

DOMINION ELECTIONS

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LIB. CANDIDATE IN YORK

MR. NELSON W. BROWN.

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ON THE RUY

Some three weeks ago when Mr. Nelson W. Brown was nominated as the Liberal candidate in York, the Crockets and that kind of people jeered at him—sneered at him—the election they said would be a walk-over for O. S. Crockett—nothing easier and his majority would be twelve, yes probably fifteen hundred.

Mr. Crockett, they said, would have such an easy time of it, that he would tour the province, assisting other Tory candidates. It was indeed the greatest snap the Crockets had ever struck—and the Crockets have had their arms elbow deep into the treasury all their lives.

Oh, it was all so easy.

But a change has come over the spirit of their dreams.

Mr. O. S. Crockett is tied right at home fighting for his political life—for the \$2,500 indemnity which constitutes his living in the absence of professional fees, and his graft organ is screaming wildly at the certain prospect of Brother Ossie's defeat.

Mr. Brown was no good, the graft organ said when the Liberal candidate was nominated. He was really not worth mentioning, but in its issue Monday night the graft organ devoted ten columns of scare heads, doubled leaded articles and poster type in denouncing Mr. Brown in the Crockett fashion.

This all indicates that the Crockets are on the run, and the electors of York are after them with guns that will shoot straighter than some that have been tried for self-extinction.

The boom of Mr. Brown has alarmed the Crockets, until they are ready to throw dirt at anybody who comes in their way.

They see Brother Ossie's living slipping away from him, and they shriek as wildly as a dog deprived of a bone. The Liberal tide is rising all over this constituency.

Men who never voted Liberal in their lives are supporting Mr. Brown. Conservatives who have become disgusted with the Crockets and their methods have announced their intention of voting for Mr. Brown.

Electors who have seen the violated pledges of the Hazen government are supporting Mr. Brown.

Young men who resent the scandalous character of the campaign put up against the Liberal candidate, have declared themselves for Mr. Brown.

Farmers who resent the tricks of the petty lawyer, who recognize Mr. Brown as one of their own, who denounce his unjust dismissal by the Tory government are going to vote for Mr. Brown.

Ratepayers who kick at Hazen's doubled road tax will square accounts by voting for Mr. Brown.

The Liberals are well organized, they are united, they are enthusiastic, and only a miracle can prevent Nelson Brown leading the poll on the night of Oct. 26.

Mr. Crockett's majority in 1904 was only 162, so that a change of 82 votes will do the trick. This is less than three votes in each of the thirty-one polling districts.

Friends of the Liberal candidate, you can and will strike a blow on Oct. 26 that will relieve this constituency of the Crockett domination.

Let these people understand that slander and calumny need no longer rear its head in York, with the hope of stampeding the electors to the side of the men who employ such base methods.

DESPERATE METHODS

The Tory plot to involve Dr. Pugsley in connection with a St. John dredging contract was killed almost before Mr. Hazen unveiled it to the public.

The Minister of Public Works punctured the latest Tory roorback so effectively that it will react on the party that gave it form, and discloses the character of the man who is at the bottom of the conspiracy.

This campaign, so far as the Tories are concerned, has been one of slanders, but they have been met and refuted so promptly that the only sufferers are those who deal in that kind of canvass.

It is surprising that Mr. Hazen would lend himself to encourage the miserable scheme of blackmail so effectively exposed by Dr. Pugsley.

DECRYING MR. ROBINSON

The Chatham World attacks Mr. James Robinson, ex-Conservative M. P., accusing him of lack of fealty to his party. Well, perhaps Mr. Robinson, like a great many other Conservatives, has jacked up on the muckrakers, who have nothing but slander and calumny to offer.

The World will at least give Mr. Robinson credit for knowing the political situation in this province, and it will be observed that that gentleman in an interview at Winnipeg declared, that New Brunswick would show a great government victory, at least ten seats for Laurier.

The only hope that Donald Morrison had of success in Northumberland, was founded on the expectation of Mr. Robinson's support, but it is evident from the World's attack that that gentleman and his friends are not in favor of the Tory candidate.

Morrison's defeat is as certain as the sun was shining today.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Providence has intervened to put some of the Tory muckrakers out of business until after the election. A few days ago Premier Roblin of Manitoba, while scavenging in Ontario, lost his voice, and now one of the York Tory M. P.'s, who has been running around this constituency spreading slanders, is laid up with a swelled jaw. These are awful warnings to muckrakers like O. S. Crockett and Harry McLeod.

VILE TORY PLOT.

(Continued from first page.)

Speaking last night at the Prince Ward Liberal Committee meeting, Dr. Pugsley discussing Mayes' attempted blackmail scheme said:

"As a result of breaking up this Mayes' monopoly the cost of dredging will average thirty-eight cents as against ninety cents paid to Mr. Mayes. Many hundreds of thousands of dollars will be saved to Canada over what the cost would have been had Mayes continued his monopoly."

"Mr. Mayes tendered for this new work at 74c. per yard, or twice what will now be paid. I would like to know now where are the band of pirates. Perhaps Mayes or Baxter may tell us."

"For some months Mr. Mayes has been going around telling certain things about his contract and people connected therewith, in the hope that someone would carry to my ears the stories he had been circulating. He has done this in the hope that I might be forced into doing for Mr. Mayes something which he wants me to do and which I could not do if I am to act in accordance with my idea of duty."

"There is on our statute books a definition of blackmail. Mayes knows what this term means. I have heard just now of something being said at the Conservative meeting tonight, and if the report which has reached me is correct you will hear and Mayes will hear a good deal about blackmail from me before this campaign is over."

"In a case I acted for Mr. Mayes and won the case for him. He did not pay me for my services, but he judged that what I had done for him was worth \$2,000 and in September, 1905, he gave me his note for that amount."

"I had my engineer come down here and examine the Mayes dredge. He found it to be not worth anything like the amount of money asked. I wrote to Baxter to this effect."

"And I might say that along with the offer of the dredge came to me the suggestion that if I bought the Mayes dredge at this price there would be a take-off of \$20,000 for me to use as a campaign fund."

"And this is the apostle of purity. This is the man who has sold himself body and soul to the Conservatives."

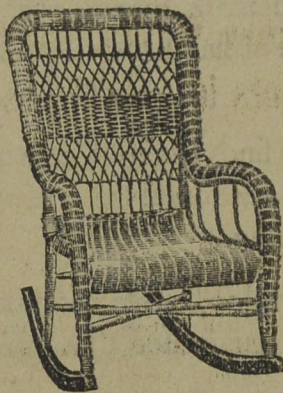
"I feel deeply grateful that I have been able to forget my friendship for Mr. Mayes, and I thank God that my hands are clean of all such dishonesty as has been attempted to be practiced on me, I care nothing for their threats, these attempts to injure me, and I feel tonight that the dishonorable charges made at this advanced stage of the campaign will recoil on their own heads."

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