

ADDRESSES

OF

MESSRS. ANDERSON, BLEZARD AND HON. J. R. STRATTON

The first meeting in East Peterborough in the interests of the candidature of Mr. William Anderson, the Liberal candidate, was held in the town hall, Westwood, on Monday evening. It was in every sense a highly successful gathering. Though the weather was execrable — a pouring rain, and intensely dark, making travel dangerous, the commodious hall was well filled, a number of ladies gracing the gathering with their presence.

Mr. Anderson was most cordially received by the assemblage, and the complimentary references to his worth, fitness for the position of representative, and prospects of success made in their addresses by Hon. Mr. Stratton and Mr. Blezard, showed that the audience were heartily in sympathy with his candidature. Owing to indisposition, Mr. Anderson's remarks were brief, but to the point, the address of Mr. Blezard, characteristically energetic and telling, while the more elaborate speech of Hon. Mr. Stratton dealt fully with public questions, including a comprehensive and lucid treatment of the timber question, giving its history from the beginning, showing the

steps that led up to the adoption of the Liberal Government's policy of home manufacture of lumber, and also showing that the Opposition had done nothing to justify Mr. Whitney's absurd claim that the Opposition deserved credit for the policy of requiring all logs cut on Ontario limits to be manufactured in Canada.

Mr. John Harrison, ex-Councillor, Asphodel, occupied the chair, and introduced the speakers, the first of whom was the Liberal candidate.

MR. ANDERSON'S REMARKS.

Mr. William Anderson, on being called upon, was received with enthusiastic cordiality. He said that, as his hearers already knew, he had been offered, and had accepted, the nomination of the Liberals of East Peterborough as their candidate to contest the riding for the Local Legislature, at the general elections, which would probably come off early next summer. He said he had not sought the honour of being the candidate, but he felt that he could not but feel that it was his duty to bow to the unanimous wish of the Liberal party as expressed so strongly at the convention at which he was nom-