

PROV. GEN. ELECTION

NOMINATION,

Saturday, February 21

POLLING,

Saturday, February 28

GOVERNMENT CANDIDATES.

YORK COUNTY.

W. T. WHITEHEAD,
JOHN A. CAMPBELL,
GEO. W. ALLEN, K. C.,
COUN. GEO. F. BURDEN.

SUNBURY COUNTY.

HARRY E. HARRISON,
DR. JAMES PEAKE.

DAILY HERALD.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1903.

THE YORK CAMPAIGN.

Electors present at the nomination proceedings from every part of York report most excellent prospects for the government candidates. The outlook is better even than in 1899 when the opposition were snowed under by nearly fifteen hundred majority. The government ticket composed of gentleman of great respectability and standing in the constituency, has met with a splendid reception, and they will roll up magnificent majorities on Saturday next. Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Allen and Mr. Burden are all gentlemen with a stake in the county, they are recognized as successful in their various callings, and deserve and will receive the confidence of the constituency. In appealing for election they leave behind them the excellent record of the government which has done so much to develop the resources of the province, and to liberally provide for the various public services. The record of the government in all matters is clean and above board, and the candidates of the administration have no apologies to make to the electorate, either on their own behalf or for the government which they support.

The opposition ticket is admittedly much weaker than that presented to the electors in 1899, there is not a strong man on it, and at least two members of the ticket are practically unknown outside their own parishes. They represent only a faction of the once united and powerful opposition party in this county, and are placed in the field for the sole purpose of preventing the government candidates being elected by acclamation, and without the faintest hope of winning a victory. Mr. Pinder long ago discredited and overwhelmingly defeated in the last contest, is the head and front of the opposition, and the electors of York have no intention of resurrecting him as a political force. Mr. Pinder should go away back and sit down so the people would forget that they ever honored him with their confidence. He will see his finish on Saturday next.

In the meantime all friends of the government are called to active and incessant work until the close of the poll. Let us make the government majority so overwhelming that the Pinder faction will be buried out of sight.

THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.

The proceedings of nomination day in the local elections have given the government an excellent start towards securing an old time majority in the new legislature. Before a ballot is cast the government has practically won seven seats, or nearly one sixth of the total membership of the House.

There is only one opposition candidate for two seats in Restigouche, so that one seat for the government is already won there.

There are no opposition candidates in Gloucester, so that three government sup-

porters are assured from that constituency.

There are no opposition candidates in Kent, which furnishes three more government supporters without a struggle, a total of seven seats in a house of forty-six. This is a splendid start for the government.

The opposition have not a single won seat by acclamation.

In all the constituencies the outlook is bright for the government. Every member of the administration is assured of his election, while Mr. Hazen's defeat in Sunbury is about as certain as the sun will rise tomorrow morning. Friends of the opposition are already speculating as to who will likely succeed him as leader of the half dozen opponents of the government who may find seats in the new legislature.

There is no prospect of the election of any opposition candidates from Restigouche to St. John inclusive, and in no county is there a certainty that the Hazen candidates will be returned. Carleton which the opposition have been boasting of carrying, is practically abandoned by Mr. Hazen's friends. The Liberal split has been healed, and all friends of the government are working shoulder to shoulder to achieve a notable victory. They declare that the government ticket is considerably stronger than the three candidates who carried the constituency in 1899.

The government's friends in Westmorland feel morally certain that they will carry their entire ticket in that constituency, while in St. John the tide has strongly turned in favor of the government ticket. The presence of Mr. Blair in that constituency has infused great enthusiasm into the Liberal party, and it will win.

From all over the province, therefore, the reports for the government are most favorable, and there is every reason to anticipate as complete and overwhelming a victory as was recorded for the Emmer-son government four years ago.

The Minister of Railways went to Barton this morning to take a hand in the nomination speech making, and no doubt Mr. Hazen would feel very uncomfortable in the presence of Mr. Blair, who gave the opposition leader a very bad hour at the Sunbury court house four years ago. The Minister knows local politics from A to Z, and is quite familiar with Mr. Hazen's political record.

The Globe has made no reply to the trimming which the Minister of Railways gave Senator Ellis at St. John, Thursday evening. Perhaps the Senator is afraid his paper will lose its \$4,000 a year patronage from the federal government. The Globe was never much of a paper in a standup fight. It's favorite occupation is to rib stick its friends.

In St. John, Mr. Hazen's candidates are appealing for the labor vote, while in Westmorland the Tory Sackville Post sneers at Mr. Legere, the Acadian candidate of the government, as "a French tinemith."

CENSURE THE CAPTAIN.

(Special to Daily Herald).

Hamilton, Bermuda, Feb. 21.—The court of enquiry into the disaster to the Quebec Steamship Company's Madians, gave judgment censuring the captain's indiscretion in approaching the coast when the light had not been seen, in failing to become acquainted with the prevailing conditions, in omission to make periodic adjustment of his compass and non production of steamer's log book. The court admits Gibbs Hill light was defective and disapproves of the employment of a crew unable to speak English.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

Fraser G. Marshal, maritime secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is to be the principal speaker in the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. parlour tomorrow afternoon. The Y. M. C. A. orchestra, which is to furnish music, is to meet at seven o'clock this evening for practice.

Lost His Eyesight.

Thomas Phillips of Rusagornish, while working in the lumber woods of Maine last week, had the misfortune to lose the sight of his left eye, by being struck by the branch of a tree. Mr. Phillips is now totally blind, having lost sight the sight of his other eye by a similar accident fourteen years ago. His brother has gone to the woods to bring him home.

George Hale Dead.

George Hale died at his home in Grafton yesterday, after quite a long illness. He was the eldest brother of F. H. Hale, M. P., and Alonzo Hale of this city, and was between 65 and 70 years of age. He leaves a wife, whose maiden name was Flemming, and a family.

Ross F. Woodman, a leading farmer of Southampton, is among the visitors to the city today.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF YORK

GENTLEMEN:

One of the largest, most enthusiastic and most representative conventions ever held in this County having unanimously nominated us to be the standard bearers of the party favouring the Government led by the Honorable Mr. Tweedie, we respectfully solicit your support in the election that is to be held on the twenty-eighth of this present month.

At the last general election in the Province this County gave unqualified approval to the policy of the Local Administration, and as that policy since that time has been most faithfully adhered to and successfully developed, it is difficult to surmise what reasons our opponents can present to the electors to induce them to change the views they so unmistakably expressed only four years ago.

The generous and well-directed efforts of the Government in aid of our agricultural interests, the assistance they have given towards the promotion of the mining industries of the Province, their careful and judicious management of the crown lands, their economical and prudent administration of the finances, and, under the most adverse circumstances, the impartial and able manner in which they have maintained and improved the roads and bridges of the Province, are so well known and at times have been so candidly admitted, even by their opponents on the floors of the Legislature, that these topics are no longer within the realms of controversy, but are to be considered as part of the uncontested public history of the country.

As the time between this and polling day is but short, there are many of you upon whom we shall not be able to call, but as in this contest we appeal to you for support entirely upon the public record of the Government and of ourselves, the impossibility of presenting our views to all of you in person is less to be deplored than if we were representing any narrow or sectarian views.

Your obedient servants,

W. T. WHITEHEAD,
JOHN A. CAMPBELL,
GEO. W. ALLEN,
GEO. F. BURDEN.

Feb 17—dtf

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF YORK.

GENTLEMEN:

Having been duly chosen by a large and representative convention to contest this County in the interests of the Opposition Party, led by J. Douglas Hazen, M. P., we beg to announce that we are candidates.

If elected we will use our best efforts to carry into effect the reforms advocated by our honored leader Mr. Hazen. Among these may be named a secret ballot, to protect voters from coercion and other improper influences; the construction of public works by tender and public competition, the expenditure of road money by the Municipal Councils instead of by Government favorites, so that the money may be actually spent to improve the roads instead of being used to enrich individuals. The present Government has shouldered upon the Municipalities the expenses connected with the Public Health and the maintenance of Lunatics as well as other charges formerly paid out of the Treasury. These are all aware that they have increased the amount of direct taxation. All such attempts to increase the peoples' burdens we shall resolutely oppose.

The public are already familiar with the corruption and extravagance of this Government. We believe that Mr. Hazen will conduct the affairs of the Province in an honest and prudent manner, and that his administration will deserve our support. The long term of office of this Government has made them reckless and indifferent to the welfare of the people. This utter disregard of the best interests of the country is well illustrated by the attempt now about to be made by the present Attorney General and others to incorporate a company with power from the Legislature to dam the St. John River. This you all know would be ruinous to our lumber interests, and members should be elected who will oppose all such legislation.

We believe that there is now a general demand for a change in the administration of affairs and the indications from all parts of the Province are that on the twenty-eighth instant the Opposition will score a sweeping victory, and we trust that the electors of York will assist in bringing about this desired result. As usual the Government has chosen a winter month for the election, and has given the shortest notice possible. This prevents our meeting most of you personally, and we therefore rely on your uniting with us at the polls in ousting this Government. With the assurances of support we have already received we are confident that it needs only the zealous efforts of all opponents of the present administration to ensure our election.

Asking you to give these matters your earnest consideration, and soliciting your support, we are,

Your obedient servants,

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