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LONDON, FRIDAY, JAN. 27.

## The Aftermath.

Mr. Whitney's majority is so ample that he is, for the time being, master of the situation. He will have a free hand in constructing his cabinet. He can deal without fear or favor with the horde of hungry office-seekers already knocking at the door, and he is in a position to extinguish the undesirable elements which have attained a bad eminence in his party. He has made use of them in mounting to power and has encouraged expectations which he cannot fulfill, unless he brazenly disregards his own professions. The preference of certain of his lieutenants would be interpreted as proof that their claims could not be disallowed, because of some chapter in the party's record from which they might remove the seals. This, particularly true of the member from Manitoulin, whose re-election is a reproach to the people of his riding, and whose elevation to the cabinet would be an intolerable scandal. The crop of aspirants for ministerial positions is a large one, but with a majority of forty behind him, Mr. Whitney can afford to disappoint a good many, and choose his colleagues on their merits, unless he is "held up" by the men who possess some guilty secrets.

The new Premier will have plenty of assistance from the press and the politicians in framing his cabinet. Mr. Foy will undoubtedly be his attorney-general. He is the ablest lawyer in the Conservative contingent and has been seven years in Parliament. He is the only competent man, with experience, to whom Mr. Whitney can appeal. Mr. Hanna, of West Lambton, is a new hand, but he is a good speaker, and is said to be slated as Minister of Crown Lands, the duties of that office being quasi-judicial. The main problem will be in assigning the portfolios of agriculture and education. Mr. Thomas Crawford, of West Toronto, has been mentioned for the former. He is a worthy man, a cattle buyer by occupation, but he will never fill Mr. Dryden's shoes. Those who have heard him speak will understand the reason. The Minister of Agriculture must take an active part in agricultural conventions and assemblies and be prepared to discuss every branch of husbandry, but Mr. Crawford is not a farmer and has some difficulty in handling words. Mr. McDiarmid, of West Elgin, is mentioned as the alternative, but the position requires an older head. For a Minister of Education, Mr. Whitney may have to look outside the present House. The name of Mr. St. John has been coupled with the post, but this is obviously a jest. It would not be surprising if Mr. Whitney took the department under his own care. Col. Matheson has been the financial critic of the Opposition for many years, and will expect the treasuryship, but Mr. Whitney will be justified in placing it in other hands. The colonel is a useful member of the public accounts committee, but reaches his limit there. Mr. Isaac B. Lucas, of Center Grey, is among the most promising of the Conservative colts, and is probably marked for promotion. Mr. Hendrie, of Hamilton, a man of wealth and social station, may be chosen for the public works department. A Minister of Mines is to be added to the cabinet, and Mr. Whitney has promised a surprise.

The defeat of Hon. John Dryden is a heavy loss to the Legislature. The new Government would have had the benefit of his criticism and advice on agricultural matters, its weakest spot. The defeats of Mr. Gibson, Mr. Latchford, and Mr. Charlton are to be deplored for the same reason. There is no man on either side of the new House with Mr. Gibson's grasp of municipal law. Next to the Premier, no member of the ministry was more maligned than the former Attorney-General, but his name is written on a great body of legislation which will endure and he will always rank among the foremost of Canadian public men. The public need not look for anything revolutionary from the new regime, which will accept the policy of the late Government, ready-made, and endeavor to carry it out, though in a bungling way, it is to be feared. There will be no abrogation of the 800 guarantee bill, which the Conservative party so bitterly denounced. There will be no change for the present in the method of administering the crown lands. There will be no radical departures in the school system. There are no abuses calling for redress. New problems will arise with the growth of the Province, and as the policy of a Government must be one of adaptation to changing conditions, those at the head of affairs must be open to new ideas. It is probable, as we said before, that the Conservative party, for self-preservation, will call new men to its councils.

## In Russia.

The revolutionary spirit in Russia is to some extent a product of the new industrialism of the empire. M. De Witte planned to encourage the growth of manufactures, so as to diversify production and render the people less exclusively dependent upon the soil. He invited the investment of foreign capital and adopted a rigid system of tariff protection. No doubt his policy has stimulated industrial development, although the position of the peasantry appears to be growing worse. The artisan class is above the masses, and being concentrated in a comparatively few cities, it can be easily reached by the propagandists, and can think and

feel as a unit. In Great Britain the rise of the factory system was attended by terrible abuses, which are being reproduced in Russia's new industrial life, so that the discontent of the working classes takes a political form. The industrial centers become the hotbeds of Nihilist and Socialist agitation, but the greatest force against the bureaucracy is the liberalism of the professional and educated classes. These are not revolutionary or republican; they realize that an unbridled democracy is impossible while the Russian people are on their present low plane; but they demand that some form of representative government shall replace the odious and tyrannical bureaucracy, of which the Czar is the mere puppet.

The proletariat of St. Petersburg appears to be overawed and the authorities are throwing distinguished liberals into prison for the crime of passing resolutions. Among these is Gorky, Russia's greatest literary light, next to Tolstoy. It will be inferred from this that the reactionists are in complete control for the time being. Will the Emperor throw himself into their arms again, or will he listen to wiser counsels and forestall revolution by reform? He is blown hither and thither when a strong man might ride the whirlwind and direct the storm.

Now that the election is over everybody can see how it happened.

A new broom sweeps clean, but the Whitney ministry will find no dirt to clean up.

Have our Conservative friends any complaint against the election machinery this time?

Of course, the first act of the new Government will be to pass Mr. Petty-piece's railway taxation bill.

Our local contemporary alleges that hundreds of Conservatives were dismissed from the civil service in 1896. Perhaps our l. c. will oblige us with a few names.

Mr. Gibson fought his campaign on a sick-bed and was defeated by only 85 majority. It is no secret that he has wished for some years to retire from the ministry, but loyalty to his leader kept him in the fight to the last.

Liberals hope that Mr. Ross can see his way clear to remain at the head of the party. But they cannot complain if his years and his physical infirmities incline him to take life easier. He has proved that he is not a "quitter," and will live in the grateful memory of his party.

## Keats' Opinion of Hamlet.

[From a Keats Autograph Letter Sold in London.]

The middle age of Shakespeare was all covered over; his days were not more happy than Hamlet's, who is, perhaps, more like Shakespeare himself in his common everyday life than any other of his characters.

## Not So Original.

[Cleveland Plain Dealer.]

"I thought I had discovered an original idea in shopping when I went down town immediately after a 7 o'clock breakfast yesterday morning."

"Well, I found that at least 10,000 shoppers had thought of the very same thing."

## The Parrot the Scapgoat.

[Detroit Free Press.]

Father—What did the teacher say when she heard you swear?

Small Boy—She asked me where I learned it.

Father—What did you tell her?

Boy—I didn't want to give you away, pa, so I blamed it on the parrot.

## Only One.

[Puck.]

"So ye attended Rafferty's wake. Was anybody sober?"

"Nobody but Rafferty."

## Did Anna Bite Him?

[Flint Cor. Fenton (Mich.) Courier.]

Louis Delisle was bitten on the right leg Wednesday morning while delivering an order of meat to Miss Anna E. Kelch on Church street.

## Evidently They Are Married.

[Track City (Tenn.) Times.]

Prof. Lewis Rollings and Miss Pearl Cox, after several months of heart-to-heart conversation on the performance of sweet love-making, were married under the roseate Archway of Hymen, where soul meets soul on waves of ecstatic feelings.

## The Meals for Poets.

The breakfast party became fashionable in the early 19th century. Samuel Rogers being one of the principal hosts. Round his table gathered all the wits and celebrities of the day. At his house in St. James' Place, Byron and Moore first came together over a mess of potatoes and vinegar. It was in his dining-room that Erskine told the story of his first brief, and Gratton that of his last diet. While the Iron Duke described Waterloo as a "battle of giants," Rogers asked people, it was currently reported, by way of probation for dinner, what his breakfast parties were more social than his dinners, which, comparatively speaking, were affairs of necessity or form. His invitation notes were models of penmanship and conciseness. "Will you breakfast with me tomorrow?—S. R." was the pithy invitation to a celebrated wit. He was fond of quoting Rousseaue's profession of an gout fin pour les dejeuner—the two of day when we are quietest and talk most at our ease. Greville, in his "Memoirs," notes one of these breakfasts in 1831. "Sydney Smith, Luttrell, John Russell and Moore excessively agreeable. I never heard anything more entertaining. With Sydney Smith, such bursts of meriment and so dramatic. Rogers was always agreeable."—Chambers' Journal.

## Grammar.

There is no word so seldom matched with its proper companion as "same."

"Same-as" (for the "as" implied) is the necessary fulfilling of the phrase, "Same—which" is altogether inadmissible.

"Blackwood," protesting against the Shakespeare monument, says to the authors of today: "They may recite his works with the same restraint of gesture, intention and adornment which interpreted his works in his own day." How few and how simple and how neglected are our grammatical laws! And to think that the poor Indian and the equally poor Tuscan observe their own complex and delicate syntax in every point—London Chronicle.

Great Lakes Sale Still Continues.

## WOODS' FAIR

## WOOLEN HEAD AND SHOULDER WRAPS

Three hundred travelers' samples, no two alike, also Child's Jackets, Child's Mitts, Booties and Mufflers. These beautiful goods are in perfect condition, and no two alike, and will be offered at specially reduced prices. See assortment in west window.

Child's Booties, in pink, blue and white, red and white, and mauve, and white, at 5c, 10c, and 15c.

Babies' Crochet Shoes, in white, pink and white and blue and white, at 25c and 35c.

Infants' Mitts in white, pink and white, plaid, gray, and blue, and white, at 10c and 15c.

Babies' Jackets, in white, pink, blue, red and white, pink and white, blue and white, at 25c, 35c, 45c, 55c, and 75c.

Silk Shawls, in fancy Roman stripe, pink and white, black and white, and blue and white, at 35c, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Ice Wool Umbrella Shawls, in blue and white, pink and white, white and brown, and white, at 55c, \$1.25 and \$1.35.

Wool Fascinators, in white, blue and white, pink and white, at 85c, \$1.40 and \$1.25.

Wool Honeycomb Shawls, in different designs, at 65c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.75.

Wool Scarfs, in pink and white, blue and white, red and brown, white and brown, at 25c, 35c, 45c, 55c, and 75c.

25c Snow-Shovels Going at 25c each.

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## C. O. F. BANQUET

Court Middlesex, No. 118, Held its Annual Gathering.

The annual banquet of Court Middlesex, No. 118, C. O. F., held in the City Hotel last evening, was a most successful affair. Bro. E. T. Essery occupied the chair, and a large number of brethren were present, including representatives from other lodges.

After a sumptuous repast, "The King" was loyally honored, and the following toasts followed: "High Court, C. O. F.," Bro. Galpin and D. Tripp; "Canada," Bro. W. B. R. Hartman; "Sister Societies," Bro. R. K. Cowan; P. G. M. of the I. O. O. F.; "The Corporation of London," Bro. A. Saunders; "The Ladies," Bro. Albert Evans.

During the evening songs and instrumental selections were rendered by Bro. J. W. Fletcher, Mr. Murtagh and Mr. McConnell, and were much enjoyed. The following committee had charge of the arrangements: Bro. S. Smith, E. A. Reed, C. Taylor, J. McCormick, Robert Thomas, J. Sutton and R. Auer.

The following were among those present: Bro. William Stone, C. R.; Bro. King, V. C. R.; Bro. Annett, P. C. R.; Bro. Sutton, S. W.; Bro. Young, J. W.; Bro. Taylor, S. B.; Bro. Resard, J. B.; Bro. Reed, financial secretary, and Bro. Evans, recording secretary. The officers from other lodges included D. H. C. R. Bro. Tripp, Court Robin Hood; Bro. Gilbert, treasurer Court Orient; and A. R. Galpin, high chaplain, Court Deference.

## Bayoneted the Japs.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 27.—Gen. Kuro-patkin adds: "No details have been received of the losses at Khalatova, and Kheigoitaya, which are seven versts southwest of Samoylov. We occupied Khalatova without firing, the Japanese being bayoneted. Kheigoitaya was being defended, but we finally occupied it at 10 o'clock at night. Our cavalry pursued two regiments of Japanese dragons, which fled southeastward. On our flank a detachment repulsed the Japanese and occupied a defile between Kheigoitaya and Expanian. Another detachment sent against the enemy's dark navy, near Kheigoitaya, forced the Japanese to retire and captured 200 cattle."

## Sore Throat and Cough.

A simple, effective and safe remedy for all throat and cough ailments. It is a powerful antiseptic and disinfectant. It is a powerful antiseptic and disinfectant. It is a powerful antiseptic and disinfectant.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, Ontario, tends to undertake the following works or improvements, and to assess and levy a special rate thereon, to be assessed and levied as an annual rate according to the frontage thereof upon the real property immediately benefited by such works or improvements, according to the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," in relation to the following portions of the City of London:

## NO. 1 WARD.

1. West side of Clarence street, King street to York street. Width 8 feet.

2. West side of Thames street, Dundas street to King street. Width 6 feet.

3. South side of Bathurst street, Thames street to Ridout street. Width 5 feet.

4. East side of Clarence street, South street to Nelson street. Width 5 feet.

5. West side of Ridout street, York street to Bathurst street. Width 5 feet.

6. East side of Clarence street, Simcoe street to Hill street. Width 5 feet.

7. West side of Clarence street, Grey street to Simcoe street. Width 5 feet.

8. North side of Grey street, Richmond street to a point 400 feet west of Richmond street. Width 5 feet.

9. West side of Wellington street, Simcoe street to Wellington street. Width 5 feet.

10. West side of Wharncliffe road, Riverview avenue, to a point 400 feet north of Riverview avenue. Width 4 feet.

11. South side of Riverview avenue, Wharncliffe road, to a point opposite the westerly limit of lot 14 north of Riverview avenue. Width 4 feet.

12. North side of Riverview avenue, Wharncliffe road, to a point opposite the westerly limit of lot 14 north of Riverview avenue. Width 4 feet.

13. South side of Becho street, Horn street to Perry street. Width 5 feet.

14. West side of Becho street, Horn street to Perry street. Width 5 feet.

15. South side of Byron avenue, Wharncliffe road to Teresa street. Width 5 feet.

16. West side of Cynthia street, Askin street to Bruce street. Width 5 feet.

17. East side of Cynthia street, Bruce street to Askin street. Width 5 feet.

18. South side of Askin street, Wharncliffe road to Cynthia street. Width 5 feet.

19. North side of Elmwood avenue, Edward street to Brighton street. Width 5 feet.

20. North side of Elmwood avenue, Marley Place to Elmwood street. Width 5 feet.

21. West side of Edward street, Brighton street to Elmwood street. Width 5 feet.

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28. West side of Edward street, Brighton street to Elmwood street. Width 5 feet.

## SATURDAY SHOPPERS

"SPECIAL BARGAINS AT SPECIAL PRICES."



## Laces and Veilings.

Lace Ends for Dress Trimmings less than half price.

Cotton Laces at bargain prices.

Pure Linen Laces from 3c to 25c yard.

Large assortment of Guipure and Net Laces and Insertions, in white, cream and ecru.

The newest Veiling—a great variety for a variety of tastes.

## Ladies' Underwear at a Bargain.

Children's Fleece Vests, in sizes 1 to 6, at 17c, 20c, 23c and 25c each.

Children's Fleece Drawers, all sizes, from 22c to 35c pair.

Children's Fine Wool Vests and Drawers, from 42c to 62c each.

Children's Union Combination Suits, in 4 sizes, at 67c, 72c, 78c and 84c each.

Ladies' Fleece Vests and Drawers, only 25c each.

Ladies' Union Vests and Drawers, 50c each.

Special line Ladies' Pure Silk Vests, sleeveless and short sleeves, in shades of fawn, black, pink and cream, were \$1.25, to clear 63c each.

## Ladies' \$3.00 Walking Skirts for \$1.99

Special selection of only 18 Ladies' Walking Skirts, in colors of navy and oxford, go on sale Saturday morning at a bargain. Regular price of these Up-to-Date Skirts is \$3.00. On sale Saturday for \$1.99.