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Large Convention Saturday.

Good Speeches by Hon. G. P. Graham, Arch. Campbell, M. P., and others.

At a large convention East York Liberals on Saturday selected J. Walter Curry, K. C., ex-Crown Attorney of Toronto, as their candidate for the Legislature. The meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, East Toronto, and besides the business of nomination, features of the gathering were addresses by Hon. George P. Graham, Opposition leader, and Archibald Campbell, M. P. for Centre York. No fewer than nine names including Mr. Walter Scott, the candidate at the last election, were put forward for the candidate, but all of those retired excepting Mr. W. H. Grant, of the law firm of Proudfoot, Duncan, Grant and Skeans, and Mr. Curry. A ballot was taken on these two, but before any announcement was made it was decided to make the result unanimous in any event. The first ballot gave Mr. Curry 70 votes and Mr. Grant 29. While Mr. Grant is regarded as a strong man, particularly in the southern portion of the riding, and one who would well and honestly represent the constituency, yet the choice of the convention was admitted to be a most popular one in every direction, and there was general assurance that the political fight in East York would be both earnest and enthusiastic, with a Liberal victory to be chronicled at the end.

The meeting was presided over by the President of the Association, Mr. John F. Ross, while Mayor J. McP. Ross of East Toronto formally welcomed the delegates.

All the gentlemen nominated made brief speeches, Mr. Curry stating that he was prepared to go to work at once if he were selected or if any other person were chosen. He had no personal interest in the matter, he said. At next election he looked forward to East York and many other ridings returning Liberal majorities.

Mr. Grant opened up by saying he did not think members did enough speaking in their constituencies. He objected to the Liberal party having anything to do with the "machine," and also to members being the servants of corporations. In this latter connection he revived the history of the York Radial bill. He stated his objections to the granting of franchises to these corporations. All franchises, he said, should be operated for the public good, and he thought a statute should be made making companies live up to the terms of existing franchises.

Mr. F. G. Inwood, Secretary of the General Reform Association, briefly stated that the Liberal organization was clean and above board. He was willing to let any person present know all that had taken place in the last three years.

When J. Walter Curry was announced as the candidate there was prolonged applause. After thanking the delegates for the nomination, Mr. Curry said he desired the electors to feel they could call upon him at any time with their wants.

"I am your servant," he continued, "and I want to register your will in the Local Legislature. It is my wish that this next election be fought with that fairness and that cleanliness that all liberals are proud of. We would rather lose the constituency than have a fight so unclean that you cannot tell your children and your family all that you have had to do with it. If we are going to win, we want to win clean. I do not want you to spend one dollar for a vote, for the man who wins by buying votes does not truly represent any riding; he represents the man who gave out the money."

On account of the lateness of the hour the candidate's speech was brief, and he concluded with the statement that there were a great many wrongs to be rectified, and they would be rectified, when Hon. George P. Graham was Premier.

Hon. Mr. Graham received an ovation as he rose to speak. He said it was not the duty of an Opposition to object to everything done by a Government. The greatest good ever done this country had emanated from Liberals, but the Conservatives had imbibed a good deal from Liberals of late. In any event, the good of the people was even paramount to the good of Liberalism. The greatest things the present Ontario Government had done were copied from the works of their predecessors in office. The Conservatives had sneered at the T. & N. O. Railway, which was now the

pride of the Province.

"Anything I think good I am going to favor, said Mr. Graham, "and if anything is wrong I am going to disapprove of it. True Liberalism is broad enough to let men differ in details and still be true to Liberalism."

Mr. Graham attacked the Government's policy of appointing commissions for almost everything, the license department, as well as other departments. He took up the educational question, and gave an inspiring address.

Mr. Archibald Campbell, M. P., dealt more particularly with Federal issues. He said that ten years ago the foreign trade was \$219,000,000, but this had now increased to \$612,000,000. At the end of this year the surplus would be \$20,000,000. Mr. Campbell also defended the G. T. P. bargain. He spoke of the necessity of good work, and predicted a victory for Mr. Curry at the next election.

Before closing rousing cheers were given for the King, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Mr. Graham, Mr. Campbell, and the candidate elect.

Elgin Mills.

If our citizens keep on building and repairing as they are doing at present our town will soon have quite a cosmopolitan aspect. Among the latest is D. Kerswell's fine new brick residence which is practically completed, while Cliff's Sons have had a new front put on their blacksmith shop.

Mrs. E. Smart and son arrived here from England last week, to join her husband Mr. E. Smart who is employed by the Newton Tanning Co. here.

This is becoming quite a horse centre. Quite a few deals have gone through recently. Mr. W. Cosgrove has disposed of his two chestnut drivers at tidy figures, one to Toronto and the other to Unionville.

Mr. Jacob Atkinson suffered a paralytic stroke one day last week and died Tuesday night.

Quite a number of our citizens intend to take in the Agricultural Society's trip to Parry Sound on the 19th over the C. N. O. Railway.

Mr. Oswald Newbury of New Liskeard, a Lieutenant in the G. G. B. G. is at his home here for a few days, on his way to the camp of his regiment at Niagara on June 12th.

The Ladies Guild of the Church of England met at the home of Mrs. G. Kerswell here last week and report the practical completion of a fine large quilt.

Miss Clark and Mrs. Hugh Blain of Kewatin, Manitoba, and Mrs. John Moren, Miss J. Blain and Mr. Thos. Blain of Sault Ste. Marie are spending a few days at the homes of Mrs. C. Topper and Miss Blain of this place.

VILLAGE COUNCIL.

The Court of Revision met on Tuesday, June 4 in the Council Chamber at 8 p. m., to hear and determine appeals against the assessment of the village and otherwise to revise the assessment roll. Two appeals were presented, one by Mr. Geo. Robinson, and one by Mr. F. Grainger, in both cases the complaint being that the assessment was too high. Mr. Robinson being present, was heard, and stated that he was assessed for more land than he possessed within the corporation. On motion of Mr. Nicholls seconded by Mr. Barker, Mr. Robinson's assessment was reduced from \$200 to \$150.

On motion the assessment of Mr. Grainger's property was left unaltered. Mr. W. C. Savage's name was struck out as tenant of lots 35, 36, on 46, and Mr. Harry Wright's name was inserted in lieu thereof. Mr. John Palmer's name was struck out as owner of lot 6 on 47 and the name of Mr. W. C. Savage inserted in lieu thereof. Mrs. H. F. Hopper's property having been sold to Mr. Thos. Boynton, his name was inserted as owner. Mr. Sterling's assessment was increased to \$300, he having purchased another lot since the assessment was made. Mr. Geo. Cowie was marked as owner instead of tenant.

Nicholls—Barker—That the assessment roll be now passed as finally revised and amended.—Carried.
Court adjourned.

W. H. PUGSLEY, Chairman.
A. J. HUME, Clerk.

The regular meeting of the council was held at the close of the court. All the members present; minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. The following accounts were presented and ordered to be paid: G. Newbery, posts, \$3; Thos. Clark, moving building, \$10.25; W. H. Machell, tile, \$41; L. Innes & Sons, lumber, \$20.90; T. & Y. R. R., freight, \$2.33.

The revee stated that a purchaser had been found for the debenture that was issued for the purpose of improving Centre street east.

Nicholls—Sanderson—That Mr. J. T. Startup be appointed Trust Officer.
Council adjourned.
A. J. HUME, Clerk.

News Notes.

Rev. Dr. Chambers, pastor of Parliament St. Methodist church, has been appointed Governor of Toronto Jail, succeeding Mr. G. R. Vanzant who was dismissed.

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