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## Splendid Liberal Gathering.

### FRANK B. CARVELL

UNANIMOUSLY NOMINATED IN OPEN CONVENTION.

DELEGATES PRESENT FROM ALL SECTIONS.

Ringing Addresses by Prominent Workers.

WONDERFUL ENTHUSIASM SHOWN.

The largest and most successful political convention ever held in Carleton County unanimously nominated Frank B. Carvell as the liberal candidate for Ottawa, Thursday afternoon in Graham's opera house. Men from every parish and even every school district in the County were present, despite the fact that there is no immediate prospect of an election. It was a thoroughly representative convention of the bone and sinew of Carleton County liberalism, and the unanimity shown has never been equalled in the history of the party.

John Harper, president of the liberal association, occupied the chair. N. Foster Thorne was chosen secretary in place of the late Jas. Watts. The chairman, after calling the meeting to order, congratulated those present upon the good record of the administration. It was not necessary to go into details. There were no scandals. Even the most bitter opponent must admit the fact that never has there been so able a cabinet as that of the present day. The outlook was very encouraging, no matter when the contest may come. It was well to have a man in the field so that the party might be ready at a moment's notice.

Squire Joseph Merrithew of McKenzie Corner, rose and moved that the nomination be given to Frank B. Carvell in open convention. A dozen men in different parts of the hall seconded the motion, and upon a standing vote being called for, the response was magnificent. The whole convention, numbering more than three hundred and fifty, rose to its feet with a mighty shout of approval that left no doubt in the minds of any regarding their choice. Upon the chairman tendering the nomination to Mr. Carvell, the applause was deafening. Three hearty cheers and a tiger thrice repeated, greeted him as he ascended the platform.

He thanked the gathering for the honor. In all his experience he had never seen such a hearty convention. Three years ago he had been a candidate quite unexpectedly, and did not have sufficient time to make a thorough canvass. As he was a busy man he would not be able to devote all his time to the campaign, but would depend upon aggressive work by his friends. It is the people who elect a man. Give him a dozen workers at each poll in the county, and victory would be sure. Reference was made to the splendid showing made by the party in recent elections in the lower end of the county. This proves the value of good, hard work. He said it was not necessary to defend the administration. Their acts speak for themselves. The politics of the country are good. Clean government is being given and not a single scandal can be laid to their charge. While the prospects for success were bright, yet it would not do to underestimate our opponents.

They are resourceful and sometimes unscrupulous. It behooves the liberals to present a united front and work for victory until the last vote is polled. (Great applause). One does not have to read the papers to learn of our national prosperity. It is right before our eyes every day. He would not say liberals should take credit for all the benefits, but the Laurier government has been the best Canada ever had.

Reference was made to the conservative cries in previous contests. In 1891 they worked the disloyalty business to perfection. In 1896 all sorts of cries were introduced but to no avail. Again in 1900 they sought to create popular feeling in their favor on the Boer war question, but were again defeated. It looks as if in the next campaign they would make the tariff their battle cry. Why should the farmers of Carleton County tax themselves an additional 10 or 15 cents on every dollar's worth they buy in order to enrich the manufacturers? He referred to Tarte, who is now an out and out Tory, running around with the big guns of that party. He hoped they would be suited with their new ally. Considerable talk has been made on the Chamberlain question. It would seem that an effort is to be made to drag that into the next election. As for himself, he would say that should Chamberlain be able to win in the old country, it would undoubtedly be a great thing for Canada. It must not be thought that liberals are opposed to Chamberlain. Who was it that gave the preference to Britain, and thus made possible the Chamberlain agitation? It was Sir Wilfrid Laurier. (Applause). The speaker hoped the plan would go through. Liberals must not allow their opponents to make capital on that score. A clear exposition of the Grand Trunk Pacific was given. The people need more railways. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had personally assured him that the St. John River Valley would be followed if the surveys proved it a better route than through the centre of the province. We all believe the central route is difficult. He would not hesitate to say the chances are excellent for having the new line go by our very doors within five or ten years. (Cheers). To show the need of more railway accommodation he had it on the authority of James Osborne, a leading C. P. R. official, that only five per cent of Canadian exports go through Canadian winter ports. It is certainly worth making some sacrifice to obtain the trade now going through foreign ports. As there were other speakers he would not further detain his hearers. In closing all were urged to stand united and win a great victory. (Great applause followed by three ringing cheers and a tiger.)

J. R. Murphy, K. C., followed with an eloquent exposition of the principles and aims of the party. It was the duty of all true liberals to work for the choice of the convention. The liberal party is strong. He would not seek to flatter the candidate, yet he would say there is no abler man in the county. New Brunswick has furnished strong men for various administrations. It is more than probable that the present liberal candidate would, before many years, be called to cabinet rank. (Tremendous cheers.) If all friends of the party do their duty, there would be no fear of the result in the coming election. (Applause.)

Joseph Merrithew was pleased with the convention. All had been done openly and above board. The choice was spontaneous and enthusiastic. His section of the county would give a great majority for Carvell. We are not ashamed of our candidate, whose election is assured. (Cheers.)

Wendell P. Jones, M. P. P., who is rapidly rising to a high place in the esteem of the party, was greeted with enthusiasm. He said he could not say much that had not already been told. It gave him pleasure to see everything so harmonious. If there were any weak kneed liberals in the county he would say to them they should loyally come to the front and join with their friends. A splendid fighting spirit was shown in the convention and it presaged a great victory. He was in hearty accord with the candidate, and firmly believed a seat in the cabinet awaits Mr. Carvell at an early day. A thoroughly competent man has been nominated, just such a man as we need at Ottawa to press upon the government the needs of the county. He believed the party in this county never had brighter prospects. In the country at large the feeling was strongly with the administration. Tarte was now with the Tories. If all they had said of him in the last general election were true, the speaker believed Tarte must be thoroughly at home in his present company. (Applause.) Laurier has been a great success. Great gains thorough Ontario and the west will be shown in the next election. The iniquitous gerrymander is a thing of the past. Quebec is solid. The Maritime provinces promise to do even better than at the last election. Now is the opportunity for the grand old county to fall in line and return a supporter of the administration. (Long Continued Applause). For himself he would say he was willing to do his utmost to elect Mr. Carvell, who had loyally supported him last winter. If necessary he would devote his whole time to the campaign. (Cheers.)

Coun. Frank R. Shaw made a short and witty address that was well received, after which the National Anthem was sung, and the convention adjourned subject to the call for the chair. Ringing cheers for Laurier, Emerson and Carvell were given before the crowd disbursed.

### Where is the Deception?

The Press in its last issue has a long article headed as above in which objection is taken to our statement of last week when we claimed that the same old deception had been practised with reference to the town finances, and refers us to the statement of the late chairman of the finance committee, which document it claims is a true and accurate statement of the debt. For the benefit of our contemporary and of the electors we will try to show wherein the deception lies and leave it to all fair-minded persons to say whether or not we were justified in making the statements which we presented in our last issue.

Coun Dibblee read a document which his worship the mayor assured those present would be a full and exact report of the town's financial condition. We summarize it as follows:

Bonded Debt	\$126,850.00
Bank Debt Bal.	8,292.60
Total	\$135,142.60

Now, what are the facts so far as they can be ascertained without having access to the town books and accounts? We know the town owes the following amounts:

Bonded Debt	\$126,850.00
Imperial Packing Co Debenture not included in above	5,000.00
Debt Bank Balance	8,292.60
Amounting which must be paid Schools at least	2,500.00
Amount due the County	4,530.00
Amount due Hospital	330.00
Amount due Agric Soc.	100.00
Total	\$147,578.60

This does not include interest due on bonds, and not paid, which must amount to a considerable sum, nor does it include debts contracted and unpaid by the late council, such as the recent repairs to the pumping station.

It is a little singular that they should have forgotten to include the small sum of \$5000 presented to the Imperial Packing Company, which they had voted only three nights before the meeting, particularly after the lengthy reference made thereto by Chairman Garden in his review of the year's work.

The Press claims the old council paid the school board every dollar it asked for, viz \$4700, and makes the following statement:—"There is not a single dollar of liability, let us assure our contemporary, on account of the School Board for the year 1903." This statement is untrue, as we have it on the authority of the secretary and the treasurer of the school board that there is now due them the sum of \$4300 on the 1903 assessment. Our contemporary should know something about the school year, which ends in June, and when the assessment is made in each year it provides for all expenditures up to the next June, and the money necessary to run the schools up to June 1904 was assessed and collected and up by the old council. It is doubtless true that they have paid the school board \$5200 during the year 1903, but the greater part was due the trustees on the previous year's assessment. In order to meet the requirements of the schools for the present term, the council will have to borrow at least \$2500 as stated above, and increase the debt by that amount. For fear the Press will deny accuracy of our statement of the amount due the county and claim there is not a dollar owing, we would refer them to the published statement of the County Auditor, Col. D. McLeod Vince. It is strange that his worship and Couns Garden and Dibblee should have overlooked this item as they obtained legislation during the last session of the local house to carry into effect the arrangement made with the municipality which they will find in Acts of Assembly, 3 Edward VII., Chapter LXX, Sec. 4, which is as follows:—"The said town shall also be required to pay to the said municipality the balance which said town shall owe the said municipality on the first day of January next upon assessments levied and made for County purposes and County school fund purposes upon the said town prior to said last mentioned date as shall appear by the books of the Secretary-Treasurer of said municipality, the same to be paid in eight equal semi-annual instalments on the thirtieth day of June and the thirty first day of December in each and every year hereafter until the whole of said indebtedness be paid."

Perhaps the most glaring piece of deception in the whole business was the explanation given for the immense debt bank balance wherein they claimed they started with a debt of \$5000, when if any elector of the town will look upon the back of his tax notice for 1903 he will see they actually assessed for this sum in the items of "Small Pox, 1902,

\$2700" and "Deficit 1902, \$2300," which amounts they have collected and used up, and now have the assurance to undertake to palm this off as an excuse for the debt.

There are so many glaring acts of deception in the whole statement that columns might be written upon it, and then the half would not be revealed, but there is one item of expenditure, viz. "miscellaneous, \$1126.78" which we would like to see published in detail, and we would respectfully ask the members of the new council to make an investigation into this item and see what it means. We have every confidence in the integrity of the majority of the present board, and hope they will for their own protection as well as for the benefit of the ratepayers, make a thorough investigation into the whole financial problem and let the people for once know where they stand.

### Maritime Auction Sale.

The Maritime Auction Sale to be held in the Maritime Winter Fair Building, Amherst, on February 5th, marks a new era in the live stock industry of the Maritime Provinces. The want of a suitable market has been the one great drawback to profitable breeding of pure bred stock in these provinces.

The Auction Sale System has been the greatest factor in placing the Mother Country in the forefront as a producer of pure bred stock.

At the Sale to be held on February 5th, there will be offered,—Short-horns, fifteen males and eleven females; Guernseys, two males; Herefords, three males; Ayrshires, two males and three females; Jerseys, one male and Holsteins, three males. These animals are all of good quality and in good breeding condition. None have been pampered and thereby injured for usefulness. Among them are animals that would take first place in any show ring. In ages they range from ten months to six years old, and some of the females are well forward in calf by especially good bulls.

Agricultural Societies and individuals desiring to improve their stock cannot do better than attend this sale and see the animals together and compare their individual merits.

No by-bidding will be allowed. All animals sold will go to the highest bidder.

The catalogue will be ready in a few days and can be had on application to the undersigned.

The I C R will issue return tickets at the same rate as for the Maritime Winter Fair, namely 1-1/2 cents a mile with free return. The C P R and the D A R will issue tickets to the Junction point of the I C R at one fare on the Standard Certificate plan. From the Junction point of the I C R to Amherst, buy a return ticket and on presentation of a Standard Certificate signed by the management here, the connecting road will issue a free return ticket.

Persons unable to attend and wishing to purchase animals, if they select from the catalogue and state the price they are willing to pay and forward a certified cheque, their bid will be considered confidential and if the animals do not go above the price named, they will be purchased and loaded on the cars free of charge. In case the animals sell for more, the cheque will be returned. Even if you do not wish to buy, it will pay to attend because of the educational advantages of such a sale.

The building will be heated on the 3rd, and all animals should be in the building not later than the morning of the 4th as people will want to examine them and decide on the ones they would desire.

The sale will commence at 10 a.m. on the morning of the 5th.

E B Elderkin, President Maritime Stock Breeders' Association, Amherst, N.S.

### Missionary Meeting.

A public missionary meeting will be held in the Reformed Baptist church on Monday Jan. 25th at 7.30 p.m. In addition to an attractive programme by the members of the Sunday school, the meeting will be addressed by Mrs F H Hale, who expects to leave in a few days for British Columbia. In view of the fact that Mrs Hale's missionary addresses are always listened to with great interest, and as some time may elapse before the public may have the pleasure of hearing her again we hope there will be a large attendance. The meeting will also be addressed by Miss Ida Morgan, missionary elect to South Africa, as well as by representatives from the various missionary societies of the town.

A silver collection will be taken in the interest of missions.

### JOTTINGS.

Richmond Agricultural Society will hold their annual seed meeting at Debec on Tuesday afternoon Feb 2nd. All members wishing seed are requested to attend.

The Orioles again defeated the Wellingtons at the rink on Thursday night, score 2 to 1. Overtime had to be played.

The Oriole Athletic Club has secured comfortable quarters in the Lindsay building.

As we go to press the death is announced of Mrs J T Smith. She was well and favorably known. Two of her sisters, Mrs H A Autsin and Miss Eaton of St. John, were at her bedside when the end came. Mrs Ralph Brecken and Mrs George E King are sisters of deceased. Next week we hope to publish an extended obituary.

Mrs C F K Dibblee entertained a number of her lady friends on Thursday afternoon.

The Union Social to have been held this (Friday) evening in the Methodist vestry has been postponed until further notice.

### News From the Country.

#### Bristol.

G A Brittain went to Woodstock on Monday.

Miss Ella Tompkins has returned from a visit to Boston.

Mrs O R Merritt and Miss Alice Merritt are visiting friends at Fort Fairfield.

D M Campbell of the New York Life Insurance Co, was in Bristol a few days this week.

W P Stapleford has gone to Boston.

Dr Somerville has bought the M Caldwell hotel.

A number of our citizens went to Woodstock to attend the Liberal convention.

The Fred Phillips (estate) store will be closed in a few weeks, and the remaining goods will be advertised and sold. In the meantime a cheap sale is going on. M Welsh who owns the building will probably fill up with a new stock of goods.

A special meeting of Court Sterling will be held on Saturday evening for the installation of the new officers.

#### Grand View.

Storms and cold weather seem to be the order of the day, and the old saying that "As the days begin to lengthen, the cold begins to strengthen" is true this year. It is true the first few days of last week were very mild, but that was our January thaw, which was of too short duration to take out the ice.

Our school is still without a teacher. It looks as though there was a screw loose somewhere. It is folly to attempt to please everybody, for in the end you please nobody. It is but re-acting the old fable of "The man and his ass." The last man, I understand, gave good satisfaction. Why was he not re-engaged? Or some other secured.

We were glad to see the friendly face of our old friend and neighbor George Clynick of Meductic in our midst last week.

Ezra Miller, who is lumbering for Jas M Scott of Dumfries, was home for a few days last week. He has sold his big black horse for a good figure. Mr M is our leading farmer.

Miss Alice Tabor returned from Woodstock; she is our dressmaker.

Miss Edith Miller, who has a good position in Boston, has been home on a visit.

Though the Christmas trade was heavy at J F Grant's store, still it is well stocked with seasonable goods. Call and see.

John Brooks is home out of the woods, and is here at his farm, "Rocky Glen" recently purchased from W S Tompkins.

The Baptists, Reformed Baptists and Episcopalians have organized a "Union Sabbath School," which is largely attended in the Reformed Baptist Church of this place. The following officers were duly nominated:—Mr A J Way, sup; Mr F R Brooks, asst sup; Mr J N Grant, librarian, and Miss Lillie Grant organist.

A Wilmot Grant is done sawing wood for the present, and gone in the woods for his brother-in-law, Mr Cluff, to whom he sold his fine team.

The smiling face of our old friend John C Maxon of Fredericton was seen among us recently, and in our Sabbath School.

Wooster Cronkite is lumbering on the Grier Creek property.

Butter paper, plain or printed, small for bricks or large for lining tubs, for sale cheap at this office.

### Resolution of Condolence.

Harleigh S. Clarke, Esq. :—

Dear Brother—The officers and members of Loyal Orange Lodge No 38 of Woodstock desire to convey to you their heartfelt sympathy for you in the great loss you have sustained in the death of your estimable wife, and mother of your little ones. We always admired her devotion to what was right, and consistent Christian Life, and we pray that her example and trust in God may sustain you as it did her in the great battle of life.

By resolution of Lodge 38.  
Geo I BRITTAIN,  
DAVID HEPWELL,  
Committee.

When you want Job Printing of any kind, call at the Sentinel office.

### From the Town Accounts.

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Total indebtedness is \$127,175. This less \$1525, amount paid off, leaves \$125,650.

Financial statement given by Mr Garden placed this at \$125,650, which shows that no record had been kept of that famous \$1000 debenture nobody knew anything about until a request was made for payment.

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Balance to credit of O T Act \$358.10. Where did this come in? Don't you think your Scott Act explanation man had better give us more light, Mr Press?

The members of Woodstock Library Club are requested to leave their books immediately at the office of Miss May Clark.

### CARNIVAL.

The carnival at the Century Rink was a success, although not many were there in costume. Chas Dakin, Tom Smith, Tom Camp and Misses Dent, McLauchlan, Hayden and Connell were the prize winners.

A A McKenzie, Wm Hill and Dr McLean officiated as judges.

### FAREWELL.

Dear Mister Editor :—

The Masheen is busted.

Good-bye,

PAUL JIM.

### Notice.

All Ladies interested are requested to meet on Monday afternoon Jan 25th, at two o'clock, at the residence of Mrs F H J Dibblee, to sew for the Hospital.