

# SUPPORTERS OF GOVERNMENT THROUGHOUT PROVINCE NOMINATE CAPABLE CANDIDATES

## UNABLE TO FOOL THE ELECTORS

### Federal Issues Play No Part in Contest

#### MADAWASKA FORECAST

### Cyr and Cormier will Lead Poll in Cause of Good Government Despite Frantic Efforts of Opposition.

Special to The Standard. Edmundston, June 13.—Despite the fact that the opposition throughout the length and breadth of Madawaska county are endeavoring to magnify the present contest to the proportions of a federal fight, and are appealing to the people to support Messrs. Dugal and Pelletier as a means of strengthening "Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Ottawa," there is little doubt in the minds of independent voters that Charles Cyr and Max Cormier will be found at the head of the poll after the ballots have been counted on the night of the 20th.

Politically, Madawaska has been a Côté county. The people followed "Honest John" when he was a Conservative, and turned with him when he became liberal, consequently as he has made this contest his personal battle, assisted by Plus Michaud, it has been hard work to bring the voters to realize that provincial and federal politics are completely dissociated, and that voting for a continuance of government at Fredericton would not in the least detract from their respect for Mr. Côté and Mr. Michaud.

During the last few days, however, they have come to take a more practical and reasonable view of affairs, and are correctly asking themselves, "WHAT WILL IT BENEFIT US TO RETURN TWO OF MR. COPP'S SUPPORTERS TO FREDERICTON WHEN THERE IS NOT THE SLIGHTEST POSSIBILITY OF MR. COPP BEING ANYTHING MORE THAN THE LEADER OF A SMALL AND DISORGANIZED OPPOSITION?"

Gaining Support.

An evidence of this is seen right here in the town of Edmundston. At the last federal election when Mr. Cormier ran against Plus Michaud he received only 52 votes in this town, while in the present campaign many more than that number of residents of the town have already volunteered to sign his nomination papers.

The government's programme and record is even more popular. There is tangible evidence on every side in the shape of better roads and bridges that the Fleming government has more than made its promises good, while the general broader policy of the government is also generally approved.

Mr. Veniot from Gloucester was here recently, that is before the campaign in his own county got so hot as to require all his attention and in an address in Edmundston, he seized upon the bridge expenditures as a fair subject for criticism. In this connection he took the case of one bridge in this county where the cost of labor for repairs was put in as \$14, included in this was an item of \$1.50 for a day's labor of one man and apparently the other \$12.50 went to the bridge superintendent for what Mr. Veniot said was "his rakeoff." Mr. Veniot deliberately deceived the people and none knew it better than he, for the \$12.50 represented not one day's work but at least eight days' work for the bridge superintendent, and when figured out it will be found a very modest and reasonable recompense for the labor performed.

His Only Argument.

Misrepresentation is, however, the only argument Mr. Veniot has, while the other speakers who have been stepping the county, being incompetent to discuss provincial affairs on their merits, have fallen back on the old cry, "Vote against the Fleming government and strengthen Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Ottawa."

Better thinking Liberals realize at once that this sort of appeal never serves to show the weakness of the opposition cause. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has no more part in the affairs of New Brunswick than has Col. Sam Hughes; and what would be thought of a speaker in St. John who would declaim "Vote for the government candidates and strengthen Col. Sam Hughes in his efforts to do away with the content in the mine camps?"

One argument would be just about as responsible as the other and the man who would resort to either would certainly merit his fate if he were booted from the platform.

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## CENTENARY PASTORSHIP UNSETTLED

### Flattering Resolution Passed to Rev. Dr. Sprague—Permission Given Queen Square Church to Sell Property.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 13.—The question of filling the pastorate of Centenary church, St. John, remains still unsettled by the Methodist Conference. It was thought that another meeting of the stationing committee might be held tonight, but now it is said the committee may meet again some time tomorrow.

The afternoon session of the conference was devoted to the organizing of committees and hearing reports.

A pleasing feature of the session was a complimentary resolution to Rev. Dr. Sprague who has completed fifty years in the Methodist ministry. Dr. Sprague replied to the resolution and briefly reviewed his career. He, with His Honor Governor Wood, graduated from Mount Allison in 1867. Since that time he has endeavored to serve the church to the best of his ability.

The stationing fund committee reported the amount of \$1,876.29 raised for the year, an increase of \$619.26. The church property committee recommended that permission be given to the Bale Verte circuit to sell their old parsonage property. Proceeds to be used for the purchase of a new parsonage. Permission was given Queen Square church to sell a section of its property in Germain street, St. John.

## GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

A meeting to be addressed by J. B. M. Baxter, John A. Barry and Manning W. Doherty, will be held at Little River on Monday. On Tuesday at the Temperance Hall, Golden Grove, addresses on the issues in the campaign will be given by W. B. Tennant, John MacDonald, Jr., and John A. Barry.

## ENTHUSIASTIC MEETINGS HELD EVERYWHERE INDICATE VICTORY

### New Brunswick Will Not Return to Era of Suspense Accounts and Lax Methods of Administration

### Nomination Proceedings Pass Off Quietly—Opposition Speakers Make Poor Showing and Fallacious Arguments Are Disproved by Business-like Statements of Government Orators—Both Parties Have Ticket In Field In Every County But Northumberland Where Opposition is Missing

If the success of the government on Thursday next can be gauged by the expression of approval tendered the government candidates yesterday, June 20 will find Premier Fleming and his colleagues returned to power with a magnificent majority. In all the counties was shown the popularity of the present administration, while the enthusiasm with which the candidates were greeted augurs well for their success.

One of the features of yesterday's meetings was the admission forced from Senator King at Gagetown that the Borden Highway Bill was killed in the senate on account of the fear of the Liberal party that the passing of the bill would bring defeat in the provincial elections. Nor was this the only admission forced from the opposition speakers yesterday. Wherever the running mates of Mr. Copp met the government candidates they showed by their arguments the weakness of their cause.

## OPPOSITION NOT ON HAND FOR THE JOINT TALKFEST

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, June 13.—Nomination proceedings passed off quietly today in York county. There was very little stir, and nothing to indicate anything else than what has been expected from the first—a government sweep of the county.

The opposition have nominated a ticket of four men who are just to stand up as dummies to the government party candidates to roll up. Nothing has been done towards carrying on an active campaign in this county. No meetings have been held, none are advertised and there is no interest being taken by those who brought the opposition party to the position it once held in this county. At the last minute today, before the joint talkfest was announced, it was 12 o'clock, and that further nominations could not be accepted, Peter J. Hughes, an agent for the opposition party, filed the nomination papers of George F. Burden, W. J. Osborne, Walter Limerick and Alex. Little, with J. W. McCready, who was acting as clerk for the Sheriff, who is the returning officer in this county. Some time previously Ald. Perry A. Guthrie, an agent of the provincial government party candidates, had filed the nomination papers of Hon. H. F. McLeod, James K. Fisher, John Young and Dr. O. E. Morehouse. The deposits were made in accordance with the law, and a poll was demanded by Ald. Guthrie.

The opposition candidates failed to show up so there could be no joint debate.

## SENATOR KING CONFESSES THAT SENATE KILLED HIGHWAYS BILL TO SAVE LIBERALS FROM DEFEAT

Special to The Standard. Gagetown, June 13.—An unguarded admission, publicly made by Senator King at the nomination proceedings here today, enables the people of New Brunswick to clearly understand why the Liberals in the Senate deprived this Province of the proposed Federal grant of \$50,000 for improving the highways. They voted against the bill not because they thought it was bad legislation, but because they were afraid that it might influence the electors against the Liberal party in the forthcoming Provincial elections.

This amazing admission was wrung from Mr. King during the address of H. W. Woods, one of the Government candidates in Queens, Mr. Woods was referring to the action of Senator King, who seconded the amendment which killed the bill, and of the other Liberals in the Senate in depriving the Province of the benefit of the Federal grant of \$50,000, when the Senator from Chipman interrupted to explain his position.

In the course of his defence, Senator King admitted that all the Liberal Senators of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia supported the amendment in the belief that the vision of the bill was too broad. They believed, he said, that the money would be used to influence the forthcoming elections in Quebec and Saskatchewan, and also in the New Brunswick general election.

Mr. Woods was quick to drive home the point of the Senator's argument. "The true reason why Senator King and his Liberal friends in the Senate deprived 'the roads of this benefit,'" he replied, "is now apparent. They were afraid the Liberals would be defeated 'by the effect of this popular legislation. He has let the 'cat out of the bag,'" added Mr. Woods, amid a roar of laughter.

The large crowd cheered Mr. Woods again and again. From the Opposition's standpoint, there was nothing more to be said.

## ONE-SIDED DEBATE AT NOMINATIONS IN KENT COUNTY

Special to The Standard. Gagetown, June 13.—A fairly large crowd attended the nomination proceedings here today, the rain and a lack of interest in the contest keeping a good many at home. It is generally conceded that the government candidates will be elected by an overwhelming majority.

Hon. D. V. Landry, John Sheridan and Dr. T. J. Bourque, the former members, were nominated by R. O. Leary, Lazare Guindon, A. H. Carson, M. J. Perrier, Phil. Despres, James Mazerolle, P. J. Robidoux, John Morin, Thomas Farrer and others, and the opposition candidates, A. Borden, Chas. Atkinson and O. J. Leblanc, were nominated by J. D. Irving, John A. Irving, Gertrude B. Leger, Auguste Leger, and others.

A meeting, presided over by Sher-

## VICTORY SURE IN CARELTON

### KINGS COUNTY HAS ABLE SUPPORTERS OF GOVERNMENT

Special to The Standard. Hampton, June 13.—Sheriff Fred W. Freeze opened his court this morning for the reception of nominations of candidates for the County of Kings. Arthur W. Freeze, of Sussex, filed the following nomination papers on behalf of the government: Geo. B. Jones, of Apohaqui; Hon. J. A. Murray, of Sussex; and Hedley V. Dickson, of Jubilee, whose papers were signed by the following electors: Geo. W. Fowler, S. A. McLeod, Gordon Hill, M. W. Eveleigh, W. D. Turner, D. Little, Sussex; Jesse T. Prescott, Studholme; Allan Price, H. H. Cochran, Norton, and many others. Major R. H. Arnold on behalf of the opposition, filed the nomination papers of Geo. M. Pearson, M. D., Sussex; S. H. Flewelling, Hampton, and Ormond W. Wetmore, Clifton.

At two o'clock, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, about four hundred representative electors from all parts of the county had gathered to hear the speeches of the candidates. John P. MacAuley, warden of the county, was selected as chairman.

It is a forlorn hope for the opposition in Kent.

## NORTHUMBERLAND WILL BE STRONG FOR GOVERNMENT

Special to The Standard. Newcastle, June 12.—Hon. John Morriarty, D. P. MacLachlan, Wm. J. Allain and John Betta, were nominated as the Fleming government ticket and Councillors Frank Swin, Lawrence Doyle and J. L. Stewart, all conservatives, as supporters of Premier Fleming, but opposed to coalition today.

## QUEENS COUNTY CANDIDATES ARE ASSURED WINNERS

Special to The Standard. Gagetown, June 14.—Nomination proceedings here today were attended by electors from every parish except Brunswick. The great majority of those present were supporters of the government. Even the contingent from Chipman was largely made up of government supporters, a fact which shows how the tide is setting in Queens county. A. R. Slipp and H. W. Woods were nominated as candidates of the local government party, and Isaac Carpenter and G. H. King were put up by the opposition.

## NOMINATIONS IN WESTMORLAND CO. HELD YESTERDAY

Special to The Standard. Moncton, June 13.—Nomination proceedings at Dorchester today were purely formal, there being no speech making, in accordance with the agreement between the candidates. Consequently few were in attendance except the officials and representatives of the candidates.

Mr. McCord held that the nominations were properly made and the Sheriff after noting the objection and reply ordered a poll to be held in the city, as well as in the county. For the city only two nominations were made, though a third and possibly a fourth candidate had been talked of. The nominations for the city were Dr. O. B. Price, government, nominated by George C. Matthews, merchant; Albert E. Mettler, Herbert Armstrong, P. Forbes, J. N. Boudreau, John O'Neil, S. L. T. Harrison and others. Frank C. Robinson was the opposition nominee.

For the county two tickets were nominated. For the opposition Messrs. Copp, Leger, Magee and Kilham were nominated.

The government candidates nominated by T. Ryan, Sackville; H. E. Fawcett, Sackville; C. C. Harper, Sackville; Frank Nelson, Sackville; Wm. Campbell, Sackville; Wm. A. Trueman, W. W. Fawcett, W. S. Wheaton, S. B. Atkinson, Sackville; C. V. Cahill, Sackville, and many others.

## MADAWASKA COUNTY WILL BE IN LINE FOR THE GOVERNMENT

Special to The Standard. Edmundston, June 13.—The nomination proceedings for Madawaska county were conducted here today, when Charles Cyr and Max Cormier were nominated for the government, J. H. Pelletier and L. G. Dugal for the opposition.

## SUCCESS ASSURED FOR GOVERNMENT IN RESTIGOUCHE

Special to The Standard. Dalhousie, N. B., June 13.—At the nomination proceedings here today D.

## Government Rally in Woodstock Last Evening

### MR. FLEMING SPOKE

### Deceitful Methods of Opposition Exposed and Enthusiasm of Audience Reaches High Pitch—Candidates Will Win.

Special to The Standard. Woodstock, June 13.—A rousing government rally and smoker was held in the theatre this evening. The attendance was large and the speakers, one and all, were happy in the feeling that it would be an easy victory in this county, and in general a triumphant return for the Fleming government with an increased majority over that held in the last house.

The people in this county do not desire to return to the old methods by putting back on the treasury benches the remnants of the old gang that nearly bankrupted the province and brought discredit on fair New Brunswick. Carleton will do its share for good government.

It is proud of Premier Fleming and will elect him and the full ticket by a majority that will for many years come put a quietus on the aspirations of opposition candidates to represent this county in the legislature. Dr. Brown was chairman of the meeting, and addresses were made by M. L. Hayward, Fred C. Squires, G. L. White, Donald Munro, Hon. J. K. Fleming and B. P. Smith.

Dr. Brown briefly introduced the speakers.

M. L. Hayward noted the fact that F. R. Shaw denied any complicity in the Birmingham case. The matter was before the court and he (Hayward) did not wish to make any comments, merely reading a section of the evidence given before him in which Birmingham swore that Shaw told him to keep 10 per cent of the expenditure on roads, including state labor, and he (Birmingham) did as he was told to do by F. R. Shaw, now opposition candidate in this county.

## Premier Fleming.

Hon. J. K. Fleming devoted most of his time to a discussion of the St. John Valley Railway. He had advice from every part of the province and he was safe in saying that the government would sweep the province from the Restigouche to the Passamaquoddy a week from today.

He showed how the old government had sacrificed the water power of the province by its legislation which had been given away to their friends and supporters. He showed that Messrs. Upham, Smith and Shaw, were strong supporters. He showed that Messrs. Upham, Smith and Shaw, are responsible to some extent for the dishonesty of the old administration.

Notwithstanding the insinuations and the slurs he wished to say that he had never discussed the subject of the St. John Valley Railway with an official of the C. P. R., great or small, and the C. P. R. had nothing whatever to do with the Valley Railway and never would have anything to do with it if he could stop it. Nevertheless, he did not feel that he should be called upon at any time to abuse the C. P. R., which was doing good work for Canada.

The contract calls for a road from St. John to Grand Falls and the railway will be built according to contract.

B. Frank Smith took the opportunity to say that he was heartily in favor of the ticket; that it was false to say that discord existed between himself and Premier Fleming, on the contrary he was addressing meetings and working hard for the whole ticket. He was proud of the Premier his position was an honorable one given to him not by the people of Carleton, but by the representatives of all the people in the province.

The speaker was associated with Mr. Munro in the legislature and he found him a conscientious and able man. He had known G. L. White for sixteen years and he was satisfied that he would be a credit to the county that would elect him next Thursday.

A. Stewart and Arthur Culligan were nominated by the government supporters, and C. H. LaBilliois and A. E. G. McKenzie by the opposition. The names on Messrs. Stewart and Culligan's nomination papers were David

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