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TUESDAY, OCT. 22.

## CANDIDATE JOHN LEE.

The Liberals of East Kent in their convention at Ridgeway yesterday selected Mr. John Lee, of Highgate, as their candidate.

Big, burly, good-natured John Lee is a man well liked and highly esteemed by this journal. We imagine he will prove an opponent whose blows may be hard ones, but—if they reach home—will land above the belt. And we can assure him that if, in the political tussle ahead, we find it necessary to occasionally mix up with him on account of his parliamentary aspirations he will find we fight fair to the finish.

We cannot say that we believe our East Kent Liberal friends have selected their strongest man. There are others whose past political services and claims upon the party seemed much greater—men who would have proved far more formidable as opponents than Mr. Lee. But they have been thrown aside—passed up. Well, that's the business of the Liberal machine. Anyway, it's not ours. Meantime perhaps we can assist in making Mr. Lee's political life a merry one to atone for its assured brevity.

## PURGING PROCESS NEEDED.

There may be some citizens who believe that The Planet erred in yesterday giving space to an extended account of the evidence—much of it of disgusting character—tendered in a city Police Court case of child desertion.

If so, this great home journal is not inclined to quarrel with them. It was only after a mature meditation that the report was somewhat dubiously permitted to pass to the press.

The reason for so doing is found in the conviction that the cesspools of moral debauchery with which it dealt must be stamped out, whatever the cost. The Planet has come to the conclusion that the most prompt and effective method in which to bring about that end is publicity. Accordingly a few facts divulged upon oath at court in our city of churches have been placed before the public in much of their original bluntness and loathsome character. And this case is, unfortunately, by no means unique in Chatham.

It is time something was done. The police, we believe, have striven well to grapple with the evil, but their efforts must to a great extent be hampered by the apparent apathy of the public. It is the result of silence—long, continued silence. It is because these matters are kept hidden from the public gaze and thereby protected from the public censure.

"Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,  
That to be hated, needs but to be seen."

The time has come in Chatham, we believe, when in the interests of our city the exposition should be sufficiently unfettered to draw startled attention and consequent condemnation. It is more than time for Public Opinion—stern, relentless and all-powerful Public Opinion—to be vigorously awakened to the immediate necessity of inaugurating a thorough and complete purging process.



Geo. Meynell, Three Doors West of Market, King Street, Chatham.

## A LITTLE "LIBERAL POLITICS."

The nomination of Mr. John Lee, of Highgate, as Liberal candidate for the constituency of East Kent, in the Provincial Legislature furnishes an interesting sidelight on the methods of machine politics.

This great home journal—although uninvited to the councils of its friends of the Liberal persuasion—has throughout fully recognized the claims upon that party of the friends of Messrs. Sturgis, R. L. Gosnell, Jonas Gosnell, VonGutten, Johns, Campbell, Rutherford, McCully, Jull, Smith, Wyllie, Cochrane, Howat, Caughill, Wright Galbraith and many others because of their undoubted worth and the earnest manner in which they have unstintingly devoted their time and energies to the party. At the same time The Planet felt called upon to let them know in its issue of Wednesday, Oct. 9, that Mr. Lee was the candidate selected by the machine, and bade them all—to use the words of the article in question—"Look out for John!"

On the following day our esteemed contemporary, the local Liberal organ, took occasion to rebuke us, reminding the public that we enjoyed not the full confidence of the government and editorially responded to our information:

John Lee, of Highgate, says emphatically: "I am not a candidate and would not accept the nomination if it were tendered me. I appreciate the honor my friends would do me—but I could not in justice to my own interests, accept a nomination."

This was a crusher, but at the same time The Planet maintained that Mr. Lee was the choice of the machine, and as such this journal had made his name public in connection with the nomination.

And now we fancy we have an "I-told-you-so" coming to our esteemed contemporary the Banner-News, which of course, "enjoys the full confidence of the government."

## NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIN.

The sad news that Nicholas Flood Davin has died by his own hand will be learned with deep regret in every part of Canada, comments the Hamilton Herald. We were all proud of this brilliant and cultured Irishman, who had come to us when a young man, who had soon become a thorough Canadian in sentiment, who understood and liked the Canadian people, and whose liking was heartily reciprocated, who contributed very much to our enlightenment and instruction, and who did hard and useful work as a legislator. There can be no doubt that Mr. Davin's mind was temporarily deranged when he resolved to take his own life and when he carried his resolve into effect. Although to outward appearance he accepted his political defeat philosophically, it is certain that he felt it keenly, and constant brooding over the eclipse of his prospects as a public man no doubt unbalanced his fine intellect. His death is to be regretted as a national loss, for, even if he had never re-entered public life, he would have been likely to contribute to Canadian literature some historical and biographical work of permanent value, such as he was so well qualified to produce.

In our opinion, Mr. Davin, at his best, was the most brilliant Canadian journalist of his time. In the work of no other was there to be found in an equal degree such a combination of fine literary style, pungent wit, broad but kindly humor, practical sense and

manly fairness and courtesy, as was found in his newspaper work. In descriptive writing he was particularly happy; in that, more than in his verse, he revealed his poetic talents.

As an orator Mr. Davin was not surpassed by any other of our public men in rich and flowing rhetoric and in the play of wit and humor. In fact, he was a born orator, and the Hansard reports of some of his unprepared speeches read like carefully polished essays.

With all his splendid ability and accomplishments, Mr. Davin lacked mental balance and stability of character. These defects seriously interfered, and would have continued to interfere, with his success in public life. While he was heartily liked by friends and opponents alike, he could never command the complete confidence even of his political comrades.

But few Canadians, dying as he did, would be so sincerely and widely mourned as will be poor "Nick" Davin.

SHOCKING.  
Ottawa Citizen.

When Hon. J. R. Stratton appeals to the suffrages of the Peterboro people the next time for re-election the answer will be: Not by a No. 5 dam site!

ALL QUIET ON THE VELDT.  
London News.

Nothing was heard of Botha yesterday. He wasn't captured, reported captured, surrounded, nearly surrounded, nor did he escape. Dull day in South Africa.

TOO MUCH TRUST.  
Chautauque News.

An exchange says the biggest trust on earth has been discovered at last. It is the country newspaper trust. They trust everybody, get cussed for trusting and trusted for cussing—and finally busted by trusting.

WHY THEY LAUGHED.  
Belleville Intelligencer.

"Ah!" said the Duke, after they gave him his L.L.D. in Kingston, "I'm going home by degrees." And the audience laughed so heartily that Principal Grant heard them up in the sick room.

ALL ABOARD FOR CHATHAM!  
Hamilton Herald.

Chatham has a mysterious young lady who lays in wait for young men at night, rushes upon them unawares, hugs and kisses them, and then escapes into the darkness. The railway fare to Chatham can be learned by enquiring at the G. T. R. ticket office.

WOMAN'S WAY OF THINKING.  
Kansas City Times.

When a man marries a second time every woman of his acquaintance says: "I knew it. That's just like a man." When a woman marries a second time, her women acquaintances commend her for her good sense and express the hope that she will be happier than she was with her first husband.

DUKE A GOOD IMMIGRANT AGENT.  
Hamilton Spectator.

In conversation, while in this city, the Duke of Cornwall spoke enthusiastically of the grand possibilities of this apparently limitless country. He alluded to the grand area of wheatland waiting for the immigrant, and said that British emigrants ought to come here. Time and time again he harked back to his subject, and was most earnest in giving his opinion that the surplus of the British people—more particularly the agriculturists—should be induced in some way to come to this country to settle in the granary of the world.

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