

3 Short Weeks

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DURHAM CHRONICLE

W. IRWIN, Editor and Proprietor.

Durham, Dec. 1st, 1904.

THE BIG CONVENTIONS.

There were two big political gatherings in Toronto last week, and no doubt they were both a success so far as numbers and addresses were concerned. The Liberal convention was held on Wednesday and Thursday, and the Conservative conference on Thursday and Friday.

The Ross Government is reduced to its last legs, and all other schemes having failed to win for the party even a working nominal majority in the House, it was decided to call a convention of the faithful and see if a little enthusiasm couldn't be put into the party. As a preliminary to the purifying and political house cleaning, Stratton, Gibson and Davis resigned their positions in the Cabinet and their places were filled by G. P. Graham of Brockville, and A. G. MacKay, of Owen Sound, as two of the qualified men to fill the posts of Provincial Secretary, and Minister of Crown Lands, respectively.

It has long been the cry in the Liberal party, and even the little Grits on the street corners follow the lead in heralding the information that the Conservatives have no material out of which to form a Cabinet. It must be rather humiliating for the Conservatives to think that all the ability, brains and purity are on the other side of politics. The appointment of A. G. MacKay to the position of Cabinet Minister after an experience of only two years in the House, with a protest hanging over his head all the time, even yet, is additional evidence of the aptitude of Grit political students to learn the ways of their leaders. This reconstruction of the Cabinet is an old trick, but it's only a case of putting new cloth into an old garment, and the rent will soon be worse than ever.

The only method of getting rid effectually of the disgraceful frauds and corruptions under which the country has been suffering for the past seven or eight years is to turn out the present government, and give the other fellows a chance. The Liberals themselves, that is, the honest Liberals, are not satisfied with the present state of affairs, and the best of them, as well as the whole bulk of the Conservative party would welcome a change of government in Ontario.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Liberal members would like to belittle the ability of Mr. Whitney and his following, it is well known that the leader of the Opposition has a popular majority estimated at from 4,000 to 7,000 in Ontario, while at the present time, and indeed during the past six years, the Liberal government

were never in the enjoyment of a good working majority in the House. Since the election of 1898 it has been nothing but one fraud after another to keep the party in power. It isn't necessary to repeat the various disgraceful methods employed to win the bye-elections. While it may be argued that the heads of the government were not cognizant of these irregularities, there are very few who do not believe they knew enough to realize that things weren't quite right. Much as they talked of purity of elections and punishment of wrong doers everything went, and the biggest culprits have been allowed to go scot free, and some of them have been rewarded with lucrative government positions.

BEWARE OF STRONG DRINK.

(By the Man on the Roof.)

When the fast express is tearing along at sixty miles an hour and nears a crossing the engineer rings the bell and pulls the rope that lets the shrill whistle scream out its warning, that instant death is to all who are in its path. When the lion of the forest sees his prey he roars out a warning. When the storm rages on the ocean and the fog darkens the night, the lighthouse bell peals out its warning that rocks are near and tries to guide the captain of the good ship on his way to safety. The rattlesnake when crawling upon its victim gives a warning by the rattling sound. And hundreds of other instances could be given where a warning is given when danger is near.

There is another enemy to all mankind which gives no warning. Which is slow and sure. It plays with its victim and makes him feel pleasant, makes him jubilant, makes him think he is the friend in time of sorrow, working slowly but surely, step by step, inch by inch, until he is sure of his prey. Then the poor victim finds out that this friend is no longer a friend, but his worst enemy. Sometimes the victim laughs and thinks he can still throw off this enemy at any time he desires, so confident is he that he can do this that he never tries. By and by he does try to discard this enemy, but he finds a task on his hands that he is unable to perform. He is ordered by his employers to throw off this enemy of his or lose his situation, but alas! his will power is no longer supreme. He is in the clutches of an iron hand which rules him. Sad indeed is the case of the person who has mistaken strong drink for a friend.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to R. S. O. 1897, chapter 129, section 38, and Amending Acts, that all persons having claims against the Estate of the said Joseph Sharpe, who died on or about the 9th day of October A. D. 1904, are hereby required to send by post prepaid or to deliver to J. P. Telford, of the Town of Durham, Solicitor for the Executors, on or before the

23rd Day of December A. D., 1904,

their names, addresses, and description, and a full statement of particulars of their claims, and the nature of the security (if any) held by them, duly certified, and that after the said day the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

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Solicitor for the Executors.
BENJAMIN SHARPE and
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