

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

British Press Confident of His Return to Power.

The London Standard, the leading Conservative newspaper in Britain, in an editorial on the Dominion elections, says: "We may be sure that the general success which has attended Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy and his personal eminence will count for much with his fellow-countrymen."

PARTRIDGE ISLAND WATER.

The Facts of the Case Plainly Stated.

In regard to the statements made at the meeting of the Board of Water and Sewerage Wednesday afternoon, about the delivery of water at Partridge Island, Messrs. Wm. Thomson & Co. on being interviewed stated that the revenue they received from water for the Partridge Island quarantine station during the past twelve months was under \$310. The Messrs. Thomson do not get this water for nothing, but buy it from Mr. James Knox, who in turn purchases it from the city, the quantity being registered by the city's meter.

Canada is with Laurier. Every province will give him a majority. Vote for McKeown and O'Brien and help in the procession.

She—"Oh, I would have given anything to have had it!" He—"Well, why didn't you buy it?" She—"The idea. They wanted two dollars for it."

SOME STRONG POINTS.

St. John's Interests Properly Safeguarded.

The Opposition Cry About Portland, Maine, a Reflection on Canadian Loyalty.

At the big public meeting in Fortville on Tuesday evening Col. H. McLean very greatly impressed the audience with some of the points made by him. He brought before them the principal clauses in the G. T. P. scheme, especially clauses 42 and 43. He followed this up by showing what remedies the government had in law if the G. T. P. did not carry out its agreement to the fullest extent; and on that point he forcibly spoke to the effect that any government in Canada could not exist one session if it would permit the G. T. P. to carry wheat from the West to Portland, Maine. He did not believe that there is a Canadian who would prefer Portland, Maine, to St. John; and it would be necessary for the Western Canadian shipper to give specific instructions to the G. T. P. to ship his goods through Portland, Maine—understanding that the contract provides that equal rates of freight are to be charged to Canadian ports as would be charged to Portland, Maine; as to the slightest deviation for the opposition cry.

OPPOSITION CRY IMPLIES CANADIAN DISLOYALTY.

He (McLean) did not believe that any Canadian would be so disloyal to his country as to give such instructions. (Cheers.) If there was such a person or firm in Canada that would deliberately direct goods to be sent to Portland, Maine, instead of to St. John—the rates being equal—the sentiment of the community in which he lived would make it impossible for him either to continue in business or live there. (Great cheering.) And yet it is upon such disloyalty on the part of Canadians that Mr. Borden and his conservative friends place their hopes in this contest. (Cheers.) Dr. Stockton asked:

HOW CAN THE GOVERNMENT ENFORCE THIS CONTRACT?

He (McLean) would answer that the agreement provides distinctly that if the Grand Trunk Pacific should in any way break the conditions of the contract the government can:

First—Seize under the mortgage \$5,000,000 of the rolling stock of the Eastern section;

Second—Can bring action in the Exchequer Court for the amount of loan and damages;

Third—Can go to the Exchequer Court and ask for decree to have the whole system of the Grand Trunk put on the market and sold. (Applause.)

Thus the Grand Trunk would lose, first, the rolling stock on the Western section, \$15,000,000, and the rolling stock on the Eastern section, \$5,000,000; and, second, the very great expenditure on the Western and mountain sections.

And yet the opposition undertakes to deceive the electors by saying that the interests of the Maritime ports are not sufficiently safeguarded. (Cheers.) Col. McLean then referred to the fact that by Mr. Borden's scheme the railway would stop at Moncton. Mr. McLean was to be utilized from there. Mr. McLean gave the distance from Moncton to Chaudiere as 383 miles; by the G. T. P. the distance by the L. C. R. is 577 miles; in favor of St. John by the Central route, 194 miles. (Applause.)

We have the statement made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the Toronto speech that during the winter months the freight will go to St. John. (Cheers.) Mr. Borden, it is true, states that if he obtains power and if in the future a new road is required it may be built. By the government policy the road through New Brunswick will be built within five years and work will be commenced immediately. (Cheers.)

WHAT IT MEANS TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

We want this work done in order that St. John and the province of New Brunswick will receive the benefit of the large expenditure that will be made. (Cheers.) It is estimated that the cost of the section from Moncton to Chaudiere will be \$54,600,000. Two-thirds of this will be spent in the province of New Brunswick—(applause)—and our manufacturers, iron workers, lumbermen, shippers of lumber, and in fact all our local industries, will receive the benefit of this expenditure, and the workman will not have the dust thrown into his eyes by the opposition cry to attempt to dwarf the importance of this tremendous expenditure. (Cheers.)

THE SUN'S INCONSISTENCY.

The Sun newspaper in May, 1902, came out with a series of editorials condemning the use of the Intercolonial Railway for the Winter Port business, and they claimed and insisted that the Grand Trunk Pacific should be extended down through the centre of the province.

Here are sample extracts from the Sun's editorials:

"The Intercolonial Railway route would be useless for the winter business of the Grand Trunk Pacific."

"The Grand Trunk people, the Intercolonial Railway people and the Winter Port people all know that the export and import trade between the Canadian West and Europe can never be handled by the Intercolonial route."

And now the Sun newspaper expects its readers to believe it is serious when it so strongly favors the route which it only two years ago had so forcibly condemned. Col. McLean referred to the resolution of the Common Council of May 13, 1902, in which the scheme to exclude the Lower Provinces from the benefit of the Grand Trunk was condemned as being against the best interests of St. John, and advocating the building of the road so that St. John might have the full benefit of the expenditure that is being made in connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme. The policy of the government meets fully the resolution of the Common Council, and he (Col. McLean) fully believed that that policy would be endorsed by a tremendous majority all over Canada on Thursday next, and he had not the slightest doubt that despite the efforts of the Tories to mislead the electors that St. John and New Brunswick would lead in the procession of liberal victories. (Cheers.)

"You told me this horse had won half-a-dozen matches against some of the best horses in the country. He can't trot a mile in six minutes to save him." "It was in ploughing matches that he took the prizes, sir."

POLITICAL POINTERS.

The Times now announces that the Hon. A. G. Blair is going to the St. Louis Exposition. The Times led most people to believe that it was a political exposition at St. John Mr. Blair was bent upon.

There is a rumour that the New York-Montreal syndicate has made another purchase in the shape of a hole into which to crawl. After election day they will pull the hole in after them.

Evidently Dr. Daniel, in advocating the St. John River Valley route, does not know he is canvassing against himself—for that is Liberal rather than Tory railway policy.

There are many things in Heaven and earth which are dreamt not of in R. L. Borden's railway policy. One of these is the power to carry out any policy. That belongs to the winner.

It reminds one of Sir Charles Tupper to hear the Tory prophecies of victory. They will come just as near it as in 1900.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier guarantees that the traffic of the G. T. P. shall be exported through Canadian ports. Nuff said.

The Sun is mostly edited from Portland, Me., where its sympathies seem to be.

"The only good Tory is a dead one" said a cynical observer. The exception to the rule is the Tory who has his eyes opened to the light of Liberal reason and forsakes the error of his ways. There is a good many of that kind throughout Canada this election.

Was it the cow cartoon that induced the Sun to send its editorial staff to Portland, Me.? They milked the Tory cow for 18 years.

After election day the Tory prophets who have been predicting victory for R. L. Borden will take to the woods or some other safe asylum.

New Brunswick will return 10 Liberals. Laurier's majority will be nearer 50 than 40 in the next house.

The North Shore will send a solid delegation of Liberals to Ottawa.

St. John knows from experience that the only government which ever did anything for the port or city is the Liberal government.

FROM PORTLAND, ME.

Grand Trunk is Not Buying Property

Denials from Officials and Property Owners.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 2.—The most explicit denial is given here by the best authority of the report sent out in Canada to the effect that the Grand Trunk Railroad has secured options on waterfront property for the extension of its shipping facilities at its terminus here. The report appears to have originated in St. John, N. B., and to have been sent broadcast as an argument in favor of the conservatives in the election to-morrow, the statement being made that the intention was to extend the terminal equipment at this point in case of liberal victory.

The denial comes from both the officials of the Grand Trunk here and from the property-owners who control the waterfront available for the use of the railroad. R. W. Scott, the agent of the Grand Trunk here, said to-day that there is absolutely no truth whatever in the rumor. The owners of the property adjoining that now in use by the railroad say that absolutely no options have been given at any time for the use of the Grand Trunk or for anyone. The denials of the owners are of greater value, because every owner of property of any kind in the city is an advocate of the success of the conservatives to-morrow, and universal belief here being that the extension of the Grand Trunk to the Pacific ocean under the plans of the contract already executed will certainly affect Portland's transatlantic business.

DUTY OF WORKINGMEN.

Why the Liberal Party Should be Supported.

TORONTO, Nov. 2.—P. J. Johnston, of Montreal, writes an open letter to the Toronto Star on the duty of workingmen, whom he represents, in voting to-morrow. After reviewing the conditions and stating their first duty was to vote for the candidates of the labor organizations, he puts the case very pointedly:

"We have had a fair trial of conservative and liberal governments. The distressing conditions of some ten years ago are still fresh in our memories. The petitions to our municipal, provincial and federal authorities praying for relief were not yet forgotten, nor are our desperate efforts to prevent reductions of wages, and by way of aggravating the situation at that time we were forced to face with the cold and brutal argument of employers that labor, like other marketable commodities, had to abide by the result of the inexorable law of supply and demand. It is now quite a while since we have had this kindred argument forced upon us effectively. In fact these last few years since the liberal party came into power we have been asserting our claim and right to higher wages. Judge the situation on its merits—on the result of the past six years even, if you are not better paid, better housed, better fed and better clothed, yourself, your wife and your children, than you were under Tory domination, then it is your duty to endeavor to better your condition. But if you are better off in every way than eight or nine years ago, then work with all your might to maintain in power the political party which gave you the opportunities—the liberal party. If these opportunities have come to you in seven or eight years, what may you not expect in five more years of liberal rule? Are we so tired of good times that we want to go back to old hard times again? Our votes should answer in no uncertain way."

Tommy—"Ma, I do wish you'd give me some cake."

Mother—"Tommy! Didn't I tell you that you must not ask for cake?"

Tommy—"Well, I ain't asking; I'm just wishing."

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