

WESTERN PRESS COMMENT ON THE B. C. ELECTIONS

Machine [Politicians Have Had Their Day in Canada and the People are Done with Them--A Political and Moral Revolution in the Pacific Province--Thousands of Conservatives Show Fidelity to True Canadian Citizenship.

The Western Canadian newspapers have the following comment on the result of the British Columbia elections: Victoria Times: "The significance of the decision cannot be mistaken. It is exactly the same as that of the rejection of Roblinism in Manitoba, and the defeat in the by-elections in the east of candidates who stood for political methods which have had their day. The people of British Columbia are done with machine politics. They are done with the tyrannies of the patronage system, which in its various forms has brought this Province to the very verge of ruin. And they have served notice upon the exponent of what is known as 'practical politics,' the politician who operates on the theory that the elector either is a purchasable commodity or may be intimidated into line, that he and his kind are not wanted."

Political and Moral Revolution.

Vancouver World: "Two revolutions convulsed British Columbia yesterday--the one political, the other moral. Today the politicians are busy

estimating how far that result will affect the fortunes of their candidates and their parties. Everyone attaches his own significance to the result. The general desire for a change after a party has been long in power is inevitable. Abuse of power and corruption were charged against the government; but these charges have always been made and have formerly been attended by vastly different results."

Vancouver News-Advertiser: Mr. Macdonald has already been described by the Sun as the logical successor to Mr. Bowser in the office of the Attorney General, a position to which Mr. Farris had claims that the Sun might have allowed Mr. Brewster to consider. The Liberals concentrated their attacks on Mr. Bowser and this no doubt was one reason why he is at the head of his ticket by several hundred votes."

"Smash the Machine."

Vancouver Sun: The Sun looks on the result as a great vindication of its "smash the machine" slogan.

Saskatoon Phoenix: "The Pacific province swings into line with Nova

Scotia, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Only in New Brunswick and Ontario have the Conservatives any foothold in Canada. New Brunswick will almost certainly go Liberal if present indications are to be trusted, and Ontario will remain as the sole Tory stronghold in Canada. In the three by-elections recently held in that province the Liberals have won, so that Ontario can no longer be counted safe for them, and the next overturn will be in the Dominion elections. Bring them on."

True Canadian Citizenship.

Manitoba Free Press: "It has been the favorite argument of cynical arguers against democracy to point to administrations running a course of extravagance and fiscal debauchery, such as Manitoba and British Columbia have known, to their heavy cost, and sustained in power by a popular majority again and again. The reply is to point to what the people of Manitoba and the people of British Columbia have done in driving out of office at least the men who had proved faithless to their duties and responsibilities."

"In this purging of the public life of the coast province, as in the purging of the life in our own province, thousands of Conservatives have given proof of their fidelity to ideals of true Canadian citizenship by openly and vigorously supporting the Liberal candidates, because it was manifest to them in the degradation to which unworthy leaders had brought their own party's name, that there was no other way to set their province's house in order."

A Case of Revolt.

Calgary Morning Albertan (Liberal): "It was a straight, plain case of revolt of the common people against the rule of a faithless, inefficient, ultra-partisan machine administration. Issues played no part in the contest. The Government, at the dying hour, had passed legislation of the most valuable and

progressive nature. But the people once betrayed would not be deceived again. It was not so much a strife of parties. The people came to the conclusion that their administrators had betrayed the province, and nothing could stop the drive. The result, as indicating an independence of mind on the part of the electors, was very encouraging."

Regina Leader: "Aside from any and all local conditions which may have tended to bring about these results, it is becoming increasingly evident that the people of Canada are turning more and more to an acceptance of Liberal principles and policy. It may be that the war, which is, in the last analysis, a war between the common people and an autocratic military class, is having its effect in turning the people more pronouncedly to true democratic principles. This is evidenced by the decisive results in favor of prohibition and the enfranchisement of women and is likewise shown in the turning of the people away from Conservatism to Liberalism."

The People to be Congratulated.

Edmonton Bulletin (Liberal): "The people of British Columbia are to be congratulated on their expression of opinion as to the merits of the Bowser government. Whatever may be the changes when the ballot boxes from the military camps are opened, there is no doubt or question as to what the people who were on the ground and in the best position to judge of the merits of the several candidates and their policies think of Premier Bowser and his administration."

"It would be a mistake to assume that the vote was a declaration of Liberal party opinion. It was the determination of the people of the province to rid themselves of a government that was as autocratic as it was incompetent and unprincipled, in the hope of securing a better set of men guided by a better set of principles, to manage

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