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MAYORALTY 1904.

Ladies and Gentlemen—I respectfully solicit your votes and influences to elect me mayor for the year 1904

ONTARIO ARD.

Cordially solicit the votes and influences the electors for his run as Alderman.

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Having been urged offer myself as an Alderman in the Ontario Ward, I respectfully solicit your votes and influence to elect me to represent you in Council for 1904.

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Ladies and Gentlemen—Again I am asked to be one of the representatives and I therefore respectfully let your votes and influence to return for 1904.

FRONTENACARD.

I have been asked offer myself as a candidate for the Council and have consented. I solicit your aid and support in the election.

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WARD SYSTEM.

THE ADVANTAGES POINTED OUT BY T. J. GLOVER.

Claims That The Present System Is More in The Interest of The City Than General Election of Aldermen.

Kingston, Dec. 30.—(To the Editor): In my letter of last week I asked those anxious to see a change in the system of electing aldermen to the city council to give, in detail, their reasons for being so. Since then some reasons have been given, but there are some things still to be said in favor of the present ward system, and I hope that you can find space for them.

It is a well-known fact that people often dissent with serious consequences, because someone claims that a change would be a good thing; this, I hope, may not happen when the citizens of Kingston go to the polls next Monday. Let each elector look at the question before him, carefully, before taking the responsibility of marking his ballot for or against the by-law, is not necessarily a "change".

Kingston, in my opinion, and it is based upon first-hand knowledge, has all the advantages of an educational, residential and summer city, far beyond any other city in Canada—shall I say on this continent? This may seem foreign to this letter, but it is not far, unless you see it that our aldermen are men of high character, high ability and high faith in his possibilities, not men anxious to get into the council for the name of being there, or not for the name of "grind". We cannot hope to have our city, so attractive, or so well looked after as it is, if we make our city attractive, and share our faith in her by so doing.

Before bringing into this discussion the opinions of those who have seen the proposed system in operation for some years, let us look at the advantages of the present system of electing aldermen, in a common sense-way.

Under the ward system only those men who can qualify in a ward can represent that ward in the city council. Now, there can be no question that who has interest in a certain locality is more likely to know the needs of that locality and to advocate them than a man who perhaps never enters it. A man is more interested in his own ward than in that of his neighbor. It is in the ward system, part of the city, under the ward system, has some one to bring its needs before the council; every part of the city has its representatives just as every section and its dominion has its representation at Ottawa.

The objection that this leads to "ward pills," or a centre "pull," or a "pull" or some other "pull" far worse, would be the result under the proposed system. Everyone who knows man and history knows this. If the city engineer had a free hand, or if there were paid officials to look after the needs of the city and they had a free hand, it might be a little different, but the city engineer has not a free hand, and we have far too many paid officials now.

It is more than probable that, under the proposed system, the majority of the aldermen in the city council would be from the centre of the city and that they would be more of the professional character, men anxious to be before the public, office-seekers and others, equally objectionable, for the best men have to be sought after, and they are more likely to be known and sought after in their own ward where they live, have interests and are known by all who have the right to say who shall represent them in the city council. There are good men in every ward, but if they cannot be induced to serve the city under the present system, they certainly cannot under any other. Again, how many problems in this city could be solved by twenty-five candidates and do justice? I answer, without hesitation, not ten per cent. I care not how honest or how intelligent, few electors could sit down with a ballot containing the names of fifty or more men and vote for the best man, if they had all day to do it. The average elector would either vote a straight party ticket, as in Hamilton, according to the mayor of that city, or else he would "blunder" for a few and let the others go. He could not do otherwise. It would thus be a simple matter for a few men to secure a majority of the aldermen in the city council, who would endorse schemes brought before it by a committee seeking privileges in the city. This is a point to remember, for so many companies are seeking "concessions" by understand methods, now-a-days, in other cities, that the people need to be on the alert to subvert them.

The present system is not to be forgotten, even in Kingston, but there are more dangers ahead. It seems not a little strange that the advocates of the all-city vote try to make a point by saying that each elector's influence would be widened under that system—wonderful! Surely men are not so anxious to make crosses. It is objected that, under the ward

LEFT MINDED.

THE WAY THE BRAIN DOES WORK.

How Orders Are Announced And Obeyed—Dr. Withrow's Views In London Answers.

Both sides of the brain are capable of performing the duties of giving commands to the limbs, but the orders only come from one side, either from the right or left, but if the side upon which the speech center lies gets injured and is rendered incapable of performing its duty then the other side takes up the work, though it requires some time before it can do so properly.

Supposing a man meets with a bad fall or accident of any kind which damages the speech center on the left, he becomes dumb for the time being. Then the right side slowly learns how to give orders, and the man gradually regains power of speech after some years, but in many cases he becomes left handed because now the orders from the brain are transmitted more rapidly to the left than to the right.

You have often experienced, I suppose, the curious feeling that you have done something or met some one at some time or other when in reality you have not done so at all.

Supposing the left side of your brain conceived the idea that you were going to the your vote and that the right side was, say, a thousandth part of a second behind, then in grasping the same idea, the result, when the right side did grasp it, would be that you would imagine that you had already tied your boot lace.—Dr. Withrow in London Answers.

THE MAYOR EXPLAINS.

He Says He Was Misreported In His Remarks.

Kingston, Dec. 31.—(To the Editor): The article copied in your paper in Wednesday's issue, where I am accused of saying "I was not a humiliating thing for me to have to precede over a grit council next year," was not correct. What I did say in addressing the various candidates for aldermanic honors for 1904, was "While I feel quite satisfied that I will be elected, yet it would, no doubt, be a humiliating thing for you, gentlemen, to have the mayor and still sit in the minority."

I assure you, Sir, that I esteem the friendship and good will of my reform friends too much to feel any reluctance at serving the city in any capacity in association with them. My actions and conduct toward each member of the council of 1903 proved, I think, beyond a doubt, that I presided over the council without any fear or favoritism to either side, and in no instance did I allow political bias to interfere with my duties in the capacity of mayor.—J. H. BELL.

Lakes of Blood.

The name Lake of Blood or its equivalent has been given to places as far apart as England and South America.

"Sanguelac"—i. e., the Lake of Blood—was the name given by the victorious Normans to the battlefield at Hastings, where the Saxons were overthrown and slain with terrible carnage.

For a similar reason Lake Trasimene has borne the name "Sanguinetta" because its waters were reddened during the second Punic war by the blood of some 15,000 Romans who fell before the troops of Hannibal.

Yet another Lake of Blood, called also "Yaguar Cocha," is situated in the state of Ecuador. It is one of a series of lakes formed by the extinct craters of volcanoes on the towering heights of the Andes range of mountains.

Tenderloin Lights To Shine.

New York, Dec. 31.—Unusual activity in the Tenderloin region was noted as a reminder to those who strolled that way to-day that a change in the administration of Greater New York has been closed during the low tide of the city's affairs.

Scientist Calls Sexes Equal.

London, Dec. 31.—Woman's latest champion is the famous Russian sociologist, Prof. Novikoff, who brings forward some arguments to show that there is no basis for the theory that woman is inferior to man.

Conservatory Of Music Scheme.

O. F. Telgmann has a scheme under way to form his school into a joint stock company, with a view of furthering instruction in all branches of music. A school of elocution and dramatic art would be made a special feature. Many friends of Mr. Telgmann have advised him to try such a scheme and if possible have examinations conducted in connection with Queen's University.

A Machine Candidate.

Mayor Bell was announced as a straight party candidate. All pretence and discretion was thrown aside; therefore, though he has no regularly organized party opposition, he is amenable to all the criticism that party use of municipal machinery evokes. He is no longer an aspiring citizen receiving liberal votes on grounds of fair feeling, but a machine candidate, given up wholly to the political game.

Vessels In Kingston Harbor.

In Kingston harbor lying in winter quarters are forty-nine registered vessels. These constitute twenty steamers, four tugs, and twenty-five schooners and barges.

Six Shines Etc., at Guess' Pool Room in Connection.

Ladies, it will pay you to read Livingston's advt.

THE PRESS IN BRITAIN.

Sir Leslie Stephen Makes Some Naive Confessions and Remarks.

The Saturday Review represented a real attempt to raise the intellectual level of journalism and claimed to be an organ of what is now called culture. Anyhow, I am impatient as regards my share in it. I was never so far as I can remember, dishonest in the sense of ever depending what I took to be the wrong side. I am afraid that I may have been guilty of some over-confidence in my own infallibility. I wrote with a certain happy audacity. I had nothing to do with politics or theology, but it seems to me that I ranged over most branches of human knowledge, from popular metaphysics to the history of the last university boat race.

I reviewed contemporary novels, novels, travels, economic treatises and literary histories. I fancy that I was pretty harmless. I have some reason to think that I saved one gentleman from adding an indefinite series of cantos to a poem, and I may have indulged in a bout or two at well-meaning people which I should now be hardly prepared to justify. My chief impression, however, is different. I had, not long ago, to turn over the files of the paper for another purpose. Incidentally I looked for my own, and was a little startled to discover that I could rarely distinguish them by internal evidence. I had unconsciously adopted the tone of my colleagues, and like some inferior organisms, taken the coloring of my "environment." That, I suppose, is the common experience. The contributor occasionally assimilates; he sinks his own individuality and is a small wheel in a big machine. If he behaves as an honest wheel, neither lying nor scampering, he may be satisfied. The newspaper press is anyhow a necessary, even if the "public opinion" which it utters has not the transcendent wisdom and infallibility which enthusiasts claim for it; and a man who helps to maintain a wholesome tone is doing good service. Perhaps he may give thanks that his anonymity saves him some of the temptations which have weakened the moral fibre and injured the work of so many men of letters who do not wear the mask.—Leslie Stephen in National Review.

Has Already Made His Mark.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor says of Lord Percy, the new Under-Secretary of the War Office: "Though a young member of the House, he has already made his mark there. Thin, tiny, boyish-faced, and somewhat unattractive, he has shown fine oratorical gifts; indeed, there is a curious contrast between the power of the fine resonant voice and the copious and eloquent vocabulary, and the smallness of the physique, which is striking; it has often occurred before, as people know, in the case of orators. Lord Percy is, besides, a very high-minded and very honest young politician. Perhaps he has a little too much of the same sacred-dotalist spirit as Lord Hugh Cecil, and as Gladstone had when he was a boy; and Lord Percy belongs to a small and not very work-a-day crowd, the Irvingites, who came into existence under the inspiration of Edward Irving and Henry Drummond—the latter a close connection of Lord Percy—his uncle, if I be not mistaken. I regret that Lord Percy at this juncture should be at the Foreign Office; he has traveled a great deal, especially in the Turkish dominions, but I fear he is rather Turcophile, and that is fatal at a moment when Macedonia is trying to break her chains."

Young Prince Edna.

It is stated that as soon as Prince Edward of Wales, who is now in his tenth year, is old enough, he will be entered as a cadet at the new Royal Naval College, Osborne, which was opened by King George last regatta week at Cowes. Should this prove true, the Prince will only be following the example of his father, who, at the age of twelve, was sent to the Britannia with his brother, Prince Eddy—his senior by just seventeen months—to learn the rules of the sea service. After spending two years on the Britannia the two brothers started on a three years' voyage round the world on the Bacchante, after which Prince George gradually ascended the ladder of naval rank till, in 1890, he was given the command of a gunboat on the West Indian station. After the death of his brother in 1892 he had to abandon his naval career in order to prepare himself for his ceremonial duties.

The Countess of Hanford.

The people of New Zealand are organizing a testimonial for the Countess of Hanford before she and the Governor take their departure from the colony. The whole of Lord Ranfurly's family have become greatly endeared to the New Zealanders, for they have moved about the colony a good deal and become personally known to nearly everybody. Lady Constance Knox recently went on a voyage to the Auckland Islands in the remote Southern Ocean, and the Governor himself has made several trips among the archipelagoes of the South Pacific.

Rich Man Slept In A Stau.

Boston, Dec. 31.—Supposed to be the possessor of nearly \$100,000, but still preferring an empty stall in a small, cold barn with a little straw for a bed, John Robinson, aged and decrepit, is as the result of his frugal living, on the "dangerous" list at the City hospital. Robinson was burned as the result of the overturning of an oil stove, on which he cooked his scanty meals. His detention at the

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Recommendation.

"Didn't your old employers recommend you?"

"Oh, yes?"

"Their word should have been enough."

"It was. They announced me as the best man they ever turned out."

A Provident Man.

Knicker—Did Suburbs leave his family well provided for?

Bocker—Yes, indeed. He had cooked engaged for two months ahead.

She Settled It.

"Sir," began the youth, "I have come to ask for your daughter's hand in—"

"No, sir!" snorted her father. "You can't have her! What could possibly have prompted you to ask—"

"Why—she did, sir?"

"Oh, that's different! Also, that settled it!"

Anxious.

Allee—How did you feel while Fred was proposing to you?

Mildred—Two or three times I felt like supplying the words I knew he was groping for, but of course that wouldn't have been the thing to do at all.

A Good Word.

Ferdy—I put in a good word for you, old chap. I told her you had more money than brains.

Algy—And what did she say then?

Ferdy—She asked me if you had any money.—Puck.

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