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MR. FOSTER AND MR. BLAIR.

Mr. Foster has accepted the liberal conservative nomination for St. John city. This important constituency has thus once more the opportunity to be represented by a finance minister of Canada, and a statesman of high repute and unsullied honor. St. John held that position in the days of Sir Leonard Tilley, and is entitled to it in the future if the citizens say so. For there is not in Canadian public life a man who stands higher in the confidence and esteem of right thinking men than Hon. George E. Foster. He has been eighteen years in parliament and was eleven years a minister. From his first session he has occupied a conspicuous position and has been ex-

posed to the keenest criticism. Mr. Foster's record as an administrator is unblemished by any scandal, his eminent ability is everywhere recognized, and even those who have fought him and his party all their lives, admit his integrity, his industry, his regard for his word, and his high position in parliament and in the country.

Either the present minister of railways or the future finance minister must represent this city in the next parliament. Mr. Blair was nominated yesterday in accordance with arrangements previously made by the party managers, and has accepted the nomination. Like Mr. Foster, Mr. Blair is a front bench man and has made a certain reputation for himself and his province. During his four years of federal service he has shown the same qualities in statesmanship that he displayed in the provincial field, though he has not been so successful in all his political operations. We do not propose in this place to discuss in detail these features of Mr. Blair's character and conduct. It is enough to say that whatever Mr. Blair has won in the larger public life of the dominion he has not as yet won from his associates in parliament that measure of confidence which the people of St. John would like their representative to enjoy. It has come about in four years that Mr. Tarte, Mr. Blair and Mr. Sifton are placed in a group by themselves, as having attained a certain undesirable eminence even among associates who themselves are not all above repreach. It may be conceded that they are three clever politicians, fruitful in devices, resourceful, not too much hampered by delicate scruples, nor by their own pledges. who are able in many ways to serve their party and themselves in the positions they occupy. They have been placed over the three departments which have the largest patronage and the most tempting contracts, and which offer the greatest opportunities for ministers to corrupt others or to be themselves corrupted. One does not like to be altogether ungracious to Mr. Blair at the opening of his first campaign as a pandidate in St. John. but even his own friends will admit that a spending department might be placed in other hands with greater certainty than it would be administered with a sole regard to the welfare

Two or three weeks ago Mr. Blair visited this town, and immediately afterward certain friends of his, mostly men in the enjoyment of patronage, began to carry about requisitions asking the minister to be a candidate in St. John. Before this time some of the government organs had pointed out that Queens and Sunbury was an inconvenient constituency for Mr. Blair to contest, and that it might be expedient for him to seek a seat elsewhere. These suggestions were thrown out after the liberal conservatives of Queens and Sunbury had nominated Mr. Foster as Mr. Blair's opponent. Mr. Blair and his friends have been much given to boasting, and to depreciation of their opponents, and it has been proclaimed over and over again by the Blair organs in New Brunswick, and the Tarte organs in Quebec, that Mr. Foster could not be elected, while Mr. Blair had only to announce his acceptance and any seat in the province would be his. Mr. Foster

of the country.

can talk rather effectively, but he ation is eminently unsatisfactory, and does not go about telling how great popular a man he is and how weak his opponents are. He has requietly gone on with his campaign work in Ontario, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and his own province dscussing the questions before the country and the record of the govern ment. While Mr. Blair was supp bury Mr. Foster did not decline the nation for the united counties. When Mr. Foster was nominated in St. John Mr. Blair's candidature here was well advanced. Mr. Foster took a little time to consider, but within two hours of the announcement that Mr. Blair had accepted the St. John nomination Mr. Foster's acceptance of the liberal conservative candidature was in the hands of the chairman and

had been handed to the press. Some one asked why Hugh John Macdonald had left Winnipeg to become a candidate in Brandon. ex-premier of Manitoba replied that in order to meet Mr. Sifton he was obliged to seek him where he was. Neither Mr. Foster nor Hugh John Macdonald is opposing the minister in any spirit of bravado, but in each case the opposition candidate has taken the place where the fight is hottest and the issue the most im-

MONDAY NIGHT'S MEETING.

The attempt to get five thousand people into a space which will only hold half that number proved a failure, but in all other respects the opening meeting of the St. John liberal conservative campaign was a success The party has in the candidates the two most effective public speakers in the province, and they gave a good account of themselves in their introductory meeting. The meeting clears the ground for a more detailed discussion of the questions at issue, though it will be admitted that both Mr. Stock ton and Mr. Foster were more definite in their treatment of public matters than Mr. Blair and his associate were

The speeches that night were free from boasting and false appeals. They were equally free from sectional pleas or reckless promise. They were the calmly and fairly presented their arguintelligent and earnest men and women. This reliance on the charac ter of the audience was justified, for lowed the discussion with attention and evident appreciation as was shown by repeated bursts of applause, rising from all parts of the hall at

The speakers covered a large controversial area, much of which is fam-Biar ground to those interested in politics, but the chief local issue was not

The audience which faced Mr. Blair the other evening got no assurance from him that there would be any export traffic through St. John next winter. Mr. Blair spoke long on the subject, but left the matter as vague as he found it. He could not even promise that freight would be brought by the Intercolonial

Mr. Foster is not yet a minister and carnot control these matters. But he made it abundantly clear that if there is a change of government in Novem ber, the traffic will be brought here by one route or the other or by both.

Mr. Foster explains that the government of which he was a member did not permit the Canadian Pacific to tees. One would suppose that a self continue with the eastern terminus at Montreal. It was insisted that the line should be extended to this winter post, which was thus made the terminus at great cost to the country as well as to the company. The railway was not which he was a member begun the winter port experiment five years ago. In passed, and Mr. Foster holds that the matter should then have been treated as a settled question.

Arrangements with the C. P. R. should have been placed on a permanent basis. Steamship contracts should have been made for a term of years. The commercial and shipping world should have been made to understand that the winter port business was here to stay.

Instead of that we have doubt and uncertainty. No one has known until the last minute every year what kind of steamships would be subsidized, or whether the Canadian Pacific would be shut out from business by the refusal of the Intercolonial to exchange

Mr. Foster points out some of the geographical disadvantages under which the Canadian Pacific has labor ed, and the difficulty imposed by the fact that 90 per cent. of the cars has to be returned empty. In the face of all the obstacles the railway has worked up a business which last year amounted to 200,000 tons, or 63 cargoes. So necessary is some return traffic to the success of the export trade that the company offers the Intercolonial very much more than an equal division of the profits for any westward freight that can be delivered to the company at St. John. Mr. Blair refuses to accept this offer, yet also refuses to bring the traffic himself over the government road. This situ-

so Mr. Foster described it. The meeting evidently agreed with him. Mr. Foster is to take up this subject again, and will no doubt offer his solution

Mr. Tarte has through his organ paid his respects many times to Mr. Stockton. The candidate for the county had a few words to say last night concerning Mr. Tarte, and nothing that was said appeared to be more in harmony with public feeling. Mr. Tarte is not now a name to conjure with in this loyal town, and his folsible about him. Mr. Tarte need not flatter himself that his unpopularity here is because he is a French-Canadian. We have other French-Canadians, Mr. Bergeron, Mr. Casgrain and Mr. Monk, for example. Last night Mr. Stockton spoke in high terms of Blanchard, New Brunswick's Frenchspeaking representative in the house of commons. Mr. Tarte thinks that his French nationality ought to procause he speaks English. In this campaign all public men may expect to be treated as they deserve, whether they speak French or English, or, like Colonel Tucker, do not speak at all.

DR. STOCKTON AND COLONEL TUCKER.

The people of St. John city and county have a choice between the late Opposite Royal Hotel member and Dr. Stockton. Colonel Tucker has addressed the house once during his five sessions. On that occasion he supported Mr. Blair's St. John gerrymander, which would have given the forty thousand people of St. John one member and one-fifth their number in the parishes one member. depriving the city electors of the right they now enjoy of voting for the city and county representative. Colonel Tucker assured the house that the measure was all right, and was perfectly satisfactory to the residents of both constituencies. Mr. Ellis did not so readily swallow the measure. He opposed it vigorously, and eventually caused the clause to be withdrawn. But if Colonel Tucker did not say much he voted regularly. He endorsed all the deals and all the steals: Even the emergency food swindle which Mr. Ellis condemned was approved by Colonel Tucker. The result we see. Mr. Ellis has been cleared out of the way as an encumbrance. Colonel Tucker is satisfactory to the on the packages themselves, otherwise machine and is the candidate. There is nothing to be said against Colonel Tucker further than that as a representative of this important community | port says Prince Edward Island shiphe is utterly useless. Any automatic voting machine could do his work in for cheese and eggs. (The cheese parliament. The colonel is not vicious. He is not an office seeker. He is not corrupt. But the automatic voting machine would have these negative merits. If he were to remain at home the whole five years and hire the commons page to vote as Mr. Blair votes no one would know the difference. There is one thing, however, to be said in Colonel Tucker's favor. He has not since he became a member of parliament renewed the agitation which he had previously conducted through the Telegraph for the sale of the Intercolonial to the Canadian Pacific railway. It is not at all likely that he has changed his mind, but he is holding his tongue. If Dr. Stockton goes to Ottawa the

know that he is there. He will be heard from and heard to some purpose, and will be an influential member of the house and of its commitrespecting citizen or countryman would rather be represented by Dr. Stockton than be voted by Colonel Tucker.

The Telegraph says that it is going the dominion. to be greatly surprised if any member brought here for amusement. It was to the tory camp. The Telegraph brought to do business, and Mr. Foster | must prepare for a shock, for the mais able to show that the government of jority of the gentlemen who organized the independent movement are in the camp today. In fact they never went out of it, as they will tell the two years the experimental stage had Telegraph if they are asked. They disagreed with the programme of the late government in some details, but they did not on that account go over to the party to which they were still more opposed. The course they took was no doubt injurious to the liberal conservatives at the time, because as ranks of the party which they believe prevince of Quebec: to be wrong all the time.

FAITH HEALER TRIUMPHED.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—Four hundred medical students went to St. Martins town hall yesterday afternoon to attend the meeting conducted by the Rev. John Alexander Dowie, the Chicago unionist, who describes himself as "General overseer of the Christian Catholic church."

They indulged in cat calls and sarcastle

remarks. Mr. Dowie responded vigorously, describing them as "English cowards" and "hooligans," and finally thundering: "You are incited to this by your teachers, who fear that faith healing will ruin their profession." After a scene lasting several minutes the

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OTTAWA, Oct. 11 .- The post office department has issued a notice to all postmasters that in future all city and town post offices are to be kept open every Saturday evening between 7.30 and 9 o'clock to receive savings bank deposits and transact savings bank business. The regulation takes effect on the 20th inst.

Latchford, the minister of public works in Ontario, has declared himself in favor of protection to the Canadian manufacturers

Reports received at the department of agriculture from some of the department's agents in the cities in Great Britain state that several shipments of Canadian butter have been landed there without any shipping marks on the bags which cover the packages. It would be to the interest of shippers to put the shipping marks on the outside of the bags as well as the bags have to be removed on the wharf, thus exposing the packages to the risk of being spoiled. Another repers send the best made boxes both boxes of P. E. Island are made from birch instead of the easy split soft elm used in many other places). OTTAWA, Oct. 14.—The annual

church parade took place today. The weather was fine and the militia made a splendid showing, the Guards being in scarlet and the 43rd in khaki Lord Minto returned from an official trip to the west last night.

The following quaintly worded proclamation appears in the Canada Gazette of yesterday: "Know ye that we, being desirous and resolved as soon as may be to meet our people of our dominion of Canada and to have their advice in parliament, do hereby, by and with the advice of our privy council for Canada, summon and call togepeople of St. John city and county will ther all the house of commons, for our said dominion, to meet at our city of Ottawa, in our said dominion, Wednesday, the fifth day of December next, then and there to have conference treaty with the great men and senate of the dominion."

parliament will meet on that day. It is simply the formal proclamation summoning the ninth parliament of OTTAWA, Oct. 15.-Ward primar-

ies tonight for the liberal convention in this city indicate that the government candidate, Mr. Hutcheson, M. P. will be turned down. The military department has been

asked by the war office to get bids for several thousand pairs of winter gleves for the use of the troops in China. Speaking at an open-air meeting in Ripon county, Labelle, after mass on Sunday, Mr. Bourassa, when cornered by Mr. Poulin, the conservative candidate, declared he was a government candidate. This fastens undoubtedly upon Laurier the onus of the antithey believed it was wrong at the time. imperial campaign being conducted by But it did not throw them into the Bourassa, Monet and others in the

STORM RESULTS.

There is little liklihood of a regular service on the C. P. R. before the last of the week. Repairs are being hurried through as fast as possible, but there is an immense amount of worl

The steamer David Weston took a large number of passengers and a big amount of freight to Fredericton yesterday for points west. Everything possible is being done to make this roundabout trip as pleasant as pos-

bridge, Wahademoak. about two and a half miles below the Narrows, was washed completely off its abutments into the river on Thursday last. The country people are greatly hampered by the destruction. A large amount of express matter the first from the delayed trains, reached this city on vesterday's boat from Fredericton.

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Between May 1st and October 1st 3,100 visitors were shown through the parliament buildings at Fredericton.

OUR SOLDIER BOYS

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The committee appointed at the citizens' meeting to draw up a programme for the celebration of the return of the men from South Africa met yesterday afternoon in the City hall. Mayor Daniel was in the chair. Beside the regular committee there were present representatives from the Neptune Rowing club, the Orange association, the . O. F., and the North End Polymorphian club.

A. O. Skinner was appointed secre-

On motion of Aid. Seaton it was resolved that the freedom of the city should be presented to the returning soldiers. The chairman announced that a holiday would be proclaimed on the day of return and a civic address presented to the men. It was suggested that a procession be held in which the citizens and the various ciubs and organizations should take part. Considerable discussion took place on this question, some advising that the men be formally received at the station by the civic authorities and the military and that the processi be by torchlight in the evening.

It was moved by Col. Jones that the committee going to Halifax arrange to have the men entrained for here at as early an hour as possible, and that on their arrival they be received by a guard of honor from the two militia corps at the station, and the general citizens' reception and torchlight procession be held in the evening. It was moved in amendment by Mr. Brown that arrangements be made to have them arrive early in the evening, that they be then met by the guard of honor and presented with the civic address and conducted by way of Mill, Dock and King streets to the rink. where the banquet is to be given, and the public holiday be proclaimed and the general procession be held the next day, both morning and evening.-Car-

ried. The militia will have a guard of hono at the station and will turn out in force the next morning. The citizens will also be requested to decorate and This does not mean, of course, that | illuminate houses along the route and to assist in the procession in every way rossible:

> This programme will be presented to the adjourned meeting of the citizens on Wednesday next at 4 p. m.

HANTS CO. CONSERVATIVES.

WNIDSOR, Oct. 13 .- An enthusiastic convention of the liberal conservatives of Hants was held today. When a motion was made to proceed to ballot for the nomination of candidates a scene was witnessed. One of the delegates rose and moved an amendment that the nomination be made in open convention. Immediately every man in the hall was on his feet yelling "Putnam," and within two minutes Alfred Putnam, ex-M. P., was declared to be the unanimous nominee of the liberal conservative party. The occasion was a striking contrast to the liberal convention at Windsor, where the delegates were in session two hours before they could agree upon B. Russell as a candidate.

MARLBOROUGH ANNOYED.

LONDON. Oct. 15.-The Duke of Marlborough is sending out a denial of the statement published by nearly every paper in England, that W. K. Vanderbilt has given £100,000, some papers say, and others £500,000, to the duchess as " a thank offering" for the duke's safe return from the war. The Duke and Duchess of Mariborough have been annoved by the pleasantries and series of congraulations that have swollen their fortnight's mail.

TRIAL WILL GO ON.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Oct. 15.-Judge Cantrill today overruled a motion for further continuance in the case of Henry E. Youtsey, charged with being a principal in the shooting of Governor Goebel. Attorneys for the defence declare that Youtsey is in a seri-

ous condition. Judge Cantrill in directing the trial to proceed said that all the rights of the defendant would be preserved Coffee." Edith Smith Davis, Appleunder the law.

ST. ANDREWS

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., Oct. 14.-The jury in the case of the administrators of the estate of the late George S. Grimmer v. the Municipality of Gloucester at 11 o'clock last night gave a verdict for the plaintiffs for the full amount claimed, \$1,210. Counsel for defendants applied for a stay of postea. The court was adjourned until the 11th day of December, then to try the remaining cases on the docket. The construction train on the C. P.

R. reached here at 7 o'clock last evening, and reports that Rolling Dam was reached. A train with a gang of men went out this morning and returned this evening, and report the train got through to McAdam Junction about 3 o'clock. The highway bridge at Dumharton was wrecked into a potato field six hundred yards from its place. The mails from St. John came through from St. George in the team of Gartley McGee, and arrived at 11.30. The St. Stephen mail left here at 2 p. m. The mails were delivered by Postmaster Stevenson about one hour after their arrival. A temporary crossing has been built at the Creamery bridge Oak Bay, and communication with St. Stephen has been re-established. W. C. H. Grimmer, Q. C., drove to St. Stephen this afternoon. Judge Hanington, the legal gentlemen and others from St. John and Bathurst are hospitably cared for in Kennedy's hotel, awaiting the opening of communication by rail. If communication is not restored by Tuesday morning next they will probably go to St. John by steamer via Eastport. It has been raining here all day.

CAMPBELLTON.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., Oct. 14.-Word has arrived here that James G. C. Blackhall has been removed from the position of postmaster at Caraquet, after forty years' service in that office. A prominent official of the post office department is said to have referred to the dismissal as simply scandalous and outrageous. It will be remembered that when the Laurier government came into power in 1896 Mr. Blackhall was removed from his position in the customs, which he held since before confederation, to make room for a son of Mr. Turgeon, the present grit candidate in Gloucester. It is stated that Hon. A. G. Blair will speak in Restigouche on Wednes-

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