

# ROUSING RECEPTION GIVEN THE PREMIER ON TUESDAY

## Was Met at Station by Sylvester Band.

## GAVE FINE ADDRESS

### Criticized Speech Made Here By Hon. A. G. MacKay.

The Academy of Music was well filled with people long before the time of the meeting, and when the speakers took their places on the platform there were still several seats vacant in the gallery. The Sylvester band played several selections on the stage before the speeches commenced, and the music was heartily enjoyed by all present. The Opera house was decorated with flags and bunting, and several party signs were tacked about the railing of the gallery and the walls. A large sign bearing the inscription "Champions, 1905," was strung across the stage, and underneath the flags were arranged the chairs of the different men who were to speak. The seats on the platform were occupied by the leading members

of the Conservative party and their friends. Premier Whitney, whose visit to Lindsay has been looked forward to with such interest, was given a warm reception when he appeared to speak on behalf of the candidate, Mr. Sam. Fox, M.P.P. The Premier did not come before the electors of the constituency of West Victoria this time asking for re-election on the strength of the capability of the opposition and the maladministration of the Ross government, but stood out before the electors on the strength of the good government administered during the past four years. In his speech he criticized to some extent the speech delivered by the Hon. A. G. MacKay when he spoke here a few days ago, and declared that some of his statements were surrounded with suspicion as to their honesty. The speaker also dealt with the LaRose mine question, and explained it apparently to the satisfaction of those present.

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### A WARM WELCOME.

The C.P.R. station was crowded with members of the Conservative party and sympathizers, who turned out in the rain to give the Prime Minister of Ontario a warm reception. The Sylvester Band was also present, and as the train pulled into the station struck up a patriotic tune which could be scarcely heard above the din of the noise made by the crowd present. The Premier was welcomed by several prominent members of the Conservative party, and was driven to the Benson house in a carriage. The procession was headed by the band, and several citizens fell in behind and marched to the hotel. There the Premier had luncheon, while the band played outside.

### THE OPENING ADDRESS.

Dr. Wood, the chairman, made a Saginaw and other places in the United States; now, through Mr. Whitney's efforts on their behalf, they could obtain work, and plenty of it, here in their own town and county. Mr. Whitney demanded that the logs should be cut in Ontario, thus doing away with Saginaw and other lumbering places on the other side. The Colonel then spoke of the mysterious brigade that travelled up and down the province doing work for the Ross government during election times. He also dealt with the ballot switching and other crooked work

carried on by the machine of the Ross government. The question of the increased salaries to public school teachers was next taken up, and the Colonel pointed out that he was an old school teacher and knew the needs of the school teachers of the province of Ontario. Mr. Whitney is the friend of the school teachers, and he raised their salaries so that they might receive a fair salary for their work. The speaker next compared the educational system of the Ross government with that of the Whitney government. A boy or girl by the educational system of the Ross government could only get a third book education, or at the very most a fourth book; one could by the Whitney system secure an education far in advance of that received from the Ross system. He then dealt with the law of the Whitney government concerning the grading of grain, pointing out that by the grading of the wheat the farmer saved from two to five cents per bushel. Mr. Whitney has established agricultural schools where the farmers have been taught to judge good seed.

Mr. Fox has been instrumental in carrying out considerable law reform. The speaker pointed out that Mr. Fox passed a law stating that only one judge should rule over a district of less than 80,000 of a population. The Colonel then closed his remarks by telling the people of West Victoria to judge the Whitney government by Fox as your representative and a supporter of Mr. Whitney to the legislature on the eighth of June, 1905. On resuming his seat Colonel Hughes received a great ovation.

When the Premier was introduced by the chairman to the audience, he was received with prolonged cheers, and it was some time before he was able to proceed. During the cheering, Miss Gertie Carew presented the Premier with a handsome bouquet of roses. When the cheering had ceased, the Premier began his address.

### MR. WHITNEY.

Mr. chairman, ladies and gentlemen,—It was a great disappointment to me not to be able to get here last week. It is a very rare thing for me not to keep an engagement, and I am sorry to say that I had to break another since then. It is also a very great pleasure for me to be here and to speak to the people who have shown their good judgment by sending Mr. Fox to the legislature. Although I have been here before, it

gives me great pleasure to look into some of the same faces who were present at my meeting while I was in the Opposition.

We stand for the best interests of this province, and for the improvement of all moral ideas. What I want to deal with is the important matters that come up at such times as this, and when I get through you will see what we have done.

You will observe that there has been no scandal on our part. It is necessary to have two parties. The other party has had very little to criticize. The baser elements of the Opposition almost wore holes in the stairs going up to The Globe office. Owing to a speech I made the other day concerning the Parks commission, Mr. Jaffray found it necessary to resign and Mr. Macdonald kept his position. Either Mr. Jaffray is right and Mr. Macdonald wrong in not giving in his resignation, or else Mr. Macdonald is wrong and Mr. Jaffray right.

### PUBLIC SCHOOL QUESTION.

"It is said that when Mr. MacKay has the Globe handed to him every morning early he laughs at the sermons that appear over his name in that paper. In speaking on education, the public school is the stepping stone to the high school and this is a stepping stone to the university. If one link of this were to break the whole thing would go to sea (so to speak). The people will never consent to have their children go to schools which are simply door mats. Instead of a pupil spending the best part of his time in preparation for the high school to which he cannot go, the public school should take him farther in his studies. Speaking of the price of school books, if the publishers do not make a decrease in the price of school books, then we will decrease them ourselves."

"In the Ross regime the local option law could be repressed if the municipal council chose to do so. In our law the municipal council cannot set it aside, but if the three-fifths vote is carried then the wish of the people is carried out. If the people of Ontario should have a say on any question in Ontario it is the liquor question."

### POWER QUESTION.

The Opposition wonders why we did not spend twenty millions to bring power from Niagara to Toronto, and they say this is for Toronto alone, but by our plan we can send cheap power all over Ontario if we so wish. I am not here to attack members of the past government, because that is past and gone. We ask you to uphold our government if you think it is in the right.

### LA ROSE MINE.

Now I am going to tell you a story of a mine. Mr. MacKay says, "I personally did not know, nor yet do I know, anything about the merits of their claims." Yet he gave this property to the O'Brien group without knowing anything about its value. The O'Brien people had the money. The La Rose people said that the mine should be given to them and they wanted to bring an action against the O'Brien people. We would not let them bring action, but we said if it does not belong to the people to whom it was given, then it was our duty to bring action. The O'Brien people then offered to settle with us, and to give us 27 per cent, and we took their offer. The La Rose people said they should have the 25 per cent, and we agreed to give them a little less than half if the mine lasted. The members of this group are all opponents of the government except one man."

### C. N. R. GUARANTEE.

"One of the things that we are more proud of than anything else, excepting perhaps that of which I have just spoken of, is the guarantee of the Canadian Northern bonds. We arrived at an agreement with the railway people and entered into a mortgage with them."

Mr. MacKay says he did not know anything about the guarantee. The knowledge Mr. MacKay has is not very hard for him to carry around. "The C.P.R. started out to build the same line as the C.N.R., only they had no terminals. The C.N.R. were to use the terminals of the Grand Trunk. The company had no money, and the members of the company, with their own money, purchased property for the terminals. This mine ran near the great iron mines and the C.P.R., running in opposition, made it necessary to come to some agreement."

"These terminals would have been given to strangers, and rather than do that we said we would guarantee the money to build the terminals. And suppose the C.N.R. fails? The railway and terminals will be handed over to the province for a little less than it cost to construct that railway. I say we are proud of our action in this matter. (Cheers.) This guarantee was properly explained in all the sessions, and Mr. MacKay himself voted for it, and the Act was passed by an unanimous vote. I am willing to be easy on him, I know his position for I have been there myself. We have provided that where the land is opened up for settlers, the settler is entitled to all the minerals and timber in the land. What I am going to say now will sound like a fairy tale, but thank God it is true.

For mining leases in 1904 \$28,000 was collected, in 1907 only \$21,000, a considerable decrease.

### REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

"I will now deal with the redistribution bill, and of all subjects this, gentlemen, is one of the most important. The Opposition leader says that we refuse to put back the constituency

where it belongs. We found that we would have to cut up the whole province if we adhered to population and county boundaries. After the next census we will have to redistribute the whole province.

Sir Oliver Mowat bedevilled 40 constituencies; this with the Ross machine rule caused the political earthquake that took place in 1905. Mr. MacKay's constituency had been tampered with and the flag of Mr. Creighton went down, but not in dishonor.

We did not redistribute Mr. MacKay's constituency this time, we let it alone, and now on this account he is going up and down the province preaching against the Whitney government.

### PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

The financial situation is the key to the situation. If you have not the money you cannot do any of these things which I now propose. Our wrong expenditure is one million dollars. The revenue has increased and is nearly double what it was in 1904. Let us see where the increase comes from. There is a steady increase in every department from which revenue is received. What have we been doing with the money? We have come to the conclusion that every possible care and attention should be given to this important matter.

The increases on roads is \$400,000; increase on education, \$650,000. Each year we have had a large surplus. \$697,000 in 1905, \$496,000 in 1906, \$666,000 in 1907.

Aggregating \$1,556,000. Besides all this we have on our hands \$289,700 of ready cash.

This is a remarkable condition compared with the situation since we took office.

Col. Matheson floated a loan of three millions and all it cost the province was \$1,900 spent in advertising. The people have shown that they trust us and that we need not cross the ocean to borrow money. The people come to our aid and we will return it to them again. Here is a synopsis of a few things we have given to the province:

In 1904 we gave \$286,000 for schools. In 1907 we gave \$615,000 for schools. In 1904 we gave \$98,000 for roads. In 1907 we gave \$115,900 for roads. In 1904 we gave \$168,000 for colonization roads.

In 1907 we gave \$335,000 for colonization roads. "During the years we have been in power, we have been enabled to give \$905,000 more to the people than given by the old government to the province."

"The University is an old institution; it belongs to this province. It is a university for all classes. Some one has said that far more money has been spent on university education than on primary. You go to the University while in session and converse with the students, and you will find that they are sons and daughters of farmers and mechanics, and not of the rich man. Mr. Macdonald, editor of The Globe, and a clergyman who tells the people from his pulpit how to live, has a right to be criticized. Mr. Macdonald is a Governor of the University; he endorsed the present method of supporting it, and Mr. MacKay did not oppose it. The Governors have to hand over all accounts to be audited, yet Mr. MacKay claims the revenues should be fixed at a certain amount.

"I will now tell you a few things we have done. We have more than doubled the revenue. We have assisted the University. We have changed the County Council back to their old form. We have decreased the price of school books. We have also formed the Companies' Act, which will be a blessing to all workmen. We have settled the License law, also the Mining law, and we have abolished the numbered ballot. We have increased the finances of this country. Law reform has been instituted, so that only one appeal can be made from the County Court. We have agreed to pay for the polling booths. We are inexperienced men in the ministerial field, but if I do say it myself, we have done fairly well. We have told the people what we thought we could do, and we have done it all, and we ask you to judge us fairly and give us a fair deal. I will be very pleased if you elect Mr. Fox, and we will give you a better government than has gone before."

The meeting then closed with hearty cheers for Mr. Whitney and Mr. Fox. Many went up on the platform to shake hands with the Premier, and he was kept busy for over half an hour.

## Believed to Have Been Killed By Lightning

### VICTORIA-AVE. RESIDENT FOUND HIS BEST HORSE DEAD ONE MORNING.

When Mr. E. Schwarzfager, of Victoria-ave., of this town, went into the stable at the rear of his residence on Monday, he was surprised to find one of his best horses lying dead on the floor. The horse was about five years old, and when fed last evening, it appeared to be in excellent condition. Mr. Schwarzfager believes the horse was struck by lightning, and died during the night.

—Toronto Woodmen of the World will exert to Bobcaygeon on June 27th, by way of Peterboro.

# IF YOU WANT TO BUY

## Dry Goods, Millinery, Women's Ready-to-wear Garments at Greatly Reduced Prices, Buy Now at

# Ford's Big Leaving Town Sale

### Business still continues to be pretty lively. Almost everybody seems to understand

### That This is a Genuine Leaving Town Sale for the Reduction Wave Has

### ..... Swept Over Everything .....

You may get a bargain in some one thing here and there in other stores, but you are sure of getting everything for less if you buy here. Therefore, wherefore go elsewhere? It's not every day you can buy at reductions like these.

- 15c Art Muslins for 5c.
- Best 15c Factory Yarn, 10c.
- 50c White Linen Suiting at 25c.
- 35c Dress Muslins 19c.
- Women's 50c Silk or Leather Belts at 25c.
- Women's 25c to 50c Wash Collars and Collar and Cuff Sets for 12 1-2c.
- Women's 1.25 Lawn Waists for 59c.

- Girls' \$1 Lawn and Colored Waists 38c.
- Women's \$4 and \$5 Dress Skirts at \$1.90.
- Women's \$1.25 Print Wrappers 69c.
- Women's \$6 Trimmed Hats \$2.90.
- Men's \$1.50 Black Soft Felt Hats 75c.
- 75c Dress Goods for 59c.
- Coates Spool Cotton at 4c
- 50c Jap Summer Silks 34c.

LET YOUR DOLLARS DRAW DOUBLE AT THIS SALE

EVERY THING FOR LESS HERE.

Opposite the Post-Office, Lindsay.

## Bobcaygeon Train Ran Into Horse and Buggy Monday

### HORSE WAS KILLED AND THE BUGGY SMASHED TO KINDLING, BUT THE TWO OCCUPANTS ESCAPED UNINJURED.

While crossing the railroad tracks Monday afternoon at Wilson's crossing, a buggy containing Mr. Dennis Shine and Miss Callaghan was struck by the Bobcaygeon train, and the horse was killed. The buggy was badly smashed, but the lady and gentleman driving were uninjured.

They were driving along the road beside the railroad track for about a mile, but attempted to cross at Wilson's crossing. At this point one can see the train approaching one mile away. As they were going across the track, the 4.48 train from Bobcaygeon came along. The horse became unmanageable and began to prance about the track. As the engine drew near the crossing, the engineer blew the whistle, but this only increased the antics of the horse. Mr. Shine and Miss Callaghan remained perfectly cool, and were about to leap from the buggy when the engine came crashing into the vehicle. The horse was knocked to one side and killed outright, while the buggy was smashed to kindling. Mr. Shine and Miss Callaghan escaped uninjured, but were a little shaken up after the incident.

The Bobcaygeon train was in charge of Conductor Abbs, and the express was quickly brought to a stop. The crew and most of the passengers left the train to look after the young couple, but they were able to go home all right. The fault was not that of the engineer, and it is a miracle how the young couple escaped with their lives. Station Agent Anderson, when seen by a Free Press representative, stated that he could not understand how the young couple failed to see the train coming. There is a long stretch of good track, he said, at this point. It is believed that Mr. Shine saw the train coming, but thought he could cross in time.

The horse was a very valuable one, and the buggy practically new, so the loss will be considerable.

—Mr. C. H. Cornell, a well known Mariposa farmer, is erecting a fine large windmill, for which the Carew Milling Co. are furnishing the timber.

—The merchants of Keene have declared against early closing this summer. All stores will be open every evening.

## Stock Market to be Started in Lindsay

### WILL HAVE DIRECT CONNECTION WITH NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE—MERCHANTS IN FAVOR.

It is learned to-day upon good authority that a stock market, connected direct with the New York Stock Exchange, Wall-st., will shortly be started in Lindsay. Several prominent merchants of the town have been seen regarding the advent of a stock market to the town and they are apparently all in favor of the move. Several men in Lindsay buy stock and have done their business through a Toronto brokers' firm. From there they receive the market report every day, but when the market is started here the citizens will be able to see the prices paid for the stock directly it is purchased. It is also learned that Mr. J. N. Barber, of Peterborough, formerly of the J. B. Heintz Co., of New York, will run the market here in connection with his own, and will place Mr. McNamara, of Peterborough, as local manager.

Mr. Barber has a splendid reputation in the Electric City for honest business dealings, and the stock market will no doubt meet with success in Lindsay.

—Mariposa and Reaboro cheese factories have started operations for the season.

## BASEBALL FOOTBALL MOTOR

ROYAL OAKS vs. The Royal Oaks Monday afternoon on the natural grounds. Played to decide the Wideawakes won by The Royal Oaks. Toronto at 10.45, but, and the first Oaks fanned. Hop came to bat, Hop up, secured a run, out on a fly to center. Cinnamon and Nesbitt, but Thompson the necessary drive. The Oaks fanned and made one run. The sixth inning for the Oaks, but G out to left garden on base on it. He the home while William the seventh the Oaks both played good but were put out as fast up to the plate. In the eighth the Oaks scored the Wideawakes did long the agony suit.

The following was Royal C. McCarrill, c. B. Clark, s. Denobis, p. A. Clark, b. Boynton, 3rd. Doyle, 2nd. Dunn, 1st. Langley, 1st. Galliger, r.f. Royal Oaks 4. Wideawakes 1.

H. Hopkins, 1st. Langdon, 2nd. Workman, 2nd. Cinnamon, 1st. Nesbitt, r.f. Thompson, s. Gray, c. E. Hopkins, 1st. Williams, c. In our scoring records the player has not hit in the zero state the letter x for left of the future scoring, as it adopted by the official town league.

Notes on the The Royal Oaks with them. Nesbitt, who is go Free Press, played life. "Dickie" Gray, the Dunston, played like nearly all in. "Bill" Cinnamon will liver the real goods, but nobody wanted to buy. McCarrill, for Toronto a little bit. The Oaks were close "Herb" Workman first local option for better to a pair of w.

## THE MARIPOSA

Oakwood vs. The first game of played at Oakwood large crowd. Both decided lack of practice were in evidence badly in need of a game used five men in day J. Thorndike be the lot. The regular arranged early this we pected Oakwood will anniversary next Mo Below is a summary Oakwood

- B. Jewell, c.
- F. Perrin, 2nd
- R. McLeod, c.f.
- L. McInnis, 1st
- J. Thorndike, 1st
- H. Perrin, s.
- C. Campbell, p.
- F. Wickett, 3rd
- H. Brown, r.f.

Valenti V. Suggitt, 3rd J. Found, r.f. C. Casey, ss. W. Suggitt, 1st. C. Found, 2nd. F. Hood, c. N. Hicks, c. B. Found, 1st. H. Thompson, p. Umpires—Coad and

BASEBALL The C.L.S. is in com the T.A.S. baseball te and a game will likely at an early date. The fast bunch and shoul crowd.