

ONTARIO ELECTIONS ON JUNE 8.

Whitney Has Decided on Early Appeal to the Province---Nominations June 1.

Toronto, April 30.—The proclamation of his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Mortimer Clark, dissolving the eleventh Provincial Parliament of Ontario, will be issued on Saturday. Nomination day for candidates for the new Legislature has been fixed for the 1st of June, and in all ridings where there is a contest the polling will take place, as already indicated in the press, on the 8th of June. The date for the issue of the writs has not yet been fixed, but they must be in the hands of returning officers not less than sixteen days before the day of nomination.

The announcement of the date of the general election for the Province was made yesterday afternoon by Premier Whitney at the Parliament buildings, following a Cabinet Council.

A Special Call.

The date of the election was the principal subject of discussion at the Cabinet Council held on Tuesday, and it was consequently upon the report of Hon. Frank Cochrane as to the situation with regard to the preparation of the voters' lists in the northern constituencies that a call was made for the meeting yesterday, at which the members without portfolio were specially asked to be in attendance.

Directly the Cabinet meeting was concluded the Premier sent for the representatives of the morning newspapers and made the announcement outlined above. On being asked whether the Government had any information as to the likelihood of the lists for the northern constituencies being all in order for the holding of the election on the 8th of June, he replied, "I have no reason to anticipate any trouble." Premier Whitney in this regard is borne out by statements which have been received at the Parliament buildings from other quarters. The enumerators in the Rainy River district particularly, after the first failure and as a result of the Government's action in increasing the number of men in charge of the work, have been very active.

No returning officers have yet been appointed.

A Precedent.

The holding of a general election on a Monday is without a precedent in the history of the Province, although by-elections have at times been held on that day of the week. When the matter was mentioned to the Premier yesterday he said:

"The question of the day of the week has occupied a good deal of our thought, and we finally decided that the convenience of the greater number of the people would be served by having the polling day on a Monday. For instance, there are thousands of commercial travellers in the Province, the great majority of whom return to their homes for the week end. By the holding of the elections on a Monday these men will be able to vote before leaving on their travels, whereas if the polling took place on any other day of the week they would have to journey more or less long distances, at great inconvenience, in order to register their votes."

There can be no doubt that in arriving at their decision to hold the election on a Monday the Government were considerably influenced by the position in Toronto. Representations were made to Premier Whitney and his colleagues that the votes of the commercial travellers who reside in Toronto—about eight thousand—would be lost if the elections were held on any other day than Monday. As a matter of fact, there is considerable fear in local Conservative circles that, in spite of the ingenious double representation scheme which has been foisted on the city, the minority may be able to capture some of the eight seats.

Record of By-Elections.

Since the general election of 1905, when the Conservatives were returned to power by a majority of 1,000, there have been nine by-elections in the Province, exclusive of the return of the members of the Cabinet by acclamation on their being called to office by Premier Whitney. On January 19, 1906, Mr. E. J. B. Pense (Liberal) was elected member for Kitchener by a majority of 35 over his Conservative opponent, Mr. Donald McIntyre. On February 22, 1906, Mr. W. K. McLaughlin (Conservative), was elected in North Toronto, succeeding Dr. Beattie Nesbitt. Mr. Alex. Ferguson, the Conservative member for Cardwell, was returned by acclamation on September 21, 1906, and on December 4, 1906, Mr. Allan Studholme, the Liberal member for East Hamilton, defeated his Conservative opponent, Mr. J. J. Scott, by 533 votes. Following the appointment of Hon. Geo. W. Ross to the Senate, Mr. Duncan C. Ross, his son, was elected member for West Middlesex by a majority of 140. The Conservative candidate being Mr. Geo. A. Stewart. Mr. Robert H. McElroy (Conservative) was elected member for Carleton on March 18, 1907, and on June 1 in the same year Dr. Forbes Goffrey (Conservative) was elected for West York, to fill the seat rendered vacant by Mr. Speaker St. John's death, defeating both his Socialist and independent opponents. The death of Dr. F. W. Lewis, the Conservative member for Dufferin, was followed by the election of Mr. C. R. McKeown, who is of the same political color, on June 24, 1907, and following the call to the Dominion Cabinet, as Minister of Railways and Canals, of Hon. Geo. P. Graham, Mr. A. E. Donovan was returned for Brockville on October 7 last year.

Cabinet Changes.

When Hon. J. P. Whitney first formed his Cabinet he occupied the dual position of Premier and Attorney-General. On October 15, 1905, Hon. Frank Cochrane was called to the Cabinet as Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, a position previously held by Hon. J. J. Fay, who became Attorney-General. Mr. Whitney remaining Premier of the Council. The only break which has occurred in the Cabinet ranks was that caused by the recent death of Hon. Dr. Willoughby, who was Minister without portfolio. On the Opposition side of the House

the leadership has been successively held by Hon. Geo. W. Ross, Hon. Geo. P. Graham and Hon. A. G. MacKay.

First Time in Control.

The general election, which will take place in June next, will be the first in the history of the Province in which the machinery will be in the hands of a Conservative Government. Following Confederation, the Sandfield Macdonald Administration, a coalition Ministry, remained in power from July, 1867, to Dec. 19, 1871. Then came the Blake Government, which held office from Dec. 20, 1871, to Oct. 25, 1872, following which Sir Oliver Mowat came in power from Oct. 25, 1872, to July 19, 1896. On July 25 the Hardy Government came into power and continued in office until Oct. 17, 1899. The Hon. Geo. W. Ross first took office on Oct. 21, 1899, and his Administration continued until Feb. 7, 1905, when the Conservatives were returned under the leadership of the present Premier.

Following the election of 1905 the Legislature consisted of 69 Conservatives and 29 Liberals. At the election of 1902 there were returned 51 Liberals and 47 Conservatives, and at the general election of 1898 50 Liberals, 43 Conservatives, and one Patron.

Object to Winter Campaign.

Returned to power in 1905, the Whitney Government could have retained office for practically a year longer, but four sessions have already passed, and apparently the Premier did not care to have his reputation suffer further damage before appealing to the country. The holding of the election in June is also another departure from precedent, but for which many politicians will not be ungrateful to the Premier. The majority of the previous general elections have been fought in the months of November, December, January or February. The elections of 1879, 1890 and 1902 were held in the month of April, and that of 1884 on May 30. Premier Whitney is personally opposed to winter campaigning, and after his last experience averred that he would not go through another like it. Ever since last fall it has been anticipated that the general election would be held in June. With this in view both parties have been preparing, and during the last session a number of addresses to be utilized as campaign literature were delivered from the Treasury benches. Since he was called to the leadership of the Opposition the Hon. A. G. MacKay has been exceedingly active, and as a result there has been a turn in the tide. Liberals all over the Province have been roused to a pitch of enthusiasm which augurs well for the reclaiming of much of the ground which was lost in 1905.

PENNY TELEGRAMS.

That is Now John Henniker-Heaton's Great Aim.

London, April 29.—Judging from an article he contributes to the May number of the Financial Review of Reviews, the postal reformer, John Henniker-Heaton, M. P., proposes to devote the remainder of his public life to a crusade to cheapen the world's telegraph rates. He is already promulgating a scheme for a uniform telegraph rate of two cents a word throughout Europe. He proposes to agitate for the same rate in Great Britain and all the colonies, irrespective of distance, his ultimate aim being penny (two cents) a word telegrams throughout the world. He believes that such a rate would result largely in the suppression of the cumbersome and slow mail service, which therefore would be reserved for the transmission of valuable documents, newspapers, circulars and parcels.



THE REV. GEORGE W. TOMSON, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Woodbury, N.J., who killed himself upon the eve of his marriage to a wealthy widow.

FOUND MOUSE IN LOAF.

Toronto Baker Fined \$10 and Costs for Deleterious Substance.

Toronto, April 30.—H. Ruben, baker, York street, was fined \$10 and costs by Magistrate Patterson yesterday afternoon because a customer found a mouse in a loaf bought at his shop. The offence charged against the defendant was that he had sold bread containing a deleterious substance.

According to Mr. Ruben, the purchaser called upon him and demanded compensation. Mr. Ruben thought he was being imposed upon and put the customer out of his shop. The customer then went to the Health Department and laid a complaint.

Mr. Ruben's explanation was that the mouse was placed in the loaf by a workman with whom he had had trouble previously and took that means to avenge himself.

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The Daily Fashion Hint.



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NO MONEY IN FISHING.

Mr. McNece Wants to Get Rid of James Bay Lease.

Ottawa, April 29.—J. G. MacKenzie, of Selkirk, Man., manager of the British American Fish Company, was the first witness before the Public Accounts Committee this morning in the continued inquiry into western fishing leases. Much of his testimony corroborated that given by Mr. Markay, of Montreal, as to the financial losses of the company.

Mr. Archibald McNece, newspaper publisher, Windsor, who got the concession for the waters of James Bay in 1902, said he had asked on behalf of a number of Windsor men, most of them fishermen, who were very sanguine as to the chances of developing fishing industries in those waters. This was to be transferred to a company of Windsor and Detroit parties. The late Hon. James Sutherland, then head of the department, stipulated that a company with a capital of \$1,000,000, should be organized for the purpose, and with the idea of gaining definite information as to the resources of James Bay. At present he has an offer in his pocket from a fisherman, who said he would undertake the erection of a \$1,000,000 plant on James Bay, provided the Government would give a bonus of one cent a pound on the fish caught. "In the meantime," said Mr. McNece, "I am paying the rental of \$10 a year, and if the Government will give me the money back they can cancel the lease tomorrow." Replying later to questions by Dr. Reid, Grenville, he said that if that gentlemen would organize a company to work the concession he (the witness) would pay the rental for five years in advance before leaving the room. Mr. Pardee, who cross-examined the witness, was effective in bringing out the facts.

ITALIAN TO GET THE LASH.

Found Guilty of Offence Against Young Girl.

Toronto, April 30.—Charged with a serious offence against an Italian girl of but 11 years of age, Michael Avata, an Italian laborer, aged about 25, was yesterday sentenced to a year in the Central Prison, and in addition ten lashes, to be administered at the end of two weeks.

Judge Winchester tried the case, and when asked by Avata's counsel after the sentence if he would take off the lashes, he replied: "I feel more like adding to the lashes and reducing the time."

The girl, Maria Pinto, told an amazing story of deception to the court, saying she had been in love with Avata, and they intended to be married, but

Good News to the Suffering From Prominent Physician

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DOUKHOBORS KEPT IN COACHES.

Yorkton, Sask., April 29.—Seventy-one Doukhobors arrived here by special train. Nineteen of them were recently released from Fort William jail, and were shipped here by the Ontario Government in charge of an official of that Government. These people are all destitute and have no homes to go to and a number of them are perfectly nude. There are a few Doukhobors in this vicinity, but they will have nothing to do with the vagrants.

The Town Council and Board of Trade have taken the matter up with the Government officials at Regina, and the Doukhobors are being kept in the coaches pending instructions from there. The Mounted Police are guarding the coaches.

KILLED AT A CROSSING

Mrs. Josiah Fulmer and Her Daughter the Victims.

Kingsville, April 29.—While Mrs. Josiah Fulmer and daughter, Ethel, were returning home from Kingsville they were struck and instantly killed while crossing the tracks of the Windsor, Essex & Lake Shore Railway a mile north of the town. The horse escaped injury, but the buggy was smashed and the occupants fearfully mutilated. An inquest will be held on Friday afternoon in the Town Hall.

Playgrounds in Cambridge.

In 1900 the city of Cambridge adopted into its school system the vacation schools, which had been carried on for four years by the vacation school committee. Cambridge now maintains five of these schools. The older pupils are given a choice of sloyd and drawing, or of basketry, cooking or sewing. The younger pupils are given instruction in drawing, water colors, reading, writing, and in other subjects of an interesting and profitable character.

In 1902 the same committee took up the playground work, beginning with one playground in private grounds, for which it had to pay taxes to the city. The work grew each year and the playgrounds are now all on city property. The city furnishes sand boxes in schoolyards and public parks, and allows the use of one room in the school building. As yet it takes no further responsibility for these playgrounds, but it is hoped that at no distant day Cambridge will have municipal playgrounds under proper supervision for boys and girls of all ages.

There are in Cambridge six large open spaces owned by the city—Cambridge common, Cambridge field, Rindge field, Riverside field, Broadway park, and Captains' island.

In these open spaces where there is no shrubbery the children are allowed to play. Cambridge field covers an area of eleven acres. In it there is a shelter with a table and benches, and a baseball field. In winter there is skating. There are also sand boxes. On Cambridge common, a portion has been set apart for skating, football and baseball. Riverside field has been used almost exclusively for baseball—a shelter with baths has been placed there, also some apparatus. Captain's island, in the Charles river, is a bathing beach, with bathhouses.

There are now in connection with the bathhouses two life guards. Broadway Park was never used as a playground until last summer, when the playground committee asked to have a sand box there and put a teacher in charge. Last year the city appropriated \$1,000 to make a tract of land (which had been used as a dump) fit for a playground for boys. There already existed in that neighborhood, under the auspices of the Shepard Memorial church, the Riverside Alliance, which had a number of boys' clubs well organized. They had their house, with baths and gymnasium, close to this field, which they call Riverside field. The last summer the boys themselves made a running track, the city loaning wheelbarrows, tools, etc.

Speculators Hit.

Stock Commission House With Agencies in Montreal Suspends.

Montreal, April 29.—There was quite a sensation in speculative circles to-day when it was learned that one wire syndicate, with four agents in this city, was not paying up. An agent made the following statement: "The Public Stock & Grain Company, having four connections in Montreal, have not paid their commission since Saturday. They claim that they are still solvent, but ask that the end of this week to realize on their securities, in order to meet their liabilities. One broker has paid up his clients."

Notice has been given of a general reduction of wages in the cotton trade centred at Montreal.

William Hanlon, who is already serving a term at Kingston for forgery, was sentenced at Guelph to an additional twelve years.

Mikado's Daughter Married.

Tokio, April 30.—The marriage of Prince Tsunehisa Tsakada and Princess Tsunemmya Masako, eldest daughter of the Emperor, was solemnized this morning before the imperial sanctuary.

Both wore the ancient court costume. Prince Tsakada is a captain in the army, and son of the late Prince Kitashirakawa, whose house was created from a branch of the imperial family in 1870.

New Chinese Squadrons.

London, April 29.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Shanghai says that the Chinese Board of War has made up a scheme to strengthen the navy by the formation of three new squadrons, each consisting of one battleship and several cruisers.

Mr. D. W. Bole, M. P. for Winnipeg, is retiring from politics, for business reasons.

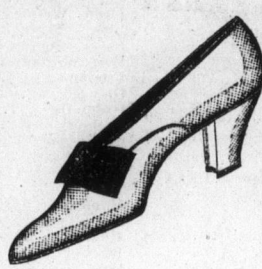
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