

contest, with his former opponent, Colonel Sproat, in 1878 by a largely increased majority. He is a Liberal and opposed to the so-called "National Policy," of the present Government believing as he does, in a revenue tariff, with the principles of free trade applied as far as the circumstances of the national finances will admit. If we understand his views, it is not until a return to such a fiscal policy and principles of free trade as these will be made, can, or will, the people of Canada as a whole, be justly dealt with, or be prosperous. Class legislation in any country, he regards as an evil, and he thinks it will prove to be a bane to Canada should it continue to be maintained for any length of time. Mr. Gillies is also opposed to the policy adopted by the Government of the day in its dealings with the settlement of the public lands in the North-West, also to the policy pursued by the party in power respecting the construction of the Canada Pacific railway.

He favors a judiciously matured scheme by which to secure more fully and effectually the vote of the electorate of Canada, than has yet been attained, for he thinks that the habit of coaxing and dragging men to the polls, to discharge a sacred duty, which they owe to themselves and their country, is debasing and humiliating, and unworthy of a free and intelligent people.

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