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LONDON, FRIDAY, OCT. 31. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SOUTH

BRUCE.

It is a most unusual thing in Canadian history for a Government to be defeated at a by-election within two overwhelming majority such as Mr. Borden got in Ontario. Rarely has any by-election gone against a Government. A Liberal win so unprecedented as that in South Bruce, taken in connection with the halving of the Conservative majority in East Middlesex, local causes.

There was no want of energy and East Middlesex and North Bruce, Cabinet ministers came thick and fast into both constituencies, particularly the and the workers in the Government's

It is a fair and obvious inference that the abnormal Conservative majority is receding all over Ontario. Two explanations may be confidently no doubt that there are those who given: (1) The farmers and others are being undeceived as to the trade campaign of 1911, and the utterly factitious cry of loyalty. Many Liberals see now what a farce the game was and are veturning to their colors.

(2) The Government have tried without success to make something out of the natural strength not abated. A the naval issue. They have put it in great deal depends on the individual the forefront, counting on popular innavy bill. But the electors are quite unresponsive. The Government can

What, then, have the Government to offer to the people? What constructback to normal electoral conditions, to the profit of the Liberals. Measure Ontario by the South Bruce or East Middlesex by-elections, and you find a ment's. slump that in a general election would almost wipe out the Government's majority in this Province. All that that Mr. Borden can do now is to wait out his remaining 30 menths, hop- Bruce who can be philosophic over ing for something to turn up. His the result. He is Senator Donnelly. instinct of self-preservation was right in risking no general election. The only emergency was his own.

THE OPERATION OF THE L. AND P. S. R.

The municipal machinery takes on a new complication with the civic opley Railway.

The road is nominally controlled by the London and Port Stanley Railway Board, which is practically a committee! of the City Council, a legal fiction to meet the requirements of the municipal act. The Board, on behalf of the city, leases the road to the Pere Marquette, collects the rental and turns it into the city coffers. Under the new arrangement the board will lease the road to the city itself. For the purpose of municipal operation a new body is to be created, an elective commission, with the Mayor as a member ex-officio. The commissioners have been already hand-picked by Mr. Beck, though electors will be given the privilege of going through the form of voting.

As the directors of the road, the London and Port Stanley Board, propose to charge the city a rental averaging \$37,000 for the 99-year period of the lease. For the first ten years, the rental will be \$20,000, increasing later by degrees. This sum may be taken as the Board's guess at the surplus to be earned by the road after paying operating expenses and fixed charges upon the \$700,000 of new capital expenditure. If the surplus should exceed the guess, the city will get the benefit of it. If there is a deficit, the

taxpayers must make it good. The city is the creditor of the Lonbonds, including arrears of interest, and legislation requires the Board to apply its receipts to this indebtedness, which carries 5 per cent interest. Here is an annual charge of \$90,000 against which the Board estimates it as it receives from the Pere Marquette. The Board's expectation of an average Northern Railway Company offered an result in South Bruce.

equal amount to the city for an 83-year case, and in addition would have reonstructed the road without a cent of charge to the city. If the London and Port Stanley Railway Board's calculations are correct, the city has assumed a debt of \$700,000 for nothing. Of course, the electrificationists say the surplus will be much greater. We shall see what we shall see.

THE AGE OF DECAY.

When so great an authority in medicine and physiology as Sir William Osler announced his belief that man's best work was completed before he was 40, and that after that date mental and physical decay approached, people of middle life, began to feel humble, and to fear that their usefulness was gone. But there was a comforting thought when it was noticed that he coupled his dictum regarding the age of decay with Anthony Trollope's amusing novel, wherein it was proposed to chloroform those who had reached the fixed period which indicated the approach of failing vitality. There was hope that the whole thing was a joke. Indeed, Sir William Osler afterwards explained that he was half

Because, you know, it would really have been a sad thing if the age of 40 meant the beginning of failure. There are a great many men and women who have passed that age. They are occupying the most important positions in the country. They are our leaders in politics, in commerce, In manufactures, in railroading, in the professions and in the arts. Some of them have got very far beyond the 40year limit, and seem to be rather active people. If mental decay began soon after 40 the country would be calls for some other explanation than in a bad state with these 40-year-old men in charge.

But if any of them are inclined to be a little timid, and doubtful of their fitness to, do things, there is some consolation and encouragement in a statement by the chief statistician of the United States census bureau. He has been going over the returns of the last decade, and announces as a latter. There was no over-confidence, fact which can be supported by figures that man is not past his prime interest made use of all its advantages at 40. We always thought so. But it in prestige and patronage. The result is gratifying to have the assurance of a person who is an expert in the must therefore cause some searching knowledge of practical conditions. of heart among our Conservative Theories give way before columns of statistics. There is a chance for the coung-old man vet. The fact is, you cannot make a rule

> nillions of men and women. We have have passed their prime at 40. Indeed, ve know of some who never reached their prime at all, and had become useless before they arrived at the [Rev. Thomas B. Gregory, in the New critical two score. On the other hand, here are those who, like the venerable but lusty patriarch of old, retain their youth, and arrive at three score died in the midst of his glory at Traand ten with the eye undimmed and falgar. himself, something on his natural name would live forever in the naval thing on his surroundings, but far It was Nelson's genius m his conduct and manner of brought Napoleon's life. He who uses his mental and pedition le as possible; he who cares for his the great emperor at its head. body and keeps his soul clean; he who can find time to think for others and o work for others as well as himan active brain, a busy hand, a warm neart and a cheerful spirit; such a one will be very likely to carry youth with him through all his allotted years, his task is accomplished and his life- pointed, Work done.

Stocks have slumped badly this year, including the Borden Govern-

The emergency has appeared, and danger signals are flying. Mr. Borden sees them in South Bruce

There's one Conservative in South

The long evenings are setting in again, and society people in London will, of course, return to the study of Shakespeare and the Bible.

Mr. Borden says Canada Can't; Mr. Bourassa says Canada Shan't. But eration of the London and Port Stan- South Bruce says Canada can and will. And what South Bruce says today, Ontario will say when it gets the chance.

Evidently, Messrs, Clare and Weichtel were no good as missionaries in the German settlements of South Bruce. We doubt if even Col, Hughes could "teach these Germans a lesson." Better leave them alone in the future.

"Our local contemporary continues to cling to the delusion that British shipbuilding firms would have established a Dreadnought building plant in Canada that 'would have cost Canada nothing.'"—London Free

Nothing for the plant itself; something, doubtless, in the increased cost of building in Canada. But as our local contemporary said four years ago:

"Patriotism will gather more closely about battleships built in Canada than battleships built in England. They may cost more to build in this country, where facilities are not complete, but it probably will be money well spent."

"The Senate will accept the verdict (South Bruce) gratefully, and the outcome will have the heartiest approval of Henri Bourassa."-Free

Doubtless, the Senate will feel that South Bruce, speaking for the people don and Port Stanley Board to the of Ontario, has approved its course. extent of about \$1,800,000, on mortgage But why Mr. Bourassa? After the Chateauguay election, Mr. Bourassa declared that the Nationalists preferred Mr. Borden's policy to that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, because it was "less advanced," and "less imperialistic." will receive \$20,000 annually for the There is no reason to suppose he has next ten years-about the same sum changed his mind in the last two or three weeks. The Borden-Bourassa alliance still exists. The two leaders of \$37,000 for 99 years shows that it is not counting on any fulfillment of are still united in their support of a the pledge that electrification will ma- Canada-Can't and Canada-Won't polterially reduce taxation. The Canadian icy. They will both feel sore over the

CLIMBING OUT OF A HOLE,

[New York Evening Post.] one has heard authentic tories of the man who asked another, Who is that old frump over yonder? and got the reply, "She is my wife." But the story doesn't go far enough. Jones observed an old lady sitting across the room,

"For heaven's sake!" he remarked to Robinson, "who is that extraordinarily ugly woman there?"
"That," answered Robinson, "is my

Jones was taken aback, but moved up front again.
"Well," he said, persuasively, "you just ought to see mine!'

AT LEAST ONE. [Cleveland Plaindealer.] "Every one has some secret sorrow, says a philosophizing friend. "Even the fattest and jolliest of us has a skele-

EARNING HIS PAY.

ton in his midst."

one of its signers."

actors.

[London Tatler.] Sportsman (who has missed everyhing he has fired at)-Did I hit him? Keeper (anxious to please)-Not 'xactly 'it 'im, sir; I can't say that. But, my word! I never see a rabbi wuss scared.

INHERITED SUPERIORITY. [Washington Herald.]
"The Declaration of Independence states that all men are born free and

"Something of the sort." "Then why do you hold yourself so "My dear man, I'm descended from

NO LET-UP. [New York Sun.] Knicker—Life is hard. Bocker-Yes; by the time your mother stops forbidding you to eat jam, the doctor begins.

WELL POSTED.

[Judge.]
"You seem to be very intimate with the Digbys. I didn't know you had met "I haven't met them. I patronize their dressmaker.

THE AMERICAN DRAMA. [New York Evening Mail.] Theatres we have, but lack trifling factors: Some dramatists, a public, and good

> DEAD SLOW. [Puck.]

"My dear," said Mr. Bickers to his wife, "I saw in the papers today a decision of a Virginian court that the vife may, in some cases, be the head that will be of general application to "John Henry," replied Mrs. Bickers, tae courts are sometimes very slow in hading out things!"

> NELSON'S LAST FIGHT. York American.] It was 108 years ago, on Oct. 21,

1805, that England's greatest admiral When Nelson fell mortally wounded upon the blood-stained deck of the Victory he knew well enough that his

to a disastrous close; physical powers with judgment, as it was the recollection of what that well as with energy; he who works as hard as he can and worries on the Nile that saved England from as hard as he can and worries as lit- the proposed French invasion with

Nelson had his failings, but his country has agreed to forget his weaknesses and try to be duly grate' self; he who can go through life with ful for what he did for her in the hour of need. A little dwarf of a man, Nelson

made even his puny statue serve him. When passing over the quay at Yarmouth to take command of he overheard someone sneeringly remark, "Why make little fellow a captain?" And the sneer stuck to him as long as he "Little fellow," he answered; lived. "this little fellow will yet be the biggest man in the king's navy." was the memory of that sneer that helped to make him the most mas-

terful sea fighter in British history. Nelson was noted for his unfailing promptness. When at the very eight of his fame, with the laurels thick about him, he was asked by an ardent admirer how he accounted for his great success, and the instant reply was: "I was always a

quarter of an hour ahead of time." He never forgot that in war position is half the battle, and he was always at the right place at the right

BELYING APPEARANCE. [Punch.]

Editor-Did you say you evolved this joke yourself? Artist-I did, sir. Editor-H'm, and yet you don't look

more than thirty years of age. EVIDENT.

[Life.]
In a registration booth in San Franisco an old colored woman had just inished registering for the first time. "Am you shore," she asked the clerk, 'dat I'se done all I has to do?" "Quite sure," replied the clerk; "you see it's very simple."

"I'd ought to knowed it," said the old woman. "If those fool men folks been ioing it all dese years, I might 'a' knowed it was a powerful simple pro-

> USUALLY. [Judge.]

"What is frenzied finance?" "Financing your friends."

BRAIDS.

[Chicago Tribune.] There are no young garls in America esserts a French observer. Our girls, he ays, become young faches too soon. They ecome suphisticated too early. They are trying to charm and to attract at an age when they should properly take orders

Tom mother.

The Fren hman bases his conclusion on is observations in our large cities. No oubt if he had gone in the smaller towns ne would have found less sophistication and more braids. Nevertheless his critiism is not amiss. It is the big cities that are the standard for the rest of this country. They set the pace. And the braided type, with naive, innocent eyes, indeed becoming rare in our cities. In the poorer shifts of society the shop and the factory are responsible for the appearance of the young girl type. A girl of 14 when thrown in the company of sider girls day after day is quickly dragged into the whirlpool of life. With the well to do classes the girl is willfully poiled by the overindulgent parents. Too ittle dicipline is as bad as too much. The early disappearance of the braid and the equirment instead of worldly wise ways and manners by our young girls lend a oolness to our civilization which ould profitably lose

of MOST SANYTHING

ABE MARTIN



Th' most pop'lar kind o' tire trouble and will not be past his prime until the ship to which he had been ap- is laziness. All th' world is a film an' its men an' women merely cowboys an'

> The spectacle of an octogenarian eaching physical culture should put a ot of flat-chested youths to shame.

Have you got out of the habit of for the missing corner clock et? Neither have we.

The Order of Hustlers may be expected to serve a mandamus on Mr. Woodrow Wilson Ruse if he doesn't replace it.

The Liberals are justified in march-

Saturday Morning Specials, 9 to 12 o'Clock

The following items will be on sale from 9 to 12 o'clock Saturday morning only.

7 dozen Women's Kid and Lamb Gloves - Two domes, French sewn and perfect fitting. These are odd pairs of dollar qualities and left-overs from former sales. All perfect goods, mostly tan and black. Nearly all sizes. Be here early tomorrow to get a pair of these. Saturday morning special, per pair49¢

HANDKERCHIEFS-Women's Fine Lawn Handkerchiefs, hemstitched. Reg 5c each. Saturday morning

only 2 for 5¢ CASHMERE HOSE — Women's fine English Llama Cashmere Hose, all wool, seamless throughout, reinforced feet. Sizes 81/2 to 10. Saturday morning, pair. 30¢

(Half dozen pairs at \$1.75). MEN'S UNDERWEAR — Special table of Men's Fleece-Lined Undershirts and Drawers, heavy weight, well finished garments, full sizes, 36 to 42. Best 50c line. Saturday morning only, garment .. 44¢

Per Suit 85c. WOMEN'S VESTS - Fine knit fleece-lined goods, cream color and natural wool, fullsized. Were \$1 and 75c. Saturday morning, special, per garment 69¢

Don't ask for these prices after 12 o'clock Saturday morning. Men's Raincoats

24 only Men's Waterproof Raincoats, fine quality, good weight, stitched and taped seams; will wear well and thoroughly waterproof. Regular \$10. On sale at .. \$7.50

7 only Young Men's Waterproof Coats, heavy weight paramatta cloth, thoroughly waterproof. While they last, only \$5.95 | a handsome Suit.

Where high quality and low prices are linked to your

This week-end list is rich in values. Shrewd shoppers will not miss a single item.

COATS

18 only Women's Long Tweed Coats, dark gray trimmed with reverse side of tweed, fastened with large buttons; good style and warm. Sizes 34 to 42. Extra special bargain.....

20 only Women's Long Tweed Coats, light colors, all pure wool, black velvet trimmed, cutaway fronts. Regular \$10. Special at.....

10 only Women's Black Caracul Coats, lined throughout with Venetian lining, handsome collar effect. Sizes 36 to 42. Comfortable and warm winter Coat. Special bargain at

Low Priced Skirts

Women's Vicuna Cloth Skirts, natural waistline, braid and button trimmed. Choice of navy or black. Lengths 38 to 42 inches. A good work skirt

Women's Black Cheviot Skirts, high waistline, panels trimmed with buttons. Lengths 38 to 42 inches. Serviceable everyday skirt.... Women's Vicuna Skirts, in black or navy,

guaranteed not to spot, braid and button trimmed, natural waistline. A nice skirt for elderly ladies.....

Also Women's Black Cheviot Skirts, high waistline, trimmed with braid and arrow heads. All lengths. Price. .. \$2.50

Women's Box Cloth Skirts, in black or navy, (2) trimmed with braid and arrowheads, high waist effect. All lengths

52 only Women's and Misses' Suits go on sale today at \$10 each. The biggest Suit bargain offered anywhere this season. Choice of blue and black serge and cheviot, also a variety of tweed effects. Women's sizes, 34 to 42. Misses' sizes, 16 and 18 years. Regular prices \$15 and \$16. On sale today and Saturday, \$10. Don't miss this opportunity to get

BEAUTIFUL SILKS

They're of supreme interest to every woman just now. Soft, supple silks for afternoon and evening wear.

DUCHESS MOUSSELINE SILK, beautiful quality for drape dresses, in all wanted shades, such as cerise and paddy green, also cream, DI. UU ivory and black, 36 inches wide..... BROCADED SILK CREPE DE CHINE-

A favorite this season, in Persian blue, golden brown, tan, pink, yellow and black; 38 inches

POPLIN DE SOIE-A pure silk fabric for drape dresses, in all wanted shades. 38 inches

BLACK PAILLETTE SILKS

\$1 QUALITY FOR 85c YD. \$1.25 QUALITY FOR \$1 YD. Beautiful qualities of rich black Paillette Silk for dresses and waists, 36 inches wide. See these specials.

CORSETS.

10 dozen Long Hip Corsets, made of fine white coutil, popular style, perfect fitting; draw string at top, four hose supporters attached. Bargain FLANNELETTE.

Soft and fleecy plain white Saxony Flannelette, 27 inches wide. Per yard81/2¢ (Or 12 yards for \$1.00).

BUNGALOW NETS. For all kinds of curtains, new designs, at 15c, 20c, 25c

and 35c per yard.

BLANKETS. Scotch Wool Blankets, absolutely pure wool, full size. At \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6, \$6.50, \$7, \$8, \$9 pair.

J. H. Chapman & Co., 239, 241, 243 Dundas Street

ing out the old rooster, and its feathers will be well grown.

Cattle Shipments It must have been the true-ax that cut down that Conservative majority

without getting dizzy? Woman, no doubt, persists in wearing those long lances in her hat be cause she feels like pruning and classifying man after the manner of

Those men who are counting those

8.400 tons of gold-how can they do i

bug-collectors. One of these days, when the wintry winds do blow, modest garb for women will come back with a rush.

The electrificationists are already up to their necks in trouble. We should

PAW KNOWS EVERYTHING, [Cincinnati Inquirer.] Willie-Paw, what is a free-thinker? Paw-An unmarried man, my son Maw-You go to bed, Willie!

Cures Diseases Of the Kidneys

And is Depended On to Right Stomach and Liver Disorders.

Once Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are introduced into the family and very possible that the man who sells their efficiency becomes known they the beef will buy it back again from their efficiency becomes known they are usually found too valuable to do the States at a price that will knock without. For everyday ills arising the profit from his sale of today. from liver and bowel disorders they bring relief promptly, and when com-plicated diseases of the kidneys and liver develop they often prove a successful cure after doctors have failed. As an illustration, you may read the following, which was received a few days ago:

Mrs. John Wright, 53 McGee street Toronto, Ont., states: "We have used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for ten years, and would not be without them My husband suffered from kidney trouble, and after taking treatment from several doctors without receiv-ing any benefit, tried Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, which worked a com-plete cure. Since that time we have used them for all stomach and liver disorders." One pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all ard authorities across the line claim

Break All Records Canadian Farmers Are Depleting Their Stocks and

Will Have To Buy Back at Higher Prices-Big

Jump in the Cost of Living Unless American Products Are Admitted in Competition. [Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, Oct. 31.-Nearly seven thousand head of cattle have passed through the Sarnia tunnel this month, and

every head is Canadian, en route to the big packing houses at Chicago, and that is responsible for high prices. It to Michigan buyers.

the Montreal district to the big meat buyers in the American city. No influx neutralizes the efflux of Canadian beef, and in practically a steady stream one of the most vital food necessities of the Dominion is

flowing into the States. Both Will Suffer. Authorities on the cattle question are of the opinion that not only the consumer, but the farmer as well will suffer. Under the tempting prices offered by the American buyers, farmers are practically denuding the prov-

All the cattle are going to the States, and "he who hath, hath the disposal thereof." Michigan buyers have been cleaning up the herds in Western On-

Unable To Buy. Butchers in Sarnia are unable to purchase beef to kill. It has all been sold to American buyers. Butchers in other towns are facing a similar predicament. Canadian butchers will be forced from now on, to buy from the wholesale dealers in the big Canadian cities, and these wholesale dealers purchase and must purchase their meat from the Chicago packing houses. It looks like a case of Canadian cattle pawned on an American market, to be redeemed at exorbitant interest (duty added) in the near future. Stand-

supply the demand in the States,

Buy Only Choicest.

It has been proven by statistics that American housewives buy only the choicest meats, and Armour himself claims that it is this extravagance logically follows that if the neighbors across the line consume principally During the same time, from ten to the best portions of the beef, that Canafteen cars of dressed beef have been ada will be a market for the cheaper shipped through the tunnel daily from grades, at a not much cheaper price than they pay across the border for the best, and as for the choicest cuts, they will be a luxury for the rich only. Meat is selling in Port Huron cheaper than it is in Sarnia, and the Port Huron butchers buy direct from Chi-

Prices Will Jump.

It is possible that the anticipated Canadian demand for meat, together with that of consumers in the States will tend to make uniformly high prices in both countries. Swift & Co. are hiring meat killers and sendince and themselves of beef, and it is ing them through to Toronto and other leading cities to slaughter and dress the purchased beef.

> ant, other food necessities will advance in price, and in more than one case have already. Those who have hitherto subsisted largely on meat as part of their daily diet, are now purchasing other foods to take the place of meat, and w this increased demand for other ne sities, of which, as in the case of egg there is but a limited supply,

prices of these articles will also soar

Boarding houses in Sarnia have al

Incidentally, but not the less import-

ready raised the price of meals, and the boarding house is an almost in fallible indicator of the municipal mar-

calers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., that even with the increased supply there is not more than enough beef

