

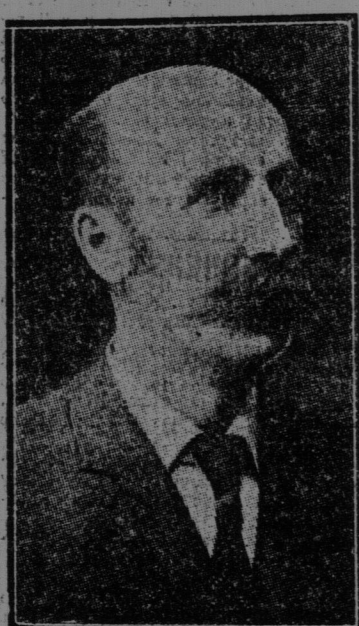
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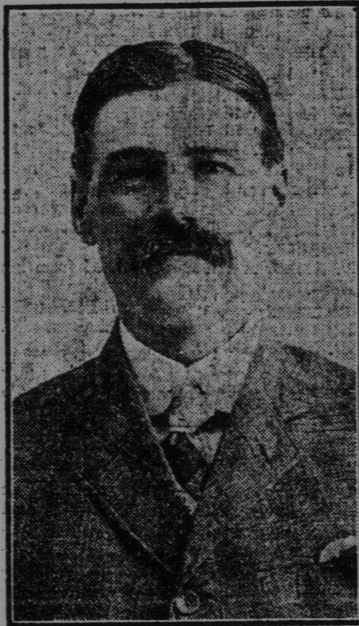
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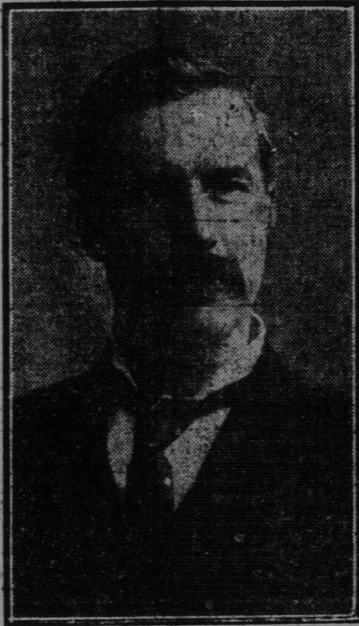
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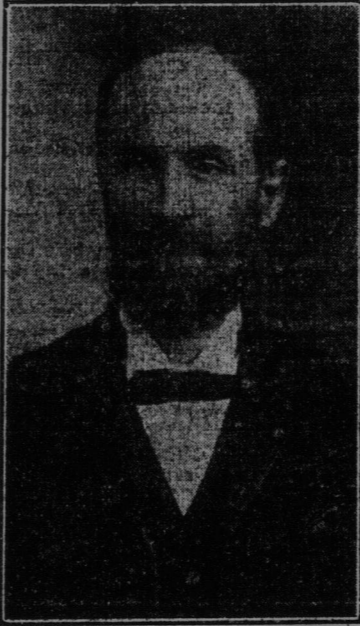
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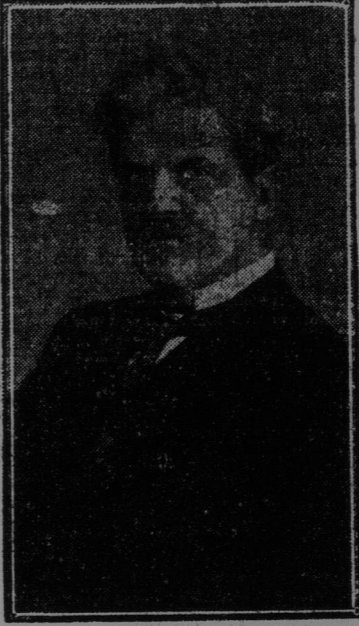
DR. D. H. McALISTER, Liberal Candidate in Kings-Albert.



NELSON W. BROWN, Liberal Candidate in York County.



W. S. LOGGIE, Liberal Candidate in Northumberland County.



HON. R. R. EMMERSON, Liberal Candidate in Westmorland County.



SIR WILFRID LAURIER, Liberal Candidate in Carleton County.

MILLIONS TO BE SPENT ON HARBOR

Contract to Be Let at Once for Ten Million Yards of Dredging, Including Courtenay Bay

Lowest Tender is 38 Cents, or Half Mayes' Price—Great Comprehensive Plan to Prepare St. John for Grand Trunk Pacific—Engineers Recommend Acceptance of Bid—Will Double Our Harbor Capacity—Best News St. John Has Heard for Many Years.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, Oct. 19.—The tender of the Maritime Dredging and Construction Company, of St. John, for extensive dredging operations in St. John harbor and Courtenay Bay, being the lowest of those submitted, has been recommended for acceptance by the engineers of the department of public works.

But where extensive dredging contracts are carried out—as for instance that at Mission River, Fort William—five of the dredges have been kept at work at once, and when the contract is so extensive as that at St. John, the contractors would naturally employ the most up-to-date plant, and push forward the work very rapidly.

BIG ENGLISH CONCERN ACQUIRES ACADIA POWDER COMPANY

(Special to The Telegraph.) Halifax, N. S., Oct. 19.—An important deal has just been put through whereby Nobel's big English powder manufacturers have purchased the Acadia Powder Company's plant at Waverly, near Halifax, of which J. Walter Allison has been president since the death of P. K. Guy. The Nobels are among the largest powder makers in the world.

CONVICTED OF STEALING LIBERAL CAMPAIGN POSTERS

(Special to The Telegraph.) Arden, Ont., Oct. 19.—(Special)—W. G. Gould appeared before a magistrate this morning charged with stealing and burning campaign posters announcing a meeting in the interests of Controller W. S. Harrison, the Liberal candidate in Halton. He pleaded guilty, paid the damages and costs of the court, and the matter has been dropped.

LIBERAL TRIUMPH AT HUSTINGS PROCEEDINGS ENSURES SWEEPING VICTORY THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE

(Special to The Telegraph.) Sussex, N. B., Oct. 19.—Enthusiastic, exultant Liberals came from all parts of Kings and Albert counties today to cheer the popular candidate of the government party, Duncan H. McAlister.

If any evidence was needed that Geo. W. Fowler would be defeated next Monday it was furnished today by the report that came from every corner of the united constituency.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Woodstock, Oct. 19.—(Special)—Frank B. Carvell, Liberal, and B. Frank Smith, Conservative, were nominated today. The nomination proceedings were continued in the morning at the residence of the Liberal candidate, Mr. Carvell.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Montreal, Oct. 19.—Today the nominations resulted as was expected in first blood for the government in this province. The Hon. L. P. Brodeur, minister of marine and fisheries being elected by acclamation in the County of Rouville.

Standing is at premium and it seems as if the crowd could not weary of cheers and applause. Brown and Crockett, who were accompanied by Peter J. Hughes, were the first to speak. Mr. Crockett would not consent to that arrangement and closed the meeting. Mr. Brown was first introduced and spoke for an hour and a quarter and delivered what even the Conservatives admit to have been one of the ablest campaign speeches ever heard in this city.

Mr. Smith followed for an hour and a half. He spent part of the time in denying the statements of his opponent. He stated that his resignation as a member had been in the hands of the local government for some weeks. He accepted the nomination because he was the unanimous choice of 700 delegates.

Mr. Carvell cleared himself of each charge. It was the stormiest nomination day yet held in this county. McLean and Wilmut in Queens-Sunbury. Gagetown, Queens Co., N. B., Oct. 19.—With more than 2,000 people here from all parts of Queens and Sunbury counties today was one of the greatest in the history of Gagetown.

WATERLOO FOR CONSERVATIVES

Indications from All Over Canada Point to Laurier Increasing Majority

(Special to The Telegraph.) Toronto, Oct. 19 (Special).—As a result of the Frontenac nomination speeches at Coteauville, this afternoon, Dr. J. W. Edwards will bring action for slander against Mr. McLean, a late member for a statement he made concerning the doctor's stand in the election of 1904.

The outlook, however, is the very best for the Laurier cause, and the opinion that the government will carry at least fifty seats in the old provinces is becoming more general as the campaign draws to a close. Word from Jacques Cartier and Beauharnois indicates that Monk and Bergeron are having the fight of their lives and Bergeron's defeat is in fact looked for by the Liberals and feared very much by the opposition managers.

Slander and conspiracy will not build up St. John and the Province; but the Liberal policy of progress will. Vote for the Laurier candidates and develop New Brunswick. Vote for Pugsley and Pender and double the harbor facilities of the Winter Port. Let the word be "Forward!"

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**PLANT TO USE THE KINGS COUNTY PUGSLEY AND PENDER SURE TO  
PURITY LEAGUE AS A TORY TOOL WIN BY IMMENSE MAJORITIES**

**False Charges Against Liberals in a Vain  
Attempt to Hide Conservative Trail of  
Corruption—A Nomination Day "Sen-  
sation" Said to be in the Air—Fowler  
Already Promising Fat Jobs to His  
Dupes.**

Sussex, N. B., Oct. 18.—The case of George W. Fowler and his political associates in Kings and Albert counties, is becoming desperate indeed. Today the Liberal organizer, E. S. Carter, obtained proof that a deliberate plot was on foot to use the Purity League to discredit Liberal party workers and advance the interests of the Tory candidate.

The plot, as revealed, showed that a blind follower of the Tory party was induced to lay false information upon which a warrant might be issued for the arrest of an innocent person and to force the attendance of respectable citizens from the lower end of the county to give evidence. This poor fellow is named Benjamin Long. He lives in Sussex and the well defined report is that he was induced to go before the police magistrate here and swear out an information against a party residing in St. John charging him with offering money to voters to refrain from voting.

Long had no knowledge of his himself and could not be induced to do so. His friends state, until he had been coached in the office of Fowler & Jones.

They say that this information, coming as it did after Geo. W. Fowler's trip to the parish in question, and aided in the preparation by the law office of Fowler & Jones, and their strong supporter, J. D. McKenna, who is also a stirring member of the Purity League, proves conclusively that the plot was hatched and is being carried out in the interests of Mr. Fowler, the Tory candidate.

Those who know the movements of his prominent supporters in the past and during the present campaign, will be amazed at these proceedings. It is a well known fact that the agents of Fowler have been flooding the constituency with money and whiskey for some time.

The Liberal committeemen not only know this, but they have the straightest evidence in many cases where money has been offered. They know who offered it,

**LIBERAL TIDE IS RISING  
ALL OVER THE PROVINCE**

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 18 (Special).—A great wave of enthusiasm is sweeping over York county, which will certainly carry the Liberal candidate to victory. Brown's nomination was at first ridiculed by the Conservatives and they went around boasting of their victory for Crockett, but behold, a change has come over their dreams. They have begun to realize that Crockett is up against a member and hard and his friends are making desperate efforts to stem the rising tide of Liberalism.

The magnificent demonstration here on Friday night in favor of Brown, was a solar plexus blow for the Tories. The cheering and the shouting and the shouting for them are trying to arrange a meeting for tomorrow night as a means of reviving their drooping hopes. They are even making efforts to secure an outside meeting to help the situation for Crockett. The Tories in neighboring counties, who were promised Crockett's services on the platform during this campaign, were obliged to arrange a substitute.

The Liberals held a rousing meeting at Orange hall, Miramichi, last night. The building was packed to the doors and Mayor Gibson presided and opened the meeting with a vigorous speech in which he spoke of the great progress Canada had made under Liberal rule and pledged Mr. Brown his hearty support.

Mr. Brown followed in an able and eloquent speech of two hours, which was followed by the closest attention. He laid before the audience the splendid record of Laurier's government and also dealt effectively with the false canvasses raised against him by the Tories. In the course of his remarks he paid an eloquent tribute to the work of Mr. Gibson, which was much appreciated by the audience.

The official nomination proceedings will take place at the court house tomorrow at 10 o'clock. The Tories have secured the Opera House for the afternoon and a joint meeting will be held if terms can be agreed upon. The proceedings promise to be lively.

Caracquet, N.B., Oct. 18.—(Special).—A meeting was held by T. M. Burns in St. Paul, Lower Caracquet last night and was presided over by Joseph Chassion. Mr. Burns spoke in English, but as the majority of the audience could not understand English, Mr. Burns was asked to speak in French, but he was unable. Mr. Landry from Bathurst, and N. A. Theo. Blanchard, of Caracquet, and N. A. Theo. Blanchard, and were to speak in French, but these three last named did not speak as the audience said their minds were made up to support Mr. Turgon, the Liberal candidate and they asked to adjourn the meeting which was done.

Mr. Burns had a special train come from Bathurst last night to take the electors up to Grand Ave where a meeting

"It is with shame and disgust that I find the issue we are to fight upon is this petty scandal cry of the Conservative leaders. I disdain to discuss these issues. My soul is turned toward greater events and questions, and it is the future of the country I lay before you. For myself, I say that I have never used my office for my personal benefit."—Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

**HOW THE PLOT WAS KILLED**

Here follow extracts from the declarations, made by men of prominence and well known integrity, showing the threats Mayes made in his attempt to blackmail Hon. Mr. Pugsley into buying his dredge at an exorbitant price:

**Hon. C. J. Osman, says:**

"He (Mayes) stated to me that he wished to sell his dredge to the Government, and would accept \$160,000, and that unless arrangements were made to purchase this dredge before twelve o'clock the next day, he would expose a great scandal in St. John, which would be a serious thing for the Liberal party and for the Minister himself, and urged me, as a friend of Dr. Pugsley's, to interview the Minister and inform him that this exposure would certainly take place if steps were not taken to satisfy him. He also intimated that if the dredge was purchased at the price fixed by him (viz., \$160,000.00), he would be willing to make a handsome donation towards the election campaign fund in St. John."

**George McAvity, says:**

"That in the month of September last, I met Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, and Mr. Baxter proposed to me that if the Government would buy Mr. Mayes' dredge at a price which I thought was about \$160,000, there would be a rebate for political purposes of \$20,000. I replied to Mr. Baxter that I was through with Mr. Mayes and would have no further transaction with him." And Mr. McAvity further says: "Mr. Holt stated to me that if the Government would purchase the dredge at \$153,400, Mr. Mayes would withdraw all suits, return all checks and notes and photographs thereof, and give a letter to take no further action; otherwise he would publish a statement of a damaging nature to the Government and would take the platform himself."

**John E. Moore, says:**

"Mr. Thomson said he had seen Mayes and that unless the dredge was purchased at \$150,000, Mr. Mayes would send to the 'Gleaner' by special messenger, a statement damaging to the Liberal party and would himself take the platform."

**F. W. Holt, C. E., says:**

"I called upon Mr. McAvity and stated that Mr. Mayes wanted to sell the dredge and would take one hundred and fifty-three thousand four hundred dollars and that if the purchase was made Mr. Mayes would withdraw all suits and give up all notes and cheques and notes and photographs thereof otherwise Mr. Mayes said he would make public damaging statements and take the platform himself."

**Percy W. Thomson, says:**

"Mayes said he would not sell for less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or he would let matters take their course. He said the papers were all ready to serve, and unless he heard from me to the contrary within a few hours, the declaration of the suits would be forwarded by special messenger to Fredericton for filing and published in the 'Gleaner.'" Mr. Thomson also says: "When I called upon Mr. Moore I stated to him the whole effect of the story as detailed by Mr. Mayes, which was that there would be an exposure injurious to the Minister and to the party unless the dredge was bought right away. I had been informed by Mr. Mayes that a payment of two thousand dollars had been made by him to the Minister, and I understood it was after he became Minister of Public Works."

**Hon. Wm. Pugsley, says: "Mr. Mayes is a blackmailer, and I am prepared to meet any charges he may make against me."**

The force of these statements, the manner in which they agree, the standing of the men who make them, all point irresistibly to Mayes' guilt.

**No wonder the Mayes' plot and Premier Hazen's blunder (or worse) in using it for political purposes, have wrecked the Conservative party here on the eve of election.**

**Outlook for Liberal Success in St. John  
Constituencies Was Never Better Since  
the Brightest Days of Mr. Blair—Both  
Conservative Candidates Will be Badly  
Beaten—Mayes Charges Have Killed  
All Hope.**

Election talk, so far as the St. John constituencies are concerned, has come down to a question of the majorities Hon. William Pugsley and James Pender will have next Monday.

The progressive programme of the Liberal party and its candidates was good enough in itself to carry St. John city and the county in the year of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's undiminished prestige.

With the minister of public works leading the fight in New Brunswick, with the knowledge of what he has already done for the city and the province, and with the general realization that St. John's future depends upon carrying forward the great programme of public improvements, it may be said that there was no actual doubt as to the result of the contest as soon as the Liberal convention named Mr. Pender as Dr. Pugsley's running mate.

But in addition to all these things a new element was injected into the campaign by the Mayes conspiracy. Mayes was given official recognition by Premier Hazen without the slightest hesitation, and no sooner had the Conservative party thus made common cause with the guilty contractor and his confederates than the whole Mayes plot was exposed completely and Mayes was denounced as a blackmailer by Dr. Pugsley and several other witnesses whose testimony carries conviction.

Today nobody questions but what the result of the whole Mayes business has been to immensely strengthen the Liberal party, not only in the St. John constituencies but throughout New Brunswick.

From the first there has been a split in the Conservative forces over Mayes, and only the parties still pretend to believe that Mr. Hazen was justified in lending his sanction to the conspiracy.

Work in the wards throughout the city and in the parishes has shown clearly that many men who are supporters of the Conservative cause will vote the Liberal ticket this time because of the plot against the minister of public works.

Beyond all this, the Liberals on this occasion have the solid support of the great independent voters in St. John whose first interest is to promote the growth and welfare of the winter port. The independent voters see that after Pugsley and Pender are elected the work of rebuilding the port will go steadily forward, and that prosperity will be the result. These voters see that they cannot support Daniel and MacIsaac without voting against the vital interests of St. John.

The Liberal candidates thus have not only the united strength of the Liberal party, which on this occasion is unanimous and enthusiastic but they have also the independent vote and the silent support of a great number of Conservatives who draw the line at conspiracy and blackmail.

The coming meetings have never been so largely attended or the organization so complete and in such good working order since 1900, when Hon. A. G. Blair was elected by 1,000 majority. The workers are convinced that they are laboring on the winning side and on every hand are meeting with encouragement. The Liberal cause was booming everywhere before

the advent of the Mayes conspiracy and its complete exposure has added many Conservatives to the Liberal ranks.

The voters, too, are fully alive to what St. John as a city has to gain by sending two Liberals, one of whom is the minister of public works, back to Ottawa. Even the hide-bound Conservatives concede that there is no hope of defeating the Laurier government, and the folk of the city and the county in the cold shades of opposition is self-evident.

The appropriations for improvements, which, through the agency of the minister of public works, St. John has secured since he entered the cabinet, amount to no less than \$750,000. In addition to this during the last session, the government has been committed to the policy of what building in the harbor of St. John, which will lead to development in port facilities beyond anything the city could accomplish by itself. As earnest of this policy, a government contract for the extension of the Clark and Adams wharf, amounting to more than a quarter of a million dollars has already been let to D. C. Clark and this wharf will provide accommodations for two more large steamers for the winter port season of 1906.

The recent announcement of Dr. Pugsley that the competition for dredging contracts below Sand Point and in Courtenay Bay has lowered the price to about thirty-eight cents a cubic yard, as compared with previous work at ninety cents, will show that more than twice as much dredging can be done for the same amount of money. The development of Courtenay Bay has ceased to be a long hoped for possibility and from the favorable report on the borings is now actually in sight.

Among other improvements in the city as a result of Dr. Pugsley's initiative will be the erection of a modern drill hall on the barrack square and the plan of the purchase of the southern side of Sheffield street and a conversion of the property into a park. While the cost will be insignificant compared with harbor development, the removal of one of the worst plague spots in the city will be welcomed and approved by every citizen who takes a pride in the city's welfare.

A site for the erection of repair shops in connection with the marine and fisheries department has also been selected and an appropriation obtained for the purchase. By effecting repairs to the buoys and other apparatus in St. John, employment will be given to a large number of men to the general benefit of the town.

With the knowledge that these improvements are either actually arranged for or have been given appropriations for, it is little wonder that many hundreds of citizens are sinking all claims of party and devoting their energies to the election of Dr. Pugsley and Mr. Pender.

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**MORE REASONS WHY CROCKETT  
WILL BE DEFEATED BY BROWN**

Fredericton, Oct. 18.—If there is one county in New Brunswick which the Conservatives felt quite sure of carrying, it was the County of York. This state of affairs lasted until Mr. Brown made his appearance on the scene and he had not been a week on his canvass, before it was evident that a great change had taken place in the attitude of the electors.

An old campaigner, who has seen many elections in York County, makes the statement that Mr. Brown is the best canvasser that he ever saw. Certainly he has made marvelous progress during the past two weeks. Everywhere he has shown himself he has been well received, because the people of York recognize in a man who themselves, a farmer boy and a man who is in every way a credit to the county in which he was born.

The County of York has in times past been represented by men of character and ability, who were above the small tricks of the politician. Mr. Crockett certainly has not added to his reputation by his conduct in the House of Commons and there does not seem to be any good reason why he should be sent there again, anything which would benefit the county of York. His opposition has been of that character, that he deserves no favors from the government, which will be sustained by a larger majority than before. Mr. Crockett's canvass, when he was elected in 1904, was based on what was called the fish-hook. He stated then that the Grand Trunk Pacific would never be built. The people now can see how grossly he deceived them or deceived himself. If he really believed what he stated on the hustings, the people of York have every reason to suppose the present government and they will return Mr. Brown on the 26th inst. by a handsome majority.

It is quite impossible for him to do anything which would benefit the county of York. He is certainly very remarkable that Mr. Crockett never discovered any of the wrongs of the Liberal party until Mr. Blair became a member of the Dominion cabinet. It is therefore quite clear that Crockett's canvass, when he was elected in 1904, was based on a very elastic nature and that the personal question controls his politics far more than any question of principle. That being so, the electors of York, should they choose him for their representative, can never be certain that he will remain faithful to them, if his own personal interests come into collision with his alleged principles.

It is pretty well understood that when Mr. Crockett was nominated by the Conservatives in 1904, nobody believed that he would be elected. Certainly the men who nominated him did not think he had any chance of carrying York as their favorite son on that occasion. It was thought that by nominating Mr. Crockett the party would be able to get rid of him, but the result turned out quite different from what they expected. Mr. MeLeod instead of being a member for Ottawa was had to be content with receiving a nomination for the local house and of being appointed solicitor-general, an office which has so small a salary attached to it that any lawyer who has any practice, must suffer a dead loss by receiving it.

"Please turn on the tap."—Hon. George E. Foster.

to a single administrative act of the Laurier government which had aided the prosperity of the country, he had emphasis upon the two great causes of that prosperity, the influx of population and the wise fiscal policy. In the former connection he showed clearly how the eastern factories had benefited by the influx of the 1,200,000 into the Canadian west. How it had meant the bringing into Canada of millions of dollars for investment and how the tide of emigration from north to south, which existed prior to 1896, had been converted into one from south to north.

As regards the fiscal policy the premier laid emphasis upon the benefits of the preferential tariff which had not only aided our commerce to a wonderful degree but had also proved a bond of union and an inspiration to the whole empire. His illustration of the Transvalva's preference as a proof of this was couched in one of his most eloquent passages. In conclusion he appealed to the people of Canada for support because his government had raised Canada to a position among the nations, an autonomous nation within the British Empire, and asked that he be allowed to continue his work of nation-building and uniting all races and creeds as he had done since 1896.



SLANDERS RECOIL ON CONSERVATIVES; GREAT LIBERAL VICTORY NOW ASSURED IN CITY AND PROVINCE

GREAT FREDERICTON MEETING FORESHADOWS BIG LIBERAL VICTORY

Opera House Packed to Doors to Hear Brown and Logan

No Such Enthusiasm Seen at Capital in Years as Candidate Scored Point After Point Against Crockett and His Pretensions—Chatham Turns Out En Masse to Hear Loggie Shatter False Canvasses—Patrons of Industry to Support Laurier Government.

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 16.—The Liberal mass meeting at the Opera House this evening, addressed by Candidate Brown and Hance Logan, M.P., of Cumberland, N. S., was beyond all doubt the greatest political demonstration ever held here by either party. The Liberals of Fredericton have not in the past been much given to cheering, but this evening they simply lost all control of themselves in great outbursts of enthusiasm.

During the election campaign of four years ago, when R. L. Beeden visited Fredericton and although the Conservatives were then fighting a winning battle, so far as this constituency was concerned, his meeting in point of numbers and enthusiasm was no comparison with that of this evening.

Mr. Logan arrived on the St. John train and was driven directly to the Opera House by automobile. The Opera House was packed almost to suffocation and hundreds of people were unable to gain admittance.

Mr. Logan's speech was one of the most magnificent political addresses ever listened to in this city. He spoke for an hour and a half, and scores of people were standing in aisles, not a single person left the hall.

Mr. Logan showed in plain language that the Tory campaign of slanders was inaugurated merely for the purpose of covering up the splendid record of the government during the past twelve years. He paid an eloquent tribute to the statesmanship of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and urged the electorate to continue him in power another twelve years that he might finish his great work of nation building.

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CHEERING CROWDS HEAR PUGSLEY TELL HOW HE IS BUILDING A GREATER ST. JOHN

Wharves Below Sand Point; a Deep Harbor Channel; Courtenay Bay Busy Shipping Place

Marine Repair Shops to Be Established Here; Armory to Be Erected on Barrack Square, and South Side of Sheffield Street Wiped Out to Make a Park—Shattered Scandals Again Aply Dealt With by Minister at Rousing Meetings in Victoria Ward and North End.

Cheered by hundreds at rousing meetings in Victoria ward rooms and in the new Temple of Honor hall in North End last night, Hon. Wm. Pugsley again showed the electors of St. John the vast difference between the broad statesmanlike utterances which grace the Liberal campaign platform and the low, malicious, slanderous speeches to which those who attend Conservative meetings in the campaign have listened to.

The minister, accounting to the people for his carrying out the duties imposed on him as their representative, showed that he had secured \$700,000 appropriation for wharves, dredging, and Courtenay Bay wharf which was to lead to a busy shipping place on the eastern side of St. John and the terminus of the great G. T. P. railway.

He added, too, a cheering prospect of further benefit which he has forwarded for the benefit of the country and the constituency he represents—the Army Barrack square, the southern side of Sheffield street, to be made a park, and marine repair shops established here.

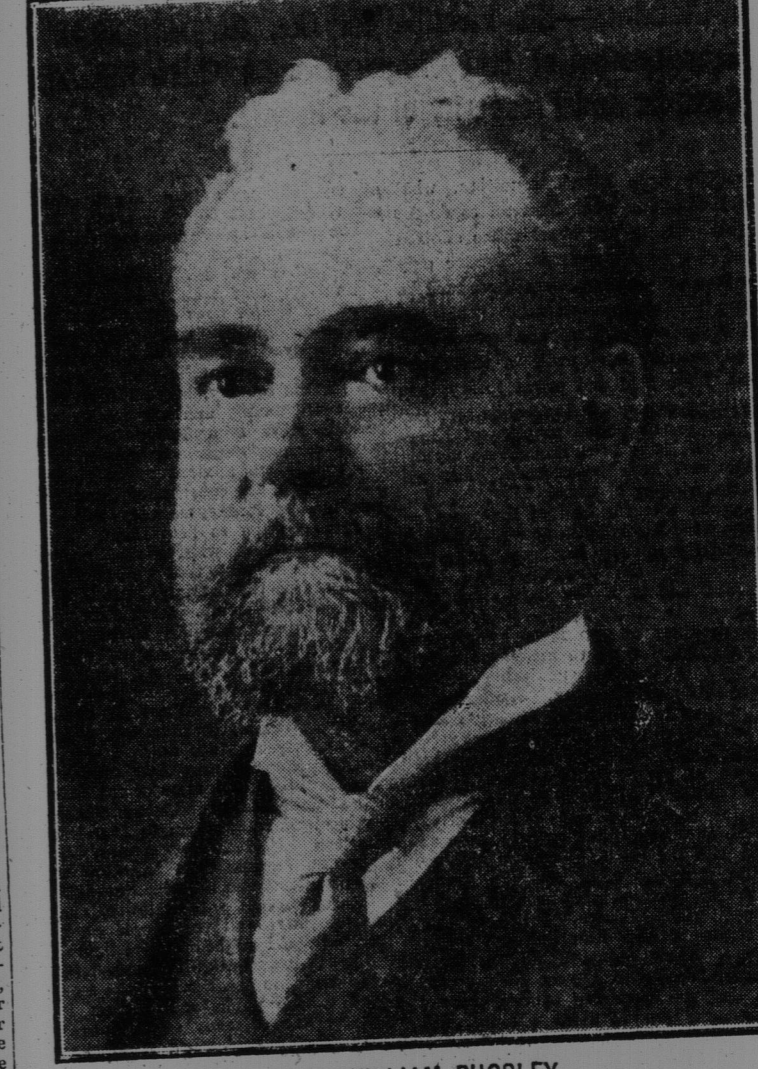
Dealing again with the slanderous charges levelled at him, Hon. Mr. Pugsley defended himself and again dealt with the Mayes-Baxter propaganda of blackmail and, most heartily applauded, showed how and at what cost he had secured the public works department at St. John, and how he had secured the dredging tender in open competition with another firm and quite in accordance with the procedure of the department.

He cited the immigration and transportation policies, and spoke particularly of the government's policy of developing St. John. The speaker went on to tell of the winter port of Canada if he returned Hon. Mr. Blair to power and the people of St. John would have an opportunity to see the advantage of votes.

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SEND HIM TO OTTAWA WITH TWELVE STURDY LIBERALS AT HIS BACK



HON. WILLIAM PUGSLEY.

MAYES AND HIS TAX BILL, OR WHAT IT MEANS TO HAVE A "PULL" IN THE RIGHT QUARTER

The Famous Dredge Assessed at \$25,000, Though Mayes Says it is Worth \$160,000—He Pays Taxes on \$29,000 in All—He and Baxter the Prize Philanthropists.

The following table shows how G. S. Mayes is assessed for city taxes:

Table with columns: Year, Real, Personal, Income, Taxed, County, City, Total Taxes. Rows for 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908.

G. S. Mayes and his friend Ald. Baxter, the "boss" of the Common Council, have been working together for a long time.

How does it happen that Mayes, who wanted to sell his dredge for \$100,000, and who owns shares, a tugboat, shares in steamers, and real estate, and who has made an immense profit out of dredging, pays only \$338 in taxes?

How does Mayes account for it? Is this what is called a "pull"? Doesn't it suggest that Mayes and Baxter are a pair of philanthropists? Where does the city come in?

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CARVELL WILL MEET FOWLER ON HIS OWN TERMS

Sussex, Oct. 18.—The terms of the joint debate between Frank B. Carvell and George W. Fowler in the rink here Tuesday night have been arranged at last. This is due, however, to Mr. Carvell's willingness to meet Mr. Fowler upon any basis.

WARD MEETINGS LIKE PUBLIC GATHERINGS

Hon. Mr. Pugsley was enthusiastically cheered as he entered the hall and when he arose to address the audience, the minister referred to the fact that in this campaign one could hardly tell a Liberal committee meeting from a public gathering.

NEW SMELT FISHING REGULATIONS ADOPTED

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 16.—The existing regulations in regard to the smelt fishing have been rescinded and the following substituted:

DREDGE SECURED FOR ST. JOHN RIVER WORK

Much Needed Digging at Shampers and Dunham's Wharves Will Start at Once.

FINE MEETING AT FREDERICTON JUNCTION

Hon. H. A. McKeown and Senator King Rally in Liberal Interest

CHATHAM ASSAULT CASE

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 16.—(Special).—The trial of William Mariner was begun today. Dr. Loggie testified to dressing the wounds inflicted on Neil Black.

Laurier is sure of an immense majority. Keep St. John and New Brunswick in line with the government that is building up Canada. Note for growth and prosperity. Down with the slanderers.

LET THE BALLOTS REVEAL THE PARTY OF CONSPIRACY; VOTE FOR LAURIER, PUGSLEY, PEIDER, AND GREATER ST. JOHN

WHAT DR. McALISTER HAS DONE FOR KINGS-ALBERT

Daily Mail Services Secured to Many Places and New Routes Opened

Public Wharves Will Be Erected in Several Places—Much-needed Dredging in St. John River Now a Certainty—His Election on Oct. 26 Will Mean the Inauguration of Many Improvements Which Will Add to Comfort and Prosperity of the People.

Sir,—To reply to the question, what have I done and what I intend to do for Kings-Albert, in the short space allotted me is well high impossible. I have only been in a position less than three months to urge the accomplishment of things necessary for the comfort and convenience of the people, but even in that brief period, I am glad and proud to say that many improvements in the public services necessary in the united counties of Kings and Albert, have been brought to my attention and have been made. Let me enumerate a few of them.

A public wharf talked of for years as necessary for Rothesay is now a certainty. The land for the site has been purchased, the plans for the structure have been completed and in a few days work will begin.

The dredging on the Kennebecasis has been continued so as to make the upper and shallow channels navigable at all seasons as far as Hampton. Similar work will be done to deepen the Gray Island channel and to make the approaches to Shampers and Dunham's wharves so that steamers can get to either of them at the lowest water.

While I am writing about this part of the country, let me refer to the daily mail service begun Oct. 1st, from Clifton to Grey's Mills and the intermediate office, Moss Glen, Centreton, Walton's Lake and Long Reach. I, born and brought up and working all my life in the country, can appreciate what a daily mail means to the people.

Mr. Editor, I might speak of lighthouses that are necessary, of the improvements in the condition and hours of the men employed in the public service that I will work for and of many other things that often occur to me when moving among the people, but your space and their patience are limited. All I ask is the power, and I will do the rest.

Sincerely yours, D. H. McALISTER.

GREAT WELCOME TO DR. PUGSLEY

Two Thousand People Greet Him at Big Amherst Meeting

Minister of Public Works' Reference to Tory Plot Against Him and Its Failure Brought Forth Storm of Applause—Praised Logan's Good Work in Parliament in Regard to British Preference—Cumberland Will Vote for Laurier and Prosperity.

Amherst, N.S., Oct. 17.—Seldom in the history of this town has there been a more magnificent political demonstration than that held in Aberdeen Rink this evening in the interests of J. Layton Ralston, the Liberal candidate. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, minister of public works, arrived in Amherst on the C.P.R. and was met at the station by a host of enthusiastic Liberals, who gave him a royal welcome to the manufacturing centre of the Maritime provinces.

Although Saturday was pay day and the stores all kept open until a late hour, yet fully 2,000 people crowded in the rink the largest building in the town, to hear the issues of the day discussed. At 7:45 the Amherst military band headed a procession composed of hundreds of stalwart Liberals from the Terrace hotel, where Dr. Pugsley and H. J. Logan had their headquarters to the house of speaking.

George T. Douglas, assistant manager of the Rhodes Curry Company and president of the Young Men's Liberal club, occupied the chair, in his opening remarks, he referred to the fact that Mr. Ralston, the Liberal candidate, was the greatest man in Canada who was contesting a seat in this election and although one of the youngest, he was one of the brainiest and best. He paid a tribute to the work of the Liberal party in Cumberland and on behalf of the Liberals of Amherst, he extended a cordial welcome to Dr. Pugsley to the town.

Dr. Pugsley was then introduced and the reception he received was one of which any public man might well be proud. He was cheered and again, and it was some minutes before he could make himself heard by the vast audience. He expressed regret that owing to the strenuous campaign work his voice was not in such condition as he would desire, and was afraid that he could not make himself heard by the entire audience. He was in sympathy with the remarks made by Rev. Mr. Ramsay with regard to the sacredness of the ballot, and it was the Liberal party that placed on the statute books the stringent election laws and the efforts of the great premier of the Liberal party, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, to lift the discussion of public issues to a higher level.

Dr. Pugsley referred to the miserable falsehood, deliberately permitted to be published, regarding the date of the note given him by Mayes, which note was made in 1905, two years before the speaker had been elected to parliament, and at a time when he was acting as solicitor for Mr. Mayes.

When you remember the absolute knowledge these men had of the date of the note, you will see what a diabolical outrage was perpetrated on me," said Dr. Pugsley.

LIBERALS PUT DETECTIVES AT WORK

St. John Executive Make Every Endeavor to Have Elections Strictly Within Law

LETTER FROM CHAIRMAN

John Keeffe Notifies John B. M. Baxter, Chairman of Conservative Executive, That Liberals Will Conduct a Clean Election, and Will Have Detectives Placed in the Field.

The Liberals have committed themselves to carry on the approaching election fairly and honestly and in accord with the dominion election law and have therefore employed detectives to watch events from now until election day. The matter is dealt with fully in the following letter:

Dear Sir—Referring to the conversation had with your committee concerning the advisability of entering into an agreement not to practice or countenance any illegal acts in connection with the election now pending, I beg to say that our executive committee has given the matter their very earnest consideration and has concluded that the methods you suggest will not be effective in producing the results required.

All that is required is to keep the law, we think, unnecessary, as the executive committee of the Liberal party in this election, with the full approval of both candidates and the leading supporters and workers of the party, has unanimously resolved and is determined to carry on the campaign strictly in accord with both the letter and spirit of the law.

Your proposal to appoint a vigilance committee to see that the law is obeyed does not appear to us practical, nor a sure way of enforcing the law. In the first place, it seems unfair to ask any of our citizens to undertake the detection of violations of the law and the prosecution of those who might be their personal friends. Apart from this, its members might be influenced by party affiliations, and thus be in danger of resorting to pressures to desist from the prosecution of violators of the law.

We shall make this public in the hope that some, who otherwise might be tempted, will now be deterred from violating the law. Very respectfully yours, JOHN KEEFFE, Chairman Executive Liberal Party.

Florenceville, N.S., October 16.—The Liberal meeting held in the new Masonic Hall, East Florenceville, on Thursday evening was largely attended and orderly attention was given to the several speakers. W. B. Morgan was the first speaker. He contrasted the policies of the two political parties and their representation in the present campaign.

F. B. Carvell, M.P., in a pleasing speech appealed to his hearers to support the present administration at Ottawa. The Laurier government has contributed to the general prosperity of Canada by its immigration and transportation policies. He stated the terms on which the National Transcontinental Railway is being constructed and lauded the project in the highest terms. Some of the alleged "sundries" charged by the opposition were pointedly answered while the Foster-Fowler episode was in for its share of condemnation.

LORNEVILLE LIBERALS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC, AND WILL GIVE PUGSLEY A ROUSING VOTE

Large Number at Hearty Rally Held on Saturday Evening

Addresses by W. B. Wallace, W. G. Pugsley, Douglas McArthur and James Lowell, M. P. P.—The Issues Gone Into and Points Made for the Government Bring Warm Applause.

A large body of the Liberal electors of Lorneville and vicinity, turned out to hear James Lowell, M. P. P., W. B. Wallace, K. C. Wm. G. Pugsley and Douglas McArthur, discuss the issues of the campaign. At each point made by the speaker, the audience responded with a hearty applause.

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James Lowell, M.P.P., was the last speaker. After appealing for support for Hon. Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Lowell severely arraigned the local government on account of the highway and compensation bills. He went at some length into each of these, showing that they were improvements on the old measures.

The expenditures on Maritime ports at present made and contemplated will have the effect, in conjunction with the clause in the tariff which makes the preference on British goods after 1911 contingent on their coming through Canadian ports, of diverting business which is now coming through American ports to the Canadian ports of Montreal and Quebec in summer, and St. John and Halifax in winter, with enormous beneficial results to all Canadian ports. This is the most radical and effective legislation which has yet taken place for this purpose.

The goods generally imported to the western cities such as Toronto, Hamilton, London and Winnipeg from Great Britain are dry goods and high class material, the freight on which does not amount to more than two and a half per cent, or 5 per cent of their value and the preference which is one-third of the duty would be ten per cent. When the railways and terminal facilities now under construction are completed this diversion of business from American ports will once give them a large amount of business and will strongly influence freights for the same steamers that bring these goods to Canada.

For these reasons I think the people who have taken the stand to force business in favor of Canadian ports are entitled to the confidence of the business communities in Canada. Yours truly, JAMES PENDER.

SMALLPOX OUTBREAK AT EDMUNDSTON

Forty Cases Reported, But Disease Said to Be of a Mild Type.

Fredericton, N.B., Oct. 16.—There has been a serious outbreak of smallpox at Edmundston, and Dr. Fisher, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, has returned to Maryville after visiting the Madawaska county town. In all, there are about forty cases of smallpox in Edmundston, the disease having spread very rapidly when it was thought to be only chickenpox. As a result, Dr. Fisher's visit to Edmundston, a rigid quarantine has been established, and every precaution will now be taken to see that the disease is stopped from spreading, and stamped out as soon as possible. Up to date there have not been any deaths reported, and the disease is reported as not being of a very severe type. The disease is prevalent mostly among the school children. It is reported that all public gatherings have been prohibited.

CHARLOTTETOWN BOY WOUNDED BY ANOTHER WHILE HUNTING

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Oct. 18.—(Special)—This forenoon James Strin, aged eighteen years, was taken to the Charlottetown hospital suffering from a gunshot wound in the head and thigh. Eleven small shot were removed from Strin, and no serious results are expected. He was partridge hunting with several other boys near Southport, and the accidental discharging of a gun in the hands of one of the latter caused the trouble. Fortunately he was some distance from the muzzle.

TWO KILLED IN C. P. R. WRECK

Fireman Robert Johnston, of St. John, One of the Victims.

Woodstock, N.B., Oct. 17.—A shocking accident caused by a head-on collision occurred this morning on the C.P.R. near Stickey, that resulted in the loss of two lives. No. 91 train extra was coming south with the right of way, in charge of Conductor Chas. Dow, the engineer being E. B. Fisher and the fireman Neil Kendrick. It was standing on the main line, one-half mile from the siding.

Fireman Johnston was caught between the tender and the firebox and roasted alive while he pleadedly asked the trainmen to kill him and put him out of his misery. He lived but a few minutes after being extricated. One of his legs was burned off. Humphrey had both legs and back broken.

Robert B. W. Johnston, who was killed in last C.P.R. accident near Stickey Brook on Saturday, had been firing on the C.P.R. for only a short time. He is survived by his parents and five sisters; Mrs. D. C. McGregor, of Vancouver; Mrs. B. A. G. Radlock, of Carleton; Mrs. A. G. Brown, of this city, and the Misses Ethel and Kathleen at home. The funeral will take place from his late residence, 179 Paradise row this afternoon.

Youth Killed at Sydney. Sydney, N.S., Oct. 18.—(Special)—Saturday afternoon a young man named Wm. Tait, a native of Melrose, Guysboro county, had his life instantly crushed out at the Sydney Central works by a loaded train running over his body. The deceased was seventeen years old.

Hewson Tweeds advertisement. Includes image of a man in a suit and text: 'Judged from the standpoint of stylish appearance, Hewson Tweeds are simply unbeatable. The patterns are made by an expert designer from Scotland; colorings are rich, handsome and permanent; finish is soft and elegant. And they "make up" even better than they look in the piece. And wear! Well, if you've never worn Tweeds trade-marked with the Hewson oval, you have a surprise in store for you. Hewson Tweeds possess a remarkable wear-resistance because every thread is pure wool, thoroughly twisted and woven by experts on powerful looms. When buying your next suit insist on having Hewson Tweeds. Hewson Woolen Mills, Ltd. Amherst, N. S.' Also logo: 'PURE WOOL HEWSON AMHERST TWEEDS'.

Black Watch advertisement. Includes image of a watch and text: 'Men should look for this Tagon Chewing Tobacco. It guarantees the high quality of Black Watch. The Big Black Plug. 2273'.

WANTED - SPECIALIST agent of good address in town...

WANTED - Capable girl for general housework...

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WANTED - Second-class female teacher...

WANTED - Reliable and energetic man to sell...

FOR SALE - 100,000 feet iron piping, all sizes...

FOR SALE - 10 Cows, Heifers and Hay...

RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL - THE RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL OFFERS...

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OLD THINGS LOOK NEW - when they are of MAYPOLE SOAP...

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

(Continued from page 2) attend the funeral of their sister...

Miss Leontine Lapointe, of St. Anne...

Mrs. A. J. Curran, of West Branch...

Dr. H. C. Meserveau, of Moncton...

Colish has struck in near this harbor...

Partridges are reported to be plentiful...

Thomas O'Connor returned on Monday...

Charles Palmer and family have returned...

Little Miss Tena Moore is again confined...

A. J. Curran returned on Saturday...

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carson and little son...

George Jardine, of Kouchibouguac...

A pretty wedding took place at St. Margaret's...

On Tuesday Mrs. Thomas Girvan, of Galloway...

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Robinson went to St. John...

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grogan and little son...

Mr. Charles Marcell, deputy speaker of the House...

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HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Oct. 16 - Much interest was taken in this village...

The carriage house and other outbuildings of Mariner M. Tingley...

The Presbyterians of the city will meet in old Kirk next Thursday...

The death of a fatal shooting accident comes from Covered Bridge...

The friends of Mrs. Isabelle Lyons, widow of William Lyons...

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TORY VICTORY MEANS DEATH KNELL OF BRITISH PREFERENCE

Ontario Woolen Manufacturers Principal Agitators for Abolition of Great Boon to Canadians.

Fredricton, Oct. 18 (Special) - One of the features of the present campaign...

It is therefore with some astonishment that the people of York have seen Mr. Hazen...

Trade follows the flag and if the flag is changed we cannot expect to see the trade with Great Britain...

On the other hand, the effects of the preferential tariff...

When the effects of a tariff policy such as the preferential one...

On the night of October 8th she arrived in Moncton...

Chief of Police Rideout went to Amherst and went down the wharf track...

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THE BORDER TOWNS

St. Stephen, Oct. 18 - On Wednesday last Mr. and Mrs. William Todd entertained...

The ladies of the old society of Christ church are preparing for the evening of Nov. 13...

Miss Edith and Lolla McVey are visiting their sister...

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CURES Inside Pills - A sneeze - a sniffle - a cold in the head...

Johnson's ANODYNE Liniment - taken on your will work wonders...

MARINE JOURNAL - Port of St. John, ARRIVED, Thursday, Oct. 15...

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MARINE JOURNAL - Port of St. John, ARRIVED, Tuesday, Oct. 20...

MARINE JOURNAL - Port of St. John, ARRIVED, Wednesday, Oct. 21...

Spoken - Ship Arvan, from Baltimore for San Pedro...

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PERCY THOMSON GIVES STILL FURTHER PROOF OF GUILT OF MAYES

Affidavit of Mr. Thomson Throws More Light on the Blackmailing Tactics of the Man Who Tried to Ruin Dr. Pugsley--The Threats He Made--He Was in a Hurry, Too.

The circle of evidence that Mayes tried to blackmail Hon. Mr. Pugsley into buying his dredge at an exorbitant price was completed yesterday by an affidavit from Percy W. Thomson. Thus Mr. Thomson, John E. Moore, George McAvity, Hon. C. J. Osman, P. W. Holt and Hon. William Pugsley all unite in exposing the Mayes plot and they agree absolutely as to the essential features of it. Mr. Thomson's affidavit follows:--

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, City and County of Saint John: I, Percy W. Thomson, of the City of Saint John, in the city and county of Saint John and Province of New Brunswick, shipping merchant, do solemnly declare and say:--

I, that on the afternoon of October seventh Mr. J. B. M. Baxter called at my office on professional business not in any way connected with Mr. Mayes, and after we had finished our business the question of the Mayes' dredge was brought up. I knew Mr. Baxter was solicitor for Mr. Mayes, and he knew that Mr. Mayes had discussed his story of his dredging troubles with me several times. Mr. Baxter stated that nothing had come of the negotiations with the minister for the sale of the dredge. I said it was too bad to have any trouble, meaning too bad to have an exposure such as Mr. Mayes had previously intimated to me would take place unless the sale was made. I asked Mr. Baxter what Mr. Mayes would take for the dredge. He said he understood about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, but I had better take that up with Mr. Mayes, from which I inferred that a counter-offer might be entertained. Mr. Baxter told me I could see the minister (meaning Hon. Dr. Pugsley) and Mr. Moore, and later that same afternoon I called upon Mr. Moore, and decided I would call upon the minister. I did not again see Mr. Baxter or communicate with him upon the subject. When I called upon Mr. Moore I stated to him the whole effect of the story as detailed by Mr. Mayes, which was that there would be an exposure injurious to the minister and to the party unless the dredge was bought right away. I had been informed by Mr. Mayes that a payment of two thousand dollars had been made by him to the minister, and I understood that it was after he became Minister of Public Works. After I stated the matter to Mr. Moore, he stated to me there was nothing in it, that the alleged payment to the minister was absolutely false, as it was made two years before he was a minister and for professional services. Mr. Moore said that, apart from politics, he would purchase the dredge personally at a fair price after he had put his inspector on it to see what was there, and I then decided that I would carry the message to Mr. Baxter and then drop out of it, but I did not again see Mr. Baxter. The next day Mr. Mayes called and asked if I had seen the minister, and I replied that I had not, but that I could get an offer for his dredge at what he was worth from a business concern. Mr. Mayes asked how much I could get, and I stated that the proposed purchaser had informed me that the dredge had cost sixty-five thousand dollars, and the offer would be somewhat near that--which Mr. Mayes said was incorrect, that the scows and equipment had cost more than that, and anyway he would not sell for less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and he would let matters take their course. He said the papers were all ready to serve, and unless he heard from me to the contrary within a few hours, the declaration of the suits would be forwarded by special messenger to Fredericton for filing and published in the Gleaner. I then told him that I wasn't apparently of any use in an ordinary business way in selling dredges and I would drop out. I then transmitted Mr. Mayes' message to Mr. Moore, and informed him that the best thing I could do was to drop out of it, as I did not like the business, and I further say that I never saw the minister or spoke to him upon the subject. And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing it to be of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared to before me at the City of Saint John, in the County of Saint John and Province of New Brunswick, this sixteenth day of October, A. D. Before me, S. A. M. SKINNER, A Commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court.

Beaver Flour advertisement. A bag of flour--it's all the same. The same choice Ontario and Manitoba wheat--milled the same--and blended in exactly the same proportions. That is why Beaver Flour always gives the same results--and is always the best for Bread and Pastry.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLER PREDICTS LIBERAL SWEEP. Hartland, N.B., Oct. 15--James Reid, the well known traveller, was in town today. Mr. Reid lives in Halifax, and speaking to your correspondent today he said that he had not a particle of doubt that Borden would lose his seat there, and he further stated that Liberals in that city were freely offering odds on wagers that Borden would be low man on the Halifax ticket. In the last election Mr. Reid, who is a man of even judgment, accurately foretold the result of the election in this province. Today he was asked to give a forecast and said: "I have been all over the province on a hurried trip, but it is certain that Restigouche, Gloucester, Kent, Northumberland, Westmorland, St. John city and county, Queens-Sunbury, Carleton, and Victoria-Madawaska will ring in victorious. The hardest fought battle," said Mr. Reid, "is that now on in Carleton. I've no doubt of the Conservative victory in the least, but the Conservatives are tremendously in earnest. The doubtful counties are Kings-Albert, York and Charlotte. There are no signs of Liberal spirit in Charlotte; McAlister is gaining ground; and in York Crockett is having the fight of his life."

A CONSERVATIVE PAPER DEALS FRANKLY WITH GEORGE E. FOSTER

Now, who is hitting Mr. Foster below the belt? Among his most vigorous critics are The Montreal Star and The Toronto News, both strong supporters of Mr. Borden. Here is what The News said on April 15, 1907:-- "The course of the Conservative opposition at Ottawa, in relation to the insurance commission's indictment of Mr. Foster, must have received little consideration before its adoption, or else the political instinct had been completely obscured by mistaken ideas of party loyalty. The defence of Mr. Foster was too great even for a strong government. The published evidence of the insurance commission would have attempted his defence in view of the findings and the published evidence of the insurance report. No government could afford to undertake such a defence; much less could the Conservative opposition, which has not even yet recovered from the debacle of 1896, and in which the process of coalescence is curiously slow. "Instead of letting the affair rest with Mr. Foster's statement to the house, the opposition rushed to the rescue of the ex-finance minister, and incidentally made a singularly bad job of it. But the task was an ungracious task, an impossible task. The vehement denunciation of the insurance commission by the same opposition which insisted upon its appointment is a curious illustration of how partisan struggles obscure that clear political vision and presence which are necessary above all to an opposition. "The speeches of the opposition in the house of commons denouncing the commission which insisted upon its appointment were singularly ineffective and unconvincing. They did not convince the house; they did not convince the Conservative party; and we are quite sure they did not convince the country. The result, however, has been to impose an added burden on the Conservative party--a burden which we believe the party will refuse to carry. It has left a too well-grounded suspicion that however censorious the opposition may be of wrong-doing or scandal on the government side, it is not only content to harbor a political Achan in its own camp, but too ready to bluster that he is without a blemish. Even less than a government can an opposition afford to be lax in these things. If an opposition denounces wrong-doing amongst its opponents, and condemns wrong-doing amongst its own members, the public grows more and more deaf to its arraignment of government inefficiency or dishonesty, and more and more loyal to its sincerity and honesty and strength of purpose. "Imagine what a commotion would have arisen had Mr. George E. Foster been a member of the government. Would the opposition have come to his defence, or would the opposition orators have taken the country denouncing the cynical immorality of a government which harbored a minister whose notions of commercial honor were so beset? "In the last analysis it would have been sound policy and good politics to have recognized frankly that as an opposition leader Mr. Foster's usefulness was over. It would ultimately have strengthened Mr. Borden's hand, and made him free to deal justly with government wrong-doing. As it is, the opposition is weakened in the country, and there are signs that his own party in Mr. Foster's present constituency will reverse the policy adopted by the opposition at Ottawa. As an instance of bad politics and a fine opportunity lost through more perverseness and partisan blindness the opposition course in this connection has been unconvincing, inept, and disappointing."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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SLIPP AND WOODS LOSING GROUND.

New Jerusalem, Queens Co., N. B., October 17, 1908. To the Editor of The Telegraph:-- Sir:--I am amused by the letter in the Standard Friday, concerning a story told by Mr. E. H. McAlpine at a North End political meeting.

I must say that the letter could not have been written by a New Jerusalem Conservative, for those who hold the side of politics in this constituency are too broadminded not to enjoy a good story even if told at the expense of their party, and one of their young men.

I must say that the electors of New Jerusalem received a surer when they were asked to elect Slipp and Woods, their two provincial members while they discussed at length the McAlpine story, in fact about the only subject brought up was this and the string of a set of harness at Ben Lomond.

Mr. Woods tried to clear the Hon. Mr. Foster in the eyes of the many Foresters present, but did not succeed very well, for he left them somewhat disappointed in their past high chief ringer and local member.

Mr. Slipp did justice to his name in slipping clear of the road act, the subject of which his speech consisted of the last time he spoke in New Jerusalem. As the meeting broke up more than one of the Slipp and Woods supporters in the provincial division for those who held the side of politics in this constituency are too broadminded not to enjoy a good story even if told at the expense of their party, and one of their young men.

Yours, A NEW JERUSALEMITE.

MAYES AND BAXTER.

To the Editor of The Telegraph. Sir:--I would like to know who these two gentlemen are, viz., Messrs. Gershon Mayes and J. B. M. Baxter. The first gentleman I would like to ask if he is the one who had a bogus claim against the Conservative government for work at Pictou which his own political party would not allow, but he got it through the late Minister of Railways, Mr. A. G. Blair. At the same time, I would mention this Mr.

out the allotted task of a Federal minister for such an immense territory as Canada. If we think for one moment that every city, town and hamlet on this vast continent must have the oversight and close attention of the minister of public works, then the simplest person, if he thinks at all, must realize the great strain and the amount of effort the man who takes hold of it must perform. We can assert with sincere belief that no other man in this province or dominion can be called to the office with experience, so necessary efficient to undertake it with success. Mr. Pugsley has been appointed, workman, foreman and manager in all the different capacities he has filled, and the same can truly be said of Mr. Pender.

These men, if placed in harness for their country's guidance, will naturally follow the experience of their past lives; they will be hard workers in the public eye, and we feel assured will have the necessary vim and ambition to succeed like the late Mr. Blair, in placing our city in the fore-front of all Canada in the eyes of the Empire. This is no easy task, and can only be accomplished by daring and brainy heads who know what they are undertaking, and to say that Mr. Pugsley has done more in his short career as minister of public works is to avow a truth that can be substantiated and proved by every citizen who is acquainted with the results. Such results should assure us all that this city will be the next in line in Canada to boom as the true Liverpool of America, long promised by Conservatives, but actually realized under a Liberal government. To continue to support this kind of the Great West Land Company, a subsidiary concern, the syndicate of three turned these lands over to THE GREAT WEST LAND COMPANY AT AN ADVANCE OF FIFTY CENTS AN ACRE, OR A PROFIT OF \$100,000.

MORE THAN \$150 WAS SUBSCRIBED

St. Marys, N. B., Oct. 16, 1908. To the Editor of The Telegraph:-- Sir:--Please let me, through your valuable paper, thank the citizens of St. John and others from different parts of the province, who have so generously responded to my appeal for the unfortunate man at Durham Bridge. Mr. A. H. Wetmore has remitted me \$100 (amount received by him up to the 16th inst.), and the fund now amounts to over \$150; in addition to this some have sent amounts directly to me. This will be sufficient for present needs and I trust that the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances. These three men, as directors of the Union Trust, were in a position to decide whether the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances. These three men, as directors of the Union Trust, were in a position to decide whether the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances. These three men, as directors of the Union Trust, were in a position to decide whether the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances.

DR. KIRKPATRICK TO FILL TORY GAP IN VICTORIA-MADAWASKA

Has Less Chance of Winning Than Col. Baker Who Saw His Finish If He Stayed in Fight. Grand Falls, N. B., Oct. 15--Dr. Kirkpatrick was nominated yesterday by the Conservatives to contest this constituency in place of Colonel Baker, who has withdrawn from the fight. After the nomination, a public meeting was held. H. A. Howell and Provincial Secretary Fleming were billed to speak, but failed to put in an appearance. Ald. Pickett was substituted. The alderman was somewhat shaky throughout, and F. J. Murphy, of St. John, was asked for a number of pointed questions. Mr. Murphy gained the favor of the audience and was warmly applauded.

Little doubt exists in the minds of the electors here that Pius Michael, the Liberal standard bearer, will be returned and that Dr. Kirkpatrick will lose his deposit.

WHO SHOULD REPRESENT THE CITY?

To the Editor of The Telegraph. Sir:--If our citizens desire to see the position nature has designated for her they should carefully consider who are the men to represent the city. If we vote for inexperienced men who are only apprentices in the science of government, we risk our daily bread. If we vote for men of ability and real experience we shall bring plenty to our doors and be doing that which will place work in our hands, ensure us a decent living.

Messrs. Pugsley and Pender are known as workers of the hardest kind; it is well known they are not lazy men. They spring from workers, and as such have both been successful in whatever they undertook to do, and they will not fail us in the serious work they will have to perform if elected.

Very few men are capable of carrying

THE SYNDICATE OF THREE

(Toronto News.) The disclosures in connection with the use of Union Trust Company funds for speculation in Western lands are startling in the extreme. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME EXCEEDINGLY DIRTY TRANS-ACTIONS BROUGHT TO LIGHT BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSION. IT IS A QUESTION, HOWEVER, WHETHER ANYTHING MORE GROSSLY IMPROPER HAS BEEN REVEALED THAN THE ACTION OF THE THREE DIRECTORS OF THE UNION TRUST COMPANY, MESSRS. MCGILLIVRAY, FOSTER AND WILSON. Rufus H. Pope, ex-M.P., G. W. Fowler, M.P., W. H. Bennett, M.P., and A. A. Letourgey, M.P., held an option on 200,000 acres of Western land, a syndicate composed of Col. John A. McGillivray, Supreme Secretary of the Independent Order of Foresters, HON. GEORGE E. FOSTER, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE UNION TRUST COMPANY, and Matthew Wilson, K. C., the company's solicitor, all directors of the Union Trust Company, arranged to take over these lands at \$4.50 an acre. Then this syndicate interested the Union Trust Company in the lands. This was easily done, for those three men, with Hon. Sir John Boyd, whom they appear to have deceived and used as a tool, were a majority of the Union Trust directors. For the better handling of the lands, the Union Trust (really these three directors) formed the Great West Land Company, a subsidiary concern. The syndicate of three turned these lands over to THE GREAT WEST LAND COMPANY AT AN ADVANCE OF FIFTY CENTS AN ACRE, OR A PROFIT OF \$100,000. That is, three directors of the Trust Company sold lands to the Trust Company at a personal profit. The formation of the Great West Land Company, to take over these lands, and the manner in which it was financed are interesting. As has come out in evidence, practically the whole financial capital of the Great West Land Company was in the shape of money loaned to it by the Union Trust. Again notice the hand of the three directors. As directors of the Trust Company they made a loan of nearly \$1,000,000 to the Great West Land Company to take over their lands. The Union Trust had an option to take either stock or security for its advances. These three men, as directors of the Union Trust, were in a position to decide whether the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances. These three men, as directors of the Union Trust, were in a position to decide whether the company should take stock or mortgage security for its advances.

Mr. Borden's Dilemma

The most significant rebuke came from The Daily Star of Montreal. Again and again that friendly journal warned Mr. Borden against the suicidal policy of retaining Mr. Foster as a leader in the party. The view of that life-long advocate of the Conservative cause is expressed in an editorial from its issues of Wednesday, published on another page of The Globe. Its sympathies are plainly with Mr. Borden, but not with the Star nor any other intelligent observer can ignore the utter fatuousness of Mr. Borden's campaign, clamoring as he does, with or without reason, against wrong-doing. This is indeed the chief disappointment of the present campaign. Mr. Borden, in this rapid descent to the level of the scandal-mongers of his party, has seriously injured his reputation as a possible leader of the Government at any time. These others, Mr. Foster, Mr. Fowler, Mr. Bennett, and their ilk, may be defeated, but Mr. Borden will have to bear the burden of their offences, because he has approved of their conduct. And the Montreal Star touches the nerve of the situation when it points out that the Opposition leader, who cannot hold his men in check and keep them uncorrupted, is already discounted as a prospective leader of the Government.

Francis & Vaughan advertisement. WHERE AMHERST MAKE EXCELS. KIP, LONG LEG HAND-MADE BOOTS. GRAIN, LONG LEG HAND-MADE BOOTS, in Fishermen's Tongue Boot and 21 inch leg. CALF, LONG LEG HAND-MADE BOOTS. KIP TACED BOOTS, 10 in. 16.5. WATERPROOF GRAIN, LACED BOOTS, 9 in. legs. WATERPROOF GRAIN, LACED BOOTS, 7 in. leg. Every pair made of selected stock, for our retail trade, and we carry a full assortment. Open every evening. FRANCIS & VAUGHAN 19 KING STREET

FACTS FOR ALL FORESTERS SAND 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:

Age	Old Rate	New Rate	Age	Old Rate	New Rate	Age	Old Rate	New Rate
23	.65	.95	31	.73	1.37	40	.88	2.15
24	.66	1.00	32	.74	1.45	41	.90	2.28
25	.67	1.05	33	.75	1.50	42	.92	2.42
26	.68	1.10	34	.76	1.57	43	.95	2.51
27	.69	1.16	35	.78	1.65	44	.98	2.64
28	.70	1.21	36	.80	1.72	45	1.02	2.76
29	.71	1.26	37	.82	1.81	46	1.07	2.80
30	.72	1.32	38	.84	1.91	47	1.14	2.81
			39	.86	2.03	48	1.22	2.88

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