

M R . J . P . A R M S T R O N G

WILL

ADDRESS THE ELECTORS

As follows—viz.:

In the Mission-house, Russell street, on FRIDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock;

And

In the Oddfellows' Hall, George street, on SATURDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

The Committee will meet in the Central Committee-rooms, Temperance Hall, every evening, at 7 o'clock.

JOHN WILSON, Secretary.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF DUNEDIN.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg most respectfully to intimate that I am a CANDIDATE for your suffrages at the approaching election for this City. I am mainly induced to make this announcement from the apparent reluctance of gentlemen, probably much more able to represent you efficiently than I am, in seeking your suffrages. The time between now and the date of election is so short, that it is impossible any candidate can address many meetings of the electors. I therefore consider it advisable to give, through the medium of the Press, a short resume of my views on the various questions of importance now agitating the public mind:—

Firstly, I may say that I am in favour of the Abolition of Provincial institutions as they have existed in the past.

In their place I would advocate the separation of the two islands by the creation of each into a separate Colony. Failing the attainment of this,

I would support a thorough system of local self-government by the creation of Road Boards and Municipalities, with a central or governing board for each Provincial district to look after and perform the main arterial works of the Provinces, such as main roads, bridges, &c., and also the allocation of the Provincial land fund and the determination of the pastoral lands and leases of the Province.

I am in favour of a thorough revision of the fiscal policy of the Colony, by the remission of a number of our Customs duties, and the creation in lieu thereof as a means of raising revenue, of a property and land tax, believing, as I do, that property has never paid its fair share of taxation.

This is a question of the greatest importance to the bulk of the electors, and one I regret to say which appears to be forgotten or ignored by most of the candidates seeking your suffrages.

I am in favour of an extension of the franchise by the establishment of manhood suffrage after 12 months' residence to all who can read and write.

I am in favour of the abolition of the present Waste Lands Board and the vesting of their functions in the Central Board referred to above.

I shall vigorously support a reform of the Upper House by making that body elective and subject to the will of the people, providing, of course, a small property qualification for voters.

I am in favour of the sub-division of the pastoral holdings at the terminations of the present leases into smaller runs, reserving the right of acquiring such portions of them from time to time as may be necessary for the purposes of bona fide settlement.

I am in favour of the payment of members, believing this to be the only means of preventing the representation of the Colony falling into the hands solely of the wealthy classes.

Gentlemen, these are my views, which, if elected, I will vigorously maintain. If you deem them worthy of support you will give me your votes; if not, I shall, I trust, bow to your decision with befitting humility. In conclusion, Gentlemen, I may state that I am not a rich man, and cannot therefore expend much money in seeking my return. I merely mention this, that if you do not receive from me the usual visits of electioneering agents, canvassers, &c., you will not think that I value your support the less, but attribute it to the true cause.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

H. S. FISH, Junr.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ELECTION.

Mr. H. S. FISH, Junr., will address the electors of Dunedin as follows:—

Friday—At Fagan's Hotel, Princes-street South, at 7 o'clock p.m.; and at White's Hotel, Albany-street, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Saturday—Missou House, Russell-street, at 7.30 p.m.; and at Cotter's Caledonia Hotel, Great King-street, at 8.30 p.m.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CAVERSHAM DISTRICT.

GENTLEMEN,—In contesting the late ELECTION for your DISTRICT, my object was to assist in obtaining by all lawful and constitutional means the relegation of the question of the ABOLITION of the PROVINCES to the People. Success attended the efforts of the OPPOSITION, and the question now awaits your decision. If, in your opinion, the views I have so often enunciated are sound, and likely to contribute to the obtaining of real self-government for the Colony, my services are at your disposal. I shall, prior to the ELECTION, address you in various parts of the District.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT STOUT.

THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF ROSLYN.

TO THE ELECTORS FOR THE DISTRICT OF ROSLYN.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to intimate to you that it is my intention to offer myself as a CANDIDATE to represent you in the new PARLIAMENT about to be elected.

I shall without delay invite you to meet me in various parts of the District, when I will lay before you my views on the proposed CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES, and other matters affecting your interests.

In the meantime, it may not be out of place for me to respectfully suggest that you should demand of your future representative a plain, clear, and unmistakeable statement of the course he will take in dealing with the important questions that will have to be decided during the first session of the General Assembly. I therefore beg that you will exercise this right to its fullest extent as far as I am concerned, and, if I fail to meet your views, reject me without hesitation.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

HENRY DRIVER.

Maori Hill, 9th December, 1875.

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