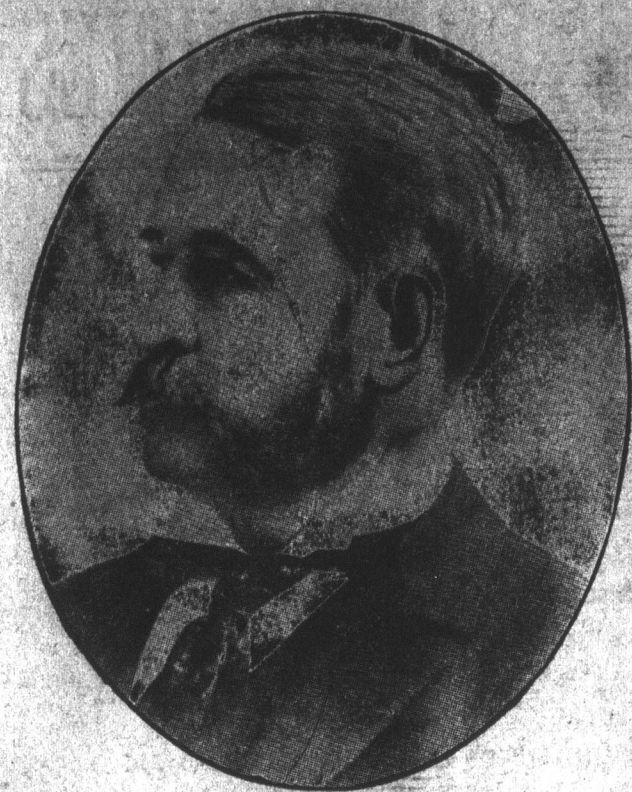


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THE MORROW'S DUTY

On the eve of to-morrow's election every prospect points to the triumph of the people and the cause of honest Government in both East and West Kent. The campaign has been a keen one. The exponents of Rossism have fought with the frenzy of desperation, but, so far as the onlooker can estimate, they have been unable to stay the steady tide of vigorous, honest, patriotic electors who have determined on the morrow to conscientiously do their duty.

That the Ross administration is doomed no one who has studied the situation for a moment doubts. The people will triumph the Province over and the new, clean and progres-

sive Government of Mr. Whitney will be inaugurated by the electors to-morrow beyond peradventure. It is up to the banner county of Kent to patriotically and handsomely do her share. In James Clancy and Philip H. Bowyer the people of our two constituencies have magnificent standard-bearers, men who will do honor to the good cause, men who will represent us worthily and well. Let to-morrow's verdict be a verdict of conscience, of justice, of right—and we do not fear the result. Let the grand historic signal be proudly nailed to the masthead on the morrow. "Ontario expects every man this day to do his duty."

PATRIOTISM VS. ROSSISM

The overwhelming majority of both parties feel that the issue in the present contest is not that of Conservatism against Liberalism—it is that of Patriotism against Rossism. No feature of the campaign has been more remarkable than the outspoken declarations of distinguished clergymen, who, having till now held aloof from politics, now feel it their bounden duty to declare themselves, and of prominent Liberals who, regardless of the savage abuse of the Rossite press, have spoken in clear tones against the methods which have disgraced the Province. Among the first was Rev. Edward Sottley, of Morpeth, whose strong and timely words were more than echoed by Evangelist J. E. Hupster on the platform and Rev. Rural Dean McCoig from the pulpit. These are men who do not seek notoriety; men who speak only because they feel that their duty as citizens leaves them no alternative.

First and foremost among the Liberal dissidents was Barrister Walter Mills of Ridgetown, the son of Hon. David Mills, one of the finest figures in old Liberalism. Not only has Mr. Mills withdrawn his support from the Government; he is actively working for the People's Candidate, Philip H. Bowyer. So is Thos. Barnes, so are John Robertson and Peter McBrayne, representative farmers and life-long Liberals, men who can have no selfish reasons for changing, but only a patriotic desire for the welfare of the Province. The outspoken declaration of Barrister Geo. A. Sayer, of our own city, is equally significant. Well known as a popular Liberal speaker, still declaring himself as he has always been a strong supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, he feels that the best interests of the Liberal party would be served by the overthrow of the Ross Government. He feels, as do thousands of Liberals throughout the Province, that the disgraceful methods which have characterized the leaders at Toronto will, if not condemned, inevitably con-

deminate the leaders at Ottawa. These patriotic citizens are not alone; they are the leaders of a silent multitude. For one Liberal who thus speaks out there are a hundred who will declare themselves silently but effectively at the ballot boxes to-morrow, whose honest votes will be loyally given against the Ross Government and on behalf of the Liberal party and the whole Province.

CHEERED FOR BOTH

A meeting called in the interests of Rossism and Mr. McCoig was held at Merlin last evening. Mr. Ferguson, a young man from Toronto, was present and delivered an address in support of the present government. Mr. Ferguson's address was void of color or force.

He was followed by Dr. K. W. Thornton, the only speaker for the opposition, who gave an address lasting about 40 minutes. Mr. McCoig followed for 45 minutes, forty minutes of which was devoted to Dr. Thornton. He said how much he was disappointed in the doctor's speech, and attempted to state that the doctor lacked ability as a platform speaker, a statement that will be laughed at by every educated person who has heard Dr. Thornton deliver an address. The closing five minutes were taken up by asking the people to vote for Archie, the young man who had been raised and went to school with them. Mr. McCoig practically acknowledged his statement as published every day in The Planet, but he claimed a right to change his mind and his mind was changed by the big Liberal convention in Toronto and the purity resolutions passed there. Mr. Fred Stone spoke for an hour in his easy, affable style, and the meeting broke up with cheers for the candidate, Ross, and equally hearty cheers for Clancy and Whitney. Although the meeting was called by Liberals, at least half of those present were Conservative. Good things are expected for Mr. Clancy for Merlin.

BULLETINS AT THE PLANET

Arrangements Made For Special Wire and Stereopticon at This Great Home Journal.

Election Night Returns will be Gazetted on Canvas—Citizens All Cordially Invited.

To-morrow night The Planet will endeavor to provide the citizens with the best and most accurate and prompt returns of the results of the Provincial elections in this district. The service is best ever attempted in this city.

A special C. P. R. telegraph wire will be run into The Planet office under the direction of Manager W. H. Harper and a competent operator will be in charge. As soon as the returns come in over the wire they will be prepared for the stereopticon instrument and flashed upon a large canvas over the street. The moving picture machine belongs to John Bennett and will be in his charge. It is one of the best machines made. The Planet cordially invites all its friends to gather at this office and learn the election results.

It is expected the first results will be on hand from outside the Kent about seven o'clock and from that time until eleven o'clock there should not be cessation of bulletins. At six o'clock on Thursday The Morning Planet will be issued giving a detailed summary of the results and the "doings" of election night. Every citizen interested should secure a Morning Planet for his breakfast table.

CALL OF DEATH

The sad death occurred yesterday of Christina E., beloved wife of Henry W. Carter, of Highgate, who died at the residence of her husband, after a long and painful illness. Although the deceased had been ill for a long period, the end came as a surprise to the many friends and relatives. Besides her husband and aged mother, she leaves four sisters and four brothers to mourn her loss—Mrs. W. H. Crowe, city; Mrs. J. Peck, Dover Township; Mrs. W. A. Brown, Saginaw, Mich.; Miss McLatchie, Mason, Mich.; and Allen McLatchie, of Ottawa; Andrew McLatchie, city; Robert McLatchie, Cedar Springs, Ont.; Thomas McLatchie, Mason, Mich.

The funeral will take place Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence of Wm. H. Crowe, St. Clair street, to St. Joseph's church; thence to St. Anthony's cemetery.

A Crowded House—Fine Production

Marks Bros. opened a week's engagement at the Grand last night, playing "The Little Pardon," to a large and enthusiastic audience. "It's a mystery to me how Marks Bros. can draw such crowded houses," said a local theatre-going man last evening as he saw the large crowd filing into the Grand Opera House to witness the play as represented by this popular company. The play for to-night is "The Emerald Isle," with new and pleasing specialties between acts. On Wednesday night the election returns will be announced from the stage every few minutes. On Friday night a local amateur contest will take place. All contestants are requested to hand in their names at once to Mr. Joe Marks at the door. The prize will be a \$5 gold piece. On Saturday there will be a special ladies' and children's matinee. A special prize will be given to one boy and one girl, and on Saturday night a ton of coal will be given away. Seats now on sale at Briscoe's.

VOTE AS UNIT FOR ROSS EXIT

Earnest appeal of a Well-known Liberal Methodist Pastor

Another Clergyman Added to the List of Ontario Citizens who Oppose Corruption.

Cornwall, Jan. 22.—At the Methodist church to-night, Rev. Dr. Ryckman, pastor, preached a sermon attacking the Ross government on the score of corruption, and urged on his congregation to vote as a unit to turn the Liberals out of power in Ontario.

Rev. Dr. Ryckman is a former pastor of the Dundas Centre Methodist church, London, and is well known in the Maple City. He has always been a stalwart Liberal in politics and his present attitude is only another striking instance of prevailing public sentiment among honest Liberals who still believe that "Righteousness exalteth a nation."

NARROW ESCAPE

Earnest, the twelve-year-old son of William Moore, St. George St., had a very narrow escape from drowning yesterday afternoon about four o'clock. He was skating on the river when he slid into a hole where men were cutting ice.

The little fellow clung to the ice until his playmate Norman Whitely came along. Whitely, who is about the same age as Moore, succeeded in pulling his unfortunate companion out of the water. Moore was none the worse for his adventure except that he was thoroughly drenched. This family of Whitely's have got a record for saving lives from drowning. Only last summer Frank, a younger brother of Norman Whitely, saved Dick Pope from drowning off the boom at the rear of Drader's mill on the river.

Both Norman and Frank Whitely are plucky little fellows and two lives have been saved by their presence of mind.

Forty Liberal-Conservative boys are wanted to report at S. B. Arnold's office, Fifth St., to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, sharp.

All the Conservative scrutineers for South Chatham are requested to meet in Thomas Souter's office to-night at eight o'clock. Urgent!

THE PLATFORM OF THE PEOPLE

Planks in the Policy Enunciated by Mr. Whitney for Clean and Progressive Government.

An old Slander by the Rossites Again Exploded—A Policy of the People and for the People.

The papers supporting Rossism are again out with the old falsehood that Mr. Whitney and the People have "no policy." Mr. Whitney has over and over again announced the following as being planks in his platform: Clean, decent and honest government.

Broadening the scope of the Ontario Agricultural College. Increased agricultural instruction in schools. The encouragement of sanitary systems of sewerage in towns and villages. Public ownership of Utilities. Prompt settlement of capital-labor disputes. The operation of the Temiskaming railway by the government. Fairer taxation of railway property. The nationalization of our great powers.

The destruction of the school book ring. The wiping out of the monopolies created by the Ross government. The disposal of pulp wood concessions by public competition. Redress for the wrongs of the miners of New Ontario. Branding of prison-made goods as such. License law strictly and impartially enforced.

CHEERED BOWYER

A splendid meeting on behalf of P. H. Bowyer, the People's Candidate in East Kent, was held at Highgate Saturday evening, and the magnificent reception given Mr. Bowyer's speakers in the very heart of the old Liberal stronghold of Orford, left no doubt as to the strong endorsement which Mr. Bowyer's candidature is receiving from the honest Liberalism of East Kent. The speakers of the evening were Finlay McFarland, the popular young candidate of the people in West Elgin and J. M. Pike of Chatham, both of whom were enthusiastically received. The meeting, one of the best of the campaign, closed with rousing cheers for Bowyer.

BOYS AGAIN IN DEMAND

Forty Young and Energetic Lads to Report at Secretary Arnold's Office

Bright and Enthusiastic Volunteers Called for—Report at Nine To-morrow Morning.

Everyone remembers the splendid and successful service rendered in the last election by the forty young and energetic lads who turned out with their wheels on election day and did such fine work for Herb. Clements. To-morrow they are asked to volunteer again in the cause of James Clancy and honest government. And they will respond just as heartily, just as readily.

Forty loyal and energetic lads wanted for to-morrow morning. Who will volunteer? Every boy is asked to report at Secretary Arnold's office to-morrow morning before nine o'clock ready to go to work for clean, honest and honest government. It's a splendid cause for splendid young fellows. The boys can't vote yet but they can do lots of good work—and work counts. Forty boys wanted. Who'll volunteer?

VETERAN SKATER

John McGarvin, who resides with his brother George up the Creek, has passed the three score year and won age limit, which is the allotted span of life, yet he has lost none of his old time skill as a skater. One day recently he put on his steel shod shoes and skated down the Creek to the river, down the river space then up to his brother Joseph McGarvin's and afterwards home again. In the old days, when I. L. Nichol, Ben and Ed. Sandys and Harry Hall were the best skaters in this vicinity, Mr. McGarvin, who was even then a man of some years, was considered the best distance skater in all the county round. One feat in the accomplishment of which Mr. McGarvin was an adept was jumping on his skates. Those who remember seeing him practicing say that he often jumped a span of 20 feet. Mr. McGarvin is the father of Mrs. H. S. Clements.

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TILBURY'S FINE CLOSING RALLY

Splendid Send-off to the Peoples Candidate at that Thriving Town Last Night

Clancy Repeatedly Cheered—Earnest Addresses by Eloquent Speakers in Both Languages

Tilbury last night gave James Clancy, the People's Candidate, a splendid and enthusiastic welcome. A magnificent audience had gathered to hear the candidate and his supporters, and their enthusiastic applause left no doubt whatever that Tilbury's patriotic citizens would on the 25th declare themselves with no uncertain sound for honest and progressive government. Reeve W. C. Crawford occupied the chair, and after a brief address called on ex-Warden N. A. Coste, of Essex, whose address, both in French and English, was repeatedly applauded.

James Clancy, the People's Candidate, who followed, met with a magnificent reception. In a careful and telling speech he made a clear exposition of Mr. Whitney's progressive and vigorously arraigned the Ross government. J. M. Pike followed, speaking both English and French. Though opposition on behalf of Mr. McCoig and Rossism was invited, none appeared. The meeting closed with rousing cheers for Clancy. No one even tried to raise a cheer for McCoig.

THE NEW WARDEN

John Vester, of Harwich, was this afternoon elected Warden of Kent for 1905. Three ballots were taken, the vote standing on the third, John Vester 8, H. J. French 4, and Joseph Hornal 2. Mr. Vester is one of the senior members of the council, and has had a long municipal experience.

TWO CENT RATE

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—The two-cent railway fare has been introduced in Canada. The Ottawa and New York Railway recently acquired by the Vanderbilt interests, has announced that in future a two-cent rate can be obtained by the purchase of a mileage book covering 1,000 miles and costing \$20. This reduction is the first innovation by the Vanderbilt interests. The two-cent rate is in vogue on all the lines of the system in the States, so that its introduction to Canada is but an extension of the privilege, which in the States has been found to work very successfully, creating as it does an increased traffic. The holders of New York Central mileage books will be entitled to the two-cent rate on the Ottawa and New York line, as well as the other lines making up the Vanderbilt system.

\$10,000 Fire At Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 24.—A quick and stubborn blaze in the premises of R. A. Sabiston, manufacturer of horse blankets, fur robes, etc., at 86 Don Plaza, will not let up at \$10,000, principally in machinery. At 7:30 last evening fire was discovered in the building occupied by J. B. Rankin & Co., shoe dealers. The building is occupied by five firms, J. B. Rankin & Co., woolen dealers; J. B. Rankin & Co., Keith & Kemp, printers; the Standard Clock Co., and A. R. Bremner, manufacturers of Coke Dandruff Cure and Wizard Oil. Inside of half an hour \$5,000 damage had been done to the building and stocks.

The fellow who purchases his popularity often buys a gold brick.

VOTE FOR CLANCY, BOWYER AND HONEST GOVERNMENT