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Entansiastic Reception of the Member for Lincoln.

A mass meeting of the supporters of Mr. Hodgins, M. P. P., for West Elgin, was called at three o'clock last Friday afternoon in the Drill Shed, Wallacetown. There



were about a thousand people present, but although the meetings was held in the Grit interest, a large number of Conservatives attended, and parties were nearly evenly balanced. Mr. Bykert, M. P. P., who had received a challenge from Mr. Hodgins be meet him and substantiate is public the charges he had advanced at the recent Liberal Conservative gathering, at Wallacetown, responded in perv.a, although at great inconvenience to immelf, and cs. route from St. Thomas be Dutton, was secompanied by about on hundred and fifty of his admirer. On arrival at Dutton, both parties to med in procession, and headed by a bant, of music, processed to the Drill Sher, at Wallacetown.

Previous to the organisation of the meeting it was intimasted to Mr. Rykert, that his time for speaking would be strictly confined to one hour and a half, that he would be preceded by Mr. Hodgins and followed by Hon. Mr. McKellar, it was in vail that Mr. Rykert, is the challenged party, protested against the injustice of such an arrangement, the Grits obtainably refused to allow him more time, and it being their meeting, was finally compelled to accept their ferma.

The meeting was then called to order, and Captain O'Mailey, President of the West Elight Reform Association, was elected Chairman. Among those who were seated on the platform were Host A. McKellis, Mr. Rykert, M. P.P. Rr. Todgins, M. P. T. T. Wistonewith, M. P.P., Mr. Oseey, M. P. to the Riding, Mesers in McLamisand, Mr. McHutyre, and Tyrowmen.

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