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**"WEIGHED IN THE BALANCE AND  
FOUND WANTING"**

On July 28th the will of the people of North York will be expressed at the polls. The result will either atone or condemn the record of Col. T. H. Lennox who after a long period as representative of the constituency once again stands before the people asking for their support. The day when fealty to one party or another could be depended upon to cover up the record of a candidate and arouse the support and enthusiasm of the traditional party supporters is happily no more. Electors are more and more looking upon government as a matter of public business and are more and more inclined to take the issues of the day on their respective merits, and vote accordingly. Likewise the candidate of to-day must be judged by the record of his stewardship. The candidate who will be elected on July 28th should be the man who will give to the riding of NORTH YORK, to CANADA and to the BRITISH EMPIRE sincere and devoted service.

The electors to do their honest duty in the exercise of the franchise must take into account the public record of Col. T. H. Lennox who after thirty years trial in public life is aspiring to again win the support of this riding. Electors are remiss in their duty to themselves, to their community, to their country and to the Empire if before casting their ballot they do not ask and honestly answer to their own satisfaction "What has Col. Lennox done for North York, or for Canada during his term as our representative in parliament?"

Public records leave no room for doubt as to his record in parliament. Every elector has access to Hansard the official publication of the House of Commons. On problems facing this country and of concern to the electors of North York the voice of North York has been seldom heard. The voice of North York which in other days resounded on Parliament Hill to give leadership and inspiration in the national life of Canada has been lamentably silent.

The electors of North York in the various communities which make up this riding know from personal experience what the late member did or did not give in service to those communities. The North Yonge Street district has sad memories of the METROPOLITAN RADIAL ABANDONMENT in which Col. Lennox after twenty-five years as County Solicitor and thirty years in parliament had an opportunity to render service to North York. His actions and association with this dark spot in the history of the North Yonge Street district is of too recent occurrence to need repetition in these columns. Electors of this district recall his words on December 10th when addressing the Board of Control and the Toronto Transportation Commission, when in referring to his association with the T. T. C. as well as the County of York Col. Lennox said, "I'm in a peculiar position and must be careful what I say." Surely North York which for thirty years honored Col. Lennox with election to parliament deserved something better than that. Col. Lennox takes apparent delight in belittling anything which The Liberal has done for the people of the North Yonge Street district in fighting for a CAR SERVICE and for an ADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE with CHEAP FARES but our readers will recall that at that time in the Metropolitan negotiations in these columns we called for the release of Col. Lennox as County Solicitor and the retaining of counsel who would be able to represent the County of York and go before the Board of Control, the Toronto Transportation Commission or any other public body without making apologies for his position, because in our opinion the man who would represent the people of North York should have no misgivings as to his position, should not have to make apologies and by virtue of any other associations should not have to be "careful what he says."

The man who asks the support of the electors and seeks the honor of representing the riding of North York in parliament should be willing to give SINCERITY in return. The electors are entitled to demand SINCERITY and SERVICE from those who aspire to public life.

Electors must judge as to the measure of service which Col. Lennox has or has not given to the riding of North York. The County of York has been nothing if not kind and generous to Col. Lennox. For a quarter of a century or more he has been County Solicitor with a substantial annual fee and for thirty years he has been almost continuously in public life as a member of parliament which all will admit is a fair chance to anyone desirous of rendering public service. It is not to be wondered at that at this time the electors stop, take stock, and ask the question, "What has Col. Lennox given in return?"

That is exactly what the electors of North York are doing at the present time. Col. Lennox who again succeeded in securing the conservative nomination in North York as a public representative has been "weighed in the balance and found wanting." If electors with their ballots on July 28th place the stamp of approval on the lack of service which has characterized Col. Lennox's terms in parliament we must be satisfied to receive the same lack of service from public representatives in the future. If the electors with their ballots on July 28th declare that the people are not to be fooled by promises at election time, that the people of North York demand SINCERITY AND SERVICE from those who seek the support and confidence of the electorate the people will receive in future a measure of service from public representatives which will work to the benefit of North York and the Dominion of Canada.

**EMPIRE TRADE IS THE ISSUE**

On every platform on which he has appeared W. P. Mulock has emphasized the great issue of EMPIRE TRADE as the one of paramount importance in the coming elections. His discussion of the subject reflects careful study and a thorough appreciation of the value of the BRITISH MARKET to Canadians as well as an understanding of world economic conditions and a deep rooted loyalty to the MOTHERLAND and the BRITISH EMPIRE.

It is fitting that Mr. Mulock a candidate seeking election on the platform of EMPIRE TRADE should stress the importance of Canada's representation at the forthcoming Imperial Economic Conference. The hesitation of Mr. Bennett to reply to the Prime Minister's challenge and state who he proposes shall be Canada's representatives thereat, in case of a Conservative victory at the polls, may be justified by the belief in Mr. Bennett's mind that his followers would be out of place at such a conference. To have taken the standpoint, as the Conservative leader has done, that Canada wants to bargain with the Motherland, is hardly a fit preparation for attendance at the projected council of the Empire. That is not the right spirit in which to approach an Imperial Conference. It is questionable if it would be the right attitude to take to nations outside the Empire, if a world conference of nations were to be held. But that the methods of the market place and the sentiments of the huckster should enter into our Imperial relationships is to be deplored.

While there is nothing but approval to be given the attitude of the Federal Government to the Old Country in extending the British Preference without asking anything in return, it should be noted that in any privileges or favors we grant to the Motherland we are after all only paying our debts.

Suppose we do make great concessions to the Motherland in our tariffs, does any sane person imagine that we can ever make up to the people over there the money they have paid out for our protection on sea and land? Can we repay the protection of the British Navy? Take again the fact, and fact it is, that the mother country has always bought far more of Canada's products than Canada has bought of her goods. The figures prove it. Is it not a sensible thing, then, for one trading country doing business with another trading country to give some special concessions to its BEST CUSTOMER? Such an attitude on Canada's part means that its delegates will go to the coming Conference with the knowledge that their kindly and friendly attitude to the Motherland and the Empire generally has ensured the heartiest of welcomes. Their representations will fall on friendly ears, their wishes will be granted if at all possible, their good will will be courted. Against this, we have the prospect of Mr. Bennett's men going shouting the slogan: "So much for so much and nothing for nothing" and "we will BLAST a way into your market." Canadians do not want to witness such a pitiable sight. Vote for Mulock and Empire Trade.

**WHAT ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT?**

Much is being heard, during the present election campaign regarding unemployment. Charges and counter-charges will be made. Opponent will try to place the blame on opponent for the unemployment we have in Canada today. There can be no doubt of one thing, that unemployment reveals a hidden weakness in the economic system under which this country and most countries live. It is not creditable to any highly organized community that periodically there should be manifestations of the disease of unemployment. Men able and willing to work should always be able to find work suitable to their abilities. The efforts of political parties should be directed to finding a permanent cure for the disease rather than to blaming each other for any renewed outbreak of it.

Unemployment at this time is not confined to Canada. It is not symptomatic of either Free Trade, Protectionist, or Low Tariff countries. It appears to be fairly general. The United States, that outstanding example of High Protection, is literally staggering under the burden of unemployment. Great Britain, at the other end of the scale so far as tariffs are concerned, has two millions of workers workless. The amount of unemployment in Canada at this time is infinitesimal as compared with some other countries far richer than ours. It is folly on our part to blame governments. It may be convenient to do so. It may help politically so to do. But true statesmanship will spend more time finding remedies than ascribing blame.

It is not sufficiently realised that we are still paying the price of war. There cannot be such a terrific upheaval as that now labelled "The Great War" without dislocation of services, industry, and relationships. The destruction of property of capital, and of human life on such a colossal scale could not be carried on without terrible and lasting consequences ensuing. The bills have to be met. To squander resources in materials and man power as the fighting nations did in the years 1914 to 1918 could only mean that some day the effects of such squandering would have to be suffered.

We Canadians should not permit ourselves to be deceived about unemployment. We should seek for underlying causes rather than superficial ones. We should remember that Canada is one of the richest countries in the world from the point of view of the productivity of its soil and its natural resources. No country so potentially rich as Canada, with vast natural resources awaiting development, should ever have to complain of unemployment. We should all bend our energies to the development of our heritage and not waste too much, if any, time cursing the politicians. Canada is a world-trading nation to-day. We have natural products to sell to every other country. With a few restrictions as possible upon such trading with other nations, and with hard work and productive effort by our people, Canada will soon overcome its present setback and rejoice in the permanence of prosperity. Empire Trade is the answer to unemployment.

**R. B. BENNETT WOULD HAVE MORE IMMIGRANTS TO  
TAKE CANADIAN JOBS**

The one big talking point with which Conservatives are making a bid for support, particularly of the people in the urban centres, is unemployment. In connection with it leaders like Mr. Bennett and Mr. Ferguson are going up and down the country accusing the King government of having brought in immigrants to take the place of Canadian workmen. Conservative candidates are using this argument incessantly.

Some years ago Conservatives were critical because they said there was no comprehensive scheme of fostering immigration. Mr. Bennett wanted more immigrants and he wanted them right away. The policy of the present government is that the provinces may bring in just what immigrants and whatever kind of immigrants they wish but every working man who is now unemployed or who fears unemployment should hear the words of Mr. Bennett on immigration. Then Mr. Bennett condemned the government for not bringing in enough people. HAD HE HIS WAY, MORE WOULD HAVE BEEN BROUGHT. Here are his own words, which contradict what he says now, and which prove his erratic and unstable attitudes on public affairs:

Quoted from the Montreal Star, from a speech made by Mr. Bennett to the Montreal Conservative Club.

"NOW, AS TO HOME QUESTIONS, THE GREATEST PROBLEM IS THAT OF GETTING MORE PEOPLE.

"NO PALTRY EXPENDITURE OF A FEW THOUSAND DOLLARS ON ATTRACTING PEOPLE TO CANADA IS OF ANY USE. THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ANY COMPREHENSIVE SCHEME OF FOSTERING IMMIGRATION IN CANADA.

"I REGARD AS ALL IMPORTANT THE QUESTION OF SETTLEMENT. Nowhere in history have nine millions of people accomplished so much, inhabiting so vast a country. It is an epic, our history. But we have reached a stage where WE CAN ONLY FACE OUR OBLIGATIONS BY GETTING MORE PEOPLE. I BELIEVE IT IS EITHER THE END OR MORE PEOPLE.

"If we can live another twenty-five years and get more people, we are saved. If not, it is the end.

"That is dismal. But it is obvious. We are the second highest taxed people in the world. That is a deterrent no doubt to more people coming. BUT WE MUST GET MORE PEOPLE. AND WE CANNOT AFFORD TO WAIT A LONG TIME." These are the words of Mr. Bennett who talks about unemployment.

**WEEDS**

Ontario people, both rural and urban are appreciating the fact more and more, that weeds are destructive and unsightly and have no place in the Ontario landscape.

Never before have farmers in general, been so careful in keeping down noxious weeds on their farms. Hundreds of country cemeteries have been cleaned up, properly sodded planted with shrubs and otherwise put in a condition more fitting the last resting place of our esteemed and honored forefathers. More attention is being paid to school yards, church yards, highways, township roads, railroads and public property of all kinds.

Weed Control is more apparent in some sections than others but for the most part, real progress is being made in the Weed War of 1930. In spite of success so far, the battle has only begun. Citizens, communities and organizations will have to continue to give their co-operation and support before the weed menace is finally under control.

Every municipality in the Province, including towns, cities and villages, now has a weed inspector. The weed inspector's duties are to inspect all property in the municipality, discuss with farmers the best methods of control of noxious weeds and assist the farmer in every way possible in his fight against the weed menace.

Although there are 17 weeds deemed noxious under the Weed Control Act, Sow Thistle, which is considered the "World's Worst Weed" is given by far, the most attention. Weed inspectors are determined to keep this weed in control in such a manner that it will not blow from farm to farm as it has done in the past. Ontario people have become "Weed Conscious" and as a result, will not rest content until the weed problem is fully solved and under control.

The Township of Vaughan is wisely laying plans for a continuance of a Public Health Nursing Service in that municipality. A year's demonstration of the service has shown very clearly the need of such a service and has convinced even the most skeptical of the great advantage to be derived from its continuance. "Health is Wealth" and there is nothing more precious than the health and well-being of the rising generation.

The passing of another summer emphasizes the need for adequate sidewalks for pedestrians on Yonge Street. Other pressing problems in the North Yonge Street district this summer have left the sidewalk question with little, or no public notice. However the NEED IS GREAT and every motorist or pedestrian who uses Yonge Street knows that sidewalks are a necessity in the interests of the preservation of life in this suburban area. The failure of the Ontario Highways Department to recognize its responsibility and the failure of the Minister of Highways Hon. G. S. Henry to formulate a policy which will give sidewalks to the North Yonge Street is a matter of disappointment in this district. The construction of sidewalks along provincial highways through thickly settled areas is a problem which the Ontario Highways Department must face and the responsibility should not be laid at the door of the already over-taxed municipalities.

During the past few weeks there have been many "gatherings of the clans" where the living scions of the family "and their uncles and their cousins and their aunts," join in the annual reunion. It is a fine idea. The elder people live over again the days of their youth and the young folks, if at all thoughtful, cannot but be impressed by what their parents have done for them, thus knitting more closely together those family ties, the strengthening of which means much in the life of a people. Long may these family reunions flourish!

"It must be admitted," says Toronto Saturday Night, "That the record of the Mackenzie King government for the past four years has been clean." And it adds: "No campaign since Confederation has been more completely free from administrative scandal."

Col. Lennox the conservative candidate in North York has had thirty years in public life. What has he ever done to merit a continuance of the support of the electorate? It's time for a change in North York. Lennox has had his chance. Give Mulock a chance. GIVE NORTH YORK A CHANCE.

Let the voice of North York be heard on July 28th in favor of a GREATER CANADA THROUGH EMPIRE TRADE.

The electors of North York on July 28th will vote in favor of SINCERITY AND SERVICE in public life.

"Were ever people so betrayed?" asked Morgan Baker an ex-member of York County Council in referring to the association of Col. T. H. Lennox with the T. T. C. and the County of York in the METROPOLITAN RADIAL ABANDONMENT negotiations.

The MOTHERLAND is awaiting Canada's answer. Canada will answer on July 28th in favor of the EMPIRE.

North York deserves the best in representation in Parliament.