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Forced to Retract

When the Provincial Rights party threw down the gauntlet to two governments on the lands question of this province they had in view the timber and coal and other mineral lands as well as those suitable for agriculture.

When the local government permitted and sanctioned the lands robbery, they tried to make the people believe that it was in the interests of the people of this province not to retain the public lands, and this included the coal lands.

When Mr. Borden announced to the people of Canada on the 20th of August at Halifax that the Conservative party stood pledged to restore to the new provinces their public domain, he meant the coal and timber lands as well as the other public lands in the provinces.

When the government's Regina organ stated on August 26 that the province does not want the lands, and when the government's Saskatoon organ said on August 29th:

"The very word restoration is a misnomer. The public lands in the west never did belong to the provinces so how could they be restored. It is not possible to restore anything to anyone which he never had possession of."

they meant the coal lands as much as any other lands.

Yet, however, on August 18th the local organ of the government was forced to retract in part what they previously said by stating:

"For the benefit of the increasingly large number of homesteaders who are settling west of Saskatoon, between the Bear Hills and the border, the Government have instituted inquiries as to the prospects of cheap fuel provision in this and future winters. They reserve as provincial property certain areas in Eagle Lake district, where surface coal had been found. Development of these stores will proceed as quickly as possible, the Government having determined to obtain possession of them. The needs of the district are too urgent to permit exclusive private ownership, with the temptation to hold for a rise."

We believe that we voice the public sentiment of this province when we say that the people do want the lands restored, and we are glad that Mr. Borden has pledged the Conservative party to rectify the wrong perpetrated by the Laurier government assisted by the local administration and defended by a hireling press.

Time for a Change

There is every indication that the people of Canada have made up their minds that the time has come for a change of government.

There is a similar atmosphere prevailing to-day as was felt in 1896 when the Liberals appealed to the country to support well-defined reforms which their part convention had subscribed to.

In that election the Conserva-

tive machine had lost its grip. The country was tired of it and nothing could prevail upon the people to give that party a new lease of power.

The voting population has, of course, since that time been greatly supplemented, and this new vote handled through the immigration department has helped the government to office, but public sentiment is becoming so strongly aroused that, as the Toronto News said recently, the government may have to "fight hard for their lives." In some respects the present administration has made good, but during the last term they did some very coarse work in the way of maladministration.

That there is no doubt that the success attending Mr. Borden's tour is the result of that pronounced resentment which the people of Canada can show to any government, which, coming with lavish promises of reform, signally fails to implement its pledges and shows a reckless disregard for public opinion.

Other strong evidence that the government will have a close call, if not absolutely wiped out of existence, is that fact that Mr. Sifton "stood under" when such strenuous representations were made to him to re-enter the cabinet. It is safe to assume that Mr. Sifton sized up the whole situation before he gave Sir Wilfred his decision.

There are many newspaper supporters and other dependents shaking in their boots after reading the signs of the times as indicated by the Borden meetings. It is well not to be too confident at present, but everything points to a Conservative victory.

The Right Man

In western experience, in breadth of view, in dignity and educational acquirement, Hon. Justice Wetmore is undoubtedly the best man among the residents of this province for the Chancellorship of the University of Saskatchewan.

"Firmly Rising"

A dispatch from Edmonton says:

"J. W. Greenway, inspector of Dominion lands, was in the city to-day, and discussing the land values in the west he stated that the values were steadily and firmly rising throughout the west. The present season was a very busy one in their sub-agencies in the west."

And yet the Laurier-Scott press say Saskatchewan does not want her public lands. We receive each year in lieu of those lands the paltry sum of \$375,000. Mr. Borden recognizes the injustice done the new provinces and he promises to restore our birthright.

"Bring Blood"

Referring to Mr. Borden's

retort to Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, the Winnipeg Tribune says:

"Last night Mr. Borden replied by challenging his detractor to produce his evidence, and by describing the efforts he had made to have the protest arising from the Halifax election brought to trial—which efforts, he claimed, had always been defeated by the Government side."

But it was in dismissing the Aylesworth charges that he delivered the most damaging blow.

"Before repeating them," said Mr. Borden, "let him (Mr. Aylesworth) devote his time to explaining his own disreputable connection with the Gamey case, and let him lose his well-known dread of meeting R. R. Gamey upon the public platform."

This was a fair shot—and one that must bring the blood.

A Pledge

"The Conservative party believes in the nationalization of telegraphs and telephones."

"If it comes into power it stands pledged to bring this about."

"There is no reason for a government monopoly in transmitting messages by letter unless it is extended to include the transmission of messages by wire, by telegraph and telephone."

—R. L. Borden, at Cobourg.

PRESS COMMENTS

(Montreal Witness.)

A candidate for parliament in an English constituency some time ago was highly disappointed at the result of the elections. His meetings had been enthusiastic, more so it appeared than those of his rival, and everywhere on the streets he had been followed and cheered. Yet when the results of the polling came to hand, he found that the votes cast for him were barely half of those polled by the other side.

"How do you account for it?" he asked his chief agent. "Well, in the first place," replied the agent, "there's nothing more uncertain than elections and horse racing, and, in the second, it would seem that while we had most of the noise on our side, the other party had considerably more of the voters." We do not know who at the present time is backed by the most voting strength throughout the country, but certainly Mr. Borden has made something like a triumphal progress in his itinerary so far. Last night, at the Monument National, the atmosphere was so electrically confident that the battle must have seemed to many to be won—as an eloquent lawyer can persuade us to his side until we hear the other. But whatever the voting may tell us presently, Mr. Borden is certainly presenting an attractive program of reforms, a program that on some lines must appeal to Liberals as much as to Conservatives, if not more so. The next best thing to a good government is a strong opposing force with high ideals, and during the next few weeks Mr. Borden promises at least to supply a pressure that will make it easier for his opponents to do right and harder for them to do wrong.

(Toronto News)

Discussing the present position of the Dominion government, the Toronto News says:

But the Laurier government's chief crime against provincial rights was the measures constituting the new provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan. Here the traditions and principles of the Liberal party were repudiated and dishonored, and the plain meaning of the British North America act contemptuously ignored in order that a separate school system might be imposed upon the new provinces. This was done by the very government which resisted the restoration of separate schools in Manitoba, and by that act obtained the power which it was entitled to force such schools upon Alberta and Saskatchewan. It was not for older Canada to say whether or not the new provinces should have a separate school system. That was their own business. Equally it was not the business of older Canada to determine the character of the educational system of the western provinces in order to serve the political interests of a group of Ottawa politicians in the face of these facts it is childish for Mr. Aylesworth to grade the loyalty of the Laurier government to provincial rights or to pretend that the government has been faithful to the historical policy of the party."

SEED FAIR

The success that attended the twenty-one seed fairs that Saskatchewan tried last winter warrants their being held again, their number and prizes at them increased, and if possible, their program enlarged. This year, at last, the Seed Branch is prepared to do the following: To get out posters, folders and attend to the advertising generally. To supply a judge and a lecturer, both of whom will deliver practical addresses, the former giving in detail the reasons for his placing of the awards and the latter, a talk on some interesting agricultural topic. In return for this agricultural societies are expected to allow the Seed Branch to arrange the date of their fair which will be done as much in accordance with the wishes of the society as the circuit it may be in will permit.

Among the changes for the better that might be made, the following are, it is believed, worthy of consideration. While the prizes on the whole have been good, the total amount offered by the average fair last year being in the neighborhood of \$80, there is room for improvement, especially when this amount is compared with what is commonly given at the summer fair for much less important exhibits. As this is a grain growing province, that feature of it deserves encouragement and it is hoped, will receive more of it at the seed fairs.

A seed judging competition would also add to the interest and increase the instructiveness of the fair. One of these was conducted last year and was an unqualified success. A small entrance fee was charged competitors who were allowed five minutes to examine the samples of grain submitted and who were then required to go to another room where they gave their placing and their reasons for so doing, fifty per cent. being allowed for "placing," and fifty for "reasons."

At the Winter Fair to be held in Regina during the latter part of March, by which time the seed fairs will be over, there will be a seed grain department with substantial prizes and, if it can be arranged, a seed judging competition for the provincial championship. The prizes will be good and well worth competing for. Harris McFayden will give a good gold medal to the winner of first place in this competition.

It would also add to the interest if a weed seed identification contest was conducted in a manner similar to that outlined for the seed judging competition.

The Seed Branch will supply the samples of grain for both these contests.

PRIZE LIST.

While the same prize list would not be suitable to all societies, as the crops that require encouragement vary in different districts, the following is submitted as a basis on which to work. Many societies will no doubt increase each of these prizes.

Class	1	2	3	4
1 Spring Wheat Red Fife	20.00	15.00	5.00	
2 Spring Wheat, any other variety	18.00	10.00	5.00	
3 Oats, white	10.00	5.00	2.50	
4 Oats, other varieties	5.00	2.50	1.00	
5 Barley	5.00	2.50	1.00	
6 Barley, hullless	5.00	2.50	1.00	
7 Peas	4.00	2.00		
8 Flax	3.00	2.00		
9 Brome Grass	3.00	2.00		
10 Rye Grass	3.00	2.00		
11 Timothy	3.00	2.00		
12 Potatoes	5.00	3.00	1.00	
13 Collection of mounted weeds	3.00			
14 Red Clover (native grown)	5.00			
15 Corn (native grown)	5.00			

In view of the fact that a con-

siderable proportion of next year's seed may be frozen and that the most satisfactory way of determining its fitness for seed is by actually testing its germinating qualities, the Seed Branch is willing to test samples. If agricultural societies wish to have the per cent. germination taken into consideration in making the awards it will be necessary to secure from prospective exhibitors representative samples of the grains they intend showing all of two weeks before the date of the fair so that there will be time to send in the samples to have them tested and to get the returns. Societies that wish to do this will be supplied with envelopes in which to send the grain, which will be carried free. To make certain that the grain sent by the exhibitor was the same as that shown at the fair, another sample will be taken at the fair and tested.

The prizes need not be paid out until the results of the test reach the Secretary, and if they differ widely from the first test the prize may be given to the exhibit tested well with a high score, as indicated by the score card, which will be left with each sample at the fair. This is the idea in the rough. The details will be worked out later for societies that wish per cent. germination taken into account when placing the awards. As this is the first time this has been suggested in the west it might be well to confine it for this year to one class only, say that for oats. The great difficulty will be in getting farmers to send in their samples before the fair, but once the idea becomes known and its advantages recognized there should be no difficulty, but for the first year its success will depend largely on the secretary, who will have to do some rustling. Kindly bring the matter to the attention of your society and let us know your decision.

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HUNTING SEA

With about twenty skins, valued at about dollars each, and 228 sealing schooner Vera, ia Sealing Co., return to port from a sealing hunting trip in the The sealing schooner C to the same compan season took twelve s had eighteen of these on Aug. 1st of this still hunting.

The success of the in other hunting last the local sealers to sers out this year pranch of hunting. T January last, engag sealing off the coast of northern coasts until ing ended on April 30, to the vicinity of Cop yond the 180th parall otters only. Although in the North Pacific to Aug. 1st is forbid Bhering sea season c restrictions of the Pa not cover other huntin gal outside the three- vided by international catch of the Vera e nearly a thousand sea valued at not far sho The Vera left Victoria and took 173 sealskin of Monterey and viciu north following the se was of Victoria. In that month took 55 s went other hunting. twenty pelts was take ings. Then provisions scarce she started fo weather has averaged season and the voyag untoward incident.

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