

ALL IS NOT FAIR IN POLITICS ;

the laws of truth, the laws of honour, the laws of justice, the laws of fair play and generosity ought to prevail in this as in other relations. In truth, on no other plan can we do our duty in politics. It is only by recognizing these cardinal principles, by practising them each one of us in his own sphere, and by enforcing them upon others, that we can raise politics to their proper level, upon which level they should be deemed the most ennobling of the pursuits of a free citizen in a free country. (Loud applause.) Now, I have to talk to you upon some of those many subjects which engross public attention to-day. The field is too vast for me to run over it all, however rapidly. And to-night I shall say hardly a word upon many topics, each of which, for its proper treatment, would demand a speech. I know that on all of these you have had the advantage for many years past of being informed in the fullest manner of the views of the Liberal party by our friend,

MR. PATERSON, YOUR REPRESENTATIVE,

who has no doubt done his duty in expounding Liberal views here, as he has expounded them so powerfully in other constituencies, and in the halls of Parliament. I know you have taken a special interest in some of these measures, those mainly affecting the representation of the people in Parliament, because you, the Liberals of the riding and your representative have been

THE DESTINED VICTIMS OF SOME OF THESE MEASURES.

(Cheers.) But I am glad to know that as you have not yielded heretofore, so now you do not intend to yield to these acts—not Acts of Parliament, but rather acts of force, and violence, and fraud. (Loud and prolonged applause.) I rejoice to know that the spirit of the electors of South Brant, their sense of justice and fair play, has been too high to permit these nefarious schemes—miscalled legislation in the interest of the public, but deserving of no such name—to permit these nefarious schemes for the carving and cutting up of counties and electoral districts to the benefit of one and the injury of the other political party to produce their designed effect. And if there ever was a constituency which had the right to resent such acts of injustice, it is the South Riding of Brant, treated as you have been, represented as you have been, led as you have been, by A STANDARD BEARER WHOSE ABILITY, WHOSE ELOQUENCE, WHOSE KNOWLEDGE OF AND ATTENTION TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS, WHOSE WIDE SYMPATHIES, GENEROUS NATURE, AND HIGH SENSE OF EQUITY, WHOSE PERSONAL CHARACTER AND PRIVATE