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THE PLANET'S QUESTION—MR. GRAHAM'S ANSWER

Fortunately at almost the commencement of the campaign, the people of Kent have had an opportunity of personally meeting and hearing one of the two men whom Mr. Ross has taken into his reconstructed cabinet...

Hon. Mr. Graham, who was called into the cabinet to take the place of the discredited and retired Stratton, was announced to visit Kent County and speak on behalf of Messrs. Cochrane and McCole. This was fortunate, because it would enable the good people of Kent to form a more accurate estimate of the calibre of this new minister...

Mr. Graham's questionable connection with the Byron Loti bogus ballot box case in which he was a subpoenaed and "forgetful" witness—was not a harbinger of promise; but we feel assured that a large number of Kent's electors went to hear him resolved to judge the man fairly and as they found him.

There were several matters which the electors of Kent were anxious to have Hon. Mr. Graham clear up if he could. The Planet, on their behalf, took occasion to mention one or two of them, and Mr. Graham took occasion to "clear them up." Take the first, for example.

The people of Kent asked Mr. Graham why the constituency of North Renfrew was disfranchised for over a year and a half; by what right such an outrage was perpetrated by his government and upon what grounds.

The Ross cabinet minister undertook to answer the question and, to avoid all danger of alleged misquotation, we quote his reply from the report of his own local organ, the Banner-News, which claims to have furnished his address verbatim.

Here then is the Banner-News verbatim report of Hon. Mr. Graham's reply:

"North Renfrew was vacant for quite a while. I say I think it was a mistake to leave it vacant that long, because by doing so we lost and had we had the election sooner we would not have lost it. NO ARMY WAS DONE WHILE IT WAS VACANT, BECAUSE NO SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE WENT OVER WITHOUT ITS BEING REPRESENTED IN THE LEGISLATURE. The election was brought on and NORTH RENFREW HAD A MEMBER WHEN THE HOUSE MET. I admit it would have been better to have brought it on sooner, BUT IT WAS NOT STRICTLY SPEAKING DISFRANCHISED BECAUSE THERE WAS NO SESSION WHEN NORTH RENFREW WAS NOT REPRESENTED."

This is the full text of the Banner-News report of Mr. Graham's response and to emphasize it the organ headed it: "WAS NOT DISFRANCHISED."

Now then, let the people of Kent see what the facts are and how far this new member of the reconstructed cabinet shows himself to be a man of integrity, honor and truth.

The facts are these: On May 22, 1902, J. W. Munro, Liberal, was elected as Legislative representative in North Renfrew by a majority of 500.

On May 20, 1902—one day after his election—Mr. Munro died. On December 28, 1902—over one year and a half later—E. A. Dunlop, Liberal-Conservative, was elected at the by-election as Mr. Munro's successor by over 300 majority, a change of over 1,200 votes.

In the interim—AND WHILE NORTH RENFREW WAS UNREPRESENTED—the Legislative session was called on March 11, 1903, and HELD PRACTICALLY TWO SESSIONS, adjourning during the investigation of the Stratton-Sullivan scandal and meeting again afterwards to conclude the session. Mr. Dunlop entered the House at the opening of the third session after Mr. Munro's death called in January, 1904, to head off the election trials of the Ross members, every one of whom has been since unseated for corrupt practices.

So that, to use the Banner-News' own Chesterfieldian English, MR. GRAHAM PUBLICLY "BRANDED HIMSELF AS A LIAR." The records show that he was present in the Legislature during the whole of the two sessions of the year 1903, during which North Renfrew was not represented, and yet he comes before the people of Kent and assures them that "no session of the Legislature went over without its being represented."

MR. GRAHAM, CABINET MINISTER OF THE RECONSTRUCTED ROSS GOVERNMENT, TOLD THE PEOPLE WHAT HE KNEW TO BE A DELIBERATE FALSHOOD.

Why? Because the people, through this great home journal, confronted him with a straight-forward question which he could not answer creditably and truthfully.

HAVE THE PEOPLE ANY FURTHER CONFIDENCE IN THE DISHONORABLE MR. GRAHAM, who seeks to win Kent for Rossism by deliberate falsehood? IS THIS THE STAMP OF MAN WHO IS TO STRENGTHEN AND CLEANSE THE ROSS CABINET? Stratton is bounced and the man Graham taken in to purify the cabinet!

On the platform with the Dishonorable Mr. Graham were several local gentlemen. What did they think of the Ross Cabinet as exemplified by this man? Were they not ashamed both of him and his cause? What does Mr. McCole or Mr. Cochrane think about it? What do any of their campaign speakers think about it?

WHENEVER THESE MEN GO OUT ON THE STUMP LET THE GOOD PEOPLE HISS IN MEETING AND ASK THEM.

The people are fighting a battle of truth, honesty and condemnation of corruption. LET THEM SEE TO IT THAT THE ROSSITES WHO COME HERE AND SEEK TO DECEIVE US BY DELIBERATE AND DESIGNED UNTRUTHS ARE EFFECTUALLY PUNISHED ON JANUARY 25TH.

UNCLAIMED POTATOES

Stephen Brown, of the 8th concession, Raleigh, came in to the city Monday and reported that 14 bags of potatoes had been left at his place to be called for. They were still there Sunday morning. Mr. Brown was awakened by some one at his door knocking. He got up and went to the window. A colored man was there in a fur coat. He said he had 39 bags of potatoes on his wagon and his team was tired out. He asked permission to leave part of his load. His starting point had been Dresden, his destination was Buxton. Mr. Brown said that there were very little men in the barn but the man would do the best he could. He did not mention Mr. Brown found 14 bags and a bag of parsnips on a floor. He covered up from freezing but they called for them in sacks and are for shipment. Mr. Brown said the potatoes were a war-matter.

ARRIERS OF TAXES

County Treasurer J. C. Fleming has prepared a record of the arrears of taxes in detail and forwarded copies to the various municipalities of the County interested. The following are the amounts:

Township of Camden	16.82
Township of Chatham	77.23
Township of Dover	51.99
Township of Harwich	11.75
Township of Howard	23.37
Township of Raleigh	175.58
Township of Romney	73.96
Tilbury East	58.30
Township of Zone	nothing
Village of Thamesville	21.87
Village of Tilbury	42.89
Total	\$530.40

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Burney Fielder, aged 15 years, went through the ice under the Aberdeen bridge. He was skating and getting on thin ice, went through, just under the bridge there is a space about six feet square, that is barely a crust. Grever Gregg and Ray Crosier heard cries for help, and hastened to his aid. They pulled the lad out and the worst except for his wrist.

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THE STAGE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the Grand—Monday, Jan. 9.—Othello, Tuesday, Jan. 10.—Richard III.

Selman, Paige and Foley present Othello on Monday and Richard III. on Tuesday next, at the Grand.

RICHARD III. That Shakespeare is read and studied in Otago was again evidenced last night. An audience that practically filled Richardson Theatre was present at the performance of Richard III. by Selman, Paige and Foley's Lyceum company, which is headed by William Lloyd.

As King Henry and the Duke of Richmond, William Clifford in voice and intonation showed excellent elocutionary ability, in which the shades of feeling were finely interpreted, but his work is much marred by a too apparent muscular effort.

The two children acquitted themselves well as the Prince of Wales and Duke of York, especially the latter, who really held the house while delivering his piquant lines.

Lillian Paige as the Queen and Constance Abbott as the Duchess of York were well adapted to their parts, and did very creditable work. The minor characters were in capable hands and the entertainment as a whole was one of the best given here so far this season.—Otago Daily, Oct. 22, 1904.

Operations Not Always Necessary

Doctors Frequently Mistaken "I suffered untold agony with piles for over three years. Two doctors told me nothing but an operation would cure me. I tried different remedies, but nothing did me any good until I used Pyramid Pile Cure. I bought six fifty cent boxes at the drug store, and now I can do my work and go out, where before I spent most of my time lying down. I thank God for giving me the discoverer the knowledge to make such a cure. I recommend it to all my friends, and if I ever have piles again will certainly use this remarkable remedy. You can use the wonderful merit of Pyramid Pile Cure." Mrs. Wm. Mueky, 81 Marshall Street, Elmwood, N. J.

SCHOOL CONCERT

On Thursday evening, Dec. 22, a splendid concert was given in S. S. No. 8, Chatham. Before eight o'clock the building was crowded to the doors with a throng of parents and friends, an excellent program of choruses, recitations, dialogues, etc., was given. Special mention should be made of the patriotic song "The Star Spangled Banner," and the recitation of fourteen young ladies in white. Mr. Fred Stone, of the Maple City acted as chairman in his usual happy manner. Votes of thanks were given to all those taking part in the program; to the chairman, and to Miss J. Hall, the popular and efficient teacher. The proceeds amounted to \$26.20.

William Saddington, of Hull, was registered at the Rankin House on Monday.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

THAMESVILLE

Jan. 4.—Miss Lottie Galloway, of Bothwell, spent New Year's Day with friends in town.

TILBURY

Jan. 4.—More complete returns of the Tilbury East election show the election of Harvey Bickler by a majority of about 25 over Mr. Clark.

BLENHEIM

Jan. 3.—Monday's election was one of the keenest that has taken place here for years, the election being run by prohibitionist and anti-prohibitionist.

For Mayor: Wards 1 2 3 4 Total Bacon..... 88 99 25 80 237 Ferguson..... 39 31 29 38 137

WALLAOEBURG

Jan. 4.—Mr. Alex. McConeal spent New Year's in Ingersoll. Mr. Wm. Wilson is visiting friends and relatives in town.

DR. S. GOLDBERG

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