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BORN.

ALLAN—At Scotch Line, on Thursday, January 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. John O. Allan, a son.

TYSLICK—In Althorpe, on Wednesday, Jan. 16th, 1905, to Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Tyslick, a son.

DIED.

DOWDELL—In Bollingbroke, on Jan. 6, Mrs. Edwin Dowdell, aged 57 years.

GEMMILL—In Carleton Place, Jan. 13th, Madge, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gemmill, aged 8 years.

MACFARLANE—At Frankton, Jan. 16th, Annie Howie, wife of Rev. A. H. Macfarlane, aged 53.

MCGLADE—In Perth, on Thursday, Jan. 12, 1905, Michael McGlade, aged 70 years.

RITCHIE—At Lacombe, Alta., on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd, 1905, Marian, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ritchie, at the age of 6 months 8 days.

SINCLAIR—At Regina, Assa., January 15th, Rev. John A. Sinclair, M. A., in his 42nd year.

MR. WHITNEY.

With Mr. Whitney as a private citizen we have nothing to do, but with Mr. Whitney as an aspirant to the highest office in this province we have to do. He made a speech in Napanee and he arraigned the Government for its alleged lax enforcement of the liquor law, and stated that if he was given power that he would enforce it rigidly and inexorably, and quoted the words of a gentleman who told him that "the people of Ontario have no idea of the working of the license law because they had not seen it properly enforced; if they had they would have been perfectly satisfied." Now what does Mr. Whitney do after delivering himself of this grandiloquent oration? He goes to his hotel and after prohibited hours has hot Scotch whiskey and hot Scotch is not given in the dictionary in the list of temperate drinks. It is said in extenuation, for our good Conservative friends never see anything wrong on their side of the fence, that it was thought to be legal for a guest to have whiskey. How far does this excuse Mr. Whitney? He is a lawyer and had just been expatiating on the merits of the liquor Act, and are we to understand he didn't know its provisions? Which horn will these excusing gentlemen sit on, "ignorance of law" or "wilful breaking"? They can sit on the one that is most comfortable but neither is promising. As a lawyer, it is surely Mr. Whitney's business to know the law, and as a criticizer and fault-finder it is doubly his duty to know. The judges on more than one occasion have decided that a guest has no special privilege in regard to whiskey, and if Mr. Whitney didn't know this it is not possible that there are a great many other things in connection with law and government that he has not taken the trouble to make himself acquainted with, and would it not be well for him to finish his apprenticeship before, he aspires to a master's place?

Then as to example to the young men of this province. Is it for their highest good that he should occupy the highest place? Those that think so can mark their ballots for Col. Matheson, who we have no doubt will stick to Mr. Whitney. Those who do not approve will have the opportunity of marking their disapproval by voting for Mr. Farrell in the South and Mr. Edwards in the North riding.

WHAT LANARK RECEIVED.

The question has been asked what has the Ross Government done for Lanark County, considered a hopelessly Conservative constituency by some people. We answer much. The Ross Government laid aside \$1,000,000 to improve Ontario roads. Lanark County went into the good roads scheme and in the first place bought up three toll roads. They paid about \$19,000 for them, but received over \$6,000 from the Government as a third share of the cost. Last year about 13 miles of good roads were constructed, and the Government's share is nearly \$8,000 and the cheque is now to the credit of the county in the bank. More money will be received this year for good roads work. In fact the Government will pay one-third the amount the county expends. The county reaps the benefit. The good roads policy of the Ross Government as exemplified in this county has had its most ardent champion in Warden Rogers, and as everyone knows Mr. Rogers is an active Conservative, and those who know him will not accuse him of taking up any subject with which he is not entirely in accord. This is one reason why the Ross Government should be treated well by South and North Lanark, especially when an ex-secretary of the South Lanark Conservative Association is a warm admirer and friend of its good roads legislation.

FARRELL IN SOUTH LANARK.

The call has been sent out by the Tory machine managers in this riding to give Col. Matheson a majority of 1,000. Is he entitled to it? The colonel, we have no doubt, is anxious to have a larger majority than was given to the Hon. John Haggart, but will he get it? We think not. The Liberal candidate, Mr. Farrell, is the strongest opposition the colonel has ever had. He has made good progress all over the riding, and wherever he has gone he has been well received. We advise his workers to get to work early on the 25th, in order that every vote may be polled. Every Liberal vote is wanted. Our Opposition friends make great capital about popular majorities. If every Liberal vote is polled there will be no popular Tory majority.

EDWARDS A WINNER.

The Liberal interests in North Lanark look very bright, and the old riding so long held by its late respected member will honor his memory by remaining in the party it was his pleasure to serve. The North Lanark Liberals have a good winning candidate in Mr. Edwards, of

Carleton Place, who is making excellent progress in his canvass and organization. His opponent is a persistent office-seeker. He has already been defeated four times and has won once. Preston's late majority in Carleton Place will be cut in two, Almonte and the west will uphold their reputation, and Mr. Caldwell will be followed in the House by Mr. Edwards. But one word to the Liberal workers: be sure you get out the vote on the 25th. Never mind what kind of weather it is, turn out and vote. Your vote will be needed, if you desire a Liberal representative at Toronto.

"BRAZEN IMPUDENCE."

While in one of his undignified moods at nomination Col. Matheson charged the secretary of the South Lanark Reform Association with brazen impudence, at the same time insinuating against the character of the returning officer and his deputies, and while not giving its authority, the *Expositor* takes up the parrot cry. Here are the facts: Mr. Walker, as representing the Liberal executive, had every right to make any changes in the D. R. O. list desired. It was the committee's privilege to advise Mr. Armour, and the advice was given openly, not under cover. The charges of the colonel were not apropos. The writ issued to Mr. Armour in December had not had time to cool off before Col. Matheson approached the returning officer with a suggestion of a change in South Sherbrooke. He wanted the two subdivisions there amalgamated. This being refused him, much to his chagrin, he asked for certain changes in the boundaries of the two S. Sherbrooke subdivisions. These requests were not openly made, and knowing this the colonel's remark about brazen impudence fits very nicely on himself.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Farrell is the man to vote for. Remember Ross, Farrell and Edwards. It is just like some Grit to have brazen impudence.

Mr. Farrell drove home his points on Col. Matheson.

The two candidates are lawyers, military men and friends.

The *Expositor's* leading editorial this week was part of Col. Matheson's speech at nomination. Funny.

The colonel made an accusation at the nomination meeting against a party who was not present. Would he have done so had the gentleman been present? We think not.

The colonel says Whitney will be elected mainly by the vote of the independent Reformers. Then if there are no Reformers in Whitney's Cabinet, of what good will Whitney be to the country?

The colonel ought to get a new part for his West Elgin story. We would suggest that he attach some of Andy Ingram's doings to it. It would make an interesting yarn.

Will Col. Matheson explain what he insinuates against the returning officer and the deputies? Of course, it is hard to ask him to do this, for it happened in one of his erratic moods. At the same time his remarks were decidedly ill-chosen.

PERTH OLD BOYS.

Mr. James Code, in a lengthy letter to the *Courier*, from Evanston, Wyo., says he reads with pleasure all about the reunion of the Perth old boys. He believes it to be a grand proceeding and heartily concurs with his friends and old boy John J. McLaurin, of Franklin, Pa. Mr. Code was born and raised in Drummond and Perth was always his headquarters. He also enclosed the appended letter.

The writer is a Chinaman, by name Leo Quie, who was born in Evanston in 1878. When about 8 years old, Leo Quie was taken back to China with his two little sisters by their mother, and their intention was not to return to the States, and none of the family did return except the boy Leo. On his arrival in San Francisco he was held for identification, and so directed a letter to the agent in Evanston to call on Mrs. Code and have her sign the papers to give him his citizenship. Leo Quie now holds a good position at Rock Springs coal mines for the Union Pacific R. R. Co.

Mrs. Code received the box mentioned in the letter, and when she opened it in her millinery room, it was quite a surprise. It consisted of fine fancy embroidery, hand-worked silks, etc., valued at about \$50. Here is the letter:

Mrs. James Code,
Evanston, Wyo.,

Dear mam—I am very much obliged for your great kindness signature to help me and get home to this country again. I will remember you all the time. It is you do me the great strong help to get back here. I wish your folks have a good health and happiness. I thinking I will come out to Evanston and see your folks on the first part of Feb. of next year. I had have sent you the Christmas present package. It came to you on the express office, will Mrs. Code please giving my best regard to yours family.

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