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FRIDAY, DEC. 31st, 1886.

Our Ticket.
For Dominion Premier,
HON. EDWARD BLAKE.
For Ontario Premier,
HON. OLIVER MOWAT.
West Huron in the Commons,
M. C. CAMERON, Q.C.
West Huron in the Legislature,
HON. A. M. ROSS.
"The Boodle Brigade Must Go."

WELL DONE, HURON!

The three Hurons are again in line for Reform, and a county Liberal majority of 1,200 or 1,300 augurs well for straight success in the coming Dominion elections.

In West Huron the returns show great gains, and the previous majority of Hon. A. M. Ross, 167, has been reduced to 342. Goderich town, which in the election gave 44 against Ross, Tuesday last wiped out the figures and placed to his credit; Wingham, also obliterated an adverse vote of 14 and scored 10 for the Provincial Treasurer; glorious Ashfield, the banner township of West Huron, beat its previous record of 20 by rolling up 173 in favor of Reform government; the two Wawanoshes nobly followed in Ashfield's wake by raising their majorities from 109 to 200. Hullett also improved upon its past record; and only in Colborne township, was the previous majority of 20 lessened to 17; the town of Clinton about held its own; the Tory stronghold, Goderich township, was reduced from 89 to 76, and Blyth from about 40 to 17. The magnificent majority rolled up by the Provincial Treasurer will have the tendency to bury all future opposition to Mowat in West Huron, and augurs well for a sweeping majority for M. C. Cameron, M.P., at the next election for the Commons.

But it is over in East Huron that an unparalleled victory has been won by Thos. Gibson, the old member. In 1883 he scored a majority of only 43, today he has the poll by over 400. Hays, the Tory candidate has been "knocked under," and the indications are, so far as Dominion issued are gettable by Provincial balloting, that "Farrow must go." And so say we all.

South Huron has been retained to Liberalism, and by an increased majority. In former years Mr. Bishop had not exerted himself as he ought to have done to bring out the Reform vote, but on the present occasion, thanks to the independent criticism of THE SIGNAL and other friends of Liberalism, the Reform candidate has put forward extra exertions, and has brought the majority from 187 to its normalizing of 448. We congratulate the county Liberals all along the line. Again we say, "Well done, Huron!"

We have swept the Province, boys. Now, let us take a fresh grip, and save Dominion from the maw of Macdonaldism.

The Star won't print its campaign ticket this week. "Our Ticket" will be found in its old place, at the right hand corner of the first page. And we have a rooster and some upland majorities to back it up this trip.

It will now be in order for the Tories of West Huron to turn around and abuse their candidate. They will now say it was a mistake to bring and so weak a man, and that if a stronger nomination had been made Ross's majority would have been kept down. The Star probably be able to exhibit some excellent insight on this line.

HALF-AND-HALF TEMPERANCE.

When the committee was appointed at the temperance meeting in Victoria Hall a fortnight ago, we saw there was an influence incorporated into that committee that boded ill to honest, frank and fair temperance work, regardless of party politics.

On that committee was represented the special interests of Fred. W. Johnston and P. Kelly. The committee was appointed to endeavor to undo the work of P. Kelly and F. W. Johnston, who were the prime factors in burking the express demand of the county council for a paid police magistrate; but the management of that committee was placed in the hands of Mr. Kelly's chief defender and apologist, one who approved of and supported Kelly's tricky and contemptible course on the police magistrate question.

The result is as we expected. Although that committee arranged that both our peccant reeves should be opposed, the Conservative wire pullers got to work, and the chief sinner, Johnston, is rewarded for his life-long opposition to temperance interests by an election by acclamation, and Cameron, who certainly also deserves punishment for being recreant to temperance interests by a single vote, is selected as a special victim.

There's a screw loose in the Goderich temperance machine. Mr. Thompson, who opposes Mr. Cameron, is a good temperance man, who is straight out in favor of a police magistrate. For this reason we shall vote for him.

The Tories have tricked the Liberal temperance men in a shameful fashion. They have encouraged F. W. Johnston to go on and work against the cause of temperance. M. C. Cameron has given good temperance votes; Johnston has given none.

Although the Conservative temperance men dare not oppose F. W. Johnston, and have acted in an inconsistent and treacherous fashion, we intend to be consistent, and will poll our vote for the temperance Tory as indicated.

Common justice, however, demands that the treachery of the Tories, and the incapacity, or worse, of the temperance committee appointed, should be shown up.

There is no knowing where luck, a stayed steer or a Provincial election will run to.



AGAIN!
Victory!

GOOD OLD ONTARIO

True to the Great Liberal Cause!

"Mowat Won't Go" Heard Once More!

The Patriotic Premier Sweeps the Province.

MOWAT HAS A MAJORITY OF 28.



The Protestant Horse Laid Up for Repairs.

Old Huron Covers Herself With Glory!

The Ontario elections are over and the province is safe. Mowat has not gone, but some of Meredith's lieutenants have. The "Protestant Horse" trotted out by the Catholic editor and the Orange Tory managing director of the *Mail*, has been quietly laid back to its stable, but so sorry a spectacle is it, with political spavins, windgalls, ringbones and blindstagers that it is relieved by its best friends that its usefulness is gone so far as future election work is concerned in Ontario. Mowat's previous majority has been doubled, and the remnant of Toryism left in the Legislature only looks like a rag on a bush. There is an air of loneliness, a feeling of melancholy, an expression of crushed hope, and an exhibition of heavy heart everywhere observable amongst what was once the great Tory party. The hee-lers in West Huron have been humbled, and wackelot and ashes is their portion. The day before the election they were elated with expectation and hope reigned high in their breast. Tuesday evening expectation was dashed to earth and hope was blighted. It was sad to them for Torydom to be defeated all along the line, but the call of bitterness consisted in the fact that Hon. A. M. Ross had succeeded in doubling his previous majority against the "Choice of the Tory Convention."

We have no word of censure to make upon the Tory candidate; he was infinitely superior to his party, and deserved better treatment than he received at the hands of the hee-lers. He has been blighted by a host of political cormorants since he entered the field, and he will have the satisfaction of knowing that if the decision of the 28th was instrumental in opening his eyes politically, it has also had the effect of enabling him to close his purse against the demands of the leeches who have fattened upon his substance during the past month. The following is the actual result in our riding as determined by the

RESULTS FROM MUNICIPALITIES.

WEST HURON.

Goderich Town	Ross, Taylor	76
Goderich Township		17
Clinton		10
Wingham		21
Blyth		7
Colborne		179
Ashfield		55
Hullett		104
E. Wawanosh		53
W. Wawanosh		434
		97
Majority for Ross		337

EAST HURON.

The following is the majorities by municipalities:

Brussels	Gibson, Hays	16
Grey		215
Morris		39
Hullett		185
McKillop		25
Wrexeter		32
Turnberry		101
Hewick		100
		613
		100
Majority for Gibson		513

SOUTH HURON.

Majority for Bishop, 447.

THE PROVINCE.

Algoma East	Lyon	Holds over
Algoma West	Conmee	Holds over
Brant North	Wood	440
Brant South	Hardy	400
Bruce South	O'Connor	362
Bruce Center	Dack	21
Brudenell	Parsons	305
Ontario South	Chamberlain	26
Durham West	McLaughlin	3
Essex North	McCaud	66
Essex South	Balfour	387
Elgin West	Nairn	100
Elgin East	Kayside	31
Haldimand	Haxter	100
Hamilton	Gibson	449
Huron East	Ross	513
Huron West	Gibson	337
Huron South	Bishop	447
Kent South	Ferguson	355
Lincoln	Garrison (L)	100
Lambton East	Graham	100
Lambton West	Parsons	140
Lanark North	Hilliard	83
Middlesex West	Ross	200
Middlesex North	Waters	75
Monck	Harcourt	100
Norfolk North	Freeman	401
Northumberland W.	Field	35
Ontario North	Gold	280
Ontario South	Dryden	327
Oxford North	Mowat	700
Oxford South	McKay	400
Ottawa	Brunson	233
Perry Sound	Armstrong	200
Peel	Chisholm	200
Peterborough East	Bisard	321
Peterborough West	Phelan	340
Perth South	Ballantyne	416
Prescott	Evanturel	100
Prince Edward	Sprague	75
Roufrew North	Murray	100
Roufrew South	Dowling	5
Russell	Robillard	100
Simcoe Center	Phelps	163
Stornoway	Mask	361
Toronto	Leys	100
Waterloo North	Snider	100
Wellington East	Clarke	100
Waterloo South	Master	445
Welland	Morin	310
Wellington West	Allan	327
Wellington South	Guthrie	673
Wentworth North	McMahon	400
Wentworth South	Awey	107
York West	Gilroy	181
York East	Smith	800
York North	Widdifield	44

WHAT'S UP?

Things That Are Happening Around Us.

A Hurrah That Reached From Clinton to Kintail—A Political Corps in West Huron—Toryism is Dead.

Oh me, oh my, but I'm as hoarse as a crow. You see, I went up to the Young Men's Liberal Club Tuesday night to hear the returns, and the news of Reform majorities came in so fast that I verily believe I strained my windpipe helping the boys to hurrah. Man alive, but it was a great day for Ontario, and don't you forget it. The Hon. A. M. Ross was on hand to assist the boys in making up the returns, and his financial knowledge came in handy for the purposes of ready reckoning. When the majority in West Huron passed 200, the boys began to brace up and look "cocky;" and when 250 was reached, there was an air of proprietary interest in the West Huron vote upon the face of every Grit in the room; and when Phil Holt arrived from Kingsbridge joyful with the news that the boys up there had put 85 of a majority to the credit of the Provincial Treasurer, the hurrahs were so thick that you could see them in the air. And right here I might say that in a previous epistle to the Gentiles, through the columns of THE SIGNAL, I prophesied that Ross's majority would reach anywhere from 250 up, and the result shows that my calculations were based upon a solid foundation.

Now, I'll go into a little more of the prophesying business: The Dominion elections will be held shortly, and M. C. Cameron will contest West Huron in the Reform interest. Cameron's vote will fully equal Ross' in Clinton, Ashfield and the Wawanoshes, and in Goderich town and Colborne he will lift the vote by from 25 to 50 in each place; Gode-rich township will not poll heavier against Cameron than it did against Ross; but as the whole townships in West Huron for Dominion purposes, about 160 or 180 of an adverse vote can be looked for, Ashfield will swamp Goderich township, and the majorities of the other municipalities can be toted up to represent M. C. C.'s full majority. The result will be about 250 for West Huron Cameron. It may go 50 either way from that forecast, but if you don't believe me, paste the figures in your hat, and verify it on the evening of polling day. If I fail to connect I'll own up like a little man, and take more lessons in arithmetic.

The falling off in the Goderich township Tory majority was a subject for comment, but I heard an opinion expressed by a well-known Grit that probably explains the reason, and that is that as education becomes more widely diffused in that township, the Tory majority will of necessity decrease, and if the new "Readers" are given a fair trial for the next four years, the natives will become so improved educationally that the Tory majority will altogether disappear. Mental culture and Toryism can't ride in the same boat.

The Slabtown vote is another peculiar institution. When it comes down to voting for whisky and Toryism, the Slabtown vote takes first place. But you or I, gentle reader, don't expect anything better from Slabtown, for the few electors of intelligence in that dilapidated burg are completely overridden by the other element that occupies so large a slice of the voting power there. The Slabtown majority can always be counted against Progress and Good Government.

I have a faint idea that the *Star* will wear crape on its hat this week, owing to the decease of Toryism in West Huron. Of course it will be chief mourner at the obsequies, and will have the habiliments of woe to do justice to the occasion. Larry Mulcahy tells me that he intends to get one of Sir John's terra cotta "busts" for a monument for the defunct party in West Huron, and have the following lines sculptured on the base.

Political death smote the West Huron Tories,
And gave them protracted repose.
They were caught in their lies—their were
foiled in their stories;
They were chap-fallen clear to their toes,
But perhaps they'll be happier in the dark
hours.
Far away from West Huron's Grit hive;
Their friends are informed they'll never re-
turn.
They died when the hands pointed Five,
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1886.

I see my old and esteemed friend Tom Gibson has been re-elected for

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

Result of the Nominations on Monday Last.

A Glimpse at the Names of the Future Reeves and Councillors.

There was the usual audience at the municipal nominations held in the Town Hall on Monday morning. The day was cold, and there was little or no enthusiasm. The following nominations were made:

FOR MAYOR.
Charles Seaver, moved by Horace Horton, seconded by Alex. Johnston.
Richard Rulchiff, moved by H. W. Ball, seconded by John Sabie.

FOR REEVE.
F. W. Johnston, moved by D. K. Strachan, seconded by E. Campion.

FOR DEPUTY-REEVE.
M. George Cameron, moved by James M. Sheppard, seconded by T. N. Daney.

Robert Thompson, moved by W. G. Smith, seconded by Alex. Chrystal.

FOR COUNCILLORS.
St. GEORGE'S WARD.—Butler, Dunlop, Jordan, acc.
St. ANDREW'S WARD.—Lee, Bingham, Read, acc.

St. PATRICK'S WARD.—J. H. Colborne, Geo. Achson, John Achson, jr., acc.
St. DAVID'S WARD.—C. A. Humber, J. H. Edward, W. H. Murney, J. W. Smith, Dr. Whitley.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.
St. George's Ward, St. Malcolmson, acc.
St. Andrew's Ward, O. Swanson, acc.
St. Patrick's Ward, A. Morton, acc.
St. David's Ward, R. Price, A. Chrystal.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.
East Wawanosh.—Reeve—Robert Currie and Thos. H. Taylor; Deputy reeve—Finlay Anderson by acclamation; Councillors—Wm. King, Robt. McGowan, Robt. Bailly, Wm. Sutherland, James Henry, Donald Patterson, John H. McClinton.

Ashfield.—J. Griffin was elected reeve by acclamation; Hugh Girvin and J. McMurphy were nominated for the first deputy reeve, and W. Stotham and P. Clare for the 2nd deputy reeve. McKenzie, Barclay, Chambers and Quin were also nominated for councillors. We understand that H. Girvin and W. Stotham are running on the prohibition ticket.

Colborne.—Reeve—C. McHardy, Jos. Beck; Deputy reeve—Jas. Gledhill, A. Malley.

Bayfield.—Reeve—Eason and Joe Pollock; Councillors—W. G. Connor, W. Woods, Bailey, Jas. Wild, T. J. Moorhouse, J. Whiddou.

Stanley.—Reeves elected by acclamation.
Ereter.—Reeve—Dr. Rollins, W. H. Verity; Deputy reeve, W. G. Bisset, John Ranston.

Morris.—Old council elected by acclamation.
Stevens.—Old council by acclamation.

Hay.—Old council by acclamation.
Brussels.—Reeve—W. H. McCracken, James Young.

Clinton.—Mayor, Dr. Williams by acclamation; Reeves—Thos. Jackson and A. McMurphy; Deputy—E. Corbett and A. H. Bingham.

An Unpleasant Adventure.—Wednesday week, Mr. Balson, of Ereter, met with a mishap which is very uncommon in this country at the present time. It appears that he went to Howard's swamp, in Hay township, for the purpose of collecting evergreens; and while driving through the wood, came upon a quagmire, which allowed horses, sleigh and occupant to "go down" to a depth of four feet. After considerable work Mr. Balson extracted himself, and succeeded in getting one of the horses out with little trouble; but in order to rescue the other animal from a muddy grave, he was compelled to have it drawn out by aid of chains attached to its body and drawn out by horses. Considerable time having elapsed during the work of saving the animal, Mr. Balson was forced to go home and leave the sleigh. Next morning a team was hired to extract the sleigh, which was found with the pole only above surface. The gentleman declared the adventure a disagreeable one, ever to be remembered by him. Mr. B. was enveloped in a mass of foam mud and water, and walked home with action resembling a wooden man.—Times.

The high school entrance promotions were not ready for publication this week.

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