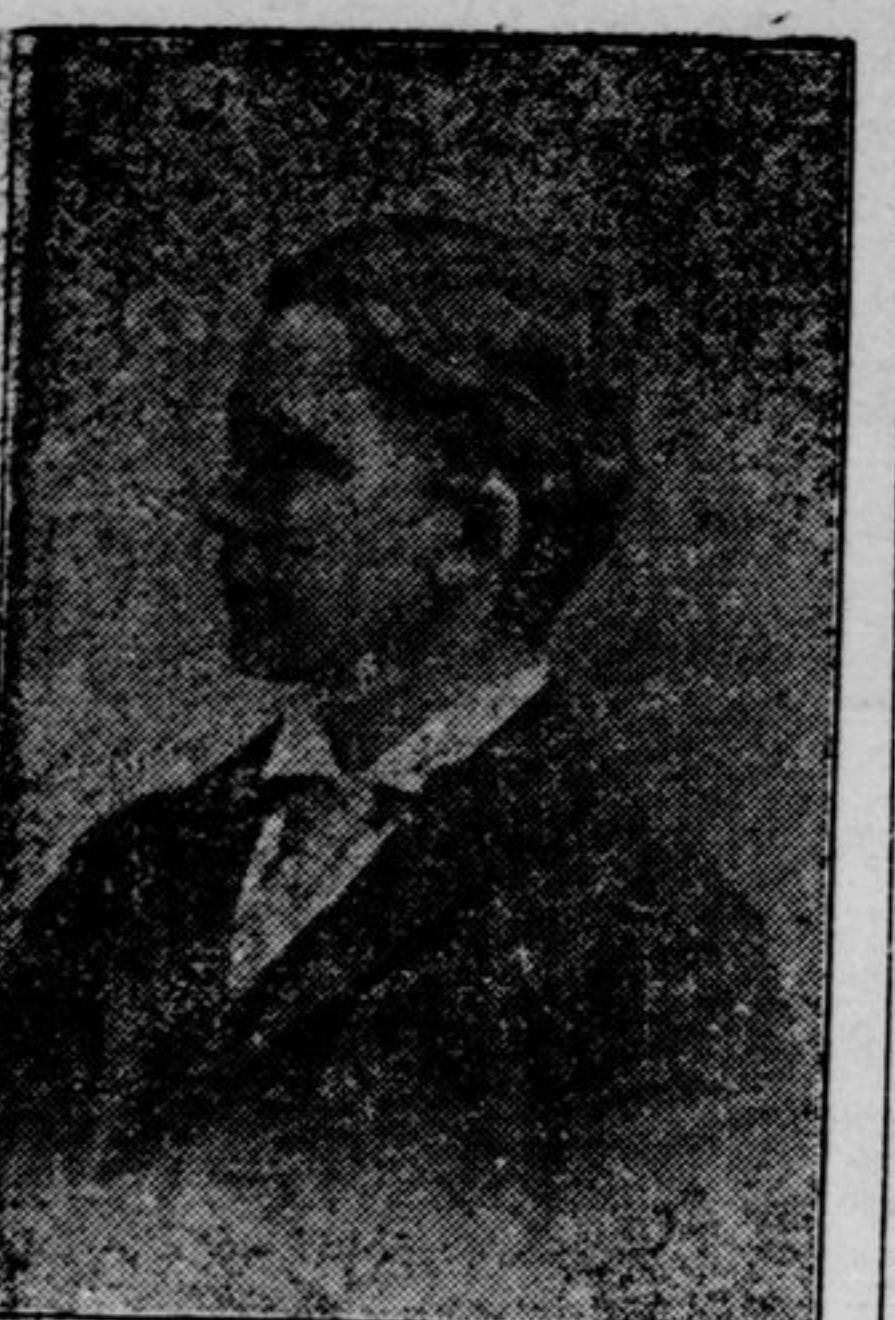


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MR. I. B. LUCAS.

Mr I B Lucas, the new member for Centre Grey is a young man 32 years of age. He was born in Lambton Co., received his education in London and Strathroy, graduated in Law in 1889 and has acquired a good practice in Markdale where he resides.

There will be no recounts in Grey.

Mr. Lucas has only 1127 of a majority.

Dr. Jamieson's majority in Durham is the highest ever given by the town.

Ten newspaper men contested seats in the late election and seven were elected.

MR. I. B. Lucas is said to be the youngest member in the Ontario Legislature.

The Sun, Patron Organ, says:— "The elections have resulted in a moral defeat of the government."

It must soon be "time for a change" in the curriculum for Public schools. It's more than a month since the last one was made.

The Globe says "It was almost a moral victory." It was a moral victory according to the Conservative Press, and within two or three of it according to the Globe.

The Honorable Geo. W. Ross doesn't think the Educational System was much of an issue in the last Election campaign. "It is time for a change" he thinks was the greatest force.

In speaking of the political situation to a Mail and Empire Representative, Mr. Tucker, the only Patron Candidate elected, thinks the result of the election should cause Mr. Hardy to at once resign. He also states that he will support Mr. Whitney.

In the Ontario Legislature there are 31 Farmers, 14 Lawyers, 6 Doctors, 7 Journalists, 7 Lumbermen, 5 Merchants, 2 Manufacturers, 3 Insurance Agents, 6 Millowners, 2 Contractors, 1 Auctioneer, 1 Undertaker, 1 Surveyor, 1 Cattle Dealer, 1 Broker and 1 Steamboat Agent.

The Political situation at present is unique in the Province of Ontario. Both sides claim the victory, but what the result will be is the question. One thing is certain that Mr. Hardy will not resign until he has to, and between now and the time the house meets every possible effort will be made by protests and bye-elections to strengthen the party. Viewing the situation in the present stage the two parties are about a tie, which, to say the least, is a broad hint from the electors for Mr. Hardy & Co. to step down and out.

A prominent citizen fears a period of political stagnation on account of a strong opposition. According to his views no great reforms need be looked for during the next four years. Since under large majorities we have seen no "great reforms" it will be no surprise to witness a continuance of the same kind of Government. At all events the chances for transforming a "surplus of assets" into a huge provincial debt will be considerably lessened. Mr. Whitney's party will at least be able to watch more closely the movements of the neophytes.

The band and about fifty Hanoverians arrived in town at about one o'clock on election night. The day following similar honors were paid the Dr. by the arrival of the Allan Park band.

At the earnest request of many of his friends, Dr. Jamieson spent Wednesday last in Hanover, Friday in Owen S'd and Monday in Dun-dalk. Several loads accompanied him to Hanover. Rousing demonstrations were held at every point.

Mack in "Saturday Night," after reviewing the claims made by both political parties, sums up the situation as follows: Liberals 46, Conservatives 44, three doubtful and Russell to come off. Continuing he says: "What will Nipissing, Messrs. Eavanturel and Beatty do? They can give the Liberals a majority of five, or they can give the Conservatives a majority of one. If they declare themselves at once it is probable that Mr. Eavanturel will side with Mr. Hardy and Mr. Beatty with Mr. Whitney, which means a Hardy majority of two, Nipissing will likely increase this to three. But even so, there is not a sufficient majority in sight." * * * "Unless the Hardy Government can open the next session of the Legislature with a majority of seven or eight or ten, there may be occasion for another election, and the Conservative party having done so well in this one, will go into another a year hence with almost a certainty of victory."

Again he says: "Both parties have added some good men to their fighting strength in the legislature, this of course being especially true of the Conservatives. Mr. J. J. Foy of S. Toronto, Mr. H. Carscallen and Mr. E. A. Calquhoun of Hamilton, Dr. Jamieson of South Grey, Mr. Powell of Ottawa, Mr. White of Renfrew, Mr. Wardell of Wentworth and several others will be valuable additions to Whitney's forces."

South Grey.

OFFICIAL RETURNS.

DURHAM.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	38	20	2
2	63	15	3
3	93	29	2
Majority for Jamieson 130			

GLENELG.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	101	32	17
2	68	26	32
3	50	50	19
4	50	51	6
5	84	51	10
Majority for Jamieson 143			

BENTICK.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	46	53	22
2	71	19	20
3	86	35	38
4	47	78	28
5	61	100	24
6	68	48	59
7	56	40	20
8	20	26	23
Majority for Jamieson 56			

NORMANBY.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	102	73	18
2	149	96	5
3	85	78	10
4	57	97	10
5	72	31	26
7	62	38	16
Majority for Jamieson 114			

EGREMONT.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	81	16	47
2	55	49	34
3	54	43	59
4	42	56	37
5	48	37	50
6	29	33	53
Majority for Jamieson 75			

PROTON.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
1	56	26	32
2	56	53	31
3	60	82	10
4	45	45	08
5	87	27	11
6	30	102	04
Majority for Morgan 1			

DUNDALK.

No.	Jamieson.	Morgan.	McNichol.
77	62	6	
Majority for Jamieson 15			

Total	2248	1716	792
Total majority for Jamieson 532			

Total	Over McNichol 1456
WANTED—Lady apprentice to 1-ars tailoring. Apply J. C. Nichol, over The Chronicle office, Durham.	

COUNTY COUNCIL.

Owing to rush of work during the past few weeks we were compelled to omit until the present the meeting of the County Council in January but trust our report now clipped, rewritten and condensed from our exchanges may be acceptable to our readers:—

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 25th, the Council met and elected Mr. M. Richardson, of Flesherton, as their Warden on the first ballot and we feel safe in saying that a better choice would be hard to make. Mr. Geo. Brown, of Meaford, and Schenk, of Normanby, were also nominated.

The following members were present and answered the roll call:—

Messrs. Chas. Gordon, W. A. Bishop, Anderson, Tolton, Binnie, McKinnon, Schenk, Allan, Richardson, Watson, Preston, McColeman, Sing and Brown,

THE WARDEN'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Richardson, in an exceedingly able inaugural address thanked the members of the Council for the honor which they had conferred upon him and the district which he represented in electing him to preside over the deliberations of the highest municipal body of this large County of Grey. Of late years the township of which he was a resident had not been the recipient of this distinction, for the past thirty-five years only one of its representatives had been elected to occupy the Warden's chair, and in its whole history it had only twice received the coveted honor.

The action of the Council would, therefore, not only be appreciated by himself, but also by his constituency. The Warden congratulated the members on the improved conditions under which they met. During the past year there had been a marked improvement in the manufacturing, industrial and agricultural industries of the county. A more hopeful feeling pervaded all classes of society. Not only had there been an improvement in the crops but also a marked advancement in the prices of produce, which had given a general impetus to trade. Mr. Richardson expressed the hope that this was but the turning point into a new era of prosperity and trusted that if the past years of depression had not added to our wealth they had at least added to our wisdom, so that the Council would administer the affairs of the county with prudence, forethought, and frugality.

The Warden referred to the question of erecting a House of Refuge. Although it had been stayed over from last year it was not dead yet, and would not die so long as the recommendations of each and every Grand Jury caused it to come afresh before the public attention. In this connection he referred to the overcrowded condition of the jail—not with criminals happily, but with paupers, who were confined there for no crime, but on account of poverty and disease found there their only home and refuge. A question which might be brought before the attention of the Council was the permanency of the County Council Act as it now stands.

He himself thought it had not as yet received a fair trial, and that any assertions in condemnation of it were premature. The Warden also directed the attention of the Council to the encouraging reports of the analysis of the sugar beets, which had been so satisfactory as to warrant starting the industry. He trusted that it would be established in the near future, thereby giving a new source of income to the farmers, and adding to the wealth of the County and Province.

Mr. Richardson concluded his remarks by adding that he trusted that the Council would transact with care and despatch the business which would be brought before them, and by so doing benefit the country.

The Warden then took the oath of office, and called upon the Clerk to read the minutes of the last meeting. After appointing a committee consisting of Messrs. Binnie, Anderson, Gordon, McDonald and Allan to strike the standing committees for the current year the Council adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Council resumed business sharp at 10 o'clock with Warden Richardson in the chair. After the minutes of last meeting had been read and confirmed Mr. Binnie presented the report of the special committee appointed to strike the standing committees. The report was adopted and the different committees retired and elected their conveners. The following is the way in which the committees are constituted.

ROAD AND BRIDGE.—Messrs. Schenk, McColeman, McKinnon, Brown, Quance, Watson and Gordon (chairman.)

COUNTY PROPERTY.—Messrs. Watson, Sing, Anderson, McColeman, McKinnon, Gordon, Brown and McDonald (chairman.)

EDUCATIONAL.—Messrs. Tolton,

Agricultural Seeds!

Garden Seeds

AT

PARKER'S DRUG STORE,
DURHAM.

Market Report.

DURHAM, Mar. 10th, 1898.