

Echoes From PARLIAMENT HILL

Three constituencies voted on Monday to send supporters of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to Ottawa. These were Ottawa City, Centre, York and Labelle. The government is entitled to what comfort it can get from the returns and there will be of course a diversity of opinion as to the general election of 1904. The party organs cannot be expected to admit any advantage for the other side. It so happens that all of the three constituencies had been previously Liberal; and that the Conservatives did not succeed in overturning it is taken by the Globe to mean that "the people are not tired of the Laurier government."

But let us look at the results: Ottawa votes as large for two members. In 1904 Belmont and Stewart, Liberals, carried the city by 1457 and 1068 over Birkett and Champagne, Conservatives. The city is always with the government and no one expects that it will be fair fighting ground for the Conservatives until there is a change of government, in which case the capital may be expected to flip without hesitation to the other side. And there are good grounds for this kind of sympathy. There the Ottawa Improvement Commission, the government is spending large sums of money every year to make the capital the Washington of the north. And on top of this there is an army of civil servants that ought to stay with the party in power.

The by-election was necessary owing to the calling of Hon. N. A. Belcourt to the Senate. The Conservatives as a party decided that it would be a hopeless struggle and allowed the Liberal candidate the field to himself. An independent candidate, W. D. Morris, who has a coal business he believes in advertising against the Liberal candidate, but the returns show that he was not taken seriously. He lost his deposit. Certain it is that the Liberal government is not losing ground in Ottawa City, and the next to be considered is Labelle, the seat formerly held by Bourassa. Mr. Bourassa was elected by 1488 in 1904, as a straight follower of the party of Laurier, but in the succeeding sessions he came to be regarded as an independent, and in pursuit of his campaign against the Gouin ministry in Quebec, he resigned his federal seat to run against Hon. Adolphe Turgeon in Belchere, with the result that the minister was re-elected by a big majority. Mr. Bourassa decided to stay in Quebec politics and a Liberal was returned for Labelle on the party of acclamation. So that there is neither gain nor loss for either party and if there is any "independent" change of sentiment it must be found in Centre, York.

This riding, as has been stated, was carried to the Conservatives by Archie Campbell. It was supposed to be good for 300 to 400, but in the general election of 1904, by reason of the weakness of the Liberal candidate, the best he could do was 123. There is reason to believe that Archie Campbell was not hopeful of again carrying the riding for himself; at any rate he got himself a life seat in the senate and hand-picked a candidate who combined all the qualities that popularize men with the people, with the exception of the name. There was Archie Campbell's choice and at the convention there was no other whose name was mentioned. Dr. McLean was indeed a popular candidate. There are straight Conservatives in Woodbridge, the home of both candidates, who could not find it in their hearts to turn down their family physician. But with his undoubted popularity the doctor was just able to squeeze thru with a majority of 23.

In a by-election the advantage to begin with is conceded to be with the party in power. It holds the electing machinery in its own hands. Alongside of this there is a disposition on the part of independent voters, if no other considerations sway them to support the "ins" against the "outs." So that if there has been a change in the bias of the electors it has been to the Conservative candidate who clipped an even hundred off the 123 secured by Archie Campbell, who was admittedly a weak candidate.

It is announced that Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux has sailed for home, and will be in Ottawa about Jan. 15. That he has failed in his purpose to effect an arrangement with the imperial government to restrict the emigration of Jap laborers to British Columbia is foreseen by the press despatches and Mr. Lemieux's own statement to the effect that he had reason to hope that the assurances of restrictions will be renewed after he reaches home. Definite news of the failure of the negotiations may not be expected, however, till Mr. Lemieux gets back. If it turns out that the postmaster-general has really made no headway against Japanese diplomacy the situation will be complicated. It will be up to someone to make good. On both sides of the house two weeks ago there were threats of denouncing the treaty if Japan would not agree to restrict emigration to Canada to between 800 and 700 a year.

One by-election is yet to be held before the representation of Ontario in the house of commons is completed. The death of B. B. Gunn in South Huron left a Conservative vacancy and it is expected that the writ for the election will be issued in a few days. The Liberal candidate is M. Y. McLean, editor and proprietor of the Huron Expositor, Seaforth, and the Conservative have not yet chosen their man, though the effort is being made to induce Harry Elmer to leave the legislature and try his luck in the higher sphere of politics. It is believed that either can carry the seat, which is regarded as normally Liberal. Mr. Gunn was the only Conservative in a generation who could make any headway against the solid Liberal strength in the lower part of Huron. His personal qualities were responsible for this, as he was a likeable fellow and got a vote that could not be secured under ordinary circumstances by any other candidate.

The earth acquires the permanent angle? His early home instructions were again asserted, but he had again been resorted to. With a fluttering heart and moist eye his memory reverted to the old barnyard, to his favorite horse, pet lamb, and rabbit warren beside the sty. He involuntarily ejaculated: Did the sun roll over on its side after it delivered itself of that heinous brood?

Sir William Dawson, the great Canadian geologist, has shown that the "fossil" formations of rocks, if not wilfully formed from protoplasm of shells of the earlier formations of life, at least contain great quantities of animal remains. A work entitled "The Spherical Bacteria Cell; the Constructor of the Earth and Her Life" claims to show the cause of the construction of matter. From "Interpretations of the Kabala" comes the statement that the earth is a region of cortical shells. "Antiquity Revealed" claims that the earth was formed before the sun's elements were fully concentrated from the residue of cosmic shells. "Antiquity Revealed" claims that the earth was formed before the sun's elements were fully concentrated from the residue of cosmic shells.

"Behold the Lord maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turned it upside down, and scattereth the inhabitants abroad."—Isaiah, 24: 1. Turning it upside down is astronomical and refers to polar rotation and consequent procession of the equinox around the earth's orbit, which changes the seasons. In 194 years equinox proceeds to its position formerly occupied by solstice, etc. In 4568.21 years the circuit is completed. Daniel, 2: 21: "His change of the times and seasons, valis Cesnar, 46 years B.C., by the aid of Bisogenes, added one-quarter of a day to the actual year. In order that the procession of the equinox might be apparently stopped, and the first of the year always occurs upon the same day in the same month. By a fixed axis as laid down by the Copernican system, Genesis is wrong, and Daniel and Isaiah fools, compared with the present scientists. S. T. Humberston.

A KNOWING HORSE. The six passengers were too busily engaged in conversation to notice how slowly the car progressed. Presently the driver opened the door at the rear of the car and slammed it to again. Those inside started, but thought that he was only assuring himself that the door was securely closed. Again Pat opened and slammed the door. The travelers enquired angrily why he disturbed them in that manly manner. "Whist," he whispered, "don't

spoke so loud—she'll overhear us." "Who?" "The mare. Spake low," he continued putting his hand over his mouth and nose. "Sure I'm deservin' the crature! Every time she hears the door slammin' that way she thinks one of yer is gettin' down to walk up the hill, and that's what she's her sperrits." The passengers took the hint.

VENERABLE DIRECTORS. Many Men More Than Eighty on the English Railway Board. Not by any means a majority of the directors of the railway companies are men who have had a training in business or industry, says The London Chronicle. They are chosen because of the titles which they bear or the financial interests which they represent. The majority of them were young when trade unions hardly existed. The chief reason of their age is that they are found, of course, in the general managers, but the boards of directors are made up of men of advanced years. The average age of the directors of the Southern Railway is 63. There is not a board in the country which can equal it in years. The average age of the directors of the Great Eastern is 62. The average age of the directors of the Great Eastern is 62. The average age of the directors of the Great Eastern is 62.

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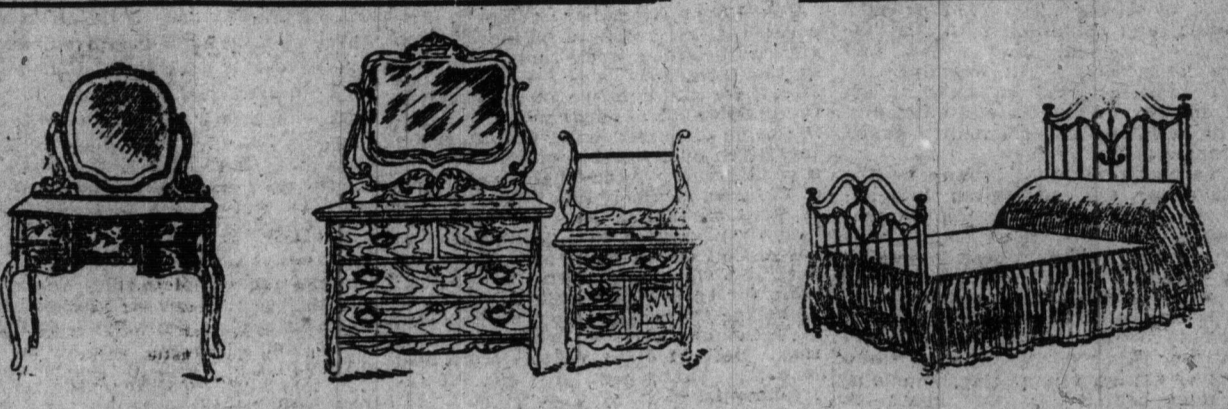


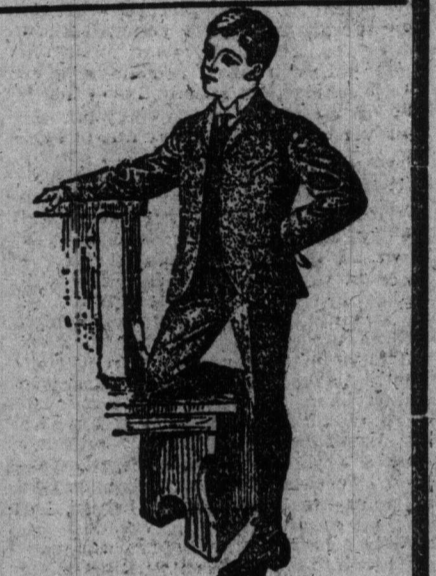
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ARGUES FOR GAS.

Editor Sunday World: Having been a subscriber to your valuable paper for a considerable time and being pleased with the impartial manner, editorial and otherwise, in which it is conducted, I now ask you to kindly insert the following in your next issue. The power of the future undoubtedly is one of the foremost questions of the present time in Ontario. And the City of Toronto, being the city most interested, should not bind herself to adopt any one scheme without first making a strict investigation thru practical men into the merits of others. "Vote for the Power Bylaw" appears to be the one idea of a large number of the ratepayers. As an advocate of public ownership I would advise the ratepayers to vote for a bylaw which would enable the authorities to follow the lines of municipal control in effect in the great City of Glasgow, where they own everything that is a public benefit.

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