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## The General Elections

A Liberal Sweep in the Niagara Peninsula.

Enthusiastic Welcome at Strathroy to a Popular Minister. THE OUTLOOK.

Giowing reports continue to pour in from outside constituencies, and the last week of the campaign will be entered upon by the Liberals with an enthusiasm that is the precursor of The canvass everywhere bears out the indication given at the various public meetings that the electorate of Ontario will stand by the so modly stood by them during the most important period of the province's history. The feeling is general that a change at the rt juncture when prosperity dawning upon the country would be indiscreet, to say at least, and might basketful of lovely red tulips by Miss easily influence for the worse the fu-

A LIBERAL SWEEP IN THE NIAG-ARA DISTRICT. Toronto, Feb. 19.-Before he left for

Strathroy yesterday Hon. Richard erals would carry the two Wentworths and the two Hamiltons. The two Brants will remain Liberal, so will Welland. In Lincoln, now held by the Conservatives, there is a doubt. Haldimand will give a better majority than ever before for the Liberals. Holmes, the Liberal, is a typical candidate. In Monck I am sure of winning," said the provincial treasurer. "Going further afield, we will win the two Norfolks, West Elgin is conceded and we have a good chance of carrying

HARCOURT AT STRATHROY. Strathroy, Feb. 19.-Hon. Richard Harcourt, provincial treasurer, was torchlight procession was formed, headed by the band, hundreds carrying torches, and 75 mounted on horseack, followed by a carriage, drawn by four horses, containing prominent Liberals. After parading the principal Streets they adjourned to the Lyceum Opera House. The place was crowded, a great many ladies being present, and many were unable to gain admit-tance. The hall was decorated with mottoes. Mr. L. H. Smith, president of the Strathroy Reform Association, was chairman, and made a short ch, followed by W. S. Calvert, M.P., for West Middlesex, who spoke for nearly an hour, making an able address. He upheld the minister of education and appealed to the electors

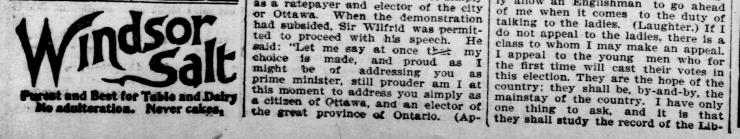
to return him. Mr. Harcourt was well received, and was given a good hearing, touching upon the leading issues in provincial politics, speaking about an hour and a half. Several quartets were sung during the evening. The meeting closed with the usual cheers.

MR. WHITNEY COMBATED. Mr. Whitney spoke at Peterboro, the meeting was more than usually interesting owing to the fact that Mr. Stratton, the Liberal candidate, took advantage of the invitation to be present, and made a vigorous speech

defense of the government. HON. MR. ROSS AT HAMILTON. Hamilton, Feb. 18.-There was a reat mass meeting in the grand opera house Friday night, at which Hon. George W. Ross and Mr. N. W. Rowell were the chief speakers. The minister ed an able address, which was applauded to the echo, with an appeal the young men in marking their o remember that their manhood had been recognized and the franchise extended to them by the government of which Hon. Mr. Gibson was a distinguished member.

CAMPAIGN JOTTINGS. South Gray, J. D. Morgan, the Liberal nominee is a Roman Catholic. In that riding the sectarian cry of 1890 and 1894 is still at its height.

Of the prospects in Hamilton and Wentworth county, the Dundas Ban-ner says: "At every election Mr. Gibson's defeat has been prophesied, ill-service of cutting off his right hand yet for twenty years he has held the beat, and for about half that time has been a member of the Hardy government. We firmly believe that the four seats in Wentworth—city and county-will remain faithful to the cause, and that on the evening of March 1 it will simply be a case of 'as you were.'"



### Great Gathering

A Stirring Speech by the Dominion Premier.

Why the Liberal Government of Ontario Should Be Sustained.

Crowded and Enthusiastic Meeting Cheer the Noteworthy

Addresses.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Before a great audience of the people of Ottawa and many members of both houses of parliament last evening the premier of Ontario made a magnificent presentation of the case for his government and for the election of the Liberal candidates in the city of Ottawa. The interest of the proceedings was greatly increased by the presence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright, and the eloquent tribute paid by the premier to the beneficent and enlightened government enjoyed for a quarter of a century by the people of Ontario. The meeting was a great triumph for Premier Hardy, who has never before addressed a popular audience in Ottawa. It was place of meeting, which was gay with the costumes of the ladies of Ottawa and of the parliamentary delegation. The stage was draped with bunting and mottoes. "Welcome—Bienvenue" and "Hardy, O'Keefe, Lumsden and Victory" stretched across it in huge letters. Long before 8 o'clock the hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and hundreds of persons who tried to secure admission had to be turned away. of cheering, again and again re-Among others present were: Premier

Hardy, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. William Paterson, Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, the two Liberal candidates, Messrs. Cameron, Haley, McHugh, Jamieson, Flint, Burnett, Yeo, McGugan, D. C. Fraser, W. Hutchinson, N. Belcourt, H. J. Logan, and other members of the House of Commons; John R. Booth, the great lumberman of the Ottawa valley, and many others.

The reception given the premiers of Messrs. Lumsden and O'Keefe, the city candidates, had a very warm re-

PREMIER HARDY. rising, was presented with a

with cheers, Sir Wilfrid Laurier leading. In the course of his address, he ernment was so complete that the To-Harcourt said that the Liberals had gave thanks to the legislature for legbeen gaining very rapidly during the islation affecting the interests of labor. last week. He believed that the Lib- At the recent meeting of the Dominion Trades Congress at Hamilton the president told the delegates that they should not ask for further legislation. There was already enough. A greater compliment could not be paid to the government of Ontario-(cheers)which has so marched forward to meet the demand of labor, so thrown around it the protection of law, that the president of the Trades Congress declared that the congress had all the legislation it wanted. (Loud cheers.) Another Canadian, who was a col-league of Mr. Powderly in the United States for a time, had stated that Ontario had little to learn from any of the states and was in advance of algiven a cordial reception. A large labor. (Cheers.) The government torchlight processing was gathered at the station. A seventh time with a clear and a clean record, and in many departments other than that of labor, the only complaint against it was that it had gone ahead of public opinion in legislation. Having ridiculed the opposition attempt to say that the economies carried out by the Ontario government were scandals, the premier said he stood there as the sole survivor of the cabinet which, under Sir Oliver Mowat, had fought the great battles between 1878 and 1885 for the constitutional rights of the people of Ontario, and of all the provinces, for the territorial rights of the province. battles had touched upon the rights of the subject, the rights of the crown in Ontario as represented by the lieutenant-governor, upon the autonomy of the provinces, upon the ownership of a hundred million acres of land. As the representative of those who were victorious in that fight, and of those traditions and vicname of Mowat, and reflected honor even upon the humblest member of the administration, he appealed to them for one of these occasions they fought support. (Cheers.) Again, when the cry was raised in the province against civil and religious equality, the governother section, appealing to the prejumounts. Winners: Glenmoyne, Wolfment stood by the constitution and boldly maintained the right of the minboldly main ority against slander, vituperation and but one of which we ought to be defamation. (Cheers.) What did they proud, and which we have for the first see today, The Liberals were victors. Their principle of religious equality had that we have an election which will be triumphed. (Cheers.) Taking up the cry, "It is time for a change," the any ostensible appeal, to religious prepremier went on to say that it was judices of any kind. If we have reachtime for a change in 1896, time for a change always when a government was bad or corrupt, when men who sat at bad or corrupt, when men who sat at the same bad or corrupt. the council board took each other by the throat when they met, when half Canadians, which must give us the government said their leader was hope for the future, it is to find that an old fool, and the leader replied by saying that he was living in a nest of traitors-(applause)-and both were right, as some people thought. (Laughter. The crown should not be tendered divided councils, and under these circumstances it was time for a change. Mr. Hardy then contrasted this condition with the position of his government, and closed with an eloquent tribute to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, at the

> by defeating the Liberal government. (Loud cheers.) SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

same time asking the audience not to

do the great leader of Liberalism the

When the chairman presented Sir Wilfrid Laurier to the audience, the cheering was tremendous. To Sir Wil-

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Support plause.) Our friend Mr. Hardy, in the admirable speech which he has just delivered, referred, and with perfect that the present truth, to the necessity, if the present Dominion Liberal government is to be upheld, of its ally in the province of Ontario being kept in its place. How-ever important it may be for the Dominion of Canada and for the present consideration alone in their minds, not here to do honor to my friend, Mr. exhibited at a public meeting. Wilfrid then highly praised Mr. Lumsden, as a sterling man, one of the great | didates. labor employers of Ottawa, and a fitting successor to Mr. Bronson, whose ill-health compelled his retirement. "As to our friend, Mr. O'Keefe," said Sir Wilfrid, "what shall I say? I shall say nothing more than that he is a sterling Irishman, and that is sufficient compliment, I am sure, for any man." Continuing, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said: Mr. Hardy is not a new politician; this is the first time that he comes to the people as the leader of a party, but, ladies and gentlemen, you know as well as I do-I am only repeating what everybody kows-when I say that the name of Hardy has for a long time been a household word in the Pro-vince of Ontario. When we were fighting the battle of '96 we succeeded in capturing the grand old man of On-tario—Sir Oliver Mowat. The mantle held at the Russell Theater, a very fine which he had worn for so many years fell naturally upon the shoulders of Mr. Hardy. Mr. Hardy is one of the pioneers in the cause of Liberalism in Ontario, and the people are not per-haps sufficiently alive to the debt of gratitude, no the people of Ontario alone but the people of Canada at large—owe to the Liberal government of Ontario since confederation. We are told today that there should be a change; but why should there be a What are the new issues As well-known political leaders arrived they were greeted with outbursts brought up by the opponents of the Hardy government? When reading the charges brought against Mr. Hardy, do I find new principles or doctrines?

No! but I find that our opponents are on their knees groping in the dirt of pigsties; these are the issues which are before us. Now, ladies and gentiemen, as Mr. Hardy has well said, let us discard these small issues, these small scandals, these things which are not even scandals, according to the measure we have had in the city for so many years, and let us look only to the record of the Liberal government of Ontario. I said a moment ago, and I repeat it, that not only the peothe Dominion and of the province was one that by its enthusiasm must have the province was one that the prov ada at large, owe a debt of gratitude convinced even the most doubtful that to the government of Sir Oliver Mowat which they have maintained against glee over the victory of their curlers. the centralists at Ottawa in favor of the provinces and the principle of economy. We should never say anything ill of the dead, moreover, I have 1876—Toronto......Orillia. always proclaimed myself an admirer of Sir John Macdonald, even in his life, 1877—Toronto...... No competitor. 1878—Ham. Thisties...Port Hope. Maysie Stewart, and was received though I was not one of his political followers; though it was my duty said that in matters of labor legis- hot fight. I always recognized his 1882—Tor. Caledonian. Bowmanville. great abilities and the proud position ronto Trades and Labor Council often though I make this admission freely, and although it is a pleasure for me and although it is a pleasure for me 1886—Tor. Granites...Guelph. to do so, at the same time everybody knows that if the policy of Sir John Macdonald had been carried out we would not have had in this country a federative union but a legislative union. Everybody knows that if the of the Conservatives had prevailed, while we would have had a federative union in name, practically, we would have had a legislative union. That we have today a federative union in full force, is mainly due to the efforts of Sir Oliver Mowat and Mr. Hardy There is more in that than the people of Canada perhaps know, because constituted as we are with peo-

nation, except the present federative form of government that we have. THE EDUCATIONAL POLICY. There is another question as to which we owe a debt of gratitude to the Liberal government of Ontario. We owe the Liberal government of Ontario a debt of gratitude for the noble attitude which they have maintained upon the educational question. I charge against our opponents, I charge against the Conservatives of Ontario, that for many and many a year their only weapons werte appeals to the prejudices that might be underlying the different elements of our population. On one occasion, in the election of 1882, they went to the people and tried to raise the prejudices of my co-religionists with a pamphlet entitled "Facts for Irish Electors." Four years afterwards, having failed in that appeal, they changed their front completely and went to the people on the "Ross Bible." Later on they still maintained tories which had added luster to the their attitude, but it is to the credit of the government of Sir Oliver Mowat and Mr. Hardy that upon every noble battle, appealing to the prejudices neither of one section nor of the time in the history of this province these appeals to prejudice are despised, and that we shall fight our battles henceforth as Canadians and Canadians alone. Under these circumstances, do you think that there is reason for a change? No, there is no reason at all for a change. (Applause.) On the contrary, there is every reason to continue in office the noble government which has ruled this province with so much credit to itself and so much benefit to the people for the last 26 years. Sir Oliver Mowat is no longer at the helm, it is true, but his first lieutenant is at the helm, and the principles of the grand old man shall be carried out because they are in safe hands. (Cheers.) My task here to-night was simply to tell you where I stand. Perhaps I should do one thing, frid was left the option of appearing as I have a grudge against it, I can hardthe prime minister of Canada or simply as a ratepayer and elector of the city or Ottawa. When the demonstration had subsided, Sir Wilfrid was permitted to proceed with his speech. He ted to proceed with his speech. He class to whom I may make an appeal.

ple of divers origin, scattered over the

whole continent, no other form of gov-

ernment would have built us into a

eral party in Ontario from the time of confederation up to this moment, and they will find in this regard a noble example of patriotism. This is the appeal I make today, and if it is responded to not only by the young men but by the old men also, as it ought to be, the victory of the Liberal party in Ottawa is assured. Nay, more, the victory of the Liberal party over the whole Province of Ontario is assured. (Applause.) And I would finish by the same remark as that made by Mr. same remark as that made by Mr. Hardy a moment ago. It is, that if you care for the Liberal government which now rules the Dominion of Cangovernment that such a good administration as that of Mr.Hardy should be upheld, still I do not claim that the electors of Ontario should have that consideration alone in their minds not

even the electors of Ottawa; but it is as I said a moment ago as an electors as I said a moment ago, as an elector ed kind of applause, and the enthuiasm of the province of Ontario that I am at its conclusion was such as is rarely Hardy, and to proclaim myself a supporter of the ticket represented by Lumsden and O'Keefe." (Cheers.) Sir Richard Cartwright also delivered a stirring address, and the great gathering ended with the usual cheers for the premiers and the canthe Queen, the premiers and the can

Progress of the Sleeman Medal Contest.

Brantford Won the Robertson-Mac donald Trophy-International Golf -- Hockey Matches and Other Sporting Matters.

> CURLING. BY THE TEE.

Brantford won the Robertson-Macdonald trophy from Guelph by 42 to 36. The Caledonia Club of Montreal defeated the Ottawa club by 37 to 27 in the Quebec tankard series.

FOR THE SLEEMAN TROPHY. Guelph, Ont., Feb. 19. - The third draw for the Sleeman trophy and group tankard was played here yesterday. Following is the result: Rink No. 1-Wroxeter, Rae, skip, 14; Fergus, Mennie, skip, 13. Rink No. 2-Waterioo, Bruce, skip, 16; Orillia, Doolittle, skip, 6. Rink No. 3-Fergus, Richardson, skip, 13; Harriston, Strong, skip, 9. Rink No. 4—Royal, City,Guelph, Kennedy, skip, 18; Brantford, Westbrook. skip, 10.

FOR THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PRIZE. Toronto, Feb. 19.-St. Marys beat Churchill by five shots, playing on soft

ice in the semi-finals for the governorgeneral's prize in connection with the Ontario curling tankard series yester-

JOY AT LINDSAY.

Mr. Hardy for the noble fight Lindsay, Feb. 19.—Lindsay is in high The record of 23 years is as follows: 1879-Bowmanville...Galt. 1880-Port Hope ..... Bowmanville. 1883—Brampton.....Barrie.

1887—Paris.....St. Marys. 1888—Thamesville....Galt. 1889—Galt......Toronto Granite. 1890—Walkerton....Toronto Granite. 1891—Ham. Thistles.. To. Prospect Park. 1892-Tor. Granite.....Peterboro. 1893-Bobcaygeon....Oshawa. 1894-Tor. Granite.... Dundas.

1895-Ham. Thistles. Lindsay. 1896-Tor. Granite ... St. Marys. 1897—Lindsay.......Ham. Victoria. 1898-Lindsay..... Dundas. BASEBALL.

The Page Fence Giants have been ransferred to Elkhart. The new captain of the Chicago team will either the Connor or "Little Eva"

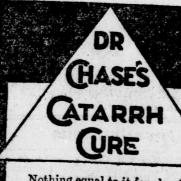
FLYS.

Douglass, who was traded to Philadelphia by St. Louis, has returned his contract unsigned, and announces that he will start for the Klondike in ten days. The player is badly needed in Philadelphia.

INTERNATIONAL GOLF. New York, Feb. 19.-The annual meeting of the United States Golf Association was held here Thursday. According to most of the golfers present, the outlook for the coming season is most bright; the brighest, in fact, since the game was introduced into America. The offer of the Royal Canadian Golf Association for an international championship tournament to be played in Toronto during the last two weeks in September was unanimously accepted. The United States association will send ten men to contest in the tournament.

THE TURF. WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS. New Orleans, La., Feb. 19. - Glenmoyne was the only winning favorite yesterday. Tommy Burns carried off the honors, landing three out of four

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Sphinx, the Michigan stallion, was sold at New York to W. T. Chappelles, Saginaw horseman. Dr. Sutherland says that he refused \$50,000 for the son of Electioneer about six years ago. He sold for \$2,500 under the hammer.

SHOOTING MATCHES AT MELROSE Melrose, Feb. 18.—The fortnightly shoot of the Melrose Rifle Club was held on Wednesday, 16th inst., with the

following scores:

100 yards range, no rest, possible 50: D. Steinhoff............10 10 9 10 10-49 W. Harrison..... 6 10 9 10 10-45 Harrison..... 7 9 7 10 10-43 Lewis..... 6 8 9 10 Oliver..... 7 6 10 9 8-40 Steele..... 3 9 9 10 8-39 

S. Tuckey..... 3 8 6 5 7-29 50 yards range, off-hand, possible 50: Steinhoff..... 9 10 10 9 9-47 J. Harrison...... 8 9 10 10 9-46 D. Steinhoff..... 9 8 9 10 9-45 J. K. Morris...... 9 10 9 7 10-45 tonight, at the Jubilee rink, between the Medical School and Jubilee teams. 

visions, one in the east and one in the W. Harrison...... 6 10 9 1 7-33 Knight..... 9 8 9 8 8—33 A. Steinhoff......95 A. Knight......77 D. Steinhoff......94 J. Ferguson.....77 J. Harrison......89 J. Clare.......77 J. K. Morris......86 E. J. Shaw.....75 F. Harrison......84 R. Hedge......74

Steele......84 D. Ferguson.....71 . Challoner......81 B. Ferguson.....70 . Oliver.........80 C. Harrison......64 This places Mr. Abram Steinhoff three times at the head of the list winning the first capital prize of a handsome gold ring. The next day, March 2, the boys will compete for a prize that all will be able to play a double hand in-the oyster supper. Messrs. A. and D. Steinhoff were elected captains, and have

may be looked for to see who has to pay INGERSOLL LEFT THE ICE. Woodstock, Feb. 19.-The Ingersoll decision in sending a man off for rough play, and left the ice. Score of the first half was 4 to 1 in favor of

chosen their men, and a keen match

Woodstock. JUBILEES VS. MEDS. The last hockey match of the second series of city league games takes place tonight, at the Jubilee rink, between