

PUGSLEY'S GREAT SPEECH.

New Brunswick Liberal Leader's Stirring Appeal to Electors of Gagetown

Record of Laurier Government Has Been One of Achievement.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley's speech at the Gagetown Liberal picnic on Friday was an able presentation of Federal issues, and was listened to with marked attention by the large audience. The Minister was in splendid form and managed to get in some hard raps at the small fry politicians who have been basking at his heels for years past. He acknowledged the enthusiastic welcome tendered him in gracious terms, and remarked that it was quite plain to him that he still had some friends in the county of Queens. It was gratifying to him also, because he had some enemies in that county. He had been told that there were some people in Queens who did not think much of him, "but," his informant had added, "you can rest assured they are all Tories." (Laughter.)

After all it was not a bad thing for a public man to have political enemies. He had had them ever since he had entered public life twenty-two years ago, but they had not given him very much concern. It reminded him that when a boy they were in the habit of using sticks to knock down apples from the trees, and the largest number of sticks were always found beneath the tree having the best apples. (Laughter.)

He noticed that his friend, Mr. Hazen, had been present at the convention a few days ago, when Mr. Wilmot was nominated. Mr. Wilmot had explained that the reason he took no part in the debates in parliament was that there were so many members who made long speeches, that he became disgusted. There are a lot of us who will be inclined to agree with Mr. Wilmot. The business of parliament should be conducted in a business like way, and it should be no place for long speeches, such as Mr. Foster is in the habit of inflicting upon it. And he had already said Mr. Hazen was at the convention, but they did not have Mr. W. B. Dickson, a colleague and supporter of Mr. Hazen. (Laughter and applause.)

He noticed that they also had Mr. Sproul of Kings. He did not know whether or not he should say anything about Mr. Sproul, but he seemed to have taken up considerable time seeking to make it appear that he (Pugsley) was false to his trust. He knew Sproul about thirty years ago, when he was admitted a student at law, and they would be surprised when he told them that he was still a law student, having never been called to the bar. He regretted that with all his ability he had seen fit

to waste a life that might have been useful to the country. If Mr. Wilmot had held the convention a little sooner, Mr. Sproul could not have been present, and if some of you want to know the reason you can get it from the gentleman who keeps the jail in King's county. (Great laughter and applause.)

Had the convention been held a fortnight earlier, however, they might have had present Mr. Dickson, who has since absconded to a foreign country. (Laughter.)

CHARGES REFUTED.

Continuing the minister made reference to the charges preferred against him by Mr. Hazen and his colleagues since his removal to Ottawa, and characterized them as absolutely false. Time and again, he said, he had appealed to the people of Kings for a renewal of their confidence and they had never failed him. He thanked God that he could stand before them and say that no man was ever more earnest and desirous of serving his country than the individual who was addressing them. With reference to the charge that he had wrongfully taken money from the provincial treasury, he could say that he had never taken one cent. When the government went out of power the province owed him one dollar to which he was not entitled. He had written to the provincial secretary, Mr. Fleming, suggesting that the matter be referred to arbitration. He had also forwarded him a check for \$500 to pay the expenses of such arbitration. Mr. Fleming's reply was that the government would submit part of the claim to arbitration, providing they could select the arbitrator, and they named Mr. A. B. Connell, one of the strongest Tory partisans in the province. He (Pugsley) had submitted to Mr. Fleming the names of seven leading barristers of the province, and suggested that either one or three arbitrators be drawn by lot, the way juries are selected, but the government's reply was "We will have Mr. Connell or none," and they have not yet returned his check. The late government had left the finances of the province in good condition, and with increased subsidy of \$130,000, it was thought that there were ample means to provide for various public services. The late government had been condemned by the road law, but even with the increased subsidy the Hazen government had found it nec-

essary to increase the taxes for roads. He believed that if the new government had to appeal to the country tomorrow they would be condemned by the road act. It seemed to him that the Hazen government, instead of seeking to obtain the public confidence by attacking their predecessors, should point to something they have done since taking office.

ST. JOHN VALLEY RAILWAY.

Mr. Macaulay had made reference to the St. John Valley railway, and he (Pugsley) was surprised that the local government had not taken the matter up at the last session. While a member of the late government he had been instrumental in securing a bond guarantee of \$15,000 per mile to any company that would undertake the construction of this road, and it looked to him as if Mr. Hazen was afraid to follow the matter up. The Grand Trunk Pacific now touches the river at Grand Falls, and then puts back into the country. At the last session of parliament when it was proposed to subsidize a line from Montreal to the Grand Trunk Pacific line, he had inserted into the subsidy act a clause relating to the missing links of the Transcontinental railway, and today we have legislation authorizing the payment of a subsidy from St. John to Grand Falls. That was all he could do, and it was now up to the government of New Brunswick to do its part. He had every reason to believe that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. would build a railway down this valley—a country which for natural beauty and fertility of the soil is not surpassed in America. (Applause.)

Hon. Mr. Pugsley remarked that Mr. Macaulay had touched upon what the government had done to provide cold storage for St. John, and for the development of the winter port trade. The farmers of the province could not appreciate too highly the value of a thoroughly equipped cold storage warehouse, as it would enable them to command the highest prices for their produce. A magnificent warehouse had been completed in St. John at a cost of \$200,000, and will be of the greatest possible benefit to the farmers.

TRIBUTE TO COL. McLEAN.

Referring to Col. McLean, the Liberal candidate, Hon. Mr. Pugsley said that he had made a success of his own business and profession, and the people were proud of him. The only fault he (Pugsley) had with him was that he was too energetic, and had not given him much peace since becoming the Liberal candidate in Sunbury and Queens. He did not know that as Minister of Public Works he could make any promises, or that it would be right for him to do so. When the election bill was before parliament, Mr. Foster had moved an amendment to make the promise of public works by a minister of the crown the subject of criminal prosecution. Had there been such a law on the statute books when Mr. Foster was a minister he would have escaped every time, for

Queen's Chinese Chow Dog.

Not the least important passenger by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Ireland, which arrived at Liverpool from Canada recently, was a fine specimen of the Chinese chow dog, a gift from King Edward's equerry, Col. Sir Henry Knollys, to Queen Alexandra. In order to acquire the dog Capt. M. H. Hamer of the 128th Baluchis, Indian army, undertook, on behalf of the donor, a journey of 12,000 miles. Connected with the Indian frontier forces, Capt. Hamer went from the Afghanistan hill station with which he was associated into the Chinese empire, and was there successful in obtaining a beautiful specimen of the chow dog, which in build and style of coat, excepting the color, which is a light brown, somewhat resembles the popular Pomeranian. Having acquired the dog, Capt. Hamer continued his journey to Vancouver and thence to Montreal, where he embarked on the Empress of Ireland.

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A DISPLAY OF QUICK WIT.

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The Russian has been identified as the Grand Duke Constantine, younger brother of the Czar Alexander I., and the incident occurred about 1810.

The Yankee went out for a walk in March, when the snow was melting after sudden rain. The street was a maze of puddles, divided into sections by narrow ledges of snow at the crossings, over which pedestrians carefully felt their way.

The Yankee was just in the middle of such a snow bridge when he recognized the Grand Duke Constantine approaching in the opposite direction. The path being too narrow for two persons to pass, the grand duke being accustomed to every one getting out of his way, the Yankee being too courteous to turn his back on a brother of the czar to return whence he came and too proud to step servilely into the slush for a mere prince of the royal blood—such was the contretemps.

Quick as a flash our American whipped out his purse, presented it to Constantine and asked, "Even or odd?" "Even," replied the astonished prince.

"You win!" said the Yankee and stepped off into a puddle half a leg deep.

Constantine, highly pleased by this peculiarly American proceeding, mentioned it to the czar, and our Yankee was invited to dine at the palace next day.

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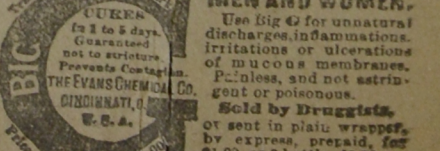
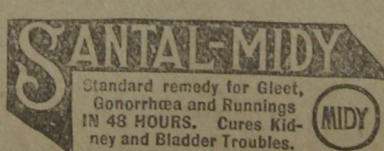
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St. Paul's Serpent.

There are still to be found in Malta a number of small stones shaped and colored like the eyes, tongues, and other parts of serpents. The superstitions among the Maltese connect these with the tradition that St. Paul, when shipwrecked, was cast on their island, and that it was there that while lighting a bundle of sticks for a fire a viper fastened on the Apostle's hand. St. Paul calmly shook the reptile off into the flames, and no harm followed. The natives, therefore, wear these stones as talismans, in which character they suppose them serviceable in warding off dangers from snake bites and the influence of poisons. They are found in "St. Paul's Cave," embedded in clay, and are set in rings and bracelets, and when found to be in the shape of a tongue, or liver, or heart, are hung round the neck. They are also taken internally, dissolved in wine, which method is attended, according to some people, by more immediate results.

Persian Beauties.

Some of the beauties of Persia decorate their faces by painting figures of animals and insects upon them.

Stonehenge.

The most noted collection of stones in the world, aside from the pyramids and the sphinx, is probably that at Stonehenge, England, variously attributed to the Druids and to the early Britons, but the design of which is still conjectural. Whether a temple, a court, a place of sacrifice or designed for astronomical purposes is uncertain.

Live Steaks.

In Abyssinia the natives cut steaks from the live cow and eat the meat warm with the natural heat.

A Turk and His Mother.

The strongest sentiment of the Turk is his reverence for his mother. He always stands in his presence until invited to sit down, a compliment he pays to no one else.

Damascus Swords.

The swords of Damascus were world famous 500 years before the Christian era.

Tree Bark Shirts.

The Indians of the interior of Bolivia wear shirts and hats made of the bark of a tree, which is soaked in water to soften the fiber and then beaten to make it pliable.

The Land of Temples.

Siam is the land of temples. New ones are constantly being built and the old ones rarely repaired.

To Clean Plaster Figures.

Apply a thick paste, prepared from good boiled starch, freely on the soiled figures with a soft brush and leave the figures to dry in a draft. Only the dirt adheres to the paste, which comes off in thin layers, and the figures will appear like new. In case, however, they are not yet quite white brush them with zinc varnish suspended in water.