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Provincial Elections

NOMINATION, JUNE 13
POLLING DAY JUNE 20

George F. Burden, Pokiok.
William J. Osborne, Fredericton.
Alexander Little, Marmers-Sutton.
Walter Limerick, St. Mary's.

Vote and work for the whole Ticket

THE CAMPAIGN

The issues of the campaign now being waged in this province are now being pretty clearly defined.

Do the people of the County of York favor Intercolonial operation of a high grade trunk line from Grand Falls to St. John, or do they favor the Flemming policy of a branch line controlled by the C. P. R.?

Do the people of York favor the continued increase of the public debt and the increase of public expenditure as have characterized the rule of the present ministry?

Do the people of York favor the government which spends thousands of dollars of the people's money to support a travelling troupe of day's work bridge builders?

Do the people of York favor a government which has practically doubled the highway tax without improving the condition of the roads?

Do the people favor the government which has appointed a medical doctor for the head of the agricultural department, with a quasi newspaper man for a deputy?

Do the people favor a government which has given valuable mineral rights and water powers to a powerful corporation for two generations with no return to the province other than a paltry five cents a ton royalty, which last year amounted to \$1633?

Do the people of York favor the Flemming government which last year spent \$103,000 without any legislative authority whatever, and despite the protests of the Auditor-General?

These and other questions of equal importance will be before the people. By their votes they will make their position clear.

A vote for the government ticket in York will mean that the people are willing that there should be a continuance of over-expenditure, waste of public money, debt increase and favoritism in the outlay of the people's money, depletion of our forest lands and in the end direct taxation.

A vote for Burden, Osborne, Little and Limerick will be a protest against the waste of the people's money, of added debt and consequent increase of the present enormous interest charge; of protest against increased taxation; a protest against favoritism in the outlay of the people's money; a protest against the present neglect of the farming interests of the province. It will also be a vote in favor of prudent administration, conservation of our natural resources and careful expending of people's money.

A vote for Burden, Osborne, Little and Limerick will be a vote for cheaper money for the farmers and fair play for the rural districts.

Moncton Transcript: The average farmer does not need a ready-made farm loaned to him; but he needs equal capital to develop adequately the farm he already occupies.

There lies just the difference in a nutshell! MR. FLEMMING OFFERS THE FARMER WHAT HE DOESN'T NEED.

MR. COPP OFFERS THE FARMER WHAT HE DOES NEED—THE USE OF CAPITAL.

Not a single man in York County with the exception of office holders can be found to take the stump on behalf of the Tory ticket.

THE BALLOT IS SECRET

It must not be forgotten that in the approaching election the ballot is absolutely secret. It must be of plain white paper and the names of the four candidates for whom the elector desires to vote can be either written or printed. Under the existing law which was adopted by the old government, it will be impossible to lead the voter up to the poll and watch him deposit his ballot. The voter may prepare his ballot at home or if he does not do this he will find a supply in the polling booth. The deputy returning officer hands him an envelope and he then goes behind a screen provided for the purpose encloses the ballot in the envelope returns it to the deputy returning officer who deposits it in the ballot box in the presence of the voter.

Under the new law it is impossible to practice coercive methods. The voter can have his ballot in his pocket when he arrives at the polling booth; he can dodge the party workers and once behind the screen no power on earth can prevent him from voting for the candidates of his choice. The feeling against the incompetent pledged breaking government in all the counties of the province is very strong and by the aid of a secret ballot that feeling is sure to find emphatic expression at the polls on June 30th.

Much to the regret of the Liberals of Sunbury, Mr. A. R. Miles, nominated at a party convention a week ago, has, on the advice of his physician, been obliged to retire from the contest. The Liberals in convention yesterday selected Mr. George A. Kimball to fill the vacancy. Mr. Kimball is a well known resident of the Parish of Burton, and is very popular along the river, especially with the employees of the St. John River Log Driving Company, with whom he has been associated for a number of years. The feeling in Sunbury against the government is strong and with the government nominees at sword points there should be a good chance for a Liberal victory.

The government officials who are actively campaigning for the Tory candidates in York, should remember the policy laid down in reference to them by the Premier of the province in 1908. Here is what Hon. Mr. Hazen said during the Legislative session of that year as reported in the official debates: "An official had a perfect right to go to the polls quietly and vote as he pleased, but if he took an active part and attempted to influence votes he would take his official life in his hands." This was the doctrine laid down by the Premier in 1908. If it still holds good there ought to be some vacant jobs for the boys in the near future.

The Tory bosses of York in detailing government office holders for active service in the field seem to have overlooked Mr. N. J. Smith, Indian Commissioner, Legislative door keeper and game warden. As the only triple office holder in the county, Mr. Smith owes a debt to the party which ought to be paid. Last year he was paid the sum of \$100 by the economical government for visiting the market once a week and spying into farm wagons in order to find out if any of the boys from the country were offering partridges for sale in violation of the law.

Mr. John A. Young, M.P.P., in a speech delivered in this city four years ago, was able to figure it out that the old government had increased the debt at the rate of \$500 per day during its twenty-five years of office. For having done this he thought the government was deserving of condemnation. The present government from April 1st, 1908, to November 1st, 1911, a period of three years and seven months, increased the public debt at the rate of \$800 per day. And yet Mr. Young has been a tame follower of this government.

Mr. W. E. Foster, one of the Liberal candidates in St. John, who is a practical railway man, in a speech last evening devoted some attention to Mr. Pender's railway scheme. He said that in order to pay the interest on the bonds it will be necessary for the road to earn \$1,250 per mile for its thirteen miles or a total of \$16,250 per year. What do the people of York County familiar with conditions think of the prospect of this road earning \$16,250 a year?

The presence of an independent Conservative ticket in Northumberland is tangible evidence of the delightful harmony which exists in the local government ranks in that county. The ticket is composed of Commodore Stewart, editor of The Chatham World; T. H. McIntyre, F. D. Swim and Lawrence Doyle. The revolt against Hon. John Morrissey in Northumberland is very strong and it is likely that the independent ticket will be supported by both Liberals and Conservatives.

The long list of meetings displayed in The Gleaner a few nights ago has been called in by order of Mr. O. S. Crockett, M.P. There were too many office-holders in the list and Mr. Crockett was afraid that as a result of this publicity he might be called upon to answer some embarrassing questions in parliament.

The following item which appeared in the auditor general's report in 1910 should interest some people: "T. Eaton & Company, 3 dozen glasses and expressage, \$15." This is one time when it didn't seem to have been very economical to patronize the mail order houses.

Mr. Harry McLeod predicts three thousand majority for himself in this election. Sheriff Howe, should arrange to procure expanding ballot boxes as the ordinary variety will not be large enough to hold all the ballots which Mr. McLeod seems to think are going to be cast for him.

Many old time Conservatives in York who have fought the battles of the party in many previous contests, are taking little or no part in this campaign. The reason is not far to seek—they do not relish the idea of having the patronage dispensed from Regent street.

It is rather noticeable that Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, who is supposed to have a fairly safe seat, is not doing any missionary work for the Tories in other counties. Hon. Mr. Grimmer has about as much love for his leader as he has for his Colleague Speaker Clarke.

The Tory standard in York is being carried at half mast by Messrs. McLeod, Pinder, Young and Morehouse. This may be accepted as a sure indication that matiny has broken out on the ship.

The champion grouchers, Mr. O. S. Crockett and Mr. J. K. Pinder, are booked to perform at Marysville this evening. "How it Feels to be Turned Down" will be their theme.

The report that Hon. H. F. McLeod is going to Northumberland to stump for the independent ticket is premature. He has not yet received an invitation.

Any person who reads the report of Hon. H. F. McLeod's speech at Stanley as published in the local back organ need not be told that the Provincial Secretary is suffering from an abnormal development of his hump of self-esteem.

Mr. O. S. Crockett, M.P., has promised to assist the Tory candidates in York by refraining from making any federal appointments for a few weeks. Some which he made last winter have been great vote getters for the Liberals.

Mr. O. S. Crockett, M. P., in his speech at Stanley on Saturday had many a good word to say for his Federal leader, Hon. J. D. Hazen. For pure vindictiveness the member for York is in a class by himself.

There are a whole lot of good decent respectable men in the rank and file of the Conservative party in York. But the trouble is they allow themselves to be led by men whom they should drive.

Only dyed-in-the-wool Tories and office holders are able to see anything in the record of the Flemming government to become enthusiastic over.

TORY DUPLICITY EXPOSED

(St. John Times.)

Dr. Pearson has effectually disposed of the assertion by the government that there has been no increased cut of lumber on crown lands. He found the evidence in the report of the surveyor general for 1911 where it was specifically stated that there was a great increase in the cut on crown lands. Neither Mr. Flemming nor any member of his government can hereafter have the hardihood to deny that there has been an increased cut and that this explains the increased revenue.

What do the people think of members of a government who go about making assertions which are proved by their own official reports to be incorrect? If they will attempt to deceive the people in a matter of this kind, to what extent may they be trusted in regard to any other matter affecting the public interest? The more their record is examined, the more evidences of duplicity and a determination to humbug the people are discovered. One term is quite enough for such a government, and the people of New Brunswick will make a great mistake if they give Mr. Flemming and his friends another chance to squander the public funds.

BRANSFIELD IS RELEASED

Louisville, Ky., June 11.—Unconditional release of the veteran first baseman, William E. Bransfield of the Louisville American Association Club, was announced this evening. Bransfield soon will leave for his home in Worcester, Mass.

Mr. A. G. Watson of Halifax is at the Queen with his bride.

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"Jeff" Pfeffer, the former Chicago Boston pitcher, is managing a team in the Greater Boston League. "Chick" Gandil, the former Montreal first baseman, is making good with Clark Griffith's Washington team.

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