

ELECTORS OF WEST LAMBTON
HEAR MINISTER AND CANDIDATE

Mr. Fielding, Mr. Pardee
Address Gathering
at Sarnia.

TELL STORY OF
WISE GOVERNMENT

In Stirring Speeches the Lambton
Voters Are Shown Progress
of Laurier Administration.

[By Our Own Man.]

Sarnia, Sept. 28.—The campaign opened here this evening, when Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance, commenced his Ontario tour, speaking on behalf of Mr. F. F. Pardee, the late member for the riding. The meeting was a most successful one, the opera house being filled to capacity, while hundreds were unable to obtain admission. Mr. Fielding was in excellent form, and dealt with the financial policy of the Laurier Government in masterly style. Addresses were also delivered by Mr. F. F. Pardee, ex-M. P., Dr. C. O. Fairbank, Liberal candidate for East Lambton, and Capt. R. I. Towers, of Sarnia.

The enthusiasm was unbounded and as Mr. Fielding unfolded the splendid story of Canada's upbuilding during the past twelve years, the audience repeatedly cheered him. The speaker was particularly telling in dealing with the development of trade and commerce during the Liberal regime.

On the platform were Messrs. T. H. Cook, president of the Sarnia Reform Association; Mayor G. A. Proctor, J. A. Farquharson, F. Japp, reeve of Bonanquet; Warden James Smith, J. A. McLean, Moore; J. McClelland, Point Edward; D. O. Coverly, Point Edward; W. A. Wiggins, Elginwood; James Peat, Petrolia; John Cowan, K.C., David Milne, reeve of Sarnia; A. Weir, R. I. Towers, Dr. C. O. Fairbank, Petrolia, and others.

The Candidate.

The Liberal candidate, Mr. F. F. Pardee, received a fine reception. The stories to the effect that West Lambton would defeat Mr. Pardee have little credence here, for no candidate has so united a party behind him as has Mr. Pardee. His election is conceded on all sides, and when he arose to speak here tonight he received a most flattering ovation.

Dr. Wm. Logie presided. The president of the association, Mr. W. H. Burnham, of Moore Township, was unavoidably absent, and Dr. Logie, the first vice-president, was made chairman. He was indeed glad to welcome Hon. Mr. Fielding to Sarnia. On other occasions the Liberal electors of the riding had listened to Mr. Fielding, and they were always glad to see him again. The Liberal party, continued the speaker, had always been, in all ages, the party of the masses, while the Conservative party had always stood for the privileged class, the party of the classes. The Liberal party had always fought for the rights of the people. It had always been for universal suffrage. Dr. Logie contrasted the condition of Canada prior to the advent of the Liberal Government in 1896. Trade was at a standstill. There was a continuous tide of emigration from Canada. There was little or no faith in the country. Now the tides of emigration were turned towards Canada. The trade had increased beyond all expectations, and there was an abiding faith in the Dominion's future. Dr. Logie asked the electors of Sarnia and West Lambton to contrast that record with the record made by Hon. George Eulas Foster, the Conservative finance minister. During that time, although there had been many accusations, not one charge had been brought against a member of the Government.

Dr. Fairbank.

Dr. C. O. Fairbank, Petrolia, Liberal candidate for East Lambton, was accorded a very flattering reception. His appearance was merely to introduce the electors of Sarnia to the coming member for East Lambton. He was proud to have Fred Pardee as running mate, and he was confident that on the evening of Oct. 25 Lambton will have returned him.

Referring to the oil industry, Dr. Fairbank said the Government had placed it in a position of stability never enjoyed before. There was progress now where stagnation had reigned under Conservative rule. He pointed out that there was no issue before the electors. The campaign was a "holier than thou" campaign. According to the Conservative speeches, the Grits were all black, while the Conservatives were all spotlessly pure. No honest man could or would believe such statements. The electors of Lambton well knew how the Conservatives had treated Hon. Alexander Mackenzie during his lifetime. When he was dead they eulogized him. Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

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THE HON. W. S. FIELDING,
Dominion Minister of Finance, Who
Addressed a Great Political Gather-
ing at Sarnia Last Night.

A NEW FREIGHT
TRAIN ON C. P. R.

Will Mean Much to the Shipping Public
of London and District.

Businessmen of this city will be interested to learn that the C. P. R. are now running a fast freight train from Toronto to Winnipeg, reducing the time from seven to five days. The new train was put on yesterday. It leaves West Toronto every day at 8 a.m., so that goods shipped from here in the evening can conveniently reach it.

The chief point of interest about the new service is that there will no longer be any advantage to shippers in sending goods for Winnipeg via Chicago. Winnipeg freight can now be forwarded more quickly via Toronto, and shippers will not need to patronize American lines.

The C. P. R. have been enabled to put on this fast service by their new route from Toronto to Sudbury, which was opened in July.

All freight for Winnipeg and beyond may be forwarded on the new train. The train reaches Romford Junction (Sudbury) at 8 p.m. It is there handed over to the Lake Superior division and reaches Fort William, where it enters the central division, 45 hours later, that is, 62 hours after leaving Toronto.

THE GENERAL SYNOD

Memorial Asks That Windows and
Orphan Fund Be Augmented.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Sept. 29.—The general synod of the Church of England in Canada this morning received a memorial for an augmentation of the fund for widows and orphans of the clergy, and recommendations as to the management and distribution of the funds.

Another memorial was submitted by the delegates from Western Canada. It related to Indian missions, and was a criticism of the new policy of the Government, and accepted by the church board of management, which was for the closing of residential Indian schools and replacing them with day schools.

Principal Rexford, of Montreal, moved the adoption of the Sunday school resolution under which it was proposed to have a new grading of Sunday school lessons, and suggested that different topics might be taught to the various classes on the same day. This was not adopted, but was referred to the commission which is to be appointed to carry on Sunday school work. A resolution in favor of a strong Sunday school paper was adopted.

The Cockburn Fund.
Mrs. Kingsmill acknowledges the following contributions to the Cockburn fund: Mr. Jos. Hamilton \$5, A. E. Cooper, P. D. D. G. M. of A. F. and A. M. \$20, Federation of Labor Local 279, affiliated with the local Musicians' Union, \$25; Major Abbott, Capt. Reason, Capt. Abel and Lieut. McDougall, of the First Hussars, \$8.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—WARMER.

FORECASTS.
Sept. 29—8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Today—Fresh to strong west to south-west winds; fair and decidedly cool.

Wednesday—Strong breezes or moderate gales, south to southwest; a little higher temperature.
TEMPERATURES.
Station. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
London 71.5 47 Fair
Calgary 48 44 Fair
Winnipeg 32 32 Fair
Port Arthur 32 30 Clear
Perry Sound 42 40 Fair
Toronto 50 44 Clear
Ottawa 48 46 Fair
Montreal 54 52 Clear
Quebec 52 46 Cloudy
Father Point 62 46 Cloudy
The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.
The depression mentioned yesterday has now reached the lower St. Lawrence valley, with much reduced energy, after causing heavy rains throughout Ontario and Quebec, together with strong winds and gales.
Another depression of importance has moved quickly into the Western Provinces, attended by light local rains and snow.

HUSBAND FINED
ASSAULTED WIFE

Family Troubles Aired in the
Police Court This
Morning.

An unsavory case at the police court this morning was that of James Coveny, who was fined \$20 with \$2 costs, or two months, for assaulting Mary, his wife.

Mrs. Coveny, who was in the witness box, said that when she came home from work last Saturday evening, she found her husband lying drunk on his bed. She went out to buy something to eat for her two children, Coveny followed her onto the street, using vile language. He struck her heavily, knocking her onto the road. She fell, bleeding, and has since been sick.

P. C. Thomas Fysh, who was doing his beat on South Richmond street at the time, filled in the rest of the picture. He said he saw a large crowd in front of the Coveny house and, proceeding to the spot, found the woman bleeding from her fall. She was drunk, he said, as well as her husband, and both were using vile and profane language. He arrested them both.

The woman was let off, it being considered that she had suffered enough already. But Coveny, who had not the money handy, will have to procure it or go down.

Two drunks, William Ford and Timothy Sullivan, were fined five and ten dollars respectively. John McCord paid five for fighting with another man on the street, while under "the influence."

One dollar was paid by a sidewalk rider. Probably yesterday's rain was the cause of this. It's an ill-wind, etc.

Unique Advertising.
For nailing theatre advertisements to the doors of Dunsmuir street stores, John Jamieson was fined \$1 in the police court this morning. Several boys who were employed by Jamieson were allowed to go with a warning.

This ambitious and conspicuous method of advertising has been practised once before. Possibly the advertisers thought that such a good game was worth fully a dollar.

"The men nailed up cards on the doors late Saturday night," said Chief Williams, "so that they would remain undisturbed over Sunday."

The owners of the stores naturally objected to having their doors posted with advertisements, and to speak of the marks left by the nails.

The authorities are determined to discourage this branch of the advertising business.

A SMALL BLAZE
IN SOUTH END

Overheated Stove Caused a Fire on
Maitland Street South.

The firemen had a run last night to 70 Maitland street, where a barn at the rear of the residence of Mr. S. Led had caught fire from an overheated stove.

The shed was practically demolished although it was of some value. The building was between two barns, and was but a few feet from them. The blaze was extinguished before they had caught fire.

CARPENTER SUSTAINED
A VERY BAD FALL

Accident to Mr. Frank Raynor in South
London This Morning.

Mr. Frank Raynor, a carpenter employed on a Duchess avenue house, fell from the roof, where he was working this morning, breaking his arm and suffering other injuries.

He is employed by Contractor Blegs and while working on the roof several feet above the ground he slipped and fell heavily. He was badly shaken up, and as he appeared to be seriously injured, Dr. G. Ainsley Thompson, of the Worley road, was called in.

Raynor was removed to Victoria Hospital, where his injuries were attended to. He will be confined to his house for some time.

LONDON FISHING
PARTY RETURNS

Weather Was Bad, But Crowd Had a
Good Time.

A fishing party, composed of Mr. M. Ferguson, J. W. Westervelt, sen., J. W. Coutts, Woodstock, and Mr. R. Bonner, manager of Penman Company, returned last evening from a trip to Stokes' Bay. The weather was not favorable for fishing, but the party had a fairly good time.

"The forest fires in the north were very bad," said Mr. Ferguson. "On our way back we drove through mile after mile of burning bush. It was terrible. The smoke and fog made it extremely unpleasant up north. We caught some fish, and had a fairly interesting time."

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Sept. 28.—At New York—Minnetonka, from Liverpool; Friedrich Wilhelm, from Bremen; Vadeland, from Antwerp. At Philadelphia—Merion, from Liverpool. At Boston—Canopic, from Genoa. At Glasgow—Caledonia, from New York; Pretorian, from Montreal; Siberian, from Philadelphia. At Liverpool—Corsican, from Montreal; Virginian, from Montreal. At Dover—Zeland, from New York. At Bremen—Friedrich der Grosse, from New York. At Antwerp—Mount Royal, from Montreal. At Cherbourg—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York.

Another Crystal Hall Action Entered
\$10,000 Damages Claimed for Boy

James Clugston Alleged to Have
Been Seriously Injured in
Wreck on July 16, 1907.

Still another Crystal Hall case. John Clugston as plaintiff vs. W. J. Reid and Geo. Head & Wilson, on behalf of his 14-year-old son, James, a clerk in Hamilton & Long's at the time of the collapse of the building.

Damages to the extent of \$10,000 are claimed.

The boy, it is said, was so badly injured that paralysis ensued, and he has been unable to do any work since. He can scarcely use his limbs.

Graydon & Graydon for plaintiff, Gibbons & Co. for defendants.

The case of Smith vs. Reid, which was entered, and not tried, last March, will come up. Damages claimed \$15,000.

Bankrupt Stock Man Committed
For Trial by Police Magistrate

Percy B. Patten's Case Heard
Yesterday—Only Two Wit-
nesses Examined.

Percy B. Patten, of Toronto, appeared before Magistrate Love yesterday afternoon, charged by Geo. Head, his partner, with stealing \$775 of the firm's funds, thereby rendering the partnership insolvent.

After hearing the evidence of two witnesses, George Head and Arthur H. Preston, the manager of the Traders' Bank at Ripley, with which concern Patten & Co. carried on business, Magistrate Love sent the case to the general sessions, bail being allowed in personal bonds of \$2,000.

Mr. Head's Testimony.
Mr. Head was called by Crown Attorney McKillop, and stated that he had had business dealings with the defendant for about two years. The stock in question had been purchased and taken first to North Bay, then to Toronto, and finally to Ripley, where the alleged theft is said to have been committed. The stock was bankrupt, and was secured in January last. Pat-

MERCURY FALLS 45 DEGREES
FURS AND WRAPS IN ORDER

Londoners Who Were Sweltering on Sunday Are Shivering
Today—Music of Stovepipes Sounds Throughout the
Land—Great for the Stovemen.

The man who invented the saying, "Is it hot enough for you," is today shivering his life away.

It is just punishment in the eyes of the majority of people, but then the righteous are suffering with the unrighteous, and everybody is cold.

The weather took a drop last evening, and an awful drop it was.

During the dry spell the mercury was bugging the dome of the thermometer, and last evening it took to acrobatics, and fell almost to the bottom.

As a matter of fact, it tumbled about 45 degrees. Now there is on the streets a rare collection of ancient odors of Arabia.

"All's Fine That's Fitting."
The smell of moth balls is about in

the land, and fair maidens are wrapped in an unseemly combination of last winter's apparel over parabolic waists.

The straw hat is still lingering, but the majority of the occupants look as if the frost came upon them while wandering far from home without a guide.

And the voice of the angry housewife, as she endeavors to fit a number seven stovepipe into a number six elbow, is heard throughout the backyards.

Stove dealers are having a most anxious time, as the telephones are swarming with calls. Everybody wants to get his old furnace fixed up as rapidly as possible.

It is chilly, rather, but the change will help some.

One touch of nature makes the whole world "skin" for cover.

Sophomore "Soaked" the "Freshie"
Initiation at the Medical College

Traditional Event Carried Out
With Customary Glee on
Monday.

In very many Canadian colleges the ceremony of initiating the first-year men by the sophomores has changed and decayed. At Toronto University, for instance, it is said that a pink tie is about all that happens. The authorities have forbidden anything else.

Not so at the medical college of the Western University. Here, although one or two of the most pungent features have been removed, the time-honored ceremonial still remains in essence the same. The critical alumnus has no need to blush at the way things are carried out, and probably never will have.

After the Freshie.
Yesterday the annual occasion came round. The sophs, true to old tradition, felt the urgent necessity of impressing the buoyant freshie with the dignity and importance of the studies upon which he was about to enter, and of the companionship which for the next few years he is to enjoy.

Old-time secrecy was maintained. When the freshmen were gathering to attend a 1 o'clock lecture they had small suspicion that their hour had come.

True, as has been hinted, the "black hole" and the "dark tank" were omitted. But the classroom windows served the purpose just as well, and with less unsavoriness. Through these freshmen were ejected after a gallant struggle, in which tables were mounted, chairs overturned, arms and legs pulled and hauled, and dust stirred up in clouds—clouds of incense to the shades of "sophs" long departed.

Two to One.
The freshmen were two to one—so claim the second-year men—and attribute their success to the physical and moral strength which they have acquired during their year's attendance at the school.

The sophs always make it a point, if possible, to introduce some new feature into the solemnity, so that their vigor may never fail.

This year it was the removal of the freshmen's footwear. This was carried through successfully, and the boots and shoes were collected in a large bag.

Afterwards conveyances were in readiness to carry the assembled company through the streets. In the centre of the city the bag was emptied, and the freshmen had to claim their footwear where it was to be found.

The council was not in favor of that, but insisted that the street be repaired.

It has not yet been done, and the residents of that street are wondering when it will be commenced.

Mr. Robert Grindley, of New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Partidge, Simcoe street.

PREMIER AT JACKSON'S POINT
MEETS NORTH YORK ELECTORS

Despite the Inclement Weather a Vast Crowd Turns Out to Greet
Sir Wilfrid, Hon. Mr. Aylesworth and the Hon.
George P. Graham.

Jackson's Point, Sept. 28.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and a delightful autumnal shower reached here the same day. The prosperous agricultural community of North York and contiguous ridings have been looking forward to both these blessings for a long time. The fact that they both arrived together on Sept. 28, 1908, will make that a red letter day in the history of the district. In the case of an ordinary every-day political picnic, the advent of the rain might have interfered with the demonstration. Not so the Laurier-Aylesworth reception today.

The preparations of the morning indicated that the celebration would be one of the most successful in the history of North York, a traditional battleground of politics.

At noon today the hotels and lunchrooms at all the surrounding towns could not accommodate the great crowds that applied for lunch. The Metropolitan Railway had a number of extra cars on the route, but at nearly every crossroad groups of people were left behind as the crowded cars rushed by.

The triumphal march of Sir Wilfrid from Sutton to the Jackson's Point grounds was timed to start at 1 o'clock from Sutton West. All along the route there were arches of evergreens, banners, streamers, flags, etc., signifying the riding's loyalty to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal Government.

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Hon. Adam Beck as Defendant

In Niagara Power Action in Courts

Application Made Yesterday to
Have Him Included as
a Defendant.

An important step was taken yesterday in the suit brought by Mr. R. H. Smith to set aside the contract made between the city of London and the hydro-electric power commission. The action was based upon two chief grounds: First, that while the bylaw passed by the people was for power at from \$17.50 to \$23.50 delivered at London, the contract was for power at Niagara Falls at \$10.40, with an additional sum added to cover the cost of the transmission lines, sinking fund, which was unascertained and unlimited; and second, because it is claimed that misrepresentations were made to the members of the London Council by Mr. Beck and his engineers, prior to the signing of the contract, which

induced the passing of the resolution authorizing the signing of the contract.

The City's Position.
The city of London applied before the masters in chambers to strike off all the paragraphs charging misrepresentation, on the ground that these could only be supported if the hydro-electric power commission were made parties defendant to the action.

The master refused to strike off the paragraphs, and an appeal was taken to Chief Justice Meredith, who also refused to strike them out, with one trifling exception, but in his judgment he intimated that in his view the commission should be made defendants as to the part of the action based on misrepresentation.

As a consequence of this expression of opinion by the Chief Justice Mr. J. M. McEvoy of London, solicitor for the plaintiff, applied to the Hon. J. J. Foy, attorney-general of the province, for a fiat enabling him to add the hydro-electric power commission as parties defendant to the action to answer the charges of misrepresentation which the plaintiff makes.

Hon. Mr. Foy reserved his decision.

COUNTY COUNCIL IS TO MEET
IN SPECIAL SESSOIN MONDAY

Will Consider the Case of Joyce vs. the County of Middlesex
Which Is To Be Tried Next Week—Important Matter
Must Be Dealt With.

There will be a special meeting of the county council on Monday morning, Oct. 5, at 11 o'clock.

The main item of business will be to consider what is to be done in the case of Joyce vs. the county of Middlesex, which is to be tried at the assizes next week.

It will be remembered that in August Mr. Joyce, his wife and Miss McGrenery were thrown from plaintiff's carriage on the Pipe Line road. The horse had been frightened by an

auto, but it is claimed that the fact of the road's being under repair was largely responsible for the accident. The council will appoint a committee to look after its side of the case.

Other matters of business will be the hospital agreement with the city, and a bylaw to provide gravel for highways. The action of the G. T. R. in appropriating, as it is claimed, a portion of the roadway at a Dorchester crossing will also be looked into.

C. P. R. Strike Settlement Rumors

Toronto, Sept. 29.—The local C. P. R. mechanics and carmen who have been on strike for almost eight weeks are hopeful that the trouble will be settled within a few days. The report from Winnipeg that if some of the international officers visited Montreal a conference would be arranged between them and the C. P. R. officials has encouraged them greatly.

Two of the strike leaders are now en route to Montreal.

Some of the strikers believe that the communication forwarded by Sir Wilfrid Laurier from North Bay to the officials of the C. P. R. at Montreal has been the means of opening

the way for a conference between the men and the company. From the day the strike was inaugurated the company have made it clear that they would not deal with the men as an organized body, but would treat with them individually, nor would they open negotiations with the leaders of the strikers. Local officials of the C. P. R. yesterday advised that they had heard of the latest report, but could not confirm or deny it. They added, however, that the local division was not feeling any effects from the strike and that the rolling stock which had been on the "dead" list for several weeks was again in operation.

"Bob" Donnelly Missing From Lucan

Lucan, Sept. 28.—"Bob" Donnelly, one of the few surviving members of the Donnelly family, of Biddulph, disappeared from his home in the village early Monday morning, and has not been seen since. His friends are alarmed for his safety. Searching parties are seeking him.

Donnelly has been unwell for over a year, his mind being affected. A year ago he was sent to the London asylum, but improved, coming home about ten days ago. For the last few days he has been worse, and a watch has been kept on him.

On Monday morning he got up and went into the backyard. His nephew followed him, but Donnelly scaled the fence and was soon lost to view.

A search was instituted for him, but it was fruitless. It is thought that he may have gone toward Glencoe, his old home. Donnelly is about 55 years of age, but looks much older. He wore a pair of dark trousers, an undershirt, a pair of house slippers and a light Fedora hat. His beard is short and stubby, and streaked with grey.

A NEW LORD MAYOR.
London, Sept. 29.—Sir George Truscott was today elected lord mayor of London with the customary ceremony, in succession to Sir John Charles Bell. He will assume office on Nov. 9.