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### THE FORWARD MOVEMENT.

It should not be overlooked in the heat of party strife that the opposition under our British political system has a highly valuable constitutional function. Among certain sections there is perhaps a lust for office, but only the very bigoted or the very inexperienced would suggest that Sir James Whitney or Mr. Rowell was running for office for either the pleasure or the profit of the position. And we may take it that for the better part of the leaders on both sides this is true without at all losing sight of the fact that this same desire for office is one of the strongest motives prompting the activities of a large section of the rank and file on both sides. Where this desire for office preponderates in the party, the leaders and the party as a whole suffer, coming under the shadow of baseness. And this is one of the dangers and weaknesses of party politics which especially beset a government which has been any length of time in office, and to correct which the tonic stimulus of the opposition is so important. After the long third of a century in which the Liberals held office in Ontario this corruption had come to a fatal issue. The memory of it still clings in the popular mind around the survivors of that period, and it is one of Mr. Rowell's chief complaints that he was associated with that period of decadence. On the other hand, the nine years of the Whitney administration have been singularly free from any suggestions of corruption on the part of individuals, and it is one of the complaints of the Conservative following that there has not been a greater distribution of the spoils of office. Sir James Whitney set a high standard in this respect, and no Liberal office holders were removed from the civil service without good occasion. Should Mr. Rowell ever attain to power he must follow that record or submit to general execration.

But this lust for office, which is such a powerful factor among the party workers, does not affect the public to anything like the same degree. In fact the live man regards political or civil service employment as a sort of commercial suicide, and he fails to understand the fascination which some feel for a government job. It is almost inconceivable to such people that men will act as they have done in the past to create a claim for office. Ballot stuffing, ballot burning, personation, false registration, "plugging," votes and all the crimes that began to be too common ten or twelve years ago in the province are not present to the minds of the younger generation of voters as they are to their fathers. The Gamely charges, the "Minnie M." Captain Sullivan, and the Lott ballot boxes are almost incredible echoes from ancient history and fail to explain to younger men and strangers the fierce hostility which Mr. Rowell's aspirations arouse in older men. This is the greatest handicap under which Mr. Rowell labors. Two-thirds of the electorate at least still remember the old gang and the old machine, the corporation domination, the repeated throw-downs of the temperance party, the parsimonious handling of the public services. Mr. Rowell comes, like another Edryn, "nobly changed."

The world will not believe a man repeats. And this wise world of ours is mainly right. Full seldom doth a man repeat, or use Both grace and will to prick the vicious quitch.

Of blood and custom wholly out of him, And make all clean, and plant himself afresh. Edryn has done it, weeding all his heart.

Of course, we speak politically, for Mr. Rowell's personal and private life is exceptionally fine and pure. And yet "the world will not believe" in his political change of heart. His party twice before promised to clean up the bars and they cheated the "voters." Will he do what he says? In Toronto, for example, it is not generally believed that were Mr. Rowell returned with a majority, he would close all the Toronto hotel bars. This is his handicap.

Sir James Whitney, on the other hand, has carried out his promises. They may sometimes be meagre, they

may fall short of expectation, in one or two instances there has been delay, but the promises have been kept. He has promised a further restriction of the liquor traffic, and his record is with him. At the present rate of progress, all the bars in the province would be closed under the Local Option Act in twelve years. Would it be worth it to give the Conservatives 21 years of power? The Liberals had 22.

And it is here that the value of the opposition is most striking. A strong opposition makes a strong government. Even should Mr. Rowell not attain a majority in the legislature his campaign and the manifestation of public sentiment in his favor means that the government will certainly give attention to the issue that Mr. Rowell has made paramount. There must be legislation dealing with the liquor shops. There must be stronger control and a fully effective administration of the liquor laws. There must be a change in the licensing system, giving fewer spirit licenses and substituting beer and wine licenses instead. Public opinion is setting in this direction, and the opposition has done well to give it point. The political outlook seems to indicate the return of Sir James Whitney to power, but with a strengthened opposition the country may expect a forward movement in many directions in which progress is being sought.

### THE LATEST AUSTRIAN TRAGEDY.

Much was said and written in the earlier decades of last century about the crimes of the House of Hapsburg, and these have been neither few nor small. But that ill-fated family is today even better known by its sorrows. Blow after blow has fallen upon the venerable emperor, who after a stormy and unfortunate youth, for which he was not altogether personally to blame, has saved himself thru his deep sense of duty and responsibility to his people. His life has formed one of the most romantic and tragic of histories with as its most pathetic moments the death of his son and the assassination of his wife, the Empress Elizabeth.

Again the hand of the assassin has passed and the heir-apparent Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife have become its victims. This latest of the tragedies which have struck the House of Hapsburg may have results of high importance in their influence on the European situation. The late archduke made no secret of his sympathy with the aggressive section of Austrian sentiment that aimed at the development of the empire as a Slav power. He is believed to have been largely responsible for the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and for Austria's insistence on the erection of Albania into an independent kingdom. His death will give the aged emperor more cause for anxiety regarding the future of his heterogeneous realm.

### READING CAMP ASSOCIATION.

Work of great value and indeed of national importance has been and continues to be done under the auspices of the Reading Camp Association, whose thirteenth annual report has just been issued. Altho the provincial department of education recognizes to some extent the needs of the frontiersmen who are preparing the way for the extension of Canadian civilization into the remote regions of the Dominion, they have not fully met these. Grants in aid of conveying instruction to the motley crowd of workers who toil in the mining, lumber and construction camps are made, but these are insufficient for that purpose, and the result would be ineffective, but for the fact that the Reading Camp Association has stepped into the breach and thru its voluntary and unselfish instructors covered much of the outlying territory.

During the summer of 1913, seventy-five college men engaged in manual labor in the frontier camps of Canada, in order to serve their fellow toilers. After the day's labor was over, they taught English and the elements of education to men of many nationalities—Frenchmen, Italians, Swedes, Russians, Austrians, Galicians, Ruthenians and other foreigners who find employment in the wilds. The instructors find that when approached in a disinterested manner, these men appreciate any efforts that are made to teach them our language and improve their conditions. Nor is the opportunity lost, to bring before them the duties and responsibilities of Canadian citizenship. Until the state assumes the burden of this work, no organization is better worth the co-operation and support of the general public than the association that is looking after the frontiersmen.

### MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP IN SCOTLAND.

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United Kingdom. From the figures dealing with Scotland it appears that there are now only six statutory company gas undertakings in the country as against fifty-seven statutory municipal enterprises. This is made all the more interesting and suggestive when it is found that there is less temptation in Scotland than in any other part of the United Kingdom to municipalize gas undertakings, since by statute the price charged has to be adjusted to cover expenditures, reserves and renewals and profits cannot be applied to rate relief.

In this connection the corporate street railway service is illustrated by the figures for the Glasgow street railways covering the year ending May 31 last. The revenue reached to roundly \$5,000,000, towards which the one cent passengers contributed no less than \$2,200,000 and the two cent passengers \$1,900,000. The one cent stage in Glasgow is about a mile and an eighth in length and has been extended to practically one-half of the average two cent stage. Originally the one cent stage was only one-third of the two cent stage, but each extension was followed by a marked increase in the number of passengers carried and in the receipts. Cheap transportation has paid in Glasgow which last year after meeting all liabilities in respect of revenue and capital obligations and carrying over \$1,000,000 to renewal and depreciation account handed over \$260,000 to the "common good."

### MORE POWER IN THE WEST.

From The Winnipeg Grain Growers' Guide.

The redistribution bill which was passed in the recent session of parliament will give the three prairie provinces additional representatives in the next election. At the same time, owing to the movement of population from east to west, the representation of the eastern provinces has been reduced. Thus the political power which has been in the hands of the eastern provinces for so long, is being shifted to the west. It remains to be seen, however, how that power will be employed. It is said to meet 18 additional parliamentarians, eight on each side, who will vote against each other in every division as well as will be without its additional members. What Western Canada needs in order to secure justice is a group of fearless, able, independent members, tied to no party, but pledged to support the farmers' platform, no matter which party is in power. It is because the common people are divided on party lines that the special interests control the government in the interests of privilege.

### CANADA'S WESTERN CITIES.

Henry Howard of The Investor's Guardian, London, England, is the author of a recent publication "Canada, the Western Cities, Their Borrowings and Their Assets." The writer, who has had two extended trips thru Canada, one in 1910 and the other in 1913, deals mainly with the larger cities in the Canadian West, and the statistics are fully used to bear out the deductions arrived at.

Mr. Howard in summing up says: "The general conclusion at which I have arrived is that the British capital invested in the securities of the Canadian western municipalities has a good and sure basis in the valuable assets owned by west cities, that interest on debentures will be promptly forthcoming, and at its due date that the capital will be repaid." Altho Mr. Howard does not appear to be a public ownership advocate, he makes this admission: "The reader will not fail to realize that, in many cases the fully used and operated by municipalities, including waterworks, lighting systems, power systems, street railways, would, if owned by private enterprise, be valued at a higher sum in company shares and debentures than the whole indebtedness of the municipalities. Altho the conclusions reached in regard to the corporation borrowings of the larger municipalities are favorable Mr. Howard sounds a note of warning as follows: "Here and there a third-rate municipality in its desire to become

quickly a second Winnipeg may have somewhat perilously mortgaged its future by a too early adoption of modern civic improvements."

## LIGHTNING STRIKES AMUSEMENT HALL

Near-Panic in Chatham Theatre—Barns Hit and Crops Damaged.

Special to The Toronto World. CHATHAM, June 28.—During a heavy electric storm last evening a lightning bolt struck the Chatham Amusement Hall, and for a time it seemed as if a panic would happen. The lightning struck the transformer just outside the building, and the electric light service in the theatre was immediately cut off. The lightning traveled along the wires leading into the building and filled the theatre with a dull blue light.

Several women screamed and fainted, and a number of them jumped up and tried to scramble for the door. A man in the gallery raised the cry of fire and proceeded to climb down from the gallery to the floor of the house. It was with the greatest of difficulty that the attempt prevented a panic. The barns belonging to A. Jamieson, liveryman, were struck by the lightning, but they did not catch fire and no damage was done.

The rain fell in torrents and it is impossible at this time to estimate the damage which will be done to the crops. The rain was very hard on the young corn crops, for the plants are just coming to stand up in the fields. The roads have been badly affected by the rain and it is expected that it will have the effect of keeping many of the rural voters at home tomorrow.

A 1200-foot toboggan slide will be in operation all summer at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, operated by an artificial refrigerator company.

A system of value in front of the automobile headlight has the effect of illuminating the road ahead, and at the same time shields the eyes of those approaching.

## AT OSGOOD HALL

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

27th June, 1914.

The Circuit Guide, so well known to the profession, for the coming half year is ready for distribution. The Autumn Assize List, new court rules, recently passed, Law School notices, Ontario Bar Association information, Circuit Railway Guide etc., ensures the continued usefulness of this handy little book to the profession.

Motions set down for Single Court for Monday, 29th inst. at 11 a.m.:

1. Re Bowerman estate.
2. Wellesley Hospital v. Williams.
3. Curtis v. Can. Women's M.F. Co.
4. Re Butler estate.
5. Re Peake v. Deirus.

Master's Chambers.

Before J. A. C. Cameron, Master.

Reinhardt v. Gamble—Murton (Smyth, K. C.) for plaintiff, obtained final order of foreclosure.

Millson v. Halliday—K. W. Wright, for plaintiff, obtained order for substitutional service of statement of claim. Taylor v. Dulmage—J. M. Langstaff, for plaintiff, moved for order of repayment. G. T. Walsh for defendant. Motion dismissed with costs to defendant in any event of the cause, the plaintiff having already selected his remedy by way of injunction restraining defendant from dealing in any way with automobile in question.

Fitchmarsh v. Hagar—J. H. Spence, for defendant, moved for order changing venue from Toronto to Cayuga. D. O. Cameron for plaintiff. Order made. Costs in cause.

Benckham v. Beatty—H. Robinson, for plaintiff, moved for examination of defendant as judgment debtor. J. H. Hoffman for defendant. Order made. Costs in cause.

Vardon v. Vardon—T. N. Phelan, for plaintiff, moved for order for interim alimony and disbursements. G. H. Sedgewick for defendant. Enlarged sine die.

Bradshaw v. Moser—G. T. Walsh, for plaintiff, obtained order for substitutional service of writ and notice of motion for judgment. Costs in cause.

Judges Chambers.

Before Latchford, J.

Re Standard Mutual Fire Insurance Co.—Pepler (McWhinney & Co.) for liquidators, obtained order on consent appointing J. A. McAndrew referee in place of G. Kappel, K.C. deceased.

LIBERALS CAMPAIGN UP TO ELEVENTH HOUR

Special to The Toronto World.

GALT, June 28.—The Liberal party made its last stand in the present election here today. From several pulpits sermons on "What should be the Result of the Election Tomorrow?" were delivered. This evening following the church services a mass meeting was held in Queen's Square, attended by a few hundred. Dr. A. S. Grant, of the Presbyterian home missions, was the chief speaker. Addresses were also delivered by local clergymen.

E. A. Hall, Conservative standard bearer, will be elected by a big majority.

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### A REFERENDUM

Says Liquor Question Should Be Taken Out of Politics

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## EXTRA TODAY

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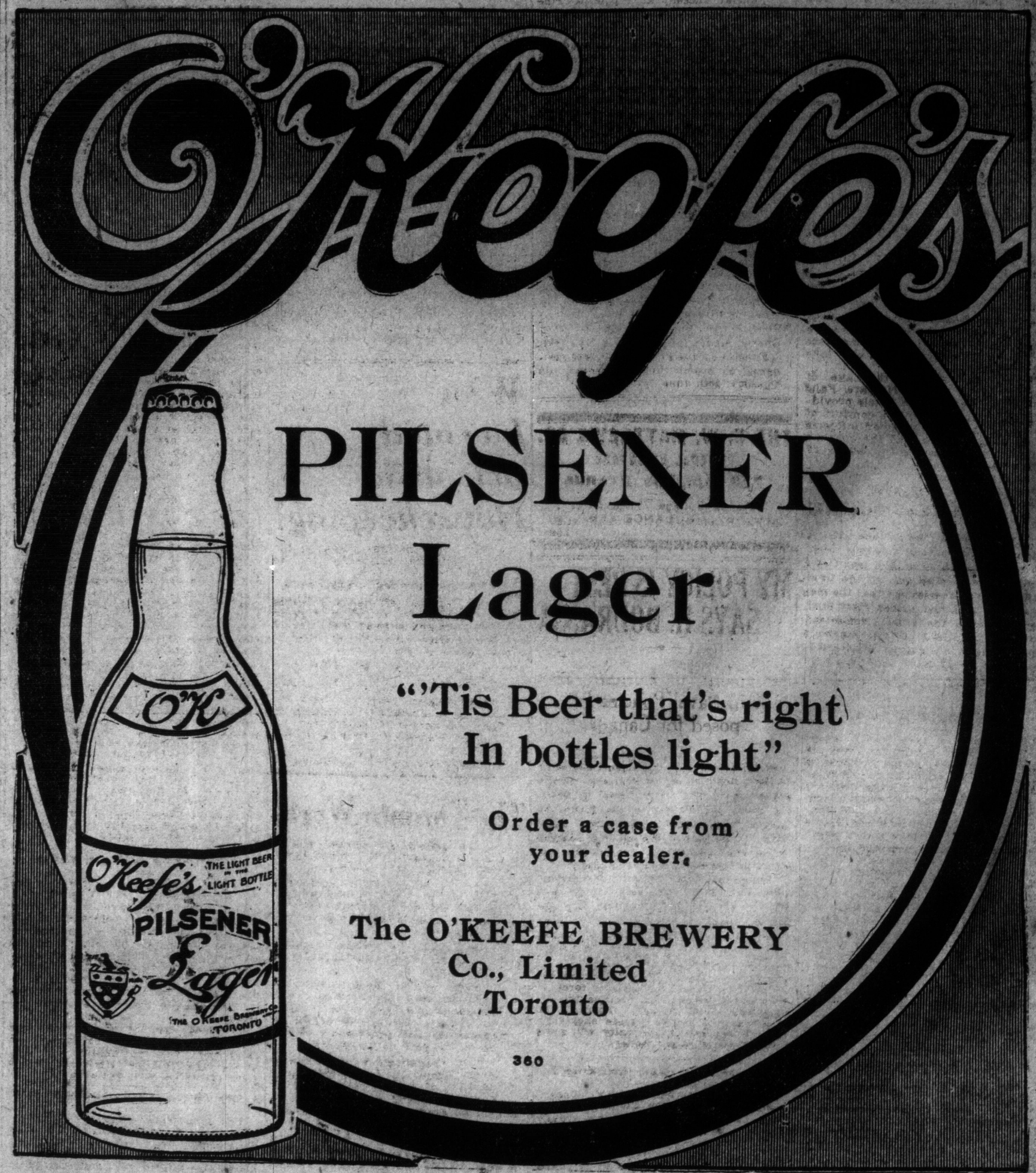
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## CHURCH CELEBRATES EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY

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