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THE NEW LIBRARY BUILDING

In deciding to accept the offer of \$15,000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie to erect a public library building in Chatham, the joint committee, representative of the City Council and Public Library Board, has evidently met the views of the majority of the citizens.

It was a question upon which much could be said—and was said—with considerable force on either side. The advantages undoubtedly to be derived from the acceptance of the offer have been weighed against the vigorous and unshaming sentiment, which extends to a greater or less extent, against the solicitation of assistance from one avowedly antagonistic to the aims of our Empire, disrespectful to our late revered Sovereign and whose successful chase after the Al-mighty Dollar is alleged to have been scarcely scrupulous. Much has been said in support of both sides and the pros and cons discussed with a genuine interest.

With neither decision could this great home journal have quarrelled. The Planet realized it was an open question for the citizens of Chatham and their representatives to deal with, one in which little mistake could be made; one in which arbitrary counsel or dictation might properly be resented. If the people preferred to take the defensible stand that the gift from such a source would not be palatable, no fault could be found. If, on the other hand, the business side of the proposition appealed with greater force and the ground was taken that, so long as our reception and handling of the money was clean and honorable, our responsibility was at an end, there would be no indisposition to acquiesce.

The decision of the committee was evidently guided—and rightly so—by the trend of public opinion. The matter now for consideration by the city is the selection of a site.

The proposal to build on King St. West meets with the hearty approval of this journal. It may be pointed out, quite naturally, that The Planet is self-interested in advancing the claims and advantages of this locality, because the home of this journal is in comparatively close proximity to the site in question. Yet we fancy those who give the matter their serious consideration will realize that The Planet's position is not taken from any such minor motive, but solely because the erection of an important public institution on the point suggested will assist materially in the building up and developing of the western portion of King St., which possesses such great and as yet unutilized possibilities. We believe that such a choice would be altogether in the best public interests of our city and this accounts for our earnest advocacy of it.

The main thoroughfare of a city is generally indicative of its material prosperity—it serves as a pulse upon its vitality. Chatham has nothing to be ashamed of in such a test. King St., with its splendid store fronts and business establishments, is something to be proud of. But, if there is a possibility to encourage and foster this development west of the Post Office, it should be eagerly availed of. Such an extension of the business headquarters would give our city a greater precedence than can be easily estimated.

All other things, then, being equal, we trust the first consideration will be given this site.

WHITNEY'S POLICY.

Here are a few points in Mr. Whitney's policy. They are well worth perusal by the electors of East and West Kent. If it is a policy to encourage, encourage it. Help it along by placing your next vote to the credit of John Davidson and John S. Fraser.

Develop New Ontario in the interest of the people of New and Old Ontario.

Develop Niagara power and the

power of the other water ways throughout the province and dispose of it to municipalities and individuals at cost, and thus hold securely for the people the key to the problem of industrial expansion.

Make the ballot absolutely secret, as it was intended to be, and as the liberty of every man to record his vote according to the dictates of his conscience without fear, favor or affection demands that it should be.

Encourage by legislation municipal ownership of public utilities.

Restore the public schools to the place which its founders intended it should occupy—no stepping stone or door mat to any other institution of learning, but an independent, self-sufficient school in itself, capable of imparting to the ninety-five children out of every hundred who begin and end their education in the public school the most practical training that their opportunities will afford.

Abolish the school book monopoly; establish a government printing bureau, and give the school books to the people at actual cost.

Secure as far as possible the refining of Canadian nickel by Canadian labor by establishing smelters convenient to our great nickel deposits.

No pulp wood concessions. The property of the people of the Province when disposed of should be sold in the open market to the highest bidder, and not given away by order in council.

Secure justice for the individual prospector by providing for a prompt, accurate and honest registration of mineral claims as convenient as possible to the mining fields.

Keep the expenditure of the Province within the revenue, and give the people a fair statement of the finances.

Place corporations on the same level as the private tax payer. No scrap iron assessment, and no attempts to put the people in the power of corporations, such as was made by Premier Ross when he introduced bill No. 175 to enable municipalities to grant exemptions to corporations without a vote of the people.

Endeavor to secure from the Dominion Government fair treatment for the farmers in freight rates.

Grapple with the question of law reform; improve the division courts, and so order things that there shall be only one appeal in the Province of Ontario after the trial judge has given his verdict.

Destroy forever the baneful system of rushing enormous railway grants through the Legislature in the last hours of the session, and without one individual member of the House on either side of the Speaker having an atom of evidence on which to form a judgment as to the desirability of these votes.

Secure for every voter the assurance that this ballot will be counted as he marked it by destroying the machine and inaugurating a vigorous campaign to detect and punish every perpetrator of fraud in elections, no matter in whose interests the crimes were committed.

POLICE!

St. John Telegraph.
 Because De Wet escaped with the cattle it does not follow that he will of catalpa.

ALL THE SAME.

Galt Reporter.
 The Roused or the Ossified Ontario government—just as you like. The names signify the same thing—stagnation and sterility.

A LOUD AMEN.

Galt Reporter.
 The Brantford Expositor calls Attorney-General Gibson "the most useful member of the cabinet. To which the corporations will say amen."

A SPECIAL HOLE FOR HENRY.

Montreal Star.
 When Prince Henry went to visit the opera in New York they made a hole in the wall for him to get directly from his carriage to his box. In democratic countries it is perhaps not known that royalty does not always object to using doors that other people go through.

THE WEE GERMAN LAIRDIE.

Toronto Telegram.
 About two-fifths of the United States' enthusiasm over Prince Henry represents the genuine good-will of German-Americans; one-fifth is accounted for by the mixture of flunk-eism and curiosity, which is a flaw in the United States' character. The remaining two-fifths of the enthusiasm is made up of ill-will for Great Britain exhibiting itself in the form of good-will to Germany.

A PROFESSIONAL BLACKGUARD.

N. Y. Commercial.
 If the senate were to expel both Senators Tillman and McLaurin its act would command the warm approval of an overwhelming majority of the American people. One is almost as deserving of censure and extreme punishment as the other. There is more dis-

Catarrh

The cause exists in the blood, in what causes inflammation of the mucous membrane.

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IN THE HOUSE OF HIS FRIENDS.

Hamilton Times.
 The proportion of bluff to straight goods in Mr. John Charlton's retaliation propaganda is hard to estimate.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ON RAILWAYS.

New York Sun.
 The installation of wireless telegraphy on the Texas Midland railway, as proposed by the president of that road, should furnish a more thorough and practical test of the Marconi system, so far as communicating on land is concerned, than has yet been afforded. If it is shown to be adapted to the everyday exactions of railroad telegraphing, all doubt as to its practicability for other forms of business will cease.

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