

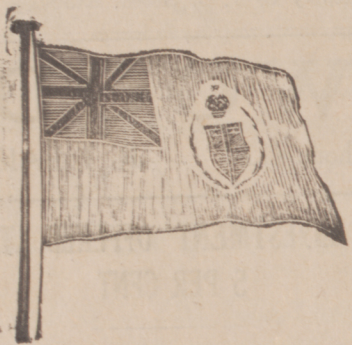
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LIBERAL CONVENTION

A Convention of the Liberal party of the County of York will be held on Saturday the nineteenth day of August instant at 2 o'clock p. m. at the Pitt's Building, York Street, Fredericton, for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the Dominion Election now about to be held.

All friends of the Liberal party are invited to attend.

Dated the 12th day of August 1911.

EDWARD MOORE
President York County
Liberal Association.

SUNBURY AND QUEENS

It is pleasing to note that Liberal electors of Sunbury and Queens have unanimously renominated Col. H. H. McLean as their standard bearer for the House of Commons at the approaching election. It was Col. McLean who redeemed Sunbury and Queens from Toryism three years ago when he defeated Mr. R. D. Wilmot, who had represented the constituency at Ottawa for nearly twenty years. The Tories had dominated the affairs of the constituency for so long that they were beginning to consider themselves invincible and they have not yet recovered from the rude jolt which they received three years ago at the hands of the Colonel. Had the constituency remained in the Tory column the electors would probably by this time have forgotten that it was part of the great Dominion of Canada. Mr. Wilmot although a very estimable man was without influence at Ottawa and consequently was able to do nothing to advance the interests of the people who sent him to parliament. Under the circumstances it is not much wonder that three years ago the electors concluded that the time had arrived when a change in their representation was needed. They sent Col. McLean to Ottawa and his course as a representative has amply justified the confidence reposed in him.

He has been most undefatigable in looking after the interests of the two counties and it is admitted by many of those who voted against him that as a representative he has more than made good. The promises which he made to the electors on the hustings have been faithfully carried out. New wharves have been provided, the postal service has been greatly improved and the people have been given the boon of free rural mail delivery. The electors of the two counties have felt that they have had a friend at court ready to advance their interests, one who felt it his duty to see to it that they got their fair share of public expenditures.

In all respects Col. McLean has faithfully administered the trust placed in his hands three years ago, and The Mail greatly mistakes the temper of the people of Sunbury and Queens if they do not show their appreciation by returning him to Ottawa on September 21st by a greatly increased majority.

Probably no constituency in the province will reap greater benefits from reciprocity than Sunbury and

Queens and imagination cannot conceive of such a thing as the people being so blind to their own interests as to vote against the ratification of the agreement. Lumbering is extensively carried on throughout the constituency and those engaged in it will profit by the removal of duty on lumber entering the United States. The agricultural possibilities of the two counties are great and once give the farmers a staple market for what they can raise and unprecedented prosperity and development will be the result. The constituency is blessed with a magnificent system of waterways which means that nature has made it possible for them to have the cheapest means of transportation in the world.

They can load their produce on the river steamers one day and deliver it in Boston twenty-four hours later. The intelligent farmers of the constituency feel that at last their turn has come to share in the prosperity now enjoyed by the manufacturing and other interests of the country and they are rallying to the support of Col. McLean and reciprocity.

The local Tory organ claims that the decrease in the population of New Brunswick from 1871 to 1891 was due to the exodus of the young people to Western Canada. The organ's statement is not correct. The exodus to Western Canada from the Maritime Province did not really begin until after 1896, when a Liberal government assumed the reins of power at Ottawa, and real development of that section of the country began. Previous to 1896 even immigrants brought into the country at great expense could not be induced to remain in the northwest. As a Winnipeg Tory paper sorrowfully observed at the time, "The trails leading from Manitoba to the boundary line are worn bare with the footprints of departing settlers."

The local Tory organ claims that farm products sold at very low prices under the old reciprocity treaty of 1854. The people will not be deceived by any such statement as that. Under reciprocity there was a staple market for everything the farmers of New Brunswick could produce, and whether the price was high or low they sold their produce in the New England States and made money. They will do the same thing again under reciprocity.

Mr. Pinder says that the farmers of Arcoostook County are hauling potatoes across to Carleton County and selling them at a profit. Mr. Pinder has for several years been shipping laths to the American market and selling them at a profit in spite of a duty of twenty cents a thousand, yet he pretends to think that his business will be ruined by reciprocity.

The local Tory organ is already becoming panicky. Yesterday it announced that the Sunbury-Queens electors were so depressed and Col. McLean so dismayed "that he may refuse to become the Liberal candidate." At least an hour before the publication Col. McLean had been offered and had accepted the Liberal nomination.

Mr. O. S. Crockett's letter from Mr. R. L. Borden promising to assist the Valley Railway in case he is returned to power is positively the richest joke that has developed during this campaign.

Senator King, the old Liberal warhorse of Sunbury and Queens, has thrown himself into the fight on behalf of Col. McLean. The Senator is a firm believer in reciprocity.

From 1851 to 1861, while the reciprocity treaty was in force the population of New Brunswick increased by 55,000. From 1861 to 1891 under the National policy the population increased by thirty souls.

The Conservatives of Carleton County in convention yesterday nominated Mr. B. Frank Smith as their candidate. In Gloucester Mr. T. M. Burns will be the Tory sacrifice.

Mr. Stanley Bridges of St. John is in the city. Misses Estella and Lillian O'Brien of Fredericton are visiting Miss Carrie Harriman. —Chatham Gazette. Mrs. George Miles of St. Mary's accompanied by her daughter Pauline, is visiting Mrs. W. S. Poole of St. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stone and daughter Helen of Millidgeville are spending a few days in the city. They will also visit Marysville, Sheffield and Oromocto.

INSURGENCY AMONG CONSERVATIVES OF ONTARIO

Independent Conservative Association Formed in South Simcoe to Bring Out Candidate Favorable to Reciprocity—Thomas Hammell, Farmer, Willing To Run

Cookstown, Aug. 15.—An Independent Conservative Association is being organized for the riding of South Simcoe, for the express purpose of electing a reciprocity candidate to the House of Commons.

If the Liberal party puts a man in the field, which is at present undecided, the new organization will give him their support. It is believed that this will be the case. In the event of there being no Liberal opposition to the straight Tory candidate, Mr. Thomas Hammell, a farmer, will be brought out as the Independent Conservative, pledging himself to support the Government's trade proposal.

HAUGHTON LENNOX NOMINATED

At the Conservative convention held here today, which renominated Mr. Haughton Lennox, K. C., to again contest the riding. Mr. William McDermott, a farmer of Beeton, who had supported the Conservative party for over fifty years, declared that as a farmer he could see nothing but benefit to accrue from reciprocity. He therefore proposed that as a large portion of the Conservative farming community favored the pact, the convention being out two candidates, one endorsing the agreement.

SPEAKER CRIED DOWN

The convention which had been carefully chosen in view of the popularity of reciprocity in many quarters cried him down, and it was with the greatest difficulty that he was able to speak for the five minutes allotted to him. At the close of the meeting, which lasted for four hours, Mr. McDermott rose and announced that the delegates need not count the issue

dead and that they would hear from him shortly.

FAVOR RECIPROCITY

To your correspondent he said that Mr. Hammell would be approached tomorrow, and that he has already signified his willingness to go before the electors as a Conservative reciprocity man. A large number of Conservatives pledged themselves to support any candidate who will accept reciprocity as his platform. In view of the fact that it is almost certain that the Liberals will nominate a standard-bearer before the end of the week, South Simcoe will experience the closest contest in its history.

A CONSERVATIVE HIVE

Mr. Lennox's majority in 1908 was 1,500, and the Independents believe that there are sufficient Conservatives staunchly in favor of the agreement to defeat the straight Conservative candidate opposed to reciprocity.

Mr. McDermott stated tonight that the Independent Conservatives would hold meetings in every polling subdivision and a personal canvass will be made of the entire constituency. Mr. W. E. Murphy of Rosemont has already planned a series of meetings. The Conservative convention gave many manifestations of active insurgency among Mr. Lennox's followers.

NO OPPOSITION WANTED

The President, Dr. J. J. D. Bantling, in opening the proceedings ordered all Grits and any who were not in sympathy with the Borden platform to leave the hall.

The gathering was addressed by Hon. James Duff, Mr. Alexander Ferguson, M. P. P., the nominee and a number of others.

JOURNALISTS PLEASED WITH ST. JOHN VALLEY

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the Surveyor General, Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer made a brief address. He congratulated the visitors on their opportunity of visiting the most beautiful city of the province. He regretted however, that their stay was to be so short. The Surveyor General made complimentary reference to the educational institutions of the city.

New Brunswick, he had to say, had been ignored in Great Britain, the lure of the West having proved too strong. However, New Brunswick would take no backward step. (Hear! Hear!) The natural resources of the province were hardly touched. The Crown Lands, with their great forests, were the main source of wealth but the mineral wealth of the province was also believed to be great. He regretted the party would be unable to visit the Nepisiguit Iron Mines, where was a deposit of millions of tons of ore. The surveyor general also made reference to the value of the Albert County oil and gas field and the Albert shales. All that was needed to develop great industries in connection with these mineral deposits was capital. Hon. Mr. Grimmer also gave the journalists information concerning the big game of New Brunswick, its game birds and fish. He mentioned also the possibilities of development of water powers.

Hon. Mr. Grimmer deplored the prevailing ignorance in Great Britain concerning the Maritime Provinces. In the past this part of Canada had been sidetracked but that state of affairs was to be remedied and successful steps in that direction had already been made. Other

parts of Canada they would find attractive but he felt sure that they would always remember the Maritime Provinces. (Applause).

MAYOR THOMAS.

Mayor Thomas followed with a brief address in which he referred to Fredericton's attractions.

Mr. C. D. Lucas, representing Tit Bits, then proposed the health of the officers and members of the Fredericton Board of Trade. The toast was responded to with "He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

J. T. JENNINGS.

Pres. J. T. Jennings replied. He expressed his gratitude for the kind wishes of the members of the press party. He felt that they would get an excellent idea of the resources and possibilities of New Brunswick and tell of them to the British public, particularly the investing public.

H. S. CAMPBELL.

Mr. H. S. Campbell, secretary of the Board of Trade, followed with a brief speech. He regretted that the stay of the party in Fredericton was so short as it had been hoped to give the members some idea of the commercial development and possibilities of the city.

W. W. HUBBARD.

Mr. W. W. Hubbard, secretary for agriculture, expressed appreciation on behalf of his department to Mr. J. Obed Smith, who had managed the tour. He could say like the other speakers that he regretted that the stay of the party was so short.

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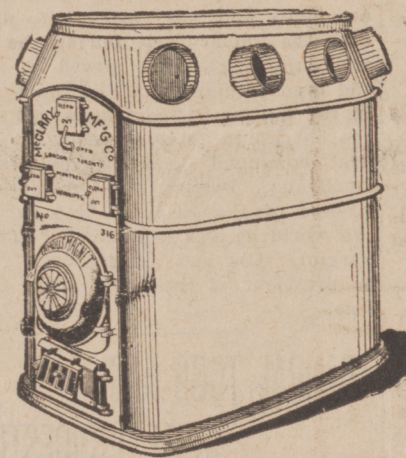
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