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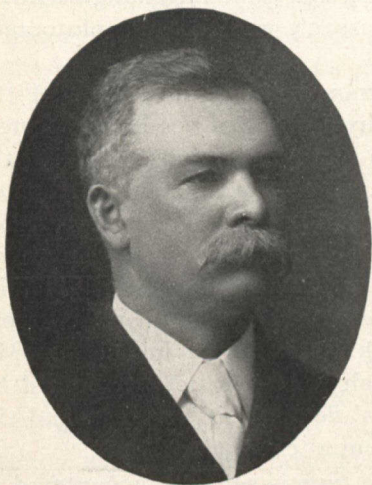
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IN THE PUBLIC VIEW



Mr. W. A. Hogg,
President Canadian Club of Collingwood.

has been mayor of the town magistrate.

CANADIAN Clubs are now electing new presidents. The Toronto club has chosen Mr. R. Home Smith, an executive officer of the National Trust Company, and one of the leaders in the movement to put the city park system under the control of a commission. The Edmonton club has selected Col. E. B. Edwards, K.C. Collingwood has elected Mr. W. A. Hogg, editor of the *Enterprise*, in succession to Mr. David Williams of the *Bulletin*. Collingwood seems to look to its journalists for its intellectual leadership, which is a great tribute to those gentlemen. Mr. Hogg was born in Collingwood forty-five years ago, when the traffic on the Georgian Bay consisted mainly of supply and lumber boats. He and was recently appointed police

THAT the Laurier Government should appoint Mr. Joseph Edmond Roy of Levis to the post of assistant Dominion archivist is proof that political qualifications are not always considered. Mr. Roy has long been known by both French and English students of Canadian history as one of the most indefatigable and effective workers in this field. Though a notary, a railway director, and an ex-mayor of Levis, he has been chosen because of his scholarly attainments and his wide acquaintance with the original sources of our history. For some years he published the *Bulletin des Recherches Historiques* and has assisted in many other literary enterprises. He has been a member of the Royal Society of Canada since 1891.

THE late Dr. Willoughby, member without portfolio of the Whitney Government and member of the Ontario Legislature for East Northumberland, was one of the genial parliamentarians who knew little about the subtleties of political life. He was one of the very few medical men that ever went into the Ontario House; the three most recent medical members there being the Hon. Dr. Pyne, Hon. Dr. Reaume and Dr. Beattie Nesbitt. With all three of his confreres Dr. Willoughby agreed in politics but differed widely in personality. He was the son of an Irishman, and the Willoughbys anywhere have retained the Irish ways as well as any of that extraction in Canada. He was born in Simcoe County in 1844, educated at Bradford Grammar School and at Victoria University in Cobourg, near which at the town of Colborne he settled as a young doctor and where he lived till his death a few days ago. He entered the Legislature in 1886 and became a minister without portfolio in 1905—being one of the group who met Premier Whitney at the Queen's Hotel in Toronto when the Cabinet was chosen. Dr. Nesbitt was another of the group ready to greet his new chief; but he received from Mr. Whitney merely a handshake and "Hello, Nesbitt!"—while Dr. Willoughby got a position in the Cabinet. The late doctor was always deeply interested in matters affecting the public health.

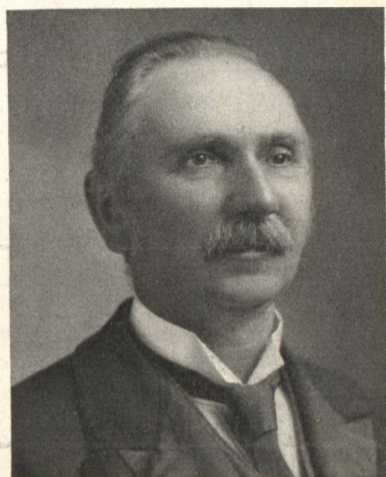


Mr. J. E. Roy,
Assistant Dominion Archivist.

As Conservative whip during the days when his party was in opposi-

tion, Dr. Willoughby became better acquainted with the Reform members than any other of his ranks and was highly esteemed by those who "differed." Even during the strenuous session of 1903, when the Gagey charges rendered debate highly acrimonious, Dr. Willoughby's genial attitude was unchanging and helped more than once to relieve the tension.

MR. JOHN TAYLOR, lately deceased in Toronto, was one of the old commercial school, a man who was always in personality rather more marked than he was in business—in which he was more than ordinarily successful. Mr. Taylor came to Canada as a boy with his father, and knew what it felt like to be an Englishman in Canada in the days when the Britisher cut a relatively bigger figure than he does to-day; when there was no southern European immigration, and when all the movements of population between Canada and the United States were confined to Canadians going south of the Great Lakes. When John Taylor began to make paper with his brother there was no danger of a paper depletion and no pulpwood problem anywhere. In later years Mr. Taylor went into the commission business and the manufacture of soap. He was one of the first promoters of the Toronto Public Library and took a constant deep interest in philanthropic work; was a past president of the St. George's Society and a member of many clubs.



The late Mr. John Taylor.

PRESIDENT ELIOT of Harvard has come out against football. In his annual college report—which seems to be looked for down at Harvard as anxiously as a budget speech—he condemns modern football, not because it interferes with studies but because it is rough. He contends that a game which can be played by only a few and that for a very short period of life is necessarily inferior to games which can be played by any one and up to the age of sixty. President Eliot is a scholar and is not a mere dilettante. He is merely asserting the scholar's point of view. In this connection it is suggestive to note that President Falconer of Toronto University is an earnest advocate of all forms of college sport.

CONTRARY to the prophecy from certain Conservative quarters, Hon. Adam Beck has been nominated as candidate for that party in London, the city of Meredith traditions. Mr. Beck is a leader of much local popularity who will probably win in a canter. Although of German descent Mr. Beck comes nearer to the English type of sportsman-politician than any other member of the Ontario Cabinet and the stables at "Headley," his London residence, have given Mr. Beck more than a provincial reputation as judge of horse-flesh. In political circles, Mr. Beck's constant advocacy of "cheap power" has given him the title of "Minister of Electricity," which is in keeping with this inventive age.



Hon. Adam Beck,
Minister without Portfolio in Ontario Cabinet.