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Miramichi Advance. CHATHAM, N. B., NOVEMBER 22, 1900. A Party and its Troubles. If we are to judge by what is said in the Ontario papers, Hon. Mr. Foster's chances for finding a constituency in that Province, to say nothing of his being elected to the House of Commons, or chosen as leader of the Conservative party, are not promising.

Those who oppose Mr. Foster's aspirations to the leadership point to his instability in matters of public concern. They remark that he entered parliament under Liberal auspices and as the champion of the cause of prohibition, but joined the Conservatives for the sake of office and declared that his prohibition professions were made "in a moment of weakness."

Then, Mr. Foster's critics say he further showed his unfitness for leadership by attacking prominent members of the party through his greatest blunder in his own province: the Moncton convention. In that he demonstrated his absolute ignorance of the prevailing sentiment of the people of New Brunswick and of the political forces which he challenged to a test of strength.

Last of all, having failed to secure a nomination in either of the constituencies which he had already represented, he displayed his usual temerity and want of judgment, by putting himself up against Mr. Blair in St. John, only to be snuffed under by a thousand votes.

It is not, therefore, a matter of wonder that Ontario conservatives do not receive Mr. Foster as their leader. The fact is, they are giving him the cold shoulder. It appears, however, that with the aid of certain maritime and western Conservatives he has been enabled to prevent some of his rivals for the leadership from doing much better than himself, and the dissensions and jealousies which led to the disruption of 1896 have broken out afresh, with the added complication of certain of the plotters of that time against Sir Mackenzie Bowell being at each other's throats.

The spruce market affords by no means an unfavorable prospect. Sellers are very jubilant over the return of Mr. McKinley to the presidential chair, as an assurance that the boom in the States will be continued. The American demand for Canadian pine and spruce has been a great strong point with the Quebec and Lower port firms, and we understand some big orders for St. John spruce have recently been received from the United States.

Table with 3 columns: Date, 1900, 1899. Rows include Deals, Scantlings, Ends, Boards, Palings, and Totals.

The position of the London market at the present time is this: If you have any considerable stock of wood goods and want to turn it into money, you must make up your mind to lose something in the operation. It is true that there are many buyers of spot goods, meaning those ready for delivery, still to be met with, but they are not greedy; the feast has been plentiful and they are only inclined to nibble at the tit-bits that come in their way, and which they do not care to see pass by them.

"Ballot Difficulties." The Moncton Transcript, in an article on "The Ballot Difficulties in the late elections" offers criticisms on the official ballot, the directions under which it was prepared and the difficulties of complying therewith, some of which are pertinent while others are not.

Political Notes. The Conservatives of York county are reported as believing that they can unseat Mr. Gibson and send Dr. McLeod to Ottawa without contesting another election. They claim to have now in their hands evidence which will prove that Mr. Gibson obtained four hundred votes by illegal means.

It is, therefore, not surprising to find Sir Charles Tupper still directing Conservative party affairs, although he was defeated at the polls and has announced his retirement from politics. It must sadden him to be obliged to thus remain in harness rather than have a full public exposure of the internal strife which is the natural result of the blunders and mismanagement of such men as Messrs. Foster, Haggart, Montague, Caron and other men of their stripe, most of whom have met with well merited defeat.

forward and manly campaign, and his many gifts as a public man have won acknowledgments even from his bitterest opponents. He is but a young man and it is not too much to prophesy that he will be heard from again in connection with federal politics in this western city.

OTTAWA, Nov. 17.—Mr. Edward Kidd, it is stated, will not resign his seat in the Dominion House in order to let Hon. G. E. Foster run in his constituency. Intimate friends of the newly elected member for Carleton say positively that he will not entertain the idea for a moment. Mr. Kidd's friends support him in his stand.

LONDON, Nov. 14.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader in the House of Commons, speaking at Dundee to-day, said he hoped Lord Rosebery would return to the leadership of the Liberals, adding that if he did he should be chief of the whole party. He said he never understood why Lord Rosebery retired in 1896. The Liberals would welcome him back again.

The Toronto Globe says:—"Mr. Cahon may fairly be classed among the Conservative leaders who were defeated in the general election. Though new to Federal politics, he was regarded as the coming man in Nova Scotia, and Sir Charles Tupper was considered to have scored a triumph in bringing him out. Mr. Powell was next to Mr. Foster in New Brunswick. The list of the main leaders, therefore, is: Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Cahon in Nova Scotia; Mr. Foster and Mr. Powell in New Brunswick; Sir Adolphe Caron and Mr. Bergeron in Quebec; Dr. Montague in Ontario; Mr. Hugh John Macdonald in Manitoba. Half a million were Ministry went down in the fight."

The printer of the ballots, J. M. Lawson, whose name was printed upon them above that of the first candidate received five votes in the county election day.—Yarmouth Times.

A Toronto despatch of Friday last stated that Hon. N. Clarke Wallace, one of the second rates of the Conservative party, who secured his re-election for West York, Ont., had been called by Sir Charles Tupper to British Columbia to take part in the fight in the two remaining constituencies in that province, where elections are yet to be held. It is an indication that Sir Charles Tupper's personal statement that he had retired from politics was only a ruse?

BATHURST, Nov. 14.—To-day was declaration day in Gloucester County. Sheriff Meshan, the returning officer, declared Mr. Turgeon elected, majority 996. The following are the returns from the different polling divisions: Blanford, Harris, Turgeon.

protest against the returning officer declaring Mr. Thornton, Conservative, elected, although he had a majority of 40 votes. The protest was based on the fact that Thornton's deposit was not made in legal tender or bills of any chartered Canadian bank. Mr. Thornton's deposit was made the day previous to nomination by his financial agent by a certified cheque on the local agency of the Standard Bank. [If Mr. Beth should be awarded the seat under such circumstances it would be an outrage.—Editor ADVANCE.]

Mr. H. H. Cook has charged that a deft offer was made to him of a seat in the Senate on his paying \$10,000. This was unquestionably the most serious accusation made during the whole course of the campaign. It was not accompanied by such proof as would satisfy reasonable men, and unfortunately was made in the midst of an exciting campaign, and at such a late hour therein that there was no chance to verify or sift the evidence, even had it been given. Mr. Cook can see, however, that the matter cannot be left where it is. It is too serious a charge to be allowed to drop. The fact is that he must furnish the full proof of what he has stated or stand convicted of having given currency to as foul a slander as was ever circulated in this country.—Toronto Globe

WINNIPEG, Nov. 19.—It is reported at Portage La Prairie that Mr. Boyd, Conservative M. P. elect for Macdonald, is to resign in favor of Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, Mr. Macdonald to assume the Conservative leadership for the Dominion if elected.

It is amusing to read the St. John Globe, San, the Moncton Times and other political organs opposed to Mr. Blair, of the losses which are to be incurred by the country by the carriage of grain over the C. P. R. from Montreal for shipment at St. John. A despatch from nobody knows who to the St. John Globe stated alleged particulars of an arrangement, for carrying grain from Parry Sound to St. John giving the I. C. R.'s share of the through rate, and the papers named at once began to demand exactly how much would be lost by Mr. Blair over the transaction. It does not seem to have occurred to these critics that the Globe's telegraph might not know very much about the matter, and that if Mr. Blair thought it worth while to take any notice of their assertions he might show that they were entirely misled. The Globe, itself, seems to be awakening to this view of the matter for it had a kind of repentant Montreal despatch on Saturday as follows:

"One of the exporters interested in the shipment of the grain which the Intercolonial has contracted to carry to St. John, speaking to your correspondent to-day, said that the rate charged was one which the C. P. R. would readily have accepted from Owen Sound had that road not been at loggerheads with Mr. Blair at the time the contract was made. This gentleman declined to state what the rate was, but said it was a regular export rate, about which there was nothing extraordinary whatever."

The Globe seems to be restating its old policy of furnishing incorrect statements as political ammunition for use by Mr. Blair's detractors, and after doing the work designed, asking them back in a left-handed way. It is, no doubt, exasperating to Mr. Blair's enemies to find that he is maintaining the Winter Post business at St. John and that the C. P. R. is actually going back on its former stand and joining in the good work, as Mr. Blair said it would.

Hon. Mr. Blair's Great Victory. (United Canada.) Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways, whose political extinction has been the dream and hope of some of the ablest political and commercial conspirators and combines in this country has won a victory on Wednesday which shall be recalled long after his day. His task was not only to pilot his party in his province, in which he was ably assisted by Hon. John Costigan, but he had to fight Hon. George E. Foster in St. John, and above and beyond all, he had to fight the C. P. R. and all the interests which it controls in the country. The C. P. R. magnates could not understand Mr. Blair, and they said: "This man Blair actually refuses, on the eve of a general election, to surrender and sacrifice the public trust at the demand of this company. We can't understand him. When we finally threatened him, as we used to threaten the Haggarts, Papes and other railway ministers, instead of relenting, he accepted our challenge to fight and gave the signal to clear the decks for battle." Mr. Blair not only defeated the C. P. R. and Hon. G. E. Foster but the actual voting strength of the two parties in New Brunswick now stands:—Liberals, 11, and Conservatives 3. For political dress parade purposes, etc., the vote is 9 to 5 in favor of the Liberals. The people of the country will not fail to appreciate his fidelity, integrity and courage, and moreover, the distinguished services which Hon. Andrew G. Blair has rendered his province and the Dominion by that action.

News and Notes. The London Daily News says Lord Roberts has indicated that it is impossible to spare more troops from South Africa.

In a railway accident near Dax, France, on Thursday, thirteen persons were killed, including the Peruvian Minister to France. London, (Eng.) people who contributed \$54,000 to the Ottawa fire fund are making pointed enquiries as to how the money was spent.

The Richelieu and Ontario Company have given the contract for a new steamer between Montreal and Quebec. It will cost \$450,000, and will be finished May 15, 1902. It will be the first Canadian steamer to furnish its passengers with bath rooms. The interior decorations will rival if not excel those of the Fall River line.

A floating drydock of 16,500 tons is to be built by Swan & Hunter of Newcastle-on-Tyne for the British government. The new dock is to be located in Bermuda, and will replace the one now in use at that port. It will be 545 feet long and 126 feet wide, and will accommodate the largest vessels of the English navy.

The statistical report of lake commerce through the canals at Sault Ste. Marie for the month of October shows a marked reduction in the east bound grain movement, comparing with the corresponding month of a year ago. The movement of wheat through both the United States and Canadian canals amounted to 2,046,278 bushels, compared with 9,777,001 bushels last year.

At Millville, N. S. on Tuesday 13th, a young man, a son of Benjamin Snyder, was filling a lighted lantern with kerosene oil, whilst it was burning, held by his sister Cora, a girl of 25. The oil became ignited, and instantly the girl's clothing was in flames. In attempts to extinguish the fire the young man and others were badly burned. The house and contents were destroyed and the injured girl died next morning.

The order for the new yacht to defend the America's cup in the match of August next against Shamrock II was placed with the Herreshoffs on Wednesday, Nov. 14. The contract required in the case was signed in New York on that day. Now the work of building will be carried on as fast as it will be required because of the early date of the race, so it is probable that the new craft will be about the latter part of April or the first of May.

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trouble arose from the greatness of the freestone, which tore away part of the mill dam and was unprecedented in Burntland brook. Nearly every man in Boiestown was taken by one side or the other to Frederick for the trial. This was the reason that it attracted so much attention, while all became interested to know if a mill would be held responsible for damage caused by its surplus water, and if this one would be compelled to remodel and reconstruct its new dam. Mr. Saunders prays for an injunction to force the company to rebuild the mill dam on to turn the water into another channel from that in which it is flowing at the present time, while William Richards & Co. answered that their new dam was built in a proper manner and would protect the bank of the plaintiff.

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