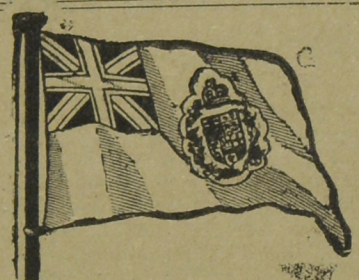


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LIBERAL CONVENTION

The York Liberal Convention to Nominate Candidates for the Legislature will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, York St., Fredericton at 1.30 p. m., Wednesday, Feb. 5.

YORKS GRATITUDE

The appointment of Hon. E. H. Allen to the important portfolio of provincial secretary and his candidature in York for a seat in the legislature have created a wave of enthusiasm among the government's friends in this constituency and has been well received among the supporters of the party throughout the province.

Premier Robinson's voluntary action in giving up his own portfolio that York might have a representative in the government is very heartily commended, and it is recalled that this is not that gentleman's first act in the interests of this constituency.

It is well remembered that at the last session of the legislature when Mr. Hazen was doing his level best to render ineffective and destroy the sewerage system in which this city had expended the large sum of \$60,000. Mr. Robinson came to the assistance of Fredericton in a resolution which he moved in the legislature and which was carried in the teeth of the solid opposition party.

Mr. Hazen in that matter, although when he was a citizen of Fredericton it had accorded him the honor of the mayoralty sought by every means in his power to destroy the sewerage system, and had not it been for the intervention of Premier Robinson, the sewer pipes would now be lying rotting in the ground of absolutely no use to the city and the taxpayers would have been compelled just the same to pay interest on the \$60,000 expenditure.

We say that Premier Robinson is not only entitled to the gratitude and hearty support of this constituency for his action in the sewerage matter, but as well for his personal sacrifice in surrendering his own portfolio and the salary attached to York by the appointment of Mr. Allen to the provincial secretaryship.

The electors of York will not forget the Premier and his associates in the government for these favors when they go to the polls on March 3rd, but will vote the triumphant return of the provincial secretary and his ticket by a majority as emphatic as that which marked the last local campaign in this constituency.

A FOOLISH CANVASS

The local Tory organ lays great stress on the fact that Mr. E. H. Allen, the new provincial secretary, for the past seven years has been a resident of Westmorland, as was necessary because of the position he held in connection with the Intercolonial railway.

That is a very puerile and ineffective canvass.

Mr. Allen is a native of Fredericton and has resided in this city longer than the editor of the Tory organ and his family has been prominent in the public affairs of this county and province for more than a century.

Mr. Allen brings to York a portfolio in the government, the second most important in that body, the premier has shown his confidence in the ability and energy of Mr. Allen to give him this very prominent position and he has done an act of justice to this constituency which every sensible man in it will fully appreciate. It is sixteen years since this constituency has been represented in the executive and the people who have business with the government, the whole constituency which has legitimate claims to be satisfied and interests to be guarded will be very glad indeed to learn that a member of the administration will sit for York in the administration, residing in this city, and ever approachable when the constituency's affairs demand the consideration of the government.

The canvass of Mr. Allen's seven years residence in another constituency is a very weak and foolish one and will not influence anybody against him, and coming from the organ of Mr. Hazen, who represents Sunbury and resides in St. John, is especially childish.

Mr. James C. Sherran, barrister of Moncton, is stopping at the Queen.

A FOOLS PARADISE

Mr. Hazen in a speech at St. John Monday night, said there were "stalwarts of the Liberal party" who are supporting him in this campaign.

Will he be good enough to furnish the names of the Liberals who are so forgetful of duty to their party as to seek to place Mr. Hazen at the head of a Tory government in Fredericton.

Mr. Hazen is romancing—trying to deceive the people, to gull the people into the belief that he is making progress in his effort to enlist Liberal support.

The only Liberal of any prominence associated with Mr. Hazen in this campaign is Mr. John Morrissey and as the Premier said, the Northumberland gentleman is being used by Mr. Hazen as a decoy duck.

Mr. Hazen has put up Tory tickets in all the constituencies where opposition nominations have been made and he might as well abandon the pretense that he will receive any measure of Liberal support throughout the province.

If Mr. Hazen were successful in his mission to defeat the government he would seat a Tory administration in Fredericton, and no Liberal would have any consideration at his hands.

Mr. Hazen is old enough to know that the Liberals of New Brunswick cannot be fooled by his pretences. They failed to rise to his bait in the last election, and they will vote solidly against him on March 3rd.

Cannot you hear the shout of triumph that would go up from the Conservative party all over Canada, were Mr. Hazen and his party to succeed in this contest, and how would Liberals who have been capjoloed into supporting Hazen candidates would kick themselves for assisting in the effort to slap Sir Laurier in the mouth by seating a Conservative government in Fredericton.

CLAIMS ON CONSERVATIVES

While the York convention for the nomination of candidates for the legislature is called by, and on behalf of the Liberal party, all supporters of the local government will be welcomed at the gathering.

In the past the government candidates in this constituency have had the active support of many Conservatives, and the conditions attending the nomination of the opposition ticket and the candidates selected at that gathering, furnish additional reasons for the continuance of the fealty which these gentlemen have shown towards the present administration.

The people of this city especially are not forgetful of the splendid service which Premier Robinson rendered Fredericton in the sewerage business, the details of which the Herald will take occasion to recall before the campaign ends, and when the time arrives for an expression of gratitude to him on that account as well as for the bestowal on the constituency the second most important portfolio in the government Conservatives as well as Liberals, will be found supporting the candidates of his party at the polls.

AN ILLBRED SNEER

The Telegraph which has turned three or four political somersaults in the past five years, sneers at Hon. E. H. Allen, provincial secretary because he was once "an auctioneer," but it would be about as much to the point if somebody were to contemptuously refer to Hon. Geo. E. Foster as a ten dollar a night lecturer on temperance and the son of a shoemaker. Mr. Allen can well afford to treat the Telegraph's brutal references to him with the contempt they deserve. The Telegraph is doubtless able to call to mind alleged distinguished journalists who in their earlier days followed the humble occupation of chore boy on a farm, but that did not prevent them from bettering themselves. Anyhow, Mr. Allen's former experience as an auctioneer will qualify him after the elections for disposing of a lot of old Tory junk which will be lying around when the electors of New Brunswick have spoken at the polls.

CURRENT COMMENT

Mr. Fleming says the provincial debt is \$4,000,000 but Mr. Hazen is certain that it is \$9,000,000. These gentlemen should not make themselves ridiculous by such antagonistic statements.

The St. John Liberal convention for the nomination of candidates for the legislature is to be held tomorrow evening. The names of Mayor Sears, A. O. Skinner, and Messrs. Lantulum and Purdy are prominently mentioned as the probable choice of the convention.

The news from Restigouche is very emphatic as to the prospects of the

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triumphant return of Hon. C. H. LaBilloy and Mr. Currie. Mr. Hazen's friends have been scouring the constituency for months looking for a running mate for Mr. Stuart, defeated in the bye-election, but have not yet succeeded in securing a second man for the sacrifice. Mr. Mott has had enough of it.

Hon. E. H. Allen comes of a family distinguished in the public life of this province ever since its foundation. His grandfather, the late Col. Allen, his father, the late Sir John Allen, chief justice, and two of his deceased brothers, Mr. W. K. Allen and Mr. George W. Allen, represented York in the legislature, and the name of Allen is one that has always been honored throughout this constituency. Hon. E. H. Allen has the ability and energy to render his native city and county splendid service in the legislature and the government, and there is not the shadow of a doubt of his triumphant election on March 3rd.

Mr. Ora P. King, who for a couple of terms has sat for King's county in the legislature, announces that owing to the demands of his law practice and the appointment of his partner, Hon. A. S. White, to the bench, he is retiring from political life. Mr. King's decision will be heard with regret by his party associates, and by the public generally, for he was an active and useful member of the House. The government convention for King's county, to select candidates, will be held on Tuesday next, and with Mr. Scovil, one of the late members, will be associated two prominent and popular gentlemen, constituting a strong ticket, that will carry the government standard to victory.

Mr. Borden visited Moncton on the eve of the last federal election, he was received by a torchlight procession and other evidence of Tory enthusiasm, and made a speech in the Opera house, and the electors of Westmorland immediately thereafter went to the polls and buried his candidate, Mr. Powell, under nearly 1000 majority for Hon. H. R. Emmerson. History will repeat itself. Mr. Hazen and Mr. Fleming spoke in the same city Tuesday night, and their addresses will have no more effect in

changing the opinion of the voters, than Mr. Borden's had in 1904. There will be a solid Liberal legislative delegation from Westmorland in the legislature.

While Mr. Hazen and Mr. Fleming were delivering themselves of their ready made orations in the Moncton Opera House Tuesday evening that city was celebrating the election of a Liberal mayor by a large majority.

Mr. Pinder was seen floating around town today with a mysterious looking box under his arm, and for some time was in close converse with Prov. Secretary Allen. The suggestion was made that perhaps Mr. Pinder had in the box that \$500 which he drew from the public works department some years ago, for expenditure on the roads, and opposite which was marked in the department's report the following year "no account," and that he was trying to induce Mr. Allen to receive the amount and straighten out the account.

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