

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE—

As Minister of Agriculture Mr. Clancy will put into force all the advanced agricultural legislation and education promised under the new, clean and progressive government.

And the people of Kent will confidently petition the minister, their own member, to use his influence to have the new agricultural college erected in the Garden of Canada.

THE COMING CABINET

Compare a Provincial Cabinet consisting of Whitney, Meredith, Foy, Clancy, Robertson, Blake and Clark, with the men with which Ross has surrounded himself—and vote as your judgment guides in the interests of Ontario.

With such a cabinet as will sit in the new government what room will there be for the Salvans, the Vances, the Lotts and others of that ilk?

ROSS AND HIS CANDIDATE

Premier Ross, the man who has been associated with Sullivan, Stratton, Vance et al, in the recent efforts of the Government to hang on to office, is meeting some difficulty with the people in his efforts to dictate the candidates for the various constituencies.

His telegraphic "insistings" do not always work out as well as they did on the Liberals of West Kent and Ald. McCoig.

It seems these telegraphic instructions are handed out peremptorily to the people of every constituency. West Kent is not the only one.

We quote from the Toronto Globe, the chief Ross organ, of yesterday:

"The Liberal Executive of Prescott County met in session here today at the request of Premier Ross to consider their decision of a few weeks ago in which Mr. L. B. Labrosse defeated Hon. Mr. Evanturel by a large majority. Mr. Labrosse placed his resignation before the Executive and was willing to abide by their decision. After considering his resignation the vote was sixteen to four in favor of Mr. Labrosse."

And, again quoting from the same Globe, in its account of the East Wellington Liberal convention:

"At this stage Mr. Carter said he had received a telegram from Premier Ross, and in response to requests he read the following message:

"Sincerely hope convention will give Hon. Mr. Gibson unanimous nomination. His services to the Government have been invaluable and are equally important at this juncture. I want him very much. George W. Ross."

"Dr. Johnston, of Pergus, said that in accordance with that telegram he did not think a ballot was necessary. They could give the nomination to Mr. Gibson at once."

"I think we are here to choose our own candidate, not to have Hon. Geo. W. Ross choose him for us," replied Mr. Alex. Meyer, of Nicol Township; and, heeding the objections, the convention proceeded with the ballot without delay.

"The Chairman thereupon declared Mr. Gibson the candidate, but Mr. Halstead pressed his motion as one that would give better satisfaction, Mr. Gibson's name being the only one that had been prominently before the convention."

"Senator McMullin, of Mount Forest said they wanted to do whatever would best secure peace and harmony, while Mr. Dignam believed a second ballot would give a better confidence and Dr. Johnston thought they should unite for Mr. Gibson."

"It was then decided by a show of hands to have a second ballot. While it was in progress the candidates all retired except Mr. McKimmon and Mr. Gibson. Dr. Hamilton of Erin village, took occasion to say he thought the riding should be represented by a local man. They were not opposed to Col. Gibson personally, but there were local reasons why they should have a local man."

And both these men are Ross ministers, "Hon." Mr. Gibson and "Hon." Mr. Evanturel.

In spite of Ross's telegraphic "insistence" the people of Prescott won't have Evanturel, and Gibson is practically forced on the opposing factions in East Wellington.

When the Ross ministers meet such receptions when they go back to their own constituencies—and remember the reports are both taken from the Globe—what are we to expect from the Province at large?

Those who run may read.

Local Briefs

Percy K. Morley spent Monday in Detroit.

B. S. Sainsbury, of London is in the city.

W. J. Gibson, Toronto, is registered at the Garner.

T. C. McNabb has returned from a visit to Springfield.

Office Boy Wanted—Apply to Wilson, Eiko & Gandy.

Wm. Turnbull, of London, was a Maple City visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McVean, of Dresden, were in the city Monday.

Mrs. Maggs, Joseph street, who has been seriously ill for some time, is doing nicely.

"Erminie" plan opens Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. First come, first served.

Mrs. E. J. MacIntyre left for Dresden last night on a few days' visit to her mother.

Guaranteed 25 years' perfect sewing—the handsome "White is King," Geo. Stephens & Co.

Dr. T. L. McRitchie, of McKay's Corners, was in the city yesterday on professional business.

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When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Ave. Green House, Phone 181.

Judge J. L. Dowlin has fixed the date of trial of Leitch vs. John McVannell for Friday, the 16th day of December.

Nervous, irritable people are very trying to live with, we speak feelingly: to all such we recommend "The D & L" Emulsion. It is prescribed by the leading physicians and used in the principal hospitals.

Mrs. S. A. Ball, of Bethel, Maine, leaves today for her home after a pleasant visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Murphy, Head street.

Will C. Power, of Brockville, is registered at the Garner.

A Treacherous wind hits you in the back and the next morning you have lumbago. Rub often and well with Perry Davis' Painkiller, and you will be astonished to find out how quickly all soreness is banished.

Messrs. A. I. McCall & Co., are installing a new heating apparatus.

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Storm windows will be provided for the Central school kindergarten room, and certain minor improvements for McKough school were left with the managers with power.

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CONGRATULATE COLLEAGUE

Members of Public School Board Pay Tribute to Herbert S. Clements

Dr. McKeough Presents a Complimentary Motion which was Unanimously Carried—Some Salaries Raised.

School Trustee Herbert S. Clements, the popular young M. P. for West Kent, received a very pleasing ovation from his fellow trustees at last night's meeting of the Public School Board.

This is the first meeting which has been held since Mr. Clements' election, and Dr. McKeough took advantage of Mr. Clements' presence to move the congratulations of the Board to Mr. Clements on his splendidly won victory. In doing so he said:

"I take advantage of the presence at the Board of our new Member of Parliament to move that the Board extend to him their heartiest congratulations. While some of us may not agree with him in politics we are all admirers of his play, and we cannot help but admire his fair, manly fight. He has been during his term here one of our most esteemed and respected colleagues, on account of his courtesy, and pleasing, gentlemanly manners. Although some of us may oppose him politically we can all join in extending to him our heartiest congratulations."

Mr. Benson seconded the motion, and it was carried amid great applause from the members of the Board.

Mr. Clements replied briefly, thanking the Board for their kind sentiments.

There was a full meeting of the Board last evening.

Dr. B. Arthur wrote applying for the position of music teacher in the city schools. The new curriculum calls for the teaching of music. The matter was laid over until the next meeting.

Mr. R. M. Paxton reported that the managers of the Central school had purchased wood to heat the Central this year as it was found impracticable to use coal. Action confirmed.

Mr. Robertson moved that as a by-law to provide heating systems for the schools could not be submitted this year, the committee on heating be dismissed. Carried.

Mr. Clements suggested that members of the Board should inspect the heating in the Windsor and Detroit schools, so that when the by-law is being prepared for a new heating system will soon have to be considered by the Board—they will know which system to recommend.

Dr. R. V. Taylor reported that the Central School staff had presented to the Board a piano, purchased out of the receipts of the recent school fair. The piano was gratefully received, and a motion was put, thanking the teachers for their excellent gift. The piano cost \$300.

The motion was carried amid enthusiastic applause.

Miss Mildred Turner, of the Central School Kindergarten, was granted a three months' leave of absence.

The matter of arranging the work of the Kindergarten during her absence was left to the Kindergarten committee with power.

Dr. McKeough then moved certain increases in the teachers' salaries. He felt that in order to keep our present staff of excellent teachers we must pay them good wages, and this was the general opinion of the members of the Board. The following were the increases made:

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and Mooney did it

The Mooney bakery has doubled in size in the first year. The bakers are working night and day, the railroads are running extra trains, the grocery stores are busy as bees, and the whole nation is cracker-hungry—all because of

Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas



FUEL ACCOUNT.
Pere Marquette, \$136.50.
Thos. Morgan, \$44.00.
C. R. Hancock, \$27.55.
R. M. Paxton, \$3.00.
Daily News, \$3.12.
W. J. Moore, \$16.73.

TRUANT ACCOUNT.
Baxter's Printing Co., \$3.00.
Grand total, \$1,760.10.

The following is Inspector Park's report, which was adopted:

"Chatham, December 5, 1904.

The Public School Board of the City of Chatham.

Gentlemen,—The following is a statement of the attendance at the public schools of the city of Chatham for the month of November, 1904.

McKEOUGH SCHOOL.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

Jr. 1—Nellie Young, 69, 60, 87.

Jr. 2—Ella Longwell, 51, 40, 79.

Sr. 1—Florence Nichol, 39, 33, 85.

Jr. 2—May Abraham, 43, 39, 91.

Sr. 2—Gertrude Holmes, 37, 34, 92.

Jr. 3—Katie Garrett, 38, 33, 87.

Jr. 3—George Morrison, 42, 37, 88.

Sr. 1—Bella Angus, 52, 46, 88.

Sr. 1—Ethel Park, 45, 40, 83.

Jr. 2—Jessie Snell, 45, 42, 93.

Sr. 2—Hattie Hall, 47, 43, 92.

Sr. 2—Ella Arnold, 50, 43, 86.

Jr. 3—Daisy King, 55, 50, 91.

Jr. 3—Marion MacCall, 52, 47, 84.

Sr. 3—L. M. Gordon, 52, 46, 88.

Jr. 4—Alice Birch, 35, 31, 89.

Jr. 4—Laura Ryan, 33, 32, 97.

Sr. 4—S. C. Irwin, 37, 35, 96.

Sr. 4—Ida Hillman, 45, 40, 89.

MODEL SCHOOL.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

J. W. Plewes, 33, 31, 94.

KINDERGARTEN—McKEOUGH.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

Helen McTaggart, 50, 37, 74.

KINDERGARTEN—CENTRAL.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

A. M.—Lily Green, 71, 53, 75.

P. M.—Lily Green, 57, 45, 79.

The following are the totals:

McKeough—409, 351, 88.

Central—785, 685, 87.

Kindergarten—1,171, 85, 76.

Total—1,363, 1,171, 85.

The enrollment for November is the same as for October. The average, however, is 40 greater than for November, 1903, and the average is 48 greater. A few cases of diphtheria and chicken-pox have affected the attendance somewhat, especially in the Kindergartens.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT PARK,

Inspector.

The Board then adjourned.

Abbey's Effervescent Salt

contains all the tonic laxative principles of fresh, ripe fruits. Children, as well as grown folk, may get its mild, gentle action on stomach, liver and bowels, without fear of ill-effects resulting.

At all druggists, 25c and 50c a bottle.

Keep Minkard's Liniment in the house.

Better Values

Are to be had at Northway's, at any time, than you are likely to find elsewhere. During this December Sale the values given are of more than ordinary interest. If you are a Cash buyer and anxious to do the most and best for your money, you'll not fail to visit the Busy Cash Store often during this month. Such values as these should bring you early and often.

FURS—

We can save you 10 to 25 per cent. on choice furs during this month. If you have a fur need see our stock and our prices—they'll please you.

\$2.50 to \$3.25 UNDERSKIRTS AT \$1.89—

Rich black and black and white, and mercerized saten petticoats, beautifully made and finished with ruffles, flounces, pleatings, cordings, etc., assorted lengths, regular \$2.50 to \$3.50 each; December price

\$1.89

\$6.90 CRAVENETTE COATS AT \$4.95—

25 only; pure wool Cravenette Rain Coats, colors light and dark Oxford greys, made with capelets and belted back, lengths 54 to 60 in., worth \$9.90 each; December price

\$4.95

40c. TABLE LINENS AT 29c. YARD—

3 pieces heavy, half-bleached linen damask, 60 in. to 84 in. wide, in choice designs, fine, firm quality, excellent value, regular at 40c yard; December price

29c

75c. AND 85c. TABLE LINENS AT 68c. YARD—

Pure Linen, full 2 yards wide, heavy double damask, rich satin finish, pure grass bleach, choice designs, regular 75c to 85c a yard; December price

68c

\$1.10 TO \$1.20 TABLE LINENS AT 93c. YARD—

3 pieces fine, heavy, pure linen double damask, extra quality, full 2 yards wide, pure and black, regular value \$1.10 to \$1.20 a yard; December price

93c

TABLE NAPKINS—

About 25 dozen fine pure linen, satin finish, full size napkins, some slightly soiled but otherwise perfect, clearing at December prices.

7c. LINEN TOWELLING AT 5c. A YARD—

300 yards pure linen crash towel.

46c

ling, good, firm quality, regular 7c yard; December price

5c

12-1-2c. PURE LINEN SCOTCH CRASH AT 9c. YARD—

3 pieces superior quality, pure linen Scotch Crash Towelling, 18 inches firm weave, regular 12-1-2c yard; December price

9c