

The English Language As the Language Of Instruction In Ontario Schools, Is the Whitney Slogan--Do You Support It?

EAGLE PLACE IS SOLID FOR BREWSTER AND CONTINUED GOOD GOVERNMENT

Rousing Meeting Held in Tutela Park Last Night Attended by Thousands—The Calcium Was Turned on Rowellism—English or French in the Public Schools—Address by Candidate Was Telling Denunciation of Political Hypocrisy—Rowell Has Surrendered to the French in Eastern Ontario—Meeting Last Night Means Victory For Conservatives in Brantford.

Brewster, Whitney and Victory were the dominant notes of what proved a great meeting at Tutela Park last night in the interests of continued Good Government for Ontario. Despite the fact that the weather was threatening, thousands gathered on the natural hillside grandstand at Tutela Park, an audience mainly of workmen, and listened to splendidly effective speeches, delivered in trenchant style, by the candidate, Mr. Brewster, Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, Mayor Spence and Mr. Harry Cockshutt. The meeting was a winner, and the speeches were not only a convincing reply to the misrepresentations of the Liberal workers in the present campaign, but proved an attack on Rowell inconsistencies and the vacillatory policy of the Liberal leader on the important issue of English or French in the public schools of the province. All of the speakers, despite the fact that the effort in the open air makes severe demands upon the voice, made splendid addresses, and all were enthusiastically received. The gathering was made up of Conservatives and Liberals, and was preponderantly in favor of the cause of Good Government.

MAYOR MAKES ISSUE.

Mayor Spence introduced a new phase of the temperance issue into the fight, which showed that even as far back as last December the Liberals were determined not to have a local option contest or a Scott Act vote in Brantford because it would deprive them of their political catch-cry. The Council promised a delegation of temperance workers that a vote could be taken in January without their going to the trouble of getting a petition signed by 25 per cent. of the ratepayers. After a conference this was turned down, the Liberals getting the ear of the temperance forces. The Council made the offer on the understanding that the temperance people would not nominate a temperance slate for aldermen. Had the Liberals been sincere in their temperance professions at that time they could have had the people decide, either by local option or Scott Act, whether the bars were to be abolished, but the Liberals were not sincere then, just as they are insincere now, and they were looking for party advantage.

CANDIDATE'S SPEECH.

The candidate, Mr. W. S. Brewster, delivered a telling address. His exposure of the broken faith by the Liberals with the temperance people for 20 years was received with cheers. It was one of the best speeches Mr. Brewster ever delivered, and was punctuated by rounds of applause. In a forceful and logical way he showed that the Whitney Government had been a friend of labor and had passed legislation in nine years which the Liberals had failed to consider in 32 years of office. Mr. Brewster also effectively showed that the present fight was not a one-issue campaign, as the Liberals would make it, but contained many matters of first importance to the interests of the Province, and which reflected to the credit of the Whitney Government. Particularly was this so in reference to bilingualism in the public schools. The Government had taken an open and a manly stand and had declared that the English language must be the language of instruction in all schools. Mr. Rowell's policy was in direct contrast. It was no policy at all, and was designed merely to catch the votes of the French. The gathering cheered Mr. Brewster's exposure of Rowell's subservience to the French, and showed its sympathy with the manly and honest stand taken by the Government. The address of the Conservative candidate was a masterly one in every respect, and doubtless made many votes for the Conservative cause.

MR. W. F. COCKSHUTT, M.P.

The meeting was of just such a kind for Mr. Cockshutt to be heard at best advantage. The member for Brantford had the gathering with him at once when he remarked that to read certain Grit newspapers one would imagine that on one side in this campaign were arrayed the Grits, the clergy and the Lord, and on the other the Conservatives. On the night of June 29, however, it would be found that the Grits and a few of the clergy were on one side and the people on the other. In this connection Mr. Cockshutt said he would trust in the old Roman truth that the voice of the people was the voice of God. Mr. Cockshutt roundly scolded the abuse of the pulpit for partizan purposes. He referred to the outstanding issues of the day, commenting most trenchantly on the rascality perpetrated in the Grit days of only nine years ago, a regime which received the heart-and-soul support of N. W. Rowell. Despite the fact that it was a late hour when Mr. Cockshutt commenced to speak, the gathering remained to the very last, and the enthusiasm was most marked throughout.

Mr. Harry Cockshutt

Mr. Harry Cockshutt, who was briefly introduced by Mayor Spence, was enthusiastically received. "I want," said Mr. Cockshutt, "to show my presence here to-night that I am in favor of the election of Mr. Brewster, the candidate of Sir James Whitney, and the candidate for good

didn't mix. (Applause.) "If I am going to any church" declared Mr. Cockshutt, "and any minister tells me how I must vote, my attitude will be that of any British subject, who has a right to exercise his own thinking powers for himself. We are not going to stand for any nonsense." (Applause.) The people of this province were not to be humbugged into running into any Rowell side-track, and it was decidedly wrong to bring politics and religion together. Mr. Cockshutt said he would support Brewster and Whitney because their platform was the better one and it had the best planks too. For the future welfare of Brantford and Brant County, he appealed to those present to record their votes in favor of Brewster and Westbrook, the candidates for Good Government on June 29th next. (Applause.)

Mayor Spence

His Worship, Mayor Spence, was the next speaker and though suffering from throat trouble was heard to excellent advantage. His Worship said he was proud as Mayor of Brantford to uphold the Conservative banner on the platform in Eagle Place. A few evenings ago he had occasion to make reference to the issues in the campaign and the Expositor had accused him of throwing mud. In reply to that he would say that the Liberal candidate having taken the plunge into public life must expect criticism the same as any other man. He had been an alderman in Brantford and his acts as such were open to the fullest scrutiny of the constituents to whom he would be appealing for support. As chairman of the buildings and grounds committee of the City Council Mr. Ham had put through a deal whereby property was sold by the city through himself to himself. The Mayor said he would denounce the man who would attempt to denounce it as unworthy any public man appealing for the support of the people. Mr. Ham in that deal made the gain and the people made the loss.

A Challenge.

When the deal was completed Mr. Ham said he did not vote in council on the question. The Mayor challenged Mr. Ham to go to the City Hall and see whether he voted or not. The records showed. If Mr. Ham would make the statement in public that he did not vote, he would ask that a committee be appointed and investigate the municipal records to prove or disprove the charge.

Ham and Hydro.

The inconsistency of the professions of the Liberal candidate in regard to public ownership, was next taken up. Mr. Ham had been found under the barn in regard to cheap power for the people. It was well known in regard to Hydro, that the more customers secured, the cheaper the rates to all. Mr. Ham was still a customer of the monopoly, which he had fled Brantford for, and died for years all with the concurrence and consent of the local Reform party and organ the Expositor. Was this the kind of a candidate workingmen of Brantford were to support? (Cries of No. No.)

Tax Reform

The Mayor then dealt with the tax reform bugaboo of the Liberals. Their idea was to cut taxation down on houses and put it on the land, all of which meant that the plot of land on which the workingman's cottage stood was to bear the same burden of taxation as the plot of land on which the millionaires castle stood. No sane workingman or man in moderate means could ever endorse such

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a proposal. It had often been said that charity began at home and Mr. Ham would do well to bear that in remembrance. As a member of the Ham and Nott Company, under a by-law passed, Mr. Ham received a fixed assessment from the city. Mr. Ham knew that that by-law was not worth the paper it was written upon and yet he was enriched every year to a large extent by such exemption from taxation. If he wanted tax reform, why didn't he start at home and if he was sincere, why didn't his company pay into the city, the taxes rightly due.

Abe Lincoln No. 2.

The Mayor then referred to the Abe Lincoln circular gotten out by the local Grits in which Mr. Ham was designated as Abraham Lincoln the Second. He had always understood there was only one Abe and there couldn't be another on this continent, and yet in the City of Brantford, Abraham sprang forth from the authorship of no less a personage than James Hurley. (Laughter and applause.)

Temperance Matter.

Delving into temperance matters, Mayor Spence revealed a little inside history of what happened last fall when the temperance forces of Brantford were considering having either a local option or a Scott Act campaign in Brantford. That the matter was under earnest consideration was evidenced by the fact that representatives of the temperance organization of Brantford waited upon the finance committee of the City Council of which Mayor Spence was then chairman. That delegation was informed that if they wished to have a vote taken on local option or Scott Act, the council would put it through with any petition being presented to it. The law provides that councils must submit a by-law on request, of 25 per cent. of the ratepayers, so petition, but it is some work to secure this petition in a short time. One condition was named, however, that as far as those aspiring to municipal office in January 1914, were concerned, there should be no temperance slate, but the by-law would go to the people just the same. The temperance people failed to ask for the by-law. They did not want it, because the Expositor recognizing at once that no political capital could be made out of the issue, prompted the temperance workers quietly and with a great degree of subtlety to drop the program.

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Burford's New Public Building

Tenders have been called for the new public building which is to be erected in Burford village. The plans as sent up from Ottawa show a very complete structure, and one which will no doubt be a cause of just pride to the residents of that bustling little centre. Tenders will be received up to Wednesday, July 8th.

WOUNDING AFFRAY

Two Mt. Pleasant Men Are Taken Into Custody on Serious Charge.

High Constable Kerr and Detective Chapman yesterday visited Mount Pleasant where they arrested two men on a charge of wounding. They were Albert Gould and Alton Liscounby and it is alleged they had set upon a young man on June 1st and so badly mauled him that he still lies in a critical condition at his home in Mount Pleasant, his injuries being treated by Dr. Mc... For several days after the affray he lay unconscious and now that the case will come before the bench shortly. The case was on the list this morning but was taken off, it being held until next Thursday.

Liberals Are Squelched At Appeal Court

Every Objection Entered Was Set Aside by the Appeal Board.

The weakness of the Grit appeals was evident this morning, when before the court they failed to produce evidence of service in many instances and refused to furnish such proof. Some ten appeals were investigated, and in each instance the Liberals failed to sustain their objection, and the appeals were dismissed.

Solicitor Tapscott had failed to make any agreement, or to make any arrangements, out of the court with regard to a number of appeals which Judge Hardy thought could be settled in the lobby.

He was told he was dilly-dallying, and reminded by Magistrate Livingston that as yet the court had just touched the fringe of the business, and that it was not desired to drag on the following week, and he suggested that Mr. Tapscott draw up his list and submit it during the afternoon, and this was decided upon, as a Saturday sitting was not desirable.

A DOUBLEHEADER

Brantford and Peterboro Will Play Two Games Tomorrow Afternoon.

Rain caused the postponement of the Brantford-Peterboro game to-day but a double header will be played to-morrow, commencing at 2.15. Taylor and Chase will pitch for Brantford.

GRAND VIEW RALLY

A meeting will be held in Grand View School House to-night, when the issues of the day will be discussed. Mr. J. W. Westbrook, the Conservative candidate, who is putting up a winning fight in North Brant, will address the meeting with others. There should be a large attendance.

ENQUIRY AT QUEBEC IS CONTINUED

Empress of Ireland Was Hit Very Low by the Storstad.

Lord Mersey's Method of Conducting Probe Admirable.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] QUEBEC June 19—Inferences that the moment the Collier Storstad drew away from the gap she made in the side of the Empress of Ireland the liner was doomed, as it would appear at the present time that more than two of her water tight compartments were filled, were drawn from the remarks of Lord Mersey and evidence of Engineers taken at this morning's session of the Dominion commission enquiring into the calamity in the St. Lawrence on May 29.

Lord Mersey took the leading part in examining the witnesses as to how the water tight bulk-heads were operated, where the water came in and in what quantities, and as to how long it was before it reached the top of the water tight compartment.

G. S. Haigh, New York counsel for the Storstad's owners returned to the question of the Empress steering gear, the effectiveness of which was brought into prominence yesterday by the evidence of the witness Galway, who had contended that the wheel jammed on the night of the disaster for three minutes before they reached Father Point. He carefully examined George O'Donovan whose business on the Empress it was to inspect the steering apparatus.

Both Apologized.

The morning session of the Empress of Ireland wreck enquiry was opened to-day by mutual explanations and apologies from C. S. Haigh of counsel for the Storstad's owners and Lord Mersey.

Mr. Haigh said that he desired to dissociate himself from any remarks he might have made yesterday which gave the impression that he thought the counsel of the C. P. R. had been desirous of spiriting away witnesses or suppressing evidence. He did not believe them anxious to do any such thing and was most anxious to make this explanation to the court.

Lord Mersey said he was pleased Mr. Haigh had given him the opportunity to state that he considered Mr. Haigh's conduct of his part of the case hitherto as irreproachable. His lordship said that may be he had become heated yesterday, because he did not like one of Mr. Haigh's witnesses, but Mr. Haigh must not attribute any remark he might have made as aimed at him personally.

Butler Aspinall, K.C., accepted the explanations gracefully on behalf of A. R. Holden, associated with him in handling the case for the C. P. R.

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Electors Take Notice.

Meetings have been arranged for the week as follows in the interests of the Conservative candidates, Messrs. Brewster and Westbrook:

Mt. Pleasant—Friday, June 19 (Mr. Brewster).

Onondaga—Monday, June 22 (Mr. Westbrook).

Bell View—Tuesday, June 23 (Mr. Westbrook).

St. George—Wednesday, June 24 (Mr. Westbrook).

Burford—Thursday, June 25 (Mr. Westbrook).

Paris—Friday, June 26 (Mr. Westbrook).

The candidates and others will deliver addresses.

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