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## THE BY-ELECTION

The by-election to fill the vacancy for York in the local legislature, caused by the resignation of Mr. H. F. McLean, resulted in the election of Mr. P. A. Guthrie, the "local government party candidate," by a majority of about six hundred over Mr. James M. Scott, Independent Conservative candidate. It was not a contest between the parties, but a family quarrel between what are known as the Pinder and McLeod wings of the Conservative party. The Liberals as a party did not actively participate in the contest although many of that political faith in the different polling districts gave their support to the candidature of Mr. Scott, believing him to be the most acceptable of the two candidates.

Considering the fact that Mr. Scott entered the field at the eleventh hour, with practically no organization, he put up a remarkable fight. He had to contend against the patronage and promises of two governments; the heels and poll-workers of the Tory party were arrayed against him and they had at their disposal oceans of rum and a campaign fund of stupendous proportions, collected from contractors, dredging magnates and other recipients of government favors. Under the circumstances it is not surprising that Mr. Scott polled a minority of the votes but it is most surprising that he was able to save his deposit.

The Guthrie forces started the campaign by packing the party convention and they ended it by stealing the election. Of this there is not the slightest doubt in the world.

The campaign was in many respects the most remarkable that the County of York has ever experienced. Charges and counter-charges were hurled back and forth by the leaders of the two factions of a party which the public was given to understand no later than last December was in a state of perfect harmony. Veteran fighters for the cause of Toryism were attacked with virulent scurrility by their own party newspaper and held up to ridicule and scorn. Never again can the victims of these vicious onslaughts actively identify themselves with the McLeod faction of the Conservative party in York and retain their self-respect. The leaders of the dominant faction who are living in the present and not in the future will probably rejoice if the permanent estrangement of the insurrecto element can be brought about. They are playing a desperate game and apparently have no use for men possessed of a sense of fair play and justice, who want political affairs carried on with some regard to decency and righteousness.

The friends and supporters of the successful candidate who were aware of the size of the boodle fund at his disposal boasted that he would have a majority of at least one thousand, while some of the more reckless predicted that Mr. Scott would forfeit his deposit. Thanks to the honest, independent unpurchasable, electors of the County of York, their predictions were not fulfilled. Guthrie's majority will not greatly exceed six hundred and he owes his election to the generous support given him by the Roman Catholic editors of the city and Kingsclear, who in times past have voted with the Liberal party. What he has done to merit the support of his Roman Catholic fellow-citizens we do not know but we hope that he will so conduct himself in the future as to show himself worthy of the confidence they have reposed in him. If he does he will scarcely be able to fit his future to his past.

So far as Mr. James M. Scott, the defeated candidate, is concerned, it is pretty well known that he had no desire to enter public life, but accepted the nomination at the urgent request of many of his fellow-citizens, who felt that the nomination of Guthrie should not go unchallenged. His

course throughout the campaign, has been manly and straightforward and he has nothing to regret. He has earned the gratitude of hundreds of his fellow-citizens and has rendered the County of York a service which should not soon be forgotten. He went down fighting for a high and honorable cause and has more to be proud of in defeat than the man who achieved a victory over him by methods which will not bear the light of day.

If Liberals were inclined to take a selfish view of the result of this election they would not be displeased over the return of Mr. Percy A. Guthrie. Had he been defeated the split in the party might have been ultimately healed, but his election to a seat in the legislature will make this an utter impossibility. He will have two of his colleagues arrayed against him and he will be constantly at loggerheads with them over patronage matters. His occupancy of a seat in the House will be anything but pleasing to the hundreds of Conservatives who voted against him and will mean no end of trouble for Premier Fleming and the members of the government. His election to the legislature creates a rather interesting situation which will be watched with interest by the electors of this county. The cleavage in the Tory party in York is looked upon by many as the beginning of the end of the Fleming government.

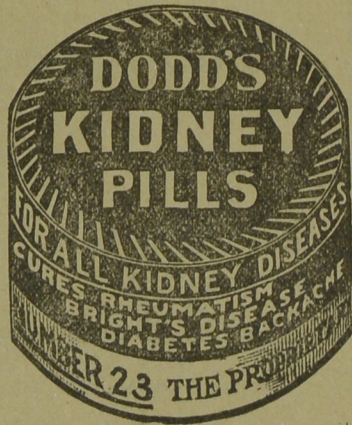
## PARCEL POST

It may possibly have been due to the sudden drop in temperature which produced zero weather all over Canada following the inauguration of Hon. L. P. Pelletier's Parcel Post system that the first trial of the new system has proved more or less of a frost. There has been so far no rush to take advantage of the new rates and Mr. Pelletier himself has intimated that he does not think there will be any great rush for some time to come and that the competition offered by the Parcel Post system is not intended to be a very severe one to the express companies. The contrast between the Canadian rates on parcel post and the rates in force in the United States gives ground for Mr. Pelletier's expectations, that there will be no very strenuous objections from the railway or express companies. In the United States, where parcel post has become immensely popular, the first zone at the start was fifty miles and it has since been extended to one hundred and fifty miles. The weight of parcels has been raised to fifty pounds, while in Canada, for the first three months, the weight is limited to six pounds for a twenty-mile zone and after the first three months the maximum of weight accepted will be eleven pounds. Moreover there are provincial complications in the Canadian system from which the American system is free. In the United States it costs fourteen cents to send a parcel one hundred miles by parcel post. In Canada, under the new rates, it costs forty-six cents to send the same parcel the same distance. The express companies in Canada would carry it for forty cents or six cents cheaper than it costs to send it by parcel post. As a matter of practical working out the only real advantage of the present parcel post system will be within the limited twenty-mile zone. Beyond that distance the parcel post rate will not seriously compete with existing express rates.

Perhaps the two boxes of cigars which Hon. Mr. Pelletier received via parcel post on the day the system was opened, each came from an express company.

Col. McLeod, M.P., got the black eye all right. And it was Canterbury Front, the poll, he boasted of winning that gave it to him.

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## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

February 20.

1631—Massachusetts Bay colonists celebrated Thanksgiving for the timely arrival of the ship "Lyon" with provisions.

1716—David Garrick, the famous actor, born. Died Jan. 20, 1779.

1807—Thirty spectators were crushed to death at the execution of two murderers at the Old Bailey, in London.

1820—Dr. Elisha Kent Kane, noted traveller and Arctic explorer, born in Philadelphia. Died in Havana in 1857.

1835—Town of Copacabana in Chile, destroyed by an earthquake.

1873—Queen Victoria visited ex-Empress Eugenie at Chislehurst.

1876—Telegraphic communication was established between Australia and New Zealand.

1878—Cardinal Faccioli was elected Pope with the title of Leo XIII.

1884—Remains of the victims of the Jeanette Arctic expedition, reached New York.

1893—Gen. P. G. T. Beauregard, celebrated Confederate commander, died in New Orleans. Born there in 1818.

There is no doubt that in yesterday's election a lot of Liberals voted for Guthrie in the hope that he would be put in a position to do further damage to the Conservative party in York.

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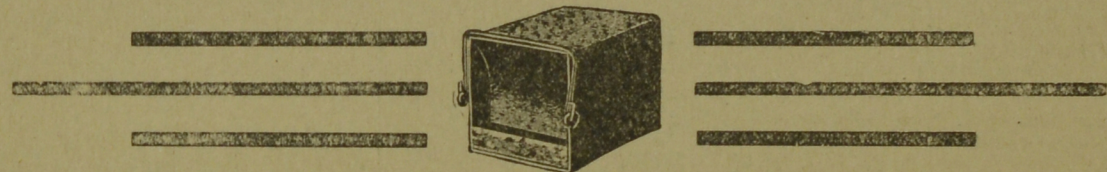
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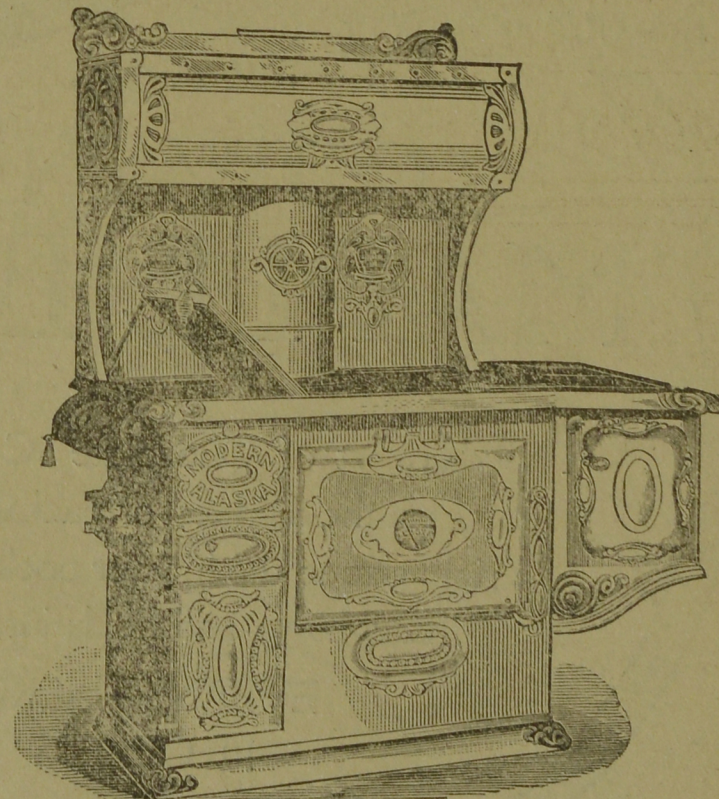
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