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Friday, Sept. 28th, 1900.

Independent Men are Satisfied.

It is decidedly puzzling to the average elector to understand the line of reason by which any man calling himself an "Independent Liberal" can offer opposition to the present Government. Take, for example, the member for Kigar, Man., who was elected in 1896 as a straight supporter of the Liberal Government under Sir Wilfrid Laurier. That party had laid down a clean-out, straight-forward platform, which included tariff reform, purity of administration, franchise reform, economy in the public expenditure, holding of public lands for the bona fide settler, etc. The tariff has been reformed to such an extent that the customs charges on imports this year have actually been less than 16 per cent.; a reduction, moreover, under which the trade of the Dominion has increased from \$238,000,000 to \$380,000,000 in 4 years. Public affairs have been so honestly administered that the most rigid Opposition scrutiny has failed to find a dollar misappropriated. The franchise has been reformed by the repeal of the costly and unworkable franchise act, and a return to the provincial franchise, which was found perfectly satisfactory when previously in operation. The public monies have been so wisely expended that, while \$1,000,000 has been spent in governing the Yukon, \$2,000,000 in sending aid to the Empire in South Africa, nearly \$16,000,000 of liabilities left by the Tories wiped out, other millions spent in completing canals and in rushing forward public works for the development of the country, all in excess of what was spent by their predecessors—in spite of all this the taxes have been reduced \$13,000,000 in the four years, and surpluses accumulated to a total of \$14,000,000 in the same period. As to public lands, they are no longer being handed over unconditionally and in vast areas to railway corporations, but are held for sale to actual settlers in homestead lots, with the result that thousands of homesteads have been taken up since 1896 in comparison with hundreds prior to the change of Government. Additional planks have been added since the present Government assumed office, notably that embodying its railway policy. The West, particularly, groaned under an oppressive railway monopoly which handicapped its development more than anything else; besides, the Tories had given the C. P. R. privileges which had been used to burden the farmer and aggravate his difficulties in reaching a market for his products. The Laurier Government took the first opportunity to regain at least a portion of the lost control; it compelled a substantial reduction of rates, securing running concessions for competing lines over important sections of the system, so that to-day the West is in a better position in the matter of transportation than it has ever been. The defeat of this Government would mean a return to the old state of affairs, for every step forward has been most strenuously opposed by the Tories in Parliament and out. The very fact that the Independent members in the House have, with a solitary exception, given a consistent support to the Government, and that the old Patron party have found it unnecessary to longer maintain a distinct organization, is the best evidence possible that the Liberal Government has met all the requirements of reasonable men. The persistent antagonism of one man, who is admittedly disappointed in the gratification of personal ambition, cannot but be looked upon with suspicion by those who recognize the undoubted

fact that the present Administration has done more in four years than its predecessors did from the start to develop the West. If his opposition were successful, he would defeat the best friends his section of the country ever had, and return to power the very men who retarded its progress for two decades, and have shown no indication of repentance for the misdeeds of the past.

More Like His Dad Every Day.

It is becoming more apparent daily that the great national issue to be emphasized by Hon. Hugh John's entry into Federal politics is his facial resemblance to his father. While the Liberals have more than half suspected from the first that this was about as strong a claim to public confidence as he possessed, it was hardly to be expected that the poor man's own journals would make it so prominent a feature of their reports. But the Tory papers are repeatedly telling how, when Hugh John steps forward to speak, somebody places a bust of Sir John A. upon the table beside him (the bust is being carried around in his trunk for the purpose), and everybody cheers, while the ladies in the front row exclaim, "My, but isn't he like his father?" This identical incident has been reported as having occurred already in three or four places, and it is evidently permanently included in the "business" of the performance, along with the nigger songs and banjo solos. It's all very well for Hugh John to object to the rude Liberals saying things about his nose, but it's the Tories themselves who are making it a prominent feature of the campaign.

The Canadians Have Done Splendidly.

The *Globe* tells us that Lieut.-Col. Ponton of Belleville has received the following letter from Col. Stanley, private secretary to Lord Roberts:—"I am desired by Lord Roberts to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of your letter on the 2nd July, enclosing a newspaper cutting containing two interesting letters, for which he is very much obliged. His Lordship feels that he cannot write any letter to Canada without again reiterating the great pleasure it has given him to have Canadian contingents under his command. One and all have done splendidly, and Canada may well be proud of them. He is glad to note in the letter from Walter Mills that he had no complaint whatever to make with regard to the medical arrangements."

Fenelon Falls Show.

The Fenelon Branch Agricultural Society's annual fall show was held on Tuesday and Wednesday last in the driving park at the Falls and taken as a whole, was, we are sorry to say, greatly inferior to that of last year. There was a fair turn-out of horses, cattle and sheep, but there were only six pigs, and one of them, a pedigreed black sow, a year old, owned by Mr. Benjamin Burtchell, who valued her at \$18, died on Wednesday afternoon in a wagon in which she and another had been left instead of being transferred to a pen. The weather, though beautifully fine, was very hot, and we noticed that the surviving black pig and a huge white boar in another wagon were gasping as if terribly distressed, while the pigs in pens, with the earth to lie upon, did not appear to be suffering from the heat. The show of poultry was small, as there were no competitors from a distance; but many of the birds were very good ones, and those to whom the prizes were awarded well deserved the honor. It was in the hall, both upstairs and down, that the falling-off from previous years was most noticeable. The small show of fruit may be attributed, to some extent, to the recent windstorms, which blew almost the entire crop off the trees in many orchards; but the exhibits of vegetables were far below the average, though we think that the samples of grain were nearly as numerous as usual. Upstairs the show was very poor in quantity, but not in quality, and Mr. Stanton had a remarkably fine display of nearly three dozen large photographs, which attracted a great deal of attention, and elicited many expressions of approval. There was not a single implement of any kind upon the ground, but in the hall there were no fewer than five cream separators, three of which were exhibited by Mr. Geo. H. McGee, one by Mr. G. R. Johnson of Brockville, and one by Mr. A. B. Robb of the same place. Messrs. Johnson and Robb called upon us on Wednesday to know why a cream separator contest at the fall show had been advertised, without any preparation for the contest being made. We of course referred them to the officers of the agricultural society for an explanation, which we hope they got. All we can say about it is, that if the cream separating contest was advertised merely to draw people to the show, it was a very wrong

thing to do, and reflects great credit upon the Society. The prize list will be published next week.

The Lindsay Central.

Lindsay's great annual exhibition was held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week, and the *Post* says that it was a "record breaker" as far as attendance was concerned. The "Wild West" show undoubtedly attracted a great crowd, and, while some thought it well worth seeing, others pronounced it a "fake." Pick-pockets must have been numerous, as a resident of the Falls tells us that two friends of his from Manilla were relieved of \$30 and \$14 respectively, and that a woman lost \$7. When the latter found that she had been robbed she began to cry, and her distress so affected a man with a sympathetic disposition that he started a subscription for her benefit and raised \$4 on the spot; whereupon one of the victims from Manilla said that he wished he could cry too. There were the usual complaints on the second day of the exhibition about the exclusion of the public from the poultry house until late in the afternoon, and there should be some change in the arrangements which would allow of their admission at least two hours earlier. The moment the doors were opened there was a rush into the building, which in a couple of minutes was so full that the people could hardly pass each other. There was a good show of poultry of all kinds, but not the slightest attempt had apparently been made to separate the different varieties, which one of the judges said were worse mixed than at any exhibition he had previously attended. The poultry department at the Central is to many persons the chief attraction, and the managers ought to spend a little money on it. If they cannot, or will not, put up a larger building, they ought, at least, to provide stationary coops, suitable for different kinds of poultry, and each variety should be kept by itself, which would make the judges' task much more easy, and would greatly please the public. The show, as a whole, was about up to the average, perhaps a little better in some respects and not quite so good in others, but the non-agricultural features of it were the greatest attractions.

Personals.

Miss Dolly Brown of Midland is at the Falls visiting at Dr. Gould's. Miss Annie Fountain returned home on Monday from Victoria Harbor. Mr. Harry Johnson spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at the Falls. Miss Eva Brokenshire of Woodville is the guest of Mrs. Job Palmer at the Falls. Mr. Henry Graham, Jr., of Kinmount, was at the Falls on the two days of the show. Miss Kate Burtchell, of Toronto, is at the Falls visiting her cousin, Mrs. Joseph Heard. Mr. Henry Graham, Sr., of Kinmount, was at the Falls from Friday last until Monday. Mr. August Fountain left last Monday to take the position of cook in a shanty at or near North Bay. Mr. George S. Thompson, of Sudbury, was at the Falls on Monday, looking for men to take to the woods. Mrs. James Dickson and the Misses Dickson returned home last week from Rosedale, where they have been living since about the middle of June. Mr. George Quibell left last Monday for DeCew & Son's shanty on their timber limit near Cobocook, in which he is to officiate as cook. Miss Eva Pearce, of Sprucedale, Parry Sound, was at the Falls from Thursday of last week until Saturday, visiting her uncle, Mr. Henry Pearce. Messrs. Thomas Anderson and John Gerard, of Peterborough, were at the Falls from Saturday afternoon until Monday morning, the guests of Mrs. Hand.

THE ESTURION.—The steamer *Esturion* will run single trips for the remainder of the season. See time-table.

LEFT OVER.—The correspondence from Powles's Corner arrived so late that it will have to lie over until next week.

THE BOBCAYGEON SHOW.—Tomorrow, Saturday, will be the second day of the Bobcaygeon show, and the *Manita* is to run a trip from Cobocook to 'Caygeon, leaving Fenelon Falls at 8.30 a. m. Return fare from the Falls, 25c.

PAINTING.—Mr. T. J. Bell is at work painting (if he has not already finished) the wood work at the front and rear of Mr. Wm. McArthur's block on Colborne street. The sash is pure white and the other parts a sort of olive green, and the effect of the two colors in contrast is very pleasing.

AUCTION SALE.—Mr. J. J. Power has received instructions from Annie Wilkinson to sell by public auction on the premises occupied by Mr. Wm. Cal-