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TIME FOR A CHANGE

For more than twenty years the same set of principles has ruled in the government of New Brunswick. There have been changes in the personnel of the government but not in the principles. As one man retired, another who had approved the course assumed office, and the game went on. It was a game of personal interests against the interests of the province, and the former won.

No one seriously disputes the truth of this statement. It is a matter of knowledge, grown to be a settled conviction; and there can be no radical improvement until a new government assumes office and introduces a new set of principles.

The government press and speakers would have the public believe that there would have been no progress under any other government than the one which has in reality been many years too long in power. Under a better government there would have been no bridge scandals, the Central Railway would not have swallowed up so much money for so small a return, the highways would have been in good condition, there would have been an intelligent and progressive immigration policy, and in every direction there would have been greater evidences of a statesmanlike grasp of public affairs than are now apparent.

The people of the province now have an opportunity to ensure better government for the next five years. They are not unmindful of the fact. Paying little heed to the clamor about them, the sober-minded electors are looking to the third of March to rid them of a vicious set of political principles, and bring back right methods of administering the affairs of the province. Premier Robinson and his colleagues are wedded to the old system. They are the champions. Therefore they stand in the way of progress. They must be removed. The new premier had his opportunity, and did not embrace it; therefore he must stand aside. The people realize more clearly than he gives them credit for the shallowness of party appeals when principles are at stake. The time has come for the people to resume their sovereign authority, and entrust the direction of their affairs to a group of men disinterested entirely from the sinister political influences of more than twenty years.

HUMBAG IN KINGS

The Sun this morning publishes an affidavit from Dr. Pearson, of Sussex, to the effect that he was asked and consented to become an opposition candidate, but that later he was asked by a committee to contribute a sum of money and told that each candidate was expected to put up a thousand dollars. He says he refused, and the committee withdrew. There is in this no evidence that a fund was to be raised to bribe the electors of Kings county.

The Sun yesterday figured out a ridiculously small sum as alleged legitimate expenses for an election. Let us see how it would work out. The government party in Kings county has opened bureaux at Hampton and Sussex, with highly paid heads and stenographers. It has paid canvassers in every parish, who report daily. It has to pay for hired speakers, for halls, for teams, for literature that is printed and scattered broadcast, and for many other expenses. This is all prior to election day. This has been going on for some time and will be going on until the third of March, and as election day draws near the expenditure will be daily increased. In such ways, all over a large county, covering weeks of time, how far would even \$3,000 go? The government party will spend more than twice that sum, and still regard themselves as a party of purity. Very few people work for love in an election campaign.

It is about time there was an end to this humbug about the opposition party in Kings county seeking to bribe the

electors, and the government party yearning for a chance to be pure. The government party is expending hundreds of dollars per day in the county, and will continue to do so until March 3rd—when the amount will be as largely increased as the watchfulness of the other party will permit. Let us call a spade a spade.

THINK IT OVER

Mr. E. H. Allen was yesterday sworn provincial secretary of the province of New Brunswick. It is now proper for the electors to ask themselves and each other what special qualifications as a business man Mr. Allen has developed that he should be chosen to perform the duties of an office of so much importance. If they discover that Mr. Allen is an exceptionally able man of affairs, well qualified to deal with large questions of finance, involving in the most important sense the welfare of the province, then on personal grounds there would be no objection to his appointment to the office. If on the other hand, they are unable to learn that he has given strong evidence of ability such as a provincial secretary should possess, they may properly ask themselves and each other why he should have been selected, and whether they would be doing their duty as citizens if they endorsed the appointment. This is no small matter of petty patronage, or providing for a favorite a snug berth. The man who occupies the office of provincial secretary should be one of the cleverest business men available. How does Mr. Allen, good fellow though he may be, measure up to that standard?

DEFAMING THE CITY

"St. John is financially on the verge of bankruptcy. The city is unable to meet its obligations without going ever deeper and deeper into debt." * * * If the present system continues much longer St. John will find itself without credit."

[St. John Star.] Citizens rubbed their eyes when they read the above statements in the St. John Star last evening. The Star does not appear on the assessors lists as a taxpayer, but it derives considerable support from merchants who are not anxious to have their city described as on the verge of financial bankruptcy.

St. John is not on the verge of bankruptcy. Ald. Kelley, who in the Sun this morning applauds the Star's course nevertheless says: "We have ample to meet all our liabilities." The condition of the city's finances, owing to very heavy expenditures for needed public works, require to be carefully guarded, and it is agreed by all that the limit of heavy expenditures has been reached; but there is no excuse for alarmist reports sent broadcast by any newspaper published in the city. Such a course cannot but be injurious.

Last night's opposition meeting in Fairville was a great success in point of attendance, the speeches and the enthusiasm displayed. That section of the county will give a good account of itself in the interests of Messrs. Clark, Mosher and better government on March 3rd. It is worthy of note that Mr. W. S. Fisher, not hitherto active in provincial politics, finds it to be his duty as a business man to protest against the financial methods of the government, which are not the methods of a sound business administration.

It is to be regretted that some few citizens of Gloucester county still manifest a degree of reluctance to have their names placed in nomination for seats in the legislature. This diffidence may be overcome before nomination day. It would be an inspiring spectacle to see a whole community engaged in friendly rivalry of this sort. At present, however, not more than ten or twelve men are in the field.

The Sun declares that vicious attacks have been made upon Mr. Sear. All that this mild journal of reform has said was that Mayor Sear did not want to be a candidate, and was practically forced into harness. This statement is not seriously denied.

Mr. Hazen's ancestors were thieves, the city of St. John is on the verge of bankruptcy, Dr. McInnes's father was called Hannibal, Mr. Maxwell is a bad man, Mr. Murray is not a native of Kings county, and there are many other reasons why Premier Robinson should be hailed as a phenomenal statesman, and Mr. Allen as a well—as a provincial secretary.

Senator King and Col. McLean are to hold a meeting at Chipman. The candidates will not be there, as one former supporter had threatened to ask for time at the meeting to make some observations concerning their stewardship. But Col. McLean and the senator will suffice.

The movement in favor of pure elections received a further impetus at Woodstock yesterday. The candidates and their leading supporters will be asked to pledge themselves against bribery and corruption.

"The earth," remarked the professor, "pursues its mighty pathway through space without interruption and on what you might call schedule time." "Which," remarked Mr. Dustin Stax with confident emphasis, "goes to show what a good thing a perpetual franchise is."—Washington Star.

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TEMPLES EAST AND WEST

The following poem is from the pen of Douglas MacLachlan, of the staff of the American Lumberman, Chicago, whose book of poems, "In Forest Land," has had a very wide circulation. Mr. MacLachlan is the son of a former resident of Milltown, N. B.:

The temples of the West look down upon the azure seas
No sick and weary famine towns look sadly up to them
No glided dome reflects the sun on eyes with twilight blind,
Or sinks from sight, when day is done, while death steals up behind.

The temples of the Westland gleam as gleam the Eastern spires.
But wear the colors of a dream, the sunset's tender fires.
The gilt upon their shining towers is like the rainbow's glow,
It changes with the changing hours, while sunsets come and go.
And never in the Orient such pillars rise as these.

Such beauties never there are blent in wall and roof and spire—
For never, by the ancient shore where gilt "Yagador" rise
Upon embossed temples pour such lights of paradise.
The temples of the Westland lift their pillars to the sky
While ships of vapor slowly drift in stately splendor by.
The temples of the Westland rise from out the Westland soil.
Reared not by skill of weeping eyes or hopeful hands of toil.
Oh temples of the East, your gods much tribute have required—
The birth and life and death of cloths, to rear you many-spined.

The temples of the West were made by neither toil nor self—
The God who dwells within their shade has builded them himself.

Rise, out of the hills, temples East; you call me less than these
That spread the Westward union feast beneath the Westward trees.
Ring forth upon the sultry air when dying I hear another call to prayer—the forest's mighty hymn.
I stand before an open door, a temple in the thick of rest.

Above me mount the Westland firs: their O glided Eastward sepulchres, my soul you cannot lure.

IN LIGHTER VEIN
A RASH PROMISE.
Mr. Jones—"Would you support my daughter in the style to which she has been accustomed?"
Cholly—"Yes, sir."

Mr. Jones—"Then you're an idiot, and you can't have her!"—Judge.

WHAT HE BORROWED.

"If Groucher ever comes around your place borrowing anything," said Wise, "don't let him have it."

"You've spoken too late," said Huskie; "he was around yesterday."

"You're easy. What was he borrowing?"

"Trouble. He's in the hospital, today."

—Philadelphia Press.

WINTER'S MIGHTY LONG!

Winter's mighty long these days—
Long, an' mighty cold;
Lots more snow piled on the ways
Than in the time of old.

I wonder why it should be so?
It ain't the world of long ago.
—Atlanta Constitution.

THE WIDOW'S PROMISE.

"The widow has promised to marry me."

"Are she promised you?"

"Of course I am! What do you mean?"

"I thought perhaps you wouldn't tell a promise from a thrip."

—Houston Post.

APPEARANCES.

If you feel a disposition to be foremost in affairs.

Remember that a man is often judged by what he wears.

The way to fame is either very quick or very slow—

It all depends upon the route by which you choose to go.

The mighty volumes that you read; the midnight oil you burn—

It may be many years before they yield you a return.

And on the other hand you may be known and even feared,

If you wear a coat old-fashioned and a hat that's rather weird.

—Washington Star.

ROD AND GUN

Rod and Gun and Motor Sport in Canada, published by W. J. Taylor at Woodstock, Ont., is issuing a winter number, and directing attention to the wonders of that season in Canada. While winter is prominent throughout the number there is plenty of other fare for the sportsman who may be particularly recommended to the valuable paper on the Woodcock, by John Arthur Hope, and the fine story of British Columbia, while the echoes of the dog controversy continue to be heard in those short, forceful papers which form no mere contribution to a question, the full effects of which must be considered by the legislature ere long. Mountain climbing is given a place and the department all display vigorous life and are full of interest. The whole number is such as could only be produced by a magazine having Canada as its field, and both in subjects and in method of dealing with them must interest every sportsman, let his particular hobby in outdoor life be what it may.

There was an element of romance in the late Lord Kelvin's second marriage. It was at the Canary Islands that the great scientist met his bride to be, and her apparent interest in scientific pursuits drew them quickly together.

The scientist went to great lengths to unfold a new system of signalling, and as he said good-bye to the lady on the bridge of his yacht on leaving he looked at her and smilingly said: "Do you think you understand the system now?"

"Oh, yes," replied his lady friend, "I am sure I understand."

"Then," said the scientist, "watch the vessel as it disappears from view and I will flash you a message."

The message was: "Will you be my wife?" The lady's reply the world knows.—Westminster Gazette.

"Papa!" remarked the gay youth, "I must have \$1,000 to pay my debts."

"Your debts," snorted the old man, who was a disciple of phonic spelling, "you have no more excuse for being in debt than the letter 'b.'"

—Philadelphia Record.

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—Judge.

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