LOCAL OPTION

Galt and Meaford Speakers Deny Representative Citizens Signed.

MEETING AT

Mr. Harold Jarvis Gave Several Selections in Splen-

did Voice.

and Mr. Kent, Mayor of Meaford. MR. JARVIS

The celebrated tenor was in wonderful voice, and he chose as his selections varied types of compositions. for warning before attacking mer- spatched a note to the Austrian gov-His first number was a simple song, chantmen. 'Peg Away Lad," and he responded ing," was also a splendid success. Mr incident. Jarvis has a very notable voice, and Although officials reserved com- The new Austrian note is in answer his easy stage manner, acquired by a ment to-day, pending the receipt of to that communication. ong public career as singer, made his

circulars about their home towns and holder in a brewery at Berlin. An spend money over the bar. Mr. Patercities. In particular they analyzed holder in a brewery at Berlin. An carefully the names appearing on other signatory was also listed as an against the bar. "Go to the poll and these petitions, and showed that they employer of 120 men. These were the vote to save the boy. were not the names of representative same 120 men as Mr. Tood was supcitizens, and in some cases had been posed to employ; and this gentleman placed there under misapprehension also had an interest in a malting ford under local option, right up to the boulevard," said Mr. Kent. "Be-

were to close, there would be just as not one was made drunk in Galt. now." declared Mr. Gordon.

MR. MCFARLAND

Mr. Andrew McFarland, the chair- tent for liquor. man, after calling upon the audience option centres told by men from such soberly. places. Mr. McFarland stated that these men would answer the arguments of the antis that local option killed a municipality. The open ba made the empty pocket, and the bloodshot eye of the drunkard, and that was not prosperity.

Mr. Mc. arland related a story of two ladies on Colborne street, who ing," was the reply. saw a man lying across the street so affirmed Mr. McFarland. There tempted. was a state a person could come to come the drunkard.

MR. T. A. RUTHERFORD

ford in introducing the subject. He was time for us to move off then discussed the anti advertisements appearing in the papers. pigs had been found in Brantford what would be under local option?

"So it had," said Mr. Rutherford, in Galt had closed down,

NOT ALL BONA FIDE

A third matter Mr. Rutherford took farmer's wives could await their husa failure. Two of these signatories R, and the C. P. R. employed those asked him to try and close the bars, rob and damn and break the law? All return.—Advt.

a break, but within the past day or

ernment demanding a disavowal of

son because we could not afford to

Every statement made in the circu-

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Des Moines' Record.

of expense in this business.

fected by the liquor business

James D. Hanna, Mayor

lar was an absolute falsehood, added

VICTORIA HALL Washington, Dec 31-American de- tion of the tension, which has been tion with the destruction of the circles here over the situation, and times if they have property in each Steamer Ancona have been met in the the relations between the two counnew note on its way from Vienna to tries appeared to be on the verge of

If the official text of Austria's reply two, there had been intimations of to the second American note con- a favorable settlement of the contro-Victoria Hall was comfortably fill- forms to press despatches, saying versy. Victoria Hall was comfortably fill the communication announced that the local option rally the submarine commander who torwhich was addressed by Mr. Ruthe:

pedoed the steamer, had been punishdepartment by to-night. Ambassador
ford and exMayor Patterson, of Galt,
ed, only one phase of the incident rePanfield at Vienna reported that it mains to be cleared. That would be had been handed to him, and that i the payment of indemnity for Ameri- would be cabled as soon as it could can lives lost, for which Austria has be translated and coded. He gave no A further feature of the affair was expressed a willingness to make rethe singing of Mr. Harold Jarvis. paration. Later, however, there may the Ancona was sunk by an Ausbe full exchanges between the United trian submarine off the Tunisian States and Austria on the question of coast on November 7. A few days submarine warfare and the necessity later the American government de-

It was pointed out here that in pun- the attack, punishment of the subas an encore with the stirring ballad, ishing submarine commanders for marine commander, reparation for We've come up from Somerset." His failure to take into account the panic loss of American lives and assurances second selection was "The Penitent," prevailing aboard the Ancona before that such acts would not occur again. the story of the prodigal son, render-ed with magnificent ease. His encore was "O Holy Night." His concluding act, and gave assurances that there number, "Somewhere a voice is Call- would be no repetition of such an note was sent asking for a compliance with the original American demands.

The speakers of the evening spent 120 men, not Mr. Tedd. Puthermore as he knew it was his enemy. It considerable of their time in a wer these 120 men did not live in Galt for nothing else, for the economic reaing and refuting anti-local option and Mr. Todd was a heavy share-

creased under local option, and the Against this, Mr. Rutherford show- hind those beautiful plots of grass live consumption of liquor and open ed a statement signed by over 100 workingmen who never would have drunkenness was much reduced.

Galt business men, declaring that unlived in such places under license."

During the course of the evening der local option, business in Galt Mr. Kent dealt with the circular Mr. Gordon annot piced, that local was never before the process of the course of th option carries, and would see to it 75 per cent under local option. Drunk- tures only nine were reported in Brad- Out-and-Out Conscriptionthat hotel accommodation would be enness was never seen on the streets streets and were worth \$40,000 altos good or better than it is now. "If of Galt; 31 convictions and arrests in gether. Seventy four other business four or five of the hotels in town now 5 years was the record. Of these 31, men were worth over a million dollars He discussed the names in detail

much hotel accommodation as there Preston is a wet town, but of every showing that the signatures were of 500 who went from Galt to Preston men respectable in the community but CABINET TO-DAY On the platform were exAld. Challo obtain liquor 5 years ago, only 10 of no large financial standing. craft, Dr. Watson, Geo. Macdonald go now. Over 7000 people went into of the men who had signed the list T. L. Wood, A. McFarland (chair. hotels in Berlin in a few hours. Dur- wrote to Mr. Kent afterwards stating man), J. W. Gordon, J. H. Ham, M. ing the same period of time, 100 went that he had signed it under a misan from Galt to Preston. Therefore af- prehension. firmed Mr. Rutherford, Galt people STATEMENTS WERE FALSE. do not go to other towns to any ex-

Every prediction of the liquor peo- Mr. Kent. Another signatory had no to sing the National Anthem, and af ple had been falsified by the results. vote, one more lived out of town in ter a short prayer from Rev. Mr. Gor- Farmers came to the town as the winter, a third signed as an emdon, delivered a brief address. The much, if not more, than ever. In They were also held to put before against the traffic. All we asked was law. bem the facts and figures of local to be allowed to have our boys live

EX-MAYOR PATTERSON.

Galt, stated Mr. Patterson, was a very busy city. Galt had gone dry six years ago, and was going to stay dry. If the antis wished, this was the year to try out a repeal. He had asked one of them if they were going to try out a repeal." There is nothing do-

Local option to-day was not on has in every way been immensely They thought he was in a fit and trial. It was on trial, said Mr. Paterwent over to help him, when there son, when as Mayor of Galt, Galt tried ness depression would follow the they found he was drunk, so they it out. But 400 municipalities were hurried on. They were right in doing dry and only one repeal being at-

There had been two battalions of when he was beyond the pity of God soldiers in Galt, and not one soldier and man, and to such a state had of them had ever been under the influence of liquor. The nine barrooms could be taken out of Brantford and it would only do good. Any city that "Lloyd George says Great Britain had for its only support nine bahas three enemies, and the greatest rooms ought to go down. Had the of these is the liquor traffic. I am bar-room ever made any one happier. too old to fight, so my boy, 18 years Even if you had no boy to be affectold, has gone in my place, and I am ed, think of your neighbor's boy. staying at home to fight the liquor Thinking of others had put Britain in traffic, and will continue to do so as to this war. When the day came when long as I am able," said Mr. Ruther- we had to live for ourselves, then "

NO CHARITY NOW. Hundreds of dollars of Galt city each year for something that in no One advertisement said four blind money had been expended to keep way conduces to the actual needs or families whose fathers were known to since November 1st under license: be bar room frequenters. After local penalty. Our police records, pauper option carried not a dollar had to be There was another to-day, making paid over. We marked the graves of five," said Mr Rutherford, "more those who fell in Flanders to hold the tendent of our public schools reports than Galt has had since local option line. But who marked the graves of the 8,000 who go down yearly in Can-Mr. Rutherford also took exception ada to a drunkard's grave? The bar to an anti-local option advertisement is an "ill, vile, evil devil, which ever that a Galt speaker in Immanuel Bap- way you like to take it," declared Mr. tist church had admitted local option Patterson in making his final appeal had driven out of business 11 dealers. to vote out the traffic. Not a hotel ex. The Booze Vendors but the eleven dealers were wine cept the bar-room part, and the trave!merchants, or what we call bar tend- ling public was better served. Not a farmer's trade had been lost, An enterprising citizen had put up a tarmer's barn, with waiting rooms, so that

"Don't be surprised if on Monday

Where to Vote and How Many Times on Each Question.

For the elections on Monday voting of those qualified takes place as fol-

For Mayor-Once. For Local Option-Once. the official text, there was a relaxa-For Railway Commisisoner-Once. For Railway By-law—Property owners only and they can vote in each mands on Austro-Hungary in connecture was an air of gravity in official ward in which they own same—five

> POLLING PLACES. WARD 1. 1-4 Spring Street.

2-43 Egerton. 3-14 Bowes Avenue. 4-66 Oxford. 5-120 Oxford. 6-- Colborne WARD 2.

> 7-82 Dundas. 8-32 Niagara. 9-Corner Pearl and Waterloo 10—55 Albion. 11—66 William.

WARD 3.

13-Fire Hall. 14-Court House. 15-152 1-2 Market. 6-201 Market. WARD 4. 7-170 Park Avenue.

12-City Hall.

18-210 Darling 19-145 Peel. 20-233 Murray. 21-290 Murray. WARD 5.

22-155 Park 23—53 Arthur . 24—32 Sarah 25-Corner Port and Superior. 26-17 Cayuga Street. 27-106 Erie Avenue.

"Grass grows on the streets of Mea-

ists Not Satisfied With Compromise.

CONSIDERS DRAFT

Believed That Labor Will Not Oppose the New Arrangement.

sy Special Wire to the Courier.

London, Dec. 31.-There is still ployer, really was only an employee, object of these meetings, he said, was conclusion, Mr. Rutherford appealed his firm having gone into liquidation, gossip of the possible resignation of to inform them on the important mat- to the young men who took an oc- One or two others were men who had the Earl of Selborne, president of the ter coming to a decision Monday casional drink, to go out and vote narrowly escaped the meshes of the board of agriculture, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, lord of the privy seal, and Mr. Kent read a letter from a large one or two other cabinet ministers, industrial firm in Meaford, which as who demand out-and-out conscription, serted that local option stood little but according to the Daily Express, chance of being repealed there. He which is likely to be well informed in this matter, this difficulty has been expectancy that the conscriptionists

will resign. The following is the effect of proday's meeting of the draft of the bill nibition in our city: "I have to report that our first eight months' experience benefic al. The fear of many that busiclosing of saloons has not been realized; practically all desirable places were almost immediately occupied by other lines of business. The money which went into the channels of the liquor trade has gone into the channels of leg timate business. Our expenditures last year for liquor were estimated at about \$2,000,000 and careful tabulation of shipments so far this year are estimated at about one-tenth of that amount. This \$1,800,000 difference is going to pay for groceries, fuel, clothing. lumber for home build ng, payments on town lots and a Henderson possible.

The Dublin correspondent of The movements being muffled. thousand other things making for the welfare of those who bore the burden 'It is nonsense to argue that a city of 100,000 can throw away \$2,000,000 test against exclusion and that comforts of life without paying the records and charity records all show this clearly, thus early. The superina decided improvement in the dress, attendance and the efficiency of the ed with a powerful argument against large class of pupils from families afthat policy, and that hence the Naionalists themselves are in a difficult

> "Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 11." Geo. A. Ward, the people's candidate.

in a New Role law breakers and scoundrels of all The whiskey vendors pose as moral reformers. They are interested in our city, in its morals, in our boys, and perjurers are total abstainers? No and perjurers are total abstainers? No had playing out the room the day of his trial, just as and perjurers are total abstainers? No had playing out his guestion. in illegal sale and perjury in law- man who seils whiskey to fathers had planned out his escape to the A third matter Mr. Rutherford took farmer's wives could await their hisbreaking, illicit stills. Does anyone beup was the signed statement of Galt
bands in comfort, knowing that they
were not drunk.

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The voice for boys or homes or
hearts or lives. When did the whiswhiskey business ever push

At the close, count your ballots and a fat bank account? No man who had work? Moral reform work of any Jessie James thrillers. By the aid of bring your individual returns to me quake shock, preceded by pronounced were out on bail for embezzling and any heart which was not smothered the course out on bail for embezzling and morning the man way is "down and any heart which was not smothered out." is the first at the poll to vote against the traffic, and Mr. Patters are only to make your returns in proper order.

There is just one reason for the desire for gain would ever sell the whole accursed trade: Money, and the course of the whole accursed the whole as an employer of 120 men, was mile against the trained are more in Galt who the whiskey business ever done but lars gives worse than nothing in quickly made his departure. The pol-

wed the premier, Mr. Asquith at Buckingham Palace, where they discussed the provisions of the bill which is to be introduced in parliament to entorce compulsory service of singlemen. How great is the king's influence with his fellow countrymen was shown yesterday when, as a result of his appeal, hundreds of thousands of men in London wore the khaki armler the "new badge of courage." The king was delighted when told that the Labor Unionists and Irish National-Labor Unionists and Irish National- chaos.

New York, Dec. 31.—The London the trade unionists of Britain who have placed patriotism above self even since they were convinced success for for Germany meant death to dame.

British Cruiser Natal Sunk After Explosion

harbor, as the result of an fighters.

The Natal's sinking is the severest loss which the Britsh navy has sustained in several months. No law Reid, U. S. ambassador at Londard Turnbull's statement regarding

tubes.

British naval vessels of importance don after his death in 1912, remaining the earnings in the past of this part had been sunk since last May when at New York for two weeks.

YOUNG BOY **ESCAPED FROM** POLICE STATION

Jesse James Methods of the Youth Arrested for Burglary on Terrace Hill.

composed and there is no longer an breaker, who was arrested a few days ago by the police, George Lloyd, of Much will depend upon the recep- Toronto, escaped from the police station by the cabinet as a whole at to- tion last night. He had been imprisproviding for compulsion, but the fact that Sir John Simon, secretary of the second floor of the station all state for home affairs and Sir Thomas day yesterday, and it was in the even-Strong, privy councillor, both sup- ing that he escaped. The room is a from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. porters of the voluntary system have strong one with heavily barred winprove a compromise which will be generally acceptable. It is further black records, in safety. This fact understood that the two speeches de-livered by Arthur Henderson, rresilivered by Arthur Henderson, President of the Board of Education and a representative of labor, at labor meetings yesterday, were in favor of the acceptance of the government plan. The parliamentary correspondent of the police on duty being warned by any noise. The room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the end of a long hall, with several doors and the court room is situated at the police on duty being warned by any moise. The Daily News still thinks the regnations of Sir John Simon and Mr. and the offices down stairs. This ac- admit men at the summing up of the \$5500 per annum, represents the encounts for all noise of the boy's votes. These are treated identically

Times, predicts trouble if Ireland is The last time Lloyd was visited must make the declaration before excluded from the operation of the was when he received his evening you, and will only be admitted on the wasted. And there is no redress. This bill. He asserts that the Irish Un- meal at six o'clock. After he had dis- order of those entitled to issue same. will be an annual loss—a 'perennial' as ionists will take every means to pro-lest against exclusion and that Sir gave him an inspiration. He examined Edward Carson, leader of the Irish the door and set to work upon the of Mayor. Unionist party will make an empha- task of loosening one of the heavy ic statement of their views in parlia- panels. It was evidently hard work nent. The correspondent adds that for him with the blunt knife, so he if Ireland is excluded and the rest of finished the work by kicking the kingdom accepts compulsion, the the panel out. Then he colenemies of home rule will be furnish- lected all the shavings he had made and put them out of sight under the mattress of his bed. He then crawled through the hole in the door with the blankets from his bed, all knotted to-For Alderman, Ward 5-Vote for gether. These he took into an adjoining room, the Juvenile Court, and opening the window, threw one end out. The other he fastened to a large

ice soon found out about the disap-

and a second second

pearance and the force was dispatched P. C. Cox was sent down to the boy's in connection with our railway an outgoing freighter.

and let out on suspended sentence. may influence some electors in mark-His father paid \$30.50 as compensa- ing their ballots and who do not know tion of the stolen goods which had not the man who has served the city been recovered and a promise to be if faithfully and with marked ability and better boy was extracted from the

The young fourteen-year-old house- FOR INFORMATION AND

The Polling Booths will be open

All persons who have been appoint ed Agents must show their authority of a new system, the power cost has been on the drafting committee, is redows, and a solid two inch thick door garded as assurance that the bill will also with iron bars in it, and it had and when you admit them to the Pollincreased by \$3209, or, for twelve ing Booth, insist upon them taking months at the same rate of increase, the oath of secrecy, which is administ- \$5500, or 70 per cent. In 1914 the

> are not allowed under any condition. communicate with the outside, and they once leave the Polling Booth, nless it be for a case of urgency, ou are not to admit them again. Probably you may have requests to in the same manner as Agents, and VOTING

One Vote can be cast for the Office Street Railway Commissioners-Three members to be elected. Board of Education-Four to be

elected. For the Wards .- Three members from each Ward.

Street Railway Commissioners and Members for Board of Education. -Ratepayers are only entitled to one vote, the same as Office of Mayor. Street Railway By-Law- Owners f property only are allowed to vote, but an owner may vote in each Ward in which he owns property.

Local Option.—You will find a

The Voters' List for Local Option At the close, count your ballots and

H. F. Leonard,

To the Editor

MR. GEORGE WEDLAKE AND THE RAILWAY.

The Editor Courier:

Dear Sir,-Brantford being my native city I take interest in whatever pertains to her advancement and pride in her achievements. Her street railway system before municipal control was a standing joke with visitors to our city, and caused a feeling of shame to citizens generally. This has all been changed in a few months, and we certainly now feel proud of our possession and refer to it with pleasure and satisfaction.

This has been accomplished without fuss or burden to any one, and no Harold this morning cables:

The kite eternes common Spacing crees in Lucos will remy round the ham yesterday and immediately receiting in support of any reasonable wed the premier, Mr. Asquith at Buckingham Palace, where they discussed the allies

Labor Unionists and Irish Nationalists are falling in line in support of the Asquith bill which is designed to reach only those single men who are fit to fight and will not.

chaos,

Lord Northcliffe's campaign, which was for a general conscription in order to discredit the prime minister, Lord Kitchener, Sir Edward Grey and Lord Kitchener Sir Edward Grey Sir Edward Gr

The Labor trades will hold a national conference next Thursday, to consider what action is to be taken officially, but as Arthur Henderson, will Thanks Bear Tillet and all other able men who refused to bow to Baal, has been finally and decisively beaten. The king, the cabinet wherever possible, and which has worked out so satisfactorily and to the benefit of the city financially. Will Thorne. Ben Tillett and all other potential leaders of Labor forces have come to the conclusion that the single men who can but won't, must be made allies' victory doubly sure.

The House of Lords and the House of Lords and the House of Commons are united in support of the benefit of the city financially; a splendid saving having been effected by this arrangement. Any commissioner that would seek to upset the agreement between the two boards in his regard is not, to my mind, serving the city in the best way. As a member of the Hydro Electric Commission, I know whereof I speak.

I recently stated in the press that favored the sale of the Paris-Galt end of our Municipal Railway and against the by-law no arguments have since been advanced to make me the Triumph and Majesty were torpedoed at the Dardanelles. The Natal was Sunk p.m.—The Natal was Sunk was laid down eleven years ago and last displacement was only about onep.m.—The Natal was sunk was laid down eleven years ago on and you will get more." The price on and you will get more." The price may be low from the L. E. & N. point of view, but even so, we do not want internal explosion. There are about 400 survivors.

The Natal's normal complement was 13,660. She was 480 feet long and 73 feet beam. Her largest guns were 9.2- the largest guns were London, Dec. 31, 12, 23 p.m.— The inch. Of these she carried three formula for the ward and three aft. She was armed sunk after an explosion. Official announcement was made here to-day.

The largest guns were 9.2-past and now is a source of loss and with competition in the future there is no prospect of its paying, though nouncement was made here to-day.

of the road. I believe in looking at this question from our own point of view, and not that of the L. E. & N. In conclusion, Mr. Editor, let me to railway stations and other points. say that there is still much to be done relatives in Cainsville in a sleigh about requires the careful attention of the 11 o'clock. No one discovered and best men available, and I believe we trace of him, however, until this morn- can at this juncture ill afford to lose ing. P. C. Boylan was on duty at the valuable services of Mr. Bunnell the T. H. and B. station and caught as Railway Commissioner. He needs the runaway just as he was boarding no defence among those who know him, but I write this for fear some of Lloyd was tried again this morning the false insinuations in circulation therefore deserves the very best at the hands of the electorate.

> Yours faithfully. GEO. WEDLAKE. MR. HEYD AND THE BY-LAW.

The Editor, Courier, Dear Sir:-My attention has been RETURNING OFFICERS directed to the preliminary report of the Water Commissioners as presented in your issue of Tuesday last. I ed in your issue of Tuesday last. I the following discouraging

item, "We have an increase in our power of \$3209." The entire cost for power last year was \$8290. This year. after only a seven months experience works supplied 1,555,442,056 gallons. The Inside Scrutineers or Agents This year we supplied 1,244,026,000 gallons, or 311,000,000 gallons less at an increased cost of \$3209. A reduced output of 20 per cent or

1,000,000 gallons a day pumped this year than last, at an inreased cost of \$3209, at the rate at tire taxes of 200 dwelling houses assessed for \$1000 each. The taxes of 200 ratepayers being thus worse than the florists say.

Now, we are up against another \$5,000 a year proposition, for the dead end of our Street Railway system from Paris to Galt. Commissioner Bunnell, the only man who knows and who can be trusted, says we are losing

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Famous Actor Dead.

New York, Dec. 31-Joe Murphy, an old time actor, best known for his impersonation in Kerry Gow, died early to-day of pneumonia in this city. He was 83 years of age and left an estate estimated at \$3,000,000. Murphy went to California in 1850 and was widely known among the early California pioneers.

Getting Close.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 31-An earth-.38 a.m. lasted for five minutes southwest

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