

The Planet

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Chatham, Ont.

THE LAST PROVINCIAL ELECTION IN MANITOBA.

Judging by the results of the last Manitoba election the Conservatives in that province must have an uphill fight. Since then, too, there has been a gerrymandering of the constituencies to their prospects. The various constituencies went as follows in the last election:

Avondale, Liberal, 91.
Beautiful Plains, Independent, 38.
Birtle, Liberal, acclamation.
Brandon City, Liberal, 91.
Carleton Place, Conservative, 27.
Cypress, Liberal, 56.
Dagobert, Liberal, 12.
Deloraine, Liberal, 29.
Emerson, Conservative, 9.
Kildonan and St. Andrews, Conservative, 9.
Kildonan, Liberal, 251.
Lakeside, Liberal, 51.
Lansdowne, Liberal, 29.
La Verandree, Conservative, 42.
Lorne, Liberal, 14.
Mantou, Liberal, 78.
Manitowish, Liberal, acclamation.
Morden, Liberal, 36.
Murray, Liberal, 124.
Mountain, Liberal, acclamation.
Norfolk, Liberal, 170.
North Brandon, Liberal, 138.
Portage la Prairie, Liberal, 11.
Rhineland, Liberal, 147.
Rockwood, Liberal, 50.
Rosenfeld, Liberal, 64.
Russell, Independent, 27.
St. Andrew's, Liberal, 79.
St. Boniface, Conservative, 180.
Saskatchewan, Conservative, 54.
Souris, Conservative, acclamation.
South Brandon, Conservative, 34.
Springfield, Conservative, acclamation.
Turtle Mountain, Conservative, 1,507.
Virden, (formerly Dennis), Liberal, 44.
Westbourne, Liberal, acclamation.
Winnipeg Centre, Liberal, acclamation.
Winnipeg North, Liberal, 278.
Winnipeg South, Liberal, acclamation.
Woodlands, Conservative, 339.
A new constituency, consisting of the old electoral district of Kildonan (Cons.) and a portion of St. Andrew's with a Liberal majority of 79, has since been created.

CHARGES AND COUNTERCHARGES.

The Chicago Tribune has charged The Mail and Empire with stealing some of the cable dispatches that have lately appeared in its columns, and has made an effort to bring the charge to the notice of the people of this country by sending marked copies of its issues of Friday last to a large number of Canadian newspapers, including The Planet. This issue contains the following statement, headed "A Canadian View":

"For the benefit of its Canadian contemporaries, who have doubtless marvelled at the enterprise displayed by The Toronto Mail and Empire in printing daily special cable dispatches from London containing the news and editorial views of the London Times, the Tribune desires to state that such cables have been stolen from it by The Mail and Empire. Sometimes they have been stolen for simultaneous publication; more frequently they have been stolen the day after publication, given a false date, and palmed off on The Mail and Empire's readers as cable 'hot from the wire'."

"The fact that The Mail and Empire knows the Tribune's exclusive Times cable to be a good thing is shown by a letter from one of its editors asking if the Tribune would sell this service. But that paper—which

OWEN SOUND ITEM

Diabetes the "Incurable" Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Charles T. Bye the Fortunate Man—Suffered for Three Years—And Three Boxes Cured Him.

Owen Sound, December 1.—Although there have been people cured of diabetes in this town before by Dodd's Kidney Pills, it caused a great deal of surprise when Mr. Chas. T. Bye's case became known. Mr. Bye lives in Garrettsville, nine miles from here, and is very well acquainted in this district. Almost everybody knew Mr. Bye was suffering from diabetes and had been for years.

Diabetes was until recently absolutely incurable, or at least nobody in this section of the country had ever been cured of it. There have been cures of diabetes in Owen Sound—quite a number of them, but only by the one medicine—Dodd's Kidney Pills. Any new case always causes wonder, even now. Mr. Bye describes his experience as follows: "I have been a sufferer from diabetes for over three years. I have doctored with every good doctor but got no relief. I read of the wonderful cures Dodd's Kidney Pills had made and concluded to test them for myself. I have used three boxes and I am completely cured. They are a splendid pill and should be in every household."

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has been one of the loudest howlers in the Canadian chorus charging Americans with pilfering English literature—evidently thought it cheaper to steal than to buy. The question of honor apparently did not enter into the transaction.

"Steps have been taken which will either deprive The Mail and Empire's readers of this news or daily brand it a news thief of the most pronounced type."

"To this The Mail replies that the 'charge is too grave to be allowed to pass unnoticed, too absolutely baseless to require much more than a brief and emphatic denial, and comes from a quarter so notorious for disreputable methods of securing news that it will do no injury."

"It is sufficient here to say that every line of news contained in The Mail and Empire's excellent war news service is secured by legitimate means, that its London Times' dispatches are credited and paid for, and that it is infringing no copyright when it uses them."

"But we may go further, and say without fear of contradiction that the Tribune has not, as it claims, the exclusive right to publish the Times' cables in the United States, nor can any paper honestly claim to have an exclusive right in Canada."

"A paper that makes such a claim is either grossly dishonest or is being duped and swindled by the malodorous Tribune."

There are both sides of the case. It is a pretty little row and the public can believe what it likes about the matter.

Gas Pan must have felt like a frying pan to the Boers.—Windsor Record.

You're wrong. It felt more like an oven. You see they got a hot roast.

We sympathize with the St. Thomas Journal. We would feel mean ourselves if we had to defend that odorous machine gang so as to try and pull Donald Macnish through.

Premier Ross should be watched by his friends. His declamations against the work of the machine are becoming so pronounced that some of these days he may be found swearing out a warrant for his own arrest.

Hamilton has a municipal improvement society, and London wants one. The councils of both hamlets probably require them. Here, our councils are as a rule good enough if they would only display a little more progressiveness.

At Whitby Premier Ross said: "So that if you take our present indebtedness at its present value, we would have at this present moment a surplus of \$2,000,000. That we believe is our financial position." Thus the boasted six million dollar surplus has shrivelled away until now \$2,000,000 is all Mr. Ross can certify to.

Put Mr. Tarte up a notch in public estimation. He showed better taste than those who invited him by staying away from the London St. Andrew's banquet.

A war despatch says: "The Hon. George Peel, while wandering layabout Gen. Methuen's camp, found himself in the presence of a Boer, who presented him with a Bible, opened at Revelations, and then fled. Mr. Peel, who is browned and bearded, and who was dressed in khaki, was immediately afterwards seized by three Grenadiers, who hailed him before Gen. Methuen and accused him of being a spy. Are we to assume from this that he was suspected because he possessed a Bible."

A despatch says Dr. Bryce, the Provincial medical health officer, is quite in accord with the precautions that Gravenhurst intends taking regarding consumptives. The authorities there will prohibit all persons from exhorting on the sidewalk, the same as is done in Hot Springs, Ark. "All right, bring 'em to Chatham. They can spit all over the street here. And, by the way, how is it that Gravenhurst, an exact anti-spitting-by-laws that some of our aldermen were afraid the law did not empower them to pass."

Mr. Ross is all promises for the future. How would it do for him to show his bona fides by at once chopping off the heads of a few officials who from long tenure at the trough have come to regard themselves as masters instead of the servants of the people. The knife judiciously used now will save Mr. Whitney some trouble when he comes into power. Advantageous changes for instance might be made around Chatham, and this great family journal is going to keep harping on the matter until they are made, whether it is done by this government or the next.

GEORGE WILL STICK BY 'EM.

Hamilton Spectator.

Speaking at Port Perry George Washington Ross, alluding to election corruption, said: "I am resolved, as leader of the Liberal party, to maintain the traditional integrity of the party."

That's what we are afraid of, George. The traditional integrity of the Liberal party permitted the election, time after time, in this city, of Hon. Mr. Gibson by bulldozing and intimidating liquor dealers, their friends, their landlords and those who supplied them with goods; by an organized band of persecutors and repeaters; by promises of public office; by work supplied by the government a few days before election; by straight bribery with cash; and by every possible disreputable means. We are afraid, George, that you are resolved to continue the old program.

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LITERARY NOTES.

McCLURE MAGAZINE FOR DECEMBER.

With its drawings by such artists as Howard Pyle, Frank Du Mond, and C. K. Ling, and its productions of some of the best of the color, and its beautiful, responsible special cover, McClure's Magazine for December is a very interesting and valuable feature throughout the year. Dr. Watson frankly announces that he does not expect those who follow his work will be much the wiser regarding mere sites and dates, but he does let himself hope that they will have a clearer vision of the august figure who invites the judgment of each man's conscience, who lays his hand on each man's heart. There are two Christmas stories—one of the South and one of the North, and a railroad life—both original, incidents and genial in spirit and outcome. There is a sweet and exalted Christmas poem, and there is a characteristic poem by the author of "The Man with the Hoe."

THE FIFTIETH YEAR OF "HARPER'S MAGAZINE."

With the December number Harper's Magazine begins its hundredth volume, and enters upon the last six months of its fiftieth year. Half a century ago Harper's Magazine, as the announcement of the four Harper Brothers reads, "was projected and commenced in the belief that it might be made the means of bringing within the reach of the mass of the American people an immense amount of useful and entertaining reading matter, to which, on account of the great number and expense of the books and periodicals in which it originally appears, they have hitherto had no access." The original plan of the publishers then was to make the new periodical simply a literary digest, and for the first six months its pages were filled entirely with matter reprinted from English magazines and from current books. The success of the Magazine so surpassed the expectations of the publishers, that at the beginning of the second volume they felt themselves in a position to institute a new feature. During the second year, in each number appeared at least one original article. This innovation proved so acceptable to the Magazine's readers that it was continued and developed, and in a few years the periodical consisted entirely of original matter. Half a century makes a vast difference both in magazines and the tastes they supply—a difference which could only be understood by a comparison of the first number of Harper's with the elaborate Christmas number which has just been received, and which, as has been said, opens the hundredth volume. This Christmas number, by the way, ought to be remembered as a long time if for only one thing, that is Mark Twain's short story, "The Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg." The majority of readers will probably consider this the best tale Mark Twain has ever written, in any case whoever fails to read "The Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg," will have missed one of the things that make life worth living.

A. O. F.

Last night, Court Hope, A. O. F., held their annual meeting for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. The meeting was the largest and most enthusiastic that has been held for years, the court room being so crowded that some of the members were compelled to sit on the floor.

After the regular routine business was dispensed with, the degree team initiated two candidates into Ancient Society, after which the evening was devoted to the nomination and election of officers. The nominations for the different positions were very large and the competition so keen that in some cases where more than one candidate felt that it was necessary to take two or three ballots.

The following were elected:—C. R.—Bro. W. Conibear. S. C. R.—Bro. John Head. Treasurer—Bro. Ed. Cape. Secretary—Bro. W. B. Benson by acclamation.

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MILBURY.

Dec. 2.—Miss Tickner, of Chatham, has taken charge of J. S. Richardson's dress-making establishment.

J. Mann, of Detroit, spent American Thanksgiving Day with relatives here. B. Courtney, of Detroit, was in town this week.

Mrs. (Dr.) McDonald, of Detroit, is visiting her parents here.

Mrs. Schwind, of Cleveland, is the guest of Mrs. James Powell.

Giroux & Belanger will have their grain elevator at the C. P. R. ready for use on Monday, when they will be in the market for the purchase of grain of all kinds.

V. Campbell has decided to go out of business here.

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