

LT.-COL. MUNRO NOMINATED BY NORTH OXFORD LIBERALS

Unanimously Chosen To Succeed Late Mr. Pattullo

IN CONVENTION AT WOODSTOCK

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting Expresses Confidence in Premiers Laurier and Ross.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Woodstock, Jan. 12.—Col. James Munro, of Embro, will contest the riding of North Oxford on behalf of the Liberals in the coming election to fill the vacancy in the Ontario Legislature, caused by the death of the late Andrew Pattullo. He was the unanimous choice of the Liberal convention held here this afternoon, though there was no lack of candidates. Five names went to the convention: Mayor John White, of Woodstock; Walter Murray, of Blenheim; E. W. Nesbitt, of Wood-

stock; George Smith, of Woodstock; and Col. James Munro, of Embro. The last two named made the contest run and when finally the well-known colonel of the twenty-second Oxford Rifles, received a majority vote it was Mr. Smith who moved that the nomination be made unanimous. This was done amid the cheers of the assembled delegates, who filled the town hall. In some respects the convention was unique. In the first place it was called to nominate a candidate for an election to be held on very short notice; it was, moreover, to choose a candidate for a riding that has always been Liberal, and it was composed of delegates from every subdivision. The convention was, perhaps, the most representative that ever was held in this city. All the candidates were pledged to support the nominee of the convention, whoever he might be, and the meeting was marked by a spirit of confidence in the Ross Government.

The occasion had its sad side, too, being due to the death of Mr. Pattullo. Touching references to his loss and a resolution of sympathy that was adopted, expressed the high regard in which the late member for North Oxford was held.

RECEPTION OF DELEGATES. Mr. Malcolm Douglas, first vice-president, occupied the chair in place of the late William Malcolm, president of the North Oxford Liberal Association. Frank Patterson, Duncan McMillan, G. A. Munro, George Law, Thomas Pratt, P. Irving and Secretary George Mahon. In opening the meeting Mr. Douglas stated they were there to choose a candidate to succeed the late Mr. Pattullo, member of the North Oxford riding, whose death had just occurred. They had looked forward to seeing him attain to cabinet rank. The chairman appealed to the Reformers to see that this convention was a success, and requested all who were present to go to the convention to pledge themselves to support the nominee, whoever he might be.

A committee on credentials, composed of the conveners of the townships and city was appointed, and the delegates were received to the number of 165. That the Liberals of North Oxford deeply regretted the loss of Mr. Andrew Pattullo, who had so ably represented the riding. The deceased was a man of promise and power, and a man of integrity. He had been a credit to himself and his country, and it was felt that it would be difficult to fill his place. The Liberals desired to place on record their appreciation of his services, and express their sorrow at his death, and their sympathy with his bereaved relatives.

On motion of Mr. Thomas Lockhart, seconded by Mr. Thomas Macbeth, a resolution was passed expressing regret at the death of the late president, Mr. Malcolm Douglas, to whom they paid tribute, and tendering sympathy to those bereaved by his death.

CONFERENCE IN PREMIER ROSS. A hearty vote of confidence in Hon. G. W. Ross and his Government, moved by Fred Vickert and seconded by W. H. Hewitt, was heartily carried. A like resolution expressing confidence in Sir Wilfrid Laurier and gratification with the progress made by the Liberal Government was moved and seconded by Mr. John Mahon and Dr. Hiotson, and warmly endorsed.

THIRTEEN NAMES PRESENTED. The following thirteen were then presented in the order named: E. W. Nesbitt, Woodstock; Col. James Munro, Embro; George Smith, Woodstock; John Krug, Tavistock; John W. Mahon, Woodstock; John F. McKay, manager Toronto Globe, Toronto, formerly of Sentinel-Review, Woodstock; Dr.

British Elections.

London, Jan. 13.—Prime Minister Balfour, in a speech at Manchester, referred to the next general election in a manner that was interpreted by his hearers as indicating that the dissolution of Parliament is near. His remarks have awakened considerable interest in political circles and are the subject of much discussion at the clubs.

Mearns, Woodstock; W. Murray, Blenheim; Dr. Hiotson, Innesville; Malcolm Douglas, Woodstock; Dr. John McWilliam, Thamesford; John White, Woodstock, and E. L. Sutherland, West Zorra. Seven minutes each was allowed to those standing and two minutes to those retiring. The chairman calling upon those nominated in the reverse order in which they were named. Mr. Douglas before calling on the other speakers had been one to his nomination, but said it would be impossible to stand. He appealed to them to bring out such a vote that would show the province from end to end the respect with which Hon. G. W. Ross and his colleagues were held in retiring Mr. E. L. Sutherland advocated the choice of a candidate from a rural constituency.

As prayer of Woodstock, Mr. John White bade the delegates welcome. He endorsed the resolution referring to the lamented death of the late member. The speaker had been one to advise Mr. Pattullo to go to England. The cable "Mr. Pattullo died this morning" was like a thunderbolt to the city, and that day there had been scarcely a dry eye in Woodstock. It would be hard to find a man to fill his place. The speaker had been pressed to come before the convention, but had announced himself without canvassing. He came before the convention to fulfill his promise. If the riding wished it he would do his best as their representative, but if they thought someone was there more capable he would give the nominee his heartiest support.

Dr. John McWilliam, Thamesford, thanked the speaker and seconded his name. Mr. Pattullo, he said, had built his own great monument, and as long as his history run the name of Andrew Pattullo would be dear in their hearts. The Premier was the peer of all the statesmen who had gone before him. The province was particularly strongly Liberal with a leader like Hon. Geo. W. Ross. The reason of the reduction in the support during the last year was due to the misunderstanding being understood by so many Liberals. Dr. McWilliam withdrew.

Dr. Hiotson decided not to come before the convention. He announced himself as a prohibitionist. It was a crisis, and he did not think he could divide the riding. Another member from North Oxford with a heavy majority would give courage to the Premier. Mr. Walter Murray, who allowed his name to go before the convention, referred to the sad circumstances connected with their meeting. There should be an ardent desire to carry out the wish of the convention. Something that was a blessing to the province with which Hon. George W. Ross remained at the head of the Government. He was a patriot. There was a possibility of a triangular contest, and therefore the nominee should be strong. If he could get the nomination by a sweeping desire of the Reformers, he would be pleased to stay in the ranks. The importance of the North Renfrew election paled into insignificance beside this one; this was the time a man should be sent to the Legislature with the biggest majority. The man who should be the choice should be a Liberal of the Liberals.

Mr. George Smith was received with enthusiastic cheers. Today, he said, is was difficult to realize that their late member slept in Finchley Cemetery in the heart of the British Empire. He had refused to be a member of the Government, but he was no better in the world. A citizen of Woodstock (Mr. Smith) was yet representative of the farmers, husbandmen, conducting primaries with all the safety of a regular election. Recently Premier Ross had called for university men, and he could answer that

call. Moreover, he could carry on his campaign without any outside organizers. He thanked the convention and promised to stand by the nominee of the convention.

COL. MUNRO'S SPEECH. Col. James Munro was likewise well received. He promised to give the best of his talents and all his energies, if elected. Without being egotistical, he thought his varied occupation would qualify him to fill the position. Six years ago he had submitted his name and ran a good second to the late member, thus giving him the support of his constituents. This time he wanted to be second to none; if he was he would cheerfully support the chosen candidate. He commended the Government for its standing and progressive policy. The colonel placed himself unreservedly in the convention's hands, and it being the 12th of January, he wished them all a happy old new year.

In retiring Mr. E. L. Sutherland said he would frankly state his position. His father was a Conservative, but he himself voted Liberal, and he would yield the palm to no one in his respect and admiration of Premier Ross. This province's prosperity, he said, was a monument to Liberal rule. He, too, had come with a determination to stand by the convention.

J. F. McKay telegraphed from Toronto as follows: "Thank my mover and seconder. At present could not allow my name to be put forward. I have nominated a candidate worthy of a place with such representatives as Brodie, Mowat, Sutherland and Tait. The ballot took considerable time, 83 votes being required by one candidate to get the convention, that being a majority vote. Five ballots were taken, the contest being between Col. Munro and Mr. George Smith. Finally, when Col. Munro received a sufficient number of votes there was great enthusiasm, and Mr. Smith's motion to make the choice unanimous was received with cheers. The convention closed about 6:30 p.m. and was considered one of the best political meetings ever held in North Oxford."

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MELTON PRIOR SAYS IT'S WAR

Famous War Artist Expects Outbreak in Far East.

JAPAN HAS BETTER GUNNERS

And Will Have Better of the First Naval Encounter—Britain Will See Fair Play.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Mr. Melton Prior, the veteran war artist and correspondent of the London Illustrated News, arrived here yesterday from New York on the way to Nagasaki, Japan. He says that this will make the 27th war that he has "covered." When asked if he thought there would be war in the east, he said that he had not the least doubt that there would be. Then he gave the following brief description of what the first encounter would be like: "Our people have warned France that if she slides with Russia, we shall place ourselves by the side of Japan. When I say warned, I mean, of course, diplomatically. These things are done nicely. There will be war, and for the first Japan will put up a good sea fight. Only the trouble is, Japan has waited too long. Russia has had time to get out her ships. On the other hand, Japan has better gunners. Her men can fire 70 per cent better than the Russians. In the first sea fight, which will last about two hours, there will be a great deal of shelling. Both sides will fire off all their ammunition, and the ships which remain afloat, and there will be many of them, will seek shelter. Japan will have the advantage, for she will be at home. She can retreat and land troops. But that will be only the beginning."

Mr. Prior toured Canada at the time of the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall.

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TAKEN OUT LAST NIGHT

Hillis, the Jail-Breaker, Leaves Hamilton Leisurely.

Hamilton, Jan. 13.—The police were informed this morning that the jail-breaker, Hillis, was taken out of the city last Monday night. There was a gang of four men who had broken out of the city jail. The celebrated box of salve that was found on Hillis, and was thought at first to be a hoax, was found to be genuine. It appears that Hillis asked the turnkeys for it, claiming that he was troubled with vermin. The turnkeys gave him the salve, and he used it very handsomely. The jailer saw he used on the bars of the jail.

SULTAN'S TROOPS START REVOLT

Garrison of Five Hundred Loot Shops, Attack Armenians and Chase Officers.

Constantinople, Jan. 13.—A serious mutiny broke out recently among the garrison of Van, Turkish Armenia. About five hundred armed soldiers, plundered shops and attacked Armenians. The mutineers finally made an attack on the palace, from which the commander of the garrison fled over adjoining roofs. The Porte has notified the Austro-Hungarian and Russian ambassadors of its full acceptance of the Macedonian reform scheme, and has promised to the refugees, promising amnesty to political prisoners, with the exception of those who had been guilty of crimes.

In conclusion the Porte draws attention to the armament of Bulgaria and demands that the Bulgarian Government will not be permitted to nullify the work of reform.

NOT OUR BUSINESS

Premier Refuses Proposal to Interfere With South Africa.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier a short time since received from the Premier of New Zealand a cable proposition to co-operate in a protest against the importation of Chinamen to work in the Rand mines in South Africa. The Prime Minister immediately replied in courteous but emphatic terms to Mr. Seddon that he did not consider the matter to be one in which Canada was called upon to interfere.

REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA

Ten Thousand Workmen Storm Factories and Plunder Homes.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—The Tagblatt says that 10,000 workmen are in open rebellion at Kamenskoye, near Ekaterinodar, Russia. They have stormed the machinery works, burned factories, and plundered the houses of wealthy residents. Troops have been sent to restore order.

SHOCKED THE MAYOR. Detroit, Jan. 13.—"Wedded and Parted," the attraction at the White City this week, has come under the ban of Mayor Maybury. The strong act of the play shows the "badger game" and the dialogue in several portions of the piece is alleged to be risqué. The mayor said yesterday afternoon and then wrote a letter to the management, ordering the exclusion of the "badger game," and the blue penciling of certain speeches.

JAPAN DELAYS HER REPLY AND WORLD EXPECTS WORST

Fitted the Crime.

Northampton, Mass., Jan. 13.—In the village of Williamsburg Saturday evening Frank Cowing went home in a hilarious condition and turned his wife and children out-doors and rolled his wife in the snow and otherwise maltreated her. That night about a dozen citizens of the village went to Cowing's house and took him out and rolled him in the snow until he begged for mercy. They left him with a promise to repeat the performance should he offend again.

RAILWAY EARNINGS SLUMP

G. T. R. and C. P. R. Show Decrease in First Week of New Year.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—The Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways, despite the fact that the week ending Jan. 7, 1904, were \$39,105, and \$37,484, a decrease this year of \$55,729. The earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the week ending Jan. 7 were \$67,000, or \$57,000 less than last year. The figures are: 1904, \$67,000; 1903, \$24,000.

A DOUBLE ACCIDENT

Lindsay Conductor Loses Leg and Brakeman is Badly Hurt.

Lindsay, Ont., Jan. 13.—Conductor Beaupre, of the Midland division of the Grand Trunk, a resident of Lindsay, met with a bad accident Monday night at Midland. He was in charge of an extra double-header freight train, which was about to leave Midland for Lindsay, and while in the act of giving the order to the engineer, slipped on the step of the cab of the engine while the latter was moving, and fell underneath the big drive wheel. His right leg was severed above the knee. Medical assistance was quickly summoned, and everything done to relieve the sufferer. In a short time a special was made up and dispatched on its way to the Ross Memorial Hospital at Lindsay, but the special had not gone far on its journey when another serious accident occurred, resulting in the destruction of the caboose and several cars, and the injury of another employee. At Silver Creek, between Midland and Orillia, a freight train was stalled in part, and the special, with the wounded conductor on board, came along at full speed and crashed into the rear end of the freight. Bruce Wilson, a brakeman, residing in this town, was killed, and several others badly bruised, and his left leg broken in two places. Both injured men were brought to the hospital here yesterday morning.

THE IROQUOIS FIRE

Telling Evidence of Carelessness Gathered by Authorities.

Chicago, Jan. 13.—Evidence to be used against any persons held to the grand jury has been obtained at the Iroquois Theater by three detectives of the state-attorney's office. Eight bodies, which were removed from the ruins and hauled to the criminal court building. Most of the bodies were evidently having been killed. They are burned on both sides, and in a number of instances, the doors were forced open and the locks broken. The door where the bodies of so many dead were found is among the pieces of evidence seized. Another piece of evidence is the discovery that the door was not locked, and the door was not locked.

MAID WEDS MILLIONAIRE

Bridegroom is 70, Bride 23, and Courtship Ten Days.

Salt Lake, Jan. 13.—From Chamberlain to the wife of a millionaire mining man will be the transition for Miss Jean O'Neill, when she weds John O'Neill, the manager of the Salt Lake and Ogden, and will be the culmination of a romance that began in this city only ten days ago. Miss O'Neill, who is seventy years old, has in the last ten years amassed a fortune of a million or more in the mines of Park City. Ten days ago she registered at a local hotel and first met Miss O'Neill. The attraction was mutual. Miss O'Neill is only 23 years old. She comes from Scotland, where her father is gatekeeper on the estate of the Douglas family.

ST. LOUIS WAS CHOSEN

The Exposition City Gets the Democratic Convention.

Washington, Jan. 13.—St. Louis won out over Chicago in the contest for the Democratic national convention, and it will be held at the World's Fair city on July 6. It was purely a case of political expediency, brought about since Monday evening, when the convention was conceded to Chicago by everyone, as it was well understood that New York was not a serious candidate, for numerous reasons. In fact, the only headway made by St. Louis was through the personal canvassing of ex-Governor Stone, of Missouri, who is very popular.

MR. PATTULLO'S WILL

Bequest of \$1,000 to Woodstock Hospital—An Estate of \$41,000.

Woodstock, Jan. 13.—The will of the late Andrew Pattullo, M. P., provides for two public bequests. The sum of \$1,000 is left to Woodstock hospital for the endowment of a ward to be named after Mr. Pattullo's late wife. Another \$1,000 is to provide for the erection of a fountain at some point in the city to be agreed upon by his executors and the municipality. His private papers and the files of the Sentinel-Review are left to his brother, G. R. Pattullo, and his library is to be divided between his nephew, George Pattullo, and A. B. Watt, his successor in the editorial chair of the Sentinel-Review. The estate as probated amounts to \$41,225 and the bulk of it is distributed among relations and friends. The executors are G. R. Pattullo, W. A. H. Findlay and Thomas Rennie.

The Situation in Far East Darkens Once More.

RUSSIA GROWING IMPATIENT

Japanese Seizure of Mukpho Considered Probable—Would Precipitate War.

New York, Jan. 13.—A dispatch to the Herald, from St. Petersburg, says: "From a very highly placed general, whose opinions I have had the good fortune to be enabled to tell you that communications of the highest importance are now passing constantly over the wires between Admiral Alexieff and the Emperor. On these much depends the future of the East."

The Czar, while extremely desirous of peace is equally firm concerning Russia's prestige, and he trusts, now that matters are so far advanced and are in such a critical phase, to the entirely good judgment of the viceroy as to what is necessary to be done. A general, who is a strong friend of peace, says: "There may still be hopes of peace left, but if the political atmosphere is so charged with electricity that the storm may break at almost any moment. One thing I can tell you is that the general staff is most fully prepared for the outbreak of war. All our arrangements are perfect up to the last thing. We have got to do now is to press the button and the whole machinery will start working."

It is probably just this very readiness which has given rise to the marked busting of the Japanese and the international general news sounded that Russia is getting very tired of the political game of chess, which has been going on so long in the Far East, and would like to have matters settled, as reflected in my telegram of yesterday of the general spirit of impatience. Yesterday, at the meeting of the imperial council, the feeling was expressed that there was nothing in Japan's emphasized expressions of a desire for peace, and that she was merely trying to gain time. The chance of being given assistance by some of the powers, I may mention that such opinions are non-official.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Japanese are leaving here, and more than one hundred have left Dabny in one day, says a Herald dispatch from Tokyo. The Russians regard the Japanese seizure of Mukpho as probable, with the object of forcing Russia to the shot. The trains from Europe are crammed with troops. It is reported that the British minister to Tokyo, Lord Curzon, has been ordered to leave the city. The British minister to Tokyo, Lord Curzon, has been ordered to leave the city. The British minister to Tokyo, Lord Curzon, has been ordered to leave the city.

Shanghai, Jan. 13.—Viceroy Tson has concluded a loan with a German firm for a million taels, in order to purchase Krump mountain guns. London, Wednesday, Jan. 13.—A dispatch from Tokyo to Reuters' Telegram Company says that an answer from Russia will probably be given at a fixed date. M. Pavloff, the Russian minister at Seoul, has assured Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister, that the number of Russian troops at Seoul will not exceed 125. The Japanese Minister proposed to carry into effect an arrangement by which a division between the Russian and Japan guards would be avoided, which arrangement was conditionally agreed to by the Russian Minister.

A Seoul dispatch says: The Emperor of Korea has ordered the opening of the Korean ports to the commerce of China by telegraph. The English, Russian, Italian, American and Japanese legations at Seoul are under guard. It is stated that sweeping charges will be made soon in the personnel of the Korean Government favorable to Japanese interests. A news agency dispatch from Tokyo says that it is understood that Japan has informed Great Britain and the United States that her apparent interest in the Korean question is for foreign mediation, but to a deliberate policy.

London, Jan. 13, 3:37 p.m.—Official opinion regarding the probability of war between Russia and Japan has suddenly changed. Intelligence received at the foreign office yesterday has caused the Government, for the first time since the controversy began, to believe that the situation is extremely tense. The very definite view hitherto held are reversed and war has become a proximate contingency, according to the view taken in official circles here. Japan's delay in answering Russia's last note is deemed here as being a symptom that a grave situation is under discussion.

CIRCLING GLOBE ON FOOT

Young European Doctor Out to Win \$200,000 Wager.