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THE BYE-ELECTIONS AND THE FACTS MADE EVIDENT

The fate of the Farquharson Administration is sealed. The Dominion Government has received a proper snub. The Conservatives of Belfast and Murray Harbor have won a victory against all the odds brought to bear against them by both Governments. Prince Edward Island has joined decisively in the great Conservative movement which will, ere long, culminate in the defeat of the Laurier-Larte combination.

These are some of the facts made evident in the bye-elections of yesterday.

We heartily congratulate the candidates elected, together with Mr. Alexander Martin, Mr. Cyrus Shaw, and all who took an active part in the discussions which tended to the grand result.

BELFAST AND MURRAY HARBOR

ALL honour to Belfast and Murray Harbor! These noble districts faithfully performed a patriotic duty yesterday in the face of the most powerful inducements to do otherwise. They were approached with influences which might well be considered irresistible. In view of the approach of these elections, the government at Ottawa came down with the offer of a railway through the entire length of the two districts, and supplemented it with that of a million dollar bridge over the Hillsborough river. To make the offer fully effective, the Minister of Marine went into the districts and threatened the people that if they should vote against the Provincial Government, the Dominion public works might be stopped and would be hindered. The people want these public works, and are anxious that they shall be constructed without delay. But they expect the Dominion Government to fulfil their promises and carry out the agreements that have been made without reference to a Provincial Government which has forfeited their confidence; and they— or rather the majority of them— have refused to allow the corrupt inducements and threats of Sir Louis and his co-laborers to influence their opinions and votes in regard to the Local administration. All honour to them. All the more honour because the offer of the railway and the bridge was supplemented by promises of a dozen different roads in various parts of their districts. The Liberals have learned that majorities in Belfast and Murray Harbor are not to be purchased at any price.

WHAT WILL HE DO ABOUT IT ?

The present government of this Province has lost the confidence of the people. Results of the bye-elections in New London and Tignish, in Belfast and Murray Harbor prove this statement to be true beyond the shadow of doubt.

Having lost the confidence of the people Premier Farquharson ought, in accordance with Liberal principles and Liberal precedent, to resign at once.

But he may hold on until the meeting of the Legislature. In that body, the parties will then stand:

OPPOSITION.	GOVERNMENT.
Gordon,	Farquharson,
McDonald (A. J.),	Rogers,
Shaw,	Prowse,
McDonald (J. E.),	Sinclair,
Kickham,	Forbes,
McKinnon,	McLean (J. B.)
Prowse,	McLaughlin
Birch,	Peters,
Pineau,	McWilliams,
McDonald (J. A.)	Richards,
Arsenault,	McNutt,
DesRoches,	McMillan,
Campbell,	Reid - 13
Wise,	
McLean (A. A.)—15.	

With the Speaker in the chair and F. Peters in British Columbia.

Even in the Legislature, Premier Farquharson is in the minority.

We fail to see that any valid excuse for his remaining longer at the head of the government can be preferred. If he should longer remain, there will be ground for suspicion that there is something to be kept hidden from the public.

A TEST OF PATRIOTISM

The immediate resignation of the Farquharson Administration ought to follow the elections of yesterday, not only because the people have voted no confidence in it and because it has been placed a minority in the Legislature, but also because those upon whom the duty of conducting provincial affairs will devolve

are entitled to an opportunity to examine into the state of the province in order that they may, with a knowledge of the conditions that exist, formulate a policy to submit to the people. If the autonomy of Prince Edward Island is to be maintained, a very difficult and delicate task must be undertaken by the successors of the present Government; and in this they must have the support and co-operation of the people. The folly and imprudence of every year adding to a public debt which has already reached \$600,000, is either to be stopped or it is not. If it is not, loss of Provincial independence will follow as surely as night succeeds the day; if it is, a new policy must be adopted and applied. To give the party now in the majority time to develop a policy that will operate equally and successfully, the ministry that is in the minority ought to resign forthwith. We shall see whether or not the patriotism of its members will prompt this action.

OUR FARMERS BEST MARKET

A statement was lately prepared by the Customs Department showing the value of the principal articles under the head of "Animals and their produce and Agricultural products," exported to Great Britain and the United States respectively. According to this statement Canada exported during the year 1899 horses to the value of \$298,063, of which Great Britain took \$591,200, and the United States \$283,593. Cattle exports totalled \$8,522,835, being \$7,129,430 worth to Great Britain and \$1,298,170 to the United States. Sheep, \$1,540,857, of which the United States took \$1,176,687 and Great Britain \$333,736. Butter was exported to the value of \$3,700,873 in all, Great Britain taking \$3,526,997 worth and the United States but \$3,984. Of a total cheese export of \$16,776,765, Great Britain took \$16,718,418 worth and the United States \$17,789 worth. The export of eggs amounted to \$1,267,063, of which \$1,254,392 worth went to Great Britain and \$6,666 to the United States. The total value of bacon exported was \$9,953,532, of which Great Britain took \$9,948,327, and the United States \$3,992. Other meats, totalling \$834,834, were taken by Great Britain to the value of \$763,797, and by the United States \$24,836. Fruits, total export \$3,591,415, of which \$2,773,491 went to the Mother Country, and \$347,376 worth to the United States. Oats were exported to the value of \$3,268,388, of which Britain took \$2,811,112 worth, and the United States \$38,726. Great Britain took the bulk of our \$7,784,487 exported of wheat, namely, \$7,458,338 worth, the United States \$12,643. Of flour Canada exported to the Old Country \$2,097,773 worth, and \$19,582 worth to the United States.

Of the total of \$69,796,046 worth of farm and dairy produce exported as above detailed, \$60,052,542 worth was taken by Great Britain, \$5,778,312 by the United States, and \$3,865,234 by other countries. These statistics are interesting and worthy of careful consideration.

—Referring to the letter signed "A Merchant," we are informed by Mr. Fraser, keeper of the Post Office building, that the doors were not closed on Saturday night until 12 o'clock. The postmaster, Mr. Brecken, requests us to say that if persons having to make complaints of inattention or discourtesy on the part of post office clerks or officials will make definite statements of their respective grievances to him, the results are more likely to be satisfactory than those of the indefinite complaints of anonymous correspondents of the newspapers.

—Thursday morning, beautiful Indian summer weather, and the Montreal letters and papers to hand are those of Monday last. Sharp business is business government!

—Yesterday seems to have been a bad day for Boers as well as Grits.

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