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THE LATE ELDON MULLIN.

The news of Dr. Eldon Mullin's death at Johannesburg, South Africa, will be a great shock to his numerous friends in this province.

Less than a year ago he accepted a call from the British authorities to go to the new colonies and assist in the establishment of a modern educational system in that country, and he left his native province with high hopes of future usefulness and prosperity in his adopted land. Until recently he labored at Pretoria, and was then transferred to Johannesburg to found a Normal and Model school after the pattern of those with which he was so long connected in this city and to act as assistant director of education in the Transvaal. His career there, however, has been cut short by the hand of death, and the cause of education in South Africa loses an able exponent, and New Brunswick a gifted son.

Dr. Mullin was all his life, with the exception of the past year, closely identified with the educational interests of New Brunswick, first as a teacher in the common schools, then as inspector, and finally as principal of the Normal school for twenty years. In the last named position he did particularly earnest and efficient work, and left the school in a prosperous and effective condition. He was not only a successful teacher but a rigid disciplinarian, and the institution prospered under his care, sending forth each year a strong body of well trained teachers who have done so much to advance the common schools of the province.

Mr. Mullin was a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and that institution at its last convocation conferred on him the well deserved honorary doctor's degree.

While a resident of this city Dr. Mullin was active in many lines of work apart from his official duties, especially in the Church of England, and enjoyed the friendship and esteem of a large circle of friends who will bear with sincere sorrow of his death at a comparatively early age, and in the midst of a useful career. Especially will the sympathy of this community be extended to Mrs. Mullin and her family who only recently joined him in his new home, and are so suddenly bereaved among strangers in a strange land.

THE CARLETON TICKET.

The local government's friends in Carleton county have nominated an excellent ticket, and will carry it to victory.

Messrs. Wendell P. Jones, Major Good and Frank Shaw are all young and popular men, and with a united party at their back will give a splendid account of themselves at the polls. Their nomination it is believed will heal whatever differences there may have been in the party, and will send dismay into the Opposition ranks.

Mr. Jones is a rising barrister with hosts of friends in the county, both on his own and his father's account, the latter the late Randolph K. Jones having sat in the legislature for Carleton many years ago, and for a long time occupied the position of secretary

treasurer of the municipality. Mr. Wendell Jones is a young gentleman with plenty of ability, energy and with a pleasant address, which will assist him in making friends in parts of the county where he is already not well known.

Major Good is a progressive and prosperous young farmer of Jacksonville, and served in the South African war, going out first as an officer in E battery, Canadian Artillery, and afterwards as a captain in the mounted rifles, and achieving distinction in both capacities. He is connected by kinship with leading families of the county and will be a source of great strength to the ticket.

Mr. Shaw is a bright and intelligent young farmer residing at Victoria Corner and made a good run against Mr. Fleming in a bye election. He will bring a strong support to the ticket from the upper end of the county.

We have heard a great many opposition boasts of coming victory in Carleton, but these expectations will be discounted in the face of the splendid combination which the government's friends have been able to put in the field, and we expect to see a full government delegation in the new legislature from that intelligent and prosperous constituency.

TRIBUTES TO MR. BLAIR.

Under the heading "Prosperity of St. John" the Toronto Globe says:

"At the last general election for the Dominion the Minister of Railways and Canals was the Liberal candidate in the city of St. John, New Brunswick. Mr. George E. Foster, who had represented York county in the same province, abandoned it and ran against Mr. Blair. He was able to secure a powerful ally in the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, which did its best to defeat Mr. Blair on account of his refusal to grant its line special freight privileges. The minister accepted the issue, and the result of the contest was his return by an overwhelming majority.

Recent events show that the confidence reposed in Mr. Blair by the electors of St. John was not at all misplaced. The city and port are enjoying a period of unprecedented prosperity. There is not wharfage enough to accommodate all the ocean steamers seeking berths to obtain cargoes. No threats come now from the Canadian Pacific that its traffic will be diverted on account of the competition of the Intercolonial. Best of all, the present activity is likely to endure. Fluctuations there may be, but never again, in all probability, will St. John fall away commercially to the condition of former days."

During the visit of a Toronto delegation to the cabinet at Ottawa to talk over railway matters, Secretary Allen of the Toronto Board of Trade said:

As far as the Toronto Board of Trade is concerned I desire to emphasize everything I heard here today, and I am glad to be able to say that the present minister of railways has come nearer to what we consider a proper incumbent of that position than any one who heretofore has occupied the position, and had he full scope we would soon have all that we ask for. I would like to see the minister given autocratic powers."

A DAY' GOOD WORK.

In addition to the strong government ticket placed in the field in Carleton and referred to elsewhere, the government's friends effected good work Thursday in other constituencies.

The nomination of Dr. Pugsley, Mr. Scovil and Mr. King, in Kings county, means their election by rousing majorities. No constituency in the province presents a stronger ticket for the endorsement of the electors, and Mr. Sproule and his opposition aggregation will find they are running up against a stone wall. Attorney-General Pugsley is easily the leader of the New Brunswick bar and a gentleman most highly esteemed all over Canada, and his colleagues on the ticket both have elements of strength that unite with the attorney general's strong personality and popularity to make the ticket an irresistible one.

The Sunbury nominations are also

eminently satisfactory to the government's friends. Mr. Harrison comes of a family of legislators, his grandfather, his father and his uncle all having occupied places in the New Brunswick legislature. The family have always been held in high esteem in Sunbury, and Mr. Harry Harrison is no exception. He made a splendid fight against Mr. Hazen in the last election and will defeat him this time.

Dr. James Peake is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and a young gentleman who has rapidly acquired a large practice in his profession in Sunbury, as well as securing the confidence and respect of the people. The party unanimously, at a large and representative convention, selected Mr. Harrison and Dr. Peake for their candidates, and will see to it that they are both elected.

Other counties that nominated government tickets Thursday were Kent and Queens—Messrs. Barnes, Gogain and Johnson in the former and Hon. L. P. Farris and Mr. Carpenter in the latter, both winning tickets.

Carleton, Kings, Sunbury, Queens and Kent electors favorable to the government have done their duty in nominating strong and popular men, and all five constituencies will be represented in the next legislature by the gentlemen who are now the government standard bearers in those constituencies.

THE YORK CONVENTION.

The government's friends in York will meet in convention tomorrow afternoon to formally select candidates for the legislature, and while the choice is with the electors composing the gathering, it may be pretty safely stated that the three late members of the assembly, Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Allen and Mr. Campbell will be among those selected, while Coun. Geo. F. Borden is most favorably mentioned as likely to be the fourth man on the ticket.

Assuming that these four gentlemen will be the candidates, the Herald is in a position to predict a rattling victory for them at the polls.

Some members of the Opposition have been busy the past few days attempting to organize a ticket, but have not met with success. The government party is so strong in this constituency that opposition will be futile, and gentlemen who are not in sympathy with the government and might have political ambitions under more favorable conditions wisely hesitate to present themselves to be sacrificed on the present occasion.

Supporters of the government both in city and country are cordially invited to be present at tomorrow's convention, to select candidates and make other preliminary arrangements for the campaign.

THE WOMEN OF CANADA.

Lady Aberdeen read an animated and entertaining paper Tuesday on "The Women of Canada" before the National section of the Society of Arts at London, paying a high tribute to their homely virtues and intellectual resources. She began with glimpses of the romantic history of the foundation of Quebec and Montreal, read letters from women living in the loneliness of the Northwest Territories, referred to the activities of the Federation of Women of the Dominion, and described their efficiency in the household, in society, on School Boards, in missionary work, and in the hospitals.

All honor to the Liberals of Charlotte who in convention refused to be bound by the compromise agreement entered into by some of their leaders with the opposition, and subsequently ratified by the opposition convention. The deal, conceding to the opposition two seats in Charlotte, was a huge blunder, and men who stood up in convention, denounced it and finally voted it down, are the right stuff, and it is hoped that their views will prevail.

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