

FIVE NEW ALDERMEN THE RESULT OF ELECTIONS; THREE OF THEM AT LARGE

Sprague in Lansdowne, Baskin in Guys, and Frink, J. K. Kelley and H. L. McGowan Win Seats at Council Board

McGoldrick Wins by Two Votes in Stanley and Collapses But was Better by Night---Contest in Dufferin Spirited and Challenges Were Many---Some Odd Combinations---Tilley, Lockhart and Rowan Return to Private Life---Parishes Stand by Present County Councillors.

THREE OF THE FIVE NEW ALDERMEN



B. M. Sprague, New Man for Lansdowne.



J. King Kelley, New Man at Large.



Dr. J. H. Frink, Again an Alderman.

FOR ALDERMEN-AT-LARGE.

At Large	Guys	Brooks	Sydney	Dukes	Queens	Kings	Wellington	France	Victoria	Dufferin	Lansdowne	Lorne	Stanley	Totals
J. H. Frink	273	118	73	207	225	193	303	193	265	214	190	207	59	2590
J. King Kelley	201	109	84	152	188	124	251	157	254	246	226	277	67	2336
H. L. McGowan	237	79	75	167	197	109	208	164	214	130	183	228	60	2056
Ald. T. T. Lantulum	102	73	76	131	184	173	241	193	124	197	183	142	93	1914
Ald. C. B. Lockhart	214	120	50	134	174	111	189	102	188	149	192	198	86	1907
W. C. R. Allan	253	71	34	69	130	96	155	120	108	108	183	159	48	1534
Jas. Hunter	69	27	31	73	128	45	60	54	78	51	60	65	11	752

IN THE WARDS.

Guys	Kings	Wellington	Dufferin
W. D. Baskin	Ald. J. B. Hamm	Ald. W. A. Christie	Ald. J. Willet
Ald. C. F. Tilley	Chas. T. Jones	G. W. Slocum	M. T. Cochran
J. B. Tait			J. A. Kelly
Victoria	Lansdowne	Lorne	Stanley
Ald. H. H. Pickett	E. M. Sprague	Ald. I. H. Holder	Ald. J. McGoldrick
Wellington Green	Ald. Alex. Rowan	Dr. J. A. McIntyre	George Green

The following aldermen were elected in their wards by acclamation: Brooks ward, Ald. J. B. M. Baxter; Sydney, Ald. Wm. Lewis; Dukes, Ald. J. W. Vanwart; Queens, Ald. T. H. Bullock; Prince, Ald. James Sprout.

The civic election of 1907, the first held under the return to the ward system, is generally regarded as a victory for the present council. Only three of the aldermen went down in defeat, and in each case by narrow majorities. Ald. Tilley was supplanted by W. D. Baskin, who secured election by four votes; Ald. Rowan had to give way to E. M. Sprague in Lansdowne by nineteen votes, and at large Ald. Lockhart was defeated on the full vote of the citizens. He fell only seven short of the total secured by Ald. Lantulum, who was elected.

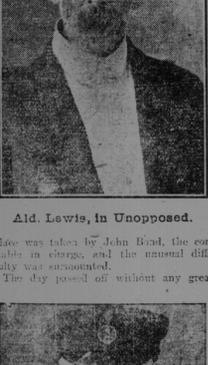
The elections gave five new aldermen—Sprague in Lansdowne, Frink and Kelley



Ald. John Vanwart, in Unopposed.

and McGowan at large, and Baskin in Guys ward. The greatest change was at large where, owing to the increase in the number of seats to four, vacancies for two additional aldermen were created. Here ex-Ald. Frink headed the poll with 2,561 votes, J. King Kelley followed with 2,330, and H. L. McGowan came next with 2,056 in his credit. Ald. Lantulum secured 1,914 votes. In the wards, Ald. Christie, Pickett and Hamm were returned by handsome majorities. Stanley ward, as was expected, proved the centre of interest. Despite prophecies to the contrary, Ald. McGoldrick was returned, although but two votes separated him from his eleventh-hour opponent, George Green. The contest was full of excitement and when the result was declared the alderman, who had been under great nervous strain for some days, fainted in the polling booth.

William Simpson, the returning officer



Ald. Lewis, in Unopposed.

place was taken by John Brad, the constable in charge, and the unusual difficulty was surmounted. The day passed off without any great excitement except in Stanley and Lansdowne wards, where both parties put up a strenuous fight. The results were known at city hall before 7 o'clock, and a crowd

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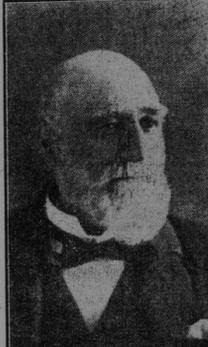
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not witnessed for many a long day. And well there might be, for the fact that five minutes before the poll closed, eleven teams were counted standing idly by the sidewalk. The prominent supporters of both sides



Ald. McGoldrick, Re-elected in Stanley.

poll opened at 8 o'clock in the morning until it closed at 4 p. m., the alderman and his supporters were busy sending conveyances to all parts of the ward to bring voters to record their ballots and save the day. Among those who lent their assistance were John Walsh, W. Kierin, John Power, R. Wilkins, John Morrison and John Warner. Mr. Green's party were by no means idle. Major Green, the candidate's brother, John Hannah, George Kierstead and others were in evidence. Teams on their side were also plentiful and brought many to the polling place. There was only a small vote recorded during the morning, but at noon quite a number of ballots were cast, and between 1 and 2 o'clock when a Telegraph reporter arrived on the scene, both sides estimated that some 120 votes out of a possible 167 had been cast. Mr. Green was not present, being confined to his home by an injured leg. The alderman was here, there and everywhere, and evidently anxious as to the ultimate result. It was not thought probable that more than ten or fifteen additional votes would be polled, and the little books in the hands of the ward workers were eagerly scanned to see if any names had been missed. "Where's so and so?" some one would ask. "I met him on the road some time ago," was the reply. "Go and get him," returned the first speaker, and away through the mud would go a team to bring the lost one. By ones and twos



Ald. Holder, Re-elected in Lorne.

closed there were eight or nine present. The room, which was probably used as a parlor on ordinary occasions, had a small bed room opening out of it, and in there Ald. McGoldrick walked up and down listening to the returns and evidently laboring under suppressed excitement. The closeness of the contest was evident



Ald. Hamm, Re-elected in Kings.

the vote increased, and at 3 o'clock possibly 125 electors had come in. There was no disturbance or any sign of it throughout the day, but it was evident the opposing forces were in a state of armed neutrality, so to speak. Mr. Kierstead, about an hour before closing, regaled the crowd with a mysterious hot drink out of a huge milk can, and subsequently appeared with a bunch of bananas, which were quickly disposed of. Approaching Mr. Walsh, the author of the eleventh hour surprise on Ald. McGoldrick held out the bananas, possibly as a peace offering, but his hospitality was somewhat harshly refused with the remark that he would sooner take a dose of strychnine. It was claimed by the friends of Mr. Green that neither money nor intoxicating liquor was being used by his side to assist the election. They intimated, however, that the same law-abiding spirit did

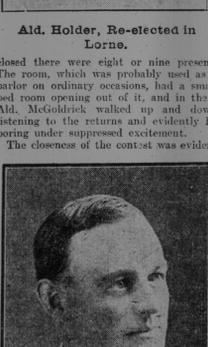
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Some one rushed from the room and as soon as the word that the alderman had collapsed abroad, the door was hoisted by eager enquirers, who, however, were refused admittance, and the door was locked. As soon as the alderman fell his friends at once set about measures to revive him. Water was brought, his collar loosened, the window forced up to give



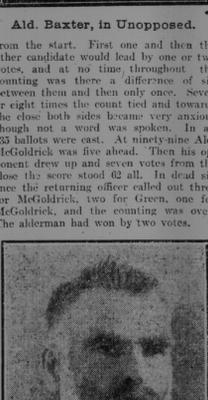
Ald. Willet, Re-elected in Dufferin.

commenced to make their way into the polling booth and when Walter R. Giggery, the returning officer, declared the poll



Ald. Baxter, in Unopposed.

from the start. First one and then the other candidate would lead by one or two votes, and at no time throughout the counting was there a difference of six between them and then only once. Seven or eight times the count tied and towards the close both sides became very anxious. In though not a word was spoken. In all 135 ballots were cast. At ninety-nine Ald. McGoldrick was five ahead. Then his opponent drove up and seven votes from the close the score stood 62 all. In dead silence the returning officer called out three for McGoldrick, two for Green, one for McGoldrick, and the counting was over. The alderman had won by two votes.



Ald. Pickett, Re-elected in Victoria.

Geo. Green, Defeated in Stanley Ward.

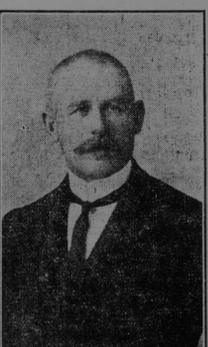
Two or three hurried out to spread the news, but as his friends were crowding round him Ald. McGoldrick swayed and fell prone on the floor in a faint, his head lying in the doorway between the two rooms. All was confusion for a moment

led the poll in this ward with 211 votes. Frink came next, with Lantulum and Lockhart following closely.



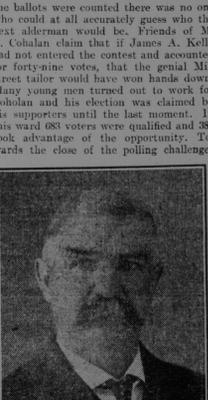
C. F. Tilley, Defeated in Guys.

Returned Officer Faints. There was considerable excitement when the votes were counted in Dufferin ward. A large crowd surrounded the polling place and anxiously waited for two hours while the ballots were being tallied. Before the counting was half-way through W. C. Simpson, the returning officer, overcome by the stifling air of the room and the unwonted exertions of the day fell in a faint and was unable to continue his duties. While reading a ballot he collapsed and gripped the table for support. Ald. Willet hastily closed the ballot box and placed his arms on it, providing against any attempts at underhand work. It was agreed that Constable John Bond should officiate and he performed the work satisfactorily.



Mayor Sears, Returned Unopposed.

975—by an odd coincidence the order in which the election resulted. Ald. Lantulum, quickly followed by Ald. Sprout and Lewis, came in to hear the results, but after 6 o'clock there was a long wait before the returns from Guys arrived. From this point to the close there was a sharp struggle between Ald. Lockhart and Lantulum. Ald. Lockhart, with a heavy vote in Guys, passed his brother alderman, but Dufferin, which came in next, again placed him last of the five leaders. Victoria followed, being second, and the Carleton alderman once more secured a place among the lucky four, but Wellington put him in a minority of sixteen, and when the last returns, that from Lansdowne, came in at 6.50, it was seen Ald. Lantulum was elected by the narrow majority of seven votes.

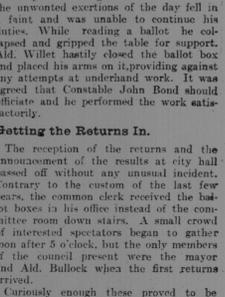


C. B. Lockhart, Beaten at Large.

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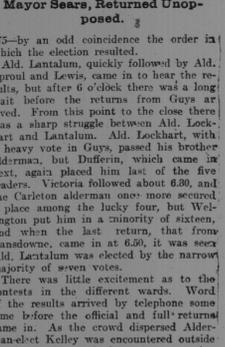
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Getting the Returns In. The reception of the returns and the announcement of the results at city hall passed off without any unusual incident. Contrary to the custom of the last few years, the common clerk received the ballot boxes in his office instead of the committee room down stairs. A small crowd of interested spectators began to gather soon after 5 o'clock, but the only members of the council present were the mayor and Ald. Bullock when the first returns arrived.



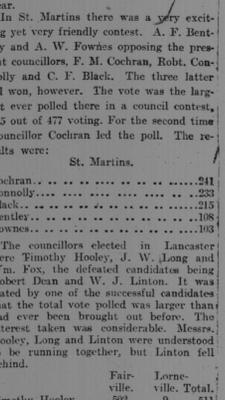
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Curiously enough these proved to be from Prince and Stanley wards, the largest and smallest divisions of the city. Soon afterwards the common clerk's office began to fill and eager enquiries began to be made as to the fate of the aldermen-at-large. H. L. McGowan was the first of the new candidates to appear on the scene, and received early congratulations on his heavy vote. At 6 o'clock returns had been received from Prince, Stanley, Brooks, Sidney, Dukes, Queens, Kings and Lorne wards, and the vote for aldermen-at-large, with five wards to hear from, stood: Frink, 2,561; Kelley, 2,330; McGowan, 2,056; Lantulum, 1,914; Lockhart, 1,907.



Mayor Sears, Returned Unopposed.

There was little excitement as to the contests in the different wards. Word of the results arrived by telephone some time before the official and full returns came in. As the crowd dispersed, Ald. Lockhart and Kelley were encountered outside city hall and came in for a great reception from his friends. By 7 o'clock, three hours after the polls closed, everything was over, a matter of six hours earlier than under the old system in force last year.



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IN THE COUNTY. Councillors Re-elected --- Large Votes Polled in Lancaster and St. Martins. The parishes in the county have expressed satisfaction with their present representatives in the municipal council and have returned them all for another year. In St. Martins there was a very exciting yet very friendly contest. A. F. Bentley and A. W. Fowles opposing the present councillors, F. M. Cochran, Robt. Connolly and C. F. Black. The three latter all won, however. The vote was the largest ever polled there in a council contest, 315 out of 477 voting. For the second time Councillor Cochran led the poll. The results were:

St. Martins. Cochran.....211 Bentley.....203 Black.....203 Fowles.....198 Connolly.....187

The councillors elected in Lancaster were Timothy Hooley, J. W. Long and Wm. Fox, the defeated candidates being Robert Dean and W. J. Linton. It was stated by one of the successful candidates that the total vote polled was larger than had ever been brought out before. The interest taken was considerable. Messrs. Hooley, Long and Linton were understood to be running together, but Linton fell behind.

Fairville. Timothy Hooley.....502 John W. Long.....499 Wm. Fox.....317 Robt. Dean.....168 W. J. Linton.....337

In Simonds parish W. J. Jones and T. B. Carson were left behind, the councillors being J. M. Donovan, F. K. Adams and H. L. Shillington.

Simonds. J. M. Donovan.....269 F. K. Adams.....203 H. L. Shillington.....194 T. B. Carson.....137

In Musquash Messrs. Dean and Corcoran were re-elected unopposed.

Cape Breton Miner Killed. Halifax, April 17.—(Special)—Archibald MacKenzie, a native of Grand Narrows (N. S.), was instantly killed in the east-slope of Reserve Mines this evening by a fall of stone. Deceased was a brother of Rev. Father Alexander MacKenzie, of the cathedral, Antigonish.