

The Civic Contest

Results in the Election of Mr. Essery as Mayor.

An Adverse Vote on the Early-Closing Bylaw.

The Free Library Idea Indorsed by a Large Majority.

London West Votes for Amalgamation by a Good Big Majority.

No Reduction in the Number of Wards—Electric Light Figures Incomplete—The Success of Candidates for Aldermanic and School Board Honors—A Quartet of Speeches.

Being a holiday, there was considerable interest in the London municipal elections yesterday, and an unusually full vote was polled, that for the mayor being greater by several hundreds than registered last year. The liquor men worked hard to defeat the early closing of bars bylaw, and it is alleged that a great many voters, vulgarly known as "pluggers," were polled against the proposed change. The defeat of the bylaw is a surprise to everyone. The anti-early closing scrutineers in more than one ward demanded that women voters should be sworn. By this means votes for the bylaw were undoubtedly lost, because many of the ladies, though well qualified, declined to go through the formula. Mr. Essery received the votes of the majority of those who opposed the early closing bylaw, but his majority was enhanced through other influences as well. In the aldermanic contests some good men who served in last year's council have fallen by the way, but on the other hand some able men have been elected. In the school trustee contests of the old members have been left at home, but Mr. Stephenson has been sent back to represent No. 2 ward by a substantial majority. The free library bylaw was carried by an overwhelming majority. That the city should control its own electric lighting is, judging by the vote, the opinion of most of the electors. Before any change is made, the freetholders will have to vote on a bylaw authorizing the expenditure. The bylaw to decrease the number of wards was defeated by a large majority. It did not have a fair chance, as it was brought out too late in the year to be thoroughly discussed. Though the streets were a little heavy, owing to the fall of snow, it was an ideal polling day, and the voters got around without any difficulty.

The following is a summary of results:

MAYOR.	
Sub-division.	For.
WARD ONE.	
No. 1.	34
No. 2.	44
No. 3.	20
No. 4.	29
No. 5.	63
No. 6.	61
No. 7.	62
Totals.	377
WARD TWO.	
No. 1.	43
No. 2.	73
No. 3.	81
No. 4.	92
No. 5.	85
No. 6.	55
Totals.	430
WARD THREE.	
No. 1.	69
No. 2.	69
No. 3.	72
No. 4.	68
No. 5.	88
No. 6.	86
No. 7.	63
Totals.	501
WARD FOUR.	
No. 1.	110
No. 2.	76
No. 3.	93
No. 4.	93
No. 5.	75
No. 6.	64
Totals.	461
WARD FIVE.	
No. 1.	67
No. 2.	82
No. 3.	82
No. 4.	84
No. 5.	84
No. 6.	64
Totals.	461
WARD SIX.	
No. 1.	67
No. 2.	82
No. 3.	82
No. 4.	84
No. 5.	84
No. 6.	64
Totals.	461
WARD SEVEN.	
No. 1.	67
No. 2.	82
No. 3.	82
No. 4.	84
No. 5.	84
No. 6.	64
Totals.	461
Grand totals.	2,421
Majority for Essery, 418.	

Following was the vote for mayor last year:

Ward.	Spencer.	Essery.
No. 1.	417	417
No. 2.	422	422
No. 3.	422	422
No. 4.	422	422
No. 5.	422	422
No. 6.	422	422
No. 7.	422	422
Totals.	2,834	2,834
Majority for Spencer, 241.		

FOR ALDERMEN.

Ward.	For.	Against.
WARD ONE.		
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
No. 4.	61	61
No. 5.	61	61
No. 6.	61	61
No. 7.	61	61
Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
WARD TWO.		
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
No. 4.	61	61
No. 5.	61	61
No. 6.	61	61
No. 7.	61	61
Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
WARD THREE.		
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
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Majority for the proposal, 202.		

MR. GARTHOPE SPEAKS.

When it became evident that Mr. Essery had been elected mayor, Ald. Garthorpe rose, amid the cheers of his supporters who crowded his committee room, and said: "Gentlemen, the figures show that we have been unsuccessful in the contest to-day. For myself, I am not sorry that I have been relieved of the great responsibility which over 2,400 of my fellow-citizens have desired that I should undertake, and have so expressed themselves at the polls. (Cheers.) I shall sleep as sound to-night, therefore, as I have ever done in my life. But I embrace this opportunity to thank my friends who so energetically worked to secure my return. I am sorry, for their sakes, that they have not succeeded, for they worked in a manner to deserve success. I can never forget their many kindnesses. (Cheers.)"

AT THE CITY HALL.

A tremendous crowd squeezed into the City Hall after the results were known. The crush was so great that seats were snatched by the pressure of surging humanity, and the reporters in front were nearly overwhelmed. The crowd became restive, and spying Ald. George Chas. Taylor called forth until he could not say much, as he was overwhelmed with joy. After nine o'clock the lights in the council hall had been removed at the head of the polls. It showed that the electors had confidence in him. This pleased him, as he also the election of Mr. Essery. The figures which he had opposed had each and every one been defeated. The bylaw to reduce the number of wards in the city was out of sight. He had always opposed it. The free library, which he had tried to get many years ago, would be of great interest to the public. Ald. Taylor thanked the electors from the bottom of his heart and concluded.

ALD. E. PARNELL, J.M., REELECTED.

Ald. E. Parnell, J.M., re-elected for No. 6, was next called and called for. He said that a year ago he had spoken from the same platform and pledged himself to his best for ward 6 particularly, and he felt generally. He had been returned to the head of the polls to serve a second term on the aldermanic board, for which he had desired to thank the electors of No. 6. He deemed this as a favor bestowed upon himself and the views he had expressed. He had studied the electric light bylaw which had been carried by the people, ward 6 in particular, giving a large majority. His report to No. 6 committee on this matter had been unanimously adopted by both the committee and the council. He was pleased that the free library bylaw had also carried. It was one of the greatest things that had ever happened to the city. Every franchise such as the electric light should be controlled by the city and in the best interests of the citizens. Questions would come up for settlement during this year which would be of great importance to London for many years to come. There had been, he said, a great deal of dirt thrown at the London and Port Stanley Railroad. It was worth millions of dollars to the city. Again he thanked the electors, and said that he would be their humble servant instead of trying to be a boss, as some aldermen of 1892 had done. (Cheers.)

A tedious wait followed and the people became impatient. Finally Mr. Essery, who had been pushed through the throng and mounted the platform. He was greeted with an hurrah. He thanked the citizens of London for returning him as mayor. He had been elected to the office, and he had never been afraid to show his colors. When he was in public office in the waterworks no man could point a finger at any of his acts, whether he was white or black, Protestant or Roman Catholic. It had been said that he was "a law of the handle," but he would not "fly off the handle" when he took his seat there (pointing to the mayor's chair). Mr. Essery twitted his opponent with wearing his cavalry officer uniform during the day, and said he (Mr. Essery) had also a military school certificate, which he got when he was 16 years old. He desired to thank the workmen, the mechanics, the artisans and laborers of the city from the bottom of his heart. It was the workmen of London which elected him. (Cheers.) The man who was fool enough to bet on the other side was the man who had more money than he knew what to do with. He wanted to tell the men of the Trades and Labor Council that if they had anything to bring before the council, if it were reasonable, he would back them up, and if not would tell them his reasons. He had elected the shoemaker's son because the father was a man at work and the son had been a man well in office. He was there as the non-exemption candidate. Whatever he was going to stand by the election he was going to stand by to the rest of the year, and he asked the people to see that he kept his word. His conclusion, he wished all a happy New Year.

THE MEETING THEN BROKE UP.

EARLY CLOSING OF BARS.

Sub-division. For. Against.

Sub-division.	For.	Against.
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
No. 4.	61	61
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No. 6.	61	61
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Totals.	405	405
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Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
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Majority for the proposal, 202.		
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No. 1.	68	68
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Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
WARD SIX.		
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
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Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		

REDUCTION OF WARDS.

Sub-division.	For.	Against.
No. 1.	68	68
No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
No. 4.	61	61
No. 5.	61	61
No. 6.	61	61
No. 7.	61	61
Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
WARD ONE.		
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No. 2.	77	77
No. 3.	61	61
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No. 7.	61	61
Totals.	405	405
Majority for the proposal, 202.		
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Majority for the proposal, 202.		

RESULTS OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR 1893.

No. 5.	32
No. 6.	39
No. 7.	20
Totals.	354
WARD TWO.	
No. 1.	79
No. 2.	95
No. 3.	74
No. 4.	74
No. 5.	40
No. 6.	29
Totals.	375
WARD THREE.	
No. 1.	56
No. 2.	77
No. 3.	73
No. 4.	37
No. 5.	83
No. 6.	58
No. 7.	25
Totals.	389
WARD FOUR.	
No. 1.	109
No. 2.	68
No. 3.	64
No. 4.	27
No. 5.	86
No. 6.	30
Totals.	384
WARD FIVE.	
No. 1.	52
No. 2.	53
No. 3.	57
No. 4.	44
Totals.	186
WARD SIX.	
No. 1.	46
No. 2.	24
No. 3.	61
No. 4.	22
No. 5.	26
Totals.	179
Total vote 1,867 for reduction, and 3,407 against. Majority against, 1,540.	
LONDON WEST.	
In London West the election passed quietly. The bylaw providing for amalgamation with the city was carried by a good majority. Appended are the figures:	
WARD ONE.	
Platt.	74
Chapman.	9
McDonald.	33
Lacey.	9
Scarrow.	53
Murdoch.	36
COUNCILLORS.	
Spence, Collins and Smith (acclamation).	75
SCHOOL TEACHERS.	
Ludwig.	78
Hughson.	69
Paul.	57
Davidson.	29
Alley.	9
The first three are elected.	149
For.	106
Against.	17
Majority for amalgamation.	
C. M. B. A.	
Ten Quebec Branches Withdraw From the Supreme Council of Canada.	
MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 2.—There is serious trouble in the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association. Hitherto there has been only one grand council for the whole of the Dominion, and at the general convention of the Supreme Council, composed of delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada, held in Montreal a month ago, the petition of the Canadian Grand Council to have a supreme jurisdiction within the Dominion was granted, and the Canadian Grand Council given supreme authority in this country. Owing to the Ontario law, which requires registration of certificates and the holding of all funds by trustees, the positions of trustees were held by Ontario men, and this has created dissatisfaction among the Quebec members, who object to their money being controlled without representation. As a result, ten of the Quebec branches have withdrawn from the Supreme Council of Canada, and have formed themselves into a Grand Council for Quebec. The officers of the Grand Council of Canada declare the action of the Quebec branches is illegal, and that they will continue in the courts.	
FRIZZLED FUR.	
INCONVENIENCES OF QUARANTINE REGULATIONS AS CARRIED OUT AT HALIFAX.	
HALIFAX, Jan. 2.—All passengers aboard money being controlled without representation. As a result, ten of the Quebec branches have withdrawn from the Supreme Council of Canada, and have formed themselves into a Grand Council for Quebec. The officers of the Grand Council of Canada declare the action of the Quebec branches is illegal, and that they will continue in the courts.	
MANIFEST DESTINY.	
Commercial Union of All Nations on the American Continent Predicted.	
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—"I predict that within 50 years, and perhaps within 25 years—for you can call hell your quarter—there will be a tendency to the toward a commercial union of the whole American continent," said Representative Holman to-day. Mr. Holman adds that he did not mean a political union, though of course a commercial union would have a political effect, but that he looked to see the tariff lifted from Alaska to Cape Horn. "There is no reason," said Mr. Holman, "why there should not have a commercial union with that great empire, which is rich and Mexico also should have such an arrangement."	
Professor Palmer, of the philosophy faculty at Harvard, argues against the vigorous teaching in schools, because the effort to give systematic instruction in religion or ethics to the young has resulted in improving conduct but in stimulating a world self-interest, which is characterized as a disease. Conduct must be taught by example in school and at school.	
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