

DAILY HERALD.

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THAT MAIL CONTRACT.

Mr. McLeod has made a great handle of the up river mail contract, and has maliciously misrepresented the facts to such an extent, that a frank explanation of the matter should clear away all the scandal and untruths with which the faction candidate has sought to surround it.

For four years up to April 1st, 1900, Mr. W. E. Everett held the contract for carrying the mails between this city and Meductic, three trips a week for \$525. Shortly before the time for the expiry of Mr. Everett's contract, and when it was understood that the post office department would renew it to him without competition, some of Mr. Gibson's friends suggested that tenders be called for the service in the usual way so that others might have a chance to compete. Mr. Gibson placed the matter before the department, and it was decided that new tenders should be asked. In the meantime provision had to be made for carrying on the service during the time necessary for receiving the tenders and signing a new contract, and Mr. Whittaker, assistant P. O. Inspector, came to this city, and offered to pay Mr. Everett at the same rate he was receiving under his contract, if he would continue the service until the new arrangements were made. Mr. Everett had been receiving at the rate of \$10 per week, but he absolutely declined to continue beyond the date of his contract unless he received \$30 per week. Mr. Whittaker then made a temporary arrangement with John McCoy to do the work at \$10 a week, the same as Mr. Everett had been receiving, and Mr. McCoy carried the mails for eight weeks, rendering good service, but losing as he claims, some \$200 by the transaction. It was necessary for him to keep a man and five horses on the road all the time for the magnificent sum of ten dollars a week and the uncertain transient revenue that might arise from passengers, etc.

In the meantime the department advertised for tenders for the service, and the contract was awarded for \$425 to John Macpherson who has been performing the service ever since.

These are the facts with respect to the mail contract about which Mr. McLeod has so much distressed himself, and upon which he has violently attacked Mr. Gibson all over the constituency, and what is there in it after all that reflects on anybody concerned. Mr. Gibson was certainly not at fault in recommending the department to follow the regular course in calling for new tenders for a service that was about to expire, and Mr. McCoy should receive credit rather than censure for the part he had in the transaction. He undertook a job at a figure which Mr. Everett refused, he lost money by it, but he assisted the department through a difficulty when nobody else was desirous of undertaking the service.

Mr. McLeod, we do not hesitate to say, has lowered himself very much in the estimation of even his own friends by the malicious, unwarranted and dishonest manner in which he has represented the matter, and a clear understanding of the facts as they are given above without any effort to brush them up to suit Mr. Gibson's interest, should enable every fair minded elector to acquit the Liberal candidate of any blame in the matter.

Mr. Pitts seems to be getting into bad odor with some of his former journalistic and political friends. The Herald has never gone so far as to call our distinguished co-laborer a fool, but we have always had a strong suspicion that those who were closely associated with him would some day discover that he was not an angel. Mr. Pitts is certainly not a christian, except perhaps in theory, or he would never have published that disgraceful attack on Mr. Gibson. Perhaps the most charitable view of the matter is that when Mr. Pitts' mental machinery was set up, the balance wheel was not properly adjusted, or perhaps it was entirely forgotten.

Perhaps the Sun will be able to note that Mr. James S Neill the late president of the Conservative association of York is not supporting Mr McLeod, but has signed Mr. Gibson's nomination papers. Messrs. John Palmer and John Kilburn representing two of Fredericton's greatest industries, and former staunch Conservatives, are also among the gentlemen who have nominated Mr. Gibson.

The Moncton Transcript, which has had a wide political experience, is good enough to say: "The Fredericton Herald is making an energetic and whole hearted campaign for the Liberal candidate, Mr. A. Gibson, Jr., in York County. It is putting up the best party newspaper advocacy of a candidate ever witnessed in the county."

What happened Mr. Geo. J. Colter, president of the Conservative Association of York, that he was not in the city to attend the McLeod opera house meeting Thursday night, and to greet his party leader. Is it true that Mr Colter too, is showing Mr McLeod the marble heart?

Mr. McLeod told in pathetic language at the Opera House Thursday evening how faithfully he had served the temperance cause, but never a word did he utter on how faithfully the cause served him. The official figures show \$10,000.

It is said that Mr. Borden, the opposition leader, felt very keenly the indecent way in which he was treated by Dr. McLeod at the Opera House Thursday evening. No wonder Mr. Borden cut his speech down to twenty-five minutes.

Mr McLeod in 1896, voted for Geo. E. Foster who was elected in York by unblushing bribery over E. H. Allen, Liberal, whose vote was free and unpurchased. Why was not Mr McLeod on the side of political purity then.

"My crime is having secured a \$300 job for a relative, but when Mr. Foster was in power he gave one of his relatives a \$10,000 job"—Mr Gibson at the opera house this afternoon.

It is announced from London that the governors of all Canadian provinces will be invited to the King's coronation. This fact should largely increase the aspirants for New Brunswick's gubernatorial chair.

Ten federal bye elections are to be held Jan. 15, five in Ontario, four in Quebec and one in P. E. Island. The dates for Lisgar, Beauharnois and Victoria, B. C., have not yet been fixed.

We fancy that in spite of Mr Pitts' attack on the character at extent of Mr Gibson's education, it will compare favourably with some clergymen's theological training.

After Mr McLeod had scopped the \$10,000 from the government for prohibition commission services, he sent in a bill for 48 Sundays at \$10 a Sunday, \$480.

Amherst ratepayers have voted \$77 to 138 in favor of sewerage. Fredericton should take another turn at a plebiscite on the subject.

About seven out of every ten of the country electors, who were in the city today, were enthusiastic for Mr. Gibson's candidature.

Quite a number of electors have nominated Mr Gibson for Parliament. Look at the list published in this issue of the Herald.

Mr Sproule has never told the electors of York why he was dismissed from the position of stipendiary magistrate of Hampton.

Mr McLeod does not race his raise and religion cry before a city audience. That is for the country districts.

They say Mr Pinder has no relish for a purity campaign.

Colds

You first take cold, then you cough. Then you have a doctor. He says it's bronchitis, and he orders Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It is his favorite prescription for colds and coughs. If he knows of anything better, tell him to give it to you.

"I had a very severe cough for many weeks. Nothing relieved me until I tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. This rapidly and entirely cured me."

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Santa Claus is going to present Mr. Gibson with a most seasonable and valuable gift—a seat in Parliament, but "Little Joey" must be satisfied with the big prohibition plum he got some years ago.

Hon. D. C. Fraser captured the people of Bright last night.

To Clergymen.

Marriage certificates, a good form neatly printed on good paper, can be had at the Herald office.—d&w.



Santa Claus

finds many useful gifts at our store.

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BARGAINS

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Christmas and Winter Footwear

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WE HAVE BEEN PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS TRADE, IN EVERYTHING THAT PERTAINS TO UP-TO-DATE FOOTWEAR,

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Gents' Waterproof Buckle Overboots.....	\$1 25
Ladies' Waterproof Button Overboots, perfect goods, only.....	1 60
Misses' Waterproof Button Overboots, perfect goods, regular price \$1.30 now only.....	90
Child's Felt Button Overboots, former price \$1.25 now only.....	75
Child's Manitoba High 2 Buckle Waterproof Overboots, number 5, 6 and 7 only, former price, \$1.40, now only.....	75
Lumbermen's 1 Buckle Rubbers, perfect goods only.....	1 25
Lumbermen's 1 Buckle Rubbers, 1st quality, corrugated edge, numbers 11 and 12, former price \$1.65 now.....	1 35
Lumbermen's 1 buckle Ankle Boots, 1st quality, No. 7 and 11, former price \$1.90 now only.....	1 50
Lumbermen's Rubber Snow Excluders, wool lined, No. 12, former price \$2.00 now only.....	1 50
Gents' Oil Tan Shoebacks, black and tan, only.....	1 15
Boys' Black Shoebacks, only.....	95
Youth's Black Shoebacks, only.....	80

Gents' Oil Tan Moccasins, only.....	\$ 60
Gents' Moosehide Moccasins, No. 7, 8 and 9, former price 90c., now.....	75
Ladies' Moosehide Moccasins, No. 3 and 4, former price 75c., now.....	65
Misses' Moosehide Moccasins, No. 11, 12 and 1, former price 65c., now.....	50
Infants' Moosehide Moccasins, No. 3, 4 and 5, former price 40c. and 50c., now.....	30
Infants' Soft Kid Moccasins, No. 3, former price 30c., now.....	20
Gents' Embroidered Velvet Slippers only.....	65
Gents' Fine Leather Slippers in Black and Chocolate, only.....	75
Ladies' Skating Boots, felt lined, only.....	1 30
Misses' Skating Boots, felt lined, only.....	1 15
Ladies' Felt Button or Lace Boots, kid Tip, No. 4, 5 and 7, former price \$1.25 and \$1.35, now only.....	85
Ladies' Felt Elastic Side Boots, only.....	90

Many other bargains too numerous to mention. Don't forget the place.

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DEC. 19th.

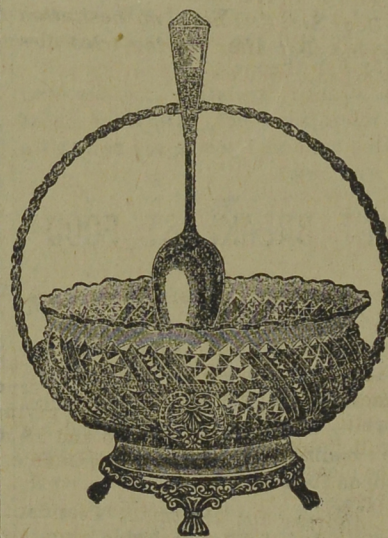
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