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A SHORT-LIVED SLANDER.

This morning's Free Press contained



OF LONDON ELECTION

Polling on Friday, 26th February,

The People's Candidate.

ONLY THE RICH CAN NOW RUN

The main lesson to be learnt from the pye-elections is that a candidate to stand up against the whole force of the trade restriction managers turned in upon pasticular constituency must be a man of means, or he is cut of it.

The expensive Franchise Act was the greatest backset to the liberties of the people which the Tories have succeeded in accomplishing in this century.

Mr. Gibson, of Lincoln, is a wealthy Liberal, and he looked after the lists at great expense. He succeeded in increasing his majority four-fold. So it was in Peel In Halifax organization reduced the ma-

jority 650, and in Kingston by 400. Take Dr. Wilson, of St. Thomas. Single handed he could not stand the terrible expense of a revision. The result was that in nearly every section numbers of Liberals were left off and Conservatives added wrongfully.

Then the expense of the contest is greater than men of small means can stand.

The Liberals of London had the voters list printed and in the hands of their committees long before the official list was issued at all. That could only be accomplished by the most perfect organization and knowledge of the lists, and then only at great expense.

Fortunately Mr. Hyman and his friends n London are ready and willing to see that a fair election is had here. These men understand the tactics of the enemy, and their own welfare. meet and circumvent them when that would be impossible without the necessary subscriptions to see the work was properly

attended to. It has been attended to. The city canvass has been completed. It is no guess work matter. It has been done with business-like regularity. The result is most gratifying to every lover of justice, fair play and progress.

Leaving to our opponents every doubtful voter Mr. Hyman has the pledged support of men whose "word is their bond," suf ficient to give him a majority far exceeding

Afew days work more and London will again place herself in the proud position of being the Liberal center of the Liberal

THE VOTERS' LIST STUFFING. The pretense of Mr. Carling's advocates that the attempted ballot-stuffing was resorted to as a mere pastime for the lawyers is the Why, to keep these 230 begus votes on the list, which seven judges, in two superior courts, here decreed should not be there, It was a disgraceful attack on the rights of freemen, for no one could allege that one always find harbors that want repairs, President of Brazil.

Why, then, was all this money expended in the fruitless effort to do that which cannot, in equity, be defended?

hers for the fun of the thing. Mr. Essery than was Manchester by the earlier re

did not lend assistance for nothing.
No; the lawyers, on the backs of whom the would-be ballot-box stuffers now try to unload all blame, went into the enterprise as a business transaction. The men responsible were the family compact that had resolved to steal a victory, if it could not be gained fairly.

In view of the developments, and of the chagrin expressed on all hands by these men as soon as the courts had unanimously voters' lists last fall, and now claimed as

Hyman bave made gains in every ward, | retain his seas in rather legislature, other branch of the Legislature.

PRESENT ELECTION ARRANGE-MENTS UNDEMOCRATIC. All our present election arrangement

are undemocratic. They could not be more opposed to the rights and interests of men of moderate eans if they were deliberately arranged with that view.

Under our present arrangements, no workingman has a chance to sit in Parliament, yet why should not the workingmen be represented in Parliament along with

other walks of life who would make really representatives, and who have as nuch right as the rich to a share in what ever honors are going.

But with such infamous conspiracies of the statute book as the Franchise Act, under which it requires a little fortune to get a fair list, and under which the young en seeking the franchise are browbeaten and insulted, workingmen and others of oderate means, however excellent their abilities, are deprived of a fair chance to

rise. Mr. Hyman will go to Ottawa to repeal Let every person, whether Liberal, fair-

minded Conservative, or ordinarily neutral, cast a quiet ballot for Mr. Hyman on Fri-Mr. Carling has a seat in Parliamer

already. Why, then, should he seek to deprive Mr. Hyman of the term in Parliament to which the latter was fairly chosen

THE BALLOT SECRET.

in a measure for work upon those who are hostile to what they believe to be right, to recollect that the ballot is absolutely secret.

No man, no boss, can tell how the vote

Let every worker in the city go forward to the polls on Friday next, and vote as his conscience dictates. There have been mild attempts at intim-

idation on the part of men who think that they have a right to look upon an employe as a chatiel. The best way to resent such an interference is to quietly go to the polls, and vote against the view of the would-be autocrat. What London needs is freer trade relations, extensions of her existing factories-as would certainly take place under reciprocity-and the construction of new ones. The London workers know

that the combine system decreases the purchasing power of the people at large, and thus while enabling a few to make large profits, keeps the man y poor.

Let us all vote to keep our boys employed at home. The combines will look after

If the supporters of Mr. Carling had confidence in the result of the city election, they would not whistle so much now. There would be no need of bands and boys parading for effect. They may turn loose the whole brood of Loodlers into the country constituencies and carry some of them, with the assistance of stuffed voters' lists, but against the Liberal organization in London, backed as it is by the intelli gent mechanic vote, they have a hopeless ask, and they know it. Let them whistle away. On Friday night the London Liberals will shout.

LONDON'S PRIVILEGE AND DUTY. London, the center of the great Liberal West, declared a year ago decisively in favor of freedom of trade on this continent. Some sycophants would try to persuade her that it is her duty now to desert principle and be a mere truckler for supcause of much amusement in the city. positious Government favors. The Government has no favors to grant, even if we sold ourselves so cheaply. We have a custom house and postoffice. We can't get Mr. Fitzgerald and his associates have more. The plan to dredge the Thames has become obsolete. London and the west

man in the whole 230 had any more right to vote in the ensuing election than has the President of President o her self-respect and consistency. undertaken to get freedom of trade? s the leader among the cities in the ad-Mr. Hellmuth did not go into the business for the fine of the thing. Mr. Hellmuth did not go into the business for the fine of the thing. Mr. Event

verses to "free trade". The allegations in the Free Press as to Liberals canvassing yesterday is simply a falsehood concocted to cover the fact that prominent members of Mr. Carling's comnittee were out all the afternoon and

evening. MR. CARLING IN THE SENATE. A contemporary answers the point that Mr. Carling will be reappointed to the Senwould not be permitted, the figuring out of ate after Mr. Hyman's re-election, by a Carling victory without the bogus names little joke to the effect that Mr. Hyman is of little account. At best, it has no would be solated with the East Middlesex legitimate foundation, for a very large Registrarship. Our contemporary's little number of those names placed on the yoters' list. ing will be reappointed to the Senate early favorable to Mr. Carling, are quietly giving that. lag their support to Mr. Hyman.

The result of the election on Friday Hyman, seeing that Mr. Carling will also Hyman, seeing that Mr. Carling will also The result of the election on Friday heat will show that the friends of Mr. Carling will also retain his seat in Parliament, though in the Hyman baye made with construction of the Legislature.

MORE BLUFF AND MORE DIS-HONESTY.

The Court of Queen's Bench unanimously lecided that the Liberal notices of objection o bad Conservative votes were good.

The Court of Appeal now decide the same

Mr. Carling in his address claims that he only wants an election by "fair means," Why, then, did he seek to have 230 people who had no right to vote retained upon the list in this city? Does he seek election by the votes of people not entitled to vote? That he does he has made clear. does he or his committee care for "fair

These people have no votes, and no decent man knowing that he was not entitled to vote would tender his ballot. Mr. Carling's friends are demoralized and beaten, but to nake a show they now have given notice of appeal to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court won't be heard of in the matter till after the election, but to keep up the drooping courage of their supporters pretence of further appeal will be made.

To what straits has the Conservative party London been driven when they are attempting such outrages upon commo ecause they have lost all hope of obtain ing a majority of the votes entitled to be ast and lost all sense of decency at the same time. The Free Press, a few weeks ago, was ashamed of the dirty work, and has said that the decision in favor of the Liberals was "in accordance with justice and fair play," and again has said that it was glad to have these votes off the list, as its friends did not depend upon them. But they have to do the work of the machine and further continue the farce carried on by the inside wirepullers. We tell our readers that the present list is far more favorable to Mr. Hyman than the last.

Mr. M. C. Cameron, like Sir Richard artwright and the late Mr. Huntington, is Cartwright and the especially obnoxiou [Montreal Witness. obnoxious to boodling Tories.

Yes, that is why they are now trying s hard to defeat him. Even Cochrane, the M. P. who sold jobs at so much an office in his constituency, is on a still hunt through

OUR ESTEEMED CONTEMPOR-ARY'S PROPHETIC MOOD.

Our admired local contemporary, as it approaches the date of polling, affects the nysterical, and makes some rather frantic

Our contemporary does not think strongly enough on anything to really feel the emotion it so well simulates. As to the prophetic boasts of our excelent neighbor, we remember how valiant and how confident these boastings were Hyman got a majority of nearly 200 votes, all the same, on the occasion referred to.

By voting for Mr. Hyman you simply Fair Play of allowing him to fill out the Parliamentary term for which he was fairly elected. By voting for Mr. Hyman yo do not thereby deprive Mr. Carling of seat in l'arliament, as Mr. Carling will be reappointed to the Senate immediately after Mr. Hyman's election on the 26th.

THE CASKET FACTORY AND RECI-PROCITY.

For five years or more, an implement factory in this city remained idle. It was fitted up with the finest machinery, and the whole was again and again offered at a price equal to about the original cost of the building, but owing to the limited market in Canada no one desired to go into the

The "N. P." seemed powerless to find tenant for it, any more than for the vacant implement factories in Sarnia, Chatham and elsewhere.

But a few enterprising citizens, obtaining control of the Ridgetown casket factory have shut it up, and brought the supplies

The story now told is that but for the 35 per cent. duty on caskets, there would be no casket factory here. No such fate would befall the enterprise f we had reciprocity with the United

States. There is a casket factory in Hamilton, and the chief owner of that enterprise has again and again assured the writer that reciprocity with the United States, and wastly increase his business by the deal. If in Hamilton, why not in London !

The question is answered by Mr. John Ferguson, chief promoter and financial backer of the new casket factory in Lon-Mr. Hyman and of the trade policy which he indorses, as indeed are all the furniture manufacturers in London except one, and he is known as Mr. F. A. Fitzgerald, chief of the oil combination. Even he, less than five years ago, stated in an interview with · Free Press reporter: Reporter-Are you in favor of a reci-

Reporter—Are you in layor of a reci-procity tariff?
Mr. Fitzgerald—If our American neigh-bors would admit the goods manufactured in Canada into their markets free of duty, I would be in favor of admitting their goods into the Demhion. Under reciprocity the casket factory will not only remain in London but vestly

extend its operations. The Free Press alleges that Judge Davis

olumn, under large-type headings, to the effect that the name of the Rev. T. Clement Oliver, one of the colored pastors of the

city, was placed irregularly on Mr. Hyman' Base Misrepresentation of an Esomination paper. What will our readers say when we tell them that every statement respecting the

natter in question is absolutely untrue? It appears that the entirely untruthful tatements in the Free Press respecting the Rev. Mr. Oliver are the work of Mr. Lam bert Payne, one of Mr. Carling's secre taries, who seems to be temporarily in charge of the newspaper literature end o the campaign on the Conservative side.

Eisewhere in this issue, by sworn attests tion, the short-lived slander is knocked over completely, and that which was in tended to injure Mr. Hyman will only increase the number of those who will not tote for Mr. Carling.

A GOOD-NATURED CONTEST. Let the good nature which has so far haracterized the contest be continued until the finish.

We have no objection to a keen election we rather like to see it; but there can be nergy and system, and determination, and at the same time courtesy and good nature, nd a remembrance that after the election we have still to live and trade together. We think our citizens on both sides

hould have been spared this contest; a ew have ordered otherwise, but, in any Those who feel that they are nearing the goal of success, have no cause for any other line than that of keen and energetic en

deavor combined with the most perfect

good nature. Mr. W. R. Meredith is attending to his egislative duties at Toronto by making a ouse to house canvass in London for Mr.

THE ELECTIONS ON SATURDAY. The Conservatives recaptured East

Hastings and South Ontario on Saturday. East Hastings was carried by the Conervatives uninterruptedly from Confederaion till 1887, when the late Mr. Burdette carried it by his strong personal influences, and held it by small majorities till his leath, a short time since. South Ontario s a less staple constituency. In 1887 Mr. mith (Conservative) carried it by a majority of 187, and last March Mr. Davidson

as victorious with a majority of 33. Defective voters' lists, which were kept back till the eleventh hour in both constituencies, strongly demoralized the riends of trade freedom. If our friends in hese country ridings had the enormous sums of money needed to get fair play on he revision of the voters' lists, as carrie out under the infamous Franchise Act, hey would make a much better showing. No rest should be given to Parliament either reverts to the simple lists pro vided by the municipal authorities, or establishes a simple system of residential uffrage on the one man one vote principle.

Mr. Harcourt, in his Ontario budget speech, admitted that the sales of timber limits last year were the best yet made. How does this tally with the Grit cry that the country is going to the dogs commercially ?—[London Free Press.

The "Grits" do not cry that the country 'is going to the dogs commercially," but they do assert that a vast improvemen could take place in our trade, and you nobody be hurt. One reason why timber sells so well is because there is, in great measure, free entry for it into the United

BYE-ELECTIONS TO-MORROW. Three bye-elections to fill vacancies in the House of Commons and the Ontario

Legislature take place to-morrow. In West Huron the Commons election takes place, Mr. M. C. Cameron and Mr. Patterson, of Windsor, being the candidates. A most determined and unscrupulous attempt is being made to wrest the seat from Mr. Cameron, who, being an un-compromising enemy of wrongdoing, is cordially hated by the men who have recently been exposed at Ottawa, and against in the coming session of Parliament. It is to be hoped that the reputable electors of West Huron will be able to combat the imported forces and return their old member. In North Renfrew the late member was Conservative, but the members of that party have not put up a candidate in this contest, and two Liberals are left to fight tout. This will be a Liberal gain.

There is a lively contest in progress at Kingston, and it is among the probabilities also. Their candidate (Mr. Harty) is an able man.

If the rules regulating Canadian elections

it me ruies regulating Canadian elections were strict as those that govern contests between trotting horses, the Ministry at Ottawa would be ruled off the track for foul play.—[Toronto Telegram, Independent-Canservative. Witness the treatment of Mr. Trow, the Liberal candidate for South Perth. He was unseated in October, but being a useful Liberal M.P. and whip in the House his election has been kept back for months. Election day has just been named, and the effect is to keep Mr. Trow out of his seat for weeks after Parliament has assembled. A crowd that resorts to such despicable tactics does not merit the support of honest men.

teemed Minister of the Gospel.

Rev. Mr. Oliver Says the Free Press Statements Are Ab. solutely Untrue.

Despicable Attempt to Secure the In fluence of the Reverend Gentleman's Name. What He Told the Free Press and How

the Latter Perverted the Truth

-The Pastor's Just In-dignation.

"It is a shameful perversion of the ruth !" was the justly indignant exclamaion of Rev. T. Clement Oliver this morn ing as he read the following in to-day's

"At the clase of Rev. Mr. Oliver's ser-mon in the B. M. E. Church last night a Free Press representative present spoke to the reverend gentleman regarding his ec-cellent and practical discourse. Mr. Oliver was standing within the communion at the time.

"As for yourself," said the F. P. man "you seem to have made up your mind which of the two candidates you regard as

"Yes, I am a Carling man," was the reply.

"That is a remarkable thing, as your name appears on Mr. Hyman's nomination paper. It was sworn before the returning officer that you signed your name, 'Rev. T. Clement Oliver, minister.'"

Clement Oliver, minister."

"I did not do so," was the emphatic reply. "Two men came to my house and asked me to sign a paper for Mr. Hyman. I told them I was a Carling man and would not do so. I also told them I had not taken the oath of allegiance, and could not, therefore, vote; but if I did vote it would be for Mr. Carling."

"Then how came your name on Mr. Hyman's nomination paper."

Hyman's nomination paper?"
"It was put there by someone. I did not sign it, and gave my absolute refusal to have it put there. The whole thing is an intrigue." Rev. Mr. Oliver is the pastor of the B. M. E. Church. He is beloved by his flock and respected by all who know

his integrity of character. No wonder then this reverend minister of the gospel and his friends feel strongly that this gross, lying misrepresentation and miserable ex-pedient should be corrected ! It was for the purpose of ascertaining the truth and allowing the reverend gentleman to set himself aright in public opinion that

an ADVERTISER reporter called at his residence on Grey street this morning. He was courteously received by the easter, whose indignant denial of the pastor, whose indignant denial printed fabrication shown him is already

"A reporter approached me after the said he. "and asked me the first

question which you see in the paper.
"I asked him how he knew that I had made my mind up as to which candidate I thought the better mau. The REPLY WHICH HE PUBLISHES IS UTTERLY FALSE. I told him I had not been in the country long enough to understand Canadian politics; that I knew nothing of Mr. Carling or Mr. Hyman, and that therefore I was not prepared to criticise either of them."
"What about the nomination paper?"

meried the ADVERTISER man. "The Free Press reporter," replied Rev. Mr. Oliver, "pulled out a piece of paperwhat it was I do not know-and asked me how it was I had signed that. I told him I had not signed it, because I knew that the only document I attached my signature to was Mr. Hyman's nomination paper, which I did at the request of an intimate friend of

"Then, Mr. Clement, the story to the effect that two men came to your house, that they asked you to sign a paper for Mr. Hyman, and that you gave an absolute refusal, telling them that you were Carling man, is as false as the rest, is it ! "Yes," said the reverend gentleman, "I

said no such thing." Mr. John Stevenson, a well-known and highly respected citizen, and member of the B. M. E. Church, happened to be in the whom many serious charges will be made room when the ADVERTISER reporter called. "I was standing beside Rev. Mr. Oliver," said he, "when the reporter approached him Sunday night. I heard all that passed between them, and I can say that the article in the Free Press is a base invention, and that what Mr. Oliver tells you now is true. We all know it is a despicable political dodge; but it will fail in its object. Free Press, ever since it found that we colored voters have been elmost unanimously supporters of Mr. Hyman, has been slander latest insult to our paster, we will know GROCERIES,

how to resent on election day."

Continuing, Rev. Mr. Oliver disclaimed any political partisanship. He had previously decided to take no part in politic whatever and though his name was on the list he did not intend to vote. It ill became a minister of the gospel, he thought, to mix himself up in such affairs, as some

to mix himself up in such affairs, as some of his congregation would very rightly be displeased and he would be loath to create contention in the church.

It was, therefore, very aggravating to him to be held up in such a different light by the contemptible trickery of a nublic inverse which trickery of a public journal, which make him out to be an enthusiastic sup

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man has with his flock. He had not so much fault to find with the report of the sermon, though he said it was colored and distorted to meet the views of the paper which published it. His address could not be construed as aiming side or party, except that he touched strongly on the disgrace of having it declared through the public press that the colored citizens of London could be bought with pigs' feet and beer, which

statement was untrue. "No," said he, as he bade his visitor good-morning, "my leanings are not pronounced in favor of either party; but if there is one thing that would be a friend of one side, it is the way my utterjournal published in the interests of the

The Grand Trunk's Position

Important Declaration by Gen. eral Manager Seargeant.

The Bread and Butter of the Company and its Employes Depend on the Most Cordial Relations with the

Mr. L. J. Seargeant, general manager of the G. T. R., speaking at Montreal re-

United States.

cently, said:

"The Grand Trunk has under the law of the United States invested many millions in property there. The railway forms part of a great continental system. It exchanges traffic accounts with 400 United States companies. It has received the fullest, fairest, and most ungrudging support of a large section of the United States at Washington, in counter-action of the offorts which have been made by rival lines to restrict the operations of and shackle the company irrespective of the common interests of the two countries. From the Government at Washington the Grand Trunk has always received the most courteous consideration and attention, and the company is recognized as having been of material assistance in building up industries in the United States. Capital will, if permitted still flow in connection with the Grand Trunk for that purpose. cently, said: will, if permitted still flow in connection with the Grand Trunk for that purpose, and naturally our system is largely deand naturally our system is largely ndent upon the friendly and unresticted terchange of traffic for satisfactory re-

interchange of traffic for satisfactory results to the proprietors.

"Having regard to all these facts, I wish it to be understood that if any interpretation can be given to the recent manifestoreferred to as expressive of opinions contrary to the interests of the United States, the Grand Trunk has no sympathy whatthe Grand Trunk has no sympathy what-ever with such opinions; on the contrary, the welfare of this company and the bread and cheese of its employes are largely dependent upon the existence of the most cordial understanding between the Govern-

cordial understanding between the Covern-ments of the two countries.

"Our completion of the great St. Clair tunnel shows our desire to maintain exist-ing friendly relations." TOO TRANSPARENT ALTOGETHER.

TOO TRANSPARENT ALTOGETHER. [Stratford Beacon.]

The decision of the Court of Appeal yesterday striking off the London voters' lists 230 bogus names placed thereon by the Tories makes the election of Mr. Hyman sure by a large majority. The Free Press is crying out to its friends not to waver at this unexpected shock, as these names were not counted in the estimate of Carling's projective. The statement is altogether too not counted in the estimate of chings majority. The statement is altogether too thin. Why did the Tory wire-pullers try so hard to get the names retained on the list if they were not required? London can now be counted among the safe constituencies redeemed from the enemy.

MARK TAPLEY REDIVIVUS!

[Guelph Mercury.]
The London Free Press is posing as a The London Free Press is posing as a temperance organ these days. It is advocating the claims of Mr. Carling, the brewer, to the temperance vote, as against Mr. Hyman, who appears to have the confidence of the temperance people. One would think this a bad job, but the Free Press pegs away as cheerily as Mark Tapley. When it comes to attacking the municipal and temperance record of Mr. Hyman, the Liberal candidate, the Free Press is wasting its powder. Press is wasting its powder.

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