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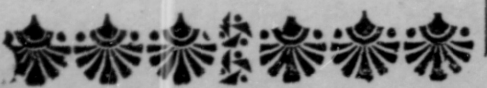
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THE DAILY EXAMINER

DECEMBER 15, 1898.

THE CONTEST IN EAST PRINCE.

In a campaign of three weeks, the Liberal majority of 117 in East Prince has been reduced to 56.

The significance of this result will be the better understood and appreciated by a short review of the facts in connection therewith.

In East Prince, the Liberal Conservatives were, for the practical purposes of an election, unorganized and unprepared. A day before their convention was held at Summerside, it was not certainly known that they would oppose the election of Mr. Bell, or who, if anyone, would be brought out. The nomination of Mr. Lefurgey was the spontaneous and hurried action of a number of gentlemen, assembled from all parts of the riding, and determined that a contest should, if possible, be administered to the false extravagant and reckless men who are administering public affairs in Canada.

Upon the other hand, the Liberals and Mr. Bell have been quietly preparing for the contest ever since it became known that Mr. Yeo would go to the Senate. Mr. Bell has taken advantage of every opportunity to court public attention and strengthen his influence in the riding. Even when attending public meetings and persuading electors (contrary to the fact) that the Government was in earnest about the Prohibition Plebiscite, he was indirectly promoting his own election to the House of Commons. At his back were the influences of both Dominion and Provincial Governments. In a riding where public works are needed and where many men have many axes to grind, these influences were potent. Then, there was the great personal and political influence of Senator Yeo. Yet, rightly alarmed lest all these should prove to be insufficient, the Finance Minister, with the purse strings of Canada in his hands, was brought into the field. Mr. Fielding is an attractive gentleman. He has never been defeated in Nova Scotia. He is so thoroughly informed that he knows just what facts to leave out of his speeches to make those who are not well informed about public affairs believe that the Government is "all right" and ought to be trusted a little longer. With all the advantages possessed by the Liberals, Mr. Bell's disastrous defeat was prevented only by the presence and personal influence of the Finance Minister.

Those who have carefully scanned the comparative statement of results in East Prince, published in another column, will have seen that Mr. Lefurgey polled 132 votes more than Mr. Hunt polled in the election of 1896, and that he would, despite all the forces arrayed against him, have gained a glorious victory, if there had not been a notable falling off at polls which have hitherto given Conservative majorities. Conservatives in certain sections of the country have evidently been apathetic; and this is particularly noticeable in districts in which the people are largely Roman Catholic. This is the more remarkable when we remember that the late Conservative Government fought and fell upholding the constitutional right of the Catholic majority in Manitoba, and that while the Liberals have, regardless of their pre-election promises, effected a settlement under which the Roman Catholic religion is taught in the public schools of Manitoba, the full constitutional rights which the Catholics demanded have not yet been restored. One would imagine that Roman Catholic conservatives would be last persons in the world to be apathetic in an election contest such as that which has taken place in East

Prince. We refuse to believe that Roman Catholic electors, more than Protestants approve of increasing government expenditures, increasing taxation, and increasing debt, together with deception and corruption such as has not heretofore been known in Canada; and therefore the cause of the apparent lukewarmness of certain of the Roman Catholic electors of East Prince is the more wonderful.

But, in view of all the circumstances, Mr. Lefurgey and those who assisted him in the canvass, are to be congratulated upon the result of the contest. As we predicted, Mr. Lefurgey has fought a good fight. An influential resident of the riding, who was in Charlottetown yesterday, expressed to us the surprise and pleasure with which he heard the "youngster's" speeches—equal in point of force and eloquence, to those of old campaigners. We hope that Mr. Lefurgey will steadily and carefully prepare himself for the next event. Another such a victory and Mr. Bell will be undone. More than that the clear inference to be drawn from the result of the contest and the circumstances connected with it is that those opposed to the government will sweep Prince Edward Island at the general election. In the recent contest the Liberals of East Prince drew upon Dorchester Penitentiary for canvassers and voters to swell Mr. Bell's little majority,—so great was their need; and if the conduct of the government has reduced them to such straits in two years, what will their condition throughout this country be at the end of their term.

NLW PERTH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

A society of the above name has been formed at New Perth, having for its object the advancement of the interests of its members in all things pertaining to agriculture. It will meet in the hall every alternate Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. The members will be entertained on Tuesday evening, Dec. 20th by a discussion on grain and grass seeds.

The subject is a very important one, members of sister societies and the public generally are cordially invited to attend.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:—

- President—Willam Caine.
- Vice—do—Daniel MacQuarrie.
- Sec'y—Treas—John A Dewar.
- Executive Committee—J M MacLean, Alexander Hamilton, Patrick Kelly, Terrence Power and Cyrus Shaw, M. L. A.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

—Wonder whether the Patriot's rooster will crow this evening!

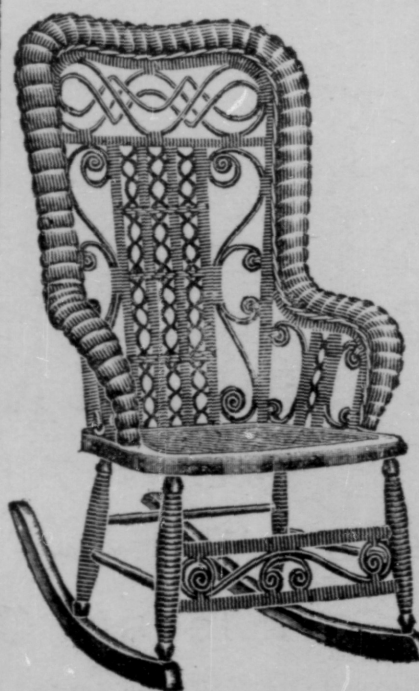
—We have, by mail, Toronto dates of December 13th,—and this is only the 15th. Pretty sharp.

—The "boy" made a good run; and the boys are to be congratulated. Better luck next time.

—We have lately been reminded that the Liberals have held Prince County for a quarter of a century. It is evident that they will not do so much longer—unless they change their ways!

—An appeal for money and clothing has been made in Montreal on behalf of the Donkober immigrants brought by the Government from Russia. The appeal is accompanied by a letter from Sir William Dawson, who has taken a great interest in the history of these persecuted Russian Christians, and their migration to the Northwest. They are reported to be people of pure morals and cleanly habits, capital agriculturists, and used to a climate similar to that of Canada. They are, therefore, likely to make excellent settlers, and their immigration is looked upon with favor by those who are best qualified to judge. They have been reduced by years of persecution to a condition of poverty and are sure to have a severe struggle to begin with, though their ultimate success is beyond doubt, if only the country is left in peace,—but they won't fight.

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CHRISTMAS TIMES

At Jas. Paton & Co's. Dry Goods Store

FIRM CHATS WITH REPORTER

Rivals in Beauty "The Enchanted Forest"—Spruce, Garlands, Lights and Goods Mingled Artistically Together.

"Just lovely," was the remark of one lady to another as they issued from Messrs. Jas. Paton & Co's. store last evening when the reporter was stepping inside.

"Yes," replied the other, "it is even nicer than last year's;" and both spoke the truth.

Imagine this immense store, 160x40 feet, 130 of which are bowered and arched with such density of arrangement and perfection of detail as to realize one's imagination of the enchanted forest. A woodland scene, a huge bazaar, an illuminated kenilworth, as described by Scott, that alone would do justice to the festive season's decoration of the dry goods house of Messrs. James Paton & Co.

Briskly closing the door, as the evening was decidedly cold, the reporter was greeted with

A MERRY CHRISTMAS—WELCOME.

in shining letters of gold on each side of the entrance.

Pausing a moment in semi-bewilderment at the dazzling picture lit by upwards of one hundred electric lights, in the colors of the Union Jack, the scribe gazed into the well-known features of Robbie Burns, smiling from his plaider frame on each person entering the store, as if wishing

"A guid New Year, the auld and a',
And many mair ye see;
And during a' the years, the com',
Oh happy may ye be"

This is not only the forest primeval but it is also

THE SCOTCH STORE

truly, as bustling through the customers, beaming on all, comes Mr. Paton, the kindly, to wish the newspaper man the cheeriest, merriest greeting of 1898.

"Yes," said Mr. Paton, "a year soon slips by and here we are still at the old stand doing business in the same old way—on the square."

"It is many years though, Mr. Paton, since you commenced business?"

"The year '66," was the answer, and, as all know, Mr. Paton since then has been over the ocean, on business mind you, eighty-one times.

Then with Mr. Paton at the helm and piloted by his partner, Mr. McLaren, the reporter proceeded to wander through the maze and glory of the festive settings.

DOWN THE CENTRE

are six magnificent arches of spruce and decorative garlands. Across the front of these is another arch corresponding to its companion in the rear. The evergreens, spruce and red white and blue garlands, artistically entwined and sparkling with colored incandescent lamps with the beautiful booths beneath form a central picture of unexcelled beauty.

"Immense, superb, Mr. Paton, it is beyond the pen, and can only be depicted by the brush," said the reporter.

"Here," said Mr. Paton, "is the carpet booth. The large circle next represents the newest Bissel's cyclo sweepers, one of glass reflecting a blue light. But here is the principal, the cash booth—a thing of joy and a beauty and a joy forever," while the two last booths are where the children love to linger—and no wonder."

Such toys, waggons, boats, whistles, drums, dolls, horns, arks, shops, whips, guns. But hold, enough. Boys, girls, see it! see it! Oh my! Oh . . . !

Noting a smile on Mr. McLaren's countenance the reporter blushed and moved along, this time taking his stand in the rear of the store and looking forward and upward.

"Excelsior, gentlemen, Excelsior!" That centre column flanked on each side by four arched and bowered booths erected over the running counters and flashing with all the colors known and known only to the dry goods business, the scene is one of such beauty as nature and art alone can produce.

"I hardly think such Christmas decorating has ever been equalled in the Provinces, Mr. Paton?" ventured the knight of the quill.

"Well," interjected Mr. McLaren, "travellers tell us that it is not eclipsed this side of Boston, while the Dry Goods Review of Toronto reproduced our Christmas decorations of 1897. Some call these festive arrangements tradition and sentiment, but our staff who worked for eight days preparing and putting up the decorations, and the firm themselves, let alone the public, delight in this sentiment, as His Honor Lieut.

Governor Howlan, remarked at St. Andrew's banquet—'sentiment—it is the strongest of them all.'"

While Mr. McLaren was speaking, the reporter's observation was sizing up the eight booths already referred to.

Here they are:

1. Silks for evening wear, waist silks, dress silks and art silks.

2. Fur Goods—Collar Sets, Collars, Boas, Muffs, Caps, Capes, Fur Trimmings, Combination Sets, made in the newest American Sets.

3. Irish Linen—Elegant and dainty enough to make the heart of Lady Aberdeen rejoice; side bound covers, Toilet Sets, Drawn Linen, Flosses, Work Silks, Crochet Sets, a hundred and one things in new Linens.

4. Fancy Goods—Silk Evening Shawls with feather trimmings in light shades, Satchels, Toilet Sets.

5. Gloves, hoods, belts, booties.

6. Ribbons of every conceivable width and color, hundreds of patterns.

7. Handkerchiefs, thousands of pretty Swiss and linen, silks, etc., also evening neckwear.

8. Gents furnishings—gloves, ties, collars, cuffs, etc.

Passing beneath two pretty arches of garlands and Shorey's illustrated clothing cards up the stairway, the main landing is gained, from which the entire beautiful interior may be seen. The whole effect is gloriously inspiring and altogether Christmas-like. Spruce evergreens, garlands, flowers and handsome goods mingled together in orderly confusion with colors and lights harmoniously blending, make Messrs. James Paton & Co's. 1898 decoration an historical epoch in this line in P. E. Island.

With a cheery good night, as blithe as his Highland welcome, Mr. Paton saw the reporter out into the night.

We are giving liberal discounts on watches during the holiday season. You will be surprised how low you can get a good watch for—W W We'll see.

LECTURE.

A lecture will be delivered by REV. ARTHUR M. CLARKE, of Boston Mass., in the A. O. H. Hall (McEachern's Building, Queen St) on

Friday Evening, Dec. 16th 1898

Subject "St. Gregory VII (Hildebrand)" Admission 15 cents. Lecture to commence at 8 o'clock.

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