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CHANGING OF TACTICS.

Some of the local opposition orators who declared at the Woodstock convention that federal issues should not be introduced in provincial election campaigns were among the foremost of the Tory delegates that met at Moncton in 1898 to bring about the very condition to which they now declare themselves so strongly opposed.

The Moncton gathering was called to line up local parties on federal lines.

Mr. Foster was then quite a political force in this province, with the prestige and patronage of the federal government at his disposal and his assistance was invoked to pull the opposition to the local government in the legislature out of the slough of despond in which they have been wallowing for some years.

To accomplish this the Moncton Tory convention was called. Mr. Foster was there to guide its business and one of its declarations was that no Tory should support the provincial government, and all must line up against it in their approaching campaign.

Among the delegates present at that convention were Mr. Geo. W. Fowler, Mr. J. D. Chipman, Mr. J. T. A. Diblee, members of the legislature who had been consistent enthusiastic friends of the local administration. Mr. Geo. J. Clarke and Mr. W. C. H. Grimmer, and all these gentlemen were forced by the Tory machine to desert the government by the declaration that all Tories must withdraw their allegiance from the local government of the day and support the opposition candidates enrolled under the banner of Dr. Stockton and Mr. Hazen.

The scheme, however, did not work out satisfactorily to the promoters, many Tory supporters of the administration refusing to be dragged into the opposition camp at the behest of Mr. Foster and the other Tory managers.

Now it seems to suit the ambitions of Mr. Hazen and his friends to declare that federal party lines should be ignored in the provincial elections, and they are industriously coquetting for Liberal support.

Will they get it? Not to any alarming extent.

The whole opposition bunch in the legislature is marked "Tory." It is true that Mr. Hazen puts forward Mr. Morrissey as a Liberal, as if he expected that one righteous man would save the Tory citadel, but a man, whether a politician or only a private citizen, is judged by the company he keeps, and if Mr. Morrissey still adheres to the old faith he has no business consorting with the active, avowed enemies of the Liberal party as represented by the opposition in the legislature.

WESTERN POLITICS.

It is rather a peculiar coincidence that the premiers of all the western provinces are natives of Ontario, except Mr. McBride of British Columbia who is native born.

Mr. Roblin of Manitoba, Mr. Scott of Saskatchewan and Mr. Rutherford of Alberta, all first saw the light of day in Ontario, where they imbibed their political principles before removing to the west when young men.

Mr. Roblin who is just now in the limelight of a general election, was born in Prince Edward County and went west in 1880 settling at Carleton Place, Manitoba as a farmer and developing into one of the leading grain handlers of the west. He entered political life as a Liberal in 1888, but quarrelled with his party and joined the other side in the Manitoba legislature. When the Greenway government was defeated in 1899, and Hon. Hugh John Macdonald formed his cabinet, Mr. Roblin was given a place and on his leader resigning in 1900 to run for the Dominion parliament, Mr. Roblin became his successor in the premiership and has occupied that position ever since.

In the legislature recently dissolved he had a large majority, but the Liberals pretend to be quite confident of defeating the government in the contest now in progress.

Mr. Roblin is staking the issue on his effort to secure an extension of Manitoba's boundary, northward, and his manifesto to the electors is a stirring appeal against the alleged in-

justice of the federal government in resisting his demand.

The opposition led by Mr. Brown are attacking the general record of the government, and the fight is growing exceedingly hot as polling day approaches.

REV. MR. MAHON.

Rev. A. W. Mahon, who is to address the Fredericton Teachers' Association tomorrow evening, is the esteemed pastor of Greenock Presbyterian church at St. Andrew's, and in his earlier years enjoyed the reputation of being one of the best school teachers in the sister province of Nova Scotia.

Since he entered the ministry Mr. Mahon has written a great deal for newspapers and magazines, and on the lecture platform has attracted considerable attention. His address tomorrow evening will be of a humorous nature, a feature that is largely developed in the make-up of the rev. gentleman, who in his earlier literary efforts added poetry as well as prose to his parody on "Excelsior" being a particularly able production.

Mr. Mahon comes of a family well known and highly respected. He is a native of Onslow, Colchester Co. N. S., was educated in the schools at Truro and at Halifax, and in the discharge of his duties as pastor of Greenock church is noted for his zeal, piety and success.

WORTH WATCHING.

Mr. Hazen at the Woodstock Tory convention, declared that he was for clean elections, and was willing to enter into a compact with the government to spend no money in the coming contest to debase the electors.

We trust Mr. Hazen's reform in this respect is sincere, but up to the present the elections in which he has been concerned have not been noted for purity. In his contests for the legislature, more followed very freely in his behalf. During his last campaign in Sunbury the government candidates who opposed Mr. Hazen, were met and overcome by the free expenditure of money, the price of votes soaring up to an enormous figure through the fatness of the opposition purse.

If however, Mr. Hazen has decided to countenance only clean election methods the country will be glad to hear of the reformation, but may be chary of accepting to the full the declaration that the Tory party will stick to proper methods of promoting the success of their candidates.

Instances have been known in New Brunswick of loud Tory protestations of good intentions, to deceive their opponents and when polling day arrived the agents of the party were found plentifully supplied with the "resources of civilization," and used them to good advantage.

It has generally been accepted that when the Tory party shouts purity, it is because it is lacking in means. There were no declarations of purity from that source when the Tories controlled the government at Ottawa and were able to levy on contractors and other friends for election funds.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Fredericton curlers are rather down in their luck this season.

Have you made your guess as to who will likely be governor?

The country does not exactly relish the present banana belt brand of weather.

The lawyers and aldermen do not agree on the proposed Fredericton civil court legislation.

A new governor, possibly a new premier and a new mayor will be among the features of approaching changes.

If Premier Tweedie succeeds to the gubernatorial chair the opposition will have to adopt a different attitude towards him.

After all, there does not seem much spirit in civic reform in Fredericton. The organization started for that purpose finds great difficulty in securing suitable candidates.

Some of the Boer generals who fought Britain in the South African war are now directing the constitutional government formed in the Transvaal under British authority.

Rich plums are dropping into the hands of New Brunswick politicians these days. Two senatorships, the governorship, the local premiership and a judgeship are included in the list.

Mr. Fowler the other day was trailing his coat in parliament and daring anybody to make a charge against him. He has his answer in the report of the Insurance Commission which we shall publish tomorrow.

The report of the Insurance Commission submitted to parliament Tuesday, is a serious arraignment of Foster, Fowler, Lefurgey and other western land dealers.

BITS OF NEWS.

An avalanche of snow down the cliffs of the Ceiranger Fjord, Norway Saturday, swept a farm house and its twenty inmates into the water. Two of the people were buried alive.

The women teachers of New York believe they will win their fight to be placed on an equality with men teachers in the matter of salary. Their battle cry is equal pay for equal work.

Twenty-five men were hurt, five of them seriously, one not being expected to live, and two horses were killed as a result of a miner dropping a spark from his pipe at Meadow quarry, about five miles from Windsor, N. S., on Saturday.

After eating more than 3,500 raw eggs and drinking 273 gallons of fresh milk in a year, in an effort to cure himself of tuberculosis, Amos Bell, a citizen of Fairmount, Indiana, sickened of his diet, which became nauseating, and declined rapidly until his death occurred.

Property valued at \$125,000 was destroyed and four firemen were injured late Saturday night in a fire that wiped out the wholesale hardware house of the Baldwin & Robbins Co., Boston. One of the firemen, D. J. Hurley, was blown from a ladder by a hot air explosion and had both arms broken and his forehead gashed.

FIRST WOMAN "CABBIES."

Paris Pokes A Lot of Fun at Them.

Paris, Feb. 26.—The two first women cab drivers ever licensed to ply for hire began their business this week. Mme. Dufaut and Mme. Charnier have had some odd experiences during that period. Less than five minutes had elapsed before Mme. Dufaut had her first experience with professional jealousy. A mere man driver whom she encountered addressed her familiarly as "La Petite mere" and remarked that she was holding her whip like a wax candle.

Mme. Dufaut disclaimed to reply. Further on, near the central market, a woman inquired pointedly whether Mme. Dufaut's husband mended the family hose. A milkman asked tenderly after her health. A marketman, saluting her with a tremendous sweep of his broad brimmed hat, advised her never to drive to the left, because that was the side where the heart was.

A group of men drinking in a wine shop cheered her lustily, and invited her to join them. Two small boys ran after her with shouts of "Vive la Republique!" All things considered, she felt that she had attained popularity.

Mlle. Charnier had a similar experience.

POLICEMAN KILLED.

Shot by Husband For Interfering in Family Quarrel.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 26.—In trying to bring about peace between James Gannon, formerly of Providence, R. I., and his wife, August Drusius, a policeman, was shot and killed last night by the husband.

The policeman, while patrolling his beat, came across the couple quarrelling on the street. He stepped up to the pair and endeavored to pacify them, and was turned upon by Gannon, who shot him without a moment's warning. Gannon was arrested and said he was so angry when he fired the fatal shot that he did not know what he was doing.

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