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BANNER AGAIN GETS IT

"A lie appeared in the St. Thomas Times and was copied into the Chatham Banner-News," said Drover John Duff this morning. "The fabrication consisted in a report that John King, of Woodstock, had purchased 300 store hogs from Chatham, paying \$2,000 for the drove and that hog cholera had broken out among them. This is entirely false. In the first place, there hasn't been a store hog shipped from Chatham this year and, in the second place, there isn't any hog cholera in Kent County. I have been asked time and again by eastern feeders to send them store hogs but I have always refused and so have the other drovers. We feared that some such outbreak as reported in the King Canard, and we have steadily refused to ship store hogs, preferring to lose money rather than risk ruining our trade. Eastern dealers are already refusing Kent County hogs on account of that paragraph and it is putting the dealers in an unfortunate position. Had the Banner-News ordinary sense, they would have verified the report before publishing it."

PRESENTED ULTIMATUM

Great Britain has Tired of the Haggling of Boer Leaders.

Daily Chronicle Claims That Peace in South Africa is Assured.

London, Friday, May 23.—The Daily Chronicle this morning claims authority to say that peace in South Africa is practically assured. This is also the general impression which prevails with the other newspapers and public, although the former don't go so far as the assertion published by the Chronicle. At a late hour last night, however, the Government departments declined to give any information on the matter. It is understood that important despatches were received yesterday from Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa, and Lord Kitchener, but nothing can be ascertained as to the nature of the contents of these messages. The fact that the Cabinet was summoned so quickly after the arrival of the delegates at Pretoria is regarded as a good augury, as the discussions at Pretoria could only have commenced Monday. The Cabinet will meet late this afternoon in order to enable the ministers who are at a distance to reach London in time for the meeting.

A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Pretoria says that the Boers are seeking permission to retain their horses.

RESTING AND REFITTING.

The Daily Mail, in its issue of this morning, says it understands that owing to the protracted haggling of the Boer leaders at Pretoria, Great Britain has presented what is practically an ultimatum, the reply to which is awaited and which it is believed they will accept. Despatches which have been received here from Pretoria, continues the Daily Mail, say that during the stay of the Boer delegates there the conference was continued at Vereeniging, that a majority of those present at the conference are trying to persuade the recalcitrant minority into an unanimous vote. In the meantime the British columns have been resting and refitting, and they are now all ready for immediate action. The Daily Mail says it believes the delegates at Pretoria will despatch the ultimatum to the conference at Vereeniging for its consideration.

THE CABINET MEETING.

While the Government departments are discreetly silent, it is generally accepted that the summoning of the Cabinet is directly connected with the South Africa peace conference. Most of the ministers are out of town for the Witwatersrand recess, though they left rather expecting to have their holiday broken up by just such a summons.

MISS IDLE PRAISED

The following extract is taken from a report of the visit of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, to Wilmington, Delaware. The report appeared in the Wilmington Morning News, and contained much praise for a former resident of this city.

Secretary and Mrs. Shaw yesterday morning accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Field to Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, where Dr. King preached. The secretary expressed himself as very much pleased with the excellent singing, especially with the solos of Miss Ella Idle and Ernest S. Haynes.

"What's that?" said Mr. Lee, swinging round as Mr. Clancy took his seat.

LIBERAL STALWART SPEAKS OUT AND CONDEMNS ROSS MACHINE

Severe Arraignment of Such Methods by an Ardent Champion of True Liberal Principles—Mr. John Remarkable Address at the East Kent Nomination.

CLANCY ROUTS SAMSON AND TRIMS LEE.

Dr. Samson Escaped from his Criticism While Crowd Cried "Come Back"—John Lee Badly Scored—Addresses by the Candidates—An Immense Meeting—Davidson's Address—The Three-Cornered Fight.

Apparently the three-cornered fight in East Kent has aroused wonderful interest in the political campaign in that riding.

This was evidenced by the immense gathering of electors who crowded the town hall at Ridgeway yesterday and awaited the mass meeting held at the close of the nominations. The hall was filled and men crowded at the outside of the windows and stood on wagons near by in order to hear the speakers. Both the party candidates met a very enthusiastic reception and were accorded an excellent hearing. Interest to a large extent, however, centred in the address of George Johns, the third and independent Liberal candidate, who made a thoughtful and forcible address, which was received very heartily. Dr. Samson, of Windsor, James Clancy, M. P., and County Commissioner J. N. McCoy also spoke in support of their respective candidates and were liberally applauded. The situation is apparently a very complicated and interesting one.

Ex-Warden John Duck, a pioneer who has been connected with the history of Orford township since 1833, was chosen chairman and performed his difficult duties very impartially. The speakers were each accorded half an hour, but Mr. Clancy's time was crowded so late that he was only able to speak for 20 minutes and drive rapidly for his train, being billed to address a meeting in Wallaceburg last night.

JOHN LEE.

John Lee, the Liberal candidate was received with applause. He said he was going to take 30 minutes at the beginning and 30 minutes at the end of the meeting. He said he wanted Reformers to rally unitedly to his support and show what they thought of the self-made candidate who had foisted himself upon them. The third candidate had no chance. It was all a Conservative dodge to divide the Liberal party, so that a Conservative could be elected. He asked Liberals to support a man the choice of the convention.

Now, continued Mr. Lee, what about the issues? The Conservatives are haranguing all over the country about election frauds. They have the impudence to do this when they are steeped in corruption themselves. Charges of corruption were made against McGreevy and Ryherd in the old Dominion Conservative Government and the gentlemen were forced to walk out. And this was the party now haranguing about the election frauds and ballot stuffing in West Elgin and other points.

"It's wrong all right," commented Mr. Lee, "and I condemn it—condemn it out and out. The Government practically condemn it. It was not the Liberal party who did it. I deny that and I tell them they can't prove it."

Continuing Mr. Lee said that Whitney wanted to do away with the succession tax, which yielded the people \$300,000 a year, and wanted to abolish the taxation on corporations, street car railways, loan companies, etc. What do the people think of that?

LEE GETS IN TROUBLE.

Mr. Ross had appointed a financial commission to investigate concerning the surplus which the Conservatives claimed was not in existence. The commission had reported that there was a surplus of \$2,400,000 or thereabouts.

"Why," continued Mr. Lee, "you remember how Clancy used to criticize and storm over the accounts down there, how he was everlastingly criticizing the accounts of the late Mr. Fraser, commissioner of crown lands. I want to tell you people that one time when I was on the train with Clancy, travelling from Wallaceburg to Chatham, he told me in a private conversation that he had never found one cent wrong with them."

Mr. Clancy, who had entered the hall from the rear of the platform, rose at this point and said quietly: "Pardon me one moment. I must take this immediate opportunity to say to the good men of East Kent gathered here that Mr. Lee has just revealed a pure fiction and that no such conversation ever took place."

For a moment pandemonium reigned, then the gathering broke into applause.

"You never had a private conversation with me on the train?"

Mr. Clancy—Upon that subject? No! Positively and emphatically, No!

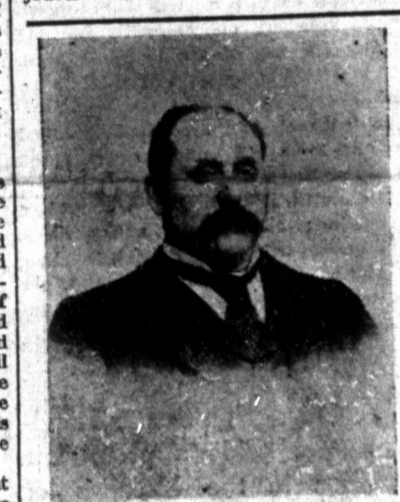
"Well," returned Mr. Lee, "that was my recollection. I thought it was you. But I can say this, that you never did find a cent wrong with the accounts, anyway. If you did, I defy you to produce it here when you speak."

Resuming, Mr. Lee said he would take up the other questions when he spoke at the close of the meeting.

JOHN DAVIDSON.

John Davidson, the Liberal-Conservative candidate, was honored with hearty applause. In a brief address he enumerated the principles on which Mr. Whitney and his party appealed to the people, with which the speaker was in hearty accord. Replying to Mr. Lee, he said Mr. Whitney in his proposals was advocating the cause of the people against the corporations. He referred to the unjust assessment of railroad companies as against the taxation of farm land.

In concluding, Mr. Davidson referred briefly to the slander and untruth which had been published regarding him in the Toronto Globe and the Chatham Banner, that as warden he had proved himself an expensive official to the county. In Chatham he labelled it as a bare-faced falsehood, and he meant what he said. It was manufactured in the hope that it would hurt his candidature. These journals had no other reason to invent.



JOHN DAVIDSON.
Coming Member for East Kent.

jure him, and previous to his accepting the candidature had always spoken in the highest terms of him. The second could be secured from the county clerk, Mr. Fleming, and showed that in the matter of expense the past six wardens had run three above him and two under—Applause.

"Now, to my old friends, the Conservatives," he concluded, "I ask you to work earnestly and energetically. Do not look for me calling on you, for I am not going to. I'm sorry, but really I'm too busy. I'm calling on all the Reformers." Laughter and applause.

"In the past you chose Mr. Ferguson and had a supporter of the Government, and I ask you this time to select a Conservative and again have a supporter of the Government—the Government that is to be."—Applause.

GEORGE JOHNS.

George Johns, the independent Liberal candidate, was accorded a surprisingly liberal share of the applause and spoke forcibly. He said in part: "It is true that my position to-day is in many respects, a painful one. I appeal to you for support as an independent Reform candidate, an ardent supporter of the true principles of Liberalism as laid down by such grand old men as Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, Hon. Geo. Brown and Sir Oliver Mowat, but as opposed to the machine manipulations which have crept into the present regime and are destroying the vitality and strength of Liberalism. I appeal, not as the candidate of the Liberal party, not as the candidate of the Conservative party, but as the candidate of the people."—Applause.

Mr. Lee has told you that I am in the field to help elect the Conservative candidate, that I am foisting myself upon you as a cat's-paw of the Conservatives. You men of East Kent know me better than to believe it. Mr. Lee knows full well and so does Mr. Smith, his secretary, why I am in the field.—Applause.

Before the bye-election, as you

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RAILROAD WRECK

Ald. W. M. Fleming of the Sutherland Lines Company, has returned from a business trip through Ohio. He passed through Shelby, Ohio, the day after the recent railroad wreck experienced there. In speaking of the wreck to The Planet this morning he said—

"There was no one killed, but two or three persons were badly injured.

The wreck was caused by an express running into the rear end of a freight. It appears that the agent fell asleep and forgot to lock the express at Shilo and as a result it collided with the freight at Shelby. Both the engineer and fireman of the express jumped for their lives and were seriously injured. When I went through they were badly engaged in straightening up the wreck. The express engine was completely disabled and two or three of the cars were smashed into kindling wood. It is a wonder that more people were not hurt.

MONT PELEE IS RESTING

Residents Want to be Taken Far Away From the Island.

They say the Gods are Angry With the Island and Will Destroy it by Fire.

Port de France, Island of Martinique, Wednesday, May 21, 4 p. m.—Mont Pelee seems to be resting after yesterday's fearful manifestation of energy. Streams of frightened refugees have been pouring into Port de France from all the surrounding country. These people are not destitute, but they are terrified. They want only one thing, and that is to be taken far away from this island, with which they say the gods are angry, and which they will destroy by fire before it sinks under the sea. The consuls here and the officers of the war vessels in the harbor are waylaid by scores of persons crazed with fear and begging to be carried away. The war-

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