Form of Ballot Papers.

The following is the form of ballot to be used in the election for the County of Charlotte:

Election for the Electoral District of the County of Charlotte, 1878.

GILLMOR.

1. A. H. GILLMOR, of the Town of St. George County of Charlotte, Merchant. X

McADAM.

2. JOHN McADAM, of the Town of St. Stephen, County of Charlotte, Merchant.

[The "counterfoil" is the part below the perforated line, represented here by the dotted line.]

The cross opposite the name of Mr. Gillmor indicate that the elector has voted for that gentleman.

LIBERAL CANDIDATE FOR OTTAWA.

Hon. A. H. GILLMOR.

The St. Andrews Standard.

Saint Andrews, Sept. 4, 1878.

DESIRE FOR OFFICE.—The ejection of the former Leader of the Government from his high position a few years ago, has not lessened his desire to obtain the seals of office again, while yet the disgraceful act which resulted in his downfall is fresh in the memory of the people. He cannot have lost sight of the fact, that the power which commissioned him, had condemned and hurled him from his high estate, and that everything in the course and sweep of events, prepared the way for his successor, the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, who has proved himself a thoroughly honest and able statesman, competent to grapple with the difficulties with which his advent to office was surrounded; and that under the adverse circumstances of the depression of business for the past few years he was able to guide the bark of state to what promises to be an open sea of prosperity.

It is conceded that Sir John A. Macdonald is a man of large ability and a powerful statesman, without perhaps a superior in Canada; but it remains to be seen whether the country will place him in a position to sell another great railway charter to sustain himself in power, after having so recently consigned him to political oblivion for the past five years. We do not care to follow any man, whether a Mackenzie, a Tilley, or a Macdonald, simply because he may be a leader of their party. History teaches that *all* governments become in a degree corrupt after a lapse of years, and that the struggle for office appears to be the great aim with the men of all shades of political opinion. We fear it is the *man*, not the principle or policy, which is the rallying cry at elections. A man of decided views, and who does not fear to advocate them, whether for the Government or Opposition, can be respected—but we despise the craven spirit which fears to take an open stand for the party he approves of, and who trims his sails to every wind to catch the loose fish, while his barbed hook is covered with that doubtful bait—friendship for both sides.

It appears from the explanation given by our contemporary the *Courier*, the reports of the Conservative speeches do not convey their real sentiments. We can assure our contemporary that there is no desire on our part to misrepresent the "national policy" of the Opposition, and conceive no permanent good can be gained by deception on either side. The reports in their own organs led us to believe that they advocated increased taxation—and we would like to know what the following extract from Sir John Macdonald's latest speech means, if it is not increased taxtion. In the *Mail's* report, Sir John is represented as having said, "that if we cannot get reciprocity of trade we must have reciprocity of tariffs; if we give the Americans what they give us they cannot complain." If this is not increased taxation of 35 per cent or even more, we do not understand it. And before Sir John went out of office the vast expenditures of his government required a larger income, which would necessitate increased taxes to meet them, and which Mr. Tilley, then Finance Minister, indicated in his speech at the close of the session of 1872. With reference to "a more economical administration of affairs, and a desire to inaugurate a policy which will give employment in the country, and keep our young men at home, etc.,"—we are under the impression, that the result of the elections will determine, a majority of the people are satisfied that the present Government are the men to carry out these desirable objects. After searching the blue books to get at the truth, we feel satisfied that taking into account the increase of territory, and the consequent necessary additional public expenditure, and the liabilities left by the Macdonald government the Mackenzie administration has conducted the affairs of the Dominion ably, honestly, and with a proper regard for economy. It appears however, that they have not been as generous to their friends as their predecessors were, nor have they increased the salaries—but, the country has profited by their consistent economy.

WHAT A HUMBUG.

There is no end to the election clap-trap of the Opposition. Driven from post to pillar by the clever supporters of the Government—they resort to all sorts of electioneering dodges to entrap and mislead the yeomanry. "Readjust the Tariff"—"Protect our infant industries"—put a "Tax on Flour, oil, salt, coal, &c" imported from the United States. Ah, yes; but in doing so, will not similar articles from England be subject to the same tax? True enough says the Conservative, but our boys who now go to the United States for employment which they cannot obtain at home, will then have it at their own doors. Our home industries, should be *protected*, and thus increase the variety of employments. What nonsense. Boys in general are fond of roving—else why is it that they leave homes where there are numberless factories and employments of various kinds. Why is it that thousands in the Dominion to-day, left England and the United States to take up their abode in Canada? All the "protection" and readjustment of the Tariff promised by the Conservatives, *when* they are in power, will not prevent boys going to the States, California and elsewhere that their inclination leads. One would think to read the large promises of the Opposition that their political nostrums—taxation and protection, are an infalable remedy for all "the ills which flesh is heir to." Their real motto is "We want office, large salaries, and the use of the purse strings." Don't they wish they may get them? The people say NAY.

The Liberals throughout the Province are working quietly, but effectively for the return of their candidates, their *blow* will be struck at the polls, in electing the men who will support the Liberal Government, while they listen daily to the *blowing* of their opponents. Well "every man to his his humour," as the old song has it. We do not however agree with any party, which declares "that all is fair in elections" their Shibboleth should be truth.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL.—Persons visiting St. Stephen can rely upon receiving attention and a good table at Mr. Foster's Commercial Hotel. The rooms are airy, and the situation central, being in Breen's Brick Block, near the Railway Station and Steamboat Wharf. We heartily recommend this Hotel to our St. Andrews and other friends. In connection with the establishment there is a large Livery Stable, where horses and carriages can be had at all times.

Hon. Mr. Gillmor we learn is being well received by his friends throughout the County who assure him of their support and his return by a handsome majority. This is an indication of "how the battle is going."

THE MEGANTIC RAILWAY is made a canvass by the opposition in St. Andrews, who pretend that should the Macdonald Government be restored to power, one of its *first* acts would be "to build the Megantic right into St. Andrews." What stuff to cram electors with, as though the line was a government work. The present government is more willing to aid the road than its predecessors. What did the Macdonald men do towards aiding the Megantic. They made fine promises, but did nothing, like their St. Andrews friends but draw their salary!

FIRE.—An alarm of fire was given on Monday morning about 4 o'clock. It appears that the soot in the kitchen chimney of the Methodist parsonage took fire during the day, and although there was no fire from about 6 o'clock in the evening, it had smouldered and communicated with the fire board. Very little damage was done.

Thanks to Mr. Wheelock for late Chinese papers, also to Mr. Lamb for African papers, printed at the Diamond mines.

Mackerel fishing has been carried on in the Bay with much success during the past week. The fish generally are not large.

Correspondence.

FACTS FOR THE PEOPLE.

Mr. Editor.—On reading Mr. Tilley's St. Andrews speech as reported in the St. Croix Courier, he is made to say, "the present is a specific duty of 5 cents per pound on black tea, and 6 cents on green, no matter what it costs. The tea consumed in the lower provinces is black, while in Ontario and Quebec it is chiefly green. The latter thus pays a *less* duty proportionately to the cost."

Now for the facts. The whole quantity entered for consumption in the Dominion in 1876-77 was as follows:

Green 7,536,502 lbs. Value $2,030,120
Black 5,943,155 lbs. Value $1,494,238

Average cost of Green per lb. 26 92-100 cts. Duty at 6 cts. per lb. proportionate to the value 22 28-100 per cent.

Average cost of Black per lb. 25 16-100 cents. Duty at 5 cents per lb. proportionate to the value 16 47-100 per cent.

Ontario and Quebec consume 7,513,561 lbs. green tea. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and P. E. Island, 3,828,688 lbs. black tea.

Average cost of former per lb. 26 68-100 cents, duty at 6 cents per lb. proportionate to the value 22½ per cent.

Average cost cost of latter per lb. 23 31-100 cents, duty at 5 cents per lb. proportionate to the value 21 per cent.

The above figures are taken from Trade and Navigation returns No. 1, pages 6, 66, 129, 183, 302. Thus it will be seen that Ontario and Quebec pay *more* duty (not *less* as Mr. Tilley says) "proportionately to to the cost" than "the lower provinces."

With reference to the duty of 5 per cent imposed on ships' materials. The Opposition say, that in consequence thereof, the shipping interest "is totally destroyed," and that "our vessels are rendered less able to compete for freight in the markets of the world." Let us take a glance at the Trade and Navigation returns again, and what do we find. There were built and registered in 1876-77 of steam and sailing vessels as follows:

				duty paid
Nova Scotia	234	vessels,	50,530 tons,	$10,288
N Brunswick	64	"	33,115 "	7,403
P. E. Island	67	"	15,373 "	2,131
Total	365		99,018	19,722

Thus "by this duty the price of ships is increased" in the Maritime Provinces to the *enormous extent* of $200 on a thousand ton ship!! By a "reciprocity of tariff" with the United States, the same sized vessel would cost $7000 additional. Comment is needless.

St. Stephen, Aug. 29. T.

San Francisco, Aug. 20, 1878.

Friend Smith—From the columns of the *Standard* and *Courier*, I should judge you will be having lively times throughout the Dominion at your approaching election. In old Charlotte your present member appears to have a strong opposition to contend with, but as yet they appear divided among themselves, and the prospects are that more than one will be in the field and thus secure Gillmor's re-election.—Should the Opposition however unite upon Grimmer or Cullinen, the struggle will be a hard, but I hope an honorable and manly one, between the two political parties. Being a personal friend of all the candidates yet mentioned in your home papers, and my own political opinions having undergone considerable change since I have had a personal experience of the workings of the "Yankee system," if I had the privilege of casting a vote for either candidate, it would be thrown for the man who could be depended upon for his loyalty and attachment to the THRONE, and his determined opposition to radical political changes—be he grit or anti-grit.

It is to be hoped that that the advent of your newly appointed Governor General will be duly appreciated by the entire population of the Canadian Dominion, and prove the beginning of a new era of prosperity, progress, and power; and prove the dawning of that brighter day when, instead of a few disaffected, discontented, and disloyal provincialists clamoring for annexation to the States, the whole "union" will rise en mass against the crime, corruption and tyranny, that flutters in every wave of the "Star Spangled Banner," and claim to be readmitted under the protection of the Banner that for a thousand years has braved the battle and the breeze; and the Standard of an "Empire" shall be spread over the whole of North America. So mote it be. QUILP.

An Excursion by the *Stroud* from Campo Bello on Tuesday last, was enjoyed by our Island friends, who combined business with pleasure.

A sail boat containing five or six persons male and female upset in the harbour near the Steamboat wharf, last evening. We are happy to state no further damage occurred than a cold bath to the parties who were rescued by some young men in a boat from the steamer.

DR. LAWRENCE, Surgeon Dentist, will thank those who intend calling on him to do so as soon as possible, as his time in Saint Andrews is limited. tf

The *Freeman* has a capital rejoinder to "Eldon's" letter in the *Courier*. It shows from official evidence, that Mr. Gillmor *did not* vote for Riel's release.

The Hon. Chief Justice Allen, was registered at Kennedy's Hotel on Tuesday, with many other visitors.

"Canada is at this moment the most prosperous country in the civilized world, and infinitely ahead of the United States, which Sir John has been praising in every speech."

Earl Dufferin's Administration.

The years of Lord Dufferin's rule in Canada have been big with great political events that will always attract the attention of the writer of our annals and furnish him themes for interesting chapters. The book which the Rose-Belford Publishing Co. have in preparation, entitled "Canada Under the Administration of Earl Dufferin," will deal fully with the Parliamentary battles and other interesting occurrences of the period. The author, Mr. George Stewart Jr., has access to all the public sources of information, and been favored with the use of private papers and memoranda bearing on the secret history of the time. Agents are doing a big business with this book. Territory can be secured by applying at once, personally or by letter, to J. L. Stewart, 89 Prince William street St. John. An agent is wanted for St. Andrews.

From Melburn, Australia, Messrs. Houghton, Osgood & Co. have recently received orders for several hundred volumes of the published lectures of the Rev. Joseph Cook.

Mr. Casey, the member for Elgin, is a true protectionist. In a speech lately made by him at Port Stanley he said he was in favor alike to the farmer and mechanic, to the laborer and to every man in the county. He would protect them from Sir John A. Macdonald, from his practices and his policy. Undoubtedly this is the protection that is most needed.

The crop of peaches is practically a failure this season. Last year the New York and New England Railroad Company ran six special trains from Delaware, but now only six peach cars arrive daily, and those are attached to regular trains.

New Orleans, Aug. 30.

A strange feature is that the mortality among the negroes amounts to nearly 60 per cent. A convalescent young lady was so frightened by a flash of lightning yesterday that black vomit and death followed. Many physicians are so overtaxed that they refuse new cases. In Memphis there is hardly a house left which does not contain dead. The increase of fever among the negroes is frightful. Many burglaries occur. O. J. Kennedy, while on guard at his stable, last night, mistook a young man living with him, who had gone to the farm to relieve him, for a burglar, and shot him dead.

An unknown man lost his life last Friday evening by sinking in a quagmire at the Centre Lake, Loch Lomond.

The total subscription for the fever sufferers is over $60,000 in New York.

The failure is announced of Israel S. G. Vanwart, Woodstock: liabilities $25,000.

BIRTH.

On the 23d August, the wife of Dr. Lawrence of a son.

MARRIED.

On the 25th August, in All Saints Church, by the Rev. Canon Ketchum, John G. Richardson to Sarah Jane Storr, all of St. Andrews.

DIED.

At Fort Burke, New South Wales, on the 20th Nov. 1877, in the 39th year of his age, JOHN MCKAY DUNN, Sub. Inspector of Mounted Police, and only son of the late Rev. JOHN DUNN.

NEW INVENTION.—A very ingenious contrivance for cutting the thread on a sewing machine, has been invented by Mr. Henry Pollock, harness maker of this city. It supplies a want that has long been felt, and will probably prove a part of all sewing machines in the future. Mr. Pollock has recently received letters patent from Ottawa, and has applied to Washington for a U. S. patent.—Agriculturist.

Several fatal cases of Asiatic cholera have occurred in Sweden.

The policemen of Lewiston, Me., sleep so soundly that the boys steal their caps and badges.

To the Electors of Charlotte County.

GENTLEMEN:

I have had the honor of representing you in the Dominion Parliament for the past five years, and as I am anxious to serve you for another term, I shall be a Candidate for your votes at the approaching Election, and I entertain the belief that a majority of you will vote for me.

During the time I have been your representative, I was able to be in my seat every day, and have voted on every important division; I have never shirked a vote either in the Local or General Parliament, but always voted and bore the consequences.

As some of my opponents have very industriously circulated the opinion, that for want of influence, I have been unable to obtain a fair consideration for Charlotte County, you will pardon me for stating some grants which, through my influence, this County has received, and you will learn that I have obtained, in five years, more than three times as much as my predecessors got in seven years. I do not charge them with any want of effort, but the Conservative Government with their full treasury, had nothing to spare for Charlotte; the present Government has met my wishes as far as I could reasonably expect. Many of you will remember that for some years the Islands were promised a Steamer to be subsidized to run there, and previous to one or two elections a boat did make a few trips, but as soon as the election was over the boat ceased running. I did not succeed in getting a boat to run *before the election*, but soon after as possible, I obtained a subsidy, and the steamer has been running twice a week in summer and once in winter ever since, thereby affording an accommodation to the Islands never enjoyed before, and the merchants of St. Andrews and St. Stephen, have benefitted also by three or four thousand additional customers.

I have had the following Light Houses erected, which are now in operation, viz:

A fine Light on the Sand Reef, St. Andrews, at a cost of $7,000.

Two small Beacon Lights on the St. Croix river.

A Light House at the entrance to the harbour of Maguadavic.

Two very important Lights, one on the coast at the entrance to Beaver harbor and one at Pea Point entrance to Letang harbour, all these lights except one, were recommended by the Pilots of the Bay of Fundy.

I have secured appropriations for a light at Grand Harbor, Also for

A Light House at Southern Head, Grand Manan, which I expect to be completed this season.

I have had erected a comfortable dwelling for the keeper of Bliss's Island light.

I have also had a Fog Alarm placed at Head Harbour, and have secured a grant of $1,500 for another at Green's Point, L'Etete.

I have also secured a grant of $2,500 to be expended this year in erecting a Steamboat Pier and Breakwater at Woodwards Cove.

I have secured nearly twice the amount to complete the breakwater at Wilson's beach, that my predecessors obtained.

Buoys have been placed where most required around Grand Manan, Deer Island and Campo Bello; I think I am correct in saying the Government had never placed a Buoy around any of those Islands until I was elected.

I have endeavored to increase the Postal accommodation in all parts of the County as far as I possibly could. In addition to the above I have been successful in urging certain claims which some of my constituents have had against the Government, and succeeded to their entire satisfaction.

The sum of $25,000 was put in the estimates and voted for two sessions after I was elected for the purpose of dredging the St. Croix, but the United States having failed to provide a similar sum, it was dropped, with the understanding that when the United States provid their part, that amount would be forthcom

When you consider that in consequence the very great depression in business, and small revenue derived, I am sure you will admit that the Government have not been unmindful of Charlotte County. I would like to have my opponents furnish you with a list of the grants provided for Charlotte during the seven years previous to my election, I fancy it will suffer by comparison.

I was elected to support the Reform Government and have done so during the term, and I still retain confidence in them, and believe they are well qualified to fill the positions they occupy. They are sufficiently intelligent and honest to govern the country.

This Dominion is a difficult country to govern—vast in its territorial extent, difficult as regards sectional views, and as regards races and creeds; and the ablest men will find it hard to harmonize these varied and conflicting interests, but the Government so far have succeeded well. Their intelligence and debating power has been quite apparent in Parliament; they have been charged with corrupt practices, but their opponents have never attempted to formulate their charges, and prove them before a committee by witnesses under oath; and Gentlemen, allow me to inform you, that when you hear a Government charged with dishonest practices, and those making the charge do not ask a committee before whom to prove them, you may conclude the charge is without foundation. I admit, that the Government, like all human institutions, may have erred in judgment, but they have been guilty of nothing politically dishonest.

They have had to govern this Dominion under very trying circumstances, and considering the enormous obligations entailed upon them by their predecessors, I am sure they have discharged the duty well.

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