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THE HALIFAX VIEW

Ald. J. A. Johnson of Halifax, who has been visiting this city, gave a reporter some opinions calculated to arouse interest and surprise in St. John.

In Ald. Johnson's case it must be very evident that the wish is father to the thought. It is, as a matter of fact, quite natural that Halifax should desire all of the advantages of which he speaks.

But St. John will not be satisfied with anything less than justice in these matters. This is the Atlantic port affording the shortest haul to tidewater for freight.

THEIR WORD IS GOOD Since the announcement of opposition to Dr. Pugsley some of the Conservatives have sought to comfort themselves by saying that not a few who signed the requisition in favor of the Liberal candidate would now decline to vote for him.

To Honorable William Pugsley: We, the undersigned electors of the city and county of Saint John, hereby request that you will consent to be nominated as a candidate for the seat in parliament for said city and county, now vacant, to support the present government, and pledge you our vote and influence:

The fact that thousands signed this very definite pledge is, of course, a matter of common knowledge. In number and in representative character the requisition was quite unparalleled in St. John.

circumstances are in no way altered. Dr. Pugsley is still the candidate preferred above all others by those who pledged their votes and their influence to him.

The general good of the constituency is now, as it was when the requisition was signed, of far more importance than the desire of a few Conservative organizers to make the party whip effective.

In fact the decision to contest the seat was reached against the best judgment of many of the most active and influential men of the Conservative party, whose counsel was set aside by numbers and by the younger element which has more political ambition than political acumen.

So far as could be learned last evening the opposition had not been able to discover a candidate whom they would be ready to present to the public.

They sell poorer cigars in Dublin than can be bought in New Brunswick—Bangor News.

Not so, neighbor, for—cursed be the practice—from time to time cigars from Maine are smuggled into this fair province and sold to the unsuspecting.

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not been able to resist it; and have been engaging the Colonial Premiers on to make an appeal over the heads of the Government. This is so obviously intended to hurt the Liberals, rather than help the colonies, that it is not likely to be attempted.

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Mr. Balfour, the writer continues, took higher ground than some of his party associates when he said that he would not press upon the colonial visitors any view which would "seem to make them bear any share whatever in the controversies which divide us at home."

The United States must learn from the British example, the Post asserts: "We live in this country every reason to follow with deep interest the proceedings of the Colonial Conference, now drawing near the close of its sessions in London. There is involved in it a living demonstration of one of the most wonderful systems of government the world has ever known."

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It Isn't the Price You Pay For Your Clothes--It's What You Get for Your Money That Counts. Take as an instance our suits at \$10.00. You can buy \$10.00 suits at any store, but you can't get any suits as good as ours for \$10.00 outside of Oak Hall.

WESTERN MINERS' TRIAL THURSDAY. Moyer and Haywood Have Long List of Murders Laid to Them. THE STATE'S CASE. It is Alleged That They Conspired With Steve Adams and Harry Orchard to Kill the Governor of Idaho, and Latter Has Confessed He Did It, and Will Testify So.