



# West Victoria

## A Public Meeting

—will be held in the—  
Academy of Music, Lindsay,

—ON—  
**Thursday, Apr. 10**

when the following gentlemen will speak on the leading questions of the day:

Mr. J. P. Whitney, leader of the Opposition in Ontario Legislature.

Mr. J. J. Foy, Mr. Whitney's first Lieutenant in the Legislature.

Mr. S. J. Fox, Candidate for West Victoria.

Mr. J. H. Carnegie, Candidate for East Victoria.

Chair taken at 8 o'clock p. m. Seats reserved for ladies.

Robt. Bryans, J. F. D. Moore, President, Secretary, GOD SAVE THE KING.

### THE WATCHMAN-WARDER

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#### THE PARTY PRESS.

The press is a favorite theme with those who discourse upon the potent factors in Canadian public life. In this discourse the political press assumes big proportions. It ought to be for a political party is a powerful element in public affairs and as the party press, so will the party be, in the eyes of the people who make and unmake those organizations. A party's newspaper is its interpreter to the electorate and as the electorate understands the party, so will the party's fortune in the country be. On this account, it is of the utmost importance to both country and party, that the political press shall faithfully perform its functions. To the parties this is of especial interest. To the elector the methods and spirit of the party is neither better nor worse than those of the party newspaper. It would be well for the Conservative party if its leading papers realized this fact.

Politics are more than party politics. They are more and more the science of a nation's affairs, the business methods of its administration. The party paper that imagines its whole function is to blackguard the other party, works the annihilation of those for whom it stands. A chronic scold becomes ridiculous; the man who discovers wickedness in every act of the other party reveals the motive of his attack and by that revelation renders impotent even justifiable criticisms of his opponent. Men are repelled more by a nasty spirit than by bad politics; emphasis everywhere defeats emphasis anywhere, and a discounted sincerity is the death-knell of man or newspaper.

Criticism and even severe reprimand have their place; but negations cannot win, maledictions are not policies, condemnation lifts no higher those who employ it, a mere insistence that the other party is astray is no guarantee that we shall do any better, and a reckless, bad-tempered fault-finding fatally recoils upon those who are addicted to it. A sour visage and a sinister mien will break the power and wreck the prospects of either newspaper or individual.

#### CECIL RHODES.

Among the brainiest men who have gone to the King's possessions beyond the sea and secured commanding prominence in their affairs, will ever be remembered the late South African magnate, Cecil Rhodes. In his ability to plan and execute on a monster scale he was likely unsurpassed. Good fortune and skill brought him success and sudden wealth. His personal prosperity brought him to the eyes of the world.

But it was rather by his statesmanship that he won a lasting fame. He has been called an empire-builder and he sought to win that name; nor was he turned aside in its pursuit by any of those considerations that modify the conduct of more conscientious men. An abnormal development of the engineering spirit common in the Englishman abroad,

was in him, stimulated by the success of his personal affairs till it became a dangerous audacity. Mr. Rhodes was a business man. Into his policy for empire building he simply carried the conscientious rapacity that characterizes the business world today.

According to his biographer, Mr. Rhodes planned the Jameson raid into the Transvaal, an episode which has been followed by the unhappy events of the past two years. Even his warmest admirers must stand aghast at his confession that he threw British troops into the territory of a friendly state because the existence of that state made against the commercial success of South Africa. Thereby is the inordinate commercialism of the man disclosed.

Mr. Rhodes was an up-to-date exponent of the right of might. "What We Have We'll Hold," was by Mr. Rhodes supplemented by "What We Want We'll Take," and all taking and holding were sanctified by the British flag. That he loved and labored for the Empire none can doubt; and that the methods of his labor will perish with him, all can hope.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

##### FOX AND VICTORY.

BUILD UP Ontario but do not give it away.

IT IS A question which township will supply the returning officer for the approaching election in West Victoria. There are good party men in different parts of the riding who deserve the position.

IN GOING up against the man who defeated the ablest and most experienced Liberal parliamentarian in Victoria county, Mr. Newton Smale shows a courage worthy a better and more hopeful cause. If he had judgment equal to his courage Mr. Smale would probably decline the honor.

#### OMEMEE NEWS BUDGET.

##### Easter Church Services.—Personal.—The Old Folks Concert.

The Easter Sunday services in the respective churches passed off very attractively. The Anglican church service in the morning was largely attended, and the singing of Miss Russell of Lindsay delighted everyone, as well as her solos at the Methodist church in the evening. At the Presbyterian church in the afternoon, the pastor presiding, three well rendered anthems, "This is the Day," "Now is Christ Risen," and "O Death Where is Thy Sting," and "O Death Where is Thy Sting," together with the Easter hymns made a very attractive and profitable service.

Many visitors from Toronto, Peterboro and Lindsay spent Easter Sunday in Omemee. Many of our citizens took advantage of the cheap trips to neighboring towns and some went to Toronto, Buffalo and other cities. Mr. J. E. Williamson is visiting his daughter and son in the latter place.

Ye old folks concert in aid of the public library, advertised for Monday night, passed off with great success in every respect, there being about \$70 realized. The choruses, consisting of old time melodies, pleased every one, as well as the solos, duets and readings, which would compare favorably with professionals. The costumes were most gorgeous and in keeping with the affair, some sending to Toronto and other places. The stage was correctly old-time style, as arranged by Capt. J. McCrae, consisting of old-time mantle pieces, fire-place, candles, snuffers, tongs, etc. The tableaux were elegant and much credit is due to the ladies in charge, including Mesdames Clarke, Cochrane, Cameron and Mulligan. The Misses Curry, Stephenson, Adams and others. Visitors from Toronto, Peterboro and Lindsay, and other places, declared positively it could be put on with acceptance in any of those places. Mrs. J. C. Eaton of Toronto, a former citizen, was so well pleased with the enthusiasm shown and success of the old folks concert that she gave a donation of \$10, while Mr. G. Hale, editor of the Orillia Packet, an old Omemee boy, also contributed liberally to the public library at the concert.

There is now a suggestion up to have ye old folks concert repeated in aid of our Citizens' band for the 24th of May. The band is an organization next in importance to our library.

Mrs. James Johnston was suddenly stricken down with illness a few nights since. The many friends of herself and the family hope for a speedy recovery.

#### Obituary.

##### MRS. JOS. COOPER

On Monday morning Mrs. Jos. Cooper died at her home on Victoria avenue. She was the wife of Mr. Jos. Cooper of this town, one of the pioneer newspaper men of the county.

For 15 years Mrs. Cooper had been an invalid and her death was not unexpected. The funeral on Wednesday afternoon was conducted by Rev. T. Manning and was largely attended.

##### MRS. DR. J. W. RAY.

On Wednesday Mrs. Dr. J. W. Ray died at Cambury. Mrs. Ray was Dorothy C. daughter of Mr. Thos. Graves of Zion, Fenelon. She was brought up by her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. John Sinclair. She was 39 years old and was married to Dr. Ray eight years ago. Mrs. Ray was an active member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral will take place at Riverside on Friday at 10:30 o'clock.

#### Little Local Lines

—Pilkie Bros. are building a bake-shop on York-st between Russell and Glenelg. They bought a lot from Mr. P. Curtin.

—Situation Wanted.—A young lady wants situation as book-keeper or office assistant. Apply at this office.

—From our report of the minstrel show reference to a couple of excellent cornet solos, Mr. Jos. Young was accidentally omitted.

—Buy your seeds from Higginbotham. Fresh mammoth mangolds, Danish sugar beet, turnip, etc. at Higginbotham's, next Pym's Hotel, 14-3.

—Mr. Jos. Pedlar of town has sold his farm on the 7th concession of Mariposa to Mr. Richard Rich for \$2000. It is 50 acres and a little out of condition.

—At Sylvester's foundry on Thursday last week while Norman Mark was helping to move a piece of farm machinery it dropped and scraped his shin to the bone for several inches.

—A cablegram from South Africa to the Governor-General reads: "Daringly ill, enteric, S.A.C., E. Company, No. 3,440, Corp. Howard Austin Nealon. Please inform Archdeacon Casey, St. Peter's Palace, Peterboro." Archdeacon Casey is now pastor of St. Mary's here.

—The Sons of England Benevolent Society have secured Mr. Harry Bennett of Toronto for an entertainment in the council chamber on Tuesday evening next March 28th. Mr. Bennett is a famous entertainer. The program will also include numbers by the best local talent.

—The trains from the north slow up at Kent-st to allow people to get off who want to. It will be no wonder if a serious accident happens during that performance some day, for the train does not stop or go slow enough to let folks unused to it get off in safety. Better arrange to have the train stopped or else stay on till the station is reached.

—A couple of weeks ago a cocking main took place at the barn of a farmer named Stevens near Shannon's mills south of town. Members of the sporting fraternity from Toronto, Oshawa and Port Perry supplemented the principals from the local stonemoney and birds. On Monday Stevens was brought before Magistrate Deacon by Chief Nevison and charged with having abetted an unlawful sport. Crown Attorney Devlin acted for the crown and Mr. Hugh O'Leary, K. C., for the defence. John Chambers and Geo. Spenceley of town and Mr. Thos. Paul a neighbor of Stevens were examined. On account of the illness of Mrs. Stevens who was to give evidence, the case was adjourned till Monday.

—Last fall Robt. McIntyre, tailor, fell into a hole dug by the Gas Company on Lindsay street and sprained his foot. He sued the town and the company for damages. Because the claim was somewhat irregularly encumbered by his lawyer, the case was laid over again and some additional medical testimony was presented but was thrown out by the judge. On Wednesday Judge Dean gave his decision. He gave Mr. McIntyre \$75 damages against the Gas Company with costs, but cleared the town with costs against Mr. McIntyre. The judge made it a reserve case and the Gas Company may claim from Mr. McIntyre that part of the costs arising out of the delay caused by his claim being irregularly presented at first. Lawyers: G. H. Hopkins, for the town; H. L. Drayton, Toronto and H. O'Leary, K. C. town for the Gas Company and Mr. W. Steers for Mr. McIntyre.

—On Thursday night Mr. Jas. Murdoch was leading home his latest horse-trading triumph. When in front of the domicile of the celestials the animal surrendered to that tired feeling and lay down, in total disregard of the mud, or his new proprietor's embellished exhortations to proceed. In a brief period many citizens had congregated and generously recommended methods for restoring the mobility of the animal. Some essayed with boards and scantling, bringing him to a standing posture. This met with some measure of success but unfortunately at all quarters was never attained at the same moment, and was hence to no avail. Reinforcements arrived and at length the quadruped was got on his feet, and straightway his owner led him away, demanding meanwhile to know of the crowd what the lic haec hoc they were going at.

#### ST. PAUL'S VESTRY MEETING.

##### At Monday Evening's Session the Finances of the Church were Found Satisfactory.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Paul's church was held here on Monday evening. Rev. G. H. Marsh presided. Mr. Robt. Bryans presented the warden's financial report which showed receipts of \$3,821.92 and expenditures \$3809.41 and a balance of \$12.51. The floating debt of \$343.55 at Easter 1901 had been reduced to \$50 and \$400 had been paid on the mortgage. The warden thanked the Parish Workers for their large contribution in aid of the mortgage debt the choir for their services, and the ladies who had decorated the church from time to time.

Reports were read from the Sunday School, the Woman's Auxiliary, the Gleason's Union, and the Parish Workers. The warden's report was read and the following were elected: Messrs. T. J. Murtagh, R. A. Playfair, W. H. Walsh, J. A. Paddon, A. Ferris, G. H. Baker, M. H. Sisson, M. H. Revell, J. H. Sotheran, E. C. Armstrong, C. D. Barr and E. E. McGaffey; vestry clerk, Mr. G. S. Patrick; lay delegates to the Synod: Messrs. J. H. Sotheran, C. D. Barr and G. H. Hopkins. Mrs. D. Brown and Mrs. M. H. Sisson and Mr. McGaffey were appointed representatives of the congregation on the Board of the Home for the Aged. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the warden for their very satisfactory report, to the organist and choir and treasurer.

#### Tailors' Strike Settled.

As we go to press we learn that the differences between the merchant tailors and their employees have been amicably settled, and the men will resume work this morning at an increased rate of wages.

#### Personal

—Mr. John Mallett was in Toronto for Good Friday.

—Mr. John Way is out again after several weeks illness.

—Miss Florence Winters was down from the city at Easter.

—Cadet G. B. Hughes of Toronto was at home for Easter.

—Miss Brick of Toronto is visiting Miss Totten, Colborne-st.

—Miss Aida Sylvester of Bobcaygeon was home for Easter.

—Mr. A. Pearson of Peterboro spent Good Friday in town.

—Miss Cora Moore spent the holidays with Demorestville friends.

—Miss Corbett of Belleville is visiting Mrs. Thompson Williamst.

—Mr. Bert Lamont of Berlin spent a few days of last week in town.

—Mr. Addison Rickaby of Cannington was in town over the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Webster, Peterboro spent the holidays in town.

—Mr. W. Cooper of Toronto is visiting Mr. Angus McLeod north ward.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. Sadler of Ridout street were in Toronto for the holidays.

—Miss McAlpine, town, is the guest of Mrs. J. H. McClellan, Peterboro.

—Conductor Jobbitt and bride have taken up their residence in Haliburton.

—Miss Mable Clifford of Cobocook spent Easter in town, the guest of her sister.

—Miss Davis of Uxbridge spent Easter with her friend Miss Parker, Fair-avenue.

—Miss Aken Lytle of the south ward spent Easter with friends in Fenelon Falls.

—Mr. "Jack" Mahar left for the west on Thursday after spending the winter in town.

—Miss Lottie Henslip of Janetville left on Tuesday for Treherne Man, to visit her brother.

—Messrs. Harry Argue and Geo. Robinson of Janetville left on Tuesday for Manitoba.

—Miss Nevada Parkin spent Good Friday with her brother Mr. Alf. Parkins of Campbellford.

—Ald. McDiarmid went to Deseronto to visit his father, Rev. N. A. McDiarmid, during Easter.

—Mr. Adam Walker and children left last evening for Orillia, where they will in future reside.

—Mr. O. E. B. Yearley agent for Butchart and Watson stock brokers, Toronto was in town on Tuesday.

—Mr. W. Galmer of Snodhish, Wash, Terr., but formerly of Minden is back to this district on business.

—Mr. Nicholson formerly of town, but now of the G. T. R. service at Orillia, was in town over Easter.

—Miss Nevada Webster of the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby visited at Dr. Vrooman's during the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shannon and Miss Simons of Peterboro were the guests of Mr. J. R. Shannon for Easter.

—Mr. John Cathro of Napanee, Miss Nettie Cathro of Rochester hospital and Miss Cathro were home for Easter.

—Mr. E. A. Hardy is in Toronto this week attending the annual session of the Ontario Teachers' Association.

—Mrs. A. W. Parkin, Miss Parkin and Mrs. Goulals visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Linstrum of Toronto during the holidays.

—Mr. John A. Bethune and his sister Mrs. James Jenkinson of Bracebridge spent their Easter holidays with friends in town.

—Mr. Wm. Oliver of Toronto, Mrs. Frouse of Cannington and Mrs. Woolbridge of Oakwood spent Easter at the home of Mrs. Little Britain.

—Mrs. E. Greenbury, mother of Conductor Greenbury and J. A. Greenbury of the Flavell Milling Co. was in town spending Easter with her sons.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. P. King and daughter of Oakwood returned home yesterday after a pleasant visit with Mrs. King's mother, Mrs. Clerte of Belleville.

—Miss Mark of the teaching staff of the Toronto public schools is spending her Easter holidays in town, the guest of Mrs. R. J. McLaughlin, Bond-st.

—Mr. A. J. Campbell, of Fenelon Falls district agent for the Manufacturers' Life Assurance Company, has been removed to Lindsay and will shortly move here.

—Geo. E. Mills of Campbellford with his niece Miss Flora Mills and Miss Emilie Boyce, spent Easter Sunday in town the guests of Mrs. J. R. McDonald, Durham-st.

—George M., son of John R. McDonald, Durham-st. west left Monday morning for New York where he will reside in the future with his uncle, Geo. T. McDonald, who has secured for him a good situation.

—Mr. John F. Berry of Des Moines Iowa, wrote his father Mr. John Berry town on Good Friday that he had passed his final examination for druggist. He stood second in his class and took 87½ percent.

—Mr. Wesley I. Irwin of Little Britain and Mr. J. W. Neil of Omemee are among those who were successful at the recent final examinations of the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto. Both passed with honors.

—These Lindsayites living in Toronto were down for the holidays: Clave Southan, Fulton, Vrooman, Wilfrid Tren, Chas. Connersgood, W. Landry, Ben Miller, Bert Minum, Frank Dingle, Douglas Paton, Herb. Henley.

# ONE PRICE Sutcliffe's CASH ONLY

This week we are offering some very choice inducements—some lines secured were manufacturers' overstocks, while others were clearing lines of exceptionally choice and seasonable materials—below will be found a few leaders.

#### Ladies' Waterproofs

These are made of imported worsted, Raglan shape, finished with three rows stitching, turned seams, also V and scapal revers—colors of Fawn, Grey and Black. For a low cash price and clearing the line we got them far underprice.  
\$10 value for \$6 \$12 value for 7.50

#### Ladies' Golf Capes

Ladies' Golf Cloed Capes, plaid back or two toned plaids—new flare collar, several rows stitching, with or without capou—some plain, others fancy, plain edged.  
\$10 value for \$6. \$12 value for \$7

#### Costume Cloths

A clearing line of a few pieces, all-wool Homespun and Cheviot costume cloths, in colors of Black and Blue.  
90 cent value now 60c One dollar value now 75c

#### Big Carpet Purchase

Of Tapestry Carpets, in body and stair, heavy high pile and close back; also Union Carpets, full 36 inches wide, all new designs and good clear patterns, extra special, per yard 50c

#### Lace Curtain Samples

These were the combined samples of travellers representing one of the best known Lace Curtain manufacturers in the Old Country. We were fortunate in securing them at a very low price. They are samples of their best qualities in very handsome designs. Samples usually are made three lots of them. Your choice  
Lot 1 50c per pair Lot 2 60c per pair Lot 3 65c per pair

#### Millinery

This important branch is in its highest order now. At no time have we had so much choice from as now. Beautiful fashionable trimmings and styles, nevertheless they are extremely low priced.

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### Are You Going West?

If you intend going West this spring or summer, you need anything in the leather goods line that you get better value for a dollar than you could anywhere else in the county. However, we will let our goods and prices speak for themselves.

#### Our Prices on Trunks

28-inch Oval Top Trunks, covered with embossed metal, made strong with a spring lock. General 1.50  
ly sold at \$2. Our price

#### Special Bargains this week.

28-inch Square Top Trunk, Canvas covered with iron bottom, 2.50  
and rollers, generally sold at

#### Our Prices on Footwear

Split Boots, double sole and bottom with 4 large eyelets  
Our Price

#### Our Prices on Footwear

2 Buckle Harvest Boots with sole. Our price

#### Our Prices on Footwear

Crome lanned Kip Bluchers, legs and slugged, large eyelets and heavy sole, our price

#### Our Prices on Footwear

Men's Fine Dongola Boots with sole and backstrap. Our Price

# Quality is our Leading Feature. FINLAY & CHANTLER

The People's Shoe Store, Blackwell's Block.

#### MANY BRITISH SOLDIERS IN A TERRIBLE RAILWAY DISASTER

Thirty-Nine Killed and Forty-Five Injured in a Wreck on a Transvaal Railway.  
A Pretoria despatch of April 1st says: Thirty-nine British soldiers were killed and forty-five were injured in a railroad wreck March 30, near Barberton, Transvaal Colony. The War Office, in reporting the railroad wreck merely says that it was accidental. The victims nearly all belonged to the Hampshire Regiment.

#### KIRKFIELD

We are pleased to see Miss Bell and Miss Bell Smith, both again spending their holidays with their parents. Mrs. A. Robinson is around after her long illness. It would be interesting to know of these parts to see the mill in good running order. A number of our young men have returned from the shanties as though they had been for

THE WATCHMAN HAPPENINGS Little L... The ice went on Saturday. Conservative hall this evening. A window has been broken in the side of the... Master Leonard about 80 young... on the 6th anniversary... day on Thursday... Capt. Jas. S... has made applica... in the four... gent for South A... In our rep... Smale's speech la... saying that 32... Canadian cattle... should have said... were won by Can... The Bathurst... went through the... of March—the... made. Lockm... getting the bridge... fabricated for... In a big fire t... a lot of propert... were destroyed... formerly of Linds... ed being burned... caped in his night... A sample of... Home, an excellen... worth our readers... be sent from its... tion. It can be... to the watchman... counts a year thro... Mr. Geo. Ell... ago lost his hand... play of a Huntsvi... brought a... first to compel the... agreement... work. The case... before last week... While walkin... plank to a flatc... recently, E. B. W... fell forward. A... her that he wa... shoulder came do... as lay on the p... resulted that requ... Bobsaygen is... reported that p... command, Col. S... South Africa. ... were given a free... campfire more in... present outfit in... year. The annual... say branch Bible... in St. Andrew's... Monday evening... m. Rev. R. Mac... St. James church... deliver an address... will be in aid of... of the scriptures... Fenelon Fall... day afternoon... The two railroads... station must... third finger... badly torn by a... iron on a com... track that he v... platform. He w... we put two of... the edges of the... One of our... finance was atten... a dollar to a fri... the walk on Mon... shipped into the... This edition was... missioner diligen... muck for the coin... vain search long... the Sons of Res... and by a promise... induced a bystand... On Saturday... pire issued an an... celebrate the an... of science. Sever... artistic colored c... paper presented... nations of the... staff of the... station was rest... great Canada Jo... such an importan... agents that have... nation during a t... As the train... Falls station not... beds and groom... according to the... room noticed a... car floor. Think... had been thro... through the wind... mine was confi... mercantile traveller... his boots to rest... town out has b... groom bought him... Lindsay was reac... Last Thursd... possession of... mission plant, wh... construction for... The town has bee... of light and pow... and for six weel... arrangement with... At the contract... the completion of... all last week. To... masters, and fall... want of electrician... several constables... of the plant. The Orillia... Dundas & Flavell... decided to cu... around Orillia as... high-class chit... the British mar... in this issue... settings of eggs... applied to this p... reasonable prices... to develop... Canadian trade, and... strong influence... standard of qual... Lindsay district, a... the field around... have a similar... high class... prices which... the farmer to