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REGISTRATION ADDS 18,017 STUDENTS SHOW UP WELL

East and West Toronto Come Out Even and Away Behind the Other Constituencies.

By 12 o'clock last night the final figures—and incidentally the correct figures—in connection with the registration of voters reached the hard working officials in the offices of the clerk of the peace at the city hall.

Table with 2 columns: Constituency and Number of Voters. Includes rows for South Toronto, Centre Toronto, and various wards like Queen, Jarvis, and Spadina.

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MONTAGUE FOR LONDON.

His Answer to Conservatives to Be Given Saturday.

GOT AN OVATION.

WALTER LYDIATT DEAD.

Scarf-Huffs. This is the season for scarfs, ruffs and boas.

FAIR AND WARM.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay. Easterly and southerly winds, mostly fair and moderately warm.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Lead Pipe we make. Canada Metal Co. Need Filing Devices? "Ask Adams."

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"Populist" Jack Canuck: Pardon me, friend, but these are the figures supplied by your own Mr. Blair, the "Best Railway Authority in Canada."

HON. A. G. BLAIR RESIGNS FROM RAILWAY COMMISSION TO REAFFIRM STRONG OBJECTION TO G.T.P. SCHEME

Springs a Surprise on His Colleagues at Ottawa Yesterday Afternoon by Announcing His Determination to Leave the Board.

TOOK OFFICE WITH MISGIVINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN INTENSIFIED

Declares His Resignation is For Personal Reasons, and Says He Does What is Best For His Own Interests.

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. A.G. Blair has resigned his position as chairman of the railway commission.

MR. BLAIR'S STATEMENT. "Before the board adjourns I wish to make an announcement which is of a personal character, and which I think may very properly be made by me from my place as chairman of the board."

"It will be, I think, considered proper that I should state frankly the reason which has led me to pursue this course. I accepted a place on the commission with many misgivings."

"I make no complaints; I cast no reflections; I do not wish to intimate that I have any cause whatever to find fault. I am reaching the conclusion at which I HAVE ARRIVED PURELY FOR REASONS THAT ARE PERSONAL TO MYSELF."

"I think at the same time it is not too much to claim that while demonstrating its usefulness to the public, it has also demonstrated its usefulness to those interested that are supposed to be antagonistic to the interests of the general public, but which, in my opinion, are falsely supposed to be so."

REAFFIRMATION

"I authorize the announcement that I have resigned my position as chairman of the railway commission and have notified the premier that, beyond the reaffirming of my strong objection to the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme I have no present intention of re-entering public life."

In his first letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, dated July 10, 1903, Mr. Blair, after complaining that he had been kept in ignorance of the progress of the negotiations with the Grand Trunk Railway Co., specified the conditions on which he would reconsider his determination to resign.

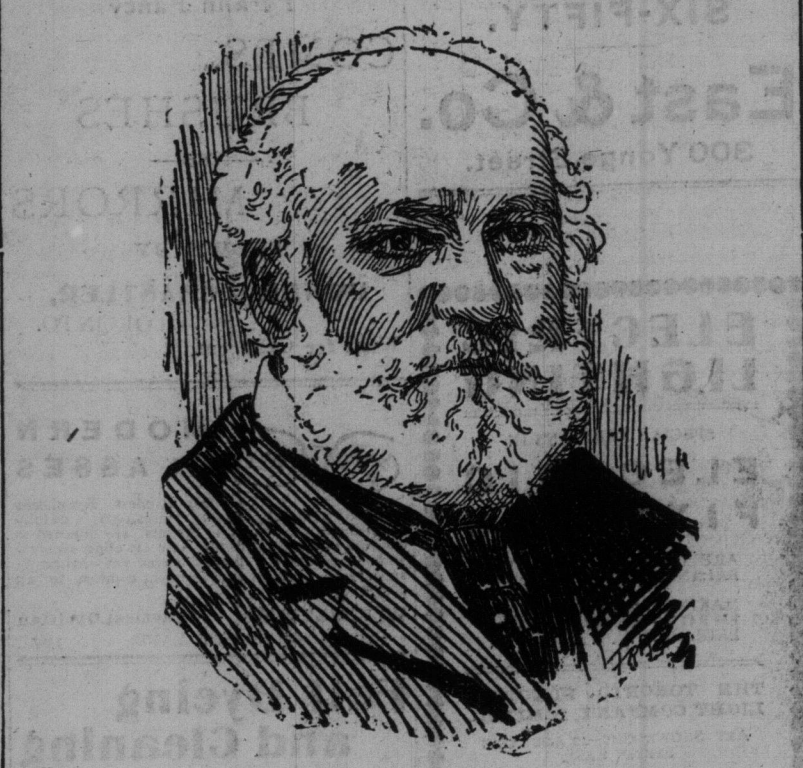
He further stipulated: (3) That if such a route be found practicable and gave promise of a safe measure of traffic, a railway should be built by the government; (4) that when built it should not be handed over to any one existing railway company under lease, but that it should be operated by the government itself or by a trust under the control of a guarantee or other aid to the Grand Trunk Co. should then be entertained, and final decision should be deferred until it became reasonably clear that settlement along the probable route of such railway would justify its construction.

In his second letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, dated July 13, Mr. Blair again explained his preference for a government owned and government operated railway, and stated that as he stood practically alone the proposition must be laid aside.

"I part with my colleagues with very much regret. Our relations have been cordial. In separating from them I can only wish them well and I express the hope that under their management the work may go on with even greater success than it has while I was a member of the board."

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HON. ANDREW GEORGE BLAIR, K.C., P.C. Who Has Resigned the Chairmanship of the Railway Commission.

SIR WILFRID SILENT.

Uxbridge, Oct. 18.—(Special.)—The World interviewed Sir Wilfrid after the close of the meeting to-night he reported resignation of Mr. Blair from the railway commission.

"I have nothing to say," said Sir Wilfrid, when shown The World's telegram. "But has Mr. Blair really resigned?" persisted your correspondent.

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BLAIR TO GO ON THE STUMP AGAINST RAILWAY POLICY

Not to Seek a Constituency, But to Condemn the G. T. P. Scheme in Toronto, Montreal, St. John, Halifax and Other Cities Till Nov. 3 in Public Addresses.

St. John, N.B., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. A. G. Blair has resigned the chairmanship of the railway commission and will stump the country against the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme.

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Russians Take Offensive And Defeat the Japanese

But With Rising of Shokhe River Advance Force May Have Been Cut Off From Reserves and Cornered.

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AND NOW THE QUESTION IS WHO SENT THAT POSTCARD?

Only One So Far Heard of and Recipient Does Not Think "S. Smith" a Conservative.

Bowmanville, Oct. 18.—(Special.)—The emotional statements of A. B. Aylesworth and the turbid utterances of Barrister Huycke of Cobourg at last night's Liberal meeting were the talk of the town to-day.

Ob, What a Surprise! When Mr. Huycke referred to the extensive postcard being "circulated" through the riding, the work of some recent stabber Mr. Aylesworth in the back, was the first that most of those present had heard of the matter.

CHINESE AND JAPS. St. Petersburg, Oct. 18.—A special despatch from Shanghai to The Morning Post says it is reported there that the Japanese shells have sunk the cruiser Bayan, in the harbor of Port Arthur.

A HOT FIGHT. Mukden, Oct. 18.—Lone Tree Hill, won. Continued on Page 3.

THE CANADA LIFE. When your boy grows up will you send him to college? An endowment in the Canada Life is one of the best means of making provision for his future.

SMOKE ALIVE BOLLARD'S COOL MIXTURE. DEATHS. GOODERHAM—At his residence, 522 Sherbourne-st., Toronto, on Tuesday, the 16th October, 1904, Charles Horace Gooderham, in his 61st year.

WALLIS—Accidentally shot, Harry H. Wallis of Port Arthur, son of the late W. A. Wallis of Enderbuck.

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