

SASKATCHEWAN ELECTIONS

Complete Returns Show a Rousing Liberal Victory.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 20.—Complete returns from Saskatchewan corroborate Prince Albert City—Bradshaw 384, the earlier despatches which an Prince Albert County—Donaldson 165, announced such a splendid victory for North Qu'Appelle—McDonald 374, Premier Scott and the Liberal administration in that province. The total returns give the Liberals a majority in Regina County—Tate 341, to excess of that at first showing, Moose Mountain—Elliott 85, the totals being Liberals 26, Conservatives 14. The Liberal majority thus being 12.

The complete results shows the constituencies divided as follows:—

LIBERAL.		Majority.
Arm River—Scott	90	
Cannington—Stewart	200	
Canora—Robertson	250	
Duck Lake—Turgeon	10	
Estevan—Bell	30	
Francis—Stevenson	100	
Hanley—McNeill	50	
Humboldt—Neely	400	
Moose Mountain—Smith	70	
Regina City—Bole	263	
Rosthern—Ems	210	
Swift Current—Scott	227	
South Battleford—Simpson	155	
Saskatoon City—MacNab	116	
Pelly—Johnson	32	
Saskatoon County—Sutherland	13	
Redberry—Langley	113	
Salteaux—MacNutt	200	
Weyburn—Mitchell	657	
Touchwood—Atkinson	55	
Moose Jaw county—Sheppard	28	
Wadena—Pierce	266	
Vonda—Totsie	237	
Yorkton—Garry	233	
Lloydminster—Lisle, majority unknown.		
North Battleford—Finlayson, small majority.		
CONSERVATIVE.		
Last Mountain—Anderson	246	
Milestone—Whitmore	84	
Moose Jaw City—Wellington	81	
Maple Creek—Wyle	304	
Pheasant Hills—Willway	130	

GUINEA NOW HISTORY

PROVERBIAL BRITISH COIN WAS LAST MINTED IN 1813.

Poets Who Bravely Talk of the Coin Never Saw One—So Called Because of the Place Whence the Gold Came Was Subject to Violent Fluctuations in Value—First Coined in 1663.

With poet's license Tennyson tells us how "the jingle of the guinea helps the hurt that honor feels." It is doubtful if the poet ever heard a guinea jingle, and certainly few of the readers of "Locksley Hall" have ever set eyes on that coin.

And yet such is the force of habit we talk about guineas and reckon in guineas, and read about the jingling of guineas without ever asking ourselves why a coin which is no longer a coin persists in lingual currency, not only poetic but popular.

The last guinea issued from the mint bears date 1813; groats and maundies were coined in the era of Victoria; why, then, has mankind, including the poets, forgotten all about the latter and clung to the former? There seems no obvious reason.

It may be because the guinea had so long a reign, or because the word itself is "catchy," or because sellers have found readier customers for goods at "one guinea" than for goods at "one-pound one."

It was in the reign of Charles II. to be exact, in the year 1663, that the first golden guinea was brought into the world. It was part of a new

coinage made in a new way, for it was milled, a device to prevent clipping, which, indeed, had been introduced in Elizabeth's time, but soon abandoned.

There were five-guinea, two-guinea, guinea and half-guinea pieces, and they were so named because many of them were made from gold brought from Guinea by the "Company of Royal Adventurers of England Trading Into Africa." In allusion, probably, to this company's arms, the King ordered that the pieces should bear the image of "a little white elephant which West India as a mark of distinction from the rest of our gold and silver monies, and an encouragement into the said Company in the importing of gold and silver to be coined."

On some of the coins, too, there is a castle, and the reason of this may be that in 1666 Sir Robert Holmes captured in Schelleng Bay 160 Dutch sail containing bullion and gold dust from Cape Coast Castle, in Guinea, and that this booty found its way into the mint. The explicit is celebrated in Dryden's "Annus Mirabilis."

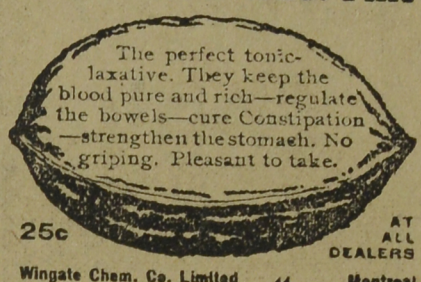
It is curious, in the light of this incident, that the guineas were cut by a Dutchman named John Roettier, who competed for the work with an Englishman, Thomas Simon, and beat him; while a foreigner again, the Frenchman Blondeau, had charge of the milling apparatus. Simon was disgusted at his defeat, and to show that he was really the better man made and presented to the King what came to be known as the "Petition Crown." The King, however, ignored this appeal.

The new coinage, apparently, caused no little stir, for the two immortal diarists of that day both mention it. "Now it was," wrote Evelyn on March 9, 1664, "that the fine new milled coin, both of white money and guineas, was established"; and Pepys tells us how "There dined with us to-day (March 9, 1663) Mr. Slingsby, of the Mint, who showed us all the new pieces, both of gold and silver, that were made for the King by Blondeau's way; and compared them with those made for Oliver. The pictures of the latter made by Symons (Simon), and of the King by one Roettier (Roettier), a German, I think, that dined with us also."

The guinea, moreover, or rather the elephant upon the reverse side to that which bore the bust of Charles II., receives notice in Marvell's prose, where he speaks of a "great little animal," which "was on a sudden turned so yellow and grown withal so unwieldy that he might have passed current for the elephant upon a guinea"; and popular combinations of the word quickly arose, such as "guinea-dropper," a cheat who practiced the trick of dropping counterfeit coins, and "guinea-hen," a courtesan.

Our forefathers had much trouble with the coinage. Sometimes they could not get metal enough to coin; sometimes the market value of the metal used for coining was such that men found it profitable to melt down their money and sell the metal.

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