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Reports on all the Ridings
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Fort William (Continued)

Provincial candidate would very probably have been elected having been a candidate in the field in Port Arthur district. The riding is naturally Liberal, but is looking for favors from the Governments and this attitude is largely held by the people here, that if Port Arthur elected a Conservative by acclamation, and Fort William elected a Liberal with the Conservative government likely to be sustained Fort William chances would be very slim of getting any favors and this largely affected Tonkin's chances. The President of the Associations asks me to particularly take back the work that the Local Associations in this part of the country felt very keenly the lack of interest in their welfare shown by either Party. They also take exception to the fact that both the Liberal and Conservative party (as they state) seem to imagine that Temiskaming is the whole of New Ontario. They claim that they have just as good farming country as the Temiskaming Country and as just as much in need of road grants and also that they should get more consideration in this connection. It is considered very important that Mr. Rowell visit here and explain his policy. At present the sentiment seems to be against " The Abolish the Bar", but certainly the New Ontario development policy should meet with their approval. They have never had a visit from Sir James Whitney and they feel it should be good politics for Mr Rowell to visit them.

FRONTENAC, July 18th, 1912

Organizer Summerhayes had a talk with President A. E. Weller about revising the lists. Will have to make another visit to this Riding.

AUGUST 6th

Organizer Summerhayes reports the Frontenac Reform Association (Executive) is being called together for Thursday August 15th. No lists posted yet. I conferred with President A. E. Weller and he intends to call the annual meeting in October and during the winter to have public meetings in the rear Townships. Weller thinks the normal majority against us is about \$350. At the Executive meeting on August 15th every Municipality will be represented, and the work of voters list revision will be undertaken.

AUGUST 22nd

President A. E. Weller, writes that the meeting on August 15th, 11 members were present, and they are all attending to the revision. Many of the prominent Liberal workers are either township clerks or assessors and have special means of knowledge, and therefore in some Municipalities very little out-side attention will be necessary.

Glenvale Nov. 22nd, 1912.

Regarding the voters lists for Frontenac. I might say that the lists were well looked after. In a number of the front townships we had the assessors, favorable to us. I cannot give a statement how many were added or struck off as I could not get the exact numbers from the chairmen. Yours very truly, J. O. Ellerbeck, Secretary Frontenac Association.

This is a strictly rural riding. R. H. Fair of Kingston was the last candidate. While nothing definite is stated the opinion prevails that a good candidate will be selected