

# GREATEST WELCOME ST. JOHN EVER GAVE TO A PUBLIC MAN.

## City One Blaze of Enthusiasm in Honor of R. L. Borden--A Grand Meeting in Carleton-- Borden Predicts Victory.

### MR. BORDEN IN ST. JOHN.

With a thousand banners and over a thousand torches, with three bands in a procession, half a mile long and amidst cheers of many thousands of voices the young men of this city escorted R. L. Borden, the coming premier of Canada, from the Carleton meeting through the principal streets Saturday evening.

Never before had a political leader been given such a reception, and the enthusiasm with which the celebration of his visit was carried out exceeded the most sanguine anticipations of the party in St. John and has left no doubt in their minds as to the attitude not only of the young men of this constituency, but of the voters in general to foreign honorees, whose chances of being elected next month to the premiership of this dominion are most favorable.

Hon. Robert L. Borden must have felt proud of such a demonstration in his honor and the R. L. Borden Club, under whose auspices it was carried out, have shown that they possess executive ability seldom surpassed by any organization of its kind.

It was the greatest political demonstration St. John has seen for a very long time and although Mr. Borden's reception at Montreal, Toronto and other large places were such that will go down to posterity as some of the greatest ever tendered a public man, in the words of that gentleman, they were not greater than the one at St. John Saturday night. It was not a party event. Hundreds of old time liberals, who have rejected the notorious railway policy of the government, were present at the meeting in Carleton and afterwards in the procession, cheering as only men can cheer who feel that they have a man and a party to whom they can have the interests of the country. For the second time during the last week a great gloom has been cast over the liberals of St. John. When the news of Hon. Andrew G. Blair's resignation was received last Tuesday evening the party who had rejected him because he could not sit back and see Canada's great transportation problem handed over to a foreign corporation to be solved at their pleasure, and it was so far at least as this constituency was concerned, it was a hopeless fight. But a second calamity such as the one which occurred on Saturday night, has completely obliterated what little hope they may have had left.

"I had no idea," said a prominent citizen to the Sun last night, "that the young men in this city were taking so much of an active part in the politics of their country, and it can have only one result. On the very face of it you can see defeat for the liberal party."

"Nor," said another, "could I believe that so many liberals had swung to the conservative side."

### THE MEETING AT CARLETON.

The meeting in the Carleton City Hall could not have been more enthusiastic. The audience cheered until it was hoarse, and the only reason why it was not much larger was because the hall was not capable of holding any more. The platform was crowded, every seat in the auditorium was filled, and hundreds were standing in the aisles and at the rear of the benches. It is not known how many were turned away, but judging from the cheers that greeted Mr. Borden when he arrived shortly after nine o'clock the number must have been large. The meeting began at eight o'clock with Beverly R. Armstrong, president of the R. L. Borden Club, in the chair. Edmund Ross, M. P., of Milltown, spoke in behalf of the club, after which Mr. Borden arrived, accompanied by W. H. Thorne, Dr. Daniel, Mr. P. and J. D. Hazen, M. P. The speaker then endeavored to get in at the rear of the platform, but the crowd was so compact that it was impossible, so he retraced his steps, entered by the door leading to the auditorium and with considerable difficulty made his way down the right aisle to the front of the platform. As Mr. Borden entered the door some one called out "there comes the man himself," and cheer after cheer which arose to greet him. Until long after he had taken his seat was the cheering kept up, and as it ceased, leading several minutes with a shout that was deafening. After it had subsided, Mr. Borden resumed his speech, which, although brief, was heartily pronounced one of the best ever heard in Carleton. After the speech Mr. B. M. Baxter, of the Carleton Club, introduced Mr. Borden to the cheering throng. As soon as he had finished speaking Mr. Armstrong explained to Mr. Borden the aims of the R. L. Borden Club and asked him to accept the position of honorary president.

Mr. Borden accepted it in a gracious and amidst enthusiastic cheers. His remarks were over thirty minutes, and again and again he was applauded. Dr. Daniel was called on, and had done, was one of the best he has ever delivered, and like Mr. Borden and all the other speakers, he was most heartily cheered.

### BEFORE THE MEETING.

At a quarter past seven o'clock the members of the R. L. Borden Club assembled at their rooms in the Jardine building on Prince William street, and a few minutes later they formed up and headed by the City Cornet Band, made their way to the City Hall in Carleton. The ferry boat was loaded as many of the party en route. At the west side ferry docks a large number of Carleton young men were in waiting and the procession at once formed up again and went to the hall. The different committees had done their work well and in the building were stored all the banners and torches ready to be handed to the young men as they passed by on their way out of the hall.

### AFTER THE MEETING.

This was done, the torches were lighted and at equal intervals the standard bearers with the banners were stationed.

They bore such mottoes as these:

- "St. John Backs Borden."
- "Portland Backs Laurier."
- "A Working Man's Policy."
- "Protection that Protects."
- "Made in Canada Our Motto."
- "Canada for Canadians."
- "Dare to be a Daniel."
- "All Canadian Railway."
- "Hurray for Daniel."
- "Make St. John a Winter Port."
- "Save Canada by a National Port."
- "The People are With Us."
- "Borden and Victory."

Headed by the City Cornet Band with the Carleton cornet band in front, they went down the line, the procession marched to the ferry. As it was impossible for all to pass over at once, the boat that the majority got over, a large number of Carleton people returning to their homes. On this side the procession was met by the city ward workers, who had assembled at the Victoria rink, and hundreds of followers.

### MEN HAULED THE COACH.

On the boat the horses were taken from Mr. Borden's coach in which were seated with him Dr. Daniel, M. P., J. D. Hazen, M. P., and W. H. Thorne, and willing hands pulled it from that time on. The crowd marched along Water street across the south side of Market square, up King street, along Charlotte, down Union, up Sydney to the north side of King square, and to the conservative headquarters. The procession presented a fine appearance as it marched up King street. On either side the sidewalks were crowded with people and the hotel windows were filled with eager faces. A noticeable thing in regard to the event was the number of women who cheered Mr. Borden and Dr. Daniel as they passed by.

While on their way down Union street the fire apparatus from No. 3 passed by in response to an alarm, and one person remarked that "When the fire department turned out to celebrate Mr. Borden's arrival, it was a sure sign of victory."

In front of the committee rooms, after the procession stopped, Mr. Borden, Dr. Daniel and Mr. Hazen were called on for speeches, and they responded briefly.

Mr. Borden said that during the past few weeks he had seen many enthusiastic and splendid demonstrations, but never had he witnessed a more magnificent testimonial to the belief of the people in the policy of the liberal conservative party than that which greeted him tonight in the beautiful city of St. John. (Cheers.) He briefly referred to the leading features of the policy, which has become familiar to the electors, and said that he would give place to Dr. Daniel.

Dr. Daniel expressed his pleasure at the magnificent gathering, and made a few remarks of a general character. Calls of "Hazen" brought the popular leader of the local opposition to his feet, and in appropriate words he expressed his gratitude at the extreme cordiality of his reception, and urged the people not to be satisfied with less than a thousand majority for Daniel and St. John. In fact, the cheering was continuous.

After the speaker had been cheered to the echo the procession, still hauling the coach, escorted Mr. Borden to the residence of W. H. Thorne on Mecklenburg street, where after bidding all a hearty good night he entered the house while the great crowd cheered for several minutes. The city ward committees then withdrew to the rink, where coffee and lunch was served.

### THE SPEECHES AT CARLETON.

The chairman, B. R. Armstrong, called the meeting to order at eight o'clock. He said such a fine audience was surely evidence that they were going to give the conservative candidate a majority on the west side as well as on the east side. (Applause.)

### HON. MR. BORDEN.

When Mr. Borden rose to speak the audience rose and greeted him with cheer upon cheer, and it was some minutes before he was allowed to proceed. The pent up enthusiasm of the audience having only partially found vent during the leader's entry into the hall and

upon the platform. The walls resounded with the question "What's the matter with Borden?" which interjection was as quickly and enthusiastically answered as asked. In accepting the offer extended to him Mr. Borden spoke for about twenty minutes. He said:

"The young men should take an interest in public affairs. It affords them an opportunity of speaking in public to their fellow countrymen. It is in the best interests of the country that the young men should actively and intelligently participate in public affairs. In the province of Quebec the young men at a very early age go upon the public platforms, and to such good advantage utilize their opportunities that before attaining the age of twenty-five years many of them are most brilliant orators, capable of holding their own with the veterans in that province. (Applause.) I think it is a good omen that our young men are beginning to acquaint themselves with the issues, and to acquire the ability to discuss them with readiness and fluency. The preservation of responsible government depends upon the young men taking an interest in public affairs. (Prolonged applause.)"

On the 8th of September last," said Mr. Borden, "I had the honor of addressing a large meeting here. Since that time many things have happened. I have been wandering upon and down the earth, and doing some very active work in support of those principles which I believe to be in the best interests of Canada. Since I came to St. John the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier had decided at last to appeal to the people.

"In 1900 you will remember that when the conservatives reproached the government for being recreant to their pledges, the supporters of the government had said 'We have not had time to return us again to power and we will do all these things.' They were given a new lease of power, and the pledges yet remain unfulfilled. It reminds me of the story of an Irish peasant who in accordance with the usual custom of the country, was offered a glass of what was alleged to be whiskey, but which was a very weak concoction, principally water. After tasting the mixture the cabman inquired of the waiter, 'On being informed that it was whiskey, he said, 'Well perhaps I will come to the whiskey later on (cheers). Perhaps these pledges are to be fulfilled later on.' (Applause.)"

"However," said Mr. Borden, "these matters are ancient history, and I wish this evening to say something about the railway policy of the government, which is now before the people for their consideration.

"I know of no reason why the government should build the profitable eastern section of the proposed road and assist the company in procuring the profitable western section, and allow them to own it. This western section was described by Hon. Clifford Sifton to be as good a business proposition as was the C. P. R. What reason is there which will appeal to the people of this country for entertaining that proposition? The government propose paying the whole cost of the construction of the eastern section, and to then turn it over to a nominal rental. The western section, which will undoubtedly be a first class proposition, the company will own outright, but they will receive very substantial assistance in pioneering it. If the country is to pay three-fourths of the money, why not put up the other fourth and own the road absolutely? (cheers.) If Sir W. Laurier was opposed to the principle of government ownership why did he expend \$15,000,000 to \$16,000,000 in extending the C. P. R. to Montreal, and spend \$300,000 in acquiring the Canada Eastern? This was not the reason. The reason is that they have no consistent policy on any question. Party expediency is their only guide (cheers)."

"With the limited time at my disposal I will be unable to go into the details of the policy, with which you are all so familiar. You know where the capital is to come from and you know where the profits are to go. The people will furnish the former and the Grand Trunk Pacific company will receive the latter. Is that an equitable arrangement? The people pay three-fourths of the cost and get no profits." (applause.)

It reminds me of a man who was struck by a falling brick and somewhat injured. He placed his case in the hands of a solicitor, who brought an action for damages on behalf of his

client, and succeeded in recovering \$60 as compensation for the injuries sustained. When the man called at the office of his lawyer he was presented with the bill of costs and \$2. He looked at the bill and then at the money for some time, and seemed to be meditating upon some problem. Finally the silence became somewhat embarrassing and the lawyer asked him what he was thinking about. The man scratched his head and replied, still maintaining his puzzled manner: 'I was just wondering which of us was hit with that brick.' (Cheers.)

"It is unnecessary to remark," said Mr. Borden, "that this lawyer was an unusual specimen of the genus. There are very few lawyers of that kind in the world." (Applause.)

Applying the illustration to his argument, the leader wondered who was being hit with the transcontinental brick, the G. T. P. or the people. The division of the capital would look to the people as quickly and enthusiastically answered as asked. In accepting the offer extended to him Mr. Borden spoke for about twenty minutes. He said:

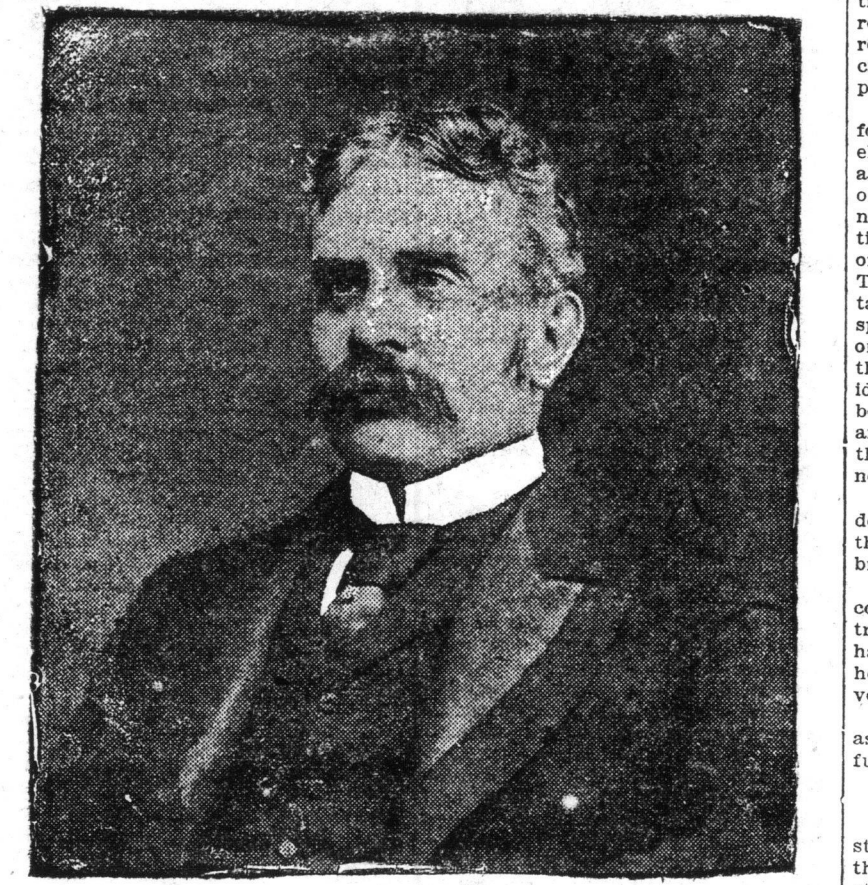
"What reason was there for the government rushing into this scheme in the dying hours of the session? Why did they not take some steps to acquire information? My friend, Mr. Clarke, who addressed you here not long ago, moved a resolution in the house, having for its object the staying of the ratification of the contract until the people had an opportunity of saying whether they desired to go on with the scheme or to pay for and own the railway outright. But the government voted down this resolution, and now have the effrontery to go about the country and say that whether the contract was good or bad, the country

sent the city of St. John in the last parliament, and his colleague, Dr. A. A. Stockton. (Cheers.)

Upon the conclusion of his brief but able and eloquent address, Mr. Borden received an ovation equalled in volume and intensity by that which greeted his arrival in the hall. Cheers after cheers were given, ladies waved their handkerchiefs and men clapped and cheered again. It was a scene long to be remembered, and probably never in the history of St. John did a leader receive so warm a reception. The enthusiasm was worthy of the man.

### DR. DANIEL, M. P.

The chairman then called upon Dr. Daniel, who was greeted as he always is, with the greatest enthusiasm. The popular member was never in better form, and his address was delivered with a fluency and vigor that delighted his hearers, and wrought them up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. He was delighted that Mr. Borden was able to be present on this occasion, and his reception was something akin to the enthusiasm that received by Lord Dundonald after his unjust and unwarranted dismissal by the government for doing his duty. Dr. Daniel said that he had had the honor of representing the people of this city for only a few months, but during the time he was in parliament he had taken every opportunity of standing up for the interests of St. John, and with the increased knowledge of parliamentary practice, obtained during his years there, would if returned at the coming elections, be able to even more efficiently represent them. He was proud of the reception which he had received this evening, and he



HON. R. L. BORDEN.

was pledged to go ahead with it. If this were so, no better reason could be adduced for defeating the government, but happily it is not so. The door is open to the people. There is embodied in the statutes of the country a law giving railways and corporations the power to expropriate the property of any citizen in Canada, payment to be determined either mutually or by arbitration. The railway is a government institution and exercises governmental functions. (Hear, hear.) A corporation cannot, however, possess greater powers than the government under which they receive their privileges. The government propose to take from the people of Canada \$150,000,000 which they will give to the Grand Trunk Pacific Company to build a railway, the most profitable portion of which will not belong to the people. The liberal conservative party say that there is no corporation as great as the people of this country. (Cheers.)

We have placed upon the records of the people a pledge to expropriate and take over the property of the company. There was no question of repudiation in this. The company will be indemnified in the same manner in which railway companies settle with the individuals whose property they expropriate. In all fairness and justice there powers will be exercised. We shall take over the G. T. P., and after the 3rd of November pay them what is right. (Wild cheering and applause.)

ELECTORS WILL SPEAK.

That is the position of affairs. There need be no uneasiness to that feature of the case. Every elector of Canada will have a chance to say whether or not he wants a 'government owned railway or a railway owned government.' The effort of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to close the door has been unsuccessful. (Cheers.)

The premier said at Hamilton that the \$25,000,000 of common stock which the Grand Trunk Pacific Company was to receive from the Grand Trunk Pacific Company could not be placed upon the stock market. This was the case so far as the first contract was concerned, but in the amended contract there was no such provision. (Applause.) At Sorel the premier said the eastern division would cost \$50,000,000 and at Hamilton his estimate was \$71,000,000. This was an increase of about \$21,000,000 for the time that ensued between the two speeches, and said Mr. Borden, if he keeps it up until Nov. 3rd he will about hit the mark. (Applause and cries of hear, hear.)

Mr. Borden said that a limited time had been allotted to him, for which he was not sorry, as he had had a good deal of speaking to do the past few weeks. I am delighted with this fine audience and with the fine enthusiasm which pervades the ranks of the liberal conservative party. (Cheers.)

Victory is in the air. (Hear, hear.)

People are delighted to have an opportunity to vote against the party which has so absolutely violated every pledge made to the country, and he had no doubt that the liberal conservative party would be returned to power on Nov. 3rd. When news of the triumphant return of the liberal conservatives is rolling in there will be no more welcome contribution to the swelling tide of victory than word of the election by handsome majorities of Dr. Daniel, who so worthily repre-

know of no people more capable of judging of the merits of the two policies now before the country for consideration than the people of the west side of the harbor. He advised the people to be on their guard against such election dodges as fake surveys and bogus drill shed plans. He had been informed by the minister of public works that there had never been any plans made for a drill shed in St. John. In fact, the question of building a drill shed had never been mentioned to the authorities in St. John. The audience gave Dr. Daniel a magnificent ovation as he took his seat.

### J. B. M. BAXTER.

The chairman in introducing J. B. M. Baxter said that no meeting in Carleton would be complete without him (cheers).

### HONORARY PRESIDENT.

Upon the conclusion of Mr. Baxter's address, President Armstrong arose, and turning to the chieftain of the liberal conservative party, said: "Mr. Borden, as president of the R. L. Borden Club, it gives me the greatest pleasure to welcome you here this evening. We have read of the great enthusiasm with which you have been greeted during the progress of your campaign throughout Canada, which has increased, and will continue to increase as the policy which you are promulgating becomes better known. (Applause.) But great as the enthusiasm which your presence has evoked elsewhere, nowhere has it been greater, nor will it be, I think, greater, than in the hearts of the young men of St. John. Your reception here this evening gives ample evidence of the high regard in which you are held by both the young and old men of St. John. In order that any lingering doubt in your mind on that score may be dispelled, there will on the 3rd of November be representatives from the city and the city and county of St. John. (Applause.)"

In September last this club was formed, to membership in which are eligible all young men between the ages of eighteen and thirty. The object of the club is the perpetuation of the name of our leader, and the presentation and development of the principles of the great liberal conservative party. The club has done itself the honor of taking your name as its own, and respectfully asks you to accept the honorary presidency. (Applause.) They think that you represent the highest ideals of Canadian statesmanship, and believe that your breadth of thought and unyielding integrity will inspire the youth of the country to deeds of noble patriotism. (Great applause.)

Since the formation of the club it has done a great deal of work, and have the hope that the efforts made will bring forth fruit." (Applause.)

"We were unable," Mr. Borden, to communicate with you by letter, and trusted that an opportunity might be had of extending to you personally the honorary presidency which I now have the great pleasure to do."

Mr. Armstrong was given an ovation as he resumed his seat after his graceful address.

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### JAMES E. OSBORNE.

#### Town Treasurer of Milltown Dead After a Lengthy Illness.

ST. STEPHEN, Oct. 23.—James E. Osborne died Saturday evening at his home in Milltown after a lengthy illness. He underwent an operation last spring and at time appeared to rally, being able to drive out frequently, but took to his bed four weeks ago, passing away as above stated. Deceased at the time of death held the office of town treasurer and collector of town taxes and school trustee for Milltown. He was a charter member of Calais Division, A. O. H., in which order he held position of trust, being state president for the past two years, finishing his term at the state convention held in September at Lewiston, Me., at which convention he presided. He was prominent in trotting circles and was re-elected this year as secretary to the Maine Breeders' Association. Besides a large circle of acquaintances he leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, four sons and six daughters. He had a reputation for sterling honesty and integrity. His funeral will take place at nine o'clock on Tuesday morning under the auspices of the A. O. H. society. Services will be held in the Catholic church, of which he was an honored member. Father Doyle will officiate.

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