

DELIBERATE CONSERVATIVE CAMPAIGN OF SLANDER IS FULLY EXPOSED BY THIS WEEK'S REVELATIONS.

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On the platform were a number of prominent men of Restigouche county. Present were those of Messrs. Mayor Murray took the chair and in a few brief remarks he introduced James Reid, M. P., the Liberal standard-bearer. Reid was greeted by a reception which clearly showed the feelings of the large audience. Round upon round of applause and cheers greeted the popular representative of the county. When order was restored he briefly addressed the meeting, as follows:

Ladies and gentlemen: I thank you for the reception which you have tendered me tonight. It is always my great pleasure to meet the friends of my native county. I am again chosen as the Liberal standard-bearer, and I can assure you that I appreciate this great honor done me. I do not wish to pose as an ideal representative, but I may say that during my eight years as a representative I have endeavored to do my duty to my country. I have always seen my duty, not only to the friends of the Liberal party, but have not discriminated against my enemies.

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It is rumored that Mr. Wilmot has become so disheartened that he is anxious to retire, the only reason keeping him from doing so is the effect it would have on the party in other parts of the province. Mr. Wilmot feels the result of the actions of the local members and has been heard to express the belief that their conduct will be to a large extent the cause of his defeat.

In summarizing the whole situation of the Liberals are absolutely confident. But are taking no chances and are determined to give Colonel McLean a rousing majority. On the other hand, the Conservatives have entirely lost heart and plainly show that they are fighting a losing fight.

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FACTORIES RESTART

LYNN, Mass., Oct. 14.—The strike of 15,000 workers which has brought operations in the majority of the Lynn shoe factories practically to a standstill for the past two weeks, was finally declared off today and the men will return to work in all the factories shortly. The Joseph Caut Company, at whose factory the strike started on Sept. 23, has granted the principal demands made by its leaders and has agreed to submit the other differences to arbitration. At the other factories, where the strike was purely sympathetic and has been in force since Oct. 2, the manufacturers will take back all the men who went out. Sixty-seven factories have been affected by the strike and although the number of lasters who went out was only about 1,500, the shutting down of their departments necessitated the suspension of work in so many other departments that about 15,000 operatives were forced into idleness. The strikers have held firm throughout, but there has been no dissatisfaction with the terms of the settlement. The principal cause of the original strike at the Caut factory was the employment by the company of girls in the last-making department. There was also some dissatisfaction with the wage scale there. The lasters in the other factories were so thoroughly convinced that the workers at the Caut shop were defending a principle which vitally affected all lasters that a sympathetic strike was called and one after another the factories found it well without any lasters until sixty-seven shops were involved.

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White Ross, of Pokemouche, had his right hand amputated in the Thorne's Mill yesterday. He had hurt it years ago and lately rheumatism set in so severely that amputation was deemed necessary. Ernest Haley, of West End, fell and broke a bone in his leg last evening in the vicinity of Harry's stoneyard.

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SMOTHERS
A SLUMBERING BABE
Body Found by Mother in
the Morning.

WN, Pa., Oct. 7.—Elmer,
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mothered under the weight
p dog.

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because the mother con-
the warmest room. When
to look at the child this
was horrified to find the
sleping nearly fifty pounds
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B. C., Oct. 8.—The will
Mrs. Joan Dunsmuir was
of and disposed of an es-
in the neighborhood of \$2-
five thousand dollars
legacies to the more dis-
after which the residue
equally amongst five
who are named as execu-
Governor Dunsmuir is
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BIRTHS.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas
at their residence, Harding
ville, on the 4th instant.

HER.—At Rotheray, Oct.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. A. L.
a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

EEVES.—At Grafton, N.
pt. 30th, by Rev. C. T. D.
D., Edward Riddle of
D., and Maud Steves of
P.

QUARRE.—On Sept. 20th,
Mrs. Presbyterian Church,
Gordon Dickie, C. Frank-
of Cavendish, P. E. I., to
McQuarrie of this city.

ORNE.—On Sept. 30th, at
street, by the Rev. J. C.
sted by Rev. C. R. D.
D., D. Catherine T. C.
ughter of J. L. Thorne, to
Berrie, of Woodstock, N.

ILSON.—On Wednesday,
8th, at the Central Metho-
Brookton, Mass., by the
fatherward, Anthony Silvey
J. Wilson, of St. John,
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CHATHAM, N. B., Oct. 14.—One of the most vicious and cowardly assaults that has ever started this community occurred last night shortly before midnight. The victim of the assault, Neil Black, an old man of sixty, lies in a precarious condition with terrible bruises on his body, four cuts on his face, one eye closed up completely, and the other black and blue. One cut extends from the nose through the lip and down along the cheek, and two others are on each side of the temples. The assailant was William Murmur, who was found by Officer Coughlin lying on his back at Thomas Hickey's, at Morrison's Cove. Just how the affair took place no one seems to know, but when the police were summoned Black was found by Officer Coughlin lying unconscious in Hickey's stoneyard, his face and body covered with blood, where his assailant had used fists and boots upon him. He was conveyed to Thomas Murphy's house and Dr. Leslie summoned. Officer Coughlin learned from some bystanders that Murmur had committed the deed and he and Chief Layson went to Morrison's Cove, where, after a little trouble, they arrested Murmur. The latter is an able bodied man of forty. Black is root of the pilot schooner Senator Snodgrass and is said to have a most bitter tongue. Dr. Leslie stated that the whole affair, Murmur was arrested this morning in the police court and was remanded.

PUT UP A VICTIM IN VICTORIA-MADAWASKA

Conservatives Nominated Dr. Kirkpatrick—Ald. Pickett Speaks

GRAND FALLS, N. B., Oct. 14.—Dr. Kirkpatrick was nominated here today by the Conservatives to contest the seat in the House of Commons. The nomination was held in the afternoon and a public meeting was held. H. A. Powell and Provincial Secretary Fleming were billed to speak, but failed to put in an appearance. Ald. Pickett was substituted. The address was somewhat flimsy throughout, and T. J. Murphy of St. John West, asked him a number of pointed questions. Mr. Murphy lined the favor of the audience and was warmly applauded. Little doubt exists in the minds of the voters here that Pius Michaud, the Liberal standard bearer, will be returned and that Dr. Kirkpatrick will lose his deposit.

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