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A TORY OPINION

Mr. R. A. Reid is a prominent barrister of Toronto and a life long Tory worker. During the last election campaign he fought the fight of his party but is disgusted with the after election developments. In an extremely able letter to the "Globe" he puts the situation with extreme force. His central theme is the appointment of Mr. W. T. White as Minister of Finance, to which appointment he objects on party grounds and also on the ground that it means a complete surrender to the financial powers of the land. In other words Mr. White is a money king forced into the most prominent position in the cabinet by the influence of money kings not by reason of any demand from the public since he was not even offered a nomination during the campaign. It will be remembered that the famous "Massey Hall" meeting in Toronto was really the beginning of the Tory campaign and was a revelation of the nature of the forces concerned in putting Mr. Borden into power. Mr. Reid thus comments upon that notable gathering:

"Let us for a moment carry our memories back to the mass meeting in Massey Hall last summer, called to protect against the Reciprocity measure, when it was noticed that the letters C.N.R. were strongly in evidence everywhere. What did we find and whom did we find mostly in evidence? Why Arthur Hawkes alleged to be the editor of a paper said to be a newspaper called the British Weekly and formerly employed by Mackenzie & Mann, who on that occasion made what he called a speech. Z. A. Lash was also there. He was formerly legal adviser for Mackenzie & Mann and is largely interested in their enterprises at the present time. W. T. White was also there explaining the great things to be expected if the financiers were to continue in charge of the affairs of the country. It might be noted here that it was to put the financiers out of control of the affairs of this country that a general election was held on September 21, 1911. Mr. White was Manager and Vice-President of the National Trust Company. J. W. Flavelle is the President of the National Trust Company; Geo. A. Cox, Senator, owns or controls a large proportion of the National Trust Company. W. T. White is a nephew of R. J. Fleming, and Fleming is Manager of Sir William Mackenzie's Toronto Street Railway. Mackenzie & Mann secured a large guarantee of bonds from the Canadian government a short time before the general election on Sept. 21 last in connection with the building of a portion of their railways in Canada. Sir Edmund Walker is President of the Bank of Commerce and it is said that Mackenzie & Mann Lash and Geo. A. Cox were largely interested in this institution. With the exception of George A. Cox (apparently) all the above named gentlemen refused to support the Liberal party on the question of reciprocity, and W. T. White said at Massey Hall that he was not opposing the reciprocity question as a Conservative, but that he was still a Liberal except on that question of policy. All these gentlemen were and are the intimate friends and supporters of W. T. White Minister of Finance, pro tem.

In view of this how can W. T. White present himself to the electors of any intelligent community as a candidate for election as a Conservative minister of the Crown.

Regina Province:—There will be no wholesale decapitation of civil servants. The service will be improved. The Conservative party will occupy a still better position when they show the people of Canada that a business administration is the object of the Government. The contrast with the graft regime and spoils system, which the Conservatives will supplant with a business administration will be so great and so welcome that the conservative party can afford to disappoint a few office-seekers.

An Ottawa despatch to the local graft organ says:
"Hon. Mr. Hazen last evening entertained some visiting New Brunswick Conservatives at dinner at the Rideau Club. Among those present were Hon. R. L. Borden, Hon. Frank Cochrane, Mr. James H. Crockett of Fredericton, Mr. Joseph Knight, Mr. B. F. Smith of Florenceville, Mr. J. N. Winslow of Woodstock, and Mr. George Balmain of Woodstock."

It is beginning to look as if the New Brunswick Tories who so vigorously opposed Hon. Mr. Hazen's admission to the cabinet are already proposing terms for peace. When things get fixed up satisfactorily, Mr. Hazen should be able to pay a visit to Fredericton.

Rev. Father Vaughan is again in the limelight. His Montreal experience is insignificant compared with his new trouble. Instead of having aroused merely the hostility of Protestants generally, he has enlisted the suffragettes in array against him. He remarked to them recently that "women may be able to match ribbons and like details, but they had not sufficient mentality to vote," and in consequence there is an uproar in the Suffragist camp. Now there will be the fun. A debate between the fair Christabel Pankhurst and Father Vaughan would be, to the hearers, the treat of a life time. Both are past masters of oratorical invective.

Bishop Richardson in his annual charge to the diocesan synod gave utterance to plain truths on Ecclesiastical and other matters which were carefully thought out and should make some people sit up and take notice. A declining rural population and increased cost of living in towns are no doubt in a large measure responsible for the difficulties which confront the bishop and his co-laborers in their noble work. Give us a policy that will develop the Maritime Provinces and keep our young people at home and there will be plenty of ministers and no lack of funds with which to pay them for their services.

Edmonton Bulletin:—By their actions and their avowed intentions the lumber manufacturers of British Columbia have declared that competition in the manufacture and sale of lumber from that Province is at an end, and that so far as British Columbia lumber effects the western lumber trade the whole western business in the line has been put into the hands of a trust whose purpose it is to take out of the ultimate user of lumber all that can be got out of him by trust methods.

Commodore Stewart will be visiting Ottawa one of these days, but it is scarcely likely that he will get down on his knees before Hon. Mr. Hazen and beg for government patronage. The Commodore is made of sterner stuff. He called Mr. Hazen a "weak-kneed, back-boneless leader" on one occasion, and he has never retracted the words.

A goodly portion of Bishop Richardson's charge to the Anglican synod was little more than a reiteration of the sad story told by the census returns. The Maritime Provinces are being bled for the benefit of other portions of the Dominion and the Anglican Church only carries its proportionate share of the general burden.

A few years ago St. James Methodist Church of Montreal was in hard sledding, and members of the denomination throughout the country were called upon to contribute to its support. Today negotiations are under way to sell the property for \$2,000,000. The cost of the edifice is said to have been \$350,000.

A lot of Tory patriots who had so much to say about grafters during the recent election are looking about for an opportunity to purchase dredges. So keen are these patriots to serve their country that they have caused dredges to take a sharp advance in price and there are not really enough to go around.

Hundreds of anti-reciprocity Liberals are already being told that the Tories only wanted them on election day.

The Tory philanthropists of York and Sunbury who were badly beaten out in the race for a dredge, should get to work and build one.

NO HOPE FOR IMPERIALISTS

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Dr. Wu Ting Fang has twice occupied the office of Chinese minister to the United States. For a time he appeared to have been relegated permanently to private life, but in August, 1910, he was made councillor to the Chinese foreign office. His advanced ideas have not always harmonized with the imperial policy, and has been no secret that recently he has not wholly sympathized with the throne. He is the most important figure that has appeared on the revolutionary stage during the last few days, and his attitude as formally announced today, is expected, is expected to have a far reaching influence.

Shanghai, China, Nov. 8.—Fighting at Hangking this morning is reported Tai Chow, a city in the province of Chekiang 75 miles southwest of Ningpo, surrendered to the revolutionists today without resistance.

Tsing Tao Kiaow, Shang Tung province, China Nov. 8.—The British and German consuls at Chi Fu fearing mob disorders today requested assistance from Tsing Tao Kiaow. The German cruiser Emden is ready to depart for Chi Fu.

A despatch from Shanghai said Shi Fu also known as Che Foo, a treaty port of about 40,000 population on the north coast of Shan Tuan peninsula had gone over to the revolutionists.

Hong Kong, Nov. 8.—The revolutionists attacked the Wong-Tong-Pong, Lilong, Pokut and Sham-Chum stations on the Chinese section of the Canton-Cowloon Railway last night, and seized arms and ammunition.

The employees of the railway escaped, to the British concession, foreigners were unharmed. The revolutionists demolished the custom house at Sham-Kum.

Reports from Macao describes a Chinese rising in the Hung-Sha district. The commander of the imperial troops was killed.

The Tao Tai of Amoy fearing trouble boarded a customs cruiser. The British sloop Rose has been sent to Amoy.

Dr. Wu said that while he was loath to accept office and hesitated because of his former close connection with his Manchu government, he was now practically forced to aid the cause of China. He announced that Cheng Te Chuan, the governor at Soo Chow, and formerly governor at Mukden, Manchuria, who was the first governor to come over to the reformers had been elected governor of the entire province of Kiang-Su. He said that Cheng Te Chuan was a strong man and would be able to control the revolutionists and guarantee order, and safety of foreigners. Ninety-nine per cent of the population, he said, was supporting the present statutes.

Supplementing his formal statement later, Dr. Wu Ting Fang made it plain that he had not definitely committed himself to the idea of a republic, though he believed that such a government would be feasible. Personally he favored a constitutional monarchy but he was in sympathy with the general revolutionary movement and the majority behind that movement had set their hearts on a republic. He added:

"Whatever the outcome of the present upheaval it will be to the advantage of China. If the revolutionists succeed the question of whether the future government will be a republic or a constitutional monarchy will have to be decided. If it is to be the former, I anticipate a combination of the United States constitution with acts of the German federation.

"In any case new China will seek the friendship of foreigners and probably a revision of her treaties will ensue. 'Anyhow China will be opened to foreign trade and the government and people alike will do their utmost to stimulate business with the outside world and develop the natural resources of the country. Foreign advisers will also be needed of administrative capacity."

Dr. Wu declined to discuss the matter of his appointment as director of foreign affairs by the provincial government.

The death of Sir John Carling, for many years minister of agriculture in the old Tory government, leaves a vacancy in the Senate which will likely go to Mr. George Taylor, who gave up his seat for the new minister of finance. In private life Sir John Carling was a brewer.

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REPUBLICANS MADE GAINS IN STATE ELECTIONS

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Luce, the Republican candidate, ran nearly 3,000 votes behind the Republican candidate, Louis A. Frothingham, of last year. Walsh polled 50,435 votes to 26,341 for Luce.

The vote for lieutenant-governor is very close but the other Republican state officers appear to have been elected.

New York, Nov. 7.—Returns up to midnight from throughout the state on the assembly election indicate that the complexion of that body will be as follows: Republicans, 100; Democrats, 49; Socialist, 1. This would mean a net gain of thirty-seven seats for the Republicans and give them a majority of fifty.

In New York City election for local offices Tammany Hall maintained its supremacy but lost many votes to the Republican fusion forces.

SOCIALISTS CARRY SCHENECTADY.

Schenectady, N.Y., Nov. 7.—For the first time in the history of this country Socialists have polled a counting vote, electing a mayor, all but one city office and a majority of the county offices, which will make the common council and probably the county board of supervisors Socialistic. Rev. Dr. George R. Lunn, pastor of the United Baptist church, and editor of The Citizen, a Socialistic weekly, was elected mayor by a plurality of 1,999 or practically two-thirds of the total vote polled.

RHODE ISLAND REPUBLICAN.

Providence, R.I., Nov. 7.—Returns at midnight from more than half of the state indicate a general Republican victory. Governor Pothier, a native of Quebec, being returned to office, apparently by a greatly increased plurality. With 108 out of 184 voting precincts heard from, the vote was: Pothier, 21,119; Waterman, Dem., 16,530. The same district last year gave Pothier 18,119. The Republican gains extended into the general assembly where the Republican majority of last year has been augmented apparently so that the Democratic representation will be very slight. Indications at midnight were that the Senate would be solidly Republican.

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