

(4) that not a word of condemnation thereof has emanated from them, either in Parliament or on the platform;

(5) that their press has been silent and that their leading organ has behind it a past which positively reeks with corruption, cowardice and treachery;

(6) and that to-day, when they call to the heavens for political purity, Conservative leaders and press alike are playing the part of arrant hypocrites.

The following facts, which are merely a few out of many that might be adduced, will abundantly prove the above assertions.

Persons Reported by the Judges for Corrupt Practices in Conservative Election Trials.

One would infer, from statements in the Tory press, that not a solitary Conservative had ever been reported by the judges for corrupt practices at Ontario elections, but the records of the election courts show that the judges are constantly reporting persons as having been guilty of the grossest forms of bribery in the interests of Conservative candidates. Take the following as instances:—

17 were reported by the judges for corrupt practices in South Ontario (Calder) trial of 1898.

5 were reported in the North Waterloo (Lackner, Con.) trial of 1898.

3 were reported in the Kingston trial, following the general election of 1894.

1 was reported in the West Algoma trial, following the general election of 1894.

1 was reported in the West Wellington trial, following the general election of 1894.

5 were reported in the North Bruce trial, after the general election of 1890.

11 were reported in the Hamilton trial after the general election of 1890.

2 were reported in the West Kent trial, following the general election of 1886.

7 were reported in the East Northumberland trial, following the general election of 1886.

5 were reported at the London election trial for the House of Commons in 1896.

1 was reported at the Kings (P.E.I.) trial.

1 was reported at the Richmond, N.S. trial.

Conservatives Unseated Since 1888, when Mr. Whitney Came into Parliament.

The readers of the Tory press might also assume, from their one sided way of dealing with current political events, that few if