

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

Dr. Jamieson the Choice.

Monday last the Conservatives of the riding to the number of several hundreds turned out to their Convention and chose unanimously, as their standard bearer our respected townsman, Dr. Jamieson. We have not secured a report of the speeches but can easily bear witness to the warmth displayed by the rank and file while talking of the new candidate and his chances and from this warmth deduce that eloquence and fire were characteristic of the addresses.

No other candidates were put in serious nomination. The desire was for Dr. Jamieson, and it seems very evident that the party feel that a heroic effort must be made to win a victory even at a risk of sacrificing their best man.

It is 12 years since the party won a victory. It is now eight years past since they made an effort to fight for the local. The two chief actors of the fast struggle J. H. Hunter and John Blythe have passed to the greater number. No effort was made to oppose McKeechie, and four years ago they allowed their fortunes to drift with the Patron party, sharing of course in the victory though scarcely rejoicing over it.

Once more however they have buckled on their armour. They cling with a faith to Dr. Jamieson that is quite touching, in view of his past want of success, and this constancy must be highly gratifying to that gentleman.

A feature of the Convention was the large turn out from Dundalk the home of the Liberal candidate. Some wicked gits are inclined to say that a very special effort was made to have this contingent strong. Eighteen names on the hotel register made a good showing. Ayton, Neustadt and Elmwood were very slimly represented if at all. North Bentinck and North Glenelg were scarcely in evidence and a few others whose presence would have given comfort were conspicuous by their absence.

However we have no desire to minimize the meeting. It was certainly a large one, they have brought out a strong candidate and Mr. Morgan with him a toeman worthy of his steel not to speak of the patron Samson, Mr. McNichel.

PATRON CONVENTION.

David McNichel, M.P.P., re-nominated.

Leader Haycock present.

Fair-day was a fair day indeed, mild, with roads sleighable, and a Patron Convention with Leader Haycock billed, formed a series of attractions that drew a large crowd to town and filled the hall in the afternoon.

With great enthusiasm and, we understand, perfect unanimity, Mr. McNichel received the compliment of a second nomination, and will have a new experience time during the contest of having the enemy to right and left of him.

That he will have a new experience also at the close of the campaign is freely predicted, as the antagonism of the two old parties, will, it is said, seduce many from the Patron standard, as in the last election, and allow Mr. McNichel to experience an adverse vote.

This, of course is not certain. The enthusiasm displayed was of the genuine kind, and the speech of the day by Leader Haycock was a rousing one.

Mr. Haycock is a pleasing speaker, lucid in his arguments and is a hard hitter without being irritating or exasperating. He has his facts admirably marshalled and one is impressed with his evident desire to be fair to both parties while challenging the legislation and the record of both.

We have always admired the conduct of affairs of this province under Sir Oliver Mowat and his successor, except here and there a flaw, which turned out to be bearable when contrasted with the prospect of opposition rule, but we are free to say that our admiration for Liberal rule was heightened as we listened to Mr. Haycock's able speech on Tuesday.

Such speeches as his reported fully would be good grit campaign literature.

Mr. McNichel spoke briefly at the opening and the close leaving the time to his leader who held forth about 3 hours. Messrs Wm. Allan, Rogers

and Davis also spoke, and if we can make anything out of the notes we took, next week we may enlarge. Cheers for Mr. McNichel, Mr. Haycock and the Queen were given after the usual votes of thanks.

Mr. Thos. Brown occupied the chair very nicely and the order was good. Mr. T. Stewart, Dornoch, was allowed the platform to put himself right with the meeting, and was calling attention to the faulty music of the two Canadian lyres, the Globe and the Mail, and pointing out the Sun of truth when he was gently persuaded to retire.

CAMPAIGN NOTES.

The contest for the position of representative in the Legislature is now on, and it is to be a triangular fight once more. With the Liberals feeling strong in their candidate and in their government, the Conservatives sure of victory with the leader who made a good fight against the redoubtable Dr. Langaerkin and the Patrons with a memory of a majority of over 800, we will see some interesting sparring, a plentiful crop of predictions, some careful betting and no doubt some campaign lying.

Let it be a clean campaign. What ever thrusts are made let them come from a free platform or a free press and for this purpose the REVIEW is open for signed communications of reasonable length and character dealing with public men or public questions.

The three candidates occupy and have occupied respectable places in the community, in character they are above reproach. They differ in their religious views as they do in politics, but let us remember we are sending men to the Legislature and not to Limbo, and we will hear nothing of a man's belief.

The three conventions have all been enthusiastic, all have spoken: the word "go" has been given, the race is on and may the best man win.

Jamieson, McNichel, Morgan will be the order of the names on the ballot papers. What the order will be at the close of the race is to be seen.

The Hardy Government is on trial. If judged on its record, it deserves to win. Its virility and usefulness were never so much in evidence as they are this session.

They have committed mistakes? What government hasn't. They have been mistakes of judgement, acquiesced in by their opponents, corrected when discovered.

Ministers as well as men are human. What is plain is that after a quarter of a century of Liberal rule, the province is highly prosperous, not in debt, as Mr. Haycock plainly showed, and the public works of the ministry are a monument to their ability and integrity.

Ontario cannot afford to change ministers at the present time, with the men now in view to take their place.

THE CANDIDATES.

Two new candidates this week, and we wish to make a brief bow to both.

Dr. Jamieson, the Conservative candidate is well and favorably known in South Grey. He has had an extensive practice as a physician and has had some experience in municipal life. Originally of Reform stock he cast his lot with the Conservatives and has twice been their candidate but both times was defeated. That this defeat was not due to his personality his friends believe, and consequently they have again placed him in the front of the party in a new sphere. He is easily their strongest man and his popularity and platform ability would make him irresistible, were he supporting—say—the Hardy government.

Mr. David McNichel, the Patron Standard bearer is one of Bentinck's pioneers and served his township municipality for many years, occupying the reeve'ship a long time. He also is of Reform stock and was frequently mentioned as a possible candidate in by-gone years. He threw in his lot warmly with the Patron movement and four years ago became their candidate under circumstances which rendered his victory a foregone conclusion. His course this time is not so clear, and should he succeed in again being chosen South Grey's representative, it will tend to show that the patrons are alive even though their lodges don't meet, or else that Mr. McNichel is a stronger man than was the candidate in the last election. Mr. McNichel is very popular in his own township, and has acquired a Parliamentary experience that will be useful to him in the present campaign.

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PRICEVILLE.

The nice sleighing this week, brings more people out to town and makes business livelier.

Fair day passed off quietly, without much business in the forenoon, Mr. F. Wait's sale came off in the afternoon which was well attended. Mr. D. McCormack wielded the hammer in good style.

Mr. R. McGowan will wind up his business here next Saturday, having rented his Mills to Mr. Walters, of Walters Falls. Mr. McGowan will return to Oakville where his family still reside.

Mr. Simmonds, of Guelph, was the guest of Mr. John Stodart for a few days last week.

Mrs. Martha A. Watson returned recently from Cheboygan, Mich., where she has spent the summer.

Messrs Jas. and Chas. Tryon came home from Brooklyn, Ont., where they have been engaged for the last couple of years with Mr. Jas. Brander. They shipped away a car load of cattle that Mr. Brander had on his farm here, pasturing.

Miss Mary E. McArthur, of Batavia, is spending a couple of weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch. McLean.

Mr. Arch. McArthur is at present visiting his sisters, Mrs. Lowie and Mrs. Calder, of Underwood.

Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Corbetton, preached in the Presbyterian Church last Sunday.

Miss May Ferguson, of Cheboygan, Mich., is visiting her friends here at present and intends to remain with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, for the winter.

Mr. Duncan Stonehouse arrived home from the vicinity of Hamilton, where he has been for a couple of years.

Mr. John Nichol jr., is spending a few days in Collingwood, this week.

Miss Rallic Robertson left for Toronto last week.

The Sunday School of the Stone settlement and the Priceville Methodist Church, will have a Xmas Tree in the Methodist Church here, on Friday next, Christmas Eve. A good programme is prepared and a lively time is expected. We will not take up any more space in your valuable paper, this time wishing you a very Merry Xmas. Agus bhlaithna math ur dhuit.

IRISH LAKE.

The concert spoken of in the Review two weeks ago came off on the date mentioned and despite inclement weather and several disappointments that had to be contended with was a splendid success. First they depended on getting the curtains from the Sons of Temperance Priceville, but we notice there are a few in that town who are noted for their generosity in a case of that kind.

We would advise the Sons of Temperance to observe the Golden Rule as it is as good a motto as can be chosen by any lodge. The Irish Lake people never says fail and temporary curtains were quickly adjusted. The name of Mr. W. J. Benson was called out at intervals but he failed to put in an appearance.

Mr. John McArthur, merchant, Priceville was called to the chair which he filled in his usual efficient manner.

The children were all drilled to perfection, although it being their first appearance before an audience they seemed quite at their ease on the stage. We predict for some of them a brilliant oratorical career. The teacher Miss McCormack with a few outside talent took an active part. Mr. J. Jones violin selections contributed much to the evening's amusement as did also the organ accompaniment. The school was well filled with an appreciative and orderly audience. The programme began at 8 o'clock and was lengthy, amusing and varied. An address and presentation to the teacher was then given and the crowd dispersed after singing the National Anthem.

HOLSTEIN.

The Methodists of this place held their annual S. S. entertainment in this place on Sunday and Monday, Nov. 7 & 8. Magwood, of Kenilworth, preaching two very instructive sermons, speaking wholly to the children in the morning and in the evening to a well filled house. All enjoyed Mr. Magwood. On Monday evening after all had attended to the inner man downstairs, they repaired to the audience room upstairs where Rev. J. R. Isaac of the church, took the chair. After all sang the opening hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," Rev. Mr. Kitching, of Varney, led in prayer. Then the Xmas address by the pastor, a solo by Lillie Mickleborough, Rev. Mr. Sabine of Drew, spoke to the children, the choir sang a Jubilee song

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very nicely, Rev. Mr. Kitching addressed the community urging the old as well as the young to attend S. S., the choir sang another song, after which the Secy. read the annual report, then they closed with a Doxology and benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fleming, of Grenfell, N.W.T., are at Mrs. Fleming's father's, Mr. Nelson Main and other friends. All are well pleased to welcome Edith home once more in Holstein.

John Logan and James Dalgarro who have been in Dakota for the past couple of years arrived home on Thursday last to spend the winter.

Mrs. Frank Greenough, of Vassar, Mich., is home to spend the Xmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Cameron.

J. L. Brown, who is attending High School in Owen Sound is home for Christmas.

Miss Maggie Ferguson, of Swinton Park, is visiting her uncle, Mr. N. D. McKenzie.

The Presbyterians of this place, intend having a Xmas Tree on Friday, Xmas Eve.

Now Mr. Editor, wishing you all the compliments of the season and a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year, I will stop.

TOP CLIFF.

Miss Mary McPhail who has been in Hamilton for some time past is again in our midst and we are expressing the sentiments of everybody when we say, "we are pleased to see her back again."

He is up in that line of business.

Owing to the stovepipes on our school becoming blocked our teacher was obliged to stop school until the pipes under went a thorough cleaning operation which had the desired effect of letting the smoke escape from the room, and teaching was resumed the next day.

SLIPPERY ANGUS.

ORCHARD.

The Public School Exams, held on Friday last in S. S. No. 14 normally was a decided success. Much credit is due Miss Hopkins for the very able and efficient manner in which the scholars collectively and singly participated. Visitors to the number of 28 assembled in the afternoon to hear the recitations, songs, etc. The Chair was ably filled by Mr. Geo. Alexander who proved himself equal to the occasion lacking neither in wit nor song. After listening to the splendid recitations etc. all returned to their respective places of abode feeling assured that the interests of the scholars were being well looked after by their teacher Miss Hopkins who has given entire satisfaction during her three years sojourn among us.

Prospects for sleighing on Christmas at present are good, hope it may continue.

Mr. Peter McFide, who has been out in Manitoba high on two years returned home on Saturday last accompanied by Willie Carson and Willie Pettigrew. Peter is loud in his praises of that far away land of Lillies and Roses and says he thinks he will have a hard job to put in the time until his return trip which will be the first week in March.

The Y.P.S.C.E. of Knox Church Normanby, held their last business meeting of 1897 for the election of Officers and general business. The following are the names of officers for 1898: Pres., John Marshall; Vice Pres., Miss Jessie McFide; Cor. and Rec. Sec. and Treas., Wilfrid Watson.

Sterling SILVER.

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