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### MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.



MAYORALTY, 1888.

TO THE ELECTORS :

In respectfully soliciting your votes and influences for the ensuing Mayoralty election, I trust that my service in the Council in important positions, and my fidelity to the interests of the city at large, will commend me to your fullest support and consideration.

Yours Faithfully. J. DUNCAN THOMPSON.

# DRENNAN FOR MAYOR-



# To the Electors of Kingston:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—Being sure that if elected Mayor of this City for 1888, my course in the Council during the year will meet with the approval of the public in general, I respectfully solicit your votes and influence in the coming Mayoralty Election. I will spare no efforts in behalf of measures which will be in the interests of Kingston and its people. the interests of Kingston and its people. Nov. 20 W. M. DRENNAN.

# MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, 1888.

TO GEO. S. FENWICK, ESQ. :

We, the undersigned Electors, request you to offer yourself as a candidate for Alderman for Ontario Ward, and promise you our heartiest support and influence:

J. McNaughton, T. McAuley. Wm. Allen, J. Smith. Wm. Rigney, Jno. McKay, Jno. Laidlaw. David G. Laidlaw. f. G. Rudd. R. J. Bowes, James B. Johnston, Jno. Ward. Jno. C. Innes. J. Belcher. Thos. Y. Greet, Thos. Mills, Dan Callaghan, Richard T. Walkem, J. B. Walkem, R. Vashon Rogers, Jas. McArthur, B. M. Britton. George A. Kirkpatrick, T. M. Parkins, C. F. Gildersleeve, Wm. Ford, Jno. L. Whiting, R. M. Ford, J. B. Carruthers, L. J. B. Pense. W, R, McRae. R. W. R. McRac. W. Carey. L. Clements, Jno. Kelly, Robert T. Burns, N. McNeil.

A. Lellenp,

R, M. Rose, Jno. Fraser. J. M. Machar. . C. Mitchell, J. B. Murphy, John Schroder, Jas. Kavanagh, A. Gunn, H. T. Shibley. John Reyner, John Mudie, A. P. Knight. R. Stirling. R. E. Kent, W. C. Martin, Saml. Dyde. Robert Hendry, Jr., Thos. Wilson, Thos. Peters, R. Crawford, A. Ross. W. D. McRae, L. W. Breck. E. A. Booth, J. A. Hendry. B. W. Robertson, Patrick Browne, N. K. Scott, James Yule. Robert Christoe, F. X. Lachance, Fred. Crosby. W. C. Carruthers, M. S. Sutherland,

#### Owen Tierney. And others. To the Flectors of Ontario Ward:

GENTLEMEN,—As requested by the above named electors, I very cordially offer myself as one of the candidates for your suffrage. The honour is one not only unsolicited, but quite unexpected; and if elected my services in your interests shall be discharged conscientiously to the best of my ability. As it is an office of trust and confidence so it should be tendered and not solicited. I shall,

therefore, not canvass a vote, leaving it entire-ly to your own good judgment who shall repre-sent you in the Council. GEORGE S. FENWICK.

To the Electors of Ontario Ward. IN offering myself for re-election to the posi-tion of Alderman for the ensuing year, I re spectfully solicit your votes and influence. JOSEPH F. SWIFT.

To The Electors of Cataragui Ward. i again offer myself for re-election to the position of Alderman for the ensuing year. I wish any voter I cannot see personally to kind ly accept this request for their vote and in-F. S. REES.

To the Electors of Frontenac Ward. BEING solicited by a large number of the electors of Frontenac Ward to stand for Alderman for 1888, I now solicit your votes and in-N. WILMOT.

To the Electors of Cataragui Ward I respectfully solicit your votes and influence as Alderman for the ensuing year. DR. D. PHELAN.

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THE DAILY WHIG.

A PASSING WORD. The Montreal Herald gives the farmers a reassuring word. It points out that not very long ago the wheat growers of the United States and Canada were alarmed by the spectre of wheat from India proving a dangerous competitor in the British market, in consequence of the somewhat extraordinary development which took place in that country a few years ago in the production and export of wheat.

Now Mr. Dodge, an official of the depart. ment of agriculture at Washington, has completed an investigation into the matter and his report is calculated to dispel any alarm that may have been felt by American or Canadian wheat growers. He claims that the tendency to increase the wheat acreage in British India has been checked, and states in support of this claim that the wheat area cultivated in that country in 1886-87 was 26,735,484 acres, a decline of over half a million acres from the previous year, a million and a half less than the year before, and an increase of less than a million acres over the acreage of 1878-79.

In regard to the exports of wheat from India Mr. Dodge states that for 1887 they are not quite five millions in excess of those in 1882, that but nine per cent. of the Indian product has been exported, against thirty-one per cent. in the United States, and that, though the Indian export for 1887 was the largest on record, only 403,381 tons were sent to Great Britain as against 603, 561 tons the previous year. The surplus of Indian wheat went mainly to India. The main reason for this, as given by the official above referred to, is that the British people will have American varieties of wheat and American grades of flour in preference to he inferior wheat of the Indian dependencies. From a consideration of these facts Mr. Dodge concludes that Indian wheat can never become a dangerous competitor to American wheat in the British market Such a report will doubtless reassure the wheat-growers of the west and north-west that India cannot have for the while the terror it was supposed to have lately conveyed to the

# THE ELECTION PETITION.

Two days having been spent in hearing evidence, and without leading to the discovery of any impurity in connection with the last federal election, the petition against the return of Sir John Macdonald has been dismissed with costs.

The petitioner went into court with what he thought to be a good case, and brought forward at once the testimony which appear ed to be the most damaging It did look, in its recital by the parties alleged to have been bribed, bad enough, but its seriousness was considerably modified by the evidence presented by the defence, and the judge, with a discrimination made keen by long experience, dealt with it in his own decisive way, and made others to feel, as he did, that it was not such as the court could accept unquestionably and so nullify the election.

His lordship went further than to merely reject the evidence of two of the principal witnesses; he has declared it to be his opinion that these men have given criminal offence, that in his opinion they have not been bribed, that in truth they have been guilty of either perjury or obtaining money under false pretences and should in consequence be prosecuted by the county attorney. They certainly did make a very bad impression, showing themselves to be men who were capable of doing any meanness that had money connected with it. Witnesses who will first sell their votes and then sell the men who bribed them, or essay to do so, are not the kind upon which much dependance can be placed in any place or at any time.

The importance attached to the Cambridge-Noble case indicated, and quite correctly, that the election case was likely to hinge upon it. When it was argued, and so ably by Messrs. Blake and McCarthy, and when the judge had dismissed the charge, declaring that in his opinion Mr. Noble had not committed a corrupt and wilful act, the end seemed to have come. On the consultation of counsel subsequently it was decided to abandon the action, and that purpose was carried into effect at the court to day.

Justice Patterson very properly discoursed upon the fact that so far as the evidence went it pointed to the fulfilment of the agreement into which the political parties entered on the eve of the last election. Certainly if there were any violations of the law or of the agreement they were not proven, and the abandonment of the scores of charges contained in the bill of particulars is in itself an admission that there was not much hope of sustaining them. To be sure the truth may never be known. The evil of elections-at least the evil of the money influence-can never be fully fathomed; still it is a satisfaction to know that the suspicion resting upon many has been emoved, and this could not have been without a trial. The manner in which the

facts were brought out, and the quiet settle ment of this remnant of election differences, is a matter for congratulation.

There is just one feature of the trial which many will regret. It was unfortunate that the late Isaac Nable's name and action should have been introduced into the issue, but it seems to have been unavoidable-the case was entered in the election particulars before Mr. Noble died-and the discussion of them by the counsel for the petitioner did not suggest the depreciatory course followed by certain witnesses who were called for the defence. Mr. Noble was in life, one of Sir John Macdonald's most active supporters; his devotion to the party, and to his party's leaders, was such that he could not be otherwise than active in an election, and for his former "friends" and "political allies" to come forward and attempt to belittle his services was something little less than a scandal. The depreciation was, no doubt, due to the desire of the witnesses to mitigate the responsibility which appeared to attach to Mr. Noble's action, but under no circumstances was it justifiable, it assuredly did not affect the election, and those who contributed to it must feel a mortification which language inadequately describes. It is a lamentable fact that politics are so destructive of the affections, as exhibited in the case of a long since departed leader and now in the case of Mr. Noble.

As a city Kingston may be said to have been redeemed, however, from corruption. It once had a bad record—the trial of the election petition of 1874 seemed to make it still more obnexious but it is of the past. The election agreement seems to have done great good after all.

## COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.

Every One Has Said it.

Ottawa Journal.

The value of a fearless honest man in the municipal counsels of a city has rarely been better exemplified than in Mr. Howland's

#### The Quebec Salvationist Troubles. L. O.David to L'Electeur.

Either these people (the salvationists) violate the law or they don't; if they violate it, let them be brought before the courts; if they do not violate it by what right are they attacked !

#### Oh, Ain't That Too Much! Montreal Herald.

Now that the man Baird has abandoned his seat in Parliament which was given him by his protege, Dunn, it is hoped that he will have the honesty to disgorge the \$1,000 sessional allowance which he now practically admits he had no right to receive.

### A Few in Other Places.

London Advertiser. Some Montreal aldermen want to be paid for their services. Agreeing with the fairness of the proposal we hold they should be paid according to the character of their services rather than for their time. Judged by this standaad, we know aldermen who would close their term considerably in debt to the city.

Some Wide-Awake Men Here. Hamilton Times,

Kingston has been regarded as a slow city, but in some respects its leading men supply an example to outsiders. In matters municipal its would-be mayors and aldermen are not afraid to declare themselves before nomination day, as is seen by the column of cards advertised in the WHIG. The people can be much more easily reached by a good advertisement in a leading paper than by any other method.

# THE STELLARTON DISASTER.

A Regular System of Inspection Recommenced by the Coroner's Jury.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 7.—The explosion of the boiler of locomotive 170 at Stallarton, which resulted in the loss of three lives and the injury of several others, is the first instance of the kind in Nova Scotia railroading. The evidence of the coroner's jury was very conflicting, but the bulk of it showed that the engine had long been in a dangerous condition, and that there was no regular and thorough system of boiler inspection by the railway department. The jury returned a verdict that Daniel Robertson came to his death by the explosion of the boiler of loco-motive 170, and that the bulk of expert testimony leads to the conclusion that said boiler was weak. The jury recommend that a system of regular inspection of boilers be adapted by the International authorites.

# ARCHBISHOP OF ARMAGH

Interesting Contest Expected Over the

Election of a Successor to Him. LONDON, Dec. 7 .- The demise of the Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland will open a new struggle in Rone between the Irish nationalists and the English politicians over the selection of his successor. Lord Salisbury always believed that if he had been in power in 1885 instead of Mr. Gladstone he would have been able to prevent the appointment of Dr. Walsh to Dublin, and he will make a big effort now to have either Woodlock or Donnelly, both of whom are castle prelates, given the Armagh See. Cardinal Moran, of Australia, would also be preferable in his eyes to a nationalist. The contest will be an interesting one.

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