# Hardy at St. Thomas "Here." The effect was quite ludicrous, and the crowd laughed heartily. Mr. Macdiarmid's platform was described by Mr. Cowan as (1) John Taylor — (laughter)—(2) special training, (3) "Boy from Aldboro"—(laughter)—(4) the election of the police magistrate of St. Thomas. After denouncing the introduction of local and personal matters into the campaign, he, in connection with a story told to illustrate his point, suggested that Mr. Macdiarmid's point, suggested th

Has Mr. Whitney Abandoned His West Elgin Friends?

L Feeling That His Absence Is an Ad mission of Defeat - Encouraging Reports From All Parts of the Riding -Election Tomorrow.

St. Thomas, Jan. 11.-A rousing meeting in behalf of Mr. Donald Macnish, the Liberal candidate, was held in the Duncombe Opera House last night. The utmost enthusiasm was inspired by the presence of Premier Hardy, and by the encouraging aspect of the campaign. The Conservative leader has apparently thrown up the sponge, as he has not set foot in the riding. Neither have his leading lieutenants come to the rescue of the home guard.

Mr. Hardy last night was in his best form, and made an admirable impression. The audience, which packed the house, was alert to all the good points, and was unanimously for Macnish.

ON THE PLATFORM.

Dr. Thomas Duncombe, chairman of the St. Thomas Liberal Association, presided, and made a model chairman, and among those noticed on the platform were: Ex-Warden Gosnell, Kent; Angus McLarty, Southwold; Dr. Cascaden, ex-M.P.P., J. W. McKay; D. McIntyre, Liberal candidate in East Elgin; J. M. Glen, F. Hunt, W. O. Pollock, A. Cattanach, Alex. Darrach, T. Coleman, F. H. A. Sharon, J. Robertson; Talbot Macbeth, London; John Farley, Q.C., G. E. Casey, M.P., John Lyle, F. Bennett, H. Broderick, Dr. McLarty, J. McAlpine, R. R. Cranston, D. M. Tait, J. Finney, Hugh Williams, C. Stevenson, John Campbell, H. Sutherland, J. Doyle, H. McConnell, W. Mickleborough, Dr. Luton, Robert Ful-ton, Dr. Wilson, ex-M.P., D. McCollum, Dr. Vanbuskirk.

THE CANDIDATE.

Mr. Donald Macnish, the candidate, was received with prolonged applause. After a modest disclaimer to being the attraction of the meeting, he referred to Mr. Hardy's visit as the first made by the attorney-general since he became premier. He spoke, amidst applause, of the stainless reputation of Omtario's premier, and thanked the electors for turning out so nobly to do him honor. Continuing, he thanked M. K. Cowan, M.P., of Windsor, and Hugh Guthrie, of Guelph, for the valuable assistance rendered by those gentlemen in the present campaign. He met the censure of his opponents by stating that they had the same privilege as he in bringing in outside speakers, and he referred to the historic visitation of Mr. Whitney and his prospective cabinet ministers about a year ago. From that platform it was that Mr. St. John enunciated his celebrated piggery propaganda-and afterwards denied it in the house. No Liberal objected to their presence on that ocasion; there could be no objection to the pre side Liberal speakers in the present campaign. In conclusion he stated briefly that the electors of West Eigin would be acting not only in their own interests, but in the best interests of the province by marking their ballots on Thursday for Macnish, and returning a supporter of his noble friend, the premier of Ontario. (Cheers.)

MR. HUGH GUTHRIE.

Mr. Hugh Guthrie, of Guelph, as usual, made an excellent speech. said the Conservatives of the riding had evidently determined to stifle the free and fair discussion which had resulted in the Liberal victories in the recent bye-elections. The campaign seemed to narrow down to a discussion of purely local and trifling matters, and small personal questions. He condemned the aspersions hurled privately against the character of Mr. Macnish, and intimated, while the audience indorsed the intimation, that these people would not succeed in belittling the record and besmirching the character and reputation of such a tried public servant as Donald Mac-He combatted the endeavor to work up sympathy for the Conservative candidate, and pointed out that the sympathy of the electorate should be with Mr. Macnish, who was not defeated at the polls, as Mr. Macdiarmid claims, because the courts have voided the election. After a reference to the ever-changing complexion of the Conservative policy, he stated that youth and Conservatism could not and would not go hand in hand. Youth is Liberal, youth is broadening, youth is advancement and progress, ever reaching forward for the things that are before, forgetting the things that are behind. Youth is for taking on the new and throwing off the old; but not so with Conservatism. Conservatism is ever for the old and avoids the new. It will serve the old, and for that purpose "any old thing" will do. (Laughter and applause.) They seemed determined to serve the old, utterly regardless as to whether the old be good, be bad, or be indifferent. Youth always contained a spark of Liberalism, and left to his own inclination. and allowed to work out his own destiny, he would, when he came to cast vote, be found in the ranks of Liberalism. (Cheers.) In conclusion, Mr. Guthrie reviewed the many obstruc-

Rousing Meeting in Mr. Macnish's tions to sound legislation attempted by Mr. Whitney and his colleagues, and emphasized the changed demeanor of Mr. Whitney on the stump, and Mr. Whitney in the house. On the former he boldly shouted—"Cat!" and in the latter gently whispered "Pussy, pussy, pussy."

PREMIER HARDY.

Mr. Hardy was given a very flatter-ing reception as he rose to speak. Before the applause ceased, little Bella Smith tripped forward and presented the premier with a large bouquet of roses. This graceful act was the signal for a fresh outburst of applause. Mr. Hardy, after effectually silencing a couple of exuberant young Conservatives in the gallery, complimented St. Thomas upon the progress made by the city since his previous visit. He spoke of its growth and prosperity, of the keen political contests of which it has been the center. He paid a graceful tribute to the presence of the ladies, and referred to the justifiable pride every citizen of St. Thomas felt in their city. They were an ambitions city, a great railway center, and were becoming more so. They were to some extent also a manufacturing city, and were a growing and expanding people. What did they wish to do on the 12th? Their opponents argued that the two governments should not be in power, representing the same party at Ottawa and at Toronto. Applying their argument locally to West Elgin, Mr. Hardy showed that as they already had a Conservative representative in the Dominion house, therefore they should send a Liberal to Toronto. This deduction was greeted with laughter and applause. Mr. Hardy pointed to the benefits that would follow such a course at this time, when the flood tide of business was rising, just as good times were upon them, just as the governments were beginning to feel the effects of good times, of increased business, of increased commerce and growing enterprise throughout the Dominion. Did they want to place so goodly a town in op-position at both centers of political influence? (Cries of "No!")

TRIBUTE TO MR. MACNISH. Continuing, Mr. Hardy paid Mr. Macnish a high personal tribute. He had made his mark in successive parliaments, and displayed great executive ability. An allusion to the fact that neither Mr. Whitney nor any of his colleagues had left the impress of activity upon journals of the house, or even in the newspapers of the day, followed. With a feeling of pride which was shared by the audience, he contrasted the record of the government of which he is the leader, laying particular stress upon the many acts introduced in the interests of labor. The enumeration of these many acts was the occasion of a regular procession of applause. And to crown all, they had given the youth of the province manhood suffrage. (Cheers.) The premier next dealt with the muluplied officials which exist in Mr. Whitney's imagination, and showed that instead of 7,000, there were 1,734 in all. He quickly passed to questions of expenditure, and demonstrated that the government stood charged with extravagance and parsimony at the same time. Not a single dollar of direct tax-ation had been imposed, and by the succession duty they were even making the dead men pay the taxes. (Applause.) In vigorous language he referred to the ducing which Mr. Whitney had indulged in after the election in March last, and to the gradual tapering off of the swagger when the house met, and the government was found to have a majority. And it had further diminished gradually during the bye-elections, until Mr. Whitney today had reached the vanishing point. The attorney-general referred to the exploded story of a Michigan lumbermen's campaign fund, and to the vigorous denunciation by Chancellor Boyd of the charge when it

was unsubstantiated at the Kingston election trial. HAS MR. WHITNEY RUN AWAY? "Where is Mr. Whitney, anyway?" asked the premier, finally. "Why is he not here? If he has a policy, why does he not come and tell you. Are you not worthy of it? Does he think you are too small a people for Mr. Whitney to come and address? Has he abandoned the field? Where is Mathewson? We know the whereaboute of Willoughby, and Kerns, and Meacham, three others of his cabinet. St. John was to be a new minister, with a new porufolio, which I will not describe, but which was to have been bound in leather. (Laughter and applause.) Where are these men? Mr. Whitney told you he had returned with all the talents, and the Mail and Empire filled the hearts of the Conservatives so full of thankfulness to Providence that at last the Conservative party had returned with a simply overwhelming force, colossal and gi-gantic in intellect, which would crush and override and stamp out the admin-Istration, and they only waited an opportunity to meet them on a fair field and debate for that purpose. Where are they? What has become of them? Hiding away in the hay mows? (Laughter.) Has Mr. Whitney given up the bye-elections? It looks like it. (Hear, hear.) A man told me today, 'Mr. Whitney is not coming into the riding. Then which of his lieutenants is?' asked. 'No one.' What is the matter? Men don't run away from victories. (Hear, hear, and applause.) They rush into its arms. (Hear, hear.) That is why I have come here. (Cheers.)

The premier was followed by Mr. M. K. Cowan, M. P., of Essex, who made an entertaining and logical address. In the course of his remarks he asked: "Where are the friends of Finlay Macdiarmid?" and one thin, piping voice in the rear of the gallery answered,

lows: "Strangers, pause; don't drop a tear, for poor Macdiarmid lies buried here, who had, as his political brothers—Ingram, McCully and Donald Crothers." (Laughter and applause.)
The meeting terminated at 11:30 with

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#### TELEGRAPH BRIEFS §

Archbishop Ireland has left St. Paul en route to Rome to visit Pope Leo. A trust to control carbon supplies is to be organized in New Jersey with a

capital of \$10,000,000.

The steamer Keemun Hosburn, from Glasgow, Dec. 24, for St. John, N. B., is reported ashore at Cape Sable Island.

A protest was filed on Tuesday morning against the election of John R. Barber (Liberal), member of the legislature for Halton.

It is believed the remaining nineteen men of the British schooner Wooler, from Barry for Las Palmas, Canary Islands, which foundered at sea, have

It can be stated on authority that such news as has been received from General Otis is rather reassuring than otherwise as to the situation in the Philippines.

Cleveland Liquor Dealers' Association has begun suit to restrain the city from enforcing an ordinance closing saloons at midnight. They contend that the ordinance is illegal.

The Hamilton Blast Furnace Com-pany has decided to install a steel plant in connection with the blast furnace at once, and employment will be given to a large number of skilled workmen. United States internal revenue re-

ceipts for November were \$22,404,405, against \$13,959,296 for the same month in 1897. Receipts for the fiscal year are estimated at \$275,000,000-a big increase. The steamer St. Paul, which sailed from Southampton on Jan. 1, arrived at New York Tuesday night, nearly three days behind her scheduled time.

She had an unusually stormy passage. Mr. George Simpson, the Toronto Globe's Ottawa correspondent, was married Monday night at Winnipeg to Miss Dewar, sister to Rev. Mr. Dewar, of Dugald, Man., and formerly of Toronto.

The county of Bruce house of refuge was opened to the public on Thursday and Friday, who admired its large rooms, well arranged dormitories, fine dining-rooms and well-appointed kit-

At Albany the court of appeal has reversed the judgment of \$43,000 secured by William R. Laidlaw, jun., against Russell Sage, and ordered a new trial. Laidlaw secured the judgment on the ground that Sage bad

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used him as a shield against the effects

of a bomb explosion. As a result of a cut of \$20 in the rate between New York and Hong Kong on the part of the Great Northern Railway and its allies, the C.P.R. has entered a vigorous protest, and the rate war may break out again.

A meeting has been arranged between representatives of Canadian and American lumbermen at Washington to-day and try to reconcile the two interests for the purpose of embodying an agreement in the high commission's

The alleged forger, White (or King), whom the United States Bankers' Asso ciation is trying to extradite, occupied the whole of Saturday before Judge Barrett at Walkerton, Ont., and a further hearing for Saturday next has been granted.

At the Toronto assizes on Tuesday morning the grand jury returned a true bill against Robert Taggart for murder. Taggart killed his wife in a singularly brutal and cold-blooded manner a few weeks ago. The defense will

be a plea of insanity. St. James' Church, Montreal, was so heavily in debt that it was in danger of falling into the bailiff's hands. The clergymen asked the press to appeal to the Methodists of Canada for help, and today it is announced that the fund is over \$100,000, with every indication that it is heading for the \$200,000 mark.

The American Steel and Wire Company now has a practical monopoly of the wire business of the country. It has gobbled fourteen plants and is about to absorb twelve more. It will soon be reorganized with a capital of \$90,000,000. Wire and wire nails will be advanced \$2

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### AN OIL STRIKE

Made in Harwich Not Far From Chatham.

Chatham Planet: On Friday a splen-Northwood Station, about 1½ miles has taken hold of the sufferers. They from Kent Bridge, on the farm of feel as though there was nothing to James Reid. The parties interested in live for. There, however, is a curethis well are W. F. Smith, L. H. one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills Knight and P. McNaughton, all of this will do wonders in restoring health city. It has been claimed for some time by oil men that the oil at Bothwell was due to veins running from into the composition of Parmelee's some larger field, and for this field Pills. the parties mentioned have been assiduously searching. Though no oil strikes had before been recorded in the township of Harwich, they picked out their present location and began to bore. They struck oil rock the first time in the world. and bored into it for some 20 feet. It gave every indication of a good yield, but in shooting the well the bottom was blown out, and the well ruined. The present well is the second one, and the large quantities of oil the sand pumps brought up shows that it is a good one. The capacity of the well will be tested this week, and then those interested will go on putting down a series. It is said that P. D. McKellar and Arch Lamont are also interested in oil leases in the same vicinity.

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### THE BISHOP OF LONDON

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Toronto World: There is a large measure of expectancy throughout the Roman Catholic diocese of Toronto as to the successor of the late Archbishop Walsh. The name of Bishop O'Connor, of London, was the first of the three names sent to Rome for the office; it is not known, however, that his lordship is willing to leave London, a diocese with which he has long been familiar, to assume new responsibilities in Toronto. The bishops of the Province of Quebec, it is believed, are pressing Bishop O'Connor to accept the Toronto see. The second name in the three sent to Rome is that of Rev. Father Teefy, of St. Michael's College, and the World would not be surprised if the high horas come to him. if the high honor came to him. Certainly, no priest in the diocese is more worthy, or more fitted to un-dertake the charge. He is a good Catholic, a learned scholar, a native of the diocese, a successful teacher, and thoroughly acquainted with the diocese and the entire Province of Ontario. He is a young man, has first-class administrative capacity, and his appointment would be one gratifying, not only to Catholics, but to the whole community.

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A Thousand Tongues.

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