

SOME OPPOSITION LEADERS IN YORK AND NORTH-UMBERLAND AND THEIR UNDERHANDED TACTICS

Desperate Efforts Made to Restore Old Gang to Power.

The Tweedies, Morissys, Burchills and Blairs in Their Brazen-faced Efforts to Again Get Close to the Public Treasury—How the Desperate Ring Manipulated Affairs in the Lumbering Sections of the Province.

The Telegraph reports that the opposition candidates in Northumberland County are hopeful of success, and gives as a reason the fact that public meetings are being addressed on their behalf by Hon. John P. Burchill and his son, Mr. Percy Burchill, and by Mr. F. M. Tweedie and by Mr. Charles Morissey. The Standard has already given a reason why Mr. Burchill and his son, Percy, are opposing the government—the fact that the Burchill stumpage bill is two, three and four times as large under the present government as it was when the old gang controlled at Fredericton.

Tweedie Might Explain.

Mr. F. M. Tweedie might explain to the people of Northumberland whether the chief reason of his supporting the present opposition is not due to the exposures made by the present government party with respect to his father's mismanagement of the Crown Land Department.

Mr. Tweedie, senior, was for a long time the surveyor general of this province, and it was under his management of that department that the province collected very little more than \$100,000 for stumpage every year, as against the present government's collection, in 1915, from the same source, of over \$400,000. It was under Mr. Tweedie's management of that department, too, that a suspense account was carried along—hidden from public view—under which Mr. Tweedie did private financing at the expense of the province to the tune of some \$15,000, and only returned that money to the provincial exchequer on the eve of his appointment to the position of lieutenant-governor. Mr. Tweedie still owes a large sum in interest to the province, and if his son, Fred, be addressing meetings tonight he might tell the electors of Northumberland County how soon his father intends making good to the province the amount of that interest.

As to Chas. Morissey.

With respect to the support given the present opposition in Northumberland County by Mr. Charles Morissey, that gentleman should tell the electors of Northumberland of his connection with Mr. H. M. Blair when the latter was secretary of the Board of Works Department, then in charge of Mr. Morissey's father—a connection which resulted in the dismissal of Mr. Blair from office and the forced retirement of Hon. John Morissey from the position of Minister of Public Works of the province. In case Mr. Charles Morissey should have forgotten the facts that were brought out before Commissioner Teed on the charges preferred against Mr. Blair as chief clerk in the Public Works Department under Hon. John Morissey, he might refresh his memory by a perusal of the Fredericton Gleaner of Tuesday last, which republishes Commissioner Teed's report in full. The charges were made by supporters of the present government, who claimed that the Department of Public Works must be cleaned out before the province could have honorable and honest administration.

Blair Condemned.

The investigation was under oath, and the report is a scathing condemnation of Mr. Blair. It unfolds the inside story of the undoing of Mr. Charles Morissey's father, giving the methods of the man who brought about Hon. John Morissey's downfall, and who is now running the opposition campaign in York County—doing there what Mr. Charles Morissey is attempting to do in Northumberland County—trying to restore the old gang to power. It is clearly shown in the report of Commissioner Teed that a contractor having business with the Public Works Department found Mr. Blair easily susceptible to money influences of an improper character, and that Mr. Blair undertook to handle Charlie Morissey in the same way that he had been handled, in the hope of influencing the father, Hon. John Morissey, through the son improperly.

Lenient with Morissys.

In dealing with Commissioner Teed's report the government newspapers have been very charitable in their references both to Mr. Charles Morissey and his father, the deposed Minister of Public Works.

With Blair in charge of the op-

position forces in York County, and the Junior Tweedies, Burchills and Morissys the main-sails of the opposition craft in Northumberland County, the electors of the opposition craft in Northumberland County, the electors of both these counties will see what may be expected in the way of honest government should the party they support be successful at the polls.

PUGSLEYITES AGAIN WANT CONTROL OF TREASURY

What a Former New Brunswick, now in British Columbia, Thinks of the Old Gang of Provincial Politicians and Parasites.

A former New Brunswick newspaper man, now a resident of British Columbia, has something to say in the British Columbian with respect to our election campaign. Among other things he says: "The electors of New Brunswick, who led the way in political house-cleaning in Canada, are now interested in their second general election since then. That was in 1908. * * * The political party in office preceding 1908 knew nothing whatever of the resources of the province, and, as the saying goes, cared less."

Lined Their Pockets.

"The politicians on the government side of the house thought only of themselves; what they could pull from the treasury for their own pockets. The proof of this statement is in the manner in which the stumpage moneys were intercepted and stolen; the misappropriation of the railway sub-

sides, and the systematic theft of road moneys. These despoilers were called Pugsleyites, and the name has held to them since. They were a bad lot of men, and their reputation in those days did much to injure the good name of New Brunswick in the eyes of the world."

Unlucky Number.

Thirteen of the old gang referred to above are trying to get back to the treasury benches of New Brunswick, and the people of the province are not likely to conclude that, because of their association with Edward S. Carter and Harry M. Blair, they are worthy of public confidence than when they were condemned in 1908 and buried in the general elections of 1912.

The 65th Battery.

Sergeant Dykeman of the 65th Battery, arrived in the city yesterday from Woodstock. The sergeant says that Major Evans is to re-open the recruiting campaign here. Several men are needed, as the draft are soon to leave for overseas.

WELL-KNOWN LIBERAL IS SUPPORTING GOVERNMENT

Councillor John Vanderbeck Quits Opposition Crowd in Disgust and is Working for Commodore Stewart and Associates.

Special to The Standard.

Newcastle, Feb. 22.—Councillor John Vanderbeck, of Milberton, who was offered the opposition nomination after Thomas Parker had retired, has issued a card explaining why he refused the offer. He had previously promised to support Councillor Doyle, who had just accepted the Government nomination. Mr. Vanderbeck also says that he found when he went to the opposition convention the large

lumber interests were working to keep him from being nominated. It looks today suspicious to him that men who were leaders in the notorious land deals are supporting the opposition. Is it for the good of the people or is it for another deal? he asked. "I will leave that for the electors to decide."

Mr. Doyle has served the county for 32 years and saved thousands of dollars for the rate payers, and will look after our interests whatever government is in power.

Mr. Vanderbeck is not only supporting Councillor Doyle, but speaking in behalf of the whole Government ticket. He is a life-long Liberal.

Outlook Bright.

The outlook is bright for the return of the entire good Government ticket in Northumberland.

Through an error the account of last night's splendid Government meeting in Chatham was printed under a Newcastle date. The impression Premier Murray made was a splendid one and his address won hundreds of votes.

NO HOPE FOR GILLMOR'S "DUMMY" OPPOSITION TICKET IN CHARLOTTE

The Why and the Wherefore Explained Clearly by Standard's St. Stephen Correspondence.

Special to The Standard.

St. Stephen, Feb. 22.—Charlotte county has never felt deeply concerned in the political campaign now drawing to a close, as the outcome has been conceded from the first to be the return of the four government candidates, Hon. Dr. Taylor and Messrs. Grimmer, Guptill and Smith. A majority of the Liberal leaders here were satisfied with the present representation at Fredericton and were prepared to let the election go without a contest, as they knew the strength of the good government party in the county and that they stood no show of electing an opponent of the government.

Senator Gillmor, the Liberal party boss of the county, considered it necessary, in order to hold the party together, to put a dummy ticket in the field, just to give those of his followers who are never happy without a chance to vote, an opportunity to exercise the right that is theirs in this Canada of ours.

Much Persuasion.

After a lot of persuasion and more inducement from the senator, four were found who, with nothing to lose personally, were induced to make the run. They were duly nominated in the belated convention, and while the enthusiasm engendered by "getting together" was still upon the burgh boys of the party, it was announced that the opposition had found the winning ticket in Charlotte. In just a few days this wore off the ardor of their dreams. For a few days longer they told it abroad that they would elect one member, but now this vision has passed to the land of discarded dreams, and there is none so blind but he can see that the solid sentiment of the County of Charlotte is behind the Murray Government and that the full government ticket will be returned.

PRESENTATION TO SCOUT OFFICER.

"As a mark of appreciation, and esteem, on the occasion of your having succeeded in enlisting in the Canadian Engineers, I have great pleasure in making this presentation on behalf of the Boy Scouts of the St. James Church Troop."

It was with these remarks that the president of the St. John Boy Scout Council, A. C. Skelton, handed A. S. McDonald a beautiful silver wrist watch last evening, after a splendid supper had been enjoyed, by some forty members of the Boy Scouts and Council, kindly provided by several ladies connected with the church.

Mr. McDonald has been a diligent worker among the boys for some four years and makes the forty-first Boy Scout from the St. James' troop to don the khaki.

The Rev. H. A. Cody acted as chairman of the gathering and among the officers present were A. C. Skelton, B. C. Waring, P. Gibson, A. H. Ellis and A. S. McKee.

THIS CANNOT BE DENIED!

Under the Up-to-the-Minute Policies of the Last Legislature, New Brunswick is in the Full Swing of Progress. With the Ending of the War She Will Be in the Forefront of Confederation, Ready and Equipped for Phenomenal Development

DON'T PUT A SPOKE IN THE WHEEL

But Cast Your Ballot Tomorrow For

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Men of Action and Aggressiveness, With a Splendid Record of Public Usefulness



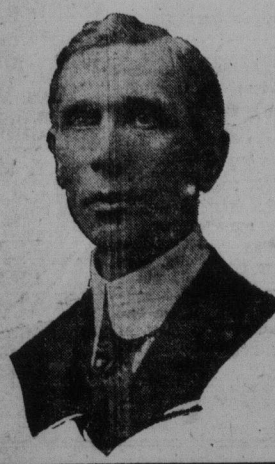
TILLEY
Leonard P. D.

Lawyer, Member of last Legislature. Late Director of National Service for New Brunswick. For two years active in recruiting, devoting military salary to patriotic purposes.



GRANNAN
Philip

Successful Hardware Merchant. Member of last Legislature. Progressive citizen and indefatigable champion of St. John's claims. Special representative of North End.



POTTS
Frank L.

Auctioneer by occupation. Last few years devoted to duties as Commissioner of Public Works, St. John. Member of former Aldermanic Council.



CAMPBELL
J. Roy

Doctor of Law, with large and lucrative practice. Recently completed careful study and report on Taxation Commission. A man of judicial mind and familiar with legislative matters.

THE PERSONNEL OF THIS TICKET admirably suits the needs of the times. We want men of various types and abilities in our Legislature the next few years. The need is for men representing the middle class of wage earners as well as the professional class. We also want men of constructive legal ability—men who have mixed with people and who have had experience in carrying out public work for them.

IN TILLEY, GRANNAN, POTTS AND CAMPBELL YOU HAVE THE RIGHT COMBINATION

VOTE THE STRAIGHT TICKET!

CORE

HILLSBORO

Hillsboro, Feb. 21.—Mrs. and son Jack, are in Mon. of Mrs. Bain's mother, Dickson.

The Misses Jennie, Prescott of Albert, and friends in town. Miss Pauline Steeves and number of her friends at Party, on Friday evening.

Mrs. Harry Filmore re Moncton last week.

Miss Catherine Thompson Allison Ladies' College, week-end with her parents, Mrs. F. M. Thompson.

Miss Mina Stiles entertained her friends on Friday last.

Mrs. Clyde Stevens of is guest of her mother M. Edgett.

Rev. Caleb Steeves of occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church, on Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. E. M. Sherwood and Mary are in Albert, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood's parents, Mr. Downing.

Mr. Lloyd Jones spent his home here.

Miss Delta Lowthers friends in Moncton.

Cecil Steeves of Berryville week-end at his home here.

Mr. James Edgett of A called home last week, death of his mother, Mrs. Edgett.

Rev. S. W. Schurman Bay, C. B., last week.

The Misses Gladys Ste Taylor and Violet Taylor day visiting friends at Cape.

Mrs. Walter Steeves

CLIFTON

Clifton, Feb. 21.—Mr. F. Flewelling were guests Mrs. N. N. Puddington.

Miss E. H. Hasbacht, who of Moss Glen school, spent at her home, White.

Rev. H. Waterton held All Saints, Clifton, at day.

Miss Margaret Puddington the Bluffs, spent a few home in this place on Tuesday.

The many friends of Mr. Puddington, are very glad he has quite recovered a serious illness.

Mr. S. B. Hazler was guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. ton, on Tuesday last.

The people around here glad to see the mild weather, the cold weather, the ing dropped as low as 22.

Hon. J. A. Murray, H. and Geo. B. Jones, M through the village on.

The entertainment held day evening in Clifton has auspices of the Women's a decided success after opening. The following was carried out, with Mrs. A. G. Breen in the Song and chorus, "O Recitation—"The Day, Wetmore.

Song—"Forget Me Not Sidesa Wetmore.

Recitation—"Trouble by Mrs. Breen.

Reading—"How Bill was by Mrs. S. S. Carmichael.

Song—"Lullaby," by Mary and Louisa Sheldie.

Recitation—"Bill's Tro don Puddington.

Song by Mrs. Guilford.

Recitation—"The Snow neth Flewelling.

Play entitled "Comm two parts.

Song—"Comin' Thro' the Misses Carmichael.

Mrs. E. Flewelling.

Recitation—"As State Vera Breen.

Song by Miss Guilford.

Recitation—"When Ha by Miss Annie Damery.

Song by Mrs. Guilford.

Recitation—"Belgium, Wetmore.

Song and chorus—"K Fires Burnine."

Reading—"When Bill ed," by Mr. E. Flewelling.

Closing—"God Save the Light refreshments the close and the pro the Belgium Relief Fun

GRAND FALLS

Grand Falls, Feb. 21.—of the Adult Bible Class manse on Thursday

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