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MR. BLAIR'S INSTITUTION SPEECH.

Under the lurid heading "Attempted bribery and intimidation by wholesale," the Sun charges the minister of railways with "taking this constituency by the throat" and threatening the people of St. John with the vengeance of the dominion government if they do not support the provincial government candidates. We quote from the Sun's editorial of Tuesday:

He threatens in effect that if the citizens decline to vote against the representatives whom they have thought worthy of their trust in the past, the government at Ottawa will refuse to carry out its own policy, and will cancel its plan for the railway terminus. The money has been voted. The plans have been made. The property has been expropriated. Contracts for construction have been made. All this has been done, so Mr. Blair has said in parliament, in the interest of the whole country. But in spite of the interest of the country, in spite of vote and of contract, all will be undone and abandoned if the people of St. John do not turn their backs on their tried and trusted representatives and fall down before the brazen images that Mr. Blair has set up. And this is not in a federal election but in a provincial election, with which Mr. Blair says the dominion government has nothing to do.

Mr. Blair's speech was heard by the largest audience that the Institute has contained for years and every man in that audience knows that he did not say one word to justify the charge which the Sun makes against him. The Sun's own report of Mr. Blair's speech flatly contradicts its editorial as will be seen by the following extract from it, the only part of the speech in which the intercolonial improvements at St. John were mentioned. We quote from the Sun's report:

He warned the people that failure to elect these candidates would weaken his hands at Ottawa. If in St. John the government candidates were defeated, when he went back to Ottawa his colleagues would naturally ask what claims have you on the dominion when the government candidates were defeated in St. John? Let the electors go to work and elect the whole ticket. If the candidates of the government are defeated it will be claimed as a victory for the Conservative party, and therefore a detriment to St. John and the vast improvements proposed.

It will be observed that the above report from the Sun does not in any way support the editorial statements made in that paper. Mr. Blair did not "take the constituency by the throat." He did not threaten St. John, nor did he say that if they voted against the government candidates the work would not be completed. But he did comment on the surprise that would be felt by his colleagues at Ottawa if the first response of St. John to the favors this government had done to them should be a direct slap in the face, and if Mr. Foster, who had done nothing for St. John except to injure it, should be preferred to him who had successfully labored to give it the best terminal facilities possible in connection with the intercolonial railway. In the Sun's report the remarks of the minister of railways on this point are more strongly put than they were in reality. What Mr. Blair did say was more fully and correctly reported in THE TELEGRAPH of Tuesday and was as follows:

Such things, said the minister, ought to make his hearers pause and consider whether they should, at the call of a political convention, forget their own interests and welfare. They could not live on party politics. If this cry from the Moncton convention were heeded, what would be the feeling throughout Canada? Naturally, that the Conservatives were stronger, and their

policy rather than the Liberal policy was acceptable. How would such a verdict down here be viewed by his colleagues at Ottawa? Was it to the interest of St. John to have a strong minister representing them from New Brunswick, one who had their interests at heart and as trying to serve them, or to have his hands weakened by an adverse verdict in a campaign such as Mr. Foster had introduced? Would they not rather try to strengthen his hands in carrying out the aspirations and plans which had been begun? (Cheers.)

THE SUN'S CAMPAIGN OF SLANDER.

The Sun's wall of despair on Saturday last has been followed by the publication of a new set of falsehoods which equally indicate the demoralized condition of the party of which it is the organ. No paper that had the slightest respect or that possessed the smallest regard for its readers would insult them by such chivalrically false statements as those which it published on Monday and Tuesday. First came the statement that Snowball & Co., and Messrs D. and J. Ritchie had defrauded the provincial government of an enormous sum of money by not paying the full amount of stampage due by them for lumber cut on Crown lands. This statement was so manifestly absurd that it was hardly worthy of notice, for it there had been any such failure to collect stampage from the two firms mentioned, why was the fact never discovered until the last week of the campaign? Both Snowball & Co. and D. & J. Ritchie have, however, thought it worthy of their attention, and have given this slanderous statement the most unqualified condemnation. They are able to show the origin of every stick of lumber they have shipped or which they hold in stock, and also that they do not owe a single dollar to the government for stampage. Two falsehoods made their appearance in the Sun Tuesday, the one palpably false and the other easily capable of being disproved. The first of these was the statement that the minister of railways had "come to St. John and taken the constituency by the throat." We have dealt with this matter in another article, so it is only necessary to say that the statement of the Sun is a wilful and deliberate falsehood. Like most of the Sun's falsehoods it is a foolish lie, for every man who heard Mr. Blair's speech in the Institute on Monday night knows that there was nothing whatever in that statement to draw to justify in the slightest degree the Sun's statement.

The climax of folly, however, was reached when the Sun published the fairy tale about an attempt to buy off Mr. Dean, one of the county candidates by Mr. James Kelly and Mr. J. Fred Watson. Mr. Kelly is now in Toronto. Mr. Dean having waited until there were many hundreds of miles between him and St. John before publishing his ridiculous charge, Mr. Watson is doubtless able to give an unqualified contradiction to Mr. Dean's statement. The idea of any one offering \$1,000 or even \$200 to buy off Mr. Dean, and the idea of Mr. Dean refusing it will strike most readers of the newspapers as among the crowning humors of the campaign.

A SUN DEAL.

Messrs. Snowball & Co. and Messrs. D. & J. Ritchie will probably bring actions against the Sun for the libellous statements which it published on Monday with reference to stampage. Such a course, however, might be regarded as a useless proceeding, for it might as well be the libel suit of Judge Steadman against the Sun some years ago. Judge Steadman brought an action for libel against the Sun, that paper having made false charges against him in connection with the revision of the election lists for Queens. He obtained a verdict, but that was all the satisfaction he got. The damages awarded to him, which were large, could not be collected. The Sun Publishing Co. gave a confession of judgment to Alfred Markham, who promptly issued an execution and that great paper was sold at public auction by the sheriff for the sum of fifty dollars. By this brilliant coup two objects were effected, Judge Steadman was defrauded of the damages awarded to him by a court of law, and the stockholders of the Sun were wiped out, and lost all the money they had put into that paper. If the Sun after a careful search of the records of this province or of Canada can find any political deal, swindle or job equal to this transaction we would be obliged if it would name it.

SENATOR WOOD SHOULD SPEAK OUT.

The Moncton Transcript says:—If the steel bridge built by the Record Foundry and Machine Company are charged for at fraudulent rates, will Senator Wood, as president of the Liberal Conservative Association, explain to the public why, as a shareholder in that company, he does not avail himself of his right to inspect the company's books, analyze the company's accounts and expose the result to the public? Will Senator Wood answer? These columns are open to his reply.

We think the above statement calls for some response from Senator Wood who is well known to be an opponent of the provincial government. Senator Wood is a large stockholder in the Record Foundry and Machine Co., the company that is accused of overcharging the province for the construction of steel bridges. The other stockholders of the Record company,

many of whom are Conservatives and opponents of the provincial government, evidently feel that they have been grossly insulted by the charges made against them by the opposition, and at their annual meeting, which was held on the 7th inst., the following resolution was moved by Mr. A. L. Ogden, seconded by Mr. J. C. Patterson, and unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, it has come to our notice through a portion of the press and by political speeches upon public platforms that this company has and is being maligned, slandered and vilified in connection with the building of steel bridges by being called a political opportunist manufacturing concern, etc.; and whereas, we have examined the statements prepared by the management and adopted by the directors and have each year placed before us the books and accounts of this company, which have been and are at all times open to the inspection of the shareholders, and any information we have desired has always been cheerfully given;

"Therefore resolved, That the meeting of the stockholders of the said Record Foundry and Machine Company express its full confidence in the management of the company and denounce as false the slanderous statements made apparently by enemies of this enterprise and calculated to injure it in the eyes of the public."

We do not know whether Senator Wood was present at this annual meeting or not, but he certainly ought to have been if he had any charges to bring against the government in connection with the prices paid to his foundry for steel bridges. He was, however, well represented by his chief business man, Mr. Ogden, who moved the resolution, and in the absence of Senator Wood we have a right to assume that Mr. Ogden voiced his sentiments, and that he repudiates the charge made against the government of paying too high a price to the Record company for steel bridges.

A FINAL WORD.

To the Friends of the Provincial Government:

GENTLEMEN: On the eve of the political battle, which is to be fought in this province on Saturday, the 18th inst., it may not be out of place for me to say a few words to you.

I desire in the first place to express my most sincere thanks for the manner in which you have rallied to the support of the administration which for the time being I have the honor to lead. The object of my present writing is with a view of making a few suggestions. We have seen that the campaign of the opposition so far has been one of slander. But I think I may fairly claim that the friends of the government have fully answered the charges of the opposition with respect to the cost of permanent bridges, the crown land scandal and the alleged case of attempted purchase of an opposition candidate. It is just possible that a party which has depended all along upon the weapon of slander may concoct some new insinuation on the eve of the election or on the day that the contest is on. I therefore ask the friends of the administration to be on their guard against any fresh slander, and if any be made to take prompt action with a view of destroying any such slander. Their previous insinuations having been exploded, it would not be asking our friends too much to believe that any new "exposures" could be just as easily disposed of.

I will ask my friends throughout the province to pay no attention to the opposition claim that they are likely to carry this county or that one. In Westmorland, no doubt, they will be circulating stories of what a great success they will have in York, and so on throughout the different counties. Without being too confident, I firmly believe that we stand to win a most glorious victory all over the province, and I would ask our friends to, upon no consideration, split their votes. Let our motto everywhere be: "The ticket, the whole ticket and nothing but the ticket." If we do this we will have no reason to complain of the result in every county of the province.

Again thanking the friends of the administration, and asking them to renew their efforts from now until the polls close on Saturday, I am

Your obedient servant,

H. E. EMERSON.

MR. DEAN'S CHARGE DENIED.

We presume that very few people believe the statement made by Mr. Dean that Mr. James Kelly and Mr. J. Fred Watson had tried to buy him off, so that he would not run against the government candidates. Mr. Dean is not the kind of a man any sensible person would desire to buy off, for he is a man of no strength and if Hon. Mr. Dunn had gone through the whole county in search of a weak man for an opponent, he could hardly have found one that it would be easier to beat. If Mr. Dunn had any interest in Mr. Dean it was that he should re-

main in the field. Mr. Dunn has denied on oath that he had any part in trying to induce Mr. Dean not to run. Mr. James Kelly went to Toronto last Saturday, but when he returns he will have something interesting to say to Mr. Dean. Mr. J. Fred Watson has been confined to the house by illness, but yesterday he made a solemn declaration before Mr. Gerard G. Ruel, totally denying the charge made against him by Mr. Dean, in the following terms:

"I, J. Fred Watson, of the city of Saint John, in the province of New Brunswick, merchant, do solemnly and sincerely declare and say—

1.—That I am familiar with the statement published in the issue of the "St. John Daily Sun" on the thirteenth instant to the effect that I had offered to William J. Dean certain sums, ranging as high as one thousand dollars, to induce him to withdraw his candidature for election in the county of Saint John.

2.—That I did not at any time offer to the said William J. Dean any amount or amounts whatever, or hold out to him any inducement of any nature either to influence, or to effect, his retirement as such candidate aforesaid.

3.—That I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of "The Canada Evidence Act, 1893."

This disposes of Mr. Dean's absurd statement, for the people of St. John will not be under any uncertainty as to which of the two persons in question is most worthy of credence.

THE OPPOSITION ARE BEATEN.

Dr. Stockton, the leader of the opposition, made a speech in the North End on Wednesday evening and another in Charlottetown, which we find duly reported in the Sun. It was the same old speech that the learned doctor has been making for many years; and he would have saved himself the expenditure of a great deal of wind if at the beginning of the campaign he had spoken it in to a phonograph and had it carried about the country to be read off to wondering audiences with the aid of a crank. Dr. Stockton's principal whine is with regard to what he calls the extravagance of the government. The idea of there being any extravagance in connection with the administration of our provincial affairs is too ridiculous for serious consideration. The entire annual expenditure of the province is about \$500,000, or only one-third more than that of the city of St. John. From this sum the province has to pay out \$200,000 a year for education, principally in supplementing the salaries of school teachers, so that the districts are relieved of the burden of maintaining their schools to the extent of the government grant. Another large sum, about \$200,000 a year, is paid for the maintenance of great roads, by roads and bridges. Another sum of about \$125,000 goes to pay the interest on the public debt. The larger part of this debt has been incurred in subsidizing useful railways by which the province has been opened up and its industries stimulated. We have already given a list of these railways, but the information is worth repeating. The following railways have received subsidies from the provincial government:

Name of Railway.	Length in Miles.	Subsidy.
Canada Eastern.....	126	\$2,000
Central Railway.....	3	15,000
Devonport.....	27	107,000
Electric, St. John and.....	70	250,000
Shore Line.....	85	415,000
Central Northern.....	24	125,000
N. B. and P. E. L. Railway.....	36	100,000
and by Victoria.....	28	100,000
Moncton and Buctouche.....	28	95,000
St. John Bridge Railway.....	2	6,000
St. John Valley.....	2	6,000
St. John and.....	10	14,000
Guilford Railway.....	10	35,000
Andrew Branch.....	10	5,000
Total.....	566	\$2,084,000

The lines of railway enumerated above traverse twelve of the fifteen counties of this province, and they are all lines which could not be dispensed with without serious injury to the interests of the province. What voter in Medawaska, Victoria, York, Queens, Charlotte, St. John, Kings, Albert, Westmorland, Kent, Gloucester or Northumberland will condemn the government for giving money to assist to build railways in his county? So much for the charge against the government of increasing the public debt.

When the late Dominion government was in power Mr. George E. Foster and Mr. J. Douglas Hazen, at a cost of \$200,000 to the country drove a foundry that employed five hundred men from this city, and compelled the persons who worked in it to seek employment elsewhere. That was one of the greatest blows that St. John ever received; it was a staggering blow, coming as it did after so many reverses and losses, for it involved with it the ruin of many minor allied industries. Mr. George E. Foster and the opposition are now seeking to close the Record Foundry, Moncton, and give the bridge works of the province to Montreal concerns. That is and always has been their policy and "down with native industries" has been their battle cry. Contrast this with the work of Mr. George Robertson, one of the government candidates, who has been the means of bringing an industry here which will cost \$350,000 to put in working order and which will employ

two hundred and fifty persons. This is the result of his visit to England last year. Word has been received by the last English mail that two-thirds of the stock of the Cushing pulp mill has been subscribed there, the balance having been obtained here, so that the building of the mill will be proceeded with as soon as the frost is out of the ground. Mr. Robertson's aim to be a better representative of St. John than Mr. Geo. E. Foster or any of his friends.

The despicable and desperate tactics of the opposition afford the best possible evidence of the fact that they are beaten in this constituency, and that they know it. Their plan of action has been to show slanders right and left, to throw mud at the government, in the hope that some of their many falsehoods would be believed. When one slander was refuted another was ready for launching, and thus, by a multiplicity of lies they hoped to win. These desperate tactics, however, have failed because the Sun and its friends rather over did the thing, and because the character of the Sun is bad. What weight can a charge of dishonesty against any government have in the columns of the Sun when it is known that the Sun itself was guilty of an act so shameless and so dishonorable that it could hardly be credited were it not for the fact that it is a matter of record. The stockholders of the Sun, among whom were some men who could ill afford it, have not forgotten the manner in which they were deprived of their property by the confession of judgment and sheriff's sale which we described yesterday. We regret to have been compelled to refer to this matter, but when a witness comes into court to attack the character of another it is only right that his own character should be inquired into. Tried by this test, how does the Sun stand? The readers of this paper, with all the facts before them, should have no difficulty in answering this question.

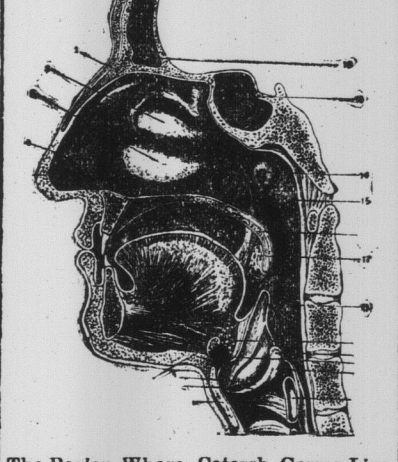
The Opposition have issued a lurid circular to the non-resident electors of this county, inviting them to vote for Messrs. Carson and Dean. Across the circular is stamped, in red ink, the statement that Messrs. Kelly and Watson tried to buy off Mr. Dean, and that Mr. W. E. Skillew threatened Capt. Carson if he did not retire. Any one who wishes to believe these statements, is at liberty to do so, but they are not likely to have any influence on sensible men. In this campaign Captain Carson has deprived himself of any claim to credence by his shuffling conduct. He promised to support Mr. Dunn not three days before he accepted the opposition nomination. A person who breaks his pledged word in this way need not complain if any statements he may make afterwards are not believed. Captain Carson had no objection to the policy of the government before he was nominated, and nothing has happened since that could have influenced him against the government except the pressure to which he has been subjected by interested parties in St. John. As for Mr. Dean, his charge has been fully answered. The publication of such circulars as the one to which we have referred by the opposition is a sure sign that they are beaten and that they know it.

Death at the Feast.

Born, Feb. 16—Frank E. Tait, of North Bridge, Mass., died while sitting at a table at the Home Market Club banquet tonight. President McKim was among the guests.

DR. SPROULE ON CATARRH.

The Gateway of Consumption.



The Region Where Catarrh Germs Live and Die.

Twenty years ago catarrh was comparatively unknown. Now, no age, sex or condition is exempt from it, and no climate or locality is a cure for it. Catarrh is to be more dreaded than all the yellow fever, cholera, smallpox, diphtheria, and all the other epidemic diseases. It is more fatal. It is the large majority of cases the forerunner of consumption, and vital statistics show that deaths from consumption in this country have increased more than 200 per cent. in the last five years, nearly all these cases having been traced back to catarrh as their starting point, and many physicians now contend that catarrh is only incipient consumption. We make the treatment of catarrh a specialty. We cure catarrh. Catarrh has never been cured by nasal-douches, washes or snuffs. Catarrh is a disease of the mucous membrane and is curable only through the blood, and by medicines peculiarly adapted to each particular case. Medicine that will cure one will not cure another. It has been determined by microscopists that catarrh has as distinct a germ as any of the noted epidemic diseases, and again and again it has been shown that a patient had been treated for some other disease when the catarrhal germ had been present.

A remedy for catarrh must be used constitutionally, and it must possess a direct affinity for the mucous membrane, and of being absorbed by the parent mucous membrane wherever located. It must be homogeneous and each individual case requires treatment adapted to its conditions. Our treatment is based upon these plain theories, and has proved to be infallible. It not only relieves, but it cures catarrh at any stage speedily and surely.

CATARRH OF THE HEAD AND THROAT.

The most prevalent form of catarrh, and one from neglected colds. Do you spit up phlegm? Do your eyes water? Do your nose discharge? Do you sneeze a good deal? Do cramps form in the nose? Do you have pain across the eyes? Do you have small offensive? Is your hearing beginning to fail? Are you losing your sense of smell? Do you hawk up phlegm in the morning? Are there buzzing noises in your ears? Do you have pains across the front of your head? Do you feel dropping in back part of throat? If you have some of the above symptoms your disease is catarrh of the head and throat.

Diseases of Bronchial Tubes.

When catarrh of the head and throat is left unchecked it extends down the windpipe into the bronchial tubes, and in time attacks the lungs and develops into catarrhal consumption. Do you take cold easily? Is your breathing too quick? Do you raise frothy mucus? Is your voice hoarse and husky? Have you a dry, hacking cough? Do you feel worn out on rising? Do you feel all stifled up inside? Are you gradually losing strength? Have you a disgust for fatty food? Have you a sense of weight on chest? Have you a scratchy feeling in throat? Do you cough worse night and morning? Do you get short of breath when walking? If you have some of these symptoms you have catarrh of the bronchial tubes.

If you have catarrh, answer the above questions, cut them out of the paper, and send them to me with any other information you may think would help me in forming a diagnosis, and I will answer your letter carefully, explaining your case thoroughly, and tell you what is necessary to do in order to get well.

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