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PROSPERITY--THAT IS THE BIG ISSUE TODAY--VOTE LIBERAL PUGSLEY DENOUNCES G. S. MAYES' CHARGES AS THOSE OF A LIAR WHO ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL AND FAILED

Laurier Continues His Triumphant Tour Through Quebec

Unbounded Enthusiasm by Thousands at Two Great Meetings

Premier Repeats His Remark About Tory Office-Holders Causing Scandal in Their Departments and That Dismissals May be Necessary--Is Sure of Fifty-Five Seats in the Province--Desperate Tactics of York County Tories.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Farnham, Que., Oct. 12--Sir Wilfrid Laurier spoke here today. About 5,000 people gathered to meet the premier, who was accompanied by Hon. Sydney Fisher, and Hon. L. P. Brodeur.

On arriving at the station Sir Wilfrid was met by several hundred citizens, and was presented with an address of welcome by Mayor D'Artois, of Farnham. A procession was then formed to escort Sir Wilfrid from his private car to the hotel, a mile distant.

Dealing with general politics, Sir Wilfrid said no one could find out what sort of policy the Conservatives were offering. Last year there was the Halifax platform of Mr. Borden, which proved a still born infant, forgotten as soon as born, and in this election it was not heard of.

The Liberals in 1893 called a convention and laid down a policy, and this was still being followed. "It is charged by the Conservatives," said Sir Wilfrid, "that we have abandoned our principles. That is a strange objection. If our principles were had made it, it might be reasonable, but why should the Conservatives, when they have nothing better to offer?"

As to the charges of extravagance, Sir Wilfrid Laurier argued that there had been an increase of revenue which fully justified increased expenditures. "The Tories," he said, "are economical in opposition, but when they control the purse strings, they are very very in better than other men; in fact I think they are worse, as, in days of the Pacific scandal, the Langevin and McCreery, and Wellington Bridge scandals. Now they are out of office and they are trying to bring us to the same level as themselves."

Proceeding, Sir Wilfrid dealt with the charges brought against the government by the Conservatives, declaring that they had brought only general charges against officials and employees, but not against the government itself.

"These charges are against officials and employees," said Sir Wilfrid. "Perhaps in 1896 we made the mistake of not dismissing Tory officials, because it is Tory officials who are implicated in these scandals. Perhaps we did injustice to ourselves in this way in 1896, but if we did so on this occasion, it was not too late to do what should have been done then." (Applause.)

With regard to the Marine investigation, Sir Wilfrid Laurier paid a high tribute to Hon. Mr. Brodeur, whom he characterized as not only an able man, but one who would do his duty fearlessly.

An Ovation at Granby. Granby, Que., Oct. 12--(Special.)--Sir Wilfrid Laurier was accorded a very warm welcome at Granby this evening on arriving here from Farnham. He was met at the station by Mayor Miner and a com-

MINISTER SAYS THAT MAYES TRIED TO COMPEL HIM TO BUY HIS DREDGE UNDER THREATS OF DIRE EXPOSURE

His Answer Was to Order Contractor Out of His Office--Never Received Any Money Except for Professional Services, and That Was Long Before He Went to Ottawa--Hon. Mr. Pugsley Tells of the Whole Plot--It Failed, He Says, and Then Mayes Tried to Turn it Into Political Capital--"An Infernal, Miserable Scoundrel."

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1908. What Hon. Wm. Pugsley indignantly characterizes as a sensational attempt at political blackmail, without parallel in the history of New Brunswick politics, came to light last night as the result of an alleged affidavit read at the Whitney-Hazen meeting by Premier Hazen, the affidavit being that of Gershon S. Mayes, dredging contractor.

In this affidavit Mayes made charges against Hon. William Pugsley, minister of public works, and George McAvity, of the city, alleging that they had made use of their political influence to obtain money from him improperly.

Scheme of Blackmail. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, when Mayes' statement was submitted to him last night, instantly characterized the whole thing as a scheme of blackmail, which had as its purpose the sale of the Mayes dredge to the department of public works for \$40,000 more than the department's superintendent of dredging said the dredge was worth.

"Mr. Mayes," said Hon. Mr. Pugsley, "is an infernal, miserable scoundrel and a miserably liar." As was explained to Dr. Pugsley, Mayes had said in substance that when he first wanted a dredging contract he approached Dr. Pugsley about it and Dr. Pugsley referred him to George McAvity, and that subsequently Mayes and McAvity went to Ottawa where a contract for 400,000 cubic yards of dredging was secured on the understanding that the price was to be 35c per yard, of which 20c was to go to Mayes and 15c to McAvity, and that McAvity had secured the contract for him.

An Infernal Lie, Says Minister. "What an infernal lie," said Dr. Pugsley as this latter statement was read to him. "That was two years before I ever thought of going to Ottawa, as every body must know." The Minister of Public Works then proceeded to take up the so-called affidavit in detail and to characterize the part of it relating to himself as wholly false and as revealing a conspiracy to blackmail him into buying a dredge for his department at a big profit, failing which Mr. Mayes and McAvity would have exposed him.

Refused to Be Held Up. "As to what the business arrangements were between Mr. Mayes and Mr. McAvity, I knew absolutely nothing until very lately, when an attempt was made to compel me to purchase dredge under pain of dreadful disclosures and I absolutely refused to be held up. When in situations began to come to me that Mr. Mayes was making this attempt I then looked into the whole business arrangement that he had with Mr. McAvity, and as revealing a conspiracy to blackmail him into buying a dredge for his department at a big profit, failing which Mr. Mayes and McAvity would have exposed him."

Wholly for Professional Services. "The statement that I ever suggested any other consideration than professional services is a miserable lie. It is made out of whole cloth; not a word of truth in it. Nothing of the kind ever took place, nothing that could possibly bear that name. There was never any suggestion of a loan. As I have said, that was two years before I ever thought of going to Ottawa."

The reporter then read to Dr. Pugsley the next portion of Mr. Mayes' statement in which he said that when payments from the department on account of dredging were with held and he went to see Dr. Pugsley about it that Dr. Pugsley had suggested that perhaps if he had settled with Mr. McAvity things might go more smoothly. In his statement Mayes

"BLACKMAIL," SAYS PUGSLEY, IN ANSWERING MAYES' SLANDER BEFORE PRINCE WARD ELECTORS

Minister Tells of \$20,000 Offer for Campaign Fund If Dredge Were Bought.

Dr. Pugsley Makes Ringing Reply to Defamatory Assertion and is Cheered and Cheered and Carried: Shoulder High from Platform to Street at Close of Speech--Addresses by Messrs Pender and Lantulum--The New Dredging Tenders.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1908. A magnificent reception was accorded Hon. William Pugsley last evening at a meeting in McLean's building, the Liberal headquarters in Prince Ward. The minister in an eloquent and telling speech, dealt specifically with slanderous charges made by G. S. Mayes, referring among other things to efforts made by the owner of the Beaver to sell the dredge to the government and characterizing his action as blackmail. He told also of a hint that had been conveyed to him that if his department bought the dredge there would be a rake off of \$20,000 to be used in the campaign. The minister's speech was cheered to the echo and at the close he was carried shoulder high from the platform to the street.

James Pender, earlier in the evening, also made a forceful and ringing speech which delighted his hearers and they applauded him again and again. The hall was packed to the doors, many being unable to get beyond the hallway. The gathering was one of the most successful held during the campaign. Edward Lantulum also spoke, and was given a warm welcome.

Dr. Pugsley Visits the Wards. Previous to his arrival, Dr. Pugsley, accompanied by John Keeffe, chairman of the Liberal executive, and T. H. Bates, made a round of the wards in an automobile. His first visit was to the Liberal headquarters in Guy and Brooks' wards in Carleton, and the minister received a most enthusiastic reception. In Oddfellows' Hall in Guy ward, after greeting the workers, he spoke briefly on some of the principal issues of the campaign, touching upon the dredging and wharf building which the government was arranging for in the harbor. He was repeatedly cheered.

In Brooks ward headquarters, the same enthusiasm prevailed. After a short stay, Dr. Pugsley reentered the automobile, and, coming around by the bridge and Douglas avenue, arrived at Temple of Honor Hall, the headquarters of Louis Landdowne and Stanley wards, where the meeting under the auspices of the young Liberals was in progress. He was cheered again and again, as he shook hands with his friends and spoke a few words of encouragement, referring to the fine reports of Liberal success from all over the country. He then paid a visit to Dunfermline ward, and, after a brief stay, went to the meeting in Prince ward.

Mr. Pender's Address. While the minister was making his triumphant tour through the wards, Mr. Pender was addressing the Prince ward electors. Mr. J. Nugent was in the chair. The Liberal candidate for the city proved immensely popular with the big gathering. He spoke forcefully on the advantage the G.T.P. on completion would be to Canada, referring to the preference which would become operative in 1911 on all goods coming through Canadian ports. He estimated that the reduction in the duty would about equal the cost of the freight. He then spoke of the advantages of the G.T.P. which prevented Newfoundland and the Dominion, and exposed his handling of the Foresters' funds. The improvements which the government had made in the St. Lawrence. Mr. Pender said, had reduced the insurance rate from a dollar to thirty-eight cents and the freight on grain was 2 1/2 cents lower through Montreal than through ports in the United States, with the result that Montreal had done more business during the last four months than New York, Boston, Baltimore and Philadelphia.

In closing, Mr. Pender delighted his hearers with some humorous remarks on W. Frank Hatheway. He thanked his hearers for the reception they had given him which he said, augmented well for a Liberal victory at the polls.

E. Lantulum. Calls were made for Mr. Lantulum, who, on mounting the platform, was greeted with a round of cheering. He was proud, he said, to see such a large and enthusiastic meeting and went on to refer to the record of the Liberal government in assisting St. John in comparison with the treatment meted out to the port by Mr. Foster. At this juncture an outburst of cheers from the street announced the arrival of Dr. Pugsley. As the minister entered the hall the audience sprang to their feet and went wild with enthusiasm. On coming forward to address the meeting, Dr. Pugsley was obliged to wait until the audience had again greeted him this time with musical honours.

MAINE PREACHER CHARGED WITH INCENDIARISM

T. V. Hunter in Jail at Houlton Accused of Burning House and Barn at Island Falls.

LIBERALS WILL SWEEP PROVINCE

James Robinson, ex-M. P., Tells Winnipeg Free Press Pugsley Will Win, and Liberals Will Carry Ten Out of Thirteen New Brunswick Seats.

LIBERAL ESTIMATES FROM ALL PROVINCES INDICATE G'T MAJORITY OF 65

(Montreal Herald.) The Herald has applied to a prominent Liberal in each of the different Provinces of Canada for a careful and impartial estimate of the probable number of Liberal members who will go to Ottawa from his province after the coming election. We print these estimates today as an indication of the real belief of Liberals who are in touch with the situation, as to the result of the elections. There is much water to go under the bridge yet before the date of polling, but it is no unusual contingency arises in either direction we believe that these will be found substantially correct.

In the case of British Columbia, the estimate of the man on the spot is very much more favorable than that of observers on this side of the Rockies, who have been inclined to admit that British Columbia, while having no particular love for the Conservatives, would vote all its own peculiar grievances, real and imaginary, on the heads of the Federal Government and materially reduce its Liberal representation. The Herald's informant in this Province telegraphs: "Five, with the real value of the noisy exclusion and 'bitter-terms' agitation than outsiders can be."

The estimates by Provinces follow: Provinces. Liberals. Others. Quebec 55 10 Ontario 39 17 New Brunswick 19 3 Nova Scotia 13 5 Prince Edward Island 2 2 Manitoba 6 4 Saskatchewan 5 3 Alberta 4 3 British Columbia 5 2 Yukon 1 0 Total 145 78

The new House of Commons will consist of 221 members, thus giving the Government a majority over all Opposition, if this forecast is correct, of 65.

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

ROTHESAY.

Rothesay, Oct. 8.—Tuesday's C. P. R. brought home Miss Mabel Thompson, who returned from the scene of her great success on the Lamton golf links, where for the fifth successive year she has won the national golf championship. Mr. and Mrs. Thomson and Miss Thomson will remove to their city home this week.

THE BORDER TOWNS.

St. Stephen, N. B., Oct. 7.—A party of young people with Miss Annie Sullivan as chaperone spent the week-end at the Main River at the camp of Mr. Frank Todd. Those who enjoyed the outing were Misses Ethel Sullivan, Muriel Potts, Marion Black, Inez, Gladys Black, Roy Levin and Wallace Sullivan.

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HAMPTON.

Hampton, Kings Co., Oct. 6.—Mrs. W. H. March and young son, Robert, of Hampton station, went to Boston last Wednesday to visit her mother, Mrs. Hopper, and sister, Mrs. Milton.

ST. GEORGE.

St. George, October 8.—A number of young gentlemen invited their lady friends to a dancing party in Dragoonian hall on Friday evening.

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DORCHESTER.

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AMHERST.

Amherst, N. S., October 8.—Mrs. D. R. Prichard and Miss Lennox have returned from a visit to Prince Edward Island.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, N. B., October 9.—The unusually fine weather of the past week has kept society very busy, everyone trying to get as many social calls as possible before the cold autumn days set in.

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THE CITY CAMPAIGN
The public will not be slow to recognize the meaning of the big crowds which are attending Liberal meetings in the city. In Berryman's Hall last evening the Liberal smoker attracted some hundreds more than the building would accommodate. The great demonstration at the York theatre a few evenings ago, followed by the big attendance of enthusiastic voters in the old Liberal meeting place last evening, indicate clearly that in this fighting popular sentiment is overwhelmingly in favor of the party of progress.

It could scarcely be otherwise in this contest. The Liberal candidates, the Liberal record, the development in sight for St. John under the Liberal—all these are reasons why young men and old should prefer Messrs. Pugsley and Pender to Drs. Daniel and MacRae. The doctor of medicine and the doctor of philosophy (if that be the junior Conservative candidate's speciality), represent the Conservative desire to secure possession of the treasury benches at Ottawa. But Dr. Pugsley and Mr. Pender represent something better. They carry the standard of the party that is building up Canada, that has given St. John recognition as a national port to be equipped at Federal expense, that proposes to push forward the provision of terminal facilities here so that the port will be ready when the new transcontinental begins to pour in freight from the West.

St. John has no particular grudge against Dr. Daniel because of his years of usefulness at Ottawa, and it would not mind Dr. MacRae very much if he would elevate the tone of his public utterances. But as candidates, these gentlemen have nothing to offer. At the moment they propose only to interfere with the programme St. John has marked out for itself. They see that the city cannot afford to listen to them under existing circumstances. In its own interests it will be compelled to defeat them.

As the canvass proceeds, the strength and popularity of the Liberal ticket are not to be questioned. The convention which gave Mr. Pender to the Minister of Public Works as a running mate certainly picked out the right man. The voters are going to give him a rousing majority on Oct. 26. And he will give them sterling service at Ottawa.

THE CAMPAIGN UP TO DATE
Only two working weeks of the campaign now remain. The issues which are going to be effective have been pretty thoroughly presented to the people already. It is extremely unlikely that any new question can now be raised which will in any way affect the result. Today, therefore, it should be possible to look over the field and form a fairly accurate estimate of the chances of the two parties.

As to the general result, if there ever was any doubt, there is none today. No well informed person really believes the Conservatives have any chance to defeat Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It is only a question of his majority. Many Conservatives who admit that the government will be sustained take comfort by arguing that the Liberal majority in the House of Commons will be very substantially reduced. But when they are asked what provinces are going to bring about the reduction, they cannot tell. True, they speak vaguely about Ontario, but the best information Ontario is that the Liberals will do quite as well there as they did in 1904, and perhaps better. One hears no more of Conservative gains in Quebec. The old Liberal chief, appealing for perhaps the last time to the people, is not going to lose strength in Quebec. Stories to the contrary are heard before every election. The Conservatives are always going to

make "great gains" in Quebec. Then election day comes along and Quebec is found solid for Laurier. So it will be on Oct. 26.

What of the West? From the Ontario line westward to Vancouver Island, the mighty development of the country has come about under Liberal rule and is directly traceable to Liberal statesmanship. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his party have made the West prosperous, rich and confident. They are giving it railways to serve the vast new empire of wheat. The people of Manitoba, of the new provinces and of British Columbia will give the Conservative party little comfort on election day. The West is optimistic, busy, practical. It will stand by Laurier.

In thus glancing rapidly over the country west of the Maritime Provinces, one encounters no visible evidence of a reduction of the Liberal majority in the House of Commons.

Does any man think the Maritime Provinces are going Conservative? No one will be mad enough to bet that way, at all events. Of the thirty-five Maritime seats, this much may be said with truth—if they all went Conservative Sir Wilfrid would still have a substantial majority in the House. But of these thirty-five seats in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the Liberals, from the outlook today, will carry from twenty to twenty-five. If the reports from the Island are accurate the parties will divide the representation, two and two. In Nova Scotia, which now stands seventeen to one for Laurier and Egliding, the Conservatives cannot reasonably hope to capture more than four or five seats. They may not get any. They are not likely to get three.

That brings us to New Brunswick. There is not a seat in the province today which the Conservatives are sure to carry. The Liberals should hold the eight they have and gain several more. Ten Liberal seats would be a moderate estimate as things look today. The St. John seats there is no doubt about. Charlotte looks better from the Liberal standpoint than it has since the late Senator Gilmore was like a winner. In Kings-Albert, Dr. McAlister is giving the violent Mr. Fowler the fight of his life, and the chances for a signal Liberal victory there are bright. Every day now lessens Mr. Fowler's chances. And certainly it is time to retire him from public life. In Westmorland the election is only a matter of form. In Kent, Northumberland, Gloucester, Victoria-Madawaska and Restigouche the Liberals will sweep all before them. In Carleton the Conservatives despair of beating Mr. Carroll. In Queensbury, Col. McLean should be elected by a satisfactory majority. The people there want a representative whose influence will be of some use to them. In York, the Conservatives are frightened by Mr. Brown's vigorous fight, and can scarcely hope to hold the slight margin which Mr. Crockett was elected in 1904.

New Brunswick, there is every reason to think today, will give Sir Wilfrid Laurier a considerably larger delegation than it did four years ago. Ten Liberal seats would seem to be a reasonable estimate and there is much reason to hope for even better results.

Sir Wilfrid had a majority of sixty-six in the last House. There is nowhere any indication today that his immense majority is going to be cut down.

A WARNING
As the campaign all over the Dominion is seen to be going steadily against the Conservatives, they are preparing to resort to desperate measures to deceive the electors. It may be well to repeat here the warning publicly issued by Hon. Mr. Graham, Minister of Railways, in his speech of Thursday last, in which he charged the leaders of the Conservative campaign with an attempt to steal the country. He said in part:

"They have engaged, and are paying a clever journalist, not a Canadian, to introduce certain United States campaign methods into Canada, and under arrangement with them he has prepared copy for a booklet that is to contain notorious charges concerning the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway as well as some of the men connected with it. That copy has been put into type, and is now standing in the City of Toronto ready for printing. Proofs have been submitted to, and read by, certain Conservative leaders, and approved of by them on behalf of the party. They are to be circulated broadcast throughout the country at a time it is considered by the plotters will be too late to allow the Liberal party to overcome the falsehoods and refute them before election day."

Fortunately this warning, direct and specific, has now been telegraphed to every constituency in the country, and will prepare the electors everywhere for the wilder kind of Conservative canards. The plan, of course is, as Hon. Mr. Graham says, to circulate these stories so late in the campaign that the men accused will not have a chance to answer them before election day. Now, however, that the plot has been exposed, and the nature and origin of the slanders are known, the Conservatives will find the campaign of falsehood a-booming.

The country will quickly see the significance of such a plot. It means that the opposition sees that it has no chance to win by fair and honest means, and is ready to try bold and disreputable tactics in the attempt to mislead the people. In St. John and New Brunswick the electors will do well to be on their guard against Tory "sensations" manufactured for the occasion in Conservative committee rooms.

A "STANDARD" ERROR
The Standard, copies of which are distributed about town for campaign purposes, is denouncing George Eulas Foster and assailing Sir Wilfrid Laurier. That

gives the public the Standard's measure in short order.

To assail Sir Wilfrid Laurier in this city and province is one of the poorest campaign investments possible, almost as poor as defending the frozen financier who speculated with the trust funds.

The people know Sir Wilfrid. Even partisan Conservatives frankly admire him and admit his greatness. The people know Mr. Foster. The other day when Rev. J. A. Macdonald, of the Toronto Globe, dealt with Mr. Foster's political and business career, he asked what bank and what trust company, what insurance company would have Mr. Foster at its head today. The question remains unanswered. Kings county, St. John city, York county—the electors of these constituencies know Mr. Foster. Mr. George W. Fowler knows him. The Toronto News and the Montreal Star and the Halifax Herald, Conservative journals, know Mr. Foster. They warned Mr. Borden to drop him, and Mr. Borden would have made friends by doing so. But Mr. Borden hesitated to say that Messrs. Foster, Fowler, Lefurgey, and Pope were not good enough Conservatives for him, and as a result Conservative journals have to try to defend these men today. The Standard believes it has to defend Mr. Foster, and tries it. It assails Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his honest and high character in the great matter of Canada's roughly believe. The Standard's owners know that Canada is proud of Laurier and ashamed of Foster.

Do you think, under these circumstances, that the Standard will have much influence upon fair-minded voters? Not much.

PUBLIC WORKS
In our news columns this morning it will be seen that the new government wharf on the West side is to be pushed to completion as soon as possible, and that the tenders received for the dredging in Courtenay Bay and elsewhere prove that the work can be done promptly and at a reasonable price.

The citizens have spent a great deal of their own money in developing the port. It is quite natural for them to support the Liberal government which, thanks to Hon. Mr. Pugsley and his associates, has officially recognized the national value of this harbor in connection with Canadian transportation. The great Liberal leader, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, said some years ago that he never would be satisfied until all Canadian trade passed through Canadian channels. Now, that is a policy for which St. John is ready today, as it always has been, to hold up both hands. Thanks to the Liberal administration, we are rapidly moving along toward the goal Sir Wilfrid indicated, and the men St. John needs at Ottawa in order that there may be no interruption of the good work are Hon. Mr. Pugsley and Mr. James Pender.

This is by all odds the most vital question before the electors of St. John. Con- stituencies in this campaign. If there were no other reason for defeating Doctors Daniel and MacRae, the city and the county would defeat them because their election would be the most serious error which the people could possibly make at this time. To elect the Conservative candidates would be to say to the Liberal administration—which will be returned to power in triumph—that St. John does not care about the future of the port. St. John does care about the future of the port, of course. It has spent a million and more of its own money to get the winter traffic, and now the Liberal government will eventually reimburse the city for the expenditure it undertook, and, what is more, proceed with the development of the harbor upon a scale which the city itself could not dream of undertaking.

This programme, which means prosperity for the city, includes the triumphant election of Dr. Pugsley and Mr. Pender. The personal ambitions of Dr. MacRae and Dr. Daniel are more interesting to those gentlemen than to their fellow citizens. They cannot expect to stand between St. John and its future; yet that is what they are seeking to do. St. John sees that they are in the way. The voters know the remedy. They will apply it two weeks from today.

QUESTIONS FOR SIR JAMES WHITNEY
The Honorable Sir James P. Whitney, who, by the way, had no claim to lengthen out the hands of His Excellency the Governor General except upon the ground that his government contributed a hundred thousand dollars toward the Tercentenary celebration—is to speak here tonight. There are two questions to which Sir James Pliny Whitney ought to devote his attention. One is as to how he, who, as a member of the Interprovincial Conference at Ottawa which agreed upon the readjustment of the provincial subsidies, united with the other representatives of the various provinces in declaring that the allowance which was made to British Columbia was as liberal a provision as that province could properly ask, can now support Mr. Borden, the leader of the opposition, who, in order to obtain the vote of the people of British Columbia, has given a definite promise that he will, if successful in this election, favorably consider the claim of Premier McBride for more liberal terms.

The second relates to a matter which has become somewhat notorious in Ontario, viz., the rich mining rights on the Cobalt Lake. Sir James Whitney's government had passed through the Legislature an act confiscating, without compensation, the rights of the discoverer of this valuable property and vesting the title in a company of wealthy capitalists, many

of them friends of the Ontario Government, several Conservative members of the Legislature being among those interested.

It is up to the Premier of Ontario to justify this outrageous legislation, so contrary to every principle of justice and to variance with the principles which have heretofore governed the actions of parliaments, not only of the Mother Land but of every colony of the Empire.

THE FORESTERS' FUNDS
If Mr. R. L. Borden should ever have an opportunity to form a cabinet, Mr. Foster would become Minister of Finance. Fortunately for the country at large, victory for Sir Wilfrid Laurier is now admitted to be certain, and Mr. Borden and the sainted but speculative Foster must wait. But Mr. Borden's course in defending Mr. Foster makes the latter's queer record an issue in this campaign and it demands frank discussion. The Montreal Star, a Conservative journal which cannot stomach Messrs. Foster and Fowler, now reminds the country that if Mr. Foster is not the sort of gentleman who would again be chosen to run a trust company, he ought not to be put forward as a prospective Finance Minister, in which office he would be manager of the national revenue—the biggest trust fund of all. In New Brunswick, where the financial operations of Messrs. Foster and Fowler are a very live issue because of the great number of Foresters who are directly affected by the recent increase in rates, the Montreal Star's comment will be scanned carefully by men of both parties. The Star says, in part:

"Mr. Foster has entered a suit for libel against Mr. J. W. Levesque, a member of the Quebec Legislature, who is accused of having said that Mr. Foster's 'speculations' with the funds of the Foresters have resulted in raising the premiums and assessments of that society and reducing the value of its policies."

"This question will now be fought out in the courts and is beyond the range of comment. But it is only in the public interest in view of the fact that Mr. Foster is today a candidate for Parliament in North Toronto, to remind the country that he has not taken action for libel against those who have accused him of serious breaches of trust in connection with the funds of the Union Trust Company."

"It has been accused of taking personally a commission amounting to some \$2,480 on the purchase of lands owned by Premier Roblin, of Manitoba, for the Trust Company, and he has used no one for libel on this count."

"He has been accused of investing the funds of the Trust Company—which, of course, were largely the funds of the Foresters—on a hazardous speculation along with Fowler, Lefurgey, et al, and pocketing a handsome personal profit on the transaction, although he was manager of the Trust Company advancing the money and should in honor have had no other interest in the affair than that of his company; and he has sued no one for libel on this count."

"He has been accused of taking other commissions on the same investments of these trust funds under his sacred care; and he has sued no one for libel on these counts."

"He has been accused of conspiring against Sir Mackenzie Bowell in the most cold-blooded fashion, while that gentleman was the leader of his party and Premier of Canada; and he has sued no one for libel on this count."

"It is just as well that we should get cleared in our minds that Mr. Foster's 1900 libel suit does not cover all the accusations which have been made against him; and that it will by no means put a stop to the campaign of slander which his apologists pretend is being waged against him. He has not called in the lawyers to defend his character from charges, which, if true, should make it impossible for him ever again to appear as the manager of the most important trust funds in the country—the revenues of the nation itself."

Foresters who desire information about Messrs. Foster and Fowler will read with much interest an article headed "Turn on the Tap," which is printed on page 1 of this issue. It is taken from the Montreal Herald.

POLITICS—AND CRIMINALITY?
No more reckless and criminal attempt to steal a constituency was ever made than that set on foot at the Whitney-Hazen Conservative meeting Monday night when an affidavit by G. S. Mayes, dredging contractor, was read to the audience in which gross charges were made and insinuated against Hon. William Pugsley and Mr. George McAvity.

And no more prompt, complete and crushing answer to such an attack can be had than that specific statement covering Mayes and the whole miserable business made by Hon. Mr. Pugsley at a Liberal meeting Monday night, and subsequently in an interview which The Telegraph publishes today.

The Minister of Public Works characterizes G. S. Mayes as a miserable liar,

who attempted blackmail, and, failing through threats to compel Hon. Mr. Pugsley to buy his dredge at an exorbitant price, now seeks to turn the whole affair into political capital.

It is very dirty political "capital" indeed as Hon. Mr. Pugsley describes it, and no doubt his description of the matter will carry conviction to honest and unprejudiced men wherever it is read.

The episode demands frank and direct treatment, and Dr. Pugsley has given it to be certain, and Mr. Borden and his statements, we feel sure, will be accepted as the simple truth about the matter, bluntly stated as the nature of the case makes necessary.

A few days ago The Telegraph warned the public that the Conservatives were prepared to resort to desperate measures to prejudice public opinion on the eve of the election, and advised electors to be on their guard. At that time it was common talk about town that unless the Minister of Public Works bought the Mayes dredge, or otherwise "satisfied" Mayes and his advisers, the contractor would attempt to injure Dr. Pugsley and the Liberal party by defamatory statements published in the Liberal paper.

Dr. Pugsley had heard the outline of the plot, but he hesitated to believe that any man, or group of men, even in the heat of a losing campaign, would become a party to any such "Black Hand" methods.

Fortunately before the Hazen-Whitney meeting was held over the substance of the Mayes allegations were reported to Hon. Mr. Pugsley and he forthwith proceeded to deal with their author and his backers—from the shoulder.

For the details of Dr. Pugsley's smashing answer readers are referred to our news columns. Briefly, the story is this: Mayes had a dredge on his hands. It had been immensely profitable. That did not satisfy him. He wanted to sell the dredge to the government for \$150,000—or \$80,000 more than it was worth—and also compel the Department of Public Works to settle certain claims for extras in connection with the dredging he had done.

If Hon. Mr. Pugsley would buy the dredge and settle the extras, Mayes would keep his mouth shut. Hon. Mr. Pugsley said he refused to be blackmailed, said so, and ordered Mayes out of his office. He now goes over the Mayes affidavit in detail and points out its falsity and absurdity.

Beyond question this episode will kill all possible chances of electing a Conservative candidate here. The Conservatives have made a frightful blunder in making themselves parties to the plot. Hon. Mr. Pugsley denounces as attempted blackmail. The public will punish them promptly and severely for what resembles a deliberate attempt to steal the St. John seats by wrecking the character of honorable men.

BOWSER'S BLUFF
St. John recently had a visit from an excited politician from British Columbia, Attorney General Bowser, who is temporarily—and for political reasons mainly—affrighted by what he terms the "Yellow Peril." The honorable gentleman shivers every time he sees or hears anything suggesting Japan. In Eastern Canada we are well aware that, thanks to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's masterly handling of the Japanese question, there is no fear of an influx of Japanese laborers. That question is settled, and well settled. A few politicians of the Bowser stamp try to revive the Japanese question as an election bogey. We in the East know something of Mr. Bowser. They know him better in the West. The New Westminster (B. C.) News has this to say of him:

"According to press despatches, Attorney-General Bowser, in speaking at Toronto on Wednesday, took as his theme the Japanese question. We have not the full text of his speech, but knowing him as we do in this Province, we are afraid his memory did not serve him well enough for him to tell his audience how he had prepared a contract with one Gotah, a Japanese by birth, and one R. Marpole, the then General Superintendent of the Pacific division of the Canadian Pacific Railway, of the other part, by which Gotah was to evade the Japanese immigration officers at Japanese ports and prevent the Government of Japan adhering strictly to the agreement entered into with our Government with respect to the restriction of Japanese immigration to this country. He, of course, forgot to tell the good people of Toronto that the Japanese to British Columbia ports, and that when he was making the howl about the influx of these Orientals his firm was in possession of the fees for preparing the agreement which made it illegal possible. He knew these Orientals were coming, he knew the route, and raised no warning sound, and because he thought it would never reach the surface that he had been a party to their coming, he was loud in his protestations against the Liberal Government for the failure of the Japanese nation to prevent their sons from coming to our shores."

So much for Mr. Bowser and his kind.

of Dr. Pugsley's speech is calculated to set people to thinking. Look it over.

Charlotte Liberals are putting up a great fight this time. It looks like Todd.

St. John is getting ready to vote for St. John. That will eliminate the Conservative candidates.

Mr. Fowler is busy explaining to the Foresters of Kings-Albert. But isn't it a bit late in the day for that?

"Turn on the tap," is a phrase likely to be remembered by all Foresters. The author is Hon. George E. Foster.

Thus far in the campaign no man has advanced one good reason why Dr. Daniel should be sent to Ottawa, or why Mr. James Pender shouldn't.

Sir Wilfrid predicts a sweeping victory. He says he is no prophet. But no gift of prophecy is required to tell what is going to happen on October 26.

The Baxter dredging "charges" serve to remind the public that the Baxter-Mayes combination is not precisely what one would term a philanthropic alliance.

There is a rumor that Col. Baker has retired and that Mr. Donald Morrison would like to. No matter. The people will retire them two weeks from next Monday.

Speaking of the Hazen party's promise, it is said that one small office in Northumberland was promised to no less than eighteen men. Which, in the passing slang of the day, is "going some."

With but two weeks campaigning before them the Conservatives cannot point to a single seat in New Brunswick which they feel sure of carrying. And every day makes the outlook worse from the Conservative standpoint.

Mr. Crockett, of York, made a mistake in matching himself against Mr. Brown in debate at Stanley. He knows it now. The people had a chance to compare the two men in action. Mr. Brown easily carried off the honors of the occasion.

Who can do the most for St. John—Pugsley or MacRae? Pender or Daniel? Ask yourself. Just as St. John is beginning to forge ahead it will scarcely be blind enough to choose the candidates of the party which neglected its interests so long.

Sir James Pliny Whitney is to speak here. Will he tell the people of New Brunswick to vote for the old conditions they experienced during eighteen years of Tory rule? Ontario may want that sort of thing. New Brunswick doesn't.

ST. MARTIN'S ITEMS.
St. Martin's, Oct. 12.—Rev. J. B. Champion delivered his popular and humorous lecture on the "Sunny Side of Life" in the Masonic Hall on Friday evening.

Mrs. Hannah Moran who has spent the summer with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Gilmore, returned on Friday to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Cogg, of Little Ridge, are visiting at the home of Michael Kelly.

Rev. Mr. MacPherson preached his farewell sermon to a good audience in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening.

The campaign against the "foreign-born" is not confined to Hon. W. J. Hanna and Mr. Thomas Birkett. In Red Deer, Alberta, the Tories are charging it as a crime against Dr. Clark, the Liberal candidate, that he "was" an Englishman. Unfortunately for these campaigners the majority of the voters of the riding were born south of the Tweed and are likely to resent this insult as particularly as the "foreign-born" of Ottawa city when polling day comes.—Ottawa Free Press.

The constituency of Prince Albert is one of the largest in western Canada. It is thought that there will be within its borders about 150 polling subdivisions.

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Sir Wilfrid Laurier sent a cabinet minister to Tokio, and secured a settlement of the immigration question satisfactory at once to Canada, to Great Britain, and to Japan. It was a statesman's solution of the trouble. The sound sense of the country condemns the Bowers.

MORE ABOUT THE FORESTERS
The Montreal Herald, which is still inquiring into the speculations with Forester's funds, says editorially:

"The answer of Mr. Foster, when confronted with the 'Please turn on the tap' letter, is the same that Mr. Archibald, of Standard Oil, made when confronted with the Foraker letters—'Where did you get them?' Mr. Foster says he has been assured by the Supreme Chief Ranger and the Supreme Secretary that they did not give out the letters, but he doesn't at all claim not to have written them. Mr. Macdonald, who read the letters by way of replying to Mr. Foster's calling him a liar, held the letters to prove that Mr. Foster was pretty high handed in his dealing with Dr. Oronhyatekwa when he wanted more money with which to carry on the land speculation. Whether they mean that, or whether they mean that Mr. Foster felt himself on sufficiently good terms with the head of the Foresters to indulge in a jocos expression, matters little. To form an opinion about what one would have to know what were the relations of the Doctor with Mr. Foster when they two, with Dr. Montague and Mr. McGillivray, were embarking upon a land loan business. The Doctor seems to have been acting perfectly in harmony with the others when the first Montague deal came up, but afterwards he evidently had his doubts, for he said in evidence before the Insurance Commission: (page 2348):

"Mr. Stevenson and I had a discussion with regard to the proposal to enter into another syndicate. . . . to include Mr. Stevenson, Mr. McGillivray and Mr. Foster, and he said that, although it was not illegal, still it would look very bad for me to enter into it. I said 'if it is improper to do this in the case, why, it is certainly improper in the Montague case,' and he said 'yes.' Immediately I sent for Mr. McGillivray and said to him, 'I am going to get out of this. No amount of profit that could accrue to me in this transaction would compensate me for any loss of confidence of the membership.' After my experience of the Montague business (page 2333) I do not think I would have repeated the transaction. As soon as the (Great West Land) transaction was brought to my attention I said it was improper, although it may have been legal in a sense. Being head of the Order, my actions may have been governed by other considerations than ordinary commercial requirements."

"This stage of opinion was evidently reached, however, some time after the letter was received from Mr. Foster announcing that half a million had already gone into the land deal, and requesting the Doctor to 'Please turn on the tap' so that the reserve fund and surplus of the Foresters' would be available. Mr. Foster is still threatening his critics, and still 'reserving his artillery,' although he needs it badly now. There doesn't seem to be any reasonable defence of the method he and his political friends employed for their almost exclusive advantage, but if there is he ought to make it known pretty soon. Nobody else seems able to do it for him."

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The Conservatives are asking the people to turn their backs upon good times and the magnificent development of the Country. Common sense and business prudence alike argue against the Tories now. Vote for the Party of Progress.

ROAD BUILDING UP THE COUNTRY

BAXTER'S DREDGING ARGES SHATTERED

Hon. Mr. Pugsley Replies Sharply in Speech at Great Salmon River

Suggestion as to Option on Dredge for St. John Work—Minister Attends Launch of Barge and Comes Away Assured of Solid Support of Community—MacRae floids Meeting But No One is Willing to Represent Him as Chairman.

Great Salmon River, St. John county, Oct. 9.—The mill of the Great Salmon River Company here, were closed today and a general holiday was observed to celebrate the launching of a barge. Mr. William Pugsley, minister of public works, drove from St. Martins in the morning, and was present at the ceremony. In the afternoon an open air meeting was held and the minister delivered an eloquent and telling address on the issues of the campaign. The meeting was attended not only by the employees of the company, but by many farmers and residents of the surrounding country, and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed.

A striking feature of the gathering was a speech by Daniel S. Cowles, of Brunswick (Me.), president of the company, who, after paying a tribute to the ability and high reputation of Dr. Pugsley, asked him to give the minister their hearty support. Ora P. King, of Sussex, who made a stirring speech in which he exposed the false canvass of the opposition.

MacRae Could Get None to Be Sponsor.

A significant incident occurred last evening at a meeting held by Dr. A. W. MacRae, the opposition candidate. After he had spent the day in canvassing, he was given the use of the hall where he proposed to deliver an address. On his arrival he found a fair sized audience prepared to listen to him, but no chairman. Despite all his efforts he failed to discover a supporter who would introduce him to the audience. Capt. David Luft, who is well known as a strong supporter of Dr. Pugsley and Liberal principles, in order to avoid the embarrassment, consented to take the chair, and the meeting proceeded. It is almost needless to say it was devoid of enthusiasm. The speaker could not get on to vote Liberal almost to a man.

The launch of the barge took place at 10:45 and in the presence of a large crowd. Dr. Pugsley, who was accompanied by W. G. Scovell and Councillor F. M. Cochran, arrived a few minutes before the time, and was interestedly looking on as the barge slid gracefully down the ways. Robert Connelly, the popular manager of the company, broke a bottle of champagne over the bows and the water amid hearty cheers. The building of the barge was begun last fall, and when launched it was ready to join the company's fleet in transporting pulp wood to Bath (Me.). She is 180 feet over all with 38 feet beam, and a 12 foot hold.

The barge was designed by W. R. Huntley, of Parrsboro (N. S.), and was constructed under the supervision of Mr. Robert Paterson, of St. Martins. She is classed twelve years in the Bureau Veritas and is the second barge which has been successfully launched from the company's ways here.

After inspecting the plant, Dr. Pugsley and his friends were entertained at a dinner by Mr. Connelly. As the hall was so large enough to hold the crowd which assembled to listen to the minister's address it was desirable to have the meeting in the open air and tables and chairs were placed for the speakers on the rising ground outside the building.

Great Applause Greets Minister.

Dr. Pugsley, on rising, was given rapt attention after round of applause. He was glad to hear that his opponent had been courteously received and given a good hearing and that his good friend, Capt. Luft, had come to the meeting to take the chair. He had been endeavoring to find out since his arrival among them what policy Dr. MacRae had taken toward the Conservatives, and to what extent he came into power but no one seemed able to tell him. (Much laughter.)

He then went on to refer to his appointment as minister of public works and said so far in this campaign he had observed no criticism of what he was doing in connection with his department. He had to deal with upwards of a thousand public works all over Canada but he did not forget his duty to his own constituency. He had succeeded in getting appropriations amounting to \$750,000, and nearly \$1,000,000 more to show the whole. Yet not one dollar had been expended that was not for the public welfare. (Cheers.)

Letter from Mr. McDade.

At the meeting addressed by Dr. Pugsley in St. Martins, Thursday evening, Michael McDade was announced as one of the speakers, but was unable to be present. The following letter from Mr. McDade was received by Councillor F. M. Cochran, the chairman, before the meeting and is self explanatory.

St. Martins, N. B., October 8th, 1908.

Dear Councillor Cochran:—At this hour, 3 p. m., I am afraid I will not be able to be with you at your meeting under the auspices of the Liberal Association to night. I have been making all day what seems to be an uphill fight against a severe cold. Should I be unable to attend you will kindly convey my regrets to the minister of public works and our other St. John friends, as well as the Liberals of St. Martins, to whose kindness I am so much indebted.

As you know, I had accepted your invitation to be one of the speakers tonight, and had hoped to deal specially with the records of both political parties with regard to labor. It ought not to be difficult to show that the record of the Conservative party on this important subject, is one of broken promises, while that of the Liberals is one of splendid performance.

Dr. Pugsley, in his battle against the most untrusting methods of his opponents, easily proving himself worthy of the title of our ablest New Brunswick, and everything points to his having a solid New Brunswick at his back on the night of the 28th inst.

Still hoping to be able to put in an appearance at your meeting.

Yours truly,
MICHAEL McDADE.
Councillor Fred Cochran,
President St. Martins Liberal Assn.

TORIES CONCEDE LAURIER FIFTY SEATS IN QUEBEC

Estimate Made by Conservative Bankers and Railway Men.

Montreal, Oct. 9.—The nomination of Jos. Gladi, ex-M.P. in Yamaska, today by the government supporters closed up the last gap in the splendid phalanx of reform candidates now lined up in the forty-five divisions of the district of Montreal. As for the Quebec district, with its twenty more divisions, there is not a single blank in that part of the province.

Today the party nominated first Hon. Mr. Brodeur to oppose Judge Outin in Yamaska, but the minister of marine soon convinced the convention that he could do better work for the party than fighting a man who could be well looked after by the former member, consequently the advice of the minister of marine was taken and Mr. Gladi will defeat the ex-Tory minister quite easily.

There is a Conservative statement going round among bankers and railway managers which gives the opposition fifteen in the new house out of a total of 65 from the province of Quebec and although some people may claim that the estimate is for the Liberals for the Conservatives, the situation justifies, say correspondents give this estimate as coming from bankers and members of the stock exchange, most of whom are Conservatives.

WHAT DID THE TORIES EVER DO FOR LABOR?

In the address at the Young Liberal Club rally on Saturday evening Mr. Simmons asked:

"What has Mr. Borden promised to do in the way of legislation for the laboring classes. Have you read or heard him say one word in any of his speeches in favor of legislation of any kind for the laboring classes at the present time?"

"The most fervent admirer and advocate of Mr. Borden cannot answer that question in a manner satisfactory to the laboring classes. Mr. Borden and his lieutenants neglect to treat labor legislation seriously. They mention it not upon the platform. They cannot even be bothered to mention it in the House of Commons. They legislate framed and adopted by a Conservative Government in the past and they do not place in their platform one single plank that would help the laboring classes as a measure helpful to his cause. The interests of labor are not worthy of attention by the party that is trying to reach power at the present time."

Let us look to the Liberal record. All the labor legislation of importance that has been passed in Canada, emanated from the Liberal party and practically all of it has been put into effect since Sir Wilfrid Laurier came into power.

(1) The passing of the Labor Contract Act in 1896, which helped the laboring men in the settlement of strikes or lockouts in all industries connected with the public utility.

(2) The passing of an Act to restrict the importation and employment of aliens.

(3) The passing of an Act to prevent immigrants being induced by fraudulent representations to come to Canada.

(4) The passing of an Act for the protection of workmen engaged on public works.

(5) The passing of the prohibition act of 1899 on Chinese labor; this for the protection of Canadian labor.

(6) Legislation for the prevention of accidents on railways.

(7) The appointment of important Labor Commissions to investigate matters of immediate concern to labor—for example, the Commission to enquire into the conditions under which the Bell Telephone Company's employees were obliged to work, and which resulted in a reduction of hours and other improvements.

(8) The passing of an arrangement with Japan for the limitation to a number satisfactory to Canada of emigrants from that country to Canada, and reducing the Japanese immigration to nominal figures.

(9) An arrangement effected with Great Britain for the practical cessation of immigration from India.

Only the other day Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced that the Liberals, if returned to power would create a portfolio of labor trust giving a place in the Cabinet to

HAZEN CHANGES HIS TIME ON T. M. BURNS

Eulogizes Man Whom He Denounced a Few Months Ago

AUDIENCE AMUSED

Attorney General at Bathurst Didn't Have a Very Sympathetic Audience—Gloucester Solid for Turgeon Again.

Bathurst, Oct. 9.—The political meeting advertised to be held in the Masonic Hall and to be addressed by the Hon. J. D. Hazen, was held here last night, the Hon. D. Hazen being present, but owing to the unsuitability of the hall was adjourned to the Court House. So far as weather conditions were concerned it was a ideal night for a political gathering, and the crowd that assembled in the hall, though a mixed one, was good-natured and orderly. There were between three and four hundred electors present, and so far as one could judge they were pretty evenly divided with regard to political lines. It was advertised as a political meeting to be held in the Court House, but it was not held there, and the speaker, Mr. Hazen, was not heard of until he was introduced by the Hon. J. D. Hazen, who was present, and who delivered his famous "Bathurst Speech" with reference to the public debt of the province, the minister of public works afterwards exploded.

The chair was taken by Theophile Blanchard, who after a few remarks introduced the Hon. J. D. Hazen, who was the subject of the evening's talk. Mr. Burns spoke briefly, giving a short account of his tour through the county, after which F. T. Young, who was introduced, he told his hearers that the Liberal party adopted their platform in 1893 which everybody knew, and after saying the Conservatives had gone up, and that the war at Carleton, where he lives, was a useless expenditure of money, he said that the Conservatives had gone up, and that the war at Carleton, where he lives, was a useless expenditure of money, he said that the Conservatives had gone up, and that the war at Carleton, where he lives, was a useless expenditure of money.

EVERYTHING INDICATES LIBERAL LAUREL SLIDE

WOODSTOCK GIRL FOUND DROWNED

Mystery of Disappearance of Miss Ida McKinney Cleared Up

MISSING TWO DAYS

Body Discovered in River on Grafton Side by Searcher—Victim Had Been Suffering from Nervous Prostration—Residence Burned.

Woodstock, N. B., Oct. 9.—On Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock Miss Ida McKinney, aged 24 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alden E. McKinney, left her home on St. Gertrude street after partaking of a light breakfast. It was thought that she had gone to church but finding that she had not been there and had not returned to her room a quest search was made during the day.

Becoming alarmed after tea the father was given to the public. It was learned that she had been on the Grafton bridge during the morning when Henry Post met her, she telling him that she was ill and he told her to call at his home and rest, which she did. Later young Bragdon said he saw her go up the road over the hill toward the woods on the Grafton side.

Search was made during the night, and the following day and night by large parties in the woods and on the river but nothing could be found until Owen Kelley, of Plymouth, found her hat, and later her body was found in the river near Woodstock. The body was removed to Rogers Island and removed to Woodstock. Miss McKinney for some years had been suffering from nervousness which had completely shattered her system and otherwise she was in good health. She was of a reserved disposition but was much thought of among her friends and friends who sympathize with the parents in their great bereavement.

Tories, Disheartened at Outlook, Invent Fresh "Scandals"

Carvell Will Sweep Carleton County With a Record Majority

Brown Has Crocket on the Run in York and Will Tackle Him in His Stronghold Saturday Night in Joint Debate—Equally Cheering News from Charlotte—The People Will Let Laurier Finish His Work.

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 9.—The political campaign in this county is warming up and is certain to reach the boiling point before polling day. N. W. Brown, the Liberal candidate, is gaining ground daily and already has his opponents thoroughly frightened. He is being assisted by a corps of active campaigners and by the political veterans J. D. Phinney, K.C., and Alexander Gibson, ex-M.P., and they are perfecting an organization the equal of which the Liberals of the county have not known in recent years.

A pleasant feature of the campaign is the great activity being shown by the young Liberals of the city and adjacent districts. Two weeks ago they organized a club and it already has a membership of 120 with bright prospects of a further increase. Liberals, old and young, are working with enthusiasm and determination to achieve victory.

The Tory leaders of the constituency are at sixes and sevens and there is danger of an open rupture. James K. Finlay, M.P.P. for some reason, will not appear on the same platform with Solicitor-General McLeod, nor will he travel in the same wagon with Dr. Mullin, another Tory stump. As for McLeod, he positively refuses to star with Finlay or John A. Young, M.P.P. This condition of affairs is without a parallel in the political history of the county and it is not much wonder that the Tories are awaiting the outcome of this election with fear and trembling.

Very successful meetings in the Liberal interest were held this evening at Nashuak village and at the Mouth of Keswick. Candidate and Coun. Goodspeed spoke at Nashuak village and J. D. Phinney and J. W. Osborne at Mouth of Keswick.

Tomorrow evening the candidates will hold a joint meeting at Stanley, hitherto the stronghold of Toryism in York. It is being looked forward to with great interest by both parties and a number of people of the city will attend.

Carvell Will Have Record Majority.

Woodstock, Oct. 9 (Special).—F. B. Carvell, K. C., has spent the greater part of the week up river and has met with a hearty welcome from the Liberal party as well as receiving many unexpected offers of support from former Conservative voters, who on account of Mr. Carvell's splendid record in parliament, his acknowledged ability and undoubted superior qualifications will vote for him on the 28th.

Never in recent years has the Liberal party been so united and confident, while the Conservatives, who went into the campaign at a lively clip, are now decidedly gloomy, their candidate being badly frightened, so much so that he is using all sorts of arguments in the vain effort to stave off the impending disaster.

One of the most encouraging signs from a Liberal standpoint, is the wonderful enthusiasm on the part of the young men who in every parish are working with a will.

Tomorrow night the Liberal candidate and County Warden Shaw will speak at Bath. Monday night Mr. Carvell will be at Benton; Wednesday at Mount Pleasant; Thursday at East Fredericton; Friday at Foreston and Saturday at Centreville.

Despite the silly stories in the opposition papers, at which everyone here laughs, Carleton County will surely triumph. Mr. Carvell by the largest majority has ever received. Everywhere it is the same. Scores of recruits are coming into the Liberal ranks, and good judges of the situation predict a veritable landslide. The people in this county are utterly disgusted with the Hazen government's measures, particularly the new road law, and Smith will be badly handicapped by reason of the record of the government he supported at Fredericton.

Tories Alarmed in Charlotte.

St. George, N. B., Oct. 9 (Special).—The enthusiastic meetings held by the Liberals are causing alarm in the Tory camp. Word reached here today that the leaders of the Tory party have instructed the local leaders to use every means to stop the Liberal wave now sweeping over the town and adjoining parishes. Agents have been sent out evidently with instructions to adopt the Colchester tactics. The Liberals are on the alert and will watch every move.

At the Tory meeting to be held Wednesday night, the local M.P.P. will have a chance to explain to the granite workers his attitude on the composition act.

The Liberals hold the big meeting Tuesday evening, when the Liberal candidate, W. F. Todd, Senator Gillmor and E. H. McAlpine, will speak.

The lavish promises of roads, wharves and bridges by the Tory local member, will not heal the breach in Tory ranks caused by local dismissals and appointments.

Tory "Fairy Tale," Says Graham.

Toronto, Oct. 9 (Special).—Hon. Geo. P. Graham was seen at Bath today, regarding the McGarry charges that the National Transcontinental Railway contractors were assessed for Liberal campaign funds. Mr. Graham gave the strongest denial to the story. He said: "This is the first intimation I have had of it, and it exists in his mind only."

"Why, who would dare make such a charge as that?" continued Mr. Graham. "McGarry has a very fertile imagination and this is one of its products."

"The Hon. Mr. Graham, who is evidently referred to, is one of the largest contractors in Canada. He secured the G. T. P. work by tender, but this is the first time I ever heard of a three percent contribution," Mr. Graham continued.

REPORTED BAKER HAS WITHDRAWN FROM FIGHT

A message to the Telegraph from Antigonish, N. S., by Fredrickson, has announced that a report to the effect that Col. Jesse Baker, the Conservative candidate in Victoria-Madawaska, had retired from the contest was in circulation there. Leading Conservatives, the report said, did not deny the report, but actual confirmation could not be had.

Equity was made by telephone at Edmondston, Madawaska county, and there it was learned that the report was also in circulation, and the report for Baker's retirement was given by the fact he saw no chance of defeating Pius Michaud, the Liberal candidate, and therefore he had given up the contest.

At Baker Brook it was also said that Col. Baker had withdrawn, but he could not be reached, himself, to speak in reference to the matter.

FOUR ST. JOHN MEN REPORT RECORD MOOSE SHOOTING

Say Three of Four Shot Had Antlers of Over 60 Inches Each.

Fredericton, Oct. 9.—Joshua Cowan, of St. John, Harold McMurray, of Fredericton, H. H. Pope and Roy Robinson, of St. John, returned today from a successful hunting trip on the Nashuak. They were only out five days and report shooting four moose, three of which had an antler spread of more than sixty inches, they say.

Once Upon a Time.

(By J. W. Foley, in Canadian Collier's.)

Once upon a time rare flowers grew upon the hillsides of the mountains. The sky above our heads was always blue. The woods held secrets deep for you and me.

The hillsides had their caves where tales were told. Of swart-cheeked pirates from a far-off land. When cutthroats were fierce and rovers bold—Don't you remember?—Once upon a time.

Once upon a time from sun to sun The hours were full of joy—there was no care. And words of grand dreams in air were spun Of deeds heroic and of fortunes fair. The jangling schoolhouse bell was all the so of our spirits knew, and in its tuneless chime Was all the sorrow of the long ago—Don't you remember?—Once upon a time.

Once upon a time the witches rode Upon their staves and ominous power shined. With every noise by the gobline made; And many things mysterious there were. For boyish chimes to pale at shadows queer would stir—Don't you remember?—Once upon a time.

Once upon a time our faith was vast To compass all the things on sea and land. That boys have trembled over for a lust. Nor ever could explain or understand. At one in that sun-faded happiness too deep For all the gifted tongues of prose or verse. And joys ineffable we could not keep—Don't you remember?—Once upon a time.

Black Watch richness and pleasing flavor. The big black plug chewing tobacco.

"I am no prophet, but I can predict a great victory for our party on the 26th of October. We are now the third trading nation of the world, and I will not be satisfied till we are the first."--Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Thetford Mines, Que., Oct. 10

BROWN'S GROWING STRENGTH WORK COUNTY MAKES CROCKET'S DEFEAT CERTAIN

Sturdy Electors Awakening to the Fact That Election of Liberal Candidate Means Continued Prosperity to People--McLeod's Boast That He Controls the Orange Vote Will be Resented at the Polls.

Fredericton, Oct. 11.—(Special).—The Liberal campaign in York has made great advances during the past week. Three or four weeks ago nothing seemed more hopeless than the attempt to elect Mr. Crocket after the result of the provincial election in March last.

The Liberals had just lost their candidate, a man in York they had counted on, but he was compelled to retire from the field in consequence of ill health, his condition being such that it was impossible for him to stand the fatigues of a campaign in so large a constituency as the county of York.

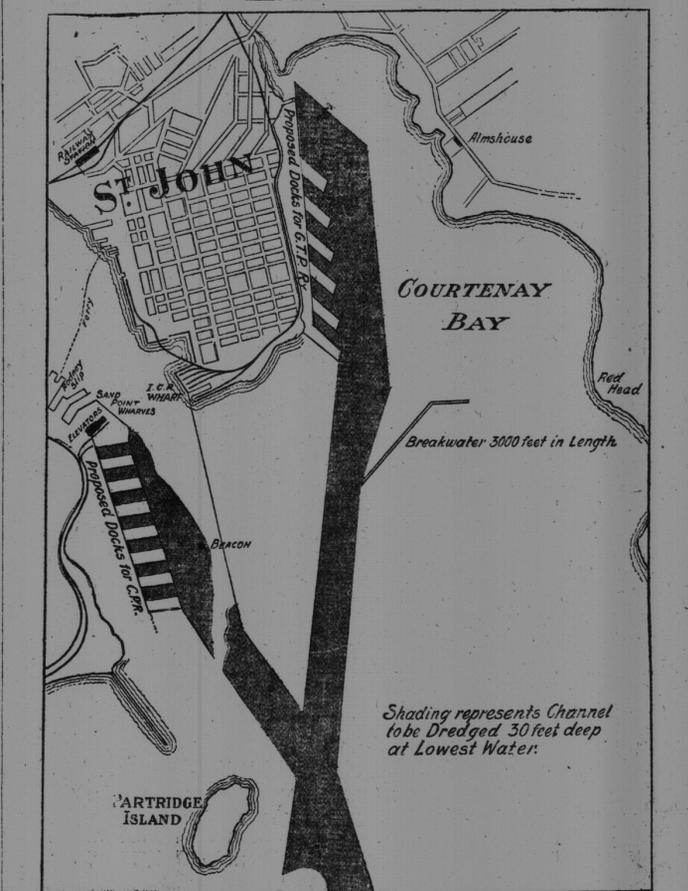
Fredericton Liberal by 200. The city of Fredericton will give Mr. Brown a majority of 20 at least at the coming election. Owing to certain causes which need not be named here, at the provincial election, the vote of Fredericton was evenly divided, but that state of affairs will be entirely changed on the 26th inst.

great many people who voted against the local government in March last have become so disgusted with the manner in which provincial affairs have been conducted, that they are now more hostile to Mr. Hazen than they ever were to the government which passed out of power a few months ago.

What is the greatest need of the County of York at the present time? Any one who gives the subject the slightest consideration must see, that the thing which York most requires is, a railway down the St. John River from Woodstock and beyond, to the City of Fredericton and so on, down the Valley of the St. John River to the junction with the Canadian Pacific Railway at Westfield.

As will be seen by the accompanying adopted plan of Mr. Shewen, the resident engineer at St. John, for the development of the West Side. As to the channel entrance, however, he thinks that it should be dredged to a width of 800 feet. This plan, will when fully carried out, give six or seven additional berths for ocean steamers south of Sand Point.

PREPARING ST. JOHN FOR GREAT INCREASE OF TRADE; NEW DOCKS IN HARBOR AND COURTENAY BAY



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The matter has been actively forwarded by Hon. William Pugsley, minister of public works and tenders for the dredging necessary have already been called for by him.

opportunity on the city side for eleven berths, each 700 feet in length, which would accommodate the largest ocean steamers, while in Mr. Coste's opinion there is opportunity in Courtenay Bay for almost indefinite expansion.

ENTERS LIST OF MERCER FORTUNE CLAIMANTS

W. F. Robertson, of Rockland Road, Tells of Double Claim. Referring to the Mercer \$300,000 fortune in New York and elsewhere in the United States of which there are several claimants in the province, W. F. Robertson, of Rockland Road, said yesterday that his father and mother were the granddaughters of Joseph Mercer, the Loyalist who had now been proved to have been a close relative of General Hugh Mercer who owned the property.

SIX MEN PERISH IN SOUTHERN WRECK

Two of Schr. Sirocco's Crew Rescued After Many Days of Hardship on Piece of Wreckage. Newport News, Va., Oct. 10.—Six men are believed to have perished and two others were rescued only after the greatest of hardships after their vessel, the Sirocco, struck a Manitowish reef. The two survivors, mate Joseph Lang and cook G. Roberts, were brought here on the British steamer, Taverton, from Galveston, which put into port today for coal. Capt. Munroe and five other members of the Sirocco were last seen clinging to a piece of wreckage and have been given up as lost.

FIELDING HERE; SAYS SUCCESS IS SURE

Finance Minister On His Way to Halifax—Speaks of the Outlook. Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, passed through the city on Saturday from Ontario, en route to Halifax. The outlook in Canada as a whole was very gratifying to the minister, who predicted that the government victory would be a sweeping one. Every day brought more encouraging reports from all over the country.

NEW DREDGING WORK TO BE AT LOWER PRICES

Prompt Action Gives Proof of Earnest in Fitting Out St. John Harbor

Bids for Dredging Below Sand Point and in Courtenay Bay Have Been Opened and Prices Are Now Being Figured Out—W. C. Clark's Tender for Carleton Wharf Extension is Lowest.

Hon. William Pugsley, when asked yesterday as to the result of the call for tenders for the improvements the government is making in the harbor was informed that while the contract for building the wharf extension on the north side of Sand Point Slip had not yet been awarded he saw no objection in mentioning that the tenders sent in that of W. C. Clark, of Carleton, was the lowest. The minister added that he would at once report to the executive council and had no doubt the award would be made within a few days.

ALL EYES ARE FIXED ON REGINA

Widespread Attention is Being Directed to the Mammoth Land Auction Sale to Be Held Next Week by the Saskatchewan and Western Land Co.—Five Hundred Letters of Enquiry Now Pouring Into the City Daily.

From every quarter, of the States of Minnesota, Iowa, the two Dakotas, Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana, from New York and innumerable cities and towns of the New England States, from every province in Eastern Canada, not to speak of points in the Western provinces, letters of enquiry are at present pouring in to the local post office in connection with the record land sale which is to be held in Regina next week.

DOAKTOWN CHILD ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY FATHER DEAD

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 9.—(Special).—Clement Lyons, the five-year-old son of Archibald Lyons of Doaktown, died at the Private Hospital here yesterday under sad circumstances. On Sunday last he was accidentally shot by his father, who was examining a gun which he was about to lend to a neighbor. A charge of duck shot penetrated the boy's abdomen, inflicting a terrible wound. He was brought to the city on the following day, and although an operation was performed on him, it was known from the first that he had no chance for recovery. The body was taken to Doaktown by last evening's train for burial.

STICKING THE STICKLER. "I never saw such a storm in all my life." "Pardon me, my friend, since you say the storm, no doubt you can tell us what color it was." "The wind blew and the storm rose, you nippers!"

Hewson Underwear advertisement. Includes text: "When we trade-mark our underwear with the Hewson oval we put our reputation at stake. If the garments prove unsatisfactory, the public will remember and we will suffer. But we are so confident in the superiority of Hewson Underwear that we are spending a lot of money in advertising to induce you to test our goods. Will you insist on Hewson Underwear next time? Pure wool and perfect fitting. Also makers of Hewson Woolen Mills, Ltd. Amherst Pure Wool Tweeds. UNSTRIKABLE HEWSON AMHERST UNDERWEAR."

Advertisement for flour: "It is a blend of the finest wheat. It is equally good for Bread and Pastry—and best for both. It's the choicest flour that Canada's choicest wheat can yield. Try 'Newer Flour' and see how much it improves everything you bake. At your grocer's. Dealer—Crescent Flour Co. Ltd. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Tel. 64."

ROUGH ON THE BARD. "What?" cried the indignant poet. "You give me a legally fifty cents for that 'sonnet of mine'?" "Do you think that's a mere cent?" replied the editor. "There's more cents than poetry in it, at any rate."—Catholic Standard and Times.

THAT FAMOUS AGREEMENT REVEAL WITH I. O. F. FUNDS

Contract Between Foster and Fowler in Regard to Land Deals

How the Tory Member for Kings County Made a \$55,000 "Rake Off" by Having Two Options on the Ryan Property—Played Both Ends and the Middle.

When George E. Foster swore before the insurance commissioners, when they were investigating the affairs of the Foresters, that George W. Fowler was the agent of the Union Trust Company...

The real option was for \$170,000. The "other" option was for \$225,000. Mr. Fowler applied to the Union Trust Company, which handled the Foresters' money...

He kept back the real option of \$170,000. He was not only the purchasing agent for the Union Trust Company, but he was also a partner in the transaction with the order and that George W. Fowler...

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made and entered into the Eighth day of February 1904. BETWEEN: The Honorable George E. Foster, of the City of Toronto in the County of York...

WHEREAS THE said Vendor together with George McCormick and William Irwin contemplated purchasing and desire to negotiate for the properties hereinafter described or referred to and have applied to the Union Trust Company...

AND WHEREAS certain oral understandings or agreements have also been made between the said Ryan and the Vendor which may or may not be carried out by the said Ryan but if carried out would be covered by the terms of this Agreement...

AND WHEREAS it is now necessary to procure and pay to the said Ryan under the terms of said agreement \$100,000 and to undertake to pay and advance other moneys as purchase money for said properties...

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that the said Vendor does hereby grant, assign, transfer and set over unto the said trustee all of the said properties and rights of the said Vendor under the said agreement from

East Kent may be placed among the safe Liberal seats. Kingston is sure Liberal, the best proof of which is that Senator Sullivan and all the other leading Conservatives of repute are supporting Ald. Hart...

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written. Signed, Sealed and Delivered In the Presence of Matthew Wilson GEORGE W. FOSTER (S) GEORGE W. FOSTER (S)

Laurier continues his triumphal tour. (Continued from page 1.) The three Simcoes will probably go to Quebec...

Tories Digging Desperate in York. (Special.)—The campaign in York from a Liberal standpoint goes merrily on and every day sees leaving for the Liberal...

Borden's Itinerary. Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 12 (Special).—N. L. Borden addressed two meetings today at Shawville, a village in the County of Pontiac and Aylmer, near Ottawa...

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Births. WILKES—At Calhoun, Westmorland Co., Oct. 8, to Mrs. and Heber Wilkes, a son, GRAZER—in this city on Oct. 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Fraser, a son.

MARRIAGES. LAZEBY-AUSTIN—in St. Mary's church on Oct. 9, to Mrs. Rev. Raymond, both of this city. Lacey to Ellen Austin, both of this city.

DEATHS. TAPLEY—in this city on Oct. 12, Evelyn, beloved wife of W. Guy Tapley, and daughter of the late Jesse Purdy, 38 Rockland road, on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 2:30 P.M.

"BLACKMAIL," SAYS PUGSLEY, IN ANSWERING MAYES' SLANDER

(Continued from page 1.)

minister of the crown, extend favors to you which I would not grant to the mere stranger? (Cheers.) More recently, Mr. Mayes thought he would like to sell his dredge to the government and the minister was allowed to come to my ears...

Blackmail. "Further than that a hint was conveyed to me, and I say this with regret, because it is blackmail and on the eve of the election, that if the department would buy the dredge there would be a raise-off. This is the apostle of purity, gentlemen...

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ROUSING RALLY IN NORTH END UNDER AUSPICES OF THE YOUNG LIBERALS

Stirring Speeches Heard by Large Gathering of Electors—Hon. Mr. Pugsley Given a Hearty Welcome on Making Visit to the Meeting.

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FACTS FOR A FORESTER AND GEO. W. FOWLER

The increase in cold cash they have to pay in consequence of an investigation following GEORGE W. FOWLER'S famous (and infamous) connection with Foresters Funds and his \$55,000 "rake off." What the Foresters are compelled to pay for the first time this month of October or else lose the protection for their wives and families:

Table with columns: Age, Old Rate, New Rate, Age, Old Rate, New Rate, Age, Old Rate, New Rate. Shows increasing rates for different ages.

FORESTERS OF KINGS-ALBERT WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS?