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The Northumberland County Opposition Convention held here, Friday July 24th, was a complete and humiliating failure. Lack of organization throughout the county was manifest, when the Secretary of the meeting had failed to receive the usual list of accredited delegates from a number of the parishes. Hon. J. B. M. Baxter with his organizer A. D. Holyoke were on the platform and very much in evidence throughout the entire proceedings. Lumbermen with their supporters and disgruntled Liberals were especially conspicuous by their presence. Many of the Liberal Conservatives, who apparently had been misled to the convention, for the purpose of giving color to the gathering, soon realized that the meeting was not a Conservative one, but a Baxter and Lumbermen's Convention, and insofar as their politics were concerned, they (the Conservatives) had little or no chance to nominate a straight Conservative ticket in opposition to the Veniot Government.

Ten nominations were placed before the convention viz.—S. D. Heckbert, Dr. Jones, D. P. Doyle, E. W. Watling, C. E. Fish, F. J. Laviole, A. Holmes, W. Bamford, L. J. O'Brien and H. Chaisson. Messrs. Doyle and Watling withdrew their names. Before balloting, the eight nominees were called to the platform and Mr. Holyoke, organizer for Mr. Baxter, told the meeting that he wished it distinctly understood that each man nominated must there and then "pledge" himself to support Mr. Baxter's policy, and further, if they failed in securing the nomination, they then must "pledge" themselves to support the candidates chosen by the convention. Purely a "Baxter Convention," not a CONSERVATIVE one, as many people thought it was to be. After each nominee had taken the "Baxter pledge," the delegates balloted, which resulted in the following ticket being chosen:—O'Brien, Heckbert, Laviole and Holmes.

The ticket therefore, comprises three Liberals and one Conservative, and with four Liberals on the Government ticket, the Liberals of this county have now seven candidates from whom they can choose their four representatives, while the Conservatives are left with one lone candidate in the person of Mr. Laviole of Rogersville. And all this is due to Mr. Baxter's unfriendliness, to truly represent the politics of the Liberal-Conservative party going to get up with such destructive "tactics" by this man Baxter? Surely they have had enough of it by now and should make up their minds that the Conservative party must rid themselves of him at once, and for all

time, or otherwise their party is doomed. For a leader to think that he is bigger than his party is a grave mistake and for Mr. Baxter to interfere, as he has done on several occasions in the constituency of Northumberland, is enough to warrant the Conservative party of this province to conclude that he is no fit person for the leadership of the party and the sooner he is gotten rid of the better.

As a result of the "tactics" employed at this convention, the CONSERVATIVES of this county are now out in the cold with no ticket and free to vote for whom they wish. We have been given to understand by many of these Conservatives that it is their expressed intention to do so at the polls on August, 10th, and thereby impress on Mr. Baxter the fact that he is not boss of the Conservatives of Northumberland and that his "tactics" in this constituency will react on him as a political "boom-orang." He has made his own bed and consequently will have to lie on it.

In politics the "Advocate" is CONSERVATIVE, not "Baxterite." It holds no brief for Premier Veniot nor has it any axe to grind, but it does object strenuously to such "tactics" as those employed at the Opposition convention, when good CONSERVATIVES were hood-winked into attending a convention, which was NOT and never intended that it should be a CONSERVATIVE convention and in so doing placed these CONSERVATIVES in a false position regarding their politics. Such actions will not be countenanced by the rank and file of the Conservative party and the sooner a show down is called for the better will it be for the Conservative Party's future. The "Advocate" was Conservative before Mr. Baxter saw the light of day and will remain such long after his career has ended. It has worked too long and fought too hard for the Conservative Party to allow Mr. Baxter or any other man to dis-integrate it, as he is attempting to do and we feel satisfied that the CONSERVATIVES of this county and province will uphold us in our stand against egotism and autocracy. Premier Veniot had the courage to announce his Liberal platform, when he stated that he would accept Liberal candidates only and had Mr. Baxter been an equally refined CONSERVATIVE as Premier Veniot was a Liberal, he would have accepted the challenge and the Conservatives of this province would then have had a leader whom they could look up to with faith and confidence.

EDITORS MAIL

We are not responsible for opinions expressed by writers under this heading. Correspondents would oblige by writing legibly, and on one side of the paper only, name and address (not necessarily for publication) must always be sent. Correspondence should be as concise as possible.

Youghal, N. B.,

July 28th., 1925

To The Editor, The Union Advocate:
Newcastle, N. B.

Dear Sir:—

I was deeply interested in the letter from Rev. L. H. McLean on the Church Union vote, which appeared in your issue of July 21st, especially in his statement that the vote by roll call is in accord with Presbyterian procedure. I have been in close touch with questions of procedure in the Presbyterian Church in Canada, as my father was, for nearly thirty years, the senior clerk of Assembly and the authorized adviser of the church on such matters, but I never before heard of a vote by roll call in a congregational meeting.

I have looked up the "Rules and Forms of Procedure" and find that

in the Church Courts, with their delegated authority, such a vote may be demanded at any time, and I know it has frequently been so demanded. This is a similar procedure to the "division" in Parliament.

I shall be obliged if Mr. McLean will refer me to any such provision in the rules for Congregational meetings. I have failed to find it.

The Parliament of Canada amended the "United Church of Canada Act," expressly to provide for the voters of the church the same protection which is afforded to the voters of the state in the exercise of their function. Why should the rules of parliamentary debate be applied to a voters' meeting? This is a return to the days of open voting, against which the British sense of fair play revolted many years ago, and against which the entire democratic world has registered its protest. Should the Church insist upon what the state has outgrown?

K. M. CAMPBELL

Editor The Union Advocate

I see R. T. D. Aitken has taken up the cudgels for The Reverend F. G. MacIntosh, and yet he says he does "not propose to get into any controversy in this matter." He is taking a very successful way to get into the controversy that he claims he desires to avoid. That would not be so bad had he offered something of value, or even new to the discussion of the Union question. He begins by asking "why do we sell our birthright for a mess of pottage?" Will he specify the birthright we have sold and the mess of pottage for which we have sold it? For we are fearfully tired of general statements made by anti-unionists all over Canada for years past. These general statements prove nothing, and influence only the ignorant.

"Shall we not preserve the independence for which our forefathers paid?" he asks. I wonder what he means! This is how the Established Church of Scotland, the mother of Presbyterianism, understands freedom. In 1921 it had an Act passed by the Mother of Parliaments—a combination of brains, education and moral ideals second to nothing on earth—in which is found the following: "THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, believing it to be the will of Christ that His disciples should be all one in the Father and in Him, that the world may believe that the Father has sent Him, RECOGNIZES THE OBLIGATION TO SEEK AND PROMOTE UNION WITH OTHER CHURCHES WHEREVER POSSIBLE." This is Presbyterian freedom, and not the dread uniformity of which Mr. Aitken speaks. Presbyterian freedom has always a future outlook changing as knowledge grows from more to more, while Mr. Aitken's imaginary Presbyterian freedom looks to the past in stagnant satisfaction. The Presbyterian Church never knew the ideal of freedom for which he contends. So this Union has come because Presbyterian freedom and progressiveness have contributed to it. "Forward" has always been its watchword.

I do not understand how Mr. Aitken could even think that the second vote in St. James' Church is now taken much against my will. In the first place in the opening paragraph of my letter answering Mr. MacIntosh I specially say that the Federal Act provides, on a properly signed requisition, that a vote by ballot MUST be taken. No one but a fool would set his will against such an Act. SECONDLY the requisition that came before our Session doubtfully satisfied the requirement, yet without one opposing word Session, OF WHICH I AM MODERATOR, called on the vote—I grant an apparently pointless vote. Hence, I would like Mr. Aitken, as a gentleman, to take these words "MUCH AGAINST HIS WILL" back, because the statement is false. Mr. Aitken might also tell what churches

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think that no Act could replace standing on our Statute Books are compiled with." May I also say in closing that the property St. James' now possesses, by the first vote taken, being carried into the United Church according to a Statute of this Province. All intelligent and progressive members of St. James' Church know this, and are acting accordingly. J. H. MacLean.