

reasons why Sir Wilfrid Laurier's administration should cease to govern Canada. On the contrary the result of the speech-making has been to show that the country is prosperous and well governed and that the Conservative party ought to be allowed to remain in opposition for another five years. By that time it will have another leader and another policy and it may be that the people will have more faith in its promises than they seem to have at present.

The Minister of Railways desires to announce publicly for the information of the employees of the I. C. R. that he has given instructions to the officers of the railway to allow all proper freedom and every reasonable facility to the men to exercise their franchise on polling day.

With regard to those in the train service, an effort will be made as far as consistent with the requirements of the regular service to afford a similar opportunity to voters and as to freight specialists they will be moved as far as practicable with the view of obtaining the same object.

The Wednesday publishes a manifesto which had been signed by the French Conservative candidates for seats in the next parliament, which it claims to be a proof that they are loyal to Canada. This paper is signed by Mr. Amede Gelly, Conservative candidate for Kamouraska, the same person who two or three weeks ago denounced the conduct of Great Britain in making war against the Boers in South Africa, in a speech which he quoted the other day. It was also signed by Mr. J. H. Crepeau, Conservative candidate for Richmond and Wolfe; Mr. L. Taschereau, Conservative candidate for Kamouraska; Mr. L. A. Charvin, Conservative candidate for Terrebonne; and Mr. F. A. Marcotte, Conservative candidate for Champlain, all of whom are well known to be Boer sympathizers. The value of their declaration of loyalty to Canada may be judged by their conduct with reference to the South African war.

It is well for the people of Canada to remember, now that our soldiers have come back to us, that the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier is the first that has given Great Britain a preference in the markets of Canada, and likewise the first that has sent the sons of Canada across the seas to fight the battles of the British Empire. The Canadian Tories have always been great people for lip loyalty. They have always been fond of declaring their attachment to the old flag, but although the British government was engaged in a war during the time when the Conservatives were in power in Canada since Confederation, not one man was sent from Canada to assist in the war of the empire by a Tory government. This is a fact which illustrates the difference between Tory lip loyalty and the practical loyalty of the Liberal party.

The Honorable Andrew G. Blair is the one man in Canada who has dared to denounce the attachments of the Canadian Pacific Railway upon our liberty. This Frank Stein monster was created by the late Tory government, and if not resisted, it would in time destroy all freedom in Canada, endeavoring to control the elections, and make and unmake governments according to their whims. This system will come to an end with the present contest, and we shall have no more of one great corporation, which has been heavily subsidized with the money of the people, undertaking to govern the country and to destroy governments if a its demands are not granted. Every friend of good government will rejoice in the success of the Honorable Andrew G. Blair.

None of the Tory orators in St. John have anything to say of the infamous forgery which was committed by their party in issuing a paper bearing the name of the Globe, and resembling in every respect the Toronto Globe, but filled with attacks on the Liberal government. We presume that even the Tory managers here are ashamed of this transaction, which, in moral sense, is no more excusable than the forging of a promissory note. Yet this present campaign has been full of such Tory tricks as this.

From now until polling day a fresh crop of Tory falsehoods aimed at the Liberal government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier may be expected. We have had ample proof of the ability and capability of the Tory managers in the matter of slander and falsification, so that no one need be surprised if the Liberal leaders are accused of murder or something akin to it on the eve of the election. There is no limit to the untruthfulness of the Tory press or of the Tory speakers.

Mr. J. Douglas Hazen in his Carleton speech, attacked the government because it refused to pass a prohibitory liquor law on the vote of about 22 per cent. of the registered electors of Canada. It will be news to most people that Mr. Hazen is a prohibitionist, or a friend of the cause of temperance. Any man who desires the success of this cause should be willing to be himself an example of personal prohibition. Prohibitionists who drink the liquor regularly every day are not of much account.

The Sun says that a vote for Foster and Stockton is a vote for the St. John ship laborers, and the Sun does not appear to be joking either. This shows to what a singular state of mind politics may bring a Tory partisan, when he has to support two such men as Foster and Stockton. What did either of these men ever do for the ship-laborers of St. John except to abuse and insult them?

The Sun says that Mr. Foster is not a

man much given to promises. Mr. Foster in our opinion is very much given to promises, but not all given to keeping them. He has made many promises to the people of St. John in his time, but he has not kept one of them. He is making more promises now, but there is no likelihood of his having an opportunity of keeping them, even if he were disposed to do so.

The population of the United States, which has been ascertained to be 76,295,220, is considerably less than was estimated prior to the taking of the census. The increase for ten years is at the rate of nearly 21 per cent. About 9,000,000 of the population of the United States are colored, so that the white population is about 67,000,000.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell says that George E. Foster is a traitor; every one says that A. A. Stockton is a turn-coat, so that a traitor and a turn-coat are the best that the Conservative party in St. John has to offer as candidates to represent it in the House of Commons.

Mr. Samuel Schofield devoted most of his Carleton speech on Tuesday evening to out-ridiculing certain statements made in the Telegraph, but the people of St. John do not take Mr. Schofield seriously.

Dr. Stockton was in a very bad temper at the nomination of Wednesday, and some very improper language for which he was vigorously hissed.

A correspondent asks us whether it is true that Sir Mackenzie Bowell is coming to St. John to tell the electors what he knows about Foster as a traitor. We hope so.

The rate of betting in St. John in favor of the Liberal Government being sustained is now five to one.

The Barnhill Mill Entirely Destroyed.

The Barnhill saw mill at Pleasant Point, N. B., was destroyed by fire on Wednesday night. The fire broke out at 10 o'clock, and in less than an hour the mill was a mass of flames. The fire was caused by a spark from the engine, and the fire spread rapidly, destroying the mill and the saws. The loss is estimated at \$20,000.

There is \$15,000 insurance on the stock of the mill, which is a partial loss. The policy is in the office of the London and Lancashire, and of this amount \$10,000 is re-insured to the office of the Imperial and Mercantile.

It is a mystery just how the fire caught, when first noticed by the watchman. It is a mystery just how the fire caught, when first noticed by the watchman. It is a mystery just how the fire caught, when first noticed by the watchman.

Croker's Gentle Advice

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 30.—Governor Croker's statement, running as follows: "My advice to Democratic voters the night over is to congregate about the polling places on the evening of election day, count numbers and then if the election returns for Bryan do not tally with their count, to go into the polling place and throw those fellows in charge of the returns into the street."

Think They Have a Murderer

Roston, Oct. 31.—Roy Matthews, a real estate dealer, went to Charles street jail today with Patrolman Toomey, of Roxbury, to try to identify a prisoner there.

Revolt in Worcester

London, Oct. 31.—A widespread "revolt," says the Tanager correspondent of the Daily Mail, "has broken out in Mexico against the provincial governments. The Premier is preparing to suppress Moorish bands who are active in the Algerian hills."

Five Children Burned

Winnipeg, Oct. 30.—News from Edmonton says the house of a Buckow Indian named Hutako, some distance from Edmonton, was burned and that five little children in the building at the same period.

Non, Mr. Dobell Bark

Quebec, Oct. 30.—Hon. Mr. Dobell arrived home today from England.

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BUT FEW SEATS WENT BY DEFAULT.

Nomination Day Proceedings Show There Will Be Contests in Almost Every Constituency in Canada--The New Brunswick List.

Toronto, Oct. 31.—(Special)—The nomination proceedings were held throughout Canada today, with the exception of the following constituencies where nominations and elections have been postponed to a later date for various reasons.

In Ontario-Algonia, election takes place tomorrow; Nipissing election is postponed indefinitely owing to a dispute between the parties over voters' lists. This leaves contests in 10 constituencies in Ontario to take place on November 7.

In Quebec—Chouinard, Saguenay and Gaspe elections are postponed until December 7; Drummond, Arthabaska having returned L. Lamerie (Liberal), by acclamation; in Kamouraska, J. E. Seagrave, Conservative and former member, by acclamation today.

In British Columbia—Yale, Cariboo nomination was postponed to November 4, polling November 21; Burrard nomination until November 24, polling December 6, leaving contests in three constituencies on Wednesday.

In Nova Scotia—In North West, Ontario, J. C. Ross will run as a straight Liberal against John Charlton, who takes the field as an Independent Liberal. There is no Conservative candidate in this constituency.

In West Elgin, George E. Casey (Liberal) came out as an Independent Liberal, running against him, while A. D. McQueen announces himself a straight supporter of the government. There is no Conservative candidate in this constituency.

In South Huron, John McMillan and George McEwen oppose each other as straight Liberals, there being no Conservative candidate.

In South Lanark Hon. John Haggart and Dr. Preston will battle for the seat in the Conservative interest. There is no Liberal candidate.

Indications tonight are for a full crop of parliamentary aspirants in almost every constituency in the warm contest all over the country next Wednesday.

Robinson and Morrissey in Northumberland; Clatham, Oct. 31.—(Special)—James Robinson, Conservative, and John Morrissey, Liberal, were nominated in the court house today.

After nomination proceedings closed—and these were quieter than usual—the candidates adjourned to the public square, where they addressed the electors.

William Gibson was chairman. Mr. Robinson announced that he was a Liberal-Conservative but promised to support the Liberal administration on any measure for the benefit of the people.

He lamented the death of the Hon. Michael Adams and claimed support for himself on account of his friendship for that gentleman. He took the credit for the many public works erected in this county by the Liberal administration and closed by saying that he would do for Robeson in the past. Mr. Morrissey was next called and in a speech of about an hour he reviewed the political situation in the county, showing clearly that Canada, under the Laurier administration, had greatly increased in prosperity.

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Moncton, Oct. 31.—(Special)—The nomination proceedings at Dorchester today were attended by one of the largest crowds ever seen on similar occasions. After H. A. Powell and H. R. Emmerson were placed in nomination speeches were made by both candidates. Sheriff McQueen presided.

Hampton, Oct. 31.—The contest in Kings will be between Col. James Donville, of Robeson, and G. W. Fowler, of Sussex, both of whom were nominated to-day.

White and Wilmet. Gagetown, Oct. 31.—Hon. A. S. White, of Sussex, Liberal, and R. D. Wilmet, of Brunswick, Conservative, were formally put in the field today.

Three in Gloucester. Bathurst, Oct. 31.—T. Blanchard, Conservative, of Carleton, and O. Tupper, of Carleton, were nominated today. R. Carr Harris, of Bathurst Village, Independent, was also nominated.

Lewis and Weldon in Albert. Hopewell Cape, Oct. 31.—(Special)—Dr. Lewis was nominated by the Liberals and Dr. Weldon by the Conservatives of Albert today. A large number of electors attended the proceedings at Hopewell Cape and things passed off quietly. Dr. Lewis

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LANSDOWNE NOT WANTED, CELEBRATION AT HALIFAX. The London Press Have No Use for Him. Pent-up Enthusiasm of the People Broke Out.

NO ONE PLEASED TO PASS THE TIME. At the Suggested Changes in the London Daily Telegraph--The Newspapers Think He Will Make a Poor Foreign Secretary.

Waiting for the Idaho--There Were Two False Alarms Wednesday--The Troopship Arrived at 2.30 Thursday Morning.

London, Nov. 1.—If the Daily Telegraph's announcement had been a mere ploy to ascertain the temper of the public toward Lord Lansdowne's appointment he would certainly never become minister of foreign affairs.

The Standard, which says it has learned that Lord Selkirk, under secretary of state for the colonies, and Mr. William St. John Brodie, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, will enter the cabinet.

The Daily Mail, which professes to be unable to believe that such an appointment is possible, says: "If Lord Lansdowne is appointed foreign secretary and some other gentleman of agreeable manner is made first lord of the admiralty, the country may lament a great opportunity lost forever."

The Daily Chronicle says: "We may well ask whether the country would have voted quite so 'khaki' had it known of this appointment beforehand."

The Daily News observes: "Presumably the explanation of the appointment is that Lord Salisbury wants a man he can easily control in foreign affairs, which would have been impossible if Mr. Chamberlain had been appointed. In fact, Lord Salisbury will still be foreign minister, with Lord Lansdowne as his clerk."

The Times, to a large extent, takes the view of the Liberal organs, namely, that Lord Salisbury will now find time to be the real premier and to exercise greater control over the whole cabinet, instead of mere nominal control. It believes the report of Lord Lansdowne's appointment correct and defends him against newspaper attacks, saying: "The critics would find it hard to indicate whom they consider better fitted for the post."

After naming several rather negative qualities for the portfolio, the Times says: "It thinks it ungenerous to criticize until the country has seen what the new minister will accomplish."

Cotton Weavers at Work. Valleyfield, Oct. 30.—The Montreal Cotton Company's employees returned to work this morning and the mill is now working full blast. The operatives returned to work on the understanding the militia should be withdrawn within 24 hours.

London, Oct. 31.—Another long casualty list has been received by the war office from South Africa. Lieut. Lord Grosvenor was wounded in the right thigh during the fighting at Bethleh.

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