

TAFT PRESIDENT BY A LARGE PLURALITY

The Republicans Carry States By 298

HUGHES WINS NEW YORK

Taft Has First Republican Majority In New York City.

New York City, Nov. 4.—The outstanding features of the Presidential election are:

William H. Taft is elected President with approximately 298 votes.



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT.

Born at Mount Auburn, Ohio, Sept. 15, 1857.

Graduated from Yale, 1875.

Studied law in his father's office.

In 1880 appointed judge in Ohio Supreme Court, succeeding Judson Harman, who entered Cleveland's cabinet.

In 1882, married the daughter of Hon. John Herron of Cincinnati. He has now three children.

In 1887, appointed Solicitor-General of the United States by President Harrison.

In 1890, returned to Ohio as judge of federal circuit, a step to the Supreme Court.

In 1900, appointed chairman of the Philippine commission, refusing coveted appointment to Supreme Court to continue his services there.

Returned to the United States to become Secretary of War and of the Colonies in 1904.

Practically no change is indicated in the complexion of the National House of Representatives.

The United States Senate will retain its present Republican majority. Governor Chas. E. Hughes has been re-elected in New York State by about 54,000 plurality.

Indiana has gone for Taft. Bryan has apparently carried Nebraska.

Ohio returns are very slow owing to immense ballot, but Taft has carried it by a large plurality.

Judge Taft probably will receive a greater plurality in New York State than President Roosevelt did four years ago. He has exceeded Mr. Roosevelt's plurality in New Jersey and had a surprisingly big vote in Massachusetts.

TORONTO BANK TELLER SAID TO HAVE SHORTAGE

Discrepancy of Over \$12,000 In Accounts

SPECULATED WITH FUNDS

The Cause is Suggested for the Alleged Shortage.

(Special to The Free Press.)

Toronto, Nov. 4.—The rather startling discovery of a shortage of from \$12,000 to \$17,000 in the accounts of the head office of the Farmers' Bank in this city has been made, and the cause is said to be unfortunate stock speculation with the bank's funds by D. Cameron McCallum, who has been since the financial institution, since its formation some few years ago. What the actual shortage is has not yet been made known, as the officials of the bank's head office are busy at work going over the teller's books and cash. So far there are discrepancies in the cash of some \$12,000, and it is thought it may be some days before the management is aware of the real shortage. Under the books of the bank are under inspection, the teller is still there helping the officials to

Ornamental Signs and Parks Engage Attention of Aldermen

MANAGER OF ACADEMY OF MUSIC ASKS FOR REMISSION OF BUSINESS TAX—EAST WARD REPRESENTATIVE SEEKS BETTER FIRE PROTECTION AND NEW BRIDGE.

Our town fathers met in regular monthly session Monday evening in the Council chamber. The members present were Mayor Begg, Dep-reeve Eyres and Aldermen Dobson, Campbell, Calvert, W. Jordan, Smale and McGeough.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Market Revenue.
From Market Clerk Callaghan, reporting collections for October as follows:
Weighing fees \$71.85, basket tolls \$8.16; total for month, \$80.01.—Fyl-ed.

Wants Better Terms.
On motion Mr. Wm. Roenigk was heard with reference to the business tax on the Academy, which he thought should be cut off in view of the \$150 levied in taxes. This burden, the genial William pointed out, was greater than that paid by any other business taking in the same amount of money, and the imposition of \$35 business tax would be a crushing blow. This time last year three times as many shows had been booked at the theatre. In Peterboro the theatre was exempted from taxation for a number of years, and the example was a good one.

Mayor Begg—"Of course we don't want to burden you, but I'm afraid we can't interfere with the business tax now—you should have appeared before the Court of Revision."

The matter was referred to the Finance committee.

Worries of a Builder.

On motion Mr. Geo. Lindsay was heard. He explained that his efforts to secure signatures for a sewer past his new houses, having been blocked by some parties, he had been forced to build 144 feet at his own expense, and thought the Council should help by furnishing the pipe—\$13 or \$14 worth.

On motion of Dep-reeve Eyres, seconded by Ald. Jordan, the matter was referred to the Board of Works.

Moving Picture Tax.
Mr. Fred Edmonds addressed the Council on the subject of his moving picture license, which he wished to get straightened out. He was unable to get premises and was exhibiting in the Academy on the same basis as other shows.

Mayor Begg—"I think the license goes if you only operated for one month in the year. I understand the license was imposed by Council at your request."

Mr. Edmonds—"Yes, but on certain conditions. There was to be only one license if I put in a place as good as any in Ontario."

Mayor Begg—"Dep-reeve Jordan's by-law covers picture shows, bowling alleys and other things."

Ald. McGeough—"You are running in the Academy now?"

Mr. Edmonds—"Yes, on the same basis as any travelling show, and there isn't a dollar in it; in my Lindsay-st. place I only paid \$27 a month rent and I could afford to pay the license. The films I use cost me \$75 a week."

Mayor Begg—"Has the other picture show paid the license?"

Clerk Knowlson—"Not yet, Mr. Mayor."

On motion of Alderman Calvert and Campybell, the matter was sent to the Finance committee.

About Signs and Tokens.
Ald. McGeough—"The Chief spoke to me about the by-law regulating street signs, saying that unless we rescind it he must enforce it against all."

In answer to a question put by the Mayor Clerk Knowlson said the by-law applied to Kent, William and Lindsay-sts.

Ald. Calvert—"I noticed several signs that are altogether too low."

Mayor Begg—"My attention has been called to Naylor Bros.' new sign."

Ald. Calvert—"That is a handsome one—it is an ornament to the street."

Ald. McGeough—"There should be an inspector of signs; it is too bad to legislate against a sign like that."

Mayor Begg—"Yes, that's so; the by-law should not condemn attractive signs when put up high enough."

Ald. Calvert—"It will only be a short time before before all signs are put right up against the buildings. No one can find fault with my sign—I haven't one."

Mayor Begg—"I don't think we should be too strict in enforcing the by-law. I see Mr. Parkin here—the Chief has been finding fault with his bulletin boards."

Ald. McGeough—"The Chief says he is in a nasty position—he must enforce the law against all or none."

The Police and Lighting committee will give the matter consideration.

Chief Warns The Owners of Dogs

THEY MUST GET A LICENSE AT ONCE—MAY HAVE TO APPEAR IN COURT.

Chief Vincent is on the trail of the local dog owners who have not as yet secured a license for this year. A well-known resident of the town informed the Free Press this morning that the Chief had been after him to secure a tag for his dog. He was also warned that if he did not take immediate action in the matter, he would be brought up before the Magistrate and fined. Citizens in general should take this as a warning, and no doubt blue papers will be served all those who fail to pay the required tax.

A HELPFUL DEPARTMENT.

It is questionable if the majority of the people of this county recognize to the full the helpfulness of the local branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. In a large number of ways this local branch, under the able supervision of Mr. F. H. Reed, has pointed out to the farmers of this county easier ways and better methods in the line of agriculture. Because it has made itself so essentially a local department, there is a possibility of its usefulness not being esteemed as fully as it might, because too often it is true that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country."

In the selection of seed and the eradication of weeds, the local department has done good service, and its work in the suggesting of improved methods in the handling of stock cannot be reckoned in mere dollars and cents. Many farmers have taken full advantage of the opportunities offered by the office opposite the market for the securing of advice and assistance in the many farm problems that continually present themselves and it only remains for further publicity to make the Lindsay branch one of direct, money-saving help to the farming community. In this connection, it should be remembered that whatever will benefit the agriculturalists of the surrounding county will also most assuredly be of advantage to the people of this town, who undoubtedly feel and share in the degree of prosperity by which they are surrounded.

One of the special features in the line of assistance offered by the local office of agriculture should be widely known and accepted wherever desired. This feature relates to drainage work. In this department expert advice is offered to the farmers of the county without charge. A representative of the local office, skilled in such work, may also be obtained to visit the farm and personally to take levels, depths, grade, location, and give size of tile required, and all other necessary information. For this service the only outlay asked of the farmer benefitting from the service is the payment of the travelling expenses of the representative. A map giving all the information and data required for the successful building of the drainage work is included in this helpful offer. In a district like this, where drainage is often absolutely necessary for modern farming on a proper scale, this form of aid to the farmer should be appreciated much more than tons of cold storage literature or mail bags full of commission reports.

Governments are often blamed, and with much justice too, for neglecting to give the farmers practical assistance while manufacturers and corporations in general are carefully nursed on administrative pap. Such a charge cannot be laid against the Ontario Government in its special policy towards agriculture in this county, and it remains for the farmers to show their appreciation by taking the fullest advantage of their opportunity and making the opportunity known as well to others.

BADDOW.
(Correspondence Free Press.)
Nov. 2.—The prolonged dry spell is making water scarce in this part. Miss B. Suggitt spent Sunday under the parental roof.

Mrs. H. Barber is visiting friends in Baddow.

The election is all over and Col. Sam returned to his old position.

Mr. H. Wilson and Miss Townsend went to the fowl supper at Fenelon on Monday night.

Mr. A. Goodhand spent Sunday at home.

Mr. Hanley, of Fenelon, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Griffin.

The hunting season is here again, and no doubt some of the forest muton will be killed.

Mr. W. J. Goodhand left for the north on Saturday with the Smith and Sackett gang. We wish them success.

Mr. E. Watson is plastering his kitchen at present.

The roots are about all in in this part, and a fair crop is reported.

WOODVILLE.
(Correspondence Free Press.)

Oct. 4.—Mr. Archie McKinnon, of Onton, is filling Dr. Byer's place while the latter is away hunting.

The anniversary services of the Woodville Methodist church were a decided success. Mr. Stewart, of Toronto, delivered two very impressive addresses on Sunday. The fowl supper on Monday evening was well attended. The programme was excellent. The proceeds were \$141.

Miss Maude Hancock, of Lorneville, spent Sunday with Catharine Campbell.

Miss Whattam is visiting her brother of this village.

Mr. Bowin, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Byers and Captain Patterson are among the number who have gone north to enjoy the hunting season.

Miss L. Bruce, of Lorneville, spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Bowin.

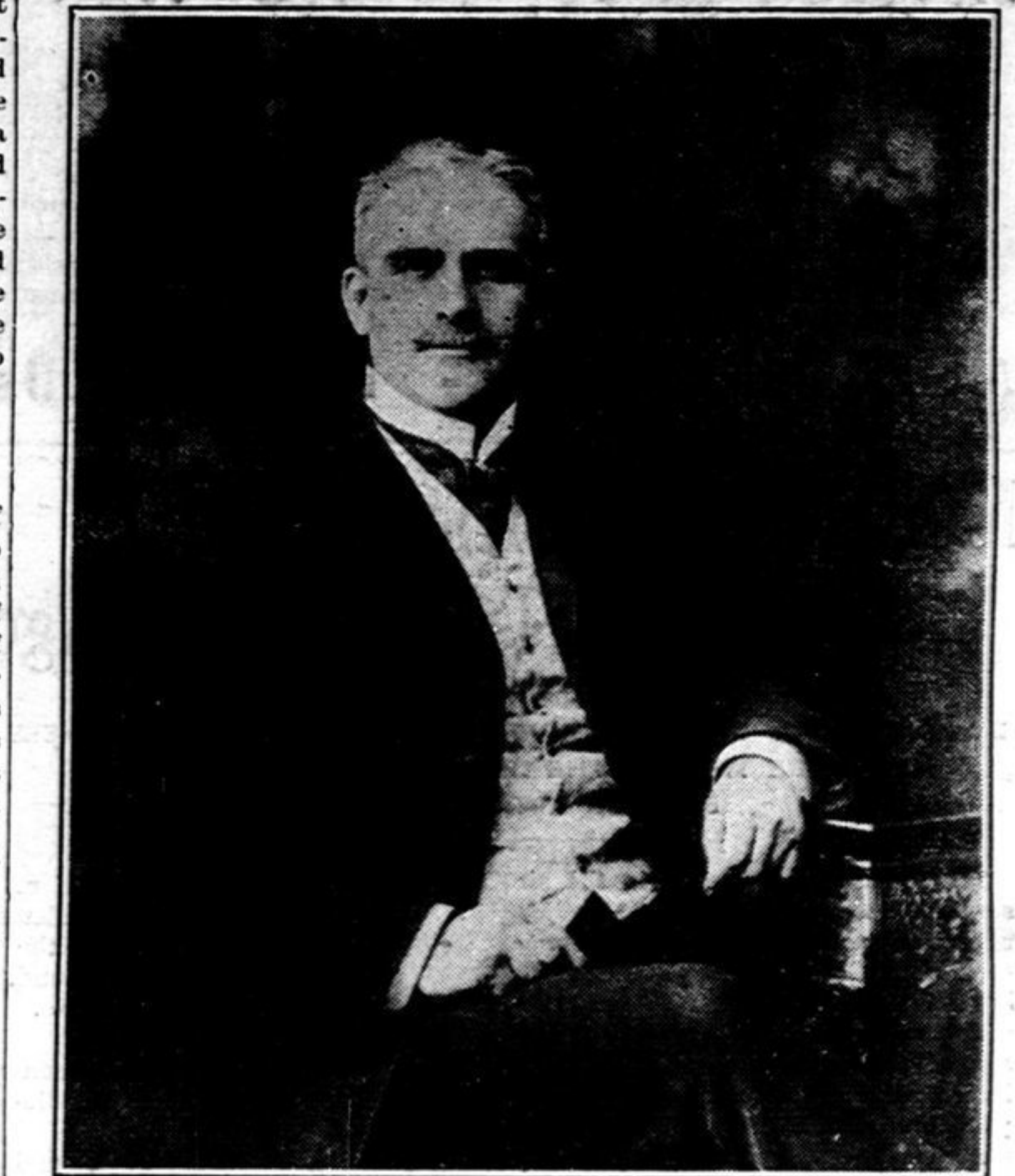
Miss Lily Gilchrist entertained a number of young people at an old-fashioned paring bee on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus McKay spent Tuesday with friends here.

BUSINESS CHANGE.
Mr. Jos. Lucas, of Downeyville, who disposed of his stock and rented his farm last spring, has—with Mr. M. Dorgan as partner—acquired the blacksmithing business at Downeyville carried on by Mr. P. J. Callaghan. They have secured the services of Mr. Neil Gannon, expert horse-shoer and all-round smith, who has been with Mr. Chas. Jones for some time.

COL. HUGHES NOW HAS 1038 MAJORITY

THE OFFICIAL RETURNS AS GIVEN BY RETURNING OFFICER—THE VOTING IN DETAIL ON MONDAY.



The official returns are now to hand for the voting in Victoria and Harbourton on Monday. These returns give Col. Hughes the handsome majority of 1038.

It is interesting to note that in one division—No. 3 Dysart—Col. Hughes received every vote polled. Col. Hughes had a majority in every municipality except Woodville, Mariposa, Fenelon Falls, Ops and Carden. There are over twenty municipalities in the riding.

Lindsay.	Hughes Wilson	Anson and Hindon.	
I E. Ward No. 1	72	No. 1	39
2 E. Ward—No. 2	82	Monmouth.	
3 S. Ward No. 1	85	Tory Hill	73
4 S. Ward No. 2	117	Cardiff.	
5 S. Ward No. 3	71	No. 1	3
6 S. Ward No. 4	90	No. 2	39
7 N. Ward No. 1	83	No. 3	4
8 N. Ward No. 2	73	Fenelon.	
9 N. Ward No. 3	102	No. 1 S House 7	21
		No. 2 Cambray	60
		No. 3 Grange Hall	51
		No. 4 Cameron	64
		No. 5 Carpenter's	64
		Majority Hughes 47.	
		Fenelon Falls.	
		No. 1	60
		No. 2	74
		Majority Wilson 9.	
		Carden.	
		No. 1 Walsh's	25
		No. 2	26
		Dalton.	
		No. 1	58
		No. 2	10
		Eldon.	
		No. 1 Lorneville	91
		No. 2 Hartley	91
		No. 3 Kirkfield	102
		No. 4 Balsover	100
		Majority Hughes 166.	
		Woodville.	
		No. 1	39
		Majority Wilson 9.	
		Somerville.	
		No. 1 Burnt River	87
		No. 2 Kinnmount	65
		No. 3 Cobocok	73
		Majority Hughes 81.	
		Mariposa.	
		1 Fingerboard	65
		2 Valencia	56
		3 Little Britain	73
		4 Oakwood	60
		5 Manila	46
		6 Brown's	26
		7 Black's	56
		8 Eden	40
		Majority Wilson 52.	
		Ops.	
		1 Hussey's	25
		2 Sandpits	49
		3 Town Hall	39
		4 Hartnett's	32
		5 Reabore	90
		6 Cheese Factory	53
		Majority for Wilson 40.	
		Total vote 4315—3277.	
		Majority for Col. Hughes 1038.	

Had Foot Cut Off In Gooderham Mill

YOUNG MAN FELL ON CUT-OFF SAW, WITH ABOVE RESULT— IS RECOVERING.

(Correspondence Free Press.)

Nov. 4.—Mr. Eddie Covert, of Deer Lake, while working in Spears' & Launders' mill, Wilberforce, slipped and fell on the cut-off saw at 1.30 p.m. yesterday, cutting off his right foot just at the ankle. Dr. White, of Kinnmount, and Dr. Walker, of Wilberforce, made a further amputa-

tion and the patient is resting nicely. Rev. A. F. Webster, of Ancaster, and John K. Irwin, of Cambray, are the guests of R. H. Deyman and the Gooderham Hunt Club.

Mr. Geo. H. Wilson, of the Baker Lumber Co., is in town to-day.

A Well Directed Rebuke.

The Toronto News can't about a clean election. The idea of cleanliness apparently does not extend to a foul tongue, or it would administer one of its lofty reproofs to Messrs. Borden and Roblin.

Have you lost anything, found anything; do you want to sell or want to buy. A small classified ad. in this paper will help you.