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## OLIVER NEW MINISTER

Has Gone West and the Election Will Be Held Without Delay.

Accompanied by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Sifton's Successor Was Sworn In on Saturday at Rideau Hall — Winnipeg Was Not Surprised for Edmonton is the Only Seat Surely Liberal in the West.

Ottawa, April 10.—Frank Oliver, member of Parliament for Edmonton, was Saturday morning sworn in as Minister of the Interior, succeeding Hon. Clifford Sifton. He was accompanied by the Prime Minister to Rideau Hall, where the ceremony was performed, and left at 12.40 for the west. It is not definitely decided when



NEW MINISTER OF INTERIOR.

the election will be held, but it will be held just as soon as the notices can be got out.

Oliver was elected in November by the largest majority in Canada—5,063.

Speculation Rife.

In political circles here there is much speculation as to the prospects of the new Minister of the Interior getting re-elected in Edmonton. The last official returns, the census of 1901, show the total population of the constituency to be about 21,000, of which 6,500 were Roman Catholics and 3,700 are down as members of the Greek Church, and half of these may be counted as Catholics. The Catholic population is therefore estimated as a little less than one third, reckoning that the percentage of religious beliefs has not changed with the increased population since 1901.

Hon. Frank Oliver, M. P., represents Edmonton, winning his first election in 1896 as an independent and as a Liberal in subsequent elections. He publishes The Bulletin at Edmonton, is 32 years of age, and a native of Peel County. He entered western politics in 1883 in the Northwest council, and was a member of the succeeding Legislative Assembly from 1889 to 1896.

### WEST NOT SURPRISED.

Edmonton Considered Only Seat in the Northwest Surely Liberal.

Winnipeg, April 10.—News of the appointment of Frank Oliver to the vacant portfolio of the Interior was not, under the circumstances, received with any great surprise here, for it is notorious that Edmonton is the only western Liberal seat the Government could hope to carry now. Sixty per cent. of the electorate are Roman Catholics, and there is also a large number of foreign voters, whose affiliations go with their pockets. Also the registration in that constituency is perhaps more lax than anywhere else in the Dominion, and it is common knowledge that there was a tremendous amount of plugging done at the last election.

Controlled by French Half-Breeds.

As a plain matter of fact, the result of the election is controlled entirely by French half-breeds, who vote on any ground but that of conviction and conscience. Therefore, so far as the election may be taken as testing western opinion, it may be regarded right now as a solemn record to be played for the benefit of the gallery in Ontario. In no other constituency in the west, French or English, could the Government hope at the present time to obtain a decisive majority. As it is, Conservatives will put up the best fight possible and have even some confidence so far as can be gathered from headquarters here of happy results. But it is to be a question of the longest purse, then the Government will assuredly win.

### PREMIER ROBLIN.

Announces Bye-Election in Greenway's Old Constituency, Mountain.

Winnipeg, April 10.—After giving the statement that he had made a proposition to the Dominion Government through Mr. Sharrett and Archbishop Langevin, of St. Boniface, that he would modify the school laws of the Province on condition that the school lands held by the Dominion Government for the Province, be vested in or transferred to the Provincial Government, "an explicit, categorical and emphatic denial, in the plainest language possible," Premier Roblin on Saturday said he should take an opportunity in addressing the electors of Mountain at Balcarres on April 14 to give his views on the boundary question.

In referring to the coming meeting at Balcarres, Premier Roblin announced that the writ has been issued and signed for the election for the vacant constituency of Mountain, with nominations April 20 and polling April 27.

### Test of Public Opinion.

The election will practically be made the test of public opinion in the Province regarding the Sharrett revelations. The seat was vacated by the resignation of ex-Premier Greenway to contest Llangar in the late Dominion election. Greenway represented the district without interruption since 1879, always getting good majorities, the last figure being in the 1900 general election, as follows: Greenway (Liberal) 911, McIntyre (Conservative) 667, Wilson (Independent) 254.

## PHIL'S POSITION

Editor of the Farmer's Weekly Sun Discusses the member for East Kent

In an editorial in the Farmer's Weekly Sun, discussing the members of the new Legislature, the editor passes the following comment on the member for East Kent:—

"Among the overflow from the Government side is Bowyer, the new man from East Kent. The latter has, by the way, been well placed. He was born a Radical, but by some accident at the political christening he was named a Tory, and the name, but not the character, has stuck ever since. Bowyer is a fine fellow, well placed. He occupies the seat formerly held by J. S. Macdonald, one of the best of the Patron contingent of the early nineties, and he is within easy reach of the (in award of the Sergeant-at-Arms, which he will probably rip off when one of his radical fits comes on."

## CONDEMNNS IT

Rev. Dr. Battisby Speaks Out Strongly on the Autonomy Bill Issues.

The Rev. Dr. Battisby, as a prelude to his sermon in St. Andrew's church yesterday morning, spoke upon the Autonomy Bill now before the Dominion Parliament. The doctor said that it was a source of great regret that any such Autonomy Bill as proposed should be passed especially as regarded the educational question. He intended to import politics into the pulpit. The subject of the Autonomy Bill had caused a great deal of excitement and the Government at Ottawa ought to be utterly ashamed to impose on the new provinces a bill with such educational provisions as are contained in the Autonomy Bill. Why should the Roman Catholics have Separate schools when the Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopals have equal right to them yet don't ask for them and don't need them? The Government and all true Canadians ought to be thoroughly ashamed of any such bill should pass. It was a piece of impertinence for any representative of a foreign power to attempt to dictate the policy of this country.

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### OLD TIMES

"I see in your Auld Lang Syne column last Saturday," said S. M. Smith to The Planet this morning, "where you give an account of a production put on by the Chatham Dramatic Society in 1861."

"This item sounded very familiar to me as I happened to be a member of that club. It was organized by John Russell, of Chatham, who afterwards developed into a star actor and went on the road with a dramatic company. Mr. Fredericks was brought here to take part in the Shakespearean plays while the local company acted the farces. Robert Cooper was also a member of this company. He generally took the part of an old man."

"The production was rehearsed and put on in the third storey of a store which stood where the Rankin House is now."

### KEN'S GREETING

President F. D. Laurie, of the Chatham Football Club, has received the following letter from Ken. Messer, former manager of the club, and member of the team. Ken. still takes a warm interest in the club:—

Mr. F. D. Laurie, President of the Chatham Football Club:—

Dear Sir,—I noticed to-day the report of the organization meeting of the club. I sincerely hope that you have a successful season financially and find the Walker cup as well. I am very sorry, old boy, that I am not with you to lend my feeble assistance in any way possible, but hope before the season is over to see the boys of green and white play one game anyway.

Trusting that the cup will be safely landed in the good old city of Chatham, I am

Sincerely yours,

KEN. MESSER.

P. S.—I will follow the games closely in the papers.

K. M.

104 Richmond St., London, Ont.

## DEVOTION OF A MOTHER

Causes Her to Lose Life But She Saves the Child.

Baby Dropped Bottle on Lamp, and Her Clothing Ignited — Not Being Able to Put Out Fire, She Pushed the Two Elder Children into Safety, and With Clothing Ablaze, Saved Her Infant.

Brookville, April 10.—Mrs. David McQuigge, 32 years of age, residing in the east end, was the victim of a terrible death Saturday night at her home. As George Blaine was passing about 8.30 she rushed from the house carrying an infant in her arms and followed by two small children, aged 9 and 7 years. Her clothing was ablaze. Depositing the infant on the grass, the woman shrieked piteously as the flames enveloped her clothing.

Blaine, removing his overcoat, wrapped it about Mrs. McQuigge, and neighbors coming to the rescue with quilts, the flames were smothered. On being removed to the hospital she died several hours later. Her clothing was still burning into the flesh on her back when the nurses at the hospital attended her.

### Baby Caused the Accident.

It appears she was preparing to retire and stopped at the front door to lock it. The two elder children had ascended the staircase, and Mrs. McQuigge placed the lamp on the first step, while she turned to lock the door. She was carrying the babe and the latter dropped a bottle on the lamp, smashing it to pieces. She attempted to stamp out the flame, and falling, turned her attention to saving the children. The elder ones ran terrified to the back door, and returning again to the front entrance the mother seized them and pushed them out to a place of safety. How she saved the babe is a mystery, for when Blaine first observed Mrs. McQuigge, both she and the child seemed to be enveloped in fire, but the babe was not in the least injured.

Mrs. McQuigge was a native of Scotland, a small place a short distance from Brookville, but spent most of her life here. She was married ten years. Her husband was absent from home at Guelph, where he is employed on the construction of the Guelph and Godfrey Railway. The house was slightly damaged by the fire.

Burned in Hotel Fire.

Winnipeg, April 10.—A Winnipegger, Capt. Jones, was burned to death at Humboldt Station yesterday morning by the destruction of an hotel building, while endeavoring to save his effects. W. Fitzmaurice was seriously burned while rescuing others. Others were less seriously burned.

### BOY DROWNS AT PORT HOPE.

Four-Year-Old Willie Broadbent Found in the River.

Port Hope, April 10.—A sad drowning occurred here Saturday afternoon, when Willie, the 4-year-old son of Jesse Broadbent, met death.

It is supposed the little fellow was playing around Walton street bridge and fell in the Ganeraska River. A passerby saw his body floating some distance down the river. Dr. Dickinson was passing by at the time, but life was extinct.

### Frozen to Death.

Brantford, April 10.—The body of Peter Dolan, an aged and demented inmate of the House of Refuge here, was found yesterday. Dolan wandered away from the institution last winter and it is supposed, was frozen to death.

Woman Burned to Death.

Albany, N. Y., April 10.—Mrs. Ellen Loughlin, 55 years old, was burned to death last night at her home.

Eight Die in Explosion.

Allison, Va., April 10.—While tampering powder Saturday in a blast at the Army's limestone quarry, the blast was accidentally discharged. This caused the explosion of two other blasts near by. Eight men are known to have been instantly killed and two others were so badly injured as to leave but little hope of recovery.

### RESERVOIR COLLAPSED.

400 Dead or Injured in Latest Catastrophe at Madrid.

Madrid, April 10.—Four hundred persons were killed or injured Saturday by the collapse of the new water reservoir in course of construction. The structure was a huge quadrilateral, 350x150 metres. Underneath the foundations of the reservoir were water pipes used to supply the palace and old Madrid. It is stated that this was the cause of the subsidence.

King Alfonso visited the hospitals yesterday morning. Seven hundred workmen are engaged in clearing the debris. During the day students and workmen paraded the streets, collecting money for the families of victims. The public is contributing freely.

Carrying black banners, 5,000 workmen made a demonstration yesterday afternoon near the scene of the disaster. The police on seeing the flags were stoned by the crowd and several on both sides were seriously injured.

Aid Those in Distress.

Madrid, April 10.—A Royal decree was gazetted Saturday ordering the expenditure of \$200,000 for the construction of roads as a means of alleviating the distress in Andalusia.

The business man likes to meet people he can trust; but he much prefers those who pay cash.

## PASSED AWAY

The Late Wm. Hewitt was a Charter Member of Old March Street Baptist Church Toronto—First Went There in 1833, When it was Still Little York.

The following account of the death of William Hewitt, one of the most prominent figures in Toronto twenty years ago, is taken from to-day's Globe. Mr. Hewitt was the father of Mrs. S. Barfoot, Dufferin Ave.:

"Wm. Hewitt, one of Toronto's oldest citizens, passed away yesterday at his residence, 67 Hogarth avenue. He was born in Liverpool eighty years ago, and came to this country with his parents in 1828. After a short residence in Victoria, Norfolk Co., where his father, for over 50 years, was Clerk of the County Court, Mr. Hewitt in 1833 came to Toronto while it was still Little York. Since then for over 70 years he has been a continuous resident of this city. He was clerk for many years for the late Peter Patterson, hardware merchant, on King street, and afterwards in business for himself for over 30 years on the corner of Yonge and Adelaide streets. Mr. Hewitt was a charter member of the old March St. Baptist Church, where they met in an upper room, which afterwards was known as Bond Street Baptist Church (where St. Michael's Hospital now is), and subsequently became the present Jarvis Street Church. He was an alderman for St. James' Ward in the early 70's, a York pioneer and a life-long and active Reformer. His wife predeceased him by ten years, and he leaves three sons and three daughters—Joseph R. of Chicago, William of Port Arthur and George of Victoria, B. C.; Mrs. S. Barfoot of Chatham, Mrs. Joseph Lugedin and Mrs. O. P. Staples of Toronto."

### PLEASANT VISIT

James Anderson, of Pelee Island, who has been visiting his cousin, Wm. Johnson, of this city, for the past two weeks, returned home today. Mr. Anderson is 69 years of age and Mr. Johnson 77. Fifty-seven years have elapsed since they last saw each other and during that period time has worked many changes to both of them.

Mr. Johnson is even more active than his cousin, although he is ten years the elder. He is a carpenter and still works at his trade and climbs buildings the same as he did when he was a young man.

Both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Anderson enjoyed the two weeks visit immensely.

### ASSESSMENT

#### INCREASE

The assessor for Raleigh, S. S. Gilhula, completed his work on 26th ult., and the total increase is \$185,000. The increase, however, will not mean a lower rate to the tax payers this year by reason of the fact that an unusually large amount of drainage was done throughout the township last year that could not be completed in time to include it in last year's rate, and it will have to be provided for out of this year's assessment. Last year the rate was three and one-half mills, and this year it will be fully four mills.

### CHATHAM OLD BOY

The many friends of J. R. Latham, an old Chatham boy, will be pleased to learn that he has entered into business for himself in Detroit. Mr. Latham was for 24 years with the Five Shoe Co., Detroit, but now has entered into business for himself. The style of the firm will be Latham, Weber & Co. and they expect to have the swiftest shoe store in Detroit. Mr. Latham always spends his holidays in Chatham and still has many friends here. He is a cousin of Jack Johnson, River Road, Raleigh.

Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt have crept in. Forget them as soon as you can.



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