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The Foreman of the Jury and his Remarks.



ASIDE from the "foreign" views of Mr. Ellis, none in St. John are superior in ability and knowledge of Dominion affairs, and no individual Liberal or Conservative is more fitted for the position he now occupies of representative for St. John at Ottawa. Were he so inclined, with the powerful press influence he wields, much could be done to elevate and advance New Brunswick. As an opposition journal, the *Globe* is the most powerful in New Brunswick, and being the only evening paper in St. John is extensively read by everybody, so to speak, irrespective of creed or party. With the recent honor conferred on Mr. Ellis, it is to be hoped he will take a deeper interest in Canada than heretofore, and be guarded in his

sayings as his sentiments will hereafter be those of the people of St. John, he being their representative.

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It would have been better for St. John had she returned one

Government candidate at least on February 22nd last, merely to look after the other two, as it were. As it is, of course if the Blake party goes into power (which is next to an impossibility without again coming before the people for re-election) St. John would be in a position to claim her just rights, and the hope of becoming the "winter port" would stand a good chance of being realized. On the other hand, if the present Government is sustained we will have a much harder pull for supremacy, all our representatives being in the opposition. We all know that the three members-elect are able men, and men who will have a strong voice in matters concerning the welfare of St. John; but if in the opposition they will undoubtedly be very much weakened. If all the constituencies of the Dominion had done as well for the Liberal party as St. John city and county, Canada would stand to-day without a single Government member.

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THE Dominion elections passed off very quietly in St. John. Both parties were confident, and well organized, although the palm for superior organization must be awarded to the opposition. The struggle was an up hill one for the Liberal candidates and the result as great a surprise to them as it was to the public. The greatest surprise of the campaign was the over-turn of Carleton, the stronghold of Toryism. This is attributed to the fact of Mr. Ellis being a resident there, and also the hopes of retrieving her fallen energies by electing to the House of Commons one from their midst capable of advancing and upholding their rights. To Carleton Mr. Ellis' thanks are due, and to Carleton's interests he should devote a fair share of his time while sojourning at Ottawa.

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THE pending uncertainty of an overthrow of the Government is an unfortunate thing for Canada. It unhinges business and places the country in a state of excitement that seriously affects trade. If the Macdonald government is sustained at all the majority will be so small that the regular business of the House will be much impeded, if indeed it can be carried on at all. That the Liberals are gaining strength rapidly is plainly evident and augurs well for the future of Canada. We want a healthy opposition to promote the welfare of a Dominion like this, for by having a strong opposition we will have a more honest administration of public affairs.

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THE extremely large sale of JURY the last two issues has proved beyond a doubt that it is a journal much sought after, and although it was election season still our regular sale and subscription list is very large and rapidly increasing. The JURY is sold and circulated in all parts of this Province and in many parts of Nova Scotia; it is also sold extensively on the trains. As an advertising medium JURY is second to none in New Brunswick, and its bright cartoons and humorous columns are extensively perused each issue by an admiring people. In St. John city especially it is valuable as an advertising medium. As the majority of the cartoon hits are local they are naturally of local value. Try the experiment of advertising in JURY and you will be satisfied.

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THE election by acclamation of Dr. Silas Alward to fill the seat vacated by Mr. Ellis in the Local Legislature has been accepted very favorably by the people of St. John. Dr. Alward is a powerful orator, a talented lawyer, and personally very popular in this city. He will prove a valuable addition to our staff of local legislators.

PUBLICATIONS.—To hand, the "Christmas Annual and Almanac for 1887," published at the *New Star* office, Kentville, N.S. It contains 36 pages, with a paper cover. This useful little book is well filled with days of the year, railway time tables and advertisements. The printing, which was executed at the *Star* office, is a creditable piece of work.