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THE VOTE OF 1903

About five per cent of the total vote cast in New Brunswick in the last provincial elections, if taken off the number cast for the government and added to that cast for the opposition would have defeated the government and made Mr. Hazen premier.

In Carleton county in 1903 two opposition members were elected, and the third candidate was only 34 votes behind the present solicitor general.

In Charlotte county three opposition members were elected, and had a regular opponent to Hon. Geo. F. Hill been nominated the number might have been four.

In Kings county the highest man on the government ticket was 308 votes ahead of the lowest man on the opposition ticket, but Hon. Dr. Pugsley himself was only 133 votes ahead of Mr. Fred M. Sproul. Now Dr. Pugsley and Mr. King are out of the fight, and the opposition have a stronger ticket than in 1903.

In Northumberland county the opposition carried three men, and only the fact that Mr. Tweedie was premier saved him from defeat. He is now out of the field.

In St. John city, Mr. Wilson was within 32 votes, and Mr. Shaw 88 votes, of the total polled by Mr. Lantam and Mr. Purdy. Mr. McKeown, who led the poll, is now running in the county, and Mr. George Robertson, who came next, is in the savings bank. Mr. Maxwell defeated Mr. Skinner in the by-election in 1904. The government forces are much weaker and the opposition much stronger than in 1903.

In Kent county all the old members have been discarded by the government, and a new ticket formed. The opposition have the strongest ticket nominated by them in that county for very many years.

If the opposition should carry Carleton, Charlotte, Kent, Kings, Northumberland, St. John city, Sunbury and either Westmorland or York, it would have twenty-seven of the forty-six seats in the house. It could lose three of these seats and still have a majority. This calculation leaves Albert, Gloucester, Madawaska, Queens, Restigouche, St. John county, Victoria and either Westmorland or York out of the count altogether, and only includes those where the opposition either won in 1903, or came close to victory, or where the conditions have very materially changed in their favor since the elections of that year. But Queens also promises to be in the opposition line this year, and Victoria, and Albert. The conditions in St. John county are also entirely changed, and there is really no county where the fighting chances of Mr. Hazen are not infinitely better than in 1903. A comparatively small turn-over in a comparatively few counties, based on the figures of 1903, would defeat the government. When the returns of the actual voting in that year are carefully examined the result is quite different from a comparison of the relative number of candidates returned by each party. The government press endeavors to convince the people that nothing short of a revolutionary change in public sentiment can overcome the majority of 1903, but the contention is entirely false and intended to be misleading.

SCHOOL BOOKS

The Times desires to direct the attention of unbiased persons to two statements made in this morning's Sun. One appears in an advertisement headed "The School Book Slander," and says:—

"During the past few years the opposition party has been seeking to create a prejudice against the government by falsely charging that the prices paid for authorized school books within this province are excessive and far above what is charged in other provinces."

The other statement appears in a Moncton despatch to the Sun and is as follows: "An interesting statement was made by the premier regarding the school books question. 'We have decided,' he said, 'that we will appoint an independent commission of men who understand the publishing of school books and requirements of schools who will be able to go into this question, regardless of politics entirely; go into the matter and see if there is any possible way by which school books can be lessened in price.'"

Why appoint an independent commission to enquire into a matter that is already settled? Why denounce in one breath an opposition statement as a slander, and in the next breath propose to refer the question to an independent commission?

Premier Robinson is strong on commissions and weak in arguments. He is working the commission horse to death.

With regard to school books, why does he not announce that he will do away with the middleman's profits and give the people the school books at cost. What is the use of trying to humbug the people and defend the present rascally system? A government that must be eternally resorting to highly paid commissions in connection with ordinary matters ought to be removed from office. And this one will be removed on March 3rd.

MORE COMMISSIONS

Premier Robinson wants a commission of experts to find out what is wrong with the provincial accounts and finances; also a commission to find out what is also doing to print a school book; also, no doubt, a commission on highways. There has already been a prohibition commission—and what is the net result? Are we presently to have government by commission?

There is at this moment a very important commission considering the question whether the Robinson government is competent to administer the affairs of New Brunswick. That commission is the electorate of the whole province. It has observed that the government first wildly denies the charges of the opposition, and then either abandons a policy or announces that a commission will investigate.

The verdict of the electoral commission will surely be that the time has arrived to install a government which can govern without so many high-priced commissions, and which can convince the people without the aid of experts of its ability to govern the province. The verdict will be given on March 3rd.

A WINNING TICKET

The opposition ticket nominated in Northumberland county yesterday is conspicuous by reason of its strength, even in a group of opposition tickets in all the counties of exceptional merit and popularity. Once more it is demonstrated that Mr. Hazen has at his back in this contest the most influential citizens of the various constituencies.

Mr. Morrissey and Mr. Morrison are known as strong men, who have done good service in the legislature. Mr. MacLachlan is mayor of Chatham, and the third mayor (besides several ex-mayors) of a provincial town to bear the standard of the opposition. He is, moreover, like Mr. Morrissey, a Liberal, and as such challenges the right of Dr. Pugsley or Premier Robinson to dictate to Liberals in matters of purely provincial concern. Mr. Allin is a fine representative of the Acadian race, and a very strong candidate, who will add much to the strength of the party.

As Mr. Morrison observed, the county has never been so well prepared for the fight, and his prediction of victory has behind it the determination of the people to ensure its fulfilment. Well done, Northumberland!

CHARLOTTE IS SAFE

A painful shock must have been experienced by the government party throughout the province when the Charlotte county candidates were announced. The government press had led the public to expect that men of the stamp of Hon. Geo. F. Hill, W. F. Todd and N. Marks Mills would be in the field, but neither of these names appears on the list. Mr. Byron was defeated by over three hundred votes in 1903. Mr. Armstrong was defeated by nearly six hundred in a federal campaign in 1900. Mr. George I. Hill and Mr. Andrew McGee are new men, who were not present at the convention.

These candidates are all estimable men and good citizens, but they can have absolutely no hope of overturning the large majority by which the opposition candidates were elected in 1903. Charlotte is perfectly safe for the opposition.

HOCKEY

Two Games Last Evening.

There were two games of hockey in the Glacier rink last evening when the St. Mark's and High School played ten minutes overtime without scoring, and the Micmacs downed the Portlands 7 to 1. The first game was a good exhibition of intermediate hockey. At half-time neither side had scored and when the end of the game came without a goal it was decided to play the two five minute periods. Neither team scored, however, and the game ended 0-0.

The league leaders had things their own way in the second match and evidently will have little difficulty in clinching the championship.

Grippe is sweeping the country. Stop it with Preventives, before it gets deeply seated. To check early colds with these little Candy Cold Cure Tablets is surely sensible and safe. Preventives contain no Quinine, no laxative, nothing harsh or sickening. Pneumonia would never appear if early colds were promptly broken. Also good for feverish children. Large box, 48 tablets, 25 cents. Vest pocket boxes 5 cents. Sold by all Druggists.

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MUTATUR TERRA

"Because the rose must fade
Shall I not love the rose?"—Gilder.

O, Earth, that changest as the changing moon!
Ere we tread thy Gardens of Delight,
Nor wish that Fate's frore breath must sometime blight
The Passion Flowers which make our days seem June.

Mutatur Terra!—Soon, O, Earth, too soon
Thy gorgeous pageant dies: our rapturous years
Become a waste of foliage wet with tears,
And scented of the sweet memorial boon
That ruddy Love gave Life. Then teach us
By thy vicissitudes the more to prize
Thy gifts, which fleeting gala still dears
Worth.

Ere behold with sad, reverted eyes
The glory of thy Gardens turned to gray,
And all the bloom of Life in black decay.
J. D. Logan.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

MOUNTAIN BRAND.

"Praise to glory, the South is going dry!" shouted the temperance advocate waving his arms. "It will bring sunshine into Southern homes."

"Yes, and moonshine, brother," spoke up the little man who had been sitting in the end row.—Puck.

NOT IN

Agent—"Is the head of the house in, sonny?"

Boy—"No, sir, there's nobody home but me father."—Denver Catholic Register.

DOING HIS BEST.

Patient—"What would you think of a warm climate for me?"

Doctor—"That's just what I'm trying to save you from."—Denver Catholic Register.

BOTH PLEASED.

"Jane" floated downward a voice, "if that is Mrs. Scamper, I'm not in."

"It is Mrs. Scamper," floated upward a voice, "and she's glad to hear it."—Washington Herald.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED.

"You are charged with having registered illegally."—

"Well, your Honor," responded the prisoner, "perhaps I did, but they were trying so hard to beat you that I just got desperate."—Philadelphia Ledger.

ONE OF THEM.

Book Agent—"Good morning! Are you the lady of the house?"

Bridget—"I'm w' o' thim."—Life.

NOT JUST AT HAND.

"Is there a garage near here, my boy?"

"Well, there's none within smelling distance, sir."—Yonkers Statesman.

TEDIOUS.

Towne—"Tiresome talker, isn't he?"

Browne—"Yes; reminds me of a woman sharpening a pencil."

Towne—"Sets your nerves on edge, eh?"

Browne—"Oh, yes, but I mean it takes him so long to get to the point."—Philadelphia Press.

THE EXIGENCIES OF BUSINESS.

Charitable Man (to former blind beggar)—"What! have you recovered your sight?"

Beggar—"Well, you see it's this way. I've lost my dog; and as I can no longer be blind, I have become a deaf-mute."—Puck.

ALL THERE BUT THE TAIL.

Dressed in the latest and most approved motor-cycling costume, with goggles all complete, the motor-cyclist gayly tottled off his way by Regent's Park toward the Zoo. Suddenly he slackened, dismounted, and said to a small, grubby urchin: "I say, my boy, am I right for the Zoo?"

The boy gazed at so strange a sight, and thought it must be some new animal for the gardens.

"You may be all right if they have a spare cage," he said, when he could find his tongue, "but you'd had a far better chance if you'd had a tail!"—Answers.

PEOPLE OF NOTE



Francis E. Clark

Francis Edward Clark, president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor and its founder, was born in the Province of Quebec, in Canada, on September 12, 1831. His parents died when he was very young, and he was taken to Claremont, N. H., by relatives. Mr. Clark graduated at Dartmouth College, in 1853, and afterwards studied for the ministry. He married Miss Harriet E. Abbott at Andover, Mass., on October 3, 1874. After leaving charge of several churches, Dr. Clark founded the Society of Christian Endeavor in February of 1881. His home is in Boston, where he also edits a paper devoted to the interests of the association of which he is president.

BASKETBALL

Algonquins Won.

A meeting of the executive of the intermediate basketball league was held in the Algonquins rooms last night when it was decided to play off the postponed games. After the meetings a game was played between the Algonquins and Outcasts, which resulted in a victory for the Indians by a score of 27-19.

The line up was:

Algonquins. Centre. Outcasts.

Corbett. D. Roberts

S. Holder. T. Edwards

L. Holder. H. Finley

S. Seely. I. Scott

H. Lawton. H. Seely

At the end of the first half the score stood 12-11 in favor of the Outcasts. R. Emery was referee.

On Monday next in the Algonquins rooms the Exmouth street team will play the Outcasts. There will also be games between the Portland Y. M. A. and the St. George's of Carleton, and the Algonquins will meet the Carmarthen street team.

On the 17th inst. in the Carleton rooms the Portland Y. M. A. will play the Carmarthen street team. A postponed game will also be played between the Exmouth street team and St. George's. On the conclusion of these games a new schedule will be drawn up.

BOWLING

R. J. Norton won the weekly roll-off on Black's alleys last evening with a score of 104. Tonight, in the league series, the Beavers and Electrics will play. The monthly roll-off will be on Wednesday evening.

Two games were played last night in the St. Peter's Y. M. A. league series. E. Macdonald's team defeated "Hawkes" and F. Degross won from P. Buckley. Both are second place teams, however, and the result does not materially affect the league standing. On Wednesday evening J. McCarthy and W. Evans, the two leaders, will compete.

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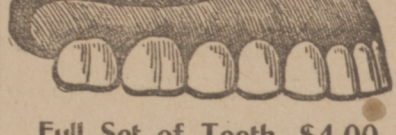
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Women's Jersey waterproof, finest quality, button, at .18.00
Women's Jersey waterproof, finest quality, 2 buckle, at .17.00
Women's Jersey waterproof, Good-year button, at .17.00
Women's wool lined rubbers, at .20.00
Men's Jersey waterproof, finest quality, 1 buckle, at .17.50
Men's Jersey waterproof, finest quality, high cut laced, at .20.00
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