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HOW WINNIPEG WAS WON.

When a constituency turns from 276 majority for one party to over 1500 for the other side it is safe to say that some pretty powerful arguments were advanced into the electorate of the community. Such was the case in Winnipeg from the results of 1904 to those of Monday last. Following is an article copied verbatim from the editorial page of Tuesday's Free Press, which hints pretty plainly at the kind of persuasion poured into the Winnipeg voters.

"Yesterday's election was, in respect at least, by far the worst in the history of the city. "Never did a political party make the open and undisguised use of liquor their chief weapon in an election contest in Winnipeg.

"But from the outset of the campaign it was the evident intention of the Conservative machine to sweep Haggart into parliament on a river of booze.

"That was why they nominated Alex. Haggart, though there were other reasons which commended him to the machine, one being his absolute subservience to its orders.

"As chairman of the license commission he would be, they considered, the candidate most likely to secure the support, financial and otherwise, of the hotel-men.

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BALLOON-BURST IN AIR.

Was at Height of 2,000 Yards—Landed Gently in a Tree.

Berlin, Oct. 29.—The Prætorial military, rigid dirigible balloon, which made its first flight yesterday at a height of over 2,000 yards, and made a rapid descent towards the earth. But when it was close to the earth its gas leaked and it landed gently in a tree. Its occupants were unharmed.

The balloon was making its second trial before a military commission appointed to investigate the matter. It was suitable for army purposes. Major General Parvez, the inventor of the balloon, was present. He has made a number of unofficial trips. On September 10 last, while it was attempting a flight from Tegel, Berlin, to Dohritz, it was struck by a squall and the gas bags collapsed, and the balloon came down on the roof of a villa.

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From the wounded as usual come the groans. As usual, too, the groans lead into an agonized wail that the other fellow was unspokeably crooked and used unfair advantages. In cases this is doubtless true. But it is not true in all cases, and it is not true so frequently that the public are being to grow indifferent as to whether it is true or not. For this reason the plaintiffs have opened their own giving it by the electorate in authority that if the obstructors do not restrain themselves the rules of the House will frustrate their mischievous tactics.

Asks for this the new House give every right to determine the rules under which it shall work—at least to determine that it shall not be kept working at all. This can be better done at the first session than at a later one, and better at the beginning of the session than at a later stage. Before the clash of party warfare has aroused antagonisms and complicated issues the House should definitely determine such possibilities shall not prevent the work of public business, and should embody the resolution in suitable amendments to the working rules.

In taking Hon. Thomas Greenway death removed one of the veteran western leaders. Mr. Greenway came to Manitoba when there was little in it to come, he stayed with the West when unfavorable seasons, rail-way monopoly and bad administration was driving people out of it by the hundred, and he lived to see the advent of a better order of things, in securing which he had borne a good part.

The Manitoba provincial government was formed by Mr. Greenway's party. He was the first to break railway monopoly in the West. They secured the introduction of the Northern Pacific to Manitoba and began the construction of the Manitoba and Southern, designed to run from Winnipeg to the head of Lake Winnipegosis. Unfortunately this government was defeated in 1899 and the Northern Pacific and the Manitoba and Southern both went under the control of the Canadian Northern. But the battle had been fought and won, and the C. P. R. dictates now neither the charges for freight from Winnipeg to the south nor to the lake ports. For this will Hon. Thomas Greenway be chiefly remembered by the people of Manitoba and of the West.

After the defeat of his government in 1899 Mr. Greenway was elected member of the Dominion House for his old constituency of Lisgar. This honor he retained until a few months ago when he was appointed to the Railway commission. Here it was expected his long familiarity with the railway problem in the West, and that from the standpoint of a practical farmer, would enable him to do splendid public service.

1867 is Dr. McIntyre's majority in Strathearn. This constituency is as deserving of congratulation on its choice as the member-elect on his victory.

Later reports give Medicine Hat and Macleod to the Opposition. The fault was not with the splendid campaign put up by "Charley" Simmons in the former and A. B. McDonald in the latter.

Toronto World, Conservative—"I see," said the silent voter, "that the Montreal Star has no use for the Hon. George E. Foster," and makes him a reason for doubting the good faith of R. L. Borden in his desire to reform the government. The Montreal Star is a great Conservative newspaper. I am a Conservative, and would still be a Conservative if I declined to vote for Foster. What the Montreal Star says is Conservative enough for me."

The International House Show. London, October 31.—Dates have been fixed for the international house and asset fixtures. Prizes will total \$60,000 in addition to valuable cups and some of various descriptions. An innovation will be the offering of a selection of objects of art or diamond ornaments, according to the personal tastes of the winner.

SEPTEMBER BUILDING FOR CANADIAN CITIES

Statistics for Last Month as Compiled by "Construction," the Canadian Architectural Journal, Shows Improvement Over September, 1907.

Toronto, October 27.—The upward trend of building activities, so manifest in the month of August, is rapidly gaining momentum as the season advances.

Returns for the month of September from various cities scattered throughout the Dominion, indicate a decidedly improved tone, which gives promise of continuing unabated for some time to come.

Of the seventeen cities reported in the accompanying table, fourteen submitted comparative figures which place the aggregate cost of building in these centres for the month of September of this year, at \$3,333,975, against \$2,424,075 for the corresponding month in 1907, thus showing a gain of 36.68 per cent, or 15.21 per cent more than the splendid advance made in the preceding month.

Nine of the cities report substantial increases, and five show a falling off in the total cost.

Table with 4 columns: City, Total cost for Sept. 1908, Total cost for Sept. 1907, Increase per cent, Decrease per cent. Includes cities like Brandon, Calgary, Edmonton, etc.

WHAT WILL BE SENTENCE.

Horrible Fate of German Ship of Chinese Captain. Victoria, B.C., Oct. 29.—News of the arrival of a plague ship at Yokohama a few days before sailing, with 50 dying and 25 dead was brought by the steamer Montevideo from the German steamer Landrat Schief, which had taken 41 Chinese coolies from Hong Kong for Salina Cruz, Mexico, and had been given permission to land her passengers and crew.

Another Japanese schooner caught off Great Sentinel Island by the Russian patrol cruiser Lieutenant Zuytovich, was burned by the Russians. The crew deserted the schooner and took refuge in the woods. After a vain chase the Russians returned and the Japanese would be frozen or starved to death.

The Montevideo which brought a cargo of 6,000 tons of general freight, had 53 saloon passengers and 87 steerage. Marquis Henri Gavelotti, an Italian nobleman, was among the passengers. There was a suit on board valued at half a million dollars.

Fillmore, Sask., October 27.—After leaving his brother, who was going to Winnipeg, Andrew Thompson drove for his home at Stony Brook last night. This morning his horses were discovered in a slough and investigation showed that Thompson was drowned. It is believed he drove in to water his horses, but the latter getting down, in endeavoring to release them, Thompson was knocked down, trampled on and drowned.

St. Petersburg, October 28.—The Russian parliament will re-open tomorrow for the autumn session, which promises to be the most fruitful since the establishment of the Douma. A number of important resolutions, which were in the committee stage, are now ready for consideration.

SPORTING NEWS

THE TURF.

ARE ENGLISH HORSES SUPERIOR? That the English race horse is superior to the Canadian is the opinion of a hemes of this city, who is interested in the Canadian turf. He says that with that many other turfists, but as he backs up his opinion with his own experience, it is not surprising that he should produce the proofs also. The fact is the correspondence on the question is being published in the Bulletin.

"From time to time argument is as to the relative merits of the English and American race horse, judging time standard. We all know an England time course for little and mentioned in connection with the most important races, still the English horse should prove the superiority of the English horse. It is not surprising that he should produce the proofs also. The fact is the correspondence on the question is being published in the Bulletin.

5.8 mile—Maid Marian, 4 years, 100 lbs., straight course, Oct. 2, 1907. Time 1:27.5. 5.8 mile—Jack Nunnally, 3 years, 100 lbs., Oakland, Cal., Dec. 3, 1907. Time 1:27.5. 5.8 mile—Hobson, 4 years, 147 lbs., straight course, Oct. 6, 1907. Time 1:27.5. 5.8 mile—Hobson, 5 years, 125 lbs., straight course, Oct. 12, 1907. Time 1:27.5. 5.8 mile—Hobson, 5 years, 125 lbs., straight course, Oct. 12, 1907. Time 1:27.5.

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