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The Ontario Legislative is called for the despatch of business on Wednesday, Feb. 14. The Toronto World figures it out that there will be no election before the middle of May next.

Latest returns of the prohibition plebiscite in the Province show that there is a majority of over 80,000 for total prohibition so far, with a number of back townships to hear from. When all are counted the majority will not be much short of 100,000.

Hyattsville, Md., was the first town in the world to adopt the single tax. It is also the first town in the world to practically demonstrate the foolishness of the single tax. The citizens have adopted a new charter, the single tax clauses being all eliminated.—Hamilton Spectator.

**Wednesday, Feb. 14, is the Day Appointed to Nominate a Conservative Candidate**

TO CONTEST EAST AND CENTRE GREY IN THE COMING ELECTION TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The annual meeting of East and Centre Grey Conservatives was held in Marsh's hall, Markdale, on Friday last. A heavy storm had blocked the roads but still the attendance was good, at least a hundred representatives being present. President Kells occupied the chair and gave an interesting talk on the situation. By a vote of the meeting it was decided to hold a convention at Rocklyn on Wednesday, Feb. 14, for the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest the riding in the coming election to the Local Legislature.

The following officers were appointed for the ensuing year: President—Thos. Kells; Vice Pres., Thos. Abercrombie, Rec. Sec., W. McLoughrey; Treas. Jas.; Brodie. Corresponding Secretaries—Bobt. Cornett, Dundalk; Dr. Scott, Maxwell; Dr. Dickison, Desboro; W. Dutton, Rocklyn. Auditors—W. A. Brown, Jas. Elliott. Vice Presidents—Artemesia, W. Sharp; Osprey, John Clinton; Proton, John Abbott; Euphrasia, G. G. Devet; Collingwood, F. Simelser; Meaford; J. J. Johnston; Holland, Jas. Welsh, Sullivan, John Sparrow; Thornbury, Thos. Andrew; Markdale, John Douglas; Dundalk, Thos. Hanbury; Shelburne, Wm. Jelly; Melanethon, Samuel McDowell.

The speakers were Messrs. Dr. Sproule, M. P., and Major Burke, M. P. P. The following resolutions were put to the meeting and carried by an overwhelming majority, only four dissentients being observable:

Resolved—That we, the members of East and Centre Grey Liberal Conservative Association, desire to place on record our continued confidence in the policy of the Liberal Conservative party, and adherence to its precepts and practices as expounded during the past fall by the leader and members of his cabinet in this riding. We believe that the Conservative cabinet has done nothing in the past at which true Conservatives can cavil. We believe that the present government is thoroughly competent to control the ship of state in time of storm or calm, and carry us on to greater peace and greater prosperity than even that degree which we now enjoy.

Resolved—That it is our staunch purpose to stand steadily by our present premier, Sir John Thompson, believing him to be the most able man for the position of premier of this great and growing dominion, and head of the old and honorable Conservative party of Canada. We wish to place on record our desire that the government will find it possible to arrange the tariff in such a way as will bear less heavily upon the agricultural community. While foreign countries are convulsed with financial difficulties our own is blessed with a fair degree of prosperity, which we consider a matter for strong congratulation. In conclusion we desire to renew our pledges of confidence in our own representative, Dr. Sproule, and should he again ask our suffrages we pledge him our undivided support; and we trust that the time is not far distant when he will obtain a position in the

cabinet, for which his abilities have so eminently fitted him.

Resolved—That we have noticed with pleasure the course of our leader, W. H. Meredith, in the Local House during the past three years. His firm stand upon the school question, his opposition to the centralization of power in Toronto and his advocacy of the election of county officers by those who pay them, particularly commands our continued loyal support until the principles he has so nobly fought for so many years shall be acknowledged as the proper ones upon which to govern this province, and legislation be passed to give effect thereto, and we note with pleasure the growing feeling in support of these principles throughout the province. We also desire to acknowledge the loyal support given to Mr. Meredith by our member, Major Rorke.

The convention then adjourned and the members partook of an elegant spread furnished by mine host Marsh, at the expense of the two members for the riding.

**Artemesia Council.**

The newly elected Council of the township of Artemesia for the year 1894, met in the Town Hall, Flesherton, pursuant to statute, on Monday, Jan. 15th, 1894.

After the members had taken the necessary declarations of qualification it was moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Best, That Thomas Kells be first deputy-reeve and Donald McMillan be second deputy-reeve of this township for the year 1894.—Carried.

The Council being fully organized the following business was transacted.

Robert Campbell and Joseph Williams petitioned the council to change the boundaries of school sections 11 and 13, as follows: By taking lots 22 and 23 in the eighth concession and lots 24 in the 10, 11 and 12 concessions from S. S. No. 11 and place the same in S. S. No. 13.

Joseph Williams personally petitioned the Council to remove his lots 22 and 23 in the 8th concession from Ward No. 3, and place the same in Ward No. 4.

R. J. Sproule applied to the Council to be one of the auditors for 1894.

Samuel Bowles, overseer, certified that George Hutchinson, jr., had performed one day's work in his beat in 1893, and was entitled to a refund of one dollar charged to him on roll of 1893.

By-Laws No's. 495 to limit the number of Tavern licenses to be issued in the township to five; 496 appointing W. T. McKee, assessor for 1894; 497 appointing Peter Holman, M. Riley and Geo. L. Latimer and the Reave and clerk, a local board of health for 1894; 498 appointing James Brodie and R. J. Sproule, auditors for 1894, were introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed.

Moved by Messrs. Thompson and Best That a bylaw be introduced to amend the bylaw dividing the township into wards by removing lots 22 and 23, con. 8, from Ward 3 and placing the same in Ward 4. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Best, That the petition of Robert Campbell and Joseph Williams asking for certain changes in the boundaries of school sections Nos. 11 and 13, be entertained, and that the clerk notify the trustees of section 11 and parties interested. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kells, seconded by Mr. Thompson, That in reference to the communication now before this Council from the secretary of the Single Tax Association of Toronto, this Council do not endorse the sentiments contained therein, and would ask the representative of this riding in the Legislative Assembly to oppose any legislation that may be introduced in the direction indicated therein. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Best, That J. B. Sloan be refunded \$1.10, being error in his assessment of 1893. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Best, seconded by Mr. Thompson, That J. B. Sloan, collector Ward 4, be allowed until Feb. 1, 1894, to return his roll, and this extension is made without prejudice to said collector or his successors. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kells, seconded by Mr. McMillan, That the deputy returning officers be paid as follows, being fees and disbursements in connection with the last municipal election: Jas. Johnston, \$10; Geo. Warling, W. J. Bellamy, H. Meldrum, W. Sharp and H. R. Dyson, each \$7.50.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Best, That James Johnston, deputy returning officer in Ward 1, be allowed \$9 for fees and disbursements instead of \$10 as allowed him in the original motion. This amendment was carried, also the original motion, except in so far as the first item therein is concerned.

Moved by Mr. Kells, seconded by Mr. McMillan, That the following accounts be paid: W. J. Bellamy, quarter salary, \$37.50; J. H. Heard, for wood, \$3; J. Rutherford's Sons, stationery, \$3.70; John Bellamy, three months' care of Town Hall and coal oil and lamp glasses, \$4.75. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kells and seconded by Mr. Best. That the following collectors be paid their respective salaries for 1893: John Hazard, \$26.00; John Wright, \$31.00; J. B. Sloan, \$26.00, when they shall have duly returned their several collector's rolls. Carried.

ial voter's list for prohibition plebiscite vote, \$6.00. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Best and seconded by Mr. Thompson. That W. H. Thurston be paid the following: for election stationery supplied \$10.82; printing plebiscite ballots, \$3.00; for assessment rolls and schedules and printing financial statement, \$23.70. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Best, That Wm. Taylor be refunded \$1.50 for statute labor charged to him in error and that the amount be charged to James Cornfield on road list of 1894. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kells and seconded by Mr. McMillan, That the sum of \$20.85 be paid to John Clark for work done on base line, con. 3 east, at lots 121 and 122, and the same be charged to special grant made to said place in 1893. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kells and seconded by Mr. Thompson. That F. T. Carr be refunded \$5.50, being amount paid by him on income assessment of one Wm. Bennet, he, Bennet having left the county. Carried.

Council adjourned to meet on the first Monday in March.

**Rev. Duncan Morrison Dead.**

After an illness of a little more than two weeks Rev. Duncan Morrison, D.D., passed away on Wednesday morning 10th inst., aged 77 years. By his death Owen Sound loses an honored citizen of 27 years standing, whose life is closely interwoven with the history of the town's moral and religious development, and one whose name is widely known outside the home limits. In the more personal sense, to many who formerly sat under his preaching and enjoyed his pastoral care and friendship his removal is the breaking up of a very close and tender tie. Dr. Morrison was born in Glasgow on July 29, 1816, and was there educated, taking an arts course in Glasgow University. His first marriage also took place in his native city, Mrs. Morrison's maiden name being Jane Steele. Coming to Canada he studied for the ministry at Queen's University, Kingston, and was ordained in 1851, his first charge being in the township of Beckworth, near Brockville. Five years later he was transferred to Brockville, and in 1866 he became pastor of Knox church, Owen Sound, remaining in continuous charge of that growing congregation during eighteen years of successful ministry up to 1884, when feeling the weight of increasing years he retired from the active duties of the ministry. Up to his last illness he continued to take an active interest and share in the work of the church, and his sympathy and counsel will be greatly missed by pastor and people. Dr. Morrison was Moderator of the synod of the Presbyterian church in connection with the church of Scotland previous to the union and was for several years a member of the Board of Trustees of Queen's University. He received his degree from the Presbyterian College of Montreal in 1890. Since being relieved from active ministerial labor he has given much of his time to literary work, and his book, "Great Hymns of the Church, their Origin and Authorship," which appeared in 1890, was given a very favourable reception by the reading public. During the past few months he has been engaged up on a second volume of this work, which his demise leaves uncompleted. A very useful book recently published by him was a Manual of Forms of Service for special occasions for use in the Presbyterian church. Dr. Morrison lost his first wife in 1876, and three years later was married in Scotland to Mrs. Margaret Wylie, who survives him. He leaves two sons and four daughters, namely: Grace, wife of Mr. John McPherson of Kincardine; Duncan, the esteemed Junior Judge of this county; Jane, wife of Mr. James Caton of this town; Jessie, wife of Mr. James Masson, Q. C. M. P.; Lillie, wife of Mr. H. I. Strang, Principal of the Goderich High School; and John, who is now resident in Chatham. The funeral took place Friday afternoon.—O. S. Advertiser.

**Proton Station.**

From our own Correspondent. Again another year has passed and gone into the abyss of the past, and what changes have taken place even in that short space of twelve months. But as we have nothing to complain of during the year we will not dwell on the past, for we, as a people who have to earn our bread, have enough to do to think of the present and future. The public is well aware that we are no philosopher, so we will say no more on the subject. We are glad to be able to report that Mr. Geo. Williamson is able to be in his office again. La grippe seemed to be the trouble. The Sons of Scotland held their annual dinner in the hall on Jan. 11th. You ask if there was a good time? Well I should smile! Those not present missed the treat of the season. Dundalk, Hopeville, Pricerville and Flesherton were well represented. Business is beginning to look up in Proton. Telegraph poles, cord-wood, ties, spiles and logs of all kinds are being brought in, in abundance. Mr. J. Lockhart and Mr. A. Sherson took over a couple of loads of young people as a surprise to Mr. James Quinn's, of Bethel, on Friday last. Mr. Quinn has lately moved into his magnificent brick house. We are told a very pleasant evening was the result. One of the boys had a very sad misfortune happen to him and his best girl on New Year's night, getting thrown out of the cutter and breaking one of the shafts. No more news this week but keep your eye open for a blockade in February.

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Our stock of OVERCOATS was large, and we have a good assortment still unsold. These we will offer on liberal terms of credit at discounted prices, with further discount for cash purchasers who can thus secure wholesale rates for single garments.

FURS. We have had a good season's trade for furs and all that remains will be sold without respect to cost.  
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 Men's Persian Lamb Caps, No. 1, \$6.00, reduced to \$4.75.  
 Men's Persian Lamb Caps, extra, \$6.50, reduced to \$5.25.  
 Nutria Imitation Beaver fur, \$4.50, red. to \$3.50.  
 Nutria Imitation Beaver fur, \$3.75 reduced to \$2.75.  
 Ladies' Fur Storm Collars, \$2.00, \$3.75, \$4.50 and \$5.25.  
 Ladies' Fur Muffs, 50 cts., \$1.00 \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.50.  
 Ladies' Fur Mantles, satin lined, \$22.00, \$25.00 and \$27.50.

MANTLES. At still further reductions and Mantle Cloths, not many left, but at tempting prices.  
 GREY FLANNELS at clearing prices, from 10 cts. per yard.  
 HEAVY FACTORY FLANNELS at 20 cts., 22 cts. and 25 cts.  
 MEN'S WOOL SHIRTS and Drawers reduced to 45 cts.  
 MEN'S UNION Shirts and Drawers, reduced to 25 cents each.  
 BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS Men's and Boy's Gum Rubber's and Socks. The assortment of sizes is somewhat broken, but we probably have just the size you want and at prices to clear, as we buy no more this season.

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