

MR. PERRY'S CANVASS!

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From the Toronto Leader.

We receive satisfactory reports of the progress of Mr Perry in his canvass of the King Division.—Addressing himself direct to the people, the straightforward exposition of his views commends itself to their good will; whilst the principles he enunciates and the tone he displays, elicit declarations of their confidence. In another respect, Mr. Perry's efforts have already been of great service. Nobody looks for fairplay, for the truth, or decency, at the hands of the faction by whom he is opposed. Their presses, their orators, their boafers, and hungry men-of-all-work have spared no pains to put in circulation statements designed to damage his position. That their allegations are false, matters not to them; the one great aim being to blacken the reputation of a candidate whose local strength and personal standing are not at all to their liking. Mr. Perry is ruthlessly demolishing these fabrications. They have travelled fast, no doubt, but he is overtaking them, and his exposures of their ends and authors have so far been attended with gratifying results.

At Oshawa, the other day, Mr. Perry nailed two of the falsehoods that have emanated from the *Globe* mint. In the first instance he branded as untrue the assertion that Mr. Perry had declared an intention to retain his Registrarship in the event of his election. The story was nevertheless repeated, with the addition that whilst the nomination was pending, Mr. Perry had quoted the Attorney General West as authority for the legality of his purpose, to retain office, and at the same time occupy a seat in the Legislature. To that again he gave a flat denial. And still the Clear Grit echoes have not ceased to promulgate the invention, and to enlarge upon its purport as illustrative of ministerial iniquity in general, and Mr. Perry's depravity in particular. Mr. Perry has met the statement in a manner that admits of no misrepresentation. He denies emphatically that "he ever had any communication, verbally or otherwise, directly or indirectly, with the Attorney General, or any other member of the Government, in relation to holding his office." More than this, he denies that at Markham or elsewhere, he uttered the remark attributed to him by the assailing journal. Are other illustrations requisite to establish the dishonesty of the assertions he is called to meet?

If there be, here is one. The *Globe* has impugned Mr. Perry's capacity for usefulness in the Division on the ground that he is a large stockholder in the Whitby Road and Harbor Company. This, again Mr. Perry stigmatizes as a falsehood. A respectable local journal, the *Whitby Chronicle*, in few words exhibits its baseness. Mr. Perry, says the writer, "is not a stockholder, president, secretary, director, or anything else in the company. Mr. Perry's whole connection with the company is "that he holds, as the trustee of an estate, a small amount of stock, sold at Sheriff's sale and purchased for thirty-five dollars." Even this trusteeship is but of two months' duration. Elaboration is not necessary to exhibit the infamy of opponents who thus manufacture lies out of whole cloth, or on the slenderest basis build a superstructure of slander and misrepresentation.

The Grit nominee, Mr. Reesor, has hitherto been considered too respectable to descend to the meanness and infamy of the tactics which the leading paper of his party has employed in his behalf.—His own publication, the *Markham Economist*, has more than once manifested a disposition to throw off the yoke of Brown's domination; and none knows better than Mr. Reesor, that these signs of restiveness called forth not a little underhand effort on the part of sundry of the Brown clique to prevent his nomination.

At any rate, these slanders and falsehoods are but a passing inconvenience to Mr. Perry. They have traveled through the Division, and he is after them, exposing them, clearing his skirts of the imputations they convey, and acquiring strength from

the re-action which goes on in the minds of those who have been duped. To be vilified is not pleasant, certainly; but it is somewhat consolatory for a candidate to know that his antagonists are obliged to fall back upon their inventive faculties for the material to be employed against him. This systematic lying is equivalent to a confession that Mr. Perry has nothing to apprehend from the simple truth.

Mr. Perry at Markham Village.

From the York Herald.

On Wednesday evening, the 18th ult., Mr. Perry addressed the electors of Markham, at the Anglo-American Hotel, Markham Village. Although the evening was exceedingly wet and disagreeable, yet there were present upwards of 200 persons.—The meeting was organized by calling the Rev. W. H. Norris, of Scarborough, to the chair, and appointing Mr. H. Edwards, of the *York Herald*, as Secretary. The Chairman briefly explained the object of the meeting, and called upon Mr. Perry to address the assembly.

Mr. Perry in coming forward was loudly cheered. He commenced by stating that, in his opinion, the great question now before the electors is that of "Dissolution of the Union." He then entered into an elaborate argument to prove that dissolution "pure and simple," was a monstrous absurdity, and that "joint authority" was a thing understood by nobody. He also reviewed the principles enunciated in his address. Mr. Perry was listened to with breathless attention by the audience, interrupted only by their plaudits, which were neither few nor far between. Indeed even Mr. Perry's opponents admitted that, as a speaker, he has few superiors—and that his platform was an excellent one. Mr. Perry concluded by expressing his willingness to answer any question that might be put to him. He had explained his views clearly and distinctly, and now left it to the meeting to say whether those views were in accordance with their own or not.

After some minutes had elapsed, and no one rose to ask any questions, the chairman called upon Mr. Edwards to address the meeting.

After Mr. Edwards had addressed the meeting a short time, it was moved by Thomas Milne, Esq. Markham Village, that this meeting cordially endorse the political programme as enunciated by Mr. Perry, and pledges itself individually and collectively, to promote his election to the Legislative Council. Mr. Milne said, that it afforded him very great pleasure in moving the resolution he had just read. He thought that no one present could deny but that Mr. Perry had made a very eloquent speech, and explained his principles in a satisfactory and straightforward manner.

J. Bowman, Esq., of Almira, seconded the resolution.

The Chairman said that, before he put the resolution to the meeting, he would wish any one who did not approve of it to move an amendment. No one rising, the resolution was pronounced carried.

MEETING AT RICHMOND HILL!

From the Toronto Leader.

On Thursday evening, the 19th inst., a public meeting of the electors of King Division was held at Richmond Hill. The large hall was well filled with electors of all shades of politics. R. Marsh, Esq., presided, and introduced Mr. Perry in a forcible speech replete with sound advice to the electors.

Mr. Perry on coming forward was loudly cheered. He discussed the various subjects contained in his platform with very great ability, particularly the great question of a Dissolution of the Union; he exposed in a masterly manner the sophisms and impracticability of "joint authority" to cure the

evils complained of as the result of the Union.—Dissolution of the Union, pure and simple, was held up in its true colors and shown to be impolitic and dangerous, and the promoters of such measures unworthy of support. The true and only remedy for any injustice we might receive from Lower Canada was he said, Representation by Population, a question abandoned by the Grits for the myth "joint authority." He concluded a very able speech of an hour and a half by inviting any elector to ask any question they choose.—After some two or three questions had been asked and answered satisfactorily.

Col. Bridgford moved, seconded J. R. Arnold, Esq.—"That this meeting cordially endorse the political programme as enunciated by Mr. Perry, and pledges itself individually and collectively to promote his election to the Legislative Council."

So great was the number of hands held up in favor of the motion that the chairman pronounced it carried.

Amos Wright, Esq., M.P.P. for East York, however took exception to the division, and requested that the nays should be taken, which was done, and only six hands voted nay, three of whom were delegates at the Grit Convention; proving to a demonstration that Dissolution won't take on Yonge Street at any rate.

Mr. Perry at Burwick.

From the Leader.

Mr. Perry evidently does not intend to let the grass grow under his feet. Within the past ten days he has held seven large meetings in various parts of the Division, all of which has been as favorable to him as could be desired; indeed his canvass thus far have been a great success. On Friday evening he addressed a crowded meeting in Burwick, Vaughan: so crowded indeed was it that many could not enter at all. Dr. Williams presided. We need not add that Mr. Perry's speech was a master-piece of argument, as all who hear him admit that on the great question of the Union he takes high and unanswerable ground. He appeals to the clear heads, as well as to the hearts of his audience, and his pleasing and gentlemanly bearing toward those who differ from him secures many friends. He addressed us for an hour and a half, interrupted only by the plaudits of his audience. Dissolution of the Union, pure and simple, or the joint authority scheme of Mr. Brown were both shown to be not only valueless but dangerous. The other points of his platform were treated in a masterly manner, and at the conclusion of his speech the chairman called upon the gentlemen present to state, by a show of hands, whom they would support, or who possessed their confidence, when a forest of hands were held up in favor of Mr. Perry. The chairman then called upon those in favor of Mr. Reesor to hold up their hands, but not an uplifted hand was seen, so that Dissolution does not "go down" at all in Burwick.

Mr. Perry at Scarborough.

From the Whitby Chronicle.

Mr. Perry addressed a meeting of the electors of Scarborough, at Johnson's Tavern, on the Markham Plank Road, on Saturday evening, the 21st inst. There were about one hundred persons present, amongst whom were Mr. Reesor, and a number of his friends. Dr. Norris was voted to the chair, and W. Sheriff, Esq., was appointed Secretary. Mr. Perry's address to the meeting occupied about an hour, and during its delivery, he was repeatedly cheered and applauded. Mr. Reesor was called upon, and followed Mr. Perry, and was also applauded by his friends. His speech differed from that made by him at Oshawa, inasmuch as he spoke at Scarborough in favor of a Federation of both Provinces, until the time would arrive for a gener-

al Federation of the whole of the Provinces of British North America, and he omitted all mention of his plan of the two elective Governors, and the election of the Executive by the people. He was in favor of submitting a new constitution for the approval of the people, and if they did not approve of the first, submitting another and another until they got the right one to suit them.

Mr. Reesor was asked one or two questions, which rather staggered him, and to which he attempted to reply by reading extracts from the *Globe*, but when called upon for his authority, he refused to give it.

Mr. Perry replied shortly, demolishing in five minutes all Mr. Reesor's arguments and quotations.

The following resolution was then put to the meeting, and declared carried.

Moved by W. J. Mitchell, Esquire, seconded by Major Secord, that this meeting having heard the address of John Ham Perry, has confidence in him, and will cordially support his election as a member of the Upper House for this Division.

The meeting adjourned with three cheers for the Queen.

Mr. Perry at Oshawa.

From the Whitby Chronicle.

Wherever Mr. Perry speaks, he makes friends and adherents. At Wells's Corners, Columbus, and more especially at Oshawa, has this been the case. It only requires to hear Mr. Perry's plain, honest straightforward statements to be convinced of the correctness of his position, and the soundness of his political opinions. At Oshawa his triumph over Mr. Abraham Farewell and the champions of Brown-Gritism was most complete. Mr. Farewell actually quailed beneath the castigation administered to him. He evidently came there with his followers to out-vote Mr. Perry, and had the tables completely turned upon himself. Every one present seemed to enjoy the discomfiture of the self-constituted champion of Clear-gritism at Oshawa. He was not alone beaten at his own weapons, but was soundly drubbed on his own favorite stump, and in the midst of his own friends; and it was done in such a manner, so handsomely and so well, that the audience fairly laughed and giggled, and cheered at Mr. Abraham's "predicament." Mr. Perry, always a good speaker, and a very ready debater, surpassed himself on the occasion. He proved himself worthy to be called "the son of his father," and that whatever his enemies may say, the old blood, the fire and energy, and the power to grapple with, and conquer, were within him. Let Mr. Reesor but meet Mr. Perry face to face in their canvass, and we can fancy the result on the coming contest.

VOTING FOR HIMSELF.—It must go hard with a candidate when at a public meeting where some 250 persons are present, he holds up his own hand for himself on the vote. At the Ashburn meeting this was the case with Mr. Reesor, we are told.—When the vote was taken the yeas were all but unanimous for Mr. Perry. On the nays being called for Mr. Reesor put up his hand—voting for himself! What a picture of a high-minded statesman.—*Whitby Chronicle*.

MEETING AT BROUGHAM.—Mr. Perry addressed the electors of Pickering, at Brougham, on Tuesday evening, the 17th ult. Nelson Chapman, Esq. Township Councillor, occupied the Chair, and J. Phillips, Esq. acted as secretary. At the conclusion of Mr. Perry's address a good many questions were asked by Messrs. Taylor, Andrew Haxton, and David Beach, to which Mr. Perry gave satisfactory replies. The audience felt so, and passed a unanimous vote in favor of Mr. Perry as the candidate for King's Division.