

# The Liberal.

\$1 per annum, in advance.]

"In Essentials, Unity; in Non-Essentials, Liberty; in all things, Charity."

[Single copies, 3 cts.

VOL. XX.

RICHMOND HILL, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1897.

No. 13

"The Liberal"  
IS PUBLISHED EVERY  
THURSDAY MORNING  
AT  
THE LIBERAL PRINTING & PUBLISHING HOUSE  
RICHMOND HILL, ONT.  
**T. F. McMAHON,**  
EDITOR & PROPRIETOR.

BUSINESS CARDS.

Medical.  
**DR. LANGSTAFF,**  
RICHMOND HILL.  
OFFICE HOURS  
8 to 10 a.m.; 6 to 8 p.m.

**DR. J. N. HUTCHISON**  
(Successor to Dr. W. J. Wilson).  
RICHMOND HILL, Ont.  
OFFICE HOURS  
8 to 10 a.m.; and 6 to 8 p.m.

Dental.  
  
**WM. ROGERS, L.D.S.**  
Moved to 84 Victoria Street, Toronto.

**DR. W. CECIL TROTTER, B.A.**  
Dentist,  
OF 21 BLOOR STREET, TORONTO,  
Will be in Richmond Hill every Wed-  
nesday.  
Office—W. Storey's, next door to school.  
Hours 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Veterinary  
**J. T. McElroy,**  
VETERINARY SURGEON  
—AND—  
VETERINARY DENTIST,  
RICHMOND HILL,

Graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College,  
with diploma from the Ontario Veterinary  
Dental School, will visit Maple on Monday  
and Friday of each week, and Concord on Friday  
from 1 to 3 p.m. Calls promptly attended to.  
Diseases of horses, cattle and other domestic-  
ated animals treated by the latest and most ap-  
proved methods.

**PALMER HOUSE,**  
RICHMOND HILL,  
Remodelled, and newly furnished throughout.  
One of the most convenient and comfortable  
hotels on Yonge Street. Every modern con-  
venience. Sample rooms for commercial  
travellers. An ideal stopping place for riding  
or driving parties, bicyclists, or farmers going  
to or returning from market. Bus meets all  
trains. Electric cars pass the door.  
TERMS \$1.00 PER DAY.  
**WALTER HULSE, Proprietor.**

**H. LENOX,**  
**OLYBE MORRIS,**  
158 KING STREET EAST, TORONTO,  
very accommodation to guests. Board, \$1.  
per day

**THE SUN**  
Life Assurance Co.  
OF CANADA  
Assures on all the modern plans, and is one of  
the most prosperous and progressive  
companies in existence.  
New life applications in 1894 .....\$10,200,204.10  
Assets 31st Dec. 1891 ..... 4,616,419.63  
Life assurance in force, 1st Jan. '95. 31,628,509.74  
Premiums low, policies unconditional and  
nonforfeitable.  
Take a policy with the district agent,  
**T. F. McMAHON,**  
LIBERAL OFFICE, RICHMOND HILL

Legal.  
**M. TEEFY,**  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
COMMISSIONER IN THE  
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, &c.  
Issuer of Marriage Licenses.  
RICHMOND HILL POST OFFICE.

A G F LAWRENCE W S ORMISTON L L B  
**LAWRENCE & ORMISTON,**  
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.  
Toronto Office—No. 15 Toronto Street.  
Richmond Hill Office open every  
Saturday.

MONEY TO LOAN AT LOWEST CURRENT RATES  
G. G. S. LINDSEY LYON LINDSEY  
CHARLES J. B. BETHUNE.  
**LINDSEY, LINDSEY & BETHUNE**  
Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries and  
Conveyancers.  
Pacific Buildings, 23 Scott St., Toronto.  
Telephone 2964 Money to Loan

**ROBINSON, LENNOX & MACLEOD**  
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.  
TORONTO AND AURORA.  
Mr. T. Herbert Lennox will be at Kelly's Hotel  
Richmond Hill every Wednesday for the trans-  
action of business.

**GARVIN & GARVIN,**  
Barristers, Solicitors, Conveyancers, Notaries, &c.  
Room 10, York Chambers, 9 Toron-  
to St., Toronto, and at office, 1, Jor-  
ne Hall, Richmond Hill, all day Wed-  
nesday, and Tuesday and Saturday  
afternoons.  
Mr. Fred. W. Garvin will be at Richmond Hill  
office every evening and will attend  
each sitting of the Court.

**DUNCAN, GRANT & SKEANS**  
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.,  
25 KING STREET WEST, TORONTO.  
East Toronto Office, Mr. Grant's residence,  
Woodbridge, every evening.  
Thornhill, each Wednesday from 10 to 12.

MONEY TO LOAN Telephone 47  
**MACDOUGALL & JONES,**  
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.  
Room 1, Masonic Building, 18 Toronto St.,  
Toronto.  
ALFRED MACDOUGALL, FREDERICK C. JONES,  
Solicitor to the Treasury of Ontario.

**COOK & MACDONALD,**  
Barristers, Solicitors, etc.  
TORONTO OFFICE: No. 1, Adelaide  
St., East.  
Mr. Cook will be at Maple on Thursday  
afternoon of each week.  
MONEY TO LOAN AT 5%.

**MONEY! MONEY!**  
A large amount of private funds to loan on  
improved farm property. Five per cent. in-  
terest. Easy terms for repayment. No com-  
mission charged on loans. Apply to  
**LAWRENCE & ORMISTON,**  
15 Toronto St., Toronto  
Or at Richmond Hill on Saturdays.

**Eckardt & Prentice**  
Licensed Auctioneers for the Counties of York  
Ontario and Peel. Goods sold on consignment  
General sales of stock, etc., promptly attended  
to at reasonable rates.

**Stokes & Blough,**  
Licensed Auctioneers for the County of York, re-  
spectfully solicit your patronage and friendly  
influence. Sales attended on the shortest notice  
and at reasonable rates. P. O. address King  
Maple

**J. T. Saigeon,**  
Licensed Auctioneer for the County of York  
Sales attended on shortest notice and at rea-  
sonable rates. Patronage solicited. Residence  
Maple

**J. D. Readman,**  
Licensed Auctioneer for the County of York.  
General sales of implements, furniture, standing  
timber, etc., attended on the shortest notice and  
at reasonable rates. Patronage solicited. P. O. address Maple.

**WRIGHT BROS.,**  
Undertakers & Embalmers,  
Funeral Furnishings Always on  
Hand

## Our Ottawa Letter.

### GOVERNMENT BY PARTY.

There were many, not long ago, who began seriously to question whether government by party, in Canada, would ever revert from the downward tendency toward Americanism, and approach idealization as grandly exemplified in Great Britain; and multi-tudes viewed with alarm, if not dis-  
pair, the repeated success of the gi-  
ganticy bribery organization which then  
stified the free will of the people and  
debauched the electorate with open  
practices. Each succeeding election  
campaign increased the hold of this  
bribery pact upon the country, and  
caused it to flourish and grow stronger  
with continued triumphs. To-day  
men breathe the easier, and the load of  
doubt and misgivings as to the efficacy  
of our political institutions and the  
cherished traditions of government by  
party have been removed from our  
minds by the knowledge that those  
principles will be acted upon and lived  
up to by the present dominant party.  
"Party," once wrote a celebrated  
British statesman, "is a body of men  
united for promoting, by their joint  
endeavors, the national interest upon  
some particular principle, upon which  
they are all agreed. The first princi-  
ple upon which the Liberal party is  
founded, and in which all Liberals  
agree, is the principle so often enun-  
ciated—government of the people, by  
the people and for the people. Party,  
as applied to Toryism in Canada dur-  
ing the past twenty years, and as it is  
to-day, is a misnomer—a fine name for  
faction, of which the bonds that unite  
it are selfishness and corruption, and  
which worked to the country's degra-  
dation and ended in disaster. We see  
this faction in the throes of an inter-  
necine struggle, yet all the while pre-  
serving a front against the people's  
party, united still by the same bonds,  
to conserve its narrow aims. The  
Tory principle of government by  
party, to judge from the motives  
which seemed to have actuated that  
party, during the long rule of the late  
regime, was, and still is, government  
of the party, by the ring, and for self.  
As contradistinguished from the other,  
how marked in democratic nobility  
and unselfish patriotism is the Liberal  
guiding principle. The Tory faction,  
as its past history clearly demon-  
strates, is solely knit together by the  
common desire of political power and  
self; beyond this its cohesion is but a  
mockery and a sham. While Sir John  
Macdonald lived and ruled, among his  
party because he was shrewd enough  
to choose a class of men which usually  
embraced all the elements for this  
binding together. To him is attribut-  
ed the saying that the best cabinet  
would be one consisting of twelve  
mediocrities, each of whom you could,  
if you would, put in the penitentiary.  
Look then on the picture of such a  
midistry as thus painted and for its  
original let your thoughts go back a  
few years and let your thoughts go  
back a few years and let your thoughts go  
back dark page in Canada's political history,  
revealing, as it does, so many of the  
abominations of Tory misrule which  
disgraced Canada in the eyes of the  
world. Fortunate it is, probably, that  
the half was never told. Even as it  
was the rescue came almost too late.  
The machine had been worked un-  
sparingly to its fullest capacity, and  
by hands familiar to the task. Liber-  
als fought a valiant fight but repeat-  
edly in vain. Wrong triumphed.  
Direct bribery won. Government  
candidates, with the boldest effrontery,  
held out promises of jobs by the whole-  
sale, and constituencies were debauched  
without fear or reck as to the con-  
sequences. The domination of knav-  
ery, intrigue and corruption held su-  
preme sway. Conviction of public  
theft almost ceased to be a political  
disqualification. A member branded  
with it by a resolution of the House,  
returns to his constituents, avows his  
act, pleads that he was no worse than  
his colleagues and is re-elected. A  
member of the Cabinet, about whose  
guilt there could be no reasonable  
doubt, received not only a white-  
washing but an ovation. And so on  
through the long recital until one  
turns from the retrospect of that  
ugly past with disgust and loathing to  
the contemplation of the fairer present  
which is but the reflection from a  
brighter future.

The scene is changed, and how re-  
assuring the present vista. From a  
colony, by whose mismanagement the  
Tory party had made a bye-word and  
a reproach among its contemporaries,  
and which, by reason of its enterpris-  
e, vastness and boundless resources  
should long ago have occupied its high  
status in national life, and have been  
marked with the progressive character  
that a democratic form of government  
by party should exhibit, Canada has  
at length emerged from the obscurity  
into which Tory policy had so long  
held her, and has arisen to her proper  
sphere in the foreground of the nations  
of earth. As soon as the shackles of  
misrule and political immorality,  
which so long fettered every movi-

ment in the expansion of trade and in-  
dustrial development, enchained every  
national aspiration and enslaved the  
electorate had been loosed by Liberal  
hands, Canada sprung into national  
being and entered the highway which  
makes for unity and the security of  
the people as government by party is  
designed to effect. It is no light task  
to undertake in grappling with the  
financial blunders and embarrassments  
entailed upon the country by the  
reckless policy of the previous admin-  
istration, yet the present government  
have entered upon the work of bring-  
ing order out of chaos, and restoring  
financial equilibrium, with an intelli-  
gence and vim that have accomplished  
marvellous results. Thus through the  
successful efforts of Liberal adminis-  
trators, confidence will be restored in  
the fundamental principle of govern-  
ment by party. In order to make  
government by party, which, it is  
agreed in this country as in Great  
Britain, is the only possible form of  
government for a country in which  
the people rule, work well, there must  
be a strong government and an equal-  
ly strong opposition—in mental calibre  
not numbers, of course. The country  
has more confidence in the action of  
parliament when it knows that what-  
ever the ministry of the day may un-  
dertake it will be subjected to intelli-  
gent and searching criticism. An op-  
position that would challenge the con-  
fidence of the country is always de-  
sirable if not indispensable to the suc-  
cessful working of our parliamentary  
institutions. Can such a qualification  
be found in the present opposition in  
the House; and, if so, upon what  
grounds is the affirmative to be based?  
There is no past for them to qualify  
upon, and it is only by building to the  
future that such an opposition may  
arise. Under our system of govern-  
ment an opposition, let its opinions be  
what they may, has a solemn duty to  
discharge in the public interest; and  
the more the respect of the people is  
commanded by the course the oppo-  
sition pursues, the better for all. But  
when all its statesmanship is simmered  
down to merely a perpetual exhibition  
of inconsistencies, fault-finders and  
impotent ill-humors, expending all its  
energies in Fosterian diatribe and  
Daviesque wind on the floors of par-  
liament, it ceases to be of public util-  
ity and fails to command either public  
support or respect. The Liberal Gov-  
ernment have been in power but little  
over one short year, yet have during  
that short space of time, with singular  
energy and courage, accomplished  
much to command the admiration of  
Great Britain and the respect of the  
nations, and enough that should satisfy  
the least friendly of critics.  
The outlook for the future of the  
Dominion was never brighter nor  
more encouraging than at the present  
time. Never were the conditions of  
harvest more promising, seasons more  
healthy, enterprise more buoyant,  
banks more prosperous; never the in-  
calculable mineral wealth of Canada a  
more tangible reality and her limitless  
possibilities so emphatically evident to  
the whole world; and yet to the  
jaundiced vision of the Tory press,  
nothing but blue ruin is to be seen  
everywhere throughout the land.  
Which presents the fairer picture, the  
past or the present?  
A. V. W.

Ottawa, Sept. 20th, 1897.

**WANTED,** Agents for  
"Queen Victoria,  
Her Reign and Diamond Jubilee."  
Overflowing with latest and  
richest pictures. Contains the en-  
dorsed biography of Her Majesty, with  
authentic History of her remarkable  
reign, and full account of the Diamond  
Jubilee. Only \$1.50. Big book.  
Tremendous demand. Bonanza for  
agents. Commission 50 per cent.  
Credit given. Freight paid. **OUTFIT**  
**FREE.** Duty paid. Write quick for  
outfit and territory. **THE DOMIN-**  
**ION COMPANY,** Dept. 7 356 Dear-  
born St., Chicago. 51-13

### Langstaff

At last the most bountiful harvest  
for several years has been safely  
gathered. The energy of the farmers  
has been taken to the utmost for the  
past two months in cutting and stor-  
ing their crops, owing in some cases  
to the great scarcity of farm hands.  
With the increase in prices, especially  
wheat, the agriculturist this year  
sees before him better times, not only  
for himself but for the whole country.  
In fact, already there seems to be a  
revival of that jovial, free-hearted,  
hopeful spirit, which has been asleep  
for the past few years, among all  
sturdy men. Is it not then our duty  
as true loyal thankful citizens of such  
a prosperous country at this season of  
the year to thank by word and deed  
the "Giver of all?"  
The four pupils of this Section who  
passed the entrance last June are at-  
tending the High School at Richmond  
Hill. We wish them all every suc-  
cess.  
The farmers of this vicinity are busy

this week cutting ensilage. The  
growth of corn this year has been  
very rapid, being in some places over  
twelve feet in height.

Miss L. Drury of Buffalo, spent Sun-  
day last at home.

Miss E. Oliver of Thedford, has been  
the guest of Miss Wakefield for the  
past few days.

Miss Smith of Collingwood, is visit-  
ing Miss Pearson.

Miss Kerfoot of Minesing, is spend-  
ing a few days at the Observatory  
Farm.

Mr. Jas. Drury, V. S., of Ypsilants,  
Mich., paid a short visit to his parents  
during the Exhibition.

Miss J. Hendry is visiting friends at  
Saugen.

Mr. J. Wakefield of Chicago, visited  
the parental roof a few days ago.  
(Too late for last week).

Agents Sell "Klondike Gold Fields"  
Like a whirlwind. Experienced canvass-  
ers reaping the richest harvest of  
their lives; new beginners doing won-  
ders. Nearly everybody subscribes.  
One young fellow on a farm at \$12.00  
a month is making \$75.00. A lady  
typewriter at 3.00 a week is clearing  
\$11.00. A mechanic who had earned  
\$1.50 a day is clearing \$5.00 a day.  
We want more agents. Canvassing  
outfit 25 cts., worth \$1.00.

**THE BRADLEY-GARRETSON**  
**CO., Limited, Toronto, Ont.**

### Maple

The tea meeting in connection with  
St. Stephen's Church last Thursday  
evening was quite a successful affair.  
About \$40 were realized. A pro-  
gramme of vocal and instrumental  
music was rendered; also short ad-  
dresses by Rev. J. W. Stewart of  
Maple, and Rev. H. Musson of Aurora.  
A social was held the next evening.

M. O'Brien and W. Ham met with  
a serious accident last Saturday.  
They were shingling the new black-  
smith shop when the board on which  
they were standing gave way throw-  
ing them to the ground. The former  
had his head badly cut and his ankle  
sprained, but the latter escaped with-  
out injury.

Mr. and Mrs. Leeds Richardson were  
visiting at Rev. A. Bedford's, in Stouff-  
ville, on Sunday.

A singing class has been organized  
here with Prof. H. M. Fletcher of Tor-  
onto, as instructor.

On Monday night at the Epworth  
League Rev. Mr. Lerch of Sherwood,  
gave an interesting address on "The  
Christ of St. Paul, His Character and  
Teachings."

Miss M. Hall of Patterson, was visit-  
ing at Dr. Sisley's the latter part of  
last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Elliott spent  
Saturday and Sunday with friends in  
Toronto.

**WANTED,** Solicitors for  
"Canada, An En-  
cyclopedia of the country," in Five  
Royal Quarto Volumes. No deliver-  
ing. Commission paid weekly. A  
canvasser reports his first week mak-  
ing over seventy dollars profit.  
**THE LINSKOTT COMPANY,**  
Toronto.

### Village Council.

At the call of the Reeve, a meeting  
was held in the Clerk's office, on Tues-  
day evening, for the purpose of pre-  
paring estimates and striking rates for  
the current year.

Members present: the Reeve, and  
Councillors Innes and Hill.

The minutes of Sept. 7th were read  
and confirmed.

Mr. Innes introduced By-Law No.  
159, "to authorize the levying and col-  
lecting of assessments of all rates and  
taxes authorized by the Statutes of the  
Province of Ontario for the year 1897."

The by-law was read a first, second  
and third time and passed, by which  
the following rates are to be levied:

For County—One mill and seven-

tenths.

For Public School—Four mills and

eight tenths.

For High School—One mill and

ninety-six hundredths of a mill.

For Public Library—Forty-nine

hundredths of a mill.

For Village—Five mills and two-

tenths.

The council adjourned.

M. TEEFY, Clerk.

**WANTED**—Old established Whole-  
sale House wants one or two hon-  
est and industrious representatives.  
Can pay a hustler about \$12 a week to  
start with.

**ADVERTISER,** Medical Bld'g, Toronto.

### Sale Register.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 6.—Credit sale of farm stock,  
implements, &c., on rear of lot 31, 7th con.  
Markham (on 8th line, near Ringwood), the  
property of Joseph M. Grove. Sale at one  
o'clock. Terms 12 months. Eckardt &  
Prentice, auctioneers.  
Parties getting their bills printed at this  
Office will receive a notice similar to the above  
FREE OF CHARGE.