

## THE COURIER.

(FIFTH YEAR)

THE BRANTFORD COURIER  
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## GREAT MEETING.

The annual meeting of the South Brant Conservative Association proved to be a hummer, just as all gatherings under such auspices, always are.

Enthusiasm and good will animated every one, and there was an array of able fighters, whom it was good to look upon.

Mr. W. B. Scace, the retiring President, came in for much deserved praise. He has occupied an arduous and responsible post with distinct success.

That his successor, Mr. George Ryerson, will also make good, goes without saying.

Splendidly officered and with the rank and file standing shoulder to shoulder, the continued and abundant success of the Association is amply assured.

## SOME LOCAL GRIT ORGANISMS.

The Courier dubs William Lyon Mackenzie King a self-styled champion of the people. Yet it was the grandfather of this same Mr. King who William Lyon Mackenzie, who fought the Tory Family Compact and brought about the visit to this country of Lord Durham and the establishment of responsible government. No man knows the constitutional Tory dread of trusting the people better than the ex-Minister of Labor.

Is that why said Mackenzie King did his best, with the rest of the Laurierites to prevent the Tories from getting reciprocity before the people?

As to William Lyon Mackenzie King a careful reading of history does not exactly put him on the pedestal which our cotem. seems to think he occupies.

The Courier was at one time a great advocate that Brantford should have a member at Ottawa all her own.

And you opposed it. What are you up to in changing your mind?

"The Courier thinks the Liberals

are inconsistent in asking for a reference to the people of the Borden naval program after having themselves failed, until forced to do so, to consult the people on the reciprocity agreement. There is, however, this difference that reciprocity negotiations were no new thing and had been conducted by both political parties, apparently with popular approbation. The Borden naval policy on the other hand, is entirely new, and a reversal not only of the programme to which both parties had subscribed in 1900, but also of the plans of naval defence, which with the approbation of the Admiralty, Canada had been proceeding with.

When the Laurier government was in power, the chief Conservative objection was that the people had not been consulted. Why should those gentlemen be so unwilling to consult the people now?

That people in Canada did at one time have an idea of reciprocity, is true, but that was when the country was in a far less prosperous condition than now. In any event things have changed, just as the Expositor was started as a Tory paper, to run out the Courier and when it found it couldn't, flopped to the Grit side.

## INSECTS AS PURVEYORS OF DISEASE

The following extracts are from an interesting article contributed by a correspondent of the London Times:

"We know that fleas are agents in the spread of bubonic plague; that the bed-bug and the house-fly act as carriers of typhoid; that typhus is conveyed by the body-louse; and pellagra in all probability, by the 'black-fly.' Every one is now aware that mosquitoes are the inoculating organs of malaria and of yellow fever, whilst the tsetse-fly not only infects man with the deadly sleeping sickness, but is the cause of nagana and many other diseases in domestic cattle. Almost monthly one or other obscure disease, both in man and other vertebrates, is shown to be conveyed by means of insects or ticks from one sufferer to the next.

A knowledge of the part played by insects in human affairs had for some time been impressed upon the Colonial Office, when in 1900 Lord Crewe took the matter in hand and established the Entomological Research Committee. The committee consists of 24 men of science interested in entomology and disease. They are, with hardly an exception, professors or teachers in the universities of Great Britain and in such schools as the London and Liverpool schools of Tropical Medicine, or experts from the British or other Museums. Some of the members travel great distances to attend the quarterly meetings of

the committee, and though many are put to considerable inconvenience and expense, they feel they are contributing something to the welfare of the Empire, and they attend with surprising regularity. The committee was fortunate in obtaining at an early stage the help and guidance of Lord Cromer, who has from the beginning presided over their deliberations. At first their efforts were confined to tropical Africa, and at the beginning it was decided to send out two travelling entomologists to traverse the British African Colonies and Protectorates to collect insects and to instruct any official or resident who showed any interest in the matter. "At home the committee has been gradually organizing a central bureau housed by the hospitality of the authorities, in the British Museum, South Kensington, and here collections are being received from over 50 in other parts of the Empire. Within the first three years the collections amounted to 200,000 insects, of which nearly 60,000 were actual or potential disease-carriers. Nearly all the latter have been identified and their distribution minutely studied. Many sets of these blood-sucking insects have been presented for purposes of instruction to over 20 public institutions both at home and abroad. The types of all new species and all insects of a non-economic kind have been handed over from time to time to the national collections in the British Museum.

The wider scheme contemplated may be briefly summarized as follows:—

1. The organization of a system for the prompt identification of all injurious insects sent in by officers attached to Departments of Agriculture or Public Health in the British Empire.

2. The publication of a monthly periodical which would give a brief summary of all the current literature, both British and foreign, dealing with noxious insects, whether agricultural pests or disease-carriers.

3. The compilation of a card index to the literature, past and present, so that any official or student requiring information with regard to any particular pest could be promptly supplied with all the knowledge that is available on the subject.

In acknowledging the stewardship rendered by the Earl of Cromer to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Harcourt mentions that 'in the year 1896 the death rate among European officers of the West African Colonies was 60 per thousand. In 1904 the rate had fallen to 28 per thousand, in 1911 to 14 per thousand. These are remarkable figures; and no small part must be attributed to the introduction of protective measures against disease-bearing insects.' The old theory that it was the heat of the tropics that caused the harm has now been set at rest."

## PARIS

(From our own correspondent.)

The Paris Intermediates handed an awful drubbing to the Guelph Vic's here on Wednesday night, the final score being 31 to 1. Play was too lop-sided to be exciting, but served to amuse a fair sized crowd of fans for an hour. Referee Edmunds of Stratford called the game at 8.30 and a short scrum gave the first goal to the locals who, for the balance of the game, placed the rubber in the net almost at pleasure. The brilliant combination work and splendid checking of the home team seemed to have the visitors completely dazed. Half time found the score 14-0. In the second half the Vic's blundered in a doubtful tally, while the green sweaters gleefully scored up 16 more points. Penalties were few and were confined to the locals. Every man on the Paris team played a star game and it would be unfair to specialize. London is now the problem, but those who read the signs, look for Paris to grab the district. The line up:

Paris—Brown, W. Pebbles, Thompson, W. Gill, G. Gill, A. Pebbles, P. Gill.

Guelph—Hepburn, Hadden, Hadden, Johnston, Brown, Jones, Williams, Jackson.

Timekeepers—McDougall, Sinclair. Referee—"Toad" Edmunds, Stratford.

On Tuesday evening about twenty of the young girls of the town enjoyed a nice sleigh ride to the home of a friend, Miss Edith Lee, who entertained the crowd. They found tea ready, to which the girls did ample justice. The evening was afterwards spent in games and music. The principal event was the advertisement contest, the first prize was a handsome tea pot, won by Mrs. Rev. Kerrish, and Mr. Clarence Lee. Second prize, a box of candy by Bessie Knight and Mr. Kernish, and the consolation prize, also a box of candy was won by Mabel Harrison and Alberta Chrysler. The drive home was also much enjoyed by the young people.

Hugh Thompson of Hamilton, is visiting a week with relatives and friends in town.

Plan for subscriptions to Schubert Choir Concert opens Monday 27th. for \$1.50 seats, Tuesday 28th for \$1 seats. Robertson's.

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