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ALL THREE BY-ELECTIONS GO LIBERAL PREMIER ROSS' MAJORITY NOW FOUR

Influence of Grand Trunk Credited With North Perth Victory, While Accusations of Corrupt Practices Come From Every Riding-Leader of Government Considers He Has Confidence of the People.

N. Norfolk_Little (Lib.), Maj. 56 N. Grey_MacKay (Lib.), Maj. 236

In North Perth the turn-over is atributed to the use of money and the alleged support of the government candidate by the G.T. R. whose shops are in Stratford. In North Grey the Liberal victory is placed at the door of local issues that drew the attention of the electors away from the political issues. Money is also said to

in North Norfolk, the rural districts show Liberal gains over the general (election returns. The charge is made that money was lavishly used and that old-time machine practices were in vogue. Taking into account the Liberal victories in the by-elections, the two

parties stand to-day as follows: Number of Seats 98 Liberal Members 50 Conservative Members. 46

VACANT SEATS. North Renfrew (L) North York (L) (Agreed.) PROTESTS NOT DECIDED. PETITIONS TO BE HEARD. Sault Ste Marie (C)

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NORTH PERTH.

Turnover in Stratford.

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Stratford Did the Trick.

As has already been indicated in The World, the result of the election rested largely on the verdict of Stratford. Stratford Stratford was 200 Brown. The Conservatives at their meeting did not hesitate to say that the verdict was purchased, not only by money, but by other more despicable means.

"We ran against boode at every corner," said one of the speakers, but even more emphasis was laid on the allegation that the Grand Trunk had done its part in defeating the Conservative candidate, in spite of the promise from headquarters that no coercion would be used.

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MacKay will have a majority of 250 or more. With several places to hear from to-night, the Liberal majority is 236. The victors are naturally jubilant over the sheakers at their meeting deol to understand the strong influences, at work fully counted to the sheakers and solicitors, and the strong influences, at work fully counted to strong influences, at work fully counted to majority of votes, it is useless to dwell on this feature of the election. Both all the riding over-run with speakers and solicitors, and every dear the promise from headquarters that no coercion would be used.

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tive workers had been refused admission to the shops to get out their vote, while Liberals were allowed to get out Premier Ross Elated, But Whitney their men freely. However little truth there may be in this, the wild cheering of the big audience indicated

N. Perth Brown (Lib.) Maj. 221 | jority of 56. Dr. Snider's majority in the government has one more chance to win these.

MCKAY IN NORTH GREY. Returns Incomplete, But Majority

Will Go Over 250.

Owen Sound, Jan. 7.— (Special)—
MacKay, the Liberal candidate, is the victor in North Grey. Taken altogether it was one of the most remarkable battles in the history of the riding.
Both parties went to work at 9 o'clock this morning, backed by the most period of 1898. this morning, backed by the most perfect organization. Aside from the wellestablished fact that money was freely used, the vote of the electorate was Grand Trunk is Blamed for the influenced for MacKay by a series of follows: local issues that drew attention away

Stratford, Jan. 7.—(Special.)—The streets to-night are being paraded by howling mobs. The enthusiasm of the Liberals knows no bounds. The victory of John Brown, unexpected as it was in some quarters, has sent his supporters wild with delight. A big Liberal procession was the culmination of the party rejoicings.

The Conservatives made their headquarters for the day at the City Hall, and the big audience chamber was thronged this evening to hear the results announced. In the Opera House the Liberals held a gathering similar in purpose, but more cheerful in tone, in purpose, but more cheerful in tone.

LEADERS ON THE RESULT.

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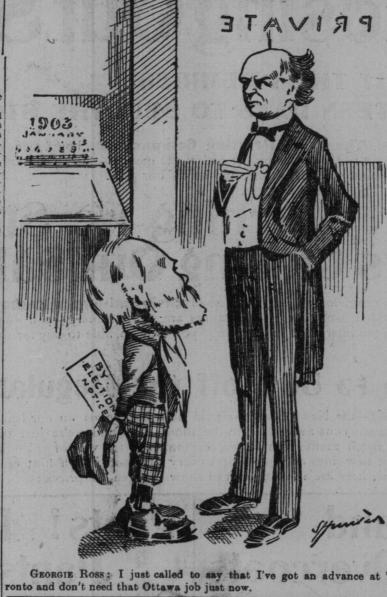
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turned over to a Brown plurality of 158. Reports from elsewhere indicate as dead set on the towns, and signs and set on the towns, and signs the peace of mind for some time yet. The World counts as dead set on the towns, and signs the peace of mind for some time yet. The World counts are titlined of certain voters under the peace of the peac

before the house is complete, it is in-teresting to note what majorities were previously given in those constitu-encies. North Renfrew gave the late Mr. Munro 465, and in 1900 he was elected by acclamation, on the death of Andrew I White Conservative Hon-

> GENERAL ELECTION RETURNS In the election of May 29 last, the

Premier Ross was, of course, elated fill the vacancy in the riding of North



GEORGIE Ross: I just called to say that I've got an advance at To-

SEVEN KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK PASSENGER BATTERS FREIGHT

robbers jumped from was moving at 50 miles an hour. The other was captured and lodged in the Canton Jail. The identity of the would-be robbers is unknown. Late to-night the fugitive bandit had not been captured.

White Pine County, was attacked to-been captured.

White Pine County, was attacked to-day in the company's office at Keystone by 12 men, said to be members of the Miners' Union, who intended to the Miners' Union and Miner

SIR WILFRID BACK HOME ASKED FOR HIS MOTHER

Gained No Flesh, is Alert and Vigorous and Voice is Again Strong — Greeted by Friends— Reached Ottawa Last Night.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—"Well, I am glad to see you, and pleased to be home again. What news have you, and how are all the friends?" was the hearty real Monday next, and also pay a visit greeting extended to the group of personal and political friends who went to Bonaventure depot this evening to welcome the Prime Minister of the Domin- must pay her a visit.

on back to Canadian soil.

As the hour of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's no reference to political subjects, and his friends followed their chief's example. At 4.10 the Premier left for the capital. close friends of the leader. There were present: Hon. Senators McKay and Dandurand, Judge Lavergne, Hon. P. Ottawa, Jan. 7.-Looking greatly im-Brodeur, General Manager Hays of the proved and to all appearances in good Grand Trunk, Mr. Morse of the same health and spirits, Sir Wilfrid Laurier company, Mr. Arthur Dansereau, Pri- reached the Capital to-night on his wate Secretary Boudrault, Mrs. Lang. return from Hot Springs, Virginia,

lois of LaPatrie and the Misses Danscreau.

The train bringing Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier arrived shortly after 4 colock. The Prime Minister gave a hearty hand-shake to all who entered his car All of course were interested him, there were quite a number of the hearty hand-shake to all who entered his car. All, of course, were interested in the Premier's health and satisfaction was expressed when it was seen that, altho the Liberal leader had aphin were Messrs. Prefontaine, Mulock, him were Messrs, Prefontaine, Mulock. parently gained no flesh, he seemed alert and vigorous and that his voice had regained its wanton strength.

He said he was ready to go to work again and made no comment when someone remarked that newspapers were being funded in Montreal these days.

Among the cabinet ministers to greet him were Messrs. Prefontaine, Mulock, Fielding and Scott.

Messrs. Belcourt, M.P., and a few other prominent Liberals accompanied the ministers. Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier wasted no time at the stat on, beyond extended greetings to their friends, They drove immediately to their home on Theodory streat

TWO BUTCHERS GET OFF

Honorably Acquitted of Robbing Warson Brothers.

Extra Freight Failed to Clear the Main Line as Signals indicated.

was on time and had a clear track, according to the signals displayed. At trial of Edward Raye and Alfred Hanthe the siding at Cochrane it ran into the rear car of an extra freight which had taken the siding, but failed to clear ers who were charged with robbing the main line. The officials of the road attribute the disaster to the failure of Patrick Quinn, the rear collision between a passenger train and the rear end of a freight train on the his train had fully cleared. The trial of Edward Raye and Alfred Hanthe two Ancaster Township butchers ers who were charged with robbing James and Samuel Watson, near Middle port, took place to day, and they were thonorably acquitted by Justice of the his train had fully cleared. The trial of Edward Raye and Alfred Hanthe two Ancaster Township butchers with robbing taken the siding at Cochrane to the siding at Cochrane trial of Edward Raye and Alfred Hanthe two Ancaster Township butchers who were charged with robbing taken the siding at Cochrane trial of Edward Raye and Alfred Hanthe tria

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MARRIAGES.

SWITZER-McMULKIN-At the residence of the bride's father, 155 St. Patrick, street, on Wednesday evening Jan 7th street, on Wednesday evening Jan 7th street, on Wednesday evening Jan 7th street. street, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 7th. Ernest G. Switzer of the 19th Regiment. St. Catharines, to Emma (Birdie), daughter of James McMulkin of Toronto.

DEATHS. McLAUGHLIN-At 228 Berkeley-street, on

aged 76 years. Funeral on Friday, 9th instant, at 3 p. in., to St. James' Cemetery. PATTON-At his late residence, 338 Queenstreet East, John Patton (boot and shoe Merchaut, No. 224 Queen-street East). Funeral Friday, the 9th; at 3 o'clock, Mount Pleasant Cemetery. REED-At 232 Gerrard-street East, Toron to, on Wednesday, Jan. 7th, 1903, Harry Jan. 7. At.

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