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W. IRWIN, Editor and Proprietor. DURHAM, MARCH 5, 1908.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

The Conservative Convention held ere, on Friday afternoon last was a reat success, notwithstanding the hfavorable conditions of the weather. for the election of officers, selection a candidate for the local house, and ther business, the Hall was fairly ell filled, while at the after meeting hich was open to the general public, e place was literally packed to overowing by a most orderly crowd of

The officers were elected as follows: bhn Taylor, Hanover, President, m. Scarf, Bentinck, Vice-President, . H. Jackson, Durham, Sec'y.-Treas. Dr. Jamieson was the unanimous poice of the delegates present, to gain contest South Grey for a seat in he Local Legislature. On account of

I parts of the constituency not being presented, the Dr. would not accept The nomination, only on condition hat the absent delegates would be filling to co-operate in the choice. his he thought was the only fair way meet the wishes of all his constitulats. As there will likely be no position shown by the absentees, it ay safely be inferred that the Dr. is e choice of the party, and that he ill run and be elected, shall we say, our next representative at Toronto. At the close of the business meeting

nd before the arrival of Messrs J. P. owney and R. R. Gamey, the Dr. ade a brief address in which he early reviewed the work of the onservatives since they came into wer three years ago, touching on eir mining policy, timber policy, ucational changes, their attitude

Mr. R. J. Ball, of Hanover, was called on for a brief address, and responded very gracefully. Though unprepared to make a political speech, he seemed quite at home in the time bearer. at his disposal in reviewing the workings of the Ontario Legislature, which he believed had given excellent satisfaction to all political classes. He considered Premier Whitney an honest, straightforward gentleman, who would act conscientiously, let the results be what they might. He had been in Toronto a few days before, he said, as a delegate on some railway business. To the delegates, Mr. Whitney listened very courteously, and promised to give the matter full consideration, but promised nothing further. In the same way, Mr. Ball said the liquor interests were dealt with courteously, but firmly, and honestly, and again the temperance party found him courteous in his treatment, honest in his promises, but unyielding even at the risk of the government position to take any action other than what they believed to be right and for the best interests of the country as a whole. Mr. Whitney, he thought was a man to be admired, an honest man, under whose administration we must have honest government. In closing he made a brief reference to

Messrs Downey and Gamey arrived by the afternoon train and were received with applause on entering the Hall. In a very few minutes Mr. Downey faced the audience, and delivered one of the fairest and most finished political addresses ever listened to by a Durham audience. He ment to improve the position of the teachers by giving them larger salary and thus rendering their services more permanent and more effectiee.

The improvement in the License Law was briefly touched on. The New Company's Act which afforded better protection to those who wish to invest in joint stock companies was briefly referred to.

The deep and wide line of demarcation between the old Government and the new would be found in the Educational Policy. The Ross Government boasted of our Educational System, reaching from the kindergarten to the The Jeweller, Durham university as our great Educational ladder, the kindergarten serving as a feeder to the public school, the public present. school to the colleges and high schools, and the high schools to the university. Mr. Whitney, who claimed that 95 per cent of the pupils of Ontario never enter the high school. He admitted that the compulsory minimum salary clause was not satisfactory as provided by the Original Act, and an amend- which was granted. ment was made by which the municipality had to raise three hundred dollars for the salary of each teacher. This he thought was not too much salary for a teacher, but the Government wanted the teacher to get a higher, and wanted to encourage the ratepayers to give a higher salary, of which the Government was willing to bear a part, and in doing this, the Government had decided to let the section pay three hundred dollars, and of additional salaries paid the Government would pay forty per cent of the

He also referred to the great reduction made in the price of school readers which under the old Government cost \$1,15 per set, but could now be obtained for 49c.

Hon. A. G. MacKay, leader of the opposition was scored for his inconsistency in opposing the minimum salary which he himself strongly advocated port a lengthy discussion took-place in the first case, but now denounced regarding the new bridge to be erected as a forced action on the part of the on Garafraxa St. It will be a difficult Government who were "taking the matter to decide as to what kind of pelling them to pay an exhorbitant Council have made extensive enquiries

ence to the Educational Policy of the adoption. Government by saying the Whitney Government was ready to submit to appeared before the Council regarding the verdict of the people, and stand or an article that appeared in this paper fall by that verdict.

speaker and for over an hour he held the close attention of a large and more publicity to the affair, for reacrowded audience.

Mr. R. R. Gamey was the last to the license question and incidently speak, and for an hour or more he uched on the great reduction of the dwelt chiefly on New Ontario, and its ice of school readers through the mining and timber resourses. Like The Council adjourned.

efforts of the Whitney administration. Mr. Downey, he was a great admirer of Dr. Jamieson, who was an able man in the Legislature, and he felt confident the party had done wisely in retaining him as their standard

He introduced his subject, with the remark that "Politics is the people's business, Members of Parliament are only servants and the people are the

He then went on to explain the difference between the present administration under Mr. Whiney, and the previous administration under the Ross Government, particularly in the way in which Timber and Mineral Policy of New Ontario was handled. He gave instances of large sales that were made privately under the preceding government where concessions were almost given away to party friends. Under Conservative Government the timber and mining limits were sold by tender and large revenues were brought in to the Province the square mile, recommending selling pine lands by the thousand, and pulp wood by the cord. He thought the the Government at Ottawa, which he thought was in need of some attention and should be dealt with at the next purchases.

He predicted that no future government would ever again banter away our pulp concessions as they had been under the present government.

The address was certainly plain, fair and instructive. Mr. Gamey is a very convincing speaker. He has in his manner and in his utterances an congratulated the electors of South appearance of honesty that few speak-Grey on their choice of Dr. Jamieson, ers possess. Much has been heard of referring briefly to his popularity in Mr. Gamey during the last three or the House, and to his shrewd executive four years, and to judge from accounts ability as a worker in committee. He given by his enemies one would scarcethen went on to speak of the progres- ly know what to expect from him. sive policy of Mr. Whitney's govern- He is very gentlemanly in his appearment which did more during their ance on the platform, his language is short term of three years in office, in good, well rounded English. His than the old government had done in style is convincing, and every point twelve years. He pointed out the he introduces is sent home to the increased assistance given towards minds of the audience with a degree only the duty of a Government, and it Agriculture and the Agricultural of skill that few men possess. Not so College, the vastly increased grants to far as we know did he use an unbethe Public and High Schools of the coming expression during the whole Province, the efforts of the Govern- of his address, and no person on the many respects because it was mortal, Conservative side of politics could but it was its duty, however, not to be treat the Liberals more kindly in his moved by threats or cajolment." He remarks. In fact all the speakers said in conclusion, "So long as this conducted themselves in such a way Government exists it will act upon that no reasonable man of the Liberal what it believes to be its honest conparty had any ground to find fault, victions. They may be mistaken ones and the character of the addresse but they will be acted upon. We are and the general tone of all the speak- prepared to take the consequences ers were favorably commented on by which our fellow citizens may visit Liberals who were present. We feel upon us. I am glad to see you here proud to think of so good a meeting to-day, because I know what prompts in the interests of any one side of you to come. And I say that for politics.

Town Council.

The Council met in the town hall on Monday evening with the members all

After the reading of the minutes of the two special and last regular meet-This idea was considered wrong by ings, which were adopted, the Council proceeded to business.

> Mr. James Lloyd, on behalf of the Horticultural Society, requested the free use of the audience hall on Friday evening, Mar. 13th, for that society,

The following accounts were ordered | the great difficulties that now surround

T. N. Walpole, team for funeral.\$ 3 00 John J. Young, shovelling snow 1 80 T. W. Maylor, error in crediting Tax accounts.....

W. McMeeken, shovelling snow Jas. Lawrence,

Envelopes for recount.... Paid J. H. Brown..... Bell Telephone Co., account.....

Fire Brigade, for Arnold Noble.. Total.....\$48 01

were ordered to be paid.

After receiving the Treasurer's Reratepayers by the throat," and com- bridge will need to be erected, but the regarding the construction of these He referred to the amounts expend- structures and will likely reach a deed for school purposes which amounted cision at their next meeting. The to \$118.000 in 1904, under Ross, and Board of Works were instructed to \$380.000 in 1907, under the present procure the plans and specifications Government. He concluded his refer- and submit them to the Council for

The officers of the Fire Department a couple of weeks ago, reflecting, as Mr. Downey is an able and fluent they claim, on their competency. The Chronicle has decided not to give any sons which will be readily understood by those acquainted with the facts of the case, and the matter is dropped so far as we are concerned.

TEMPERANCE DELEGATION WAITS ON PREMIER WHITNEY.

Over a thousand men and women, members of the Dominion Alliance, met last week in the Parliament buildings in Toronto to interview Premier Whitney and the Government in regard to the three-fifth's clause in the Local Option Law as well as other measures of temperance reform which they regarded as desirable towards the advancement of the movement. The delegation was graciously received by the Premier and an opportunity given to representative heads of the different churches to express their views and opinions. Amongst the speakers were Mr. Joseph Gibson, President of the Dominion Alliance; Rev. Dr. Pigeon, of Toronto Junction, representing the Presbyterians; Rev. Dr. Carman, representing the Methodist church of Canada; and Rev. Dr. Sowerby, representing the Baptists.

The Prime Minister in his reply was by the making of good bargains with thoroughly non-committal. He gave the speculators. He denounced the reasons why he should not discuss the former plan of selling timber limits by question at length. In the first place, the Government and Legislature of Ontario could not bring about total prohibition, and its consideration only plan of selling in large blocks was obscured the situation with regard to unfair to the man of moderate means. local option. A great deal could be If sold in smaller quantities and by the said as to the desirability of prohibithousand, the man with smaller means | tion by every man who desired to do would have a chance to bid and to away with the evils of the drink habit. buy; as it was, only rich men make The Government's attitude on the subject of the three-fifths clause in the past was well understood.

As a representative citizen of Ontario, the Prime Minister resented a remark made by a clergyman from the United States who expressed his view that he thought Canadians were civilized, but was sorry on account of the three-fifths clause to say that it still looked barbarous to him. He did not think such remarks showed good taste, knowledge and information coming as it did from a guest of a Canadian people.

No man could be more fearless, nor more honest in his expression of opinion. He said the Government would have to decide on the question, and no doubt every circumstance would be taken into consideration, but this was would not deserve any credit for that. "It was possible," Mr. Whitney said, "that the Government might fail in every heart beat of yours on this great and terrible question there is a heart beat in the breast of this Government. I am told it is all for party. It is not all for party. We will risk our party as we have risked it in the past on this and other great questions. I hope the time will come when every man will be found working together in the matter whether one man is prepared to go as far as another or not. You have my congratulations on the spirit you have displayed, and my best hopes for the cause you represent, and I only wish that the law of Canada was not exactly as it is in order that this great subject might be dealt with without

Mr. Hanna spoke of the efforts of the Government to enforce local option by-laws, and stated that in a day or 5 00 two a bill would be introduced in the 50 House providing that where a local 50 option by-law had been carried by a W. B. Vollet, salary for Feb'y.. 30 00 sixty per cent. vote and had been 10 overthrown on a technicality, or for 25 some other reason, under no circum-75 stances should the commissioners issue 00 licenses during the life of the by-law without the written consent of the head of the department. In regard to Mr. Davidson laid before the Council the effect of the three-fifths clause the the insurance receipts for the policies Provincial Secretary said that where of \$1000 each on the Fire and Town the by-law was carried the opponents Halls, which became due on Mar. 4th. of local option ceased their efforts and The premiums amounting to \$30.30 did not await the opportunity to attempt its overthrow.

Sale Register.

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