

CHARGE CANVASSERS MISLEADING VOTERS

James E. Day Blames Feminine Prohibition Workers — Lib- erals Rally Round Dewart.

Promising an honest, active and efficient Government, Hartley Dewart, K.C., speaking to 400 of his constituents who crowded Broadway Hall last night, declared that he proposed to take Sir William Hearst's "measure" on October 20th.

"I do not need any vindication after fifty years in Toronto so far as my loyalty and integrity are concerned," declared Mr. Dewart with some warmth, and amid applause. "It is a very extraordinary thing that they can't leave the leader of the Opposition alone. I find that Capt. Thompson and Capt. Wallace have been looking me up in Morgan's 'Men of the Times' of 1912. Some thirty years ago when I was president of the Young Liberals' Club there was a debate. I with my mate discussed Canadian independence and that one address is the only one I ever made on the subject. Since they are so anxious to find out what Morgan's says let them look up Hon. H. J. Cody. I just mention the incident to show the unfair tactics of our opponents."

When the conscription issue came up, Mr. Dewart declared, he urged the drafting of 100,000 men under the Militia Act. "If Borden honestly wanted to enforce his Act," Mr. Dewart declared, "he could have enforced it before he went to the country. I had no confidence in the honesty of his intentions when he put that statute on the books, when he juggled with the exemptions."

"What is the answer of the Govern-

ment to the expenditure of \$455,500 to place 77 men at Kapuskasing Camp under conditions that no soldier should be asked to endure?" Mr. Dewart asked. "I investigated this affair at first hand and the facts have been before the Government for several weeks. Why is it nothing has been done to remedy this?"

Chairman J. E. Day desired to correct two false reports which were being spread "sedulously" by malicious busybodies. Feminine prohibition canvassers, he charged, were telling the women voters upon whom they called, that if they did not vote for the Hearst candidate their vote for prohibition would not count. Another false report which was going the rounds, he declared, was that voters would be liable to questioning regarding their registration and naturalization. This last report was set afloat, Mr. Day said, in order to scare away many citizens who would be voting for the first time.

J. Walter Curry, K.C., candidate for seat "B" in South-east Toronto, paid a tribute to Mr. Dewart. "I have no reason to be ashamed of Mr. Dewart as my leader," Mr. Curry declared, amid applause. "I have known him for 30 years. The best test of a man is when you meet him in business and find that his word is as good as his bond. That is my test."

"I have not been carried away by the personality of Mr. Dewart," said John O'Neill. "What we want is a change of Government. That's why I'm behind him."

Voice: "We'll get a change."

"There is a responsibility," continued Mr. O'Neill, "on every person in the Province to root out the gang rule and the hole and corner politicians. The stock and trade of our opponents appears to be nothing but slander."

Mr. O'Neill promised that, if elected, he would urge "local autonomy to a greater extent for the city of Toronto."