

OPEN LETTER TO G. W. GANONG.

Granite Company on the Benefits of Liberal Policy.

(St. Andrews Beacon), ST. GEORGE, N.B. Oct. 10, 1904.

Mr. G. W. Ganong: Dear Sir,—We have received your letter of the 5th asking our support in the coming election, and have decided to answer it in an open letter.

You say that the Liberal administration has deprived us of the protection we had, by giving the preference.

We ask you what you will do in case of a Conservative victory? Are not Mr. Foster and a large majority of your party committed to the so-called Chamberlain policy? How would this policy affect our business, if you say we need more protection?

We might say, in connection with the granite industry of St. George, without fear of contradiction, that it never flourished as it has during the Liberal administration of the past eight years. The best proof of this lies in the fact that there are now six concerns doing business where before there were but four. That under the administration of the Conservatives the employes worked ten hours a day and eight months was a long working year. That they now work nine hours a day and are employed the year round; that in place of the ten per cent. reduction of wages under Conservative rule, the men are now enjoying a twenty per cent. increase of wages.

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Conditions are better here, Mr. Ganong, and the increased output and enlarged capacities of your own business, the soap factory, and Haley & Sons' concern in your own town, must be proof positive to you that we in this country have shared in the general prosperity of the Dominion under the Felding tariff.

We would ask you what your views are on the immigration policy of the present government? And in this connection would say that where formerly our only market was Ontario and Quebec, the Liberal government has opened up an enlarged and ever-increasing market in the Northwest and Manitoba. One-half of our output now goes to the West. Think of the market the Grand Trunk Pacific will open up to us. Can you in justice to yourselves, your country and your own town ask us to hang to the days of stagnation and Conservative administration of affairs?

We are convinced that, taking into consideration the present prosperous condition of the whole Dominion, the certainty of the return to power of the Liberal government, and the flourishing condition of the granite industry here, it would be decidedly against our interests, against the interests of our town, against the interests of our country, to support you in the present campaign.

Yours very truly, UTOPIA GRANITE CO.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Public meetings in the interests of the Liberal party will be held on Saturday evening in the public hall, Carleton, and in Union Hall. At both these meetings the candidates will speak, and Attorney General Pugsley and Mr. E. H. McAlpine will address the meeting in Union Hall, and the Attorney General and Mr. George Robertson, M. P., in Carleton.

GREAT BALLOON EXPLOSION

Terrible Collapse of an Over-Inflated Air Vessel.

Intended Aeronaut-in-Chief Declines to Make Ascent and Splits the Great Gas Bag.

(Toronto Globe.) There is grief in the camp of the Tories to-day. They had planned for a great aerial trip. All other means of transportation had failed, and the Tories to the uplands where there are sunny smiles having failed, they staked their all on a magnificent balloon, and on the hope that Mr. Blair would be aeronaut-in-chief. The ascension was billed and the balloon prepared. From Cape Breton to Vancouver the news flashed, and all Tories were warned to get ready for immediate and safe transportation to the green fields of government. The deep and stormy waters of public disfavor would be crossed by a flight as magnificent as that made by the famous Darius Green and his flying machine. All that was needed was hot air and an aeronaut.

The hot air was soon supplied. Opposition journals and campaigners have it in abundance. There was no difficulty about the hot air. The Mail, with its "highly dramatic incident"; the News, with its "cool precision"; the Hamilton Spectator, with its long and loud yawn; the Montreal Star, the Ottawa Citizen, the Hon. George B. Foster—all these and the lesser brood of Tory organ and

talker turned on enough hot air to fill a vacuum as large as the hungry and hopeless expectations of the Tory party. They had hot air to burn, and the wonder-working spectacle did not need to be delayed. They had the balloon, and they had filled it with gas they could all guarantee.

But where was the aeronaut? Mr. Blair would surely have pity on this benighted and disconsolate party of political castaways! O, Mr. Blair! Dear Mr. Blair! You're a great man, Mr. Blair! You were the brains of the Laurier government, Mr. Blair! You're the only man that knows anything, Mr. Blair! Won't you—sweet Mr. Blair—won't you give us a lift? Yes, Mr. Blair will do it! Hooray! He's going to! He's going to soon! Perhaps tomorrow! Keep your eye open. Keep both hands on the balloon. Mr. Blair, the great Mr. Blair, is going to give us a rise!

Mr. Blair looked on silently for six days, and then he told them he never intended to run their old balloon. With that he slit the gas-bag. And to-day nothing remains but the suffocated party in the basket. The last hope of the opposition has vanished in hot air. The balloon did not rise.

WHERE LIBERALS ARE STRONG.

Three Seats They Will Win. CAMPBELLTON, N.B., Oct. 26.—The public meeting of Monday night was one of the finest demonstrations of the way public feeling is running in this campaign, and the speeches of Dr. Pugsley, K.C., and Mr. Jas. Reid, the candidate, were very much enjoyed by the enthusiastic audience which greeted their remarks with hearty applause. The appearance of the Attorney General on the public platform speaking in the interests of liberalism and good government, has dispelled most effectually the idea so widely circulated by the Tories throughout this county that the talented lawyer was wavering in his allegiance to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The whole campaign matter of the Conservatives consists of similar misrepresentations, and as one after another of the fake stories are exposed the clearer does it become that the Tories are resorting to their desperation to a campaign of absolute falsehoods. Their desperate case can be fairly judged from the utter absurdity of the falsehoods which are being circulated in this as in other communities. The withdrawal of Mr. Wm. Murray's name as independent Liberal candidate has been a death blow to the only hope the Tories ever had, and to-day in all parts of Restigouche the opinion is expressed that Reid will double his majority of 1900. In Dalhousie parish the change is particularly marked, while in Durham the outlook is very bright. From all ends of the county come most cheering reports to indicate a still more splendid victory for the Liberal candidate in 1904 than he enjoyed in 1900.

ALBERT ALL RIGHT. HILLSBORO, N.B., Oct. 26.—The Liberals of Albert are working hard to give the Hon. A. S. White the largest majority that any Liberal ever received, as a fitting answer that Albert would not support the Liberal candidate on account of the union of the constituencies. Hon. A. S. White is personally well known throughout Albert county, much better known in fact than his opponent, as the Whites have for some years had considerable interests in this part of the constituency, and he has as well many family connections. The Liberals of Albert are perfectly satisfied with the choice of candidate, as they feel that in A. S. White they will have a member with considerable knowledge of their requirements, and ability to represent them and power to enforce them. Perhaps no other man could have been chosen who could have so fairly represented the two counties which form the united constituency, and Albert appreciates the fact. If the public meetings at Elgin and elsewhere through the county are any indication of the result of the contest the close of polling day will show that Albert has once again rolled up a handsome Liberal majority and done her part towards the election of Hon. A. S. White.

LE BLANC IN KENT. BUCTOUCHE, N.B., Oct. 26.—The withdrawal of Mr. Pascal Hebert as an independent candidate has put an end to Mr. Geo. V. McInerney's hopes of winning in Kent. The Liberals have two Acadian candidates in the field to raise the race cry in the English districts in the north of the county, in the hope of gaining a solid English vote for Mr. McInerney. Then in the south as much bitterness as possible would have been encouraged, the better to bring the friends of the two Acadian candidates, with the idea of splitting up the vote as much as possible. It was a very pretty game, but the bottom has fallen out of it by the withdrawal of the independent Acadian candidate. It would not surprise any one, however, if the attempt was renewed to get even a straw man in the field, as McInerney knows that he has not even a fighting chance against Hon. O. J. LeBlanc, and would not have accepted the nomination but for the fact that he was assured Mr. Hebert would remain in the field. The lower end of the county is almost solid for LeBlanc, and the English parishes will do quite as well for him as in 1900. In Wellington, St. Mary's and Dundas parishes, and the English parishes will do rolled up. So hopeless are Mr. McInerney's chances that unless a third candidate can be induced to come into the field it would not surprise any one if Mr. McInerney lost his deposit. And Kent was one of the constituencies which were to be redeemed from the Liberals. Not this election.

It has now been found that much of the Chinatown in San Francisco is a fake and is gotten up and run by guides to be shown to tourists. A number of the "show" opium dens are supported by these guides, who hire Chinamen to run them and give "loose" to those who will smoke in them.

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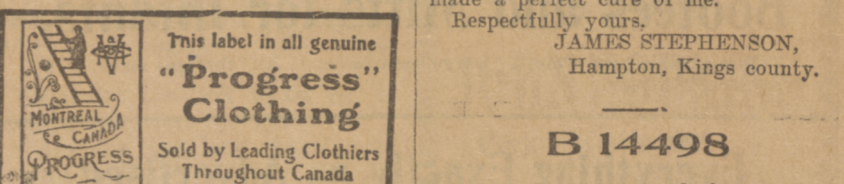
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