent and what greater honor could be wished than this recognition from the organs of the dredger and the grafter?

It was an important omission, however, when you failed to tell the assembled multitude in the rink on Wednesday night, that the reason you left the Liberals was because Edward Blake, "the great leader" has said that Laurier's policy in 1891 must lead to annexation.

It is too bad, dear Doctor, that you forgot to tell this to the crowd, but many of them must have remembered how fiercely you shouted it twenty years ago. Thus time spreads its healing balm and you return at long last, like a wanderer, to the Liberal fold.

"SELFISH REASONS."

President Taft: "There are other selfish reasons for men who have the business interests of the South at heart that ought to add to your efforts in behalf of the Reciprocity Agreement. Under the treaty vegetable and fruits of all kinds enter Canada free. One of the greatest branches of the farming industry in the South today is truck farming and the bringing of early vegetables to the North. The same thing is true of fruit and berries. With the introduction of these into Canada you will secure other customers with a valuable trade that will add greatly to the demand and the price at which it can be profitably carried on."

"What's the use of us voting for the Liberal party all the time," observed a well known ship laborer yesterday to a friend who was canvassing his vote for the Liberal party. "When they have anything to give they forget such as us altogether." This is typical of the sentiment prevailing in a large section of the Liberal party in St. John today. Everything the party has to give passes through the hands of Messrs. Moore and McAvity. Instead of being satisfied with the enormous profits of their dredging contracts, these gentlemen have demanded many of the smaller things that other people think should have been handed round. All of the best appointments have gone to their friends and some of the minor ones also. The dissatisfaction arising from this method of disposing of Government patronage will cost Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Lowell many Liberal votes.

Hon. Clifford Sifton has this satisfaction: No one has been able successfully to impugn his motives in attacking Reciprocity.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is now deeply rueing the visit that Mr. Fielding and Mr. Paterson made to Washington.

The Laurier machine is bumping along on badly punctured tires.

MR. SMITH IS GAINING GROUND IN CARLETON

Outlook for Election of Conservative Candidate is Becoming Brighter Every Day--Carleton Cannot be Bought.

Woodstock, Sept. 7.—Never before has there been such strong feeling in Carleton county against the Liberal government. Frank Smith, the Conservative candidate, will have the support of almost every parish in the county, and the money which the government is spending in Woodstock will not save the town for Carvell.

Jacksonville Corner, which has hitherto been a Liberal stronghold, has withdrawn its allegiance to the Grit flag stained as it is with graft, and will take its stand as one of the supporting parishes of the coming Conservative administration.

To save this important parish, Mr. Upland summoned the people to a great Liberal rally a few nights ago, but, alas for his cherished hopes, the meeting was adjourned and Mr. Upland was forced to leave the hall alone and wend his weary way past the Conservative headquarters, which were filled with an enthusiastic assembly, gathered together to listen to the stirring speeches of Mr. Smith and other prominent speakers.

The same spirit of antagonism to reciprocity is alive throughout many other parishes.

Stirring meetings in the interest of the Conservative cause are being held in Bloomfield and Oakville. Mr. Smith is his pleasing manner and his convincing eloquence is educating the farmers of Carleton county in the sureties which lurk in the reciprocity pact.

"We must buy this election," says Mr. Carvell, but it will take more than the claims of the almighty dollar to blind the eyes of the electorate of Carleton county to the claims of their beloved country.

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GRIT MEETING PROVED CONSERVATIVE BOOST

The Liberal Meeting at St. Andrews, on Tuesday Evening, was More Entertaining than a Circus.

To the Editor of The Standard:

Sir:—The Liberal meeting in St. Andrews on Tuesday night was such a "howling success" from a Conservative point of view, that it seems a shame that the entire population of the Dominion was not present. There certainly was a large audience, a "vast gathering" one of the speakers called it, thereby showing what kind of audience he must have had elsewhere. About half were women and children, and the rest apparently evenly divided between supporters and opponents of reciprocity. And the entertainment provided was such that it is a safe bet that if the choice of attending a circus or another such meeting were offered the town next week, the circus would perform to bare seats.

Senator Gilmour was the star speaker of the evening. Some idea of his state of mind may be gathered from his closing statement, that "the Conservative party will roll up the greatest majority in Charlotte since Confederation." After the applause had died away and this prophecy produced more cheers than anything else during the evening, the senator remarked that he had made a slip; that if we turn down the page, the other Conservative party will roll up the greatest majority in Charlotte since Confederation.

Another statement that produced wide smiles, was that he (Sen. Gilmour) was an authority on fishing because there were a couple of worms right down in front of my own house. Taken all in all, his speech was so pleasing to the Conservatives that one voter present, who did not sing, "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," but he knew the Liberals wouldn't join in.

Senator King and W. F. Todd, who followed and Major Armstrong, who introduced the speakers, all referred in glowing terms to the American people and Mr. Taft, who was described as the greatest statesman in the world today. Mr. King who, it had been announced would shatter Sir Wm. Van Horne's arguments against reciprocity, carefully dodged them, and admitted that he knew nothing about the markets of Cuba and the West Indies. His speech was listened to attentively, as was that of Mr. Todd, but neither was able to produce a single good point in favor of the pact. Mr. Todd made a good impression by his address, but he too, failed to say anything worth while in favor of reciprocity. He did take occasion to contradict Senator Gilmour who had declared that Mr. R. L. Borden was insincere in his opposition to the agreement.

At the close of the meeting the chairman called for cheers for the King, but the candidates and Laurier were completely ignored so far as cheers went. Then the Liberal stalwarts departed and one was heard to remark that the people had heard "three good Conservative speeches." If the Liberal party will kindly request the performance of such a country, there is not the slightest doubt that Senator Gilmour's prediction will be fulfilled and the Conservative party will roll up the greatest majority in Charlotte since Confederation.

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The W. M. S. were at home to a large number of ladies in the school room of the Methodist church on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Howard, the president of the society occupied the chair, and warmly welcomed all present. Dr. Emma Baker gave a short but interesting talk on her recent trip to Palestine. Miss Stewart read a paper entitled, "The Higher Idea of Life Membership," by Miss S. E. Smith. St. John. Miss Nellie James rendered a pleasing solo, Miss Hart who is home on furlough from Japan, received a warm welcome to the meeting, the members rising in a body as she was called to the platform to address a few words to them. Several new members were added to the rolls and a large number of annual fees paid to the treasurer. Tea was served before the gathering dispersed.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Barnes, of Nappan have arrived home after an extended trip to different parts of the west.

S. C. Munroe, of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, St. John, has been spending a few days in town.

A. D. Carter, of Point de Bute left Monday to take the position of military drill instructor at Stansfeld College.

Norman Fawcett who has spent the past two years in Winnipeg, is spending a vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace E. Fawcett.

Dr. M. A. Oulton who has practiced his profession in Point de Bute, the past four years, has removed to Shediac.

The marriage of J. Whitney Tremblay and Miss Melissa B. Taylor was solemnized at the home of the bride on Wednesday, Rev. A. E. Chapman officiating. They will reside in Port Elgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harper, of Seattle Wash., are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Andrews left this week to join her husband and children in Regina, in Manitoba. Her departure was a sad departure for the family. She was the recipient of a handsome sunburst of pearls on Saturday evening as a small token of esteem. The donors being her associates in church work.

Rev. J. H. Indoe and Mrs. Indoe, of River Philip are spending some time here guests of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Black.

Mrs. Howard Sprague, of Sackville, has been elected president of the provincial W. C. T. U. at its recent meeting in Fredericton.

MAYOR FRANK HOME FROM MONTREAL TRIP

Mayor Frink returned at noon yesterday from Montreal, where he had a conference with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy regarding the transfer of the West St. John properties. On his return he confirmed the statement contained in his telegram to the Common Council to the effect that the whole matter had been definitely settled. He said that everything is now ready for the work to proceed.

With regard to his message to the Council that provision should be made for a subsidy for a steel ship-building plant Mayor Frink said that he had not any additional information regarding St. John's chances of securing the plant, but he considered it a wise precaution to be ready for the possibility of the big industry being located here.

Speaking of the conferences with the C. P. R. people, the Mayor said Mr. McNeil told him they were anxious to begin filling in work on the Carleton shore property. His work ship looks for work to be commenced there very shortly and believes a big railway yard will ultimately be located on the property the C. P. R. is securing from the city.

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