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## A FAIR FIGHT.

Several citizens—the most of them, of course, identified with the Liberal party—have been good enough to communicate to this journal their commendation of the full and accurate report of the recent East Kent Liberal convention—the major portion of which was given to them, as usual, a day ahead of our Liberal contemporary—and of other Liberal meetings held recently.

These kind words are appreciated, but The Planet would desert its ideals of journalism were its conduct not such as warranted them. The days of that school of abortive political journalism, where statements were colored, men misquoted and opponents misrepresented, are fortunately past. There may be some so-called newspapers which still cling to these tactics that bring into disrepute and destroy usefulness—but it does them small credit with an intelligent public. The Planet lays claim to a higher standard. While this journal is, in the general acceptance of the term, a party paper and deems it a privilege to support such political principles as it believes are conducive to the public welfare and to fight vigorously for them, yet, in our opinion, not even the exigencies of a bitter campaign can condone the use of untruthful, misleading and unwarranted statements or abusive personalities.

At the outset let us all, Conservatives and Liberals, set the standard for a clean campaign. It need be none the less vigorous and telling. It will be more so.

The Planet believes that in supporting the candidature of John S. Fraser and John Davidson as members for Kent it is furthering the cause of good government and the best interests of the people. This journal intends to fight for its principles and fight hard. But it will fight fairly. It may be that The Planet will be called upon to deal some hard blows in the political arena, but they will land above the belt. We have a good cause—the people's cause—and we could not afford to tarnish it with offensive and disreputable methods.

In our opinion, both East and West Kent can be won, and we realize the advantages to our constituencies of being represented in Mr. Whitney's Government—a Government which is practically assured and which will be a credit and an impetus to our magnificent Province. And, in so far as may lie in our power, we shall endeavor by fair and straight-forward means to bring about that desirable end.

## DISCREDITABLE METHODS.

The Prohibitionists are certainly under the bitter ban of the Liberals. Not satisfied with breaking their pledges to the temperance people and saddling them with a loaded referendum Ross and his colleagues in the late Ontario Legislature are evidently keeping their benches now at work to prevent the wronged Prohibitionists from obtaining the redress their provincial executive sought to secure by representation in the next Parliament.

This was evidenced locally in connection with the recent Prohibition convention at Ridgeway, of which the Ridgeway Dominion in a vigorous article says:

"From the start the meeting was captured by Liberal politicians, and as the bulk of those present were of the same political persuasion the farcical nature of the proceedings can well be understood. The honest, sincere prohibitionists present, and some of them have been life-long Liberals, were completely outnumbered and left the meeting at the close in anything but a comfortable state of mind."

"The game continued after the meeting, for the report sent out to the Globe from Chatham was one calculated to serve Liberal ends, and was read with amazement by the people of Kent who know the gentlemen mentioned in it as taking part

in the meeting. It concludes by saying that only sixteen voted for the motion to put a prohibitionist candidate in the field, but fails to say that only twenty-two voted against it, including several zealous workers in the Liberal vineyard.

"Neither does the Banner-News give the figures, although it was represented at the meeting. It also says that 'only sixteen' voted for the motion. The deliberate intention of these reports was to make readers believe that a big majority voted the other way."

"Again, although not one single word was said by any speaker in favor of the Government or the referendum, but, on the other hand, several speakers strongly denounced G. W. Ross, the Government, the referendum and the Liberal party as a party, not one word of it finds its way into the reports appearing in either the Globe or the Chatham Banner-News."

"In conclusion let us say that from a Conservative point of view, that party stood to lose by a prohibitionist candidate taking the field. A third candidate would poll the votes of the sincere temperance men and they would be lost, for such a candidate would have no possible show of winning. With but two candidates in the field these votes, by far the most of them cast in the past for the Liberal party, will not be cast at all or will go against the party of broken temperance pledges and the 'loaded' referendum."

Whitney will win!

The two Jacks—Fraser and Davidson.

The opinions of Dr. McCully, George Johns and their friends of the old Liberal guard, upon the new "Liberal" machine, would prove interesting reading just now.

John Lee and his coterie are doubtless chuckling over the little game they put up on the Harwich and Blenheim Liberals.

Up to the time of going to press the local Liberal organ had not apologized to the prohibitionists of Kent for applauding the nasty designations "moonshine and rot," which were applied to their opinions in its columns.

James Rutherford is too straightforward and honest a man, anyway, for new "Liberal" politics. He and his friends took John Lee at his word.

The Banner-News has every reason to fear the action of the West Kent prohibitionists. It is now down on knees begging for mercy—Ridgeway Dominion.

The Banner is not likely to be taken seriously by conscientious prohibitionists. To help Ross out it placed itself on record as a vigorous opponent of prohibition principles. It is no wonder then, that the prohibitionists have no faith in its sincerity when it pretends to be friendly and counsels them against any endeavor to secure representation in the Legislature. The advice of a pronounced enemy is best left alone. The prohibitionists got some idea of the Banner's sentiments when, in an apparently unguarded moment it secured the anonymity of a "ministerial prohibitionist" to label their opinions "moonshine and rot," and added its own endorsement to the effect that the epithets were sensibly used in that relation.

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Boston Transcript.

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## THE SERIOUS MINDED JAP.

A Japanese review recently invited its readers to name those European authors whose works they more especially appreciated. The following has been the result of the referendum. The authors coming out of the voting in the following order: Darwin, Herbert Spencer, Schopenhauer, Goethe and Tolstoi.

## WHO'S FINDING FAULT?

Toronto Telegram.

No minister of the Laurier government can be small enough to criticize the action of Lord Minto in giving the speediest and widest publicity to the casualty list from South Africa.

It is scarcely conceivable that Sir Wilfrid Laurier would allow such news to be treated as one of the spoils which belong to the victors, or in other words, the party organs.

## AN ECONOMICAL DODO BIRD.

Toronto Telegram.

Free trade is not an eternal truth. The truth of to-day becomes the falsehood of to-morrow in the sphere of economics. Free trade may have been good for Britain when Britain adopted free trade. Free trade has possibly outlived its usefulness in Britain, and may be shelved until another turn of the wheel restores its power to advance the interests of the country.

## OLD RESIDENT GONE

Daniel Dooling, one of Kent's oldest residents, died Friday morning, aged 75 years. Deceased has been ailing for about a year, but the immediate cause of death was heart failure. Deceased has been a resident of Kent for the past 50 years and was a veteran of the Civil War. He was very highly respected in the community and his death is seriously regretted. The family have the entire sympathy of their many friends.

Deceased leaves a widow and eight children, three daughters and five sons, to mourn his loss. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock from his late residence, River Road, Chatham Township, to St. Joseph's church and thence to St. Anthony's cemetery.

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