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THE L. E. & D. R. R.

The erection of docks and machinery and dredging work at Erieau, costing from \$75,000 to \$100,000, means something to this city and district. The work itself means much—the probabilities it affords for a continued decrease in the price of coal mean more.

That Erieau, without losing an iota of its value and popularity as a summer resort, thus becomes a comparatively important commercial station, is a matter for much congratulation.

Chatham and the surrounding district already owes much to the enterprise and energy of the L. E. & D. R. R. This last project will increase the debt—and there are still great possibilities for the future.

It is to be earnestly hoped that both city and railroad will seek to foster and develop the existing cordiality of relationship, which will prove of considerable mutual benefit and practical progress and prosperity.

HOW ABOUT IT, MR. LEE?

It is still complained that the economic properties of the Legislative Chamber, in Toronto, are defective, says the London Free Press, doubtless in reference to the vigorous protest entered by the member for West Kent, Mr. John Lee. But the Ottawa Free Press says:

"It serves them right. There was a plan submitted, handsome in design, and declared by an eminent English architect to be admirably drawn, so far as proportion and consequent economic properties were affected. But as this was by a Canadian, of course, it was not thought good enough, and the minister of public works conferred the making of the building on a foreigner with the result that the Queen's Park contains an ungainly, plagiaristic structure externally, and, as it appears, a defective one internally. This befitting of Canada by her own people and trucking to foreigners, is inexplicable. It is time for a change. The evil is not confined to architecture either."

This from a Liberal journal so sound in the faith as our Ottawa namesake, should call the blush to the adamant cheek of the men who sent to Buffalo for an architect to superintend the Canadian's whose plans were the best. As the Ottawa Free Press observes, "It is time for a change," and many good Liberals are of the same opinion.

WHITNEY'S POLICY.

Newspapers of both political stripes, and public opinion generally, congratulate the Leader of the Ontario Opposition on the honest and manly stand he has taken on the prohibition question. He handled the subject like a statesman and his frankness in his great speech has made him many friends. Whitney is stronger to-day than he ever was and he has always been strong enough to defeat the Ross Government in an honest election.

The Hamilton Herald, which is an independent paper with Liberal leanings, says:

The Herald endorses the proposal to divorce the administration of the license law from party politics. That means that the appointment of license commissioners shall not be in the hands of the Government. It has often been charged that this appointing power has been used by the Ontario Government to convert the license system into political machinery operated in the interest of the party in power and in some cases the charge has been supported by convincing evidence. How could any other result be expected? It is not on record that the Government has entrusted the regulation of licenses to a Conservative commissioner. Every license commissioner in the province is a Liberal, and it is safe to say that almost all of them are ardent and active party men. It would be strange indeed if they did

not use their power to bring grief to the party mill. In fact, nobody doubts that they do so. Mr. Whitney proposes to change all that, and his proposal is in the right direction. But what is the definite character of the change he proposes? If his idea is to give back the licensing power into the hands of the municipal authorities, the change would probably be a change for the worse. If he proposes to put the licensing power into the hands of a board constituted on a permanent basis, like the board of police commissioners, the change would certainly be a genuine reform.

Mr. Whitney is to be congratulated upon the general tone of his speech. Although he did attempt to trim a little when he criticised the referendum conditions as unfair to the prohibitionists, the speech was, as a whole, a frank and manly utterance and leaves no room for doubt as to the attitude of the opposition leader.

The Woodstock Express, also an influential independent paper, whose leanings are almost invariably found with the Liberals, has the following to say:

"There is practically no difference between the attitude of the Government and that of the Opposition to wards prohibition. Mr. Whitney says frankly, in so many words, that he does not believe in provincial prohibition—that is, prohibition that does not extend to the manufacture and importation of liquor. The Government does not say so in so many words, but it says so by its action when it surrounds prohibition by conditions that make it almost impossible of attainment. The Government is willing to enact prohibition if it cannot help itself; the Opposition, no doubt, would be willing to do the same. So far as prohibition is concerned, therefore, it is six of one and half a dozen of the other. So far as the license law is concerned, Mr. Whitney has a distinct policy."

"1. Decrease the number of licenses."

"2. Maintain intact and allow no relaxation of the restrictions."

"3. Remove the commissioners and inspectors from party and political influences, and."

"4. Enforce the license law honestly and with the whole power of the Government."

"With the exception of the first clause here is a policy directly antagonistic to the policy pursued by the Government. That there has been a material decrease in the number of licenses in the settled parts of the province is a fact which will hardly be disputed; whether the Government is entitled to any credit for the decrease is another matter. But there can be no doubt that the other clauses constitute a definite and distinctive policy. 'Maintain intact and allow no relaxation of the restrictions.' This is the opposite of the Government's policy and practice. 'Remove the commissioners and inspectors from party and political influences.' This strikes the Government in a weak spot. To give up control of the commissioners and inspectors would be to throw the party machine out of gear, to forego all the political advantages which the party in power derives or expects to derive from the liquor traffic. As for the last clause, it embraces all the others, and contains by implication the sum of all the charges that lie against the Government in regard to the enforcement of the license law. It will thus be seen that Mr. Whitney's announcement is a very important one. His policy is at least a practical one. There is no doubt that it could be carried out—there would be no need of a referendum to determine that—and if carried out it would remove many of the evils complained of by prohibitionists. Of course the uncompromising prohibitionist will stop short of nothing but prohibition; but to the man who prefers the reality to the name a license law strictly administered in accordance with Mr. Whitney's policy would be far more acceptable than a prohibitory measure dragged from an unwilling government and with but little chance of success."

"Can a man live on air?" gravely asks our esteemed contemporary, the Banner-News, in an editorial article on Saturday. Don't know. But we could find one who'd take the chance of living on an heirless.

Rather interesting to the local public and amusing to the Conservatives, isn't it, to see Mr. Archie Campbell, M. P. for West York, working overtime to get the Government to yield to the demand of the Manufacturers' Association for higher protection, after the free trade and down-with-protection times of Mr. Archie Campbell, M. P. for Kent?

The Ontario government holds to the conviction that if Liberals are driven to the polls they must vote Liberal. When it was pointed out that the effect of requiring a majority of the total vote cast at the next general election would be to keep Liberal prohibitionists from the polls, and thus jeopardize the government, an immediate change was made and the vote cast in the last general election is to be the factor. Therefore there

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will be no incentive for the Liberal prohibitionists to remain away from the polls, and the government expects that on election day each man will do his duty to his party. It is possible each man will do his duty to his country, which will place the present ministers where they cannot juggle with referendums for four years at any rate.

Inspector Park — "From eight to fourteen. I don't know how it is but the authorities in the city as well as in the surrounding townships seem to think that the ages are from seven to thirteen. For several years I have been trying to convince them that the ages are from 8 to 14 instead of 7 to 13. It has been stated by The Planet, who still persist in thinking so, although I have told them otherwise very often. Many of the municipalities are therefore not 'led astray' simply because those people of The Planet can't get it through their heads that the present law limits the ages from 8 to 14 and not 7 to 13. Banner-News report of Inspector Park's remarks on the age for school attendance at meeting of Public School Board."

This is a fairly good report for our esteemed contemporary. The Planet never said that the age limit was 7 to 13. The Planet doesn't persist in thinking so, consequently Inspector Park hasn't "told them otherwise very often." Many of the municipalities therefore are not "led astray" simply because those people of The Planet can't get it through their heads that the present law limits the ages from 8 to 14 and not 7 to 13. With the exception of these few slight inaccuracies, kindly pointed out to this great home journal by Inspector Park himself, and the somewhat original ideas of grammatical construction and punctuation evidenced, the Banner-News report may probably be correct.

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