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THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.

A brief glance over the constituencies of this Province is most reassuring to the friends of the present Local Administration, and leaves no reasonable conclusion other than that the big talk of the Stockton Opposition is mere bravado, a whistling to keep their courage up. In Restigouche the two Government supporters, Labilloy and Mott, are admittedly too much for Messrs. Culligan and Barbarie and in that County a Government victory is expected by impartial judges. In Gloucester there will be no doubt as to the result, as the old Government members, Veniot, Poirier and Burns, have been elected by acclamation. In our own county Mr. Peter L. Richard, who some days ago had decided to be a candidate, has, on mature consideration, seen the error of his ways and resigned, giving his support to the Government candidates. We confidently predict that the full Government ticket in Kent will be elected with a good majority. In Westmorland, while the Opposition have brought out the four strongest men in their ranks, yet the success of the Government candidates has never been for a moment in doubt, although the Opposition claim they are strong enough to elect Mr. Sumner and possibly Mr. Black. We warn the Acadians of Westmorland that it is the intention of the Opposition in that County to put the political knife into their Acadian friends in a vain attempt to save the English speaking candidates or some of them. In Albert the Premier and Mr. Osman have a comparatively easy victory before them. In Kings County where Mr. Geo. W. Fowler has taken another political summersault and is again an Opposition candidate, the whole Government ticket is assured of success. Opposition men grant the election of Attorney General White and George G. Scovil, but claim Mr. Fowler will be the third man elected. In St. John City and County, where the Emmerson Government held only two seats, the signs point to at least four seats after the 18th instant. In Dr. Stockton's own constituency, the City of St. John, that gentleman and his shadow, the venerable Dr. Alward, are having the fight of their lives, and it is doubtful if either will be successful. The election of Mr. George Robertson and Mr. H. A. McKeown, two of the Government candidates, is generally conceded. In Charlotte it is somewhat difficult to judge the situation, but a moderate estimate would place the representation in the next House as evenly divided between the opposing parties. The situation in Queens and Sunbury remains unchanged and the supporters of the present adminis-

GOVERNMENT CANDIDATES:

URBAIN JOHNSON, JAMES BARNES, PIERRE H. LEGER.

Let all our readers see that these are the names on the ballots cast by them on Saturday next. By so doing they will be voting for honest, intelligent and economical government, and for the best interests of the County of Kent.

tration will be returned by the electorate of those two constituencies in spite of the fact that in the latter County the modern Moses, J. Douglas Hazen the rejected of York and St. John, is clutching at the last straw of hope to regain a place in public life and wishes to represent a County with which he has not a single interest in common. The greatest set back the Opposition will get is in York, where it is freely admitted that the old Opposition members, Pitts, Pinder, Black and Howe are doomed. The Protestant horse has been ridden to death by that galaxy of clowns who have made their County ridiculous in the eyes of the whole Province. In Carleton the hopes of the political acrobat, Mr. Dibblee and his confreres have been nipped in the bud by the nomination of the strongest ticket the Government have had in that County for many years. The County was formerly represented by Messrs. Smith, McCain and Dibblee, but the latter betrayed the trust reposed in him by his constituents and in his place has been added one of the brightest young men in this Province, Mr. Frank Carvill. The interests of the Government party are safe in the hands of these candidates and Mr. Dibblee will receive the due reward for his treachery by being left at home. In Victoria and Madawaska all the candidates in the field are in favour of the present Government, and whoever wins will give their support to Mr. Emmerson.

In Northumberland three of the old Government men, Tweedie, Burchill and O'Brien have been nominated with Mr. Fish, a new man, but in favor of the Government. The only opposition candidate nominated is Mr. Donald Morrison. This assures at least three Government supporters by acclamation, with chances of election all in favor of the fourth Government candidate.

In Kings and Sunbury the Opposition have been compelled to fall back on candidates entirely outside the constituency, and with the interests of which neither of these men have been ever identified in any shape or form. In the case of Dr. Morrison in Kings, that gentleman was rejected by the Opposition caucus in the City of St. John where he belongs, but such a set back seemed not to have dimmed his ardour. The Doctor has a bad case of "swelled head," but he will be buried so deep in the snowbank of ballots on the 18th, that we trust it may have a sobering effect on him and prevent him becoming on a larger scale than he now is—a public bore and nuisance.

To sum up, the Emmerson Government stands stronger to-day than ever with the people in spite of all the slanders and petty issues by which the Opposition has sought to appeal to the prejudices of the electorate. The Stockton Opposition stands to-day as it has ever stood without a platform or a single definite shred of intelligent policy. When the polls are closed on the 18th instant, it will be found the Opposition have not increased their numerical strength,

but we trust that they will more fully represent the intelligence of their constituents than most of their number have for the past three years. The people of this Province are not disposed to accept the guidance of Dr. Stockton in their Provincial affairs, for that gentleman has spent his entire political career in the roll of a critic, never originating or suggesting anything which might have the effect of benefitting any single industry or of making lighter the burdens of our toilers. New Brunswick needs workers, not empty talking machines, to carry on their public affairs, and it will be many a long day therefore ere its people will turn to Dr. A. A. Stockton and ask him by the will of the majority to command our local administration.

THE LAST WORD.

During the past few months we have in our columns tried to shew our readers the true inwardness of the issues involved in the contest which closes on Saturday next. We have explained the malicious attempt of an opposition driven to desperation to slander the good name of our revered premier, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, by the exploded bubble known as the two-priced bridge scandal. The clear and complete breakdown of that charge has been made apparent to every intelligent voter, and the Emmerson Administration stands all the better with our people for the ordeal which they have lately passed through. The Opposition have presented to the electorate no sound policy of Government; they have rather proved themselves to be mere critics without the faculty of originating any plan for the advancement of the material interests of this constituency or in the welfare of the Province in general. The Emmerson Government asks the united support of all classes of our people inasmuch as it has been conducted in the best interests of all. No bitter religious or race bigotry has stained its record of administration, no favoritism to class or creed. As against this record we have had from the opposition a continuation of small minded issues, and attempt after attempt to imbitter the mutual relations of different classes, creeds and sections of our Province. We in Kent do not readily forget the insults offered our people by the clamour of Dr. Stockton and his shadows over the so-called "Northumberland Deal" when a sectional warfare was attempted in order to burk the justice done to the great lumber industry of the northern counties by the reduction of the stumpage rate from \$1.25 to \$1.00 per thousand. Nor have our people forgotten the narrow minded bigotry and hatred shown by Dr. Stockton and his confrere, H. H. Pitts of York County, over the Bathurst School Question when these small minded parish politicians endeavoured to rob our Acadian friends in Gloucester County of absolute rights guaranteed to them by the New Brunswick Common School Act. The attempt failed and failed dismally but the attempt was persistent enough to shew our people what

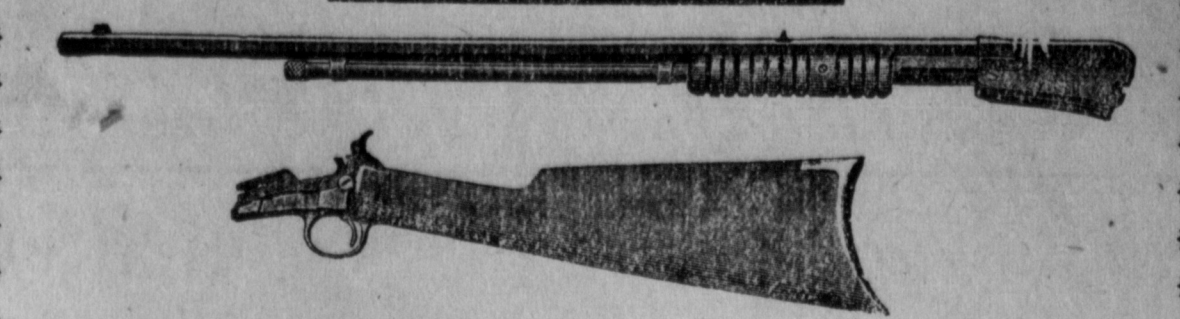
A CHATHAM LADY Tells How Her Health Came Back.

There are too many women who suffer dreadful backaches, pain in the side and headaches, who are weak, nervous and run down, whose life, energy and animation seem gone. Here's a lady who was cured by MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS. Mrs. Mary Bourdeau, King St., Chatham, Ont., says: "For some months I have been afflicted with nervousness and general debility. Going upstairs would produce a great shortness of breath and a tired, exhausted feeling. I had palpitation and fluttering of the heart, and for months have not been well or strong. Until I took Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, I almost despaired of a cure. I have only taken one full box, and now feel splendid. My nerves are strong, all the heart troubles are completely removed, the shortness of breath has vanished, and the constant tired out, all gone feeling is a thing of the past. It is needless to say that I esteem this remedy the best in the world for heart and nerve troubles." Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c. a box or 3 for \$1.25, at all druggists.

they might expect from the Opposition if they should ever get the power of a majority in the House of Assembly. We cannot afford to take any chances with the bigots and firebrands who in 1890, 1893 and 1896 raised such mean and dangerous issues. We in New Brunswick are a people of different races and creeds, but under the intelligent guidance of the statesmen who for 16 years have controlled our legislation, our people have been enabled to work with a common interest for a common good. To trust Dr. Stockton, Geo. W. Fowler, Herman H. Pitts and men of that stamp with the reins of government would seem to us like playing with fire and our people have already suffered from the attempt.

We have but to remind our people of the well directed legislation of the present Government to shew any independent voter that his ballot should be cast in favour of the three candidates in this county supporting the present administration. To it we are indebted for a full and free voting privilege, for previous to 1889 only the landed proprietors of New Brunswick had the privilege of the vote. Since that time every man in our country over 21 years of age has a right to exercise his franchise whether he is rich or poor, and it is a fact in New Brunswick enjoy the privilege to a greater extent than in any other portion of Canada or indeed of the British Empire. We have to thank the present Government for its sound agricultural policy, embracing in its wide scope the bonuses given to our dairy interest and which in this County has meant the building up of a great cheese and butter business in our midst, giving our farmers a regular and substantial return for their surplus milk product. In no part of the Province will the wheat policy of the Emmerson Government be more fully appreciated than in this County where the assistance given our farmers by the Government distribution of seed wheat and the bonus to the flour mills is taken as a further evidence on the part of our legislators to assist in a practical way this most important industry. The importation of pure bred horses, cattle, swine and sheep has been of great benefit to our people and has increased the value of the animals and their products now owned by our farmers. The government members, Messrs. U. Johnston, Barnes and Leger may be properly commended by the electorate for their fair share in all these lines of legislation, and both they and the administration they have supported are entitled to full credit for the way in which the bye-roads and bridges of this County have been maintained in the past three years. It has taken lots of time and hard work to look after the interests and welfare of Kent, and all must admit that our late members who are again offering as candidates, have been most zealous and successful in conserving the interests of all sections of this constituency. We ask from the people of this County their united support of the men who have

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served so well this County in the Local Legislature in the past three years. Be true to yourselves and to the interests of Kent by voting for Messrs. Urbain Johnston, Jas. Barnes and Pierre H. Leger.

ELECTION NOTES.

The selfish attempt of prominent Conservatives to encourage a split in the Acadian people of this County in the hope of saving Mr. Buckenfield from certain defeat, will meet with a crushing rebuke on the 18th instant. Our Acadian friends understand fully the nature of the political treachery being used against them, and it shows them how much weight there is in the professed friendship of their present Dominion representation.

The result of the elections will be to prove to Dr. Stockton that the "solid North" has not changed its colours, but is true to its best interests. A solid delegation of Government members from the four North Shore Counties will be the most fitting answer to the men who would place party above country. After election day the Moncton Convention will be but a monument to mark the resting-place of the buried hopes and selfish ambitions of those two political failures—Geo. E. Foster and Dr. A. A. Stockton.

The King maker of Kent will be in a very mournful mood on the evening of the 18th. Kent is too big and self-reliant to be held in the hollow of a member's hand and the fact that a Dominion representative has proven incapable of being of any service to the County in federal matters, is the poorest kind of justification for him endeavouring to direct its local issues. The Moncton Convention is going to prove a boomerang for some of its authors and among the victims just place your mark on our own Georgie.

The explosion of the two priced bridge bubble by the explanation of our Premier has satisfied all of the voters of New Brunswick except those who are blinded by the prejudice of party passion that the sensation was but another case of reckless bluff on the part of the Local Opposition. Dr. Stockton and his followers will use it for all it is worth until the elections are over and then they will want to forget it as soon thereafter as possible. Dr. Stockton has had to shew his hand and he doesn't hold the winning cards. The Premier's answer to the charge of extravagance or worse in connection with the erection of permanent bridges has been complete, convincing and entirely satisfactory to the electorate of New Brunswick and the vote will show it.

Speaking of the ex-Finance Minister, it is somewhat ludicrous to read of the quiet entry into and hurried exit from York of that logic splitting politician. Like Caesar he came and saw, but unlike Caesar, the redoubtable Mr. Foster did for his life nor stood not on the order of his going. One view of the awful wreck of Conservative hopes in York as the result of the Moncton Convention, too clearly told the cautious George Eulas that he had been playing with a buzz saw. He mournfully shouldered his portmanteau and started for St. John on foot to weep out his regrets on the bosom of his old time allies in the Sun office. The rejected of York

will this time be the rejected of York, and in seeking a new constituency will scarce know where to look for safety. A lion in peace but a veritable political coward when the clouds gather and the storm bursts, Mr. Foster has tried to save his federal seat by deserting his allies in York and leaving them to their fate in the local elections.

Mr. Shewen, the government engineer, was here last week making arrangements to have work started at once on the Richibucto breakwater. Mr. Allan Haines has been appointed foreman of the work, and is engaging men for that purpose. It is likely that all the available hands will be employed. The contract has been given for the lumber and as soon as that can be gotten on the spot, or as soon as the weather will permit, work will be begun. It is a good thing for our people that remunerative employment can be had at this season after the smelt fishing is over. The long spring months can be thus profitably employed, instead of "loafing" until the opening of navigation. The help to the people, to say nothing of the benefits to the harbor, is something for which there is reason to be grateful. The wisdom of the people co-operating with the government is obvious.

The attempt of the King maker of Kent to sacrifice the Acadian majority representation, will receive its proper rebuke at the hands of our people when the polls are opened and the tools of that intriguer will have gained nothing but the odium attending the unsuccessful attempt to sacrifice the interests of their own people at the bidding of the man who in 1892 showed his treachery to the Acadians of Kent.

Kent will not break the record of the "solid North," but will rebuke one man rule by the election of the three men who have in the past spared no effort in the interest of this constituency.

The 18th will be handed down in history as the cold Saturday for Dr. Stockton and his mis fits of the Opposition. It will need a microscope to find them in the next House of Assembly.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.