

### Conservative Praise of the Manhood Voters' Registration Bill.

*Toronto Morning World* (Conservative) :—"Those who have practical experience in the preparation of voters' lists ought to be well disposed towards the Registration Bill introduced by Mr. G. W. Ross."

*Toronto Evening News* :—"The Registration Bill provides for an up-to-date list. Personation is the greatest evil in connection with popular government in Toronto, and if the Mowat Government deserved credit for nothing else it at least does merit praise for the effort it is making to limit the practice."

*Toronto Evening Telegram* (Independent), April 30, 1894 :—"Every word that Hon. A. S. Hardy uttered as to the atrocious frauds in connection with the preparation of the voters' list and the polling of votes in Toronto is true. The Opposition has very little to do when it prolongs the session by an effort to protect the plugger and the personator against the consequences of a registration law for manhood franchise voters. . . . Fraud has become an almost decisive element in Toronto elections, and the Ontario Government cannot be too highly praised for passing a registration law as a step towards purity at the polls."

The *Toronto Week* (Independent), May 5, 1894 :—"It is not easy to understand why Mr. Meredith and his followers, and a certain portion of the Conservative press, should have set themselves in so determined opposition to the Registration Bill. . . . It will, we think, be conceded by most thoughtful men on either side of politics, that no better method for securing the vote to the largest number of those eligible, and rendering fraud and personation difficult, has yet been devised than an effective registration system."

### The Best Way to Sell Timber Limits.

The *Canada Lumberman*, May, 1894, in comparing the Ontario method of selling timber berths by public auction only, with that of the Dominion by tender, says :—"If we take the prices secured at the (Ontario) sales and compare them with prices obtained by other methods of sale only one conclusion can be reached as to the financial results accruing from the sale of timber limits by auction."

### The "Empire" Praises the Park System.

*Toronto Empire* (Conservative), March, 1894 :—"These Parks (Rondeau and Algonquin), will form monuments to Mr. Hardy's foresight, his patriotism and administrative capacity, and will exist for future generations."

### A British Columbia Opinion.

The *Vancouver, B.C., World*, an independent journal, said, in 1890 :—"Hon. Oliver Mowat has been in power uninterruptedly for eighteen years. A determined effort now, as on previous occasions, will undoubtedly be made to dethrone him and his Ministry, some of whom are amongst the ablest men in the Dominion. The Opposition in the Ontario House is not strong either in brain power or administrative ability. For many years Mr. Meredith has led a forlorn hope. Himself a popular gentleman, of fair abilities, his following in capacity are hardly equal to the ordinary County Councils of the Keystone Province."

### And History is Repeating Itself.

The *Winnipeg Free Press* said in 1890 :—"The real object of their (the Opposition) crusade is to get hold of the revenue and resources of Ontario on the strength of Protestant prejudices. They think there is a chance of riding into power on the Protestant Horse, and they have taken the risk of a fall for the chance of success. Should they fortunately succeed, what a glorious old time they will have dispensing among themselves the spoils of the richest, and heretofore best-governed Province in the Dominion! It would not be long after they got there before Ontario would lose her proud distinction of being the only country in the world that has no public debt, whose resources are untouched and whose Government is the most honest and economical that was ever known."

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