

The Toronto World declared that there was a "tireless hunt" of Mr. Haultain. Dr. Goldwin Smith joins in the "tireless hunt" of Sr Wilfrid Laurier and declares that Mr. Haultain "is struggling gallantly to save the new provinces from being inoculated with the pestilence of party." No harm to mention here that Mr. Haultain's brother is Dr. Goldwin Smith's private secretary. The gallant struggle which Mr. Haultain made for the abolishing of party lines is reflected in the Moose Jaw platform which declared emphatically for party lines, and Mr. Haultain was and still is the honorary president of that convention or association. The man who moved the nomination of Mr. Walter Scott as Liberal leader in Saskatchewan as well as the man who seconded that nomination were both former supporters of Mr. Haultain, and, indeed, so was Mr. Walter Scott himself who for years lent notably his own influence but that of his paper to defend and justify Mr. Haultain at Regina. But Mr. Scott as well as the other gentlemen discovered that Mr. Haultain was playing a double part politically, and they lost confidence in him. When the Liberals of the West saw Mr. Haultain conferring day by day with Mr. R. L. Borden and spending his time writing letters in support of the cause of the Opposition it cannot be wondered that having the opportunity they will now repose confidence in men who have been in the Northwest quite as long as Mr. Haultain and who have borne the brunt of pioneer struggles and who are quite as competent as Mr. Haultain, and who have not enjoyed the sweets of office which have been his practically since 1888. In saying this we are not underrating the services which Mr. Haultain has rendered in carrying on a quasi government in the early days of the development of the territories, but in this duty he has been aided by

others, chiefly by Liberals. In 1898 the government consisted of two members, Mr. Haultain, Conservative, and Mr. J. H. Ross, Liberal. In 1901 the government consisted of Mr. Haultain, Conservative, and Mr. Sifton and Mr. Bulyea, both Liberals. There were times when the Liberals could have turned Mr. Haultain out of office but they did not do so, and did not try to do it. Mr. Haultain has asked the people of the West to conduct the elections for the new legislatures on non-party lines. A few days after he tried to raise this slogan his Conservative friends in Alberta declared for straight party lines. In fact Mr. Haultain appears to be the only non-party man in the West but however popular he is personally, as a public man the Conservative press of Toronto and Montreal will find it hard to convince the people of this country that he is the only man competent to carry on the affairs of the new province of Saskatchewan.



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Japan's field marshal who superintended the war from Tokio.