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EDITORIAL

Hon. Mr. Raney Persuaded to Stand Again for East Wellington

The earnest solicitation of his constituents in East Wellington, added to the persuasions of members of the Cabinet and other leaders of the Province, to withdraw his letter of resignation, have prevailed with Hon. W. E. Raney, Attorney-General. He agreed on Saturday to accept the nomination for the coming elections, and was accorded the unanimous choice as Government candidate for East Wellington. This action of Hon. Mr. Raney is much appreciated by many people throughout the Province. At the present time in Ontario's history a man of his uncompromising influence on moral and social questions is urgently needed. That he will be re-elected is a foregone conclusion; and that he will be continued in the position of Attorney-General is the devout hope of all who are interested in the moral uplift of the people of Ontario.

The Retirement of Ben. H. Spence

In the retirement of Rev. Ben. H. Spence from the Secretaryship of the Dominion Alliance a forceful, energetic and alert friend of the temperance cause in Canada has left the position from which he very effectively directed an active campaign against the legalized traffic in intoxicating liquors for sixteen years. He will now direct his energies to world-wide prohibition. Mr. Spence will spend the summer in assisting in the campaign in Scotland. He is a fearless campaigner, has an intelligent grasp of conditions, is acquainted with the various preventative measures adopted or suggested, and is an organizer of unusual ability. This Province owes much to Mr. Spence for what has been accomplished in cutting down the consumption of liquor to the small proportions now existing. For over fifty years the members of the Spence family have been most active in the matter of securing the suppression of the liquor traffic.

Paying as We Go; Money Debts and—

It is a fine thing for young people to get started right in the matter of life's activities. "Pay as you go," is a motto that should, of course, be applied to financial obligations; but it should also be applied to numerous other obligations. Pay your board bill; pay your tailor's bill; and your doctor's bill when they are due; but when you have done this, you have done much less than enough. Pay that debt of gratitude as you go. Don't wait until that public school teacher, or that high school teacher, or that employer who interested himself in your progress when you were an apprentice, is translated to the other land, before you acknowledge your debt. Pay as you go. Get your gratitude off your mind as soon as you feel it. The helpfulness you have received is an obligation you should recognize. Some are planning to endow hospitals, or put pipe organs in churches. But that is not the idea. Pay as you go. Say a kind word to the errand boy when you meet him; help some one who is tired or discouraged. Cheer the down-hearted. If you leave your debt of helpfulness to be paid when you are old, you can no more do it than you can pay Canada's war debt. Pay as you go.

The Political Situation in Halton

It is rumored (and we are not in a position to say how much there is in the rumor) that the "wet" element in the Conservative ranks would like to have candidate Dale withdraw from the contest now, pending representation in the Ontario Legislature. They, it is said, were figuring on candidate Hillmer getting the votes of those in the riding who were opposed to the Ontario Temperance Act, whether Liberal, Conservative or Progressive in their leanings, as well as getting the temperance votes of their own political friends who are in the habit of voting the straight party ticket no matter what the issues were in an election. With Mr. Dale in the field, they thought the vote might be divided between him and Mr. Hillmer and the latter's chances of election weakened, by that much. Premier Drury is known as an out-and-out temperance man and in favor of the strict enforcement of the Ontario Temperance Act. Well, if it is to be a straight fight between the wet and dry forces of the county, the sooner that fact is made clear the better. Halton has long been known as one of the banner temperance counties of the Province, and if, in the coming campaign, there is going to be an effort made to place the county in the wet column, the temperance forces of the county will have something to say about it.—*Milton Reformer.*

What the Three Parties Stand For

Now that the election campaign is in full swing, and the spokesmen for the several parties are expressing themselves, it may be reasonably concluded after listening to all sides of the question; as all fair-minded people should do, that the following set of facts, are outlined by Conservative, Liberal and U. F. O. speakers: If the Conservatives get into power the Province will be ruined. If the Liberals get into power the Province will be ruined. If the Farmers stay in power the Province will be ruined. That the Conservative party stands for sane, economical government. That the Conservative party stands for wanton waste and extravagance. That the Liberal party stands for righteous administration. That the Liberal party stands for anything. That the Farmers don't know what they stand for.

Two Newspaper Men as Political Opponents

Mr. J. W. Shepperson will oppose Mr. J. M. McBride in South Brant, as the Liberal candidate. Mr. Shepperson is the managing director of the Ham and Nott Manufacturing Company, and a young man of outstanding business ability. It is a peculiar coincidence that Messrs. Shepperson and McBride are both printers by trade and some years ago, along with the writer, Arthur Kennedy, editor of The London Advertiser, Bertain Costain, associate editor of The Saturday Evening Post, Ross Munro, of The Globe, Roy Saylor, manager of The Weekly Newspapers Association, and other congenial souls long since scattered, were on the staff of The Brantford Express, filling various positions under Mr. T. H. Preston, one of the ablest editors in Canada, and at present honored with the presidency of The Daily Newspapers Association. "Them wuz the days,"—*Renfrew Mercury.*

Improving the Status of Children Born Out of Wedlock

The Province of Nova Scotia is taking forward steps in the matter of improving the status of illegitimate children, and forcing the fathers of such children to more adequately provide for the mother and child. A bill affecting illegitimate children was reported favorably from committee in the House of Assembly last week. The bill provides an increase in the financial indemnity chargeable to the father of an illegitimate child, and providing for more favorable public recognition for a child born under such circumstances. If the amendments are applied to the Act affected, the indemnity chargeable to the man will be increased from the present range of eighty to one hundred and twenty-five dollars to a minimum of five hundred dollars. The amendments also provide that the child would be legally legitimized if the parents married subsequently, and should they not marry, the child would be legally recognized as the heir of the mother.

Respect Your Gift or Talent

There are a lot of young people, and their parents, too, who in considering the choice of a vocation consider rather disdainfully the work of a mechanic as a means of livelihood. And this in the face of a manifest aptitude for overtaking the needful training which would result in skillful workmen or workwomen. It would be a pretty poor world without farmers and carpenters and bricklayers, and plumbers and motor-men, and on the other hand, it would be a pretty poor world without doctors, and ministers, and poets, and musicians. Everyone's gift is necessary for the good of the community as a whole. Respect your own gift. If a boy would make a first-rate carpenter, and a second-rate lawyer, his chances for success and happiness depend on his taking up carpentry. But if he goes plying himself because his endowment is not different, of course he will spoil everything. So that young folks' work is necessary to society, so that they are giving real service, they may hold their heads as high as a prime minister. But there are miners who have done more for the world than many a king.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Though charged with extravagance the Drury Government has expended some \$60,000 less per year than its predecessor in administering Government activities.

Home runs are the ambition with most base ball enthusiasts. It's different, however, with the politicians. A good many of them will make home runs next month, when they'd prefer to make a successful legislature run.

Is it just a coincidence, or another political manoeuvre, that the Provincial elections are coming on in the latter part of June, when nearly all the weekly publishers in Ontario will be attending the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association convention at Halifax?—*Simcoe Reformer.*

Prime Minister Bonar Law, after but about seven months in office, has resigned the Premiership of the British House of Commons, on account of ill health. It is definitely stated in political circles that Foreign Minister Curzon will succeed him. General regret is felt that Premier Law is obliged to retire.

Hanover Council will take out insurance covering accidents taking place on town streets, excepting where such are due to criminal negligence. The policy has a limit of \$5,000 damages for one person at a time, and \$10,000 for one accident—that is, in case a number of persons are injured in the same accident.

It looks now as if the decision to put a Liberal candidate in the field in Halton was far from unanimous. E. H. Cleaver and W. F. W. Fisher, two of the county's leading Liberals, have resigned from the executive of the Liberal Association. Both were strongly opposed to putting a Liberal candidate in the contest, and both are now supporting Premier Drury.

The only candidates who are advocating a change in the O. T. A. are those in a certain few constituencies, where they may possibly get away with it with the boys. But the constituencies are very few in number, and if all the candidates in question were elected, they would have but a small voice in the final disposition of the prohibition question.—*Guelpch Herald.*

Neighborhood News—Town and Country

OAKVILLE

The Oakville football club played a game at Burlington on Saturday afternoon, and were defeated by 2 to 1. A drunk from Toronto was poked up here on Monday night and fined \$20.00 and costs on Monday morning.

The Trafalgar Lumber Limited, of Oakville, are going to erect plant mill and dry kiln on the sixth line at a value of about \$10,000.

Eight Toronto youths were arraigned before Judge Maguire's children Monday last, charged with conducting themselves disorderly on the streets of Oakville. They were each fined \$10.00.

Pat Joyce, son of Thomas Joyce, Toronto, while driving his automobile collided with a Cadillac car at Hrono crossing last week. The automobile was badly smashed, but the young man escaped with minor injuries.

At a vestry meeting of the Anglican Church on Wednesday night last, the Rev. Mr. Bennett was authorized to go ahead with the construction of an addition to the present parish hall and Sunday School, to cost \$15,000.00.

GEORGETOWN

The Boy Scouts paraded to the Methodist Church on Sunday morning, when Rev. Mr. Davidson preached a most interesting sermon.

Dr. Galloway attended the Ontario Dental Convention at Toronto last week.

Miss Helen Henderson has returned home from Winnipeg.

Mr. E. Somerville has commenced the erection of a new house on Factory Street.

J. M. O'Neill & Son, Inc. has installed a new up-to-date water pump with a new up-to-date motor.

The hay shed at Mr. J. H. Leavitt's place on the railway crossing at this point will be straightened and improved.

Mr. Sydney Young has been appointed to be a Justice of the Peace for the County of Elgin.

Mr. W. H. Lewis, of Esquimaux, went to Guelpch Hospital last week for treatment, and is recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hickenloffer, of Santa Barbara, California, Mexico, have been visiting for a few days with Mrs. Hickenloffer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hingham.

The Mayor, Rev. Fire Chief and other representatives from Orillia were in town on Tuesday last, when they saw them a demonstration which they appreciated very much.—*Herald.*

ERIN

A sitting for revising the voters' list for Erin township will be held at Hillsburg on May 28 at 10 a. m., and at Erin Village on May 29, Judge Hopton is the revising officer.

Mr. H. Buntin, of Caledon East, recently purchased the Leader post office house above the village and has moved into it.

Mrs. John McLean, who spent the winter in Toronto, has returned to her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mack have returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. "Jaggen" after spending the winter in the south.

The knitting match at Stanley Park, Erin, on Saturday will be between The Dods Knitting Mills team, of Orangeville, and Erin.

The young ladies in town are becoming enthusiastic over the idea of forming a ladies' football team, and will likely bring the move to a successful conclusion.

The Duro Construction Co. of Hamilton, have been awarded the contract for the new six-roomed school building, at a cost of \$35,000. Many contractors figured on the job, but the Duro Co. gave the lowest bid. Work has already commenced, and by the end of the summer holidays the trustees expect to be in possession of the key to the new and modern school building.—*Advocate.*

MILTON

Dr. George Hume, of the Department of Mines, Ottawa, spent the weekend in town, at the home of his parents, Martin Street.

Mrs. J. J. Hill, after her protracted illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. D. Hume, passed away on Friday.

Mrs. E. White left last week for Niagara Falls, to spend a couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Hume.

At one of the most enthusiastic conventions ever held in Owen Sound, Wallace Dickie, an old Milton boy, was selected as the Liberal candidate for North Grey.

A by-law to bring the town under the Municipal Housing Act of 1922 has been passed. The Commission appointed under the Act was T. D. Hume for one year, and H. Houston for two years.—*Reformer.*

Pollis Magistrate Dies was down town on Tuesday, the first time within several months. He has not been ill, but though his age has not affected him unduly, he finds walking difficult.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davidson of Milton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lena, to Mr. Robert Ankin, of Oshawa, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ankin, of Brantford. The marriage will take place quietly in June.—*Champion.*

BURLINGTON

Miss Dorothy Hae entertained a number of girl friends at her home on Friday evening, in honor of the Edith Porter, who is leaving town with her parents to reside in Orillia.

Twenty-one acres of the Hae farm have been sold to Messrs. Cleaver and Ross Hart, which connects up with the big survey on the Guelpch line. Mr. Townsend has rented her residence on Water Street, and left last week on a trip to Baltimore and New York. On her return she will spend the summer in Muskoka.

Mr. David Thomas, of Ann Arbor, Mich., spent a few days here with his brother, Mr. Ed. Thomas, during the week.

At last meeting of the High School Young Men's Board, decided to ask the Town Council to take court action to recover the land donated to Mr. C. E. Coleman, for street purposes.

A C. company, Halton High, will hold a sham battle this morning, May 24. The fighting will take place during the night, the same as last year. The company has received orders to go to camp at Niagara on June 5, for training.

One of the most successful and enthusiastic banquets ever held in Burlington was that given at the Elks' restaurant on Monday evening, as a forerunner to the organization of a Chamber of Commerce for Burlington, and not only was the banquet a decided success, but the organization of what should be a live Chamber of Commerce for Burlington was effected.—*Gazette.*

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IN THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE

The young woman in the expensive fur had been talking for a long time. When at last she finished the doctor, who had been listening intently, said: "You are right, you are right, Mrs. Royal," he said gravely, "you are a very sick young woman. But you can be cured if you are strong enough for herold treatment."

"What would it be?" she asked, trembling all over.

"I am going to give you the first dose now. After that you can decide for yourself."

She started, she looked round the room. It was a pleasant place, and there was no medicine in sight. He was not a doctor, he was a man, and she was a woman. And her trouble is older than that. I am not understanding that, but she wasn't to blame; she hadn't had much experience. He added whimsically, "But the young woman only looked at him blankly, and he at once began to talk again. "The real trouble isn't in the stomach, it's in the brain, and it's not physical but spiritual."

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THE CUNNING AUTOGRAPH COLLECTOR

Many are the tricks that cunning autograph collectors have practiced to get a highly prized signature. Some men spend much time and patience on the task; others, as you can see, do it in a more haphazard way. The latter is like expecting to get a potato crop merely because you have bought the seed. The same is true of autographs. You must have to be cultivated and the field weeded before your harvest comes. The collector who says "but you've got to give it to yourself."

"I never saw a wrong thing," the woman protested. "I don't see why you ever go right on!"

"You are not understanding," she said fervently.

"I suppose you have to be earned; that's the common notion. But you can't be earned by usefulness, by good, honest work and by active loving. Expecting to be earned for instance, you don't do it. The things are like expecting to get a potato crop merely because you have bought the seed. The same is true of autographs. You must have to be cultivated and the field weeded before your harvest comes. The collector who says "but you've got to give it to yourself."

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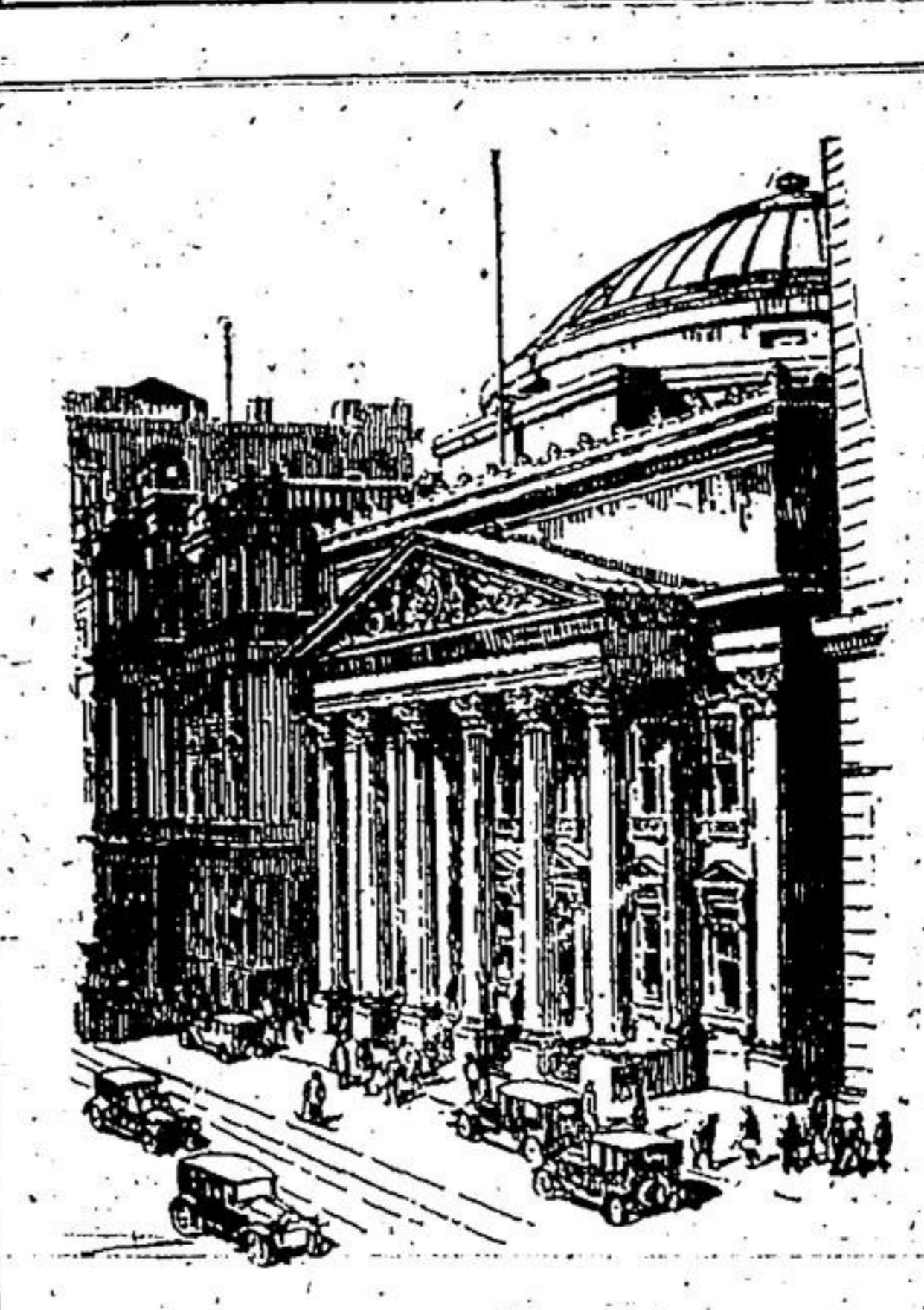
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