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EAST KENT NOMINATION

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with the same political stock, have never agreed upon a time from that day to this. Laughter. Cahill defies the government to prosecute him. He can tell some things. He has the government by the throat. In North Waterloo the Premier had ridden in the same conveyance with the operators. Then he came here to set forth that "Righteousness exalteth a nation." Laughter. The same old gang of hoodlums were brought in by Smith and Vance and a school opened to teach the young men of North Waterloo to manipulate ballots in the interests of party and good government. Wilfrid and Cummings, according to the judges' finding, tampered with the ballots. How? By forcing the returning officer to appoint Cummings as a deputy. But now Hon. G. W. Ross challenges us to prove that a deputy returning officer ever tampered with and switched ballots. The judgment of the court says several tampered with the ballot boxes.

Mr. Ross proceeded to read from the judgment. The acts are traced directly home to Smith and Vance. Tom Lewis is also implicated. Lewis runs a hotel in London. The License Commissioners there have been petitioned by the W. C. T. U. to cut off Lewis' license, but they dare not cut it off. Lewis holds his license and defies the commissioners. He could tell a tale the government don't want you to hear. Cheers.

I am held responsible, Mr. Cochrane is held responsible, for any illegal or corrupt acts of our agents. I want every man to understand that the agency clause is widely interpreted, and certain punishment will come to any one who does what is illegal or corrupt. I am rightly held responsible, Mr. Cochrane is held responsible for the acts of our agents. Should not the government be held responsible for the acts of their agents? If we would lose our seats in the house, why should they lose their seats on the treasury benches? Cheers.

Smith and Vance are the paid secretaries of the Reform Association. Men on this platform can tell you what that means. Cheers and laughter. It is the machine. The contractors, the holders of big concessions, contribute to it; the ministers themselves have admitted contributing largely, but they couldn't tell to whom they paid it, or who the officers were. Laughter, isn't that enough to paralyze you? Laughter. You remember Stratton's advice to the Globe reporter: "Can't you forget?" Mr. Ross admits the charges by asking us to forget. The Globe

admits them. They say, "We'll seal them with seven seals." Laughter. We are going to seal them with an eighth seal, which will be applied next Wednesday. Cheers. That is the reason I gave a pledge to the convention to help turn out the Ross administration. We don't need to condemn them; they condemn themselves. Don't you think that pledge alone should entitle me to your support? Cheers. I pledged myself to support the platform of Mr. Whitney. Mr. Cochrane says the government is going to husband our resources. Why, then, have they just got light? Cheers. Simply because these things have been advocated by the opposition for the past five years. I promised to help to do away with the school book monopoly, brought in by the present premier when he became minister of education twenty years ago. Cheers. Mr. Whitney is pledged to abolish that. Speaking in his presence at Chatham, I said I would hold him to his pre-election pledge. If he fails, I'll move on my responsibility as a private member and divide the House on the question. Mr. Whitney promises law reform. You all know how law costs pile up. He proposes one final court of appeal. I'll hold him to his promise of law reform.

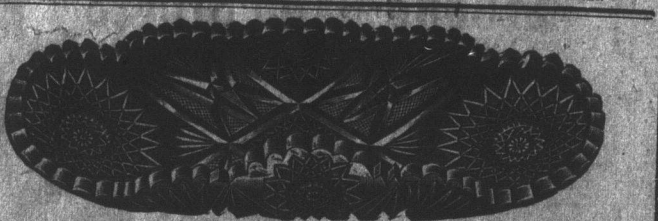
A voice: "He's a liar." Mr. Bowyer: "If he has any more slips, I'll have him arrested." I make these pledges to the people. There shall be no land or money grants to railway companies. I believe in railway taxation. But Mr. Whitney would have supported it. Cheers.

A voice: "Faked." Mr. Bowyer: "Yes, faked. He went back on his bill. I'll not go back on my promise of mine. Hear, hear. You'll never hear me say that I voted one way in the caucus and another in the legislature. Cheers. I'll stand by the people as against corporations. I'll place the public interest above my own. Cheers. Never was there such a corrupt administration as that at Toronto. At the end of 1903 an immense amount of spruce lands had been given away. At the last session the railway debt amounted to \$6,500,000, besides which over \$3,000,000 in subsidies was voted and unearned. At the last session, when the Government was at the mercy of any two members, they passed a most indefensible subsidy—over \$400,000 in cash and 1,200,000 acres of land to a railway that would have been built anyway. These are things you must not forget. Contrast these clear cut pledges, aside from the question of Whitney or Ross. I stand on a platform of my own and I appeal to every farmer, every honest man, to throw aside party shackles. I've asked some to support me who have said, "You're all right, your card's all right, but you're on the wrong side." How can I be on the wrong side if I'm all right and my card's all right?

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Cheers. I'll stand by you regardless of caucus or party whip. I want to come back able to look every man in the eye and say I've stood true to my promises. On these pledges I ask your support on Wednesday next and I feel sure you'll give it. Mr. Bowyer took his seat amid loud and prolonged applause.

PEOPLE ASK QUESTIONS.
Lt.-Col. J. C. Hegler, of Ingersoll, was the next speaker on behalf of Mr. Cochrane. He met with a very mixed reception. He thought it incredible that so much time should be wasted on such subjects—Derivative laughter. They were here, like the shareholders of a joint stock company, to take stock and to judge the management on their administrative record. He urged his hearers to do so. It was a pleasure to meet Mr. Bowyer. A voice: "You bet!" and cheers.

During the last 32 years the Government had collected over \$113,000,000—your money. Consider, if your interests would be furthered by electing them to power again. Cheers. A voice: "The whole opposition cry is corruption." Of that money \$95,000,000 had been handed back to the people.

A voice: "In booting!" "Where did the money come from?" queried several electors in pointed allusion to the Ganney episode. Col. Hegler: It came out of our pockets, and went back into your pockets. If the officers of a joint stock company could show such a record, would you seek to destroy them and elect untried men. Compare Quebec's position. They are in debt. We have a surplus. Mr. Bowyer complains of grants to railways. I don't wish to discuss that. Laughter. No reasonable man would question their advisability. To bonuses. Mr. Bowyer is opposed to bonuses. Mr. Bowyer must have forgotten some things. Didn't Mr. Bowyer support a bonus here?

Mr. Bowyer: "You ask me a question and I answer. Cheers. I answered it here to the satisfaction of every elector in Ridgeway—Tremendous cheering."

Col. Hegler: I am glad they were satisfied. They talk of corruption. No Reformer will uphold wrong-doing on behalf of the government. Derivative laughter. You all know the government lost the seats where the corruption occurred. They did not profit by it. Mr. Bowyer refers to Bribe-taking. He was not punished because the Conservatives got an affidavit from him and withdrew the information. As to Wilfrid and Cummings the evidence was shown to be purchased testimony. Cheers. The county crown attorney found it could not sustain a conviction.

Col. Hegler proceeded to justify Duncan Pole's employment as an agent of Ross' insurance company, by stating that he was appointed before Ross became the president. He dealt with the times and Cummings proceeded to discuss the purchase of the evidence was shown to be purchased testimony. Cheers. The county crown attorney found it could not sustain a conviction.

Col. Hegler: It was agreed that it should be extended for legitimate expenses alone. How about North York, South York, St. Mary and South Ontario, where Wm. Smith the Conservative candidate in 1898 was unseated and condemned to \$1,200.

A voice: "That's not true." Col. Hegler: Then in the case of the Minnie M. Laughter—the culprits were let go by a direct action of the Conservatives themselves. Mr. DuVerger, the Conservative counsel, had the effrontery to go to the government and ask assistance, and after he had brought action in the wrong court, ask why the Ross government didn't convict and punish the guilty parties. These school arguments were painful to listen to. Hear, Hear! This is no laughing matter but a very serious matter.

MANY INTERRUPTIONS.
Col. Hegler proceeded to display a Mail & Empire cartoon.

Here is Mr. Ross with the brand of Cain on his forehead. Do you think it proper?

Several voices: Ross suggested it. Col. Hegler: The Mail published it; the World published it; "Cries of the Globe"—the Globe published it; cheers—to show the kind of campaign this was.

Col. Hegler proceeded to discuss the \$20 guarantee, the rumor of the school book ring. He had yet to learn of any monopoly. Cries of silence. Can any of you say that you have suffered a school book monopoly? Cries of yes and cheers. School books are cheaper than in any state of the Union. Isn't it a shame that a campaign should be based on school books being so cheap?

You elected Mr. Gordon last time, and I feel that, true to your political ancestry, heedless of Mr. Bowyer's cry of independence, East Kent will remember her traditions—a voice "not much!" and I shall be disappointed if Mr. Bowyer.

The name was greeted with enthusiastic cries of "Bowyer! Bowyer!"

the cheers which lasted several minutes, which, after a pause, were behalf of Mr. Cochrane that could scarcely be heard. Col. Hegler took his seat.

EXIT BIG JOHN LEE.

John Lee, at this juncture endeavored to make his exit, amid loud cries of "Hold on, Mr. Lee; wait a minute. You'll hear the truth." Mr. Lee, however, persisted in retreating.

MR. FRASER SPEAKS.

The chairman, in introducing Mr. G. A. Fraser, of Thamesville, took occasion to regret the interruptions which had marked Col. Hegler's address. He hoped they would not be repeated.

Mr. Fraser, on rising, was greeted with loud applause. The day has gone by, said Mr. Fraser, when any speaker will endeavor to defend wrong-doing, whether of Grit or Tory. I was surprised at the last speaker saying that Ontario and Quebec started on an equal footing. Everyone knows that is not true. Cheers.

The people have felt the burden of the school system arranged to suit the 5 per cent. who go on for higher education at the expense of the 95 per cent. who cannot do so—hear, hear!—and to enable publishers to make profits—Hear, hear! After Mr. Bowyer's explaining things so clearly, the previous speaker didn't seem able to understand. Laughter.

Two years ago we had one Ontario Reader, Part I. Certain book publishers had that one de-authorized. Then the publishers of the original reader got their book made in Ontario. It was de-authorized. They say there is no monopoly, that any publisher can get a book authorized on the same conditions. Those conditions, I can tell you, are impossible to fulfill. These two books were just hieily authorized, when along came the other publishers in the ring and had another book also authorized. I have the books here. "Continued." "Here are three books authorized and one de-authorized since the last election—Hear, hear! Whose money buys these books?"

Then they heard complaints of the very poor handwriting of children to-day. Why? Is it because the children are less intelligent, less capable? Not at all. In 1896 we had a copy-book with the old Spencerian system. Then the government concluded that vertical writing would be a nice thing, and authorized a new copy-book. Then they authorized another. Then they authorized another with that one and authorized another book—Laughter. Here is the book.

A voice: Another thing they forgot! Then they found the whole vertical system was wrong and authorized the medial slant. Cheers. The government bought all these books? It was as if a young man wanted to learn a trade, shifted from harness-making to carpentering, then went into a law office, went in another year or so to a theological college. He spends five or six years and what is he? A voice: Nothing.

That's what has taken place in your writing systems. You've wasted years and money and at the end of it all your children can't write. Cheers.

N. H. STEVENS CALLED.

The chairman thanked the audience for the attentive hearing given Mr. Fraser—an improvement on that bestowed on Col. Hegler. He then called on Mr. N. H. Stevens on behalf of Mr. Cochrane. Mr. Stevens was pleased to be present. He opened by stating that the Manufacturers' Insurance Co. long before Hon. G. W. Ross became president.

Mr. Fraser, pursued Mr. Stevens, has brought down quite a cartload of books. I don't think you can see whether they were penny novels or school books.

Here Mr. Fraser, amid cheers, stepped forward with the books. "Do you want to look at them?" he asked, presenting them to the speaker.

Loud cries of "Look at them! Look at them, Mr. Stevens!" and cheers. The Chairman: This is not the same kind of order you gave a while ago. Mr. Stevens did not know whether better hands or worse; but he had come to the conclusion that almost every child was an artist. The child could draw a straight line. If the old writing system was slow, why not make a change? Whether books were more or less, we want the best. We do not want everybody printing school books. Laughter. We want paper that's the best for the children's eyes. Laughter. We want the best of type, the best printing, the best books.

Mr. Stevens proceeded to speak of high school as the poor man's college. Hon. G. W. Ross was a poor boy who had come to the conclusion that the most every child was an artist. The child could draw a straight line. If the old writing system was slow, why not make a change? Whether books were more or less, we want the best. We do not want everybody printing school books. Laughter. We want paper that's the best for the children's eyes. Laughter. We want the best of type, the best printing, the best books.

Mr. Fraser said that Quebec didn't start on the same footing as Ontario. If so, it was because her representatives were not so smart. In Ontario Hon. M. C. Cameron had led

the Opposition for two years and couldn't find anything wrong with the Government. Sir W. R. Meredith watched them 20 years and couldn't find anything. Marked tried the temperance plank for a year and a half. Mr. Whitney has been at it seven years; and now Ross would go back with a good working majority. Several voices: "Ours!" and cries of "What's his majority now?"

I met a Conservative judge the other day, pursued Mr. Stevens, who said he didn't want Hon. G. W. Ross to be turned out as long as he lived. Voices: "He's a hoodler!"

Mr. Stevens proceeded to defend the bonuses to railways on the ground that the country had to be opened up. "When the Reform Government appeals to you, you are to some extent under obligations to your fathers who fought against the old family compact. The ballot box is a trust. You have no right to give it for selfish purposes. You have a right to mark it for such a man as you know to be successful, an honorable man. Cheers of 'Bowyer! Bowyer! Bowyer!'"

Mr. Stevens in concluding thanked the audience for the splendid hearing given him.

MR. PIKE CHEERED.

During Mr. Stevens' speech a large number left the hall, but the chorus ceased when J. Milton Pike rose amid the hearty applause of all present. "I know no prouder moment, said Mr. Pike, than that in which I address an audience so eloquently testifying to the fitness of Phil Bowyer."

Cheers. As one of those aboriginal inhabitants known as Indians (laughter), I am glad to be here. I am honored above many present in that Mr. McGee says I have two birth-places. Laughter. Dr. Samson will testify that I was born in Raleigh, but that is not an issue. There are issues, platforms and policies. I was glad to have Mr. Stevens admit that by asking us to discuss the platform. Mr. Bowyer has pledged himself to advocate these things when you send him to the House on the 25th. Cheers.

Why did Ross dissolve the House two years before its time. Cries of "Forgot." The trial of protests was forewarned in rim a line Hon. O., when ev'd n'e in rim a line Hon. O., Mackay was coming out, and the dissolution was to prevent the trial from going on. Ross has been unable to carry on the government any longer. What is the platform? Ross says it is the same now as in 1871. Many Liberals have stated that the Government was rotten, corrupt, a corse (Cheers), but a convention has been held since—including the machine—and these men profess to have received new light. How that the policy is the same? Why did Stratton ask the Globe reporter to forget? However, Liberals and Independents are coming over. They, like P. D. Ross, will be independent and they will support Whitney and his colleagues so long as they do. Cheers. Ross says we are hungry for power. Who has been hanging on to power for 35 years. Have they any right to throw stones? Cheers. They're been hungry for power when the majority was against them.

JACKSON'S PARTNER.

Corruption has been revealed; not in one place alone, but everywhere. There was West Egin. You find it in the north, south and west—down in Frontenac and Hastings fellows anxious for pure government went fishing for a new kind of fish, for drowned ballot boxes. You will notice that the two opponents sent out of the county for a speaker, and who do they get? They get the former partner of J. B. Jackson. A tremendous outburst of hoots and cheers greeted this announcement.

I don't say Col. Hegler is guilty of all the crimes of Jackson, pursued Mr. Pike, but he is here as a criminal lawyer to defend the criminals at Toronto. Cheers. They like criminal lawyers. They had Mr. Aylesworth get a letter from Mr. Ross' desk and Mr. Ross had the key. It came there for a consideration. I am not here for Mr. Gamely. If he is crooked as a corkscrew, does that mean Ross or Stratton any better? The mass of Liberals are rising in protest. Hear, hear. They are true to the old ad, to their fathers who fought for liberty when the people had no say. Don't take my word alone. Take the story of the four Norths of North York, where Hon. E. J. Davis "didn't know." Take the Globe. Take the judgments of the magistrates. In West Hastings connecting members of the Government with the bogus ballot box frauds. Take the trip of the Minnie M. with her cargo of bad votes and bad whiskeys. The Government don't like to hear of these things. Hon. J. M. Gibson wants to be excused because the telegram regarding the Minnie M. was handed to him on a public platform. They say they don't condone corruption. In the Soc. N. Smith, who was unseated, is running in Ross' interests to-day. They talk about New Ontario, about aiding agriculture. If I send Phil Bowyer to Toronto, it won't be long before you have an agricultural college in Kent.

(Cries of "We'll send him.") Proceeding Mr. Pike dealt with the Tammany Ring, law reform, the free system and the school book monopoly. He concluded with a strong denunciation of Ross and his methods, and appealed in stentorian voice to the electors to speak with no uncertain sound for Phil Bowyer on the 25th.

Mr. Pike closed amid loud and prolonged applause. The meeting broke up with cheers for Bowyer, Whitney, the chairman and the King, all of which were given with a will.

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