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IV.

One of my correspondents has written that Kingston should await the experience of other places before changing its manner of electing aldermen. The same thought has been expressed in Kingston, and in the press. The idea generally entertained is that little experience has been had with the system of electing aldermen or municipal representatives at large. It may surprise some people that the experience has been an extensive one, that the evidence is direct and generally satisfactory.

In September this year (1903), the municipal editor of the Toronto News took up a special consideration of the issue. He prepared a schedule of questions the answers to which were calculated to draw out a full and explicit statement of public opinion on the part of representative men. The correspondence was assorted, analyzed, and printed in a condensed form in the Toronto News of October 3rd, and the following is a further summary of it. I submit it as a final contribution so far as I am concerned, to the literature on this subject.—Yours, faithfully, R. MEEK.

The Wards Abolished.

Wards have been abolished in St. Thomas, Whitby, Newmarket, Bowmanville, Perth, Waterloo, Chatham, Galt, Stratford, Renfrew, Lindsay, Sarnia, Ridgetown, Strathroy, Oakvide, Prescott, Tillsonburg, Peterboro, Simcoe, Wingham, Port Arthur, London, Belleville, Berlin, Hamilton, Preston, Guelph.

Some twenty-four of the thirty municipalities, where the wards have been abolished, are reported to be satisfied with the change. In some cases the feeling is very strong in favour of the new plan.

Only four are reported to be dissatisfied. Twenty-seven say that political feeling has not been intensified, and two offer no opinion (Hamilton not included).

In seventeen cases it is said the result has been to secure a better class of men for the council. Nine declare there has been no improvement. Four gave no opinion.

What Mayors Say.

Mayor Maxwell, St. Thomas.—The results of the change are more marked in not producing a representation so well distributed in the different parts of the city, and of subjecting the council to an entire change for those of no experience. My experience is that every council should have some men of experience in its civic affairs. A remedy might be suggested in having the tenure of office for two years and half the aldermen retire each year, of course, with elegibility of re-election.

Mayor Been, Waterloo.—Members of the council take more interest in the affairs of the town. It is a distinct improvement on the old ward system, under which members often strive to secure large appropriations for their own wards so as to ensure re-election. This species of ward politics has been done away with, and members take a broader view of municipal questions.

Mayor Smallfield.—(Ward system of twelve members changed to new system, mayor and six members). I have not heard a single expression of regret that the change was made. The noticeable results of the new system have been (1) the creation of smaller and more efficient committees, with greater sense of responsibility; (2) the obviation of the "pulling" for ward appropriations with its evil tendency of "You see me through this and I'll see you through that." There are fewer opportunities for deals. While the success or failure of any system depends on the honor and ability of those chosen to administer it our experience has been that the small council, elected by general vote, is a more workable and better organization than the larger body.

Mayor Southeran, Lindsay.—The people are well satisfied with the change. It has certainly improved the class of representatives, and I am confident that political feeling has not been intensified thereby. The most noticeable result has been that the ward feeling has entirely disappeared and that the aldermen work together in harmony for the general good of the community.

Mayor Cant, Galt.—Appropriations for improvement are better spent than under the ward system.

Mayor Wilson, Ridgetown.—The ward system has been abolished and the people would not think of going back to it. A better class of men are elected.

Mayor Kelly, Oakville.—Each councillor now works for the municipality as a whole, when formerly he would work mostly for his own ward.

Mayor Boys, Barrie—(Ward system abolished four years ago, but revived and now in force). I am of opinion that, situated as Barrie is, we get better representation by the ward system, for under the other system the councillors were elected from the centre of the town and were naturally not in as close touch with the outlying wards, particularly Allandale ward, as representives who live in the wards. So there was a somewhat natural tendency to give the heart of the town more consideration than it was entitled to. The ward system, of course, has its drawbacks, for there is an undoubted tendency on the part of representatives to do much for their own wards and not enough for the general welfare of the town. But notwithstanding this I am of opinion that we get better results with the ward system, and so far the class of representatives has been quite as good.

Mayor Graham, Belleville.—(Ward system abolished. Mayor and ten aldermen elected at large). The people appear to be well satisfied with the new system. We have a much better class of representatives. There is no politics in municipal matters here. This is a conservative town, but our present aldermen compose six conservatives and four reformers. But for many years politics have been left entirely out of consideration in municipal elections.

Mayor James, Bowmanville.—I think that the old system possessed this advantage that among twelve men were to be found a larger percentage of practical men for committees. This year, for example, in this town we have had under way the erection of new municipal buildings, and the conversion of a church into a fire hall. It so happened that of the seven men—mayor and six councillors—not one had had much experience in building. On the whole I am disposed to favor the ward system.

Mayor Bell, Kingston.—We still stick to the old plan of ward representation. The new system was voted down by our council of 1902. Personally I feel that it would be better to adopt the new method, but with an equal representation to what we now enjoy, or nearly so.

Mayor Stewart, Perth.—The most noticeable effect has been that while formerly it was not difficult to get business men to accept nomination in their own ward it is now most difficult to get them into a contest, which means a canvass of the whole town.

Minor Opinions.

Guelph.—Ward heelers partly silenced.

Waterloo.—Ward politics have been done away with, and members take a broader view of municipal questions.

Chatham.—Midnight sessions are a thing of the past. Our business is expedited.

Newmarket.—There has been no very great change as the result of the act.

London.—A general interest in the affairs of the city instead of a local care as formerly.

Port Arthur.—We have better representatives.

Simcoe.—Work done better. Less vigilence, but also less jealousy between wards, and better balanced administration. Tenure of office might be lengthened with advantage.

Wingham.—With the abolition of the wards we also reduced the number of councillors, and this has caused less difficulty in having posts filled by competent men, has rendered the council more wieldly, with the result that the work of the council is attended to both better and more expeditiously.

Strathroy.—Change is working for general good.

Sarnia.—There is less squabbling and more business.

Stratford.—Business is expedited, owing to reduction of number of councillors.

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Our imports from Canada, which in 1893 amounted to only $34,000,000, will in the present year reach about $55,000,000. Our exports to Canada, which in 1893 were $57,000,000, will in 1903, aggregate about $130,000,000.

On the import side the increase in our purchases from Canada has been much more rapid proportionately than from other parts of the world. The total imports of United States in 1893 were $776,000,000, and in the calendar year 1903 will aggregate about $1,000,000,000, an increase of about 30 per cent; while the imports into the United States from Canada meantime show an increase of about 60 per cent. The total exports from the United States, which in 1893 were $876,000,000, will in 1903 approximate $1,460,000,000, an increase of 66 per cent., while in our exports to Canada the increase is about 125 per cent.

The principal articles of import into the United States from Canada during the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1903, with the value of each, were as follows: Cattle, $344,844; horses, $42,825; sheep, $1,008,685; asbestos, $709,604; fish, $2,769,180; furs and fur skins undressed, $862,839; hides and skins, $1,906,433; iron ore, $320,263; nickel ore and matte, $1,107,530; raw silk, $103,482; lumber, $13,785,894; timber, $41,082.

The principal domestic exports from the United States to Canada for the same period were as follows: Agricultural instruments, $4,022,772; animals $3,682,217; books, maps, etc., $1,608,749; breadstuffs, wheat, $4,021,571; coal, $16,294,329; raw cotton, $5,932,429; manufactured cotton, $3,907,096; fibre manufactures, $2,252,819; iron and steel manufactures, $24,681,870; paper manufactures, $1,348,710; provisions, including dairy products, $2,773,081; seeds, $999,218.

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