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HARDY GOVERNMENT IS SUSTAINED. ONLY A SMALL MAJORITY.

Col. Gibson and Hon. John Dryden Defeated.

The returns from the various constituencies in the province show that the Ontario Government got a pretty severe shaking up on Tuesday, but notwithstanding this it is hoped they may have a working majority. The contest just closed differed in many respects from those of former elections. The sectarian cry was not raised by the opposition, the two parties were practically the same on the timber policy, in fact the hardest thing the Government had to contend with was the cry, "It is time for a change."

The following are the results as nearly as can be learned—

CONSTITUENCY	LIBERAL	CONSERVATIVE	Maj.
Addington		Reid	340
Albion	Farwell		150
Albion, E.	Comtee		400
Albion, W.	Burt		102
Brant, N.	Hardy		530
Brant, S.	Graham		200
Brockville	Bowman		290
Bruce, N.			Accl.
Bruce, S.	Truax		216
Bruce, C.	Malcolm		500
Cardwell		Little	150
Carleton		Kidd	150
Dufferin		Barr	350
Dundas		Whitney	137
Durham, E.		Fallis	200
Durham, W.		Reid	118
Elgin E.		Brower	8
Elgin, W.	Macnish		10
Essex, N.	McKee		194
Essex, S.	Auld		600
Frontenac		Gallagher	132
Glenarry		McDonald	431
Grenville		Joynt	301
Grey, C.		Lucas	1232
Grey, S.		Jamieson	102
Grey, N.		Boyd	147
Haldimand	Holmes		137
Halton	Barber		880
Hamilton, E.		Carscallen	297
Hamilton, W.		Colquhoun	200
Hastings, W.		Morrison	162
Hastings, E.	Russell		206
Hastings, N.		Allen	156
Huron, E.	Hyslop		156
Huron, S.		Eilber	1
Huron, W.		Beck	500
Kent, E.	Ferguson		300
Kent, W.	Pardo		239
Kingston	Harty		48
Lambton, E.	Pettypiece		300
Lambton, W.	Pardee		154
Lanark, N.	Caldwell		805
Lanark, S.		Matheson	424
Leeds		Beatty	46
Lennox	Aylesworth		200
Lincoln		Jessop	313
London	Leys		16
Middlesex, E.		Hodgins	55
Middlesex, W.	Taylor		156
Monck	Ross		343
Muskoka	Harcourt		41
Nipissing	Bridgeland		96
Norfolk, S.	Loughrin		32
Norfolk, N.	Charlton		241
Northumberland E.	Carpenter		355
Northumberland, W.	Douglas		104
Ontario, N.	Clark		402
Ontario, S.		Hoyle	89
Ottawa		Calder	10
Ottawa		Powell	233
Oxford, N.	Lumsden		800
Oxford, S.	Pattullo		783
+Parry Sound	McKay		159
Pee'.	Smith		32
Perth, N.	Brown		210
Perth, S.		Monteith	1000
Peterborough, E.	Bleazard		Accl.
Peterborough, W.	Stratton		374
Prince Edward	Evanturel		200
Renfrew, S.		Dempsey, W. R.	146
Renfrew, N.	Campbell		Dempsey, S. J.
*Russell		White	300
Simcoe, W.		Duff	75
Simcoe, E.		Miscampbell	63
Simcoe, C.		Thompson	100
Stormont		McLaughlin	1610
Toronto, E.		Pyne	702
Toronto, W.		Crawford	277
Toronto, S.		Foy	23
Toronto, N.		Marter	256
Victoria, E.		Carnegie	100
Victoria, W.		Fox	85
Waterloo, S.		Kribs	682
Waterloo, N.		Lackner	157
Welland	German		428
Wellington, E.	Graig		229
Wellington, S.	Mutrie		370
Wellington, W.		Wardell	100
+Wellington, N.		Dickenson	418
Wentworth, N.		Richardson	40
Wentworth, S.		Hill	475
York, E.		Davis	
York, W.			
York, N.			

*The election in Russell will be held March 18th. +Parry Sound, Beatty (Ind.) +Wellington, W., Tucker (Patron).

Society and Fashion Gossip from the Queen City.

Mons Pol Plaucon the great French basso made his first appearance before a Toronto audience on Thursday evening Feb'y 24th, and created a great furore. He possesses a magnificent voice, rich in tone and very powerful, while his pleasing stage presence together with a fine physique, won the audience at once. "The Palms" and the "Mephisto" song from "Faust" were never before more splendidly rendered, while his singing of the last number "The two Grenadiers" brought the audience to a state of enthusiasm entirely beyond description. The burst of applause which followed the last note was like a peal of thunder, and "bravo," "bravo," could be heard all over the immense hall. It is needless to say an encore followed when he repeated the "Two Grenadiers" an unusual way of responding but which delighted the very appreciative audience. We hope that we may have the grand opportunity of hearing Mons Plaucon again in the near future, and we congratulate Mr. Suckling the manager who may feel more than satisfied at the success which attended the second concert of his series of four. Mrs. Katherine Bloodgood of New York assisted in a creditable manner, her voice is a rich contralto and she sang with great ease, and grace characterized her every movement. Her gown was of black satin heavily trimmed with steel and jet ornaments sewn on in apron shape, while the back of the skirt was entirely covered with tiny frills edged with silver tinsel. The bodice was low with sleeves of black net made in mousquetaire style. A bunch of red roses on the shoulder was the only touch of color and was in perfect taste. Miss Gaertner the lady cellist played two numbers and was well received. The piano playing of Mr. De Blanck was also magnificent.

A Theatre party of twenty attended the Grand Opera House on Monday evening Feb'y 21st to see "The Secret Service" the best military play which we have seen this winter. The party was given by the gentlemen of "Our Club" as their share toward entertaining the ladies of the club at whose homes the meetings have been held every other Monday evening during the winter. After leaving the theatre we enjoyed the hospitality of the genial hostess at 20 Glen Road who provided an elaborate supper. A pleasant dance followed which was thoroughly enjoyed by all and adieus were said in the early morning.

I saw a remarkably handsome gown at a fashionable tea last week. It was of Marie Louise blue cloth. The foundation of the bodice was of white silk tight fitting. The covering was of the cloth cut into strips an inch wide and sewn with heavy black lace insertion, another strip of cloth and so on drawn horizontally across the back quite flat. The flouts, fuller and open and the edges trimmed with narrow fur showing the white vest tucked very finely and headed with silver cord. The sleeves were of the cloth and insertion also over white and fitted the arm closely, finished at the wrists with pleatings of black and white lace. The skirt was plain and faultlessly made.

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