

# Handwriting on the Wall For Ontario Government

**Some Impressions of the Recent Liberal Victory in Southwest Toronto From the Pen of H. F. Gadsby--Booze Men Lay Down on the Job and the Tory Organization Went on the Rocks--Canadian Nickel Coming Home in the Bodies of Canadian Soldiers.**

(By H. F. Gadsby.)

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—The sheaf of telegrams, ranging from Halifax to Vancouver, which Hartley Dewar, K. C., received by way of congratulation on his victory in Southwest Toronto, indicates that the Liberal heart the Dominion over is glad that Tory Toronto is shaking off her shackles.

The spectacle of men who had been Tory workers for years, taking part in a demonstration for a Liberal victory under the very windows of the Mail and Empire, was a sight for sore eyes. The election in Southwest Toronto is somewhat bewildering on account of the profusion of candidates and the variegated interests they represented, but the main fact which emerges is that a Liberal won. That is to say, Toryism of the most reactionary and arbitrary kind was stricken to the ground in its chief citadel, Toronto. There has not been a Liberal member for any of the Toronto constituencies in the Ontario Legislature for twenty-six years. Hartley Dewar broke the spell.

## Has Blazed the Path.

To a cosmopolitan constituency such as Southwest Toronto, Mr. Dewar appeals as a man of broad sympathies and popular convictions. He has blazed the path. Other Liberal members will follow.

There are many explanations of Mr. Dewar's victory—they are all wrong, except the one that he won on his merits and on the issues he advocated. The Toronto Telegram broaches the theory that he won because of his brilliant cross-examination of Sir Sam Hughes—that may have helped some. The Toronto News rather thinks that prohibition had something to do with it, but that is the News' mistake. Mr. Dewar did not discuss prohibition except as a fait accompli. By the arrangement between both parties it had been placed on the statute book as a war measure and was now the law of the land. It was the Liberal policy of the day, and he accepted it as such. After that he passed on to the live issues—nickel and hydro-radial.

## The Liquor Question.

It may be as the News says, that the prohibitionists voted for him. Why shouldn't they? It may be that the liquor people took their revenge on the Hearst government for selling them out. Why shouldn't they? If they thought that voting for Mr. Dewar, a Liberal, was a direct slap in the face to a Conservative government for be-

traying them, that was their own business. But there is one thing sure: whiskey did not fight for Mr. Dewar. What it did was to refuse to fight for the other fellow. In the language of the street "it laid down." This discloses another fact. The boasted Tory organization in Toronto is a myth. There is no Tory organization in the Queen City when the dark lantern captains of the saloon brigade refuse to do their usual work at the polls. On the other hand, prohibition voted very strongly for Mr. Dewar. One of his largest majorities was in South Parkdale, which is a prohibition stronghold.

## Another Delusion.

The Conservative machine seeks to draw comfort from the fact that it was a small vote. That is also a delusion. Considering the fact that there are five thousand votes away at the war and that the contest was held on a list two years old, it was a large vote.

Where the Liberal gains were made was in the absence of pluggers. Naturally with five thousand votes out of town, a certain number of persons appeared who were willing to give those votes absent treatment in the Conservative interest. And here came in the clever work of Mr. R. T. Harding, who acted as Mr. Dewar's adjutant general. Mr. Harding had taken the precaution to send letters, returnable to his address, to these absentees, and these letters were duly returned when the addresses were not to be found. Consequently when a personator of any of these absentees appeared at a polling booth the Liberal scrutineer would draw the returned letter on him and he would go away a sadder and wiser man. This manoeuvre deprived the boasted Tory organization of a great deal of its raw material.

## Nickel for the Germans.

Outside the personal merits of the candidate, the election was won on three positive issues—nickel, hydro-radial and the pernicious activities of Sir Sam Hughes. Mr. Dewar exposed the operations of the nickel trust, its chief protagonist, Hon. Frank Cochrane, his puppet premier, Mr. Hearst, and his pirate lieutenants, Messrs. Ferguson and McGarry. The arguments are too recent to need repeating.

Suffice it to say that the International Nickel Co. is taxed only \$40,000 a year on an annual output of \$37,000,000 worth of nickel matte, which is handled by an American refinery and

therefore leaves not a dollar resulting from one of our greatest natural resources in the country. What's more, the International Nickel Co. has been selling out nickel for years to the Germans and has actually sent 15,000,000 lbs. of it to Germany since the war began.

There is a "gentleman's agreement" between the Borden government and the Nickel Trust that no nickel will go to Germany while the war is in progress, but how effective that agreement is may be inferred from the fact that the submarine Deutschland had no difficulty in getting all it could carry in "open market."

## A Strong Issue.

That was one of Mr. Dewar's issues, the manufacture of our own nickel on our own soil, the control of the output so far as refusing to sell it to the enemies of the British Empire, and adequate taxation of its swollen profits.

That was the financial side of it. The other side, the infamy of killing Canadian soldiers with Canadian nickel from German guns had even more force. The following anecdote illustrates how the people took it up.

## A Striking Parable.

"Last year," said an old man at one of Mr. Dewar's meetings, "Lieut. Elank went to the front. He weighed one hundred and twenty pounds when he went away. He came home the other day, dead of course, and he weighed one hundred and ninety pounds. There was seventy pounds of Frank Cochrane's nickel in him."

It was a parable, of course, but the old man was relating, but it states the case better than a much longer argument.

This election in Southwest Toronto was the writing on the wall for the Hearst government and the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson helped to do some of the writing. As one telegram to Mr. Dewar said:

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Chicago, Sept. 1.—While railroad officials of the country generally agreed today that the passage by Congress of the proposed eight hour bill would avert the strike set by the four brotherhoods of trainmen for next Monday, many were of the opinion that the railways would decline to accept the law without a contest in the United States Supreme Court.

Should the measure be enacted railway lawyers may make a case in the courts to test its constitutionality.

A woman fashion writer says that the time is not far off when the short skirt may be worn without attracting attention. When that time comes the short skirt is doomed.

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## RECRUITING TROUBLE OVER.

Meetings in Montreal Will be Carried on Under Military and Federal Authority.

Montreal, Sept. 1.—The recruiting meeting in the Place d'Armes Square, suspended when soldiers belonging to the Irish Rangers clashed with the French-Canadian police, will be continued here, the military authorities now having the authority of the Federal authorities to continue them.

Severe penalties are promised for any one interfering with the meetings. Cardinal Bevin has issued instructions to French Canadian priests in Quebec that the Allied cause is one that must be supported. He refers to complaints received about poor recruiting and he points out to the Priests that if Germany wins the war we will see a spread of those beliefs that have caused it.

The name of that place the French are after sounds something like Prune.

The Russians and Teutons have been fighting around Brody. We'll bet Brody took a hand too.



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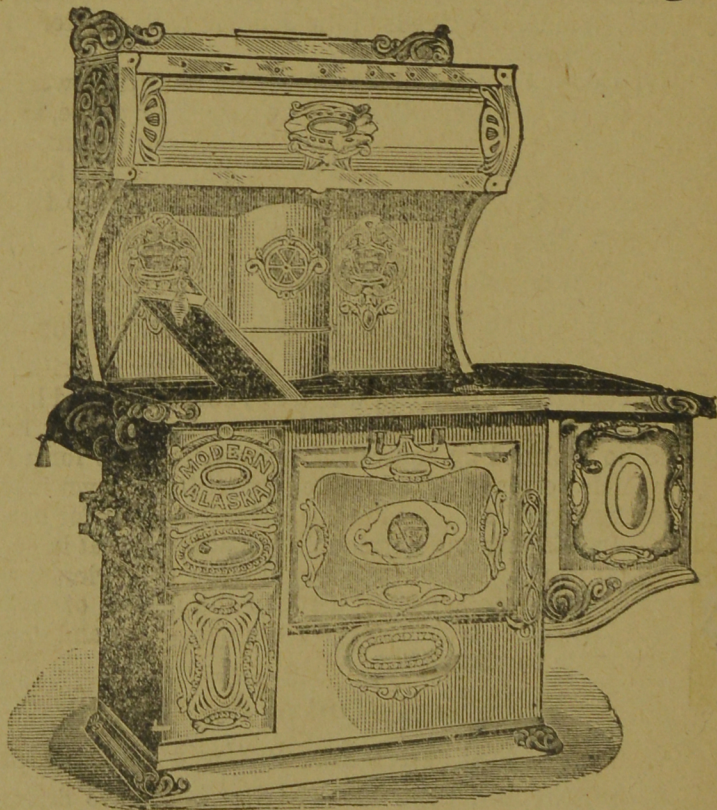
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