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**The Liberal.**

RICHMOND HILL, Thursday, May, 22, '90

**MR. GIBSON'S PLATFORM.**

The following is Mr. John Gibson's platform as published in the Markham Sun last week:

To the Electors of the East Riding of York:  
 GENTLEMEN,—

1.—It will be impossible for me to call upon you individually during the present campaign, as our constituency contains over three thousand electors, and the election will take place on the 5th of June. You are doubtless aware that I am and have been a resident of the electoral district of East York for the past fifty-five years.

2.—I submit that it is time that the farming community had a representative in the person of one of their own number. If elected I would advocate the total abolition of Separate Schools; would insist upon all subjects of the Ontario Public School programme being taught in the English language; I would support the abolition of all exemptions from taxation.

3.—I solicit your support without regard to creed or party, and if elected I will be a strenuous advocate of Equal Rights for all.

4.—I shall forward to you for your perusal a copy of the correspondence between his Grace Archbishop Cleary, of Kingston, and Mr. Meredith, the leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition. I shall also send a copy of Mr. Meredith's several speeches, which I would ask you to examine, as they embody and fully set forth the platform of which I am an ardent and unqualified supporter.

Yours respectfully,  
 JOHN GIBSON.

Though Mr. Gibson's Election Address contains but four paragraphs it is long enough to show that he is as inconsistent as many more of his class who are endeavoring to deceive the electorate and thereby become elected to a seat in the Legislature under false pretences.

Of the first paragraph we have nothing to say. We quite agree with Mr. Gibson, there are more than three thousand electors in East York (a good many more), and we doubt not that he has resided in the Riding for five and fifty years.

Plank No. 2 is a weak one, even when taken by itself, but when placed under No. 4, it is smashed to atoms. Mr. Gibson, if elected, "would advocate the total abolition of Separate Schools." Mr. Meredith, of whose platform "he is an ardent and unqualified supporter," declares "we cannot abolish Separate Schools for they are guaranteed under the charter." Mr. Gibson "would insist upon all subjects of the Ontario Public School programme being taught in the English language." Mr. Meredith admits that where the child understands no English it might be taught through the medium of French. Regarding the "abolition of all exemptions from taxation" the principle is right, but we believe Mr. Mowat is moving in that line fully as fast as public opinion will admit. To force the four congregations in Richmond Hill, for example, to pay taxes to the full on their four churches, would be a most unpopular move.

In his third paragraph Mr. Gibson is as much at variance with his leader as in the others. He asks the support of all "without regard to creed or party," even the "Equal Righters," which Mr. Meredith repudiates. In reference to this the Mail of May 7th said in referring to Mr. Meredith's Toronto speech the day before: "From first to last he made no direct reference to the Equal Rights platform or party, and is evidently unwilling to be identified with them."

As an elector in East York we must thank Mr. Gibson for his kind offer to forward us a copy of the Cleary—Meredith correspondence, though how it can effect Mr. Mowat's government or the Reform party in the present contest we are at a loss to know.

**ASHAMED TO OWN UP.**

At the recent meeting here Dr. Gilmour referred to the Tory pamphlet of 1883 "Facts for Irish Electors," and with it connected the name of Mr. W. R. Meredith. The Herald commenting on it last week said: "If the Doctor had wished to be straightforward in the matter, he might have stated that Mr. Meredith denied having anything to do with said pamphlet."

We do not wish to impute untruthfulness to Mr. Meredith, but against his word there is the sworn affidavit of the author, Mr. M. W. Kirwan setting forth that the pamphlet was prepared and revised by Mr. W. R. Meredith, Sir John Macdonald and Mr. C. W. Bunting prior to the General Election of 1883, wherein an earnest appeal was made to the Irish Catholic electors to support Conservative candidates on account of the liberality of the leader of the Opposition, and alleging that they should oppose the Mowat Government on account of their ultra-Protestant leaning. In this affidavit before a commissioner Mr. Kerwin solemnly affirms:

That he was engaged by H. H. Smith, of Peterborough, the organizer of the Conservative party for Ontario at a salary of \$100 a month, on the understanding that he should assist the Conservative party by special appeals to the Catholic electors. That Sir John Macdonald and Mr. Meredith were aware of the agreement. That he (Mr. Kirwan) wrote the "Facts for Irish electors" and that while he was preparing it he had occasionally to make inquiries as to the scope of his work from Meredith, and that when completed he submitted a proof to Mr. Meredith in his private room in the Queen's hotel, Toronto, when the latter approved of it.

It is unfortunate for the leaders of the Opposition, who is now riding the Protestant horse, that such literature as that distributed in 1883 fell into the hands of a thinking public.

**NORTH YORK.**

On Saturday last Mr. C. C. Robinson, Reeve of Aurora, was nominated by the Conservatives of North York, as the standard-bearer in the coming contest in opposition to Mr. E. J. Davis, the present member. The last time Mr. Robinson ran against Dr. Widdifield he was buried so deep under a heavy majority that it was doubted if he ever would be resuscitated in the arena of politics. If a second overwhelming defeat means C. C.'s demise as a would-be statesman, a grateful country for proffered services should find out what kind of June flowers he would like planted in front of his political tomb-stone.

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**Mr. Bruce's Denial,**

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL.  
 DEAR SIR,—I understand that a report has been widely circulated to the effect that I intend to support the Conservative candidate in East York at the coming election. I beg leave to state that said report is a lie, manufactured, I suppose, to help a cause which really requires questionable aid to prop it up.

As I have already told Mr. Gibson, I would rather lose my right hand than give my vote against Hon. Oliver Mowat, whom I revere as the best friend Ontario ever saw. Therefore, if I live till the 5th day of June, my vote shall be polled for Mr. Smith, who has my unqualified approbation in the support he has extended to the Mowat Government.

ROBERT BRUCE.  
 Gormley, May 20th, 1890.

It would appear from town talk that Mr. Dilworth, the Toronto Druggist, is the only man that can furnish a suitable and rapid cure for the La Grippe or Influenza. Don't fail to call and see him when visiting the city and be convi. cad.

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