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WATER AND SEWERAGE.

At the meeting of the water and sewerage board yesterday Engineer Murdoch was asked to report on the best way of supplying the new library with water and sewerage, the cost of extending the water system of Rodney street, west end, along Water street, and the supplying of water to Flood & Bates, contractors at Gilbert's Island. The board recommended a reduction of \$251.80 in the C. P. R. bill for water at the Sand Point stockyards, as the supply pipe had been leaking. That a sewer be laid on Prince street, Carleton. That a fire plug be placed in a fire-proof alley in the Morrissey building on Dock street. That a water main be laid from St. James street to Reed's Point and along Brittain to the corner of Canterbury street. This will give a more satisfactory water supply to steamers, and that Singleton, Dunn & Co's tender for pipe be accepted, if their prices call for the delivery here free of duty. The prices were per ton: 4 in., \$29.44; 6 in., \$28.22; 10 in. and 12 in., \$27.00, with 1s. 3d. extra for freight, etc. and two per cent. commission.

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St. John, N. B., February 26, 1903.

Reefer Sale.

We have some Reefers which we want to clear at once and have made a deep cut in the prices in order to do so quickly:

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THE SWING OF VICTORY.

Notes of the Campaign---Mr. Carleton's Inaccurate History---To-night in Carleton City Hall.

Great Revulsion of Feeling in Westmorland—Mr. Moore and His Letter to the Telegraph—Meeting at Fairville This Evening.

Keep them on the run. Fraser, action, fables, frost. There will be a big opposition rally in the City Hall, Carleton, this evening. Visit the ward committee rooms to-night. Keep up the enthusiasm for better government.

The Fredericton Gleaner repeats the slanders published in the Telegraph about W. Frank Hatheway. Why does not Mr. Blair go and talk to the liberals of Northumberland county? There is still some work to do. Do it. Keep hot after the enemy till you have them beaten at the polls. Make the St. John majority for better government something for the trimmers to remember. Those who are slandering Mr. Hatheway this week will want to be his dear friends next week. Government heifers are actively endeavoring to locate every absent voter, so that they can have him personated bright and early on Saturday. Things are beginning to look interesting around Chubb's Corner. This has been Mr. Lantulum's fishing place since the campaign started and now George Robertson has dropped a line in it. Even the draught from D. C. Fraser's powerful bellows could not fan the cold embers of government enthusiasm into warmth. Whom will they try next? "Don't strike down Mr. Blair," was the burden of Mr. Fraser's cry last night. Won't Mr. Blair still be minister of railways and St. John's representative at Ottawa? Vote the straight opposition ticket. Every vote counts. Make it count for better government. Isn't it time for a change? From the character of the men who are backing the respective tickets in Carleton it will be seen that Dominion politics will play very little part in the contest.—Beacon.

Hon. D. C. Fraser, the gifted liberal orator of Nova Scotia, is announced to speak in St. Andrews on Friday night in the interests of the young liberals' ticket.—Beacon.

Before he left the city yesterday Mr. Blair went around the city making a personal canvass. That shows how serious he regards the government case to be in St. John.

There was lively hustling last night to get an audience in the York. As a result the government committee rooms were nearly deserted.

Why should laboring men submit to being coaxed or driven to vote for Mr. Tweedie and his colleagues? This is a free country. Men should vote according to their convictions.—Chatham Commercial.

An opposition public meeting for working men will be held this evening at Fairville in Orange Hall. Addresses will be delivered by M. J. Kelly, John Killen, M. McDade and others. Millmen, teamsters, carpenters, masons and all other trades are asked to attend.

Michael Kelly, who has been addressing meetings in Albert, was in the city yesterday. He says that the nomination debate at Hopewell was remarkably lively. Unless there is an unusual amount of corruption Mr. Kelly says that Gross and Rommel will have a large majority.

Carpenters' Union No. 919, met in regular session last night, when two new members were initiated and an application was filed. Matters of importance were dealt with. A resolution endorsing the nomination of Messrs. Hatheway and McInerney as the labor candidates was heartily endorsed by a rising vote, only three out of the large gathering present voting nay.

St. John printers and publishers are not getting work they should have, because the government has never asked St. John houses to tender for printing school books, which they say they are ready to print in competition with Toronto.

Everything that L. C. R. excursion rates and the fear of the axe can do will be done to make Blair's meeting at Moncton tonight a success in point of numbers.

The Telegraph did not tell the truth about last night's meeting at the York. They had to empty their committee rooms to fill the house, and then there were vacant seats scattered here and there from start to finish.

MR. MOORE'S MAIL.

The statement with a double column mourning border appearing in this morning's Telegraph from Jas. Moore, a ship laborer, repudiating the labor candidates, is false and misleading. The facts in the case are that the Trades and Labor Council some time ago selected delegates from each of the labor unions, about 30 in number, to meet and select a committee in order to choose candidates for the laboring classes.

Mr. Moore was not one of such delegates. W. H. Coates was chairman of the selection committee. Representatives were there from the Ship Laborers' Union, of which Mr. Moore is a member. The names of Messrs. McInerney and Hatheway were brought before the Ship Laborers' Union in proper form and that body of men were told that these gentlemen had been selected as their standard bearers. Mr. Moore knew of this, why did he not then resent the action or raise his voice in protest. His change of heart has come within the last few days and is not worthy the notice of any good and true workman who has pledged himself to stand by the choice of the people, Messrs. McInerney and Hatheway.

DISRAELI'S FRANCHISE ACT.

Mr. Carleton evidently does not know how to read history. He denied last night the statement of Dr. Stockton

that Disraeli, in 1867 had carried in England the most radical franchise act ever enacted up to that time. The facts are that Lord Russell and Gladstone were defeated in 1865. In 1867 Disraeli introduced a bill which gave the franchise to two million people, and it was adopted. Any man can look up the history and see for himself.

THE FLOUR TRUST.

Mr. Carleton is wasting valuable time talking about the "flour trust." D. J. Purdy, William Shaw and W. Frank Hatheway are all signers of the flour agreement. Mr. Carleton says he only attacks Mr. Hatheway because he professes to be a friend of the workman and is a labor candidate. This is no argument. If the agreement made by all the leading merchants in the interests of their trade is right, it is right. If it is wrong, it is wrong. If it is not wrong for Messrs. Purdy and Shaw it is not wrong for Mr. Hatheway, and no amount of hair-splitting will make it so.

AND THERE ARE MANY OTHERS.

NEWCASTLE, N. B., Feb. 25.—In today's issue of the Newcastle Advertiser my name appears on the government nomination papers as do several others I know of without authority. I am straight opposition, an every independent voter in Northumberland is today. Tweedie's misgovernment is gone.

THOS. W. FLETT.

WILL SWEEP CARLETON.

The opposition workers in Carleton report a most encouraging outlook on that side of the harbor. Great discontent with the government is expressed by many of its most prominent former supporters and the opposition candidates confidently expect a majority from Guy's and Brooks wards that will be historic.

MECHANICS' LEIN LAW.

For the information of Mr. Carleton it may be stated that in 1883 Dr. Stockton introduced a Mechanics' Lien Law bill in the legislature. Mr. Blair and Mr. Brown opposed the bill. The principle of the bill was carried by a vote of 24 to 12. When it came up later Mr. Blair, seeing that the legislature was against him, said that as the bill was a very important one he would ask that it be held over till next session and in the meantime referred to a committee. Dr. Stockton agreed, and Messrs. Blair, Mitchell, Stockton, Powell and Phinney were appointed as the committee. At the next session Mr. Blair introduced the bill and it was adopted, although he did not express himself as hopeful that it would do any good. William Wilson was not in the house at all. Mr. Carleton there got altogether away from the facts of the case.

WILL SWEEP WESTMORLAND.

MONCTON, Feb. 25.—Liberals are making extensive preparations here for the Blair meeting tonight. The opposition have their Moncton meeting tomorrow night. The contest is hourly increasing in interest and feeling beginning to run high. Reports from the country districts say the change in public sentiment can hardly be estimated, whole sections being practically unanimous against the government.

Moncton city, outside of the government railway, which may be coerced, is overwhelmingly against the government. At a chance meeting of a well known social organization last night a secret vote was proposed and the ballot came out opposition fifteen, government two.

THE PEOPLE OF ST. JOHN HONORED MR. BLAIR BY ELECTING HIM AS THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AT OTTAWA, WHEN THEY MIGHT HAVE RETIRED HIM TO PRIVATE LIFE INSTEAD OF MR. FOSTER. WHAT RIGHT HAS HE NOW TO CALL UPON THOSE WHO ELECTED HIM TO CHOOSE BETWEEN HIM AND THEIR CONVICTIONS, IN A MATTER THAT HAS NO RELATION WHATSOEVER TO FEDERAL POLITICS?

GRAVE CHARGE AGAINST MR. TWEEDIE.

At Chatham on nomination day W. C. Winslow, liberal, said that when he charged Tweedie with being responsible for crushing the pulp mill, he knew whereof he spoke. He (Tweedie) with Mr. Pugsley had promoted the passage of legislation authorizing, upon the adoption of a certain by-law by the M. S. Fibre Co., that money could be raised on the crown lands on which the company held licenses to operate, and after the money had been so raised Mr. Tweedie and Mr. Pugsley were the very ones who ordered the license cancelled, in order that Mr. Tweedie might more readily and to better advantage sell lands on which he held an option, while at the same time the cancellation of the licenses served to appease the small lumber operators in the county who had, unfortunately, lost money in the matter. He (Winslow) had never before made this public, but now that Tweedie had attempted to bulldoze him by the shaking of his fist and showers of abuse, he would go further and publicly state that Tweedie secured a perjury option on lumber lands before sailing for England, and while on the other side endeavored to sell the mill and the lands at a price which if it had been accepted would have put \$200,000 into the premier's pocket. These were facts which perhaps Tweedie did not think he was aware of. (Loud cheers.)

A GOVERNMENT BOAST.

One prominent government supporter is quoted as saying that his party intended to have the labor vote if they

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TOURIST ASSOCIATION MEETING.

A meeting of the executive of the Tourist Association was held yesterday afternoon. The president, O. H. Warwick, occupied the chair and there was a good attendance of members. Literature for the season was talked over, as was also the new booklet cover, and the matter of subscriptions. Mr. Dore, an English journalist, who is here on his way west, was present and addressed the meeting in regard to his scheme of advertising Canada abroad. He said he would take New Brunswick from a hunting standpoint, and sought some general information for the association. It was the general opinion of the members that every possible assistance should be given Mr. Dore in his work in this province.

A SLEIGH DRIVE.

The Rockaway Bathing Club enjoyed a sleigh drive last night. About sixty in number they drove to Torryburn and on returning called at James Lewis' home, Britain street, where they spent a very pleasant time. Dancing, whist and other amusements helped to pass the hours away very quickly and all voted the outing a big success.

had to pay \$20 a vote. The government underestimates the worth of the labor voter and the determination of the labor party in this contest.

THE SCHOOL BOOKS.

No. 1 school reader, formerly 10 cents, is now 20 cents.
No. 2 reader, formerly 15 cents, is now 30 cents.
No. 3 reader, formerly 20 cents, is now 40 cents.
No. 4 reader, formerly 45 cents, is now 50 cents.

This is one of the benefits derived from Tweedie's government and the printing of New Brunswick school books in Toronto.

IN TWEEDIE'S COUNTY.

A strong supporter of Tweedie and his colleagues, who resides in Northumberland, said in Fredericton last night that the election of three opposition men in Northumberland is sure, and Tweedie can be saved only by his particular friends plumping him, and that is now being urged throughout the county quietly as the only means of saving Tweedie from defeat. His colleagues will be sacrificed.

ATTEND THE WARD COMMITTEE ROOMS THIS EVENING AND TOMORROW EVENING.

WHOSE WAS THE DISGRACE?

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., Feb. 6.—Wednesday's Telegraph does not give an accurate account of the manner in which Premier Tweedie was turned down at Campbellton on Tuesday night.

Mr. Mott and his friends gave the government speakers a fair hearing. They answered questions asked from the platform promptly, but it may be their answers were not the ones wanted.

The disgraceful conduct at the meeting was divided into three branches: First, Premier Tweedie smoking on the platform in the presence of the ladies in the audience; second, by some four or five Tweedie heeled interrupting Mr. Mott by whistling and tramping; thirdly, the managers of the meeting interfering with the town marshal when he attempted to make one of the disorderly Tweedieites keep quiet.

MR. TWEEDIE'S ORGAN SPEAKS.

(St. John Gazette.)

Mr. Anderson has developed into one of the most contemptible candidates that the opposition has put forward. His canvass has been slanderous and mean. No man who ever entered politics in this county has exhibited a more contemptible spirit during the time he has been in the field, than the aforesaid Mr. Anderson.

HOW, INDEED.

(St. John Globe.)

In only four out of the fifteen counties in New Brunswick have liberal party candidates been brought out. How, then, can it be truthfully and honestly said that this is a contest between liberals and conservatives? How can it be such a contest when the Tweedie, ignores federal party lists?

TURN THEM OUT.

(St. John Globe.)

It seems that the lumber operators of Northumberland county paid their dollar a law suit on only \$2,874.00. The value of lumber cut on crown lands, and yet the same lumber, according to the estimate of the year—1899—was \$125,000.00 superficial feet. The estimate is that thirty-four million feet of wood, were cut off the land. This leaves ninety-four million feet of unaccounted for. There would probably be some cut on land owned absolutely by the government, but this would not be sold to the exporters, but this would not make up the vast difference here stated. Hence it seems to indicate a tremendous leakage somewhere, and after just ground some one not mixed up with the operators, it would be not at all while the present local government is in power.

THE FIRE RECORD.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 25.—At 3 p. m. the Pike Opera House building is on fire. The fire started in the cellar and in a few minutes after being discovered flames shot through the whole building. The building was destroyed and everything adjoining, and at 7.30 a. m. the fire was still burning. The loss is now estimated at two millions.

At nine o'clock there was little prospect of gaining control of the fire in the district bounded by Vine, Fourth, Walnut and Baker streets and it was believed the entire block would go. The loss is already over three million dollars. Among the places destroyed are the American Publishing Company's place, Norfolk and Western railroad offices, United Express Company's offices. A watchman, named Peter Keenan, was fatally injured by falling walls, and many other persons had narrow escapes.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—In a fire today in an eight story building on the corner of Broadway and Thirteenth streets, fire captain, John Andreis, was killed by falling through an open shaft. Several other firemen were burned or bruised or sustained broken limbs from falls. The building was occupied by the Crown Suspender Co., the Nantucket Silk Co., and others and the loss is estimated at \$250,000.

IMMENSE OUTPUT.

Rhodes, Curry & Co., Ltd., Turned Out \$2,000,000 Worth Last Year.

AMHERST, Feb. 24.—The general annual meeting of a local publishing house was held this afternoon. The report of the directors was most satisfactory. A dividend of \$100,000 was declared. The board of directors was reappointed, consisting of N. Curry, N. A. Rhodes, J. C. Robertson, Hon. T. R. Black, J. M. Towashend, K. C., and Charles T. Hillcock.

The total output for last season was two million four hundred thousand dollars. The amount paid out in freights was \$176,660 and in wages \$300,000. Unfilled orders on file on January 1st totalled one and three-quarters of a million. Among other additions to the plant talked of for coming seasons is a millable iron foundry.

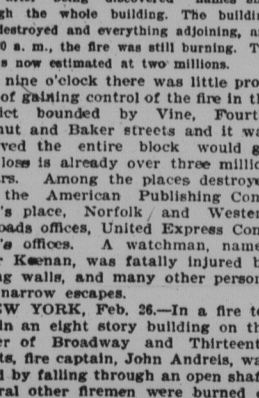
POISONED HIMSELF.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Mansfield Allen, an editor employed by a local publishing house and a writer for magazines, is dead at a hospital after taking 140 grains of chloral. The police believe it a case of suicide. Allen, who was 28 years old, married last summer. Yesterday he called on Mrs. Schumann at his former boarding house and asked for his old room, which was given him. A few minutes later he telephoned for a friend, who came shortly after. Within an hour the friend called an ambulance and left the house without telling Mrs. Schumann how Allen had been able to take the poison in his presence.

FELL TO DEATH.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Hundreds of men and women saw a man, believed to have been Harry Scheppeler, dive to his death from the Brooklyn elevated railroad station at the Brooklyn end of the bridge. Pushed and loaded and tired of waiting for a delayed train, he attempted to clamber on board a train. He missed his footing and failed to catch the guard rails of the rear platform of the last car of the train and went headlong to the street fifty feet below. He died ten minutes after his fall.

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain embarked at 7 o'clock this evening on the Union line steamer Norma for Southampton.



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CUT THIS OUT. The timber lands of this province are not administered in the interests of the people.

1339. If you are not particular about the quality of your medicine you can ring up your grocer for it.

SITUATIONS WANTED. Advertisements under this head inserted free of charge.

LOST. Advertisements under this head: Two words for one cent each time, or Three cents a word for ten times.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY. Coroner Earle held an inquest into the deaths of Holder Borden and Thomas Murphy.

CHRONIC CONSTIPATION. Chronic constipation surely cured or money back. LAXA-CARA TABLETS.

ST. JOHN STAR. ST. JOHN, N. B., FEBRUARY 26, 1903.

SHAW, WILSON, McINERNEY, HATHWAY. A vote for these men is a vote for better government in the province of New Brunswick.

LABOR MEN, READ THIS. The labor unions of St. John have a clear-cut grievance against the government. It has sent to Toronto printing houses work that could and should be done in this city.

Mr. McKeown stated on Saturday that school books were printed in Toronto because the work could not be done in this province, and that there was a clause in the contract providing for a termination of the same whenever it could be shown that the work could be done here.

Yesterday W. Frank Hatheway visited Barnes & Co. and J. & A. McMillan of this city and was informed by them that they could print these books in competition with western houses, and would be only too glad to tender for the work.

It is not necessary to enlarge on the subject. It would be perfectly fair for a government to pay a local concern a little more if necessary than it pays a foreign one, for the sake of the employment of home labor, which is a direct benefit to the province.

Mr. McKeown's statement did a gross injustice to St. John printers, and the government's policy ignores home labor. That's a good kind of government to defeat next Saturday.

MAKE YOUR WORK TELL. There is only one more working day before the elections. It is the duty of every man who is opposed to the Tweedie-Pugsley government to do what he can to ensure victory for the four opposition candidates in this city.

There should be no compromise, no splitting of votes, no attention paid to personal or sectional appeals. This is a battle for better government. It is known that the Tweedie party will use every means to secure votes, and that they will use unfair means without the slightest hesitation to compass their ends.

Knowing the government the people know what to expect. Over against this must be placed not only the sympathy but the personal work of all who desire a change at Fredericton. Meet organization with a better organization; meet the bribers and intimidators with an assertion of fearless manhood; bring out every vote and make it a vote for every one of the four men who are to be our next representatives at Fredericton: Messrs. Shaw, Wilson, McInerney and Hatheway.

TURN THEM OUT. The money supposed to be spent on roads and bridges is largely wasted as the state of the roads and bridges clearly proves.

The educational policy of this government is not worthy of an intelligent people. This government has made no effort to bring immigrants to New Brunswick. Money devoted to that purpose has been thrown away, as on the disgraceful hand book.

This government has enormously increased the debt of the province, without a corresponding benefit to the people. It has imposed new taxes and squandered the money got from the dominion treasury. It is time for a change.

AT THE YORK. Mr. Fraser has come and spoken. He is a good-story teller and gives a continuous performance. There are no waits between the acts, and for so large a man he displays considerable agility when in action.

Before Mr. Fraser came there was a disposition to resent outside interference, but there can be no reasonable objection to such utterly amiable and harmless interference as that of last evening. It is one of the humors of the campaign, and was greatly enjoyed by those opponents of the government who heard the man from Gysboro talk entertainingly on everything except the record of the Tweedie-Pugsley government.

Mr. Fraser would strengthen the government's case, that fear is dissipated. Mr. Purdy and Mr. Lantaulum could have talked much more acceptably to a St. John audience, and the wonder is that they should be turned down in favor of a Nova Scotian.

Mr. Fraser's talk was wasted. There is no federal question at issue. It is not a matter that affects Canada as a whole, except in so far as good government here is a good example for the whole country. But Mr. Fraser presents the spectacle of a man from another province coming here to urge the people to retain a government which is not good, and which has

wholly forfeited their confidence and respect. The absurdity is apparent. Mr. McKeown and Mr. Carleton did attempt to keep nearer the real issue, and to that extent deserved more applause than Mr. Fraser, although they got less. Mr. Carleton made another pleasant allusion to the Star, which shows that he reads with diligence and appreciation this journal of the people. He does well.

The opposition have no cause to tremble as a result of the meeting, unless there be something ominous and dreadful behind Mr. McKeown's allusion to "other elements let loose" by the opposition, which he said would bring them to disgrace. To whom does Mr. McKeown refer when he speaks contemptuously of "other elements"? Is it the labor candidates and the men who are supporting them?

POLITICAL CONUNDRUMS. If D. C. Fraser can tell a good story how long will it be before Tweedie gives this province good government? If the liberals and conservatives do not agree on the tariff question, what would be a fair price for a thirty cent school book in New Brunswick?

If Canada is prosperous how many Muskoka deals would it take to make all the capitalists in Ontario rich? If the dominion government is likely to aid the dry dock, how much should a respectable immigration hand book cost?

If government by commission is a good thing, why not hand the affairs of the province over to D. C. Fraser for a year or two? Premier Tweedie does not say this fight is on federal lines. He has conservatives on his own ticket and is opposing liberals. Mr. Osman in Albert, a government candidate, is opposed to drawing federal lines. So is Hon. Mr. Lablouis. In only four constituencies is an attempt being made to force the federal issue. Let no man be deceived.

Mr. Blair said the other night that Mr. Tarte had been engulfed, and not a ripple remained to mark the spot where he went down. Mr. Tarte repeats with a caustic article in condemnation of Mr. Blair's conduct in reading Mr. Ellis out of the party.

Last night's labor meeting was a great success. The charge that the labor men would throw down their candidates is played out. The labor men know that they have now an opportunity to exhibit their strength, and their ability to stand together for better government. They will not fail.

The hopeless condition of the government party is revealed in the dissensions among them. Mr. Tweedie is a leader who does not lead. It is time for a change.

Has anybody heard that Mr. Blair would visit Northumberland county and invite the liberals to support Mr. Tweedie? If not, why not? Look out for telegrams, threats, promises, stories of political outrages and all that sort of thing, in the government press. They're about due now.

It is pretty nearly time some of the government candidates told the people why the Tweedie government deserves support. That is the real issue in this campaign.

W. Frank Hatheway and George V. McInerney are good citizens of St. John. Resent the slanders of the government speakers and vote for the labor candidates.

The gentlemen who are saying spiteful things about John E. Wilson are not getting along very well with that kind of canvass. It doesn't pay. The government will be defeated on Saturday. St. John should turn their candidates down with the biggest majority of all. Vote the whole ticket.

IN LABOR HALL. Speeches by Messrs McInerney, Cook, Kelly, Killen, Blair and Others.

Mr. McDade's Firm but Friendly Words to the Minister—A Crowded and Enthusiastic Meeting.

An enthusiastic meeting was held last night in Labor Hall, which was crowded to the doors. On the platform were Dr. H. C. Wetmore, chairman; S. A. Cook, John Killen, M. J. Kelley, Geo. A. Blair, John E. Wilson, W. Frank Hatheway, Geo. V. McInerney and Mr. McDade.

Mr. McDade, in response to calls came forward amid loud cheering. He referred to his efforts on behalf of labor in the great mill strike of a dozen years ago, and to his interest in the cause of labor on many occasions since then.

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ment had in the throes of defeat brought powerful influences to bear, the last of which was the wad. But he was convinced that not even it could have its premeditated effects. (Cheers.) The opposition, on the other hand, would not spend one dollar for legitimate purposes. The laborers of St. John had put themselves on record against the local government long before he (McInerney) came to reside in the city. Was it not a plausible and reasonable stand that they had taken? Was it not in the interests of just and honest government that they had put themselves on record as being determined to break up the Tweedie-Pugsley combination? Yes, was the unanimous shout of the audience.

The chairman had said that he and the other men had tried to impress upon the government the necessity of passing an act to compensate the laborer for injuries sustained through the negligence of a fellow employe, but through no fault of his own. They interviewed Messrs. Tweedie and Pugsley on the matter, and were promised that a bill would be drafted and submitted to the labor unions of St. John for approval. A bill was drafted and sent down, but it was not the bill that they asked for, and consequently did not receive their approval. The government tried to hoodwink the laborers by saying that the desired bill would be carried through the legislature before the next session. But they had done nothing yet, and he was pretty sure that they didn't intend to. For Mr. Tweedie had stated in his manifesto that Mr. Hatheway was placing before the laborers a delusive proposition. From that it was plain that Mr. Tweedie had no intention to comply with the requests of the laborers.

He (McInerney) assured them that if he was honored by being elected to the legislature, he would be one of the men to make it so hot for whatever party was in power that they would find it necessary to legislate in the interests of labor.

The proposed Fort Kent dam was next touched upon by Mr. McInerney. That, he considered, was a scheme promulgated by Mr. Pugsley and Maine capitalists by which the very broad and butter would be taken out of the mouths of laborers in St. John. Mr. Pugsley, who was paid a salary of a little over \$2,000 per year to look after the welfare of the people of the province, had entered into a scheme which meant starvation or emigration to some other parts for a very large number of laborers. It put into effect millions of feet of lumber which had hitherto been driven down the St. John river, and manufactured at St. John mills, and diverted into the United States over Maine railways.

S. A. COOK of the Teamsters' Union followed in an ardent appeal to all union men to vote against the laborers' fight, and if they didn't take advantage of the present opportunity to strike a blow for labor, their cause would receive a set-back that it would not recover for years to come. By standing together they could make themselves a power to be felt and respected. They had not been respected by the government and its supporters, who ridiculed them and jeered at them, throwing out statements that their votes could be bought for \$1, etc. He advised them to go ahead, on Feb. 26th and cast their votes like men. "Put out the men who have deceived and ridiculed us," said he, "and give the candidates whom we have selected to carry our banner a try."

M. J. KELLY of the Ship Laborers' Union was the next speaker. He said he was not aware of anything that the government had done for labor during the last 17 or 18 years. Mr. Killen said he was a conservative and wanted conservatives to stand by the attorney general, who was nothing but a political weathercock. Tweedie, mainly little man, couldn't do a dishonest act. Tweedie's Northumberland deal will not cut this liberal-conservative-Mugwump or any other old term they call their party, to Fredericton, McKeown, the speaker said from the labor point of view, was a political failure. As to Mr. Robertson, that gentleman had told the electors of St. John that he would never run another election if he did not get them the dock. We have not seen him yet. The whole government could be called nothing but a mass of political weathercocks. His namesake, the minister of railways, said the people had to

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Kelly told the story of how they had been deceived by Messrs. Tweedie and Pugsley in regard to the proposed Laborers' Compensation Act. Mr. Pugsley, he understood, had said that the bill would not go through because it would disturb the friendly relations now existing between employers and employes.

In regard to the selection of labor candidates, Mr. Kelly said that they did not choose one of their own men because it was found that there was no one of their number who was able to pay the expenses of attending the legislature. They interviewed Mr. McInerney, but he at first objected to being a candidate. Mr. Hatheway on being approached emphatically stated that he did not desire to be a candidate, and stated that he would pay the expenses of any one of their unions whom they might select. Mr. McInerney stated that he certainly would not be a labor candidate unless he could be an opposition candidate at the same time. Thereupon representatives were sent to interview Mr. Hazon, asking if he would accept their platform. He agreed to do so. Then they went to Mr. McInerney, who accepted their offer. After a good deal of influence brought to bear, Mr. Hatheway also accepted. Those gentlemen were the candidates chosen by the labor unions of St. John, and he was confident that every man would stand by the choice.

JOHN KILLEN of the Ship Laborers' Union spoke next, and endorsed the statements of Mr. Kelly. He thought that Mr. Blair had no occasion to take part in the present election. Mr. Blair had been considered a great man in St. John, but he didn't think that he stood so well today as he had remained out of this contest. This was the laborers' contest, and Mr. Blair and other outsiders should not interfere.

GEO. A. BLAIR said the present government has been in power for 22 years. They say it is a liberal and a conservative fight. It is not a liberal or conservative fight in Northumberland, Restigouche, Kent or Kings counties. La-billie said he was a conservative and wanted conservatives to stand by the attorney general, who was nothing but a political weathercock. Tweedie, mainly little man, couldn't do a dishonest act. Tweedie's Northumberland deal will not cut this liberal-conservative-Mugwump or any other old term they call their party, to Fredericton, McKeown, the speaker said from the labor point of view, was a political failure.

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