#### THE HAMILTON TIMES

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30, 1907.

#### BE TH ANKFUL.

To-morrow is Thanksgiving Day-the lay set apart by the State as the annual occasion for formal recognition of the bounties of a kind Providence to a prosperous and happy people. For if ever a people had cause to "count their blessings," and give thanks, Canadians are that people. And there are reasons for believing them to be grateful and appreciative, not only on Thanksgiving Day, but on the other three hundred and sixty-four days of the year. The formal expression of thankfulness indicated in the setting aside of one day for publie Thanksgiving services but puts upon the occasion the official seal of the na-

Just when the custom of proclaiming a Thanksgiving Day upon which the people of a community or a country should unite in expressing in various ways their gratitude for the blessings of the year had its origin it is not easy to tell. Some trace it back to the early part of the sixteenth century, but there are reasons for thinking that the celebration of such a day in that age was hardly of the character of that which we now observe. In 1575 a thanksgiving service was formally recommended by the civil authorities, and observed at Leyden. Holland, on the anniversary the deliverance of that city from siege, It was, however, a local thanks giving, and as such many other examples might be found in early history, It was not till the latter part of the seventeenth century that we find it becoming an annual feast day among the American colonists in New England, and it was not till a much later period that it became national even in America, apart thankfulness. But of late years it seems to have become well established as one of the national holidays in Canada and the United States.

While our thankfulness is not neces sarily expressed only in devotional exercises or the outwardly religious forms, the worship of grateful hearts is truly religious. Each according to his bent will give outlet to his feelings. Gratitude to the Bountiful Father of all must rise as incense from every Canadian heart and home. And gratitude is almost a religion-at least ingratitude is one of the meanest of sins. "Count your bless-ings," and whether before the altar of your church, in your home, or out in the bright sunlight of this glorious Canadian autumn, may you be duly recog that you owe

### YESTERDAY'S CONTESTS.

The three by-elections yesterday pro duced no surprises. It was hoped by many of the local Liberals that the vigorcus campaign of Mr. Mulholland in East Northumberland would succeed in wresting the constituency from the Tories, but these hopes were not realized. Within the twenty-four hours before the pelling the "inflooence" came to hand from Toronto, and the loose fish were won to Owens. Mr. Mulholland suffered. too, from Liberal laxity in the revision of the lists, many favorable votes being left off. The Tory majority of 250 is not discouraging, and shows that with good organization the riding may be releemed. Only twice since Confederation has it gone Liberal, and then by majorities of only 85 and 13. It has been continuously Tory since 1891, with majori ties of 236, 397, 366 and 206.

In North Wellington Mr. Martin, Lib eral, won with a majority of 387, the largest in the history of the constituenev. The result shows what care of the voters' lists, good organization and an enthusiastic campaign can do.

In London, where Jacobs (Labor) op an adverse majority of 1,036. Less than 5,300 votes were polled, as against nearly servatives say the Liberal vote was not olled, and doubtless little interest was taken by the party as an organization a candidate in the field, which they might have done, had the Labor party decided not to step in to draw off his votes, the showing would doubtless have been very different. Mr. Jacobs had no chance from the first. He had no effective organization, and if he had had one, when W. F. Maclean, of Toronto, enterel the constituency in his behalf his on was sealed. In a three-cornered fight the third man usually serves the purpose of drawing off a greater or less ontestants and allowing his opponent to be elected. The history of third paries in Canada shows that shrewd politicians are not slow to take advantage f third party ambitions to further their wn ends.

### ORGANS IN A FIX.

Mr. Borden's platform has been pro ductive of much awkwardness among the organs during his stumping tour of the corthwest. That plank which demands hat the public lands in the new Pro-inces of Alberta and Saskatchewan be turned over to the Provincial Govern ments could not be supported by the plete somersault. This has not bothered them much, but they find it very hard to escape from their own argu ments from the opposite point of view. The Regina Standard has been vigorous in support of the Borden platform, and of the Dominion in retaining the public | place, it is the knife for Bell.

lands. The Leader, with little regard for the Standard's feelings, reproduces one of that organ's articles published at the time of the passage of the Autonomy bills in which it puts the case for Dominion control of the public lands strongly. It is worth reading, as show ing how completely the Tory organ ha swallowed itself in its effort to follow the wanderings of its leader.

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"The Dominion," said the Standard at that time, "will retain control of the Territorial public lands. Perhaps, under the circumstances, this is best for all concerned. The two great needs of the new Provinces at first will be population and railway development. To secure the former, the inducement of free homesteads must be continued to be offered, and to secure railway extension, lands, or the proceeds of lands, are usually granted. Thus, we see that if the new Provinces owned the unallotted lands they should have practically to give them away. At the same time the cost of land administration vould have to be borne. The duties of the Inunigration Department, too, would follow the land. The new Provinces could not be easily equipped for these onerous duties. It took the Federal authorities many years to bring immigration work up to its present status. They have it now in a state of high efficiency, with experienced agents at work in various parts of the world. It is important that the good work shall continue to go on undisturbed. A handsome equivalent, either in cash or in interest-bearing credit, will suit the new Provinces much better than the extra responsibilities which are involved in the ownership and control of the public responsibilities which are involved in the ownership and control of the public

fairly then. It will find it very make honest men think that it has found reason for changing its opinion.

#### THE SHAM FIGHT.

The Times prints to-day a sketch map of the territory in which to-morrow's mimic war will be fought, with the hope that it may assist readers in following the movements of the opposing forces. The confirmation of the ground and the character of the country to be traversed make it ideal for training in practical tactics. From the heights to the west of the city it may be possible to view the panorama of war with considerable distinctness Those who seek the es-carpment, equipped with field glasses even a good opera glass will be an be amply rewarded for their trouble. And may powder never be burned with more hostile intent against the city than by the citizen

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Be thankful, but play good football.

No game is ever won till the play is over. Mark that, Tigers.

Billy Maclean went up to London to Jacobs 1,036.

That ought to be a pretty good game of football to-morrow. And the Tigers want it in their business.

The street railway receipts are increasing, and if they continue to grow the city will receive about \$40,000 from the company this year.

Bubonic plague has been discovered at Glasgow, and the Dominion health authorities will enforce strict quarantine on all suspected vessels from that port.

Is London to be Jacobs' ladder.-Lon-

on Advertiser.

Oh, yes! But that naughty boy Billy Maclean went up and jerked the foot of it away, letting Jacob down rudely.

Copper has taken a turn, and prices are rising. The demand is large, the exports from New York since Oct. 1 being 48,000,000 lbs., and the upward tendency is strong.

Mr. Maclean went to London to help Mr. Jacobs because Mr. Jacobs advocatposed Beattie (Con.), there was little ed public ownership, Mr. Borden poses as a public ownership man, but Maclean evidently scents a trick.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt wishes to hold the Fielding tariff guilty of causing the money tightness in Canada. What has he to say of the failure of the Dingley election. Had the Liberals put tariff to ward off financial trouble from

The Union Pacific is enforcing an economy order which lays off between 4,000 and 8,000 men. The effects of the war on the railways will be felt elsewhere than in the stock market if that

The Spectator is almost ready charge that Laurier stole out on that Quebec bridge and weakened the chords with his little cold chisel. It knows he is malevolent enough to do so. See how he stands in the way of the hungry Tor-

The Toronto Grand Jury recommends the application of the lash to those found guilty of assaults upon young girls. What about the wife-beater? Wouldn't a taste of the cat-o'-nine tails do him

Go down to the Liberal Club opening on Saturday night and hear Mr. G. A. MacKay, the Liberal leader in the Legislature, and get acquainted with him. You will enjoy yourself and wish to go again. MacKay will have something to

say that will be worth listening to. Mr. A. C. Bell, who was thrown overthe nomination to Sir Charles Hibbert from the opposite point of view.

cegina Standard has been vigorous poport of the Borden platform, and een severely denouncing the inf huy length of the got no answer. If Tupper wants his public must be decided on the merits of

Well, Dr. Workman may still congrat ulate himself that his judges have not to-day the power to apply the thumb-screw, the boot or the rack to him as they did to earlier heretics, nor to use such gently or kindly means to draw him from error as hot boiled eggs applied to his armpits, or boiling wax and oil, as preliminaries to burning him at

"Lovers of Birds" are sending out warnings against the annual slaughter of the innocents on Thanksgiving Daya slaughter which is certainly a strange way of giving thanks for blessings received. There may be some merit or excitement in shooting bigegame, which may be used for food, but the wanton destruction of birds, squirrels, etc., can have no apologist. Birds are the farmers' friends, do more good than harm, and to kill them, the song birds, especial ly, is a crime as well as a shame. Don't

Sheffield, England, is experimenting with dried milk as food for babies. It has the appearance of a coarse cream powder, and is prepared by the simple addition of hot (not boiling) water. When so diluted it looks like cow's milk and tastes like cream. It costs a shilling a tin, and a tin is sufficient for a baby's food for a week. It is said that good results have been economically ob tained, and many child lives have saved. In Sheffield 200 babies have been treated at the five municipal health depote established to test the food.

The demand for a rational Sunday for recreation and amusement on that day, cannot be supplied without depriving many of their rest day. Street cars cannot be run without some persons working, and shows cannot be given without the show people losing at least from Albany, N. Y., yesterday told of a Theatrical Carpenters' Union and the Actors' Church Alliance, asking Gov. Hughes to have the Sunday law enforced in New York. The actors, apparently would rather not work on that day.

The resolution passed by the federation declared that "corporal punishment is an antiquated method of enforcing discipline; that the whipping of children instead of uplifting them tends to make them cowardly and deceitful; and that, as mothers and citizens, the members protest against the use of the rad as brutalizing to the teacher and degrading to the pupil." Nevertheless, as the last resource of civilization a good whaling has it advantages in restorhelp Jacobs. Result: Majority against | ing order and commanding obedience or giving well merited punishment.

> Robert N. Carson, a Philadelphia millionaire, who died suddenly last week has left in his will a provision for a \$5, 000,000 home for orphan girls near that city, the bequest to become effective after the death of his widow. The Unit ed States millionaires show up well with their benefactions., Similar bequests have been made this year. Anna T. Jeanes, also of Philadelphia, left a million dollars to aid in organizing schools for negro children. C. R. Gallard, of Seattle, has given a million and a balf for a home for aged, and Mrs. Russell Sage, \$125,000 as a fund for the assistance of indigent females, and nearly \$500,000 has been given in smaller sums for similar purposes. Canada receives many good examples of this kind from the States. Too few of them are copied.

The New York Post's rebuke of President Roosevelt's course in contributing to the financial uncertainty and stringency by his speeches for political effect is dignified and moderate and should have effect. It says: "The mistake he has made, in our judgment, in most of his speeches this summer, is that of stirring up excitement where he should have left it to quiet down. ble man asked him to retract any thing. It was not necessary to announce any change of policy. the President would enforce the law should have been taken for granted There was, in fact, no call for all the vociferation. A dignified reticence would have been much better for all concerned." He owed that to the country, and perhaps now that he must see the folly of executive buncombe we shall probably hear less of the "big stick."

It will displease the Hamilton Times, which canot see the utility of public ownership of utilities that are essentially public, to learn that the city transchise committee of Detroit report in favor of an application to the constitutional convention for more power to enable the city to regulate public utility corporations and if necessary to own and operate such institutions municipally.—Windsor Record.

Very far from displeasing us, we find

Very far from displeasing us, we find the news gratifying. The Times believes and has always advocated that the public should own all the public franchises, and regulate and control them in the interest of the public. But the Times does not believe that these public utilities are always, or even frequently, better and more economically operated in the pub-lic interest by public bodies composed of men who have political pull or other influence to get elected, than they would be by private individuals or co Mr. A. C. Bell, who was thrown over-board by the Pictou, N. S., Tories to give the proper restrictions and regula-tions. And we appeal to experience, observation of how public business is manthe particular case.

#### HERE AND THERE.

Brantford Expositor: Mr. Cockshutt would have Canadians adopt the United Stater tariff as a means of preventing financial crises. Please don't everybody

Toronto Star: A criticism very often directed against municipal government is that it is unstable, lacking in steadiness and continuity of policy. It may be freely admitted that there is a danger of instability under our form of municipal government.

Moose Jaw Times: The audience which greeted Mr. R. L. Borden last night in Mcose Jaw was moderately large. But not even the most ardent Conservative could by any reasonable stretch of improvements of the country of t agination, convince himself that the leader of the Opposition aroused any such enthusiasm that would justify the contention that the public mind is being influenced by the policy of the Conser-vative party in Canada.

Galt Reformer: Even the fines have gone up. Can it be that the raw mater-ial is becoming scarcer under the Hanna License Act?

Chicago Tribune: "Harold," she mur-mured in his ear, "mamma says 1 must-n't encourage you to come here so often, and 1 have to do as she tells me, of course, but you don't need any encour-agement—do you, dear?"

London Free Press: The tendency of milk is to rise—usurping cream's prerog-ative, as it were.

Toronto Starr Being fully apprised as to what electric power can be bought for at Niagara Falls, we now crave the sin-cere milk of the word—what it can be soud for in Toronto.

### Our Exchanges

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(Toronto News,)
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"The Domestic."

The problem of domesti service will never The New York City Federation of Women's Clubs has condemned the project of introducing corporal punishment in the public schools of that city. The resolution passed by the

(London Free Press.)

The Liberals as a party withdrew altogether from the field, glidg as the response absence through ill-health of Hon. Mr. Hyman. Liberals, in consequence, were free to eached either the Conservative or the Luber condidate and they divided their votes, it would appear. Probably the majority of Liberals refrained altogether from voting.

Greasy Heresy."

(Goderich Signal.)

The Toronto, News, says the decision of the Libertals, of London not to contest the bye-tection places the Government in a humiliting position. If the Liberals had put in a considere, the News would have set they were trying to built a sent that can be then from their contests. The coast is the greatlast place and settlements. s the gretziest piece of by

Two Illinois Girls Suffer from Scalo Trouble - Another Sister Needs a Tonic—Friend Suggests Cuticura
—They Use It and Now Give

### **MUCH PRAISE TO ALL CUTICURA REMEDIES**

"I must give much praise to all the Cuticura Remedies. I used but one cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment, as that was all that was required to cure my disease. I was very much troubled with eczema of the head, and a friend of mine told me to use the Cuticura Remedies, which I did, and am glad to say that they cured my eczema entirely. Since then we have always kept the soap on hand at all times. My sister was also cured of eczema of the head by using the Cuticura Remedies. Another sister has used Cuticura Remedies. Another sister has used Cuticura Resolvent and Pills and thinks they are a splendid tonic. I cannotsay exactly how long I suffered, but I think about six months. Miss Edith Hammer, R. F. D. No. 6, Morrison, Ill., Oct. 3, 1006."

#### **EVERY CHILD** Afflicted with Torturing **Disfiguring Humors**

Becomes an object of the most tender solicitude, not only because of its suffering, but because of the dreadful fear that the disfiguration is to be lifelong, and marits future happiness, and prosperity. Hence it becomes the duty of mothers of such affilied children with the purest and ment available, viz: warm baths with Cuticura Soap, and gentle ancintings with Cuticura Soap, and gentle ancintings with Cuticura olintment, the great Stin Cure. Cures made in infancy and childhood are usually speedy and permanent.

## October the Greatest Month in Our History

Our Big Sales during October have left many broken lots of goods on our hands. We will mark them at such a price that the sales for November will increase with a jump.

### Ladies' Underwear Sale Continues

We purchased every second of the largest makers of Underwear in Can. These goods are slightly imperfect, but not enough to in any way impair ir wearing qualities.

75c Underwear 49c

50c Underwear 39c 

### Two Bargain Tables in Gents' Furnishing Dept.

49c Table

99c Table

We are having big sales in our Jacket Department. Special low prices for this season's Tailor-Made Navy and Brown and Black Cloth Jackets is the reason for our exceptional sales.

### Special Offer in Tamoline Silk 59c Tamoline Silk 33c

Boys' Fine Sweaters 59c

Boys' Sweaters, made from a fine soft yarn, god value at from 75c to \$1

\$2.00 Lustre Shirt Waists \$1.25

dozen, in All Pleated Ladies' Shirt Waists, ordinary \$2 value, for Friday. We have all sizes.

\$1.00 to \$3.00 Ladies' Hats for 49c

20 dozen Ladies' Felt Hat Shapes and Ready-to-Wears, al lthis season's by styles and ordinary value for \$1 to \$3, Friday's special price ... 49c

We are continually adding to our half price line of Jackets, Plain Cloths and Tweeds, value regular at \$15, special sale price ... \$7.50

Great Sale of Manu-

facturers' Remnants

Friday

All Canadian-made Cotton Goods have advanced from 10 to 25 per cent. in price. But we were fortunate in procuring a number of bales of Grey. Cotton, White Canton and White Sheeting away below old prices.

10 and 121/2c Cotton 71/2c

Remnants of from 5 to 10 yards in

Grey Cotton, value regular 10 and 121/2c, special Friday . . . . . 71/2c

121/2 to 17c Canton 71/2c

35 to 45c Sheetings 25c

1 to 10 yards Heavy White Sheet-ng; in fact, the best Canadian-made

ing; in fact, the best Canadian-many Sheetings, in 1 to 10 yard lengths, value 35 to 45c, sale price . . . . 25c

10 and 121/2 c Diaper 61/2 c

White Cotton Diaper, sold regular at 10 and 1214c, manufacturers' remnants at . . . . . . . . . . . . 634c

\$5 to \$7.50 Jackets \$3.49

Children's Ulsters, this season's pretty designs, in tweeds, and value

\$15.00 Jackets \$7.50

Great Sale of This Season's)

# THE T. H. PRATT CO. LIMITED

cheriabed the hope that the profits of those gentlemen were cufficient without a further taration of the people for their special interest. In face of such an avowal on the part of the marker manufacturers what is to be said against the trade unlouds who mant's to force on us goods with his union label? What is to be said against rings, of the ports against the immigration of laber? What is to he said against rings, syndicate, or exterionate combinations of eng kind? The beloft influence of protein forces of the ports against the first of the fact in the continuous combinations of eng kind? The beloft influence of protein forces of the ports of the protein fact of the cartier of the continuous combinations and clearly breeds but feeling among matters and theur first of war to keep money to prove the continuous con

(Toronto Globe.)

Most people will learn with surprise that ninety-five per cent. of the men now employed on the Intercolonial Railway were employed on ity the Conservative Government, and yet this is the statement made by the new Minister of Railways in his speech to the electors of Northumber-

growth elsewhere? These and a dozen similar questions occupy the mind of the Japanese artist, and upon their correct solution depends the ultimate value of the tree, for to be perfect the dwarf must possess a shape and balance equal to the best life-sized models.—Windsor Magazine,

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FRIDAY, NOV. 1st, 1907

SHEA'S

May Manton Patterns Best on Earth. All 10c

THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

# A Few Special Bargains for Friday

This store will be closed all day to-morrow (Thanksgiving Day) and on Friday will open with a grand showing of bargains and exceptional values in every department.

After the immense business we have during this Thanksgiving week, nearly half more than during any previous Thanksgiving season, there will be a great many broken lines and oddments. These will be on sale on sale on Friday at cut prices. We can only mention a few in our space to-day, but come along. The values will be

LADIES' MANTLES AT \$1.99-A quantity of Ladies' and Misses' Coats in dark and light colors, hip length, 34 length and 36 length. Tweeds and cloths. Coats that are worth from \$5.00 to \$7.50, on sale Friday at each \$1.99.

DRESS GOODS AT 35c-Nearly a thousand yards of beautiful Plaid Dress Goods in the stylish brown and blue, brown and cardinal, brown and green, cardinal and navy, etc., etc., goods that have sold regularly in this 

UNBLEACHED SHEETING AT 16c-72-inch Unbleached Sheeting, beautiful clean weave, no specks and good weight; worth to-day every cent of 25c; on Monday we will sell 250 yards of it for per yard ...... 16c

50e TABLE LINEN FOR 25e-Splendid quality of Cream Table Damask, 68 inches wide, in grand quality and elegant patterns, a cloth that any store would be proud to show you at 50c; Friday bargain at per yard .. 25e

A BIG SALE OF MANTLE CLOTHS-Hundreds of Mantle Cloths and Mantle Tweeds, Men's Suitings, Men's Trouserings, Cloths for boys' wear, etc., etc. All must be cleared. \$3.00 Cloths for \$1.95; \$2.50 Cloths for \$1.50;