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THE DURHAM CHRONICLE

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SANCTUM SIFTINGS

The political candidates are hard at work after the "vote and influence" of the voters, and from now till the eighth of June there will be few stones left unturned. There are few on either side who have any doubt as to how the election will go. The Liberals themselves feel quite sure that Dr. Jamieson will be the winner in South Grey, and any extra effort they may put forth is simply to reduce the majorities of the last three elections. The victory of Dr. Jamieson, his opponent, Mr. Neil McCannel, is in part attributable to the popularity of the Whitney administration, about which there has been a very little complaint, even by opposition party or the opposition until the election was on.

The Ross Government had grown divisive to both sides and the decisive throw was the work, not only of Conservatives, but with a large measure of assistance from the more moderate reformers. Some of the offenders are yet in the ranks of opposition seeking reinstatement. They are not forgotten by either side, even the electors of their own political stripe are afraid to place in again in power.

Such has been said against Mr. Jamieson who was unfortunate enough to be the last Liberal Premier of the province. It must be remembered that Mr. Ross came in at the tail end of a government, of which both parties were already tired, and with a thirty years' accumulation of parasites and political heeleders, he had very little chance to show the good that was in him. This Journal has never gone so far as to say that Mr. Ross, unfortunely, was as bad a man as some would have him to be. Unfortunately for himself however, he was forced into a company and he was unable to defend himself from the evils by which he was surrounded.

Mr. McCannel we have nothing to say; indeed we can say but very little good or bad. He is in the field

as an opponent of Dr. Jamieson, simply to show that the Liberals of South Grey are not going to allow the constituency to go unopposed. Even he, himself, has no expectation of being elected, and should he be declared the man at the close of the poll on June 8th, no man would be more surprised than Mr. McCannel himself. To be left at home till the turn of the tide will be no surprise to the present candidate. No one attempts to blame him for making the best he can of the situation, and in the efforts he is putting forth he shows considerable pluck.

But, as an exponent of Liberalism, Mr. McCannel has a hard road to travel. The thirty years' record of his party, previous to their defeat in the never-to-be forgotten landslide of 1905, is anything but enviable, and the man who is determined to look to the interests of his home and province, irrespective of party ties is bound to compare the regime of graft and pilfering of the Ross administration, with the unblemished and impartial legislation of the Conservative party who succeeded them, before he marks his ballot for either candidate.

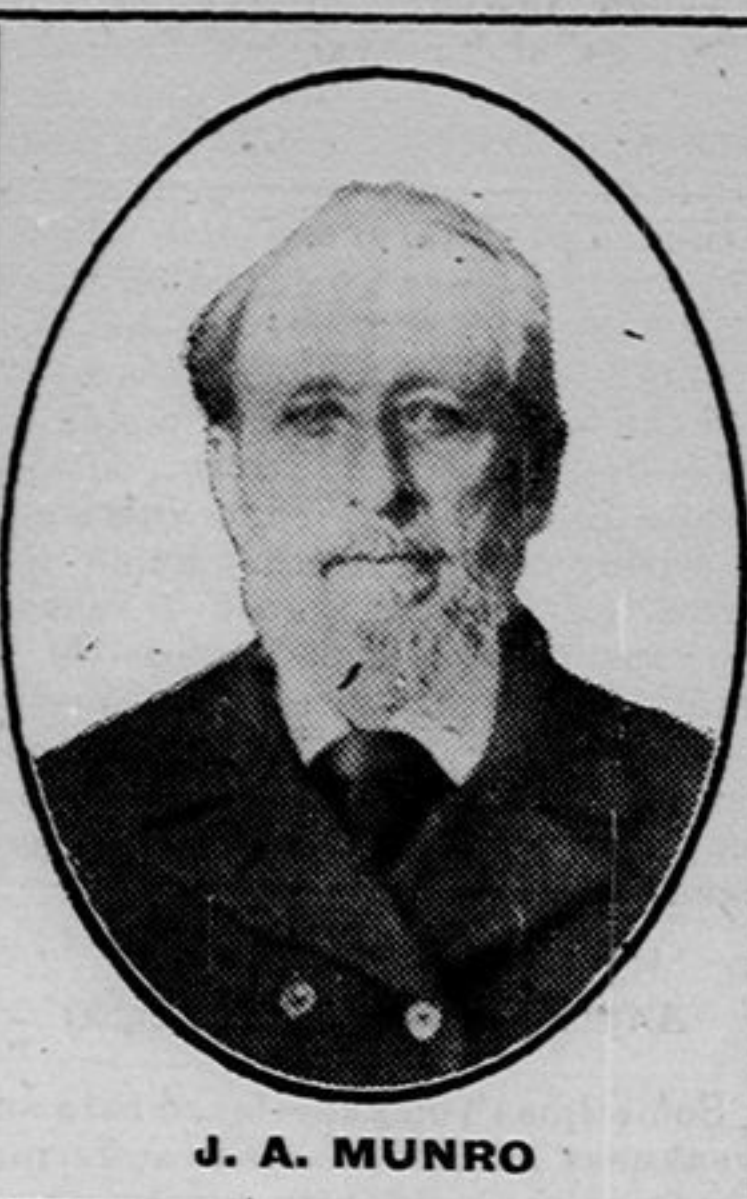
Even though Mr. McCannel has expressed himself publicly as not being tied hand and foot to party, and has said that no measure that appeared to him as detrimental to the interests of his constituency or province would receive his support, no matter by whom introduced, that plank in his platform has been already taken by Dr. Jamieson, the Conservative candidate, and when the thinking voter comes to consider the merits of the case, he will, beyond doubt, mark his ballot for the representative of the party that has kept every pledge made to the people.

Though the Liberal press and the Leader of the Opposition have, since the elections were on, cried down the Conservative rule, the general consensus of opinion is that they have very little to howl about, and, to the country at large their denunciations appear ludicrous in the extreme. Though Mr. Whitney and his government have been assailed from all quarters on the Educational Bill, and the increased expenditure throughout the province generally has been a topic Mr. MacKay and his followers have delighted to dwell upon, it has never, so far, occurred to them to state clearly and plainly the exact state of affairs. While the expenditure has been increased very largely, a charge Mr. Whitney makes no attempt to deny, the Opposition has been very careful not to state that at the same time a million dollars annual deficit under Ross Rule has been changed, in three years, to a surplus of \$1,655,000. They also fail to state that each and every corporation in the province has been required, under the Whitney government, to pay their full share of the taxes, and that these taxes, instead of going into the Provincial Treasury to be grafted by party-heeleders are paid directly to the municipalities to which they belong.

Mr. MacKay has also neglected to state that the increased License Fees and the fact that 50% of the amount collected goes to the municipalities instead of a very small percentage, as formerly, has also enabled the Government to do very handsomely by the tax-payers. He has, as well, entirely forgotten to inform the people of the province that their timber limits are sold by the thousand instead of by the mile, and, that instead of loading up some party heeler with a few thousand square miles of valuable timber limits as a reward for being "good," the article is put up by tender, and the small manufacturer stands the same show as the capitalist. And there are many other small items of a million dollars or so that Mr. MacKay and his party have deemed it wise to overlook, thinking, no doubt, that the average voter has forgotten all about them, and can again be hoodwinked by silvery words, to place in power after a three years' retirement, a party whose graftings in thirty years have cost Ontario an incalculable sum.

But will Mr. MacKay and his silvery-tongued orators succeed in pulling the wool over the eyes of the voters of the province? We think not. Such an action on the part of the voters of Ontario cannot be considered for a moment, and though some ridings will possibly go back to the ranks of Liberalism, the gain of the Conservative party in other parts of the province will likely put Mr. Whitney at the head of the Government with practically the same majority as before.

I. O. F. REGULAR MEETING. The regular meeting of Court Durham No. 111, I. O. F., will be held in their hall on Thursday evening next, May 28th, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as the opinion of the local Court regarding the proposed new rating of old members is desired, so that a report of their finding may be sent to headquarters. W. H. MOFFET, Sec'y. May 14-31.



J. A. MUNRO

Mr. John A. Munro, whose portrait we give, reminds us of early boyhood. He was born in Alness, Rossshire, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1861. After travelling for a short time, he engaged as teacher at Williamstown, now Heathcote, and taught in the old log school for about a year. Those were the days when a man could take a fishing rod or gun and get something to reward his efforts. Mr. Munro was an expert in those, and as we children trotted along behind him on our way from school we stood amazed at his marksmanship in picking down the pigeons as they crossed the narrow roadway, then almost completely covered with the foliage.

Leaving Heathcote about the end of 1862, he went to Owen Sound, where he engaged as assistant in the Registry office. When the County was divided into North and South Grey and a Registry office opened in this town, he came here as assistant to Mr. Thos. Lauder, the present Registrar, and remained in office almost continuously till his retirement some four or five years ago.

Shortly after coming to Durham he married Bessie Lauder, daughter of the late John Lauder of this town. For some time Mr. Munro has been in rather poor health and has been forced to abandon the sports in which he loved so much to indulge up to only a few years ago.

To look back, it seems only a short time since Mr. Munro was a young man and now he must be close up to the allotted span of three score years and ten,—and ten more.

SOUTH GREY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Field Crop Competition in Oats in 1908 To be carried on by the Co-operation of the Agricultural Societies Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and the Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. \$50.00 IN CASH PRIZES.

Having in view the excellent results obtained last year in stimulating a greater interest in the production of better seed grain, Agricultural Societies will be again assisted in the holding of competitions in standing field crops during 1908, under the following regulations:—

1. Nature of Competition.—Competitions shall be limited to one crop, to be selected by the society, which should be the one of most importance to the farmers of the district. Entries for competition must consist of a field of not less than five acres, and where beans and potatoes are entered, the minimum plot not less than one acre. Selection must be made from the following crops, viz.: Spring, Fall or Goose wheat, oats, barley, corn, peas, alsike clover, red clover, potatoes, beans or any other staple crop produced for seed in Ontario. The South Grey Agricultural Society has selected OATS for their competition.

2. Competitors.—Competition shall be limited to members of Agricultural Societies, and the fields entered must not be more than fifteen miles from its headquarters. Competitors shall be allowed to make entry in only one society and but one entry can be made by each competitor.

3. Societies desiring to enter this competition must notify the Superintendent not later than the first day of May, and must make not less than ten entries nor more than twenty-five. 4. Individual Entries.—All individual entries must be forwarded by the secretary of South Grey Agricultural Society, who will forward the same to J. Lockie Wilson, Superintendent of Agricultural Societies, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, before the first of June, 1908.

Prizes.—The Ontario Department of Agriculture will contribute \$30.00 to each society on condition that prizes to the amount of \$50.00 be offered, these prizes to be not less than \$15, \$12, \$10, \$8, and \$5.

The Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture will provide expert judges for these competitions free of cost to the societies.

Address all communications before Thursday, May 28th, to C. FIRTH, Secretary, Durham, Ont.

Buessan.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. Archie McArthur only son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McArthur of this place. Deceased was a young man in his 25th year. Quiet, inoffensive and highly respected in the community where he lived all his life, his death is much lamented by friends relatives and neighbors. About four or five years ago he showed signs of failing health which subsequently developed into lung trouble and other complications. He attended his regular duties till the beginning of winter when he was forced to remain indoors. Death took place on Thursday morning last the 14th inst and the remains which were held over for the arrival of his sister from the West were not interred until Monday last, when they were committed to their last resting place in Durham cemetery. Rev. Mr. Farquharson officiated at the house and grave in the presence of a large number of friends and sorrowing relatives. His sister, Mrs. Wilkins, of Buffalo, was in attendance at his death and burial, but Mrs. Ries, of Alberta, was unable to be present. The fine weather is taken advantage of by the farming community who have long and patiently waited to get on with their seeding, which will be finished in the course of a week or so.

We are sorry to relate that the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Archie McArthur is still in a very serious condition of health. We hope for the best.

Mr. Hugh Campbell who spent the last six or seven years at Blind River, has again started farming at Rob Roy Corner. We welcome him back as a neighbor.

Mr. Neil McCannel the Liberal Candidate is renewing his acquaintanceship with old friends in Glenelg and expects to make a good showing on the 8th of June.

Born.—To Mr. and Mrs. Colin McIntyre of Glenelg Centre, a son.

Mr. Snell of Durham, delivered a very interesting sermon in the Glenelg Centre Baptist church on Sunday last. We hope to hear him again shortly.

The hay crop in this vicinity promises well and we do not expect to see any shortage next fall and winter.

The whistle of the train gives a cheerful air to the place. The steam shovel is busy loading the gravel cars every day.

Miss Cassie Kennedy returned after spending the winter in Toronto.

Hanover.

(From the London Free Press.) Hanover, May 16.—Mr. Henry Hesch lost his front finger and received a bad flesh wound in the thumb on Thursday while running the buzz plane in the Specialty Works. He has been unfortunate, for two fingers of his left hand were lost formerly in the machine.

Rev. Jonathan O'Neil, of Pittston, Pa., is here attending his father's funeral.

The heavy rains have delayed seeding, but an old Dutch proverb says, "Rain in May makes lots of hay." On light land the fall wheat is excellent. An interesting debate came off in St. Andrew's church on Friday night. The subject was: "Resolved, that the time has now arrived when the union of the three bodies (Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational) should be consummated." Messrs William Robertson and J. P. Pfeiffer were on the affirmative, and Mayor Taylor and Rev. A. L. Budge supported the negative. The judges were Rev. W. J. Zimmerman and Drs. Taylor and Mearns. The debate was briskly fought, but the decision was unanimous in favor of the affirmative. Miss Brown, of Neustadt, rendered several violin solos and was heartily encored, and a double quartette sang "Remember Thy Creator" with pleasing effect. The chair was occupied by Rev. Benson Cox, B. A., of the Anglican church, and there was a good audience.

Youth Fell 35 Feet After Being Shocked.

Lindsay, May, 18.—Wilfred Alger, aged 19, an employe of the Lindsay Light, Heat, and Power Co., at work at the top of a 35 foot pole this morning, received a shock of 1,000 volts from a transformer at his left side. He was pitched headlong to the ground, the severity of his fall, however, being broken by wires. He was apparently dead when his body reached the earth, and but for the prompt work of his foreman, John McGilivray, he would, it is thought, have never regained consciousness. Mr. McGilivray, with the knowledge born of former like experiences, worked over him for an hour and by artificial means restored respiration. Alger will live, and already feels better. His left hand is badly burned and his muscles are affected.

"Yes, a gentleman will always destroy a lady's love letters when there has been a quarrel between them."

"Of course, Jeanette, and so will a lady destroy those received from a gentleman. I hope you tore up that batch you received from Jack."

"Indeed I did. I tore them up in the tiniest pieces imaginable." "And were you very angry, dear?" "Angry? Why, it took me two whole days to paste them together again."—Chicago News.

Root Seeds Long Red Mangel Evans' "Saw Log" Steele-Briggs' "Mammoth" Rennie's "Perfection" Half Sugar Mangel Steele-Briggs' "Royal Giant" " " "Giant White" Rennie's "Giant" Yellow Mangel Steele-Briggs' "Yellow Globe" " " "Intermediate" Terry's "Yellow Leviathan" Field Carrott "White Belgian" AT Gun's Drug Store

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"THE HOUSE OF QUALITY" Great Money-Saving Opportunity!! Sale of "Sold Out" SAMPLES We made a big purchase last week, the sets of samples for which the stock had all been sold, belonging to a noted Montreal House. Of course, we got them at a rate on the dollar, At Wholesale Prices and Less we are enabled to sell these goods. They are perfect in every respect, and their being "sold out" is proof of their superiority. The lot comprises: Hosiery, about 42 different kinds. Underwear, mostly spring and summer weights. Belts, Braces, Handkerchiefs, Bathing Suits, Shirts and Sweaters. To make this sale all the more interesting, we have put on sale many other lines which have been bought at a fraction of the usual price. \$1.50 Shirts for 79c 100 shirts, perfect goods, mostly this season's make, the newest patterns in printed cloths and the best washing woven cloths. Not one of these shirts is worth less than a \$1.00, but most of them are worth from \$1.25 to \$1.50—while some are \$2.00 shirts. All put on the table this week at..... 79c 40c Hosiery Values for 25c 175 pairs men's socks, some silk embroidered and some plain, best English cashmere, a few lisle thread and fancy patterns, worth all of 40c pr. on sale this week per pair 25c \$2.50 Hats, Stiff and Soft, \$1.00 50 nice stylish hats, some stiff and some soft, celebrated makes, such as the "Cristy," "Jewsbury," "Churchill," "Waldorf," divided in two lots, nearly all are \$2.50 hats, a few \$2.00, price to clear, \$1.50 and..... 1.00 Special Money-Saving in Dry Goods White lawns, 42 ins wide reg 15c value for..... 9c yard Gingham, reg. 12 1/2c a yd in stripes and checks, also plain chambrays for..... 11c yard Dress linen, reg. 40c linen, 1 yd wide, very even in the weave, only..... 29c yard White vestings, reg 25c value, choice range of patterns 18c yard 40c ladies' embroidered and plain cashmere hose..... 29c pair The plain hose are a very fine quality, worth, easily 40c pair. Seamless feet and fast black. The embroidered hose are of an English make and embroidered in three colors. Both lines this week on the tables, sizes, 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2, at..... 29c pair Clothing Sale—\$1.00 values reduced to \$6.98. Many other lines in proportion. H. H. MOCKLER

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The Making of a Successful Husband By CASPAR S. YOST. Money Doesn't Insure Happiness, but the Lack of It Is Sometimes Fatal to Ideal Housekeeping—Going Into Debt Is a Hazardous Proceedure For the Newly Married. (Copyright, 1906, by C. S. Yost.) MY DEAR JOHN—I send enclosed check with ming feelings of pleasure and regret—pleasure that I am in position to spare the money, regret that you should find it necessary to ask for it. You made no explanation of your need, but the fact that you need it worries me a little. You know my boy, that I have never been out of a hand to help on money matters have always held that there are few things in life more important than the accumulation of a fortune for my life to quarrel over. The tables will show how much a dollar at compound interest will amount to in a hundred years never appealed to me. I can't see the dollar to better advantage than somebody else can use the interest after I am dead. The eloquent figures which prove that if a man saves his clear money rightly he will in course of a lifetime acquire enough to pay for a beautiful and most desirable lot in a fashionable cemetery never interested me in the least. A straight investment a good cigar, worth all it costs. It will pay for dividends than its equivalent in a bank put away in a bank. If drawn upon, moderation, it makes a man a better husband, a better citizen, a better Christian. But here I am wandering right at the start. I always get the track when I begin to talk about money. To get back to the forks of the road never figured on making a million out of myself, nor have I had any yearning desire to see your name in the trading books with seven figures at it. I have no objection to millions, they average up pretty well with the rest of humanity. But I believe if I could pin 'em right down to the bottom of the majority of them would admit they don't get as much real pleasure out of life as some of us who have scrambled for our ham and eggs. Looking at it in this way, I have tried to instill into your mind that the chief end of man, I have rather declined to let you work out your financial salvation along your own lines.