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Young Men in Public Life

There seems to be a desire among a certain class of public men, who are considerably advanced in life, to equalize young men, not only in social matters but in public life as well. But young men are bound to come to the front. Few seem to have so desired, as the following record proves:—D'Orsay said that almost everything that is great has been done by youth, and genius when young is divine. Napoleon and Caesar, the greatest captains of ancient and modern times, both conquered Italy at five and twenty; Youth, extreme youth, overthrew the Persian Empire. Don Juan of Austria won Leprato at twenty-five, the greatest battle of modern time; but it was not for the jealousy of Philip, the next year he would have been Emperor of Mauritania. Gislen de Feix was only twenty-two, when he stoned a victor on the plain of Rovenna. Every one remembers Condé and Roover at the same age. Gustavus Adolphus died at twenty-eight. Cates was little more than thirty, which he gazed upon the golden eagles of Mexico. When Maurice of Saxony died at thirty-two, all Europe acknowledged the loss of the greatest captain and the profoundest statesman of Europe. Then there are Nelson and Coke. Innocent III, the greatest of the Popes, was the despot of Christendom at thirty-seven. John de Medici was a Cardinal at fifteen, and according to Giacchini baffled with his statescraft Ferdinand of Aragon himself. He was Pope as Leo X at thirty-seven. Luther was thirty-five at the time of the reformation. Take Ignatius Loyola and John Wesley, they worked with young brains. Pascal wrote a great work at sixteen, and died at thirty-seven, the greatest Frenchman. Byron and Raphael died at thirty-seven. Webster was Secretary of State at thirty-one. Bolingbroke and Pitt, were two ministers before other men had left off cricket. Grosvenor was in great practice at seventeen, and Attorney-General at twenty-four. It is needful to multiply instances. The history of Heros is the history of youth.

Manitoba Letter

To the Editor of the Free Press.
Sir.—As I promised my friends to write to the Free Press telling how we like the country, I thought I would take this opportunity. If it wasn't so cold we would be very much pleased with Manitoba, but we haven't been obliged to wear our overcoats in the house yet to keep us warm although the thermometer has been as low as 49 below zero a good part of the time. We don't have any January thaws nor any other kind until spring and there has been no rain since October. None of the storms of the present winter have been worse than I have seen in Ontario. The farmers here feed in their crops and let the extra run on the prairie, but where hedges are opened and fenced it looks a little like home. If we could have fruit and have the convenience of churches and schools like we had over there I would feel quite satisfied, but as it is, there seems to be little to live for. True there is preaching in a log school house by Presbyterian and Canada Methodist Ministers but not sufficient religion about here to have a class meeting formed. We are only seven miles from the flourishing town of Gladstone, a very nice place for this country.

Stockraising pays better than farming. Good oxen sell for \$165 to \$200; milk cows \$40. \$50 and as high as \$75; ponies \$400 and \$500 a good span; feed 10, 15 and 18 cents per pound; pork 10, 11 and 12 cents per pound; and 15 cents in small pieces; butter 30 cents; eggs 50 cents per doz. It is a good place for raising potatoes and other vegetables.

If any one has a family of boys and wants to secure land for them, or if any person wants a farm and is unable to purchase one in Ontario this is the place to come, but if I had a farm over there I would never come here. Any person having about \$500 in cash and will be industrious and sober can manage very well here, but any less amount than that makes matters difficult at first. A good log house is very comfortable. The atmosphere is clear and beautiful, with no damp, dull, foggy days. We have seen no blizzards yet. The water is not as good as that in Ontario.

I must close. Wishing our Ontario friends health and prosperity.

I am, yours truly
John McConnell

Golden Creek, Man., Feb 14, 1883.

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THE ELECTIONS OVER.

The Government Sustained by a Loyal Majority.

The Most Keenly Contested Election the Province Ever Saw.

The Conservative Party Apparently in Possession of a Majority. Name by Which Electors are to be Known at Will.

The turmoil is over. Politicians have settled down to business. Victories have been won and laurels lost by each party. Gratifications and disappointments are common on every hand.

The election of members for the Legislative Assembly of this Province, held last Tuesday, was most keenly contested in every constituency. The

Mowat Government has been sustained,

but with a much smaller majority than that of the Parliament just protracted.

What the exact strength of either

party will be is at present doubtful, as

coupled returns have not been received

as yet from quite a number of the

constituencies; but as far as can be

learned up to the hour of going to press

the Reform majority in the House will

be about ten or twelve, which is a very

fair working majority for any government.

OUR OWN COUNTY.

This time Halton has turned a complete革新 and elected Mr. Kerns with a majority, as reported, of 152.

Since their defeat in the recent Dominion Election the Conservatives have been actively engaged in solid work for the party, and were apparently determined to fight the winter to a successful issue at all hazards.

A more completely canvassed constituency could not have been, and the followers of Sir John A. MacDonald in this county proved most conclusively on Tuesday that they were the most vigorous workers in the present campaign.

Robert Munro, engine-driver between Kitchener and Hamilton, says: "It was impossible for any person to be a worse

agent of disunity and a greater sufferer than I was. I often had to be down in the engine and actually thought I would die before I reached my destination. I purchased a little of McGregor's Speedy Cure, and it cured me." Free trial bottle at J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store. Regular size, fifty cents, and one dollar.

It is not possible for every voter to poll his vote and the result of the polls was unknown for either Reform or Conservative leaders. So great was the excitement here that an elector who had frequently boasted of having never polled a voter in his life—a clerical gentleman—was induced to do so on this occasion for the first time.

The number of votes polled here was Kerns, 101; Robertson 62. We have endeavored to secure a complete report of the vote of the whole county but up to the hour of publication we have only been able to get the majorities in each polling place which are as follows:

Robertson's Maj. Kerns' Maj.

Acton 25 30

Guelph 25 27

Waterloo 7 10

Milton 10 10

Burlington 10 10

Egmont 10 10

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