

matter of loyalty to the party." Here is what I received in reply on July 17, 1926:

My Dear Pouliot,—

I was delighted to receive your letter of July 13. This is just to thank you very cordially for it and to wish you every possible success in the campaign.

You have had your share of contests, but that I believe has only helped to make you a better fighter.

Then at the request of my leader I was a candidate again in September, 1926. It was my third election within twenty months, as I had been elected first at a by-election in December, 1924. Then the Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, who was the Prime Minister of the three months' government in 1926, held a meeting attended by 8,000 people in Rivière du Loup. They listened to him politely, as they do to all, and he said to them:

Even in the west I have fought for protection which is in the interests of the province of Quebec.

A man named Johnny Emond, who fortunately was not in the employ of the federal government, before the polling day went from house to house telling people it was not necessary for them to register, that he had received instructions to take their names and give them to the registrar. What did he do? He took the names of a great many people, selected the Conservatives and gave their names to the registrar and did not give the names of the others.

Mr. CASGRAIN: Shame!

Mr. POULIOT: Owing to that I lost about 500 votes in that election, but I was elected by over 1,900.

In 1930 the third leader of the Tory party within a brief space of years came to my constituency and held a meeting. He was very well received, I went to give him my good wishes, but I should have rather given my good wishes to the country if I had known what would be the result. Here is the program of my opponent as it was widely distributed in the constituency before the election day:

(Translation)

Program of Mr. Charles Eugène Dubé, Conservative candidate in Témiscouata:

1. The Honourable Mr. Bennett's program for the revival of our industry and the development of our agriculture;

That is fine—great success in industry and agriculture.

2. The Honourable Mr. Bennett's program to end unemployment immediately;

Mr. CASGRAIN: Immediately! Shame! He was to end unemployment at once.

Mr. POWER: It was a joke.

Mr. POULIOT: But unfortunately it was taken seriously.

(Translation)

The Honourable Mr. Bennett's program for a federal system of old age pensions;

Mr. CASGRAIN: He did not do it.

Mr. POULIOT: You will have to pay nothing to the federal treasury, we will pay all.

(Translation)

4. The Honourable Mr. Bennett's program for a Canadian preference in return for a British preference;

5. Canada for Canadians.

That is a St. Jean Baptiste phrase that we could find to-day on the lips of my hon. friend from Montmagny (Mr. LaVergne). It is very nice theoretically, it would be very nice practically, but when we see my hon. friends opposite walking arm in arm with the Ku Klux Klan I cannot see Canada for the Canadians being so much in honour on the other side of the house.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Stirling): Has the hon. member forgotten that we are discussing Bill No. 2?

Mr. POULIOT: No, sir, I will explain why I read it. It is in consequence of the argument I made the other day, that each member should go back to the people who listened to these promises, within the same boundaries, in order that they may judge if they were fulfilled or not. I do not wish to impose on the time of the house, but I wish to tell you what has been said in my constituency and what my people have believed in, and I would like the same people within the same limits to meet the people who have believed them, who have tried this government as an experiment, to see what they will do when the bugle calls an election again.

(Translation)

6. For my county, Témiscouata.

(a) Revival of the project involving a branch line connection between Rivière-du-Loup and the Transcontinental;

Nothing has been done in that regard.

(Translation)

(b) Revival of the project to the development of our harbour;

I had a motion on that in the House of Commons; the Prime Minister, the hon. Minister of Marine and the Conservative party as a whole voted against it.

(Translation)

(c) Restoring our railway shops to their former level of activity by keeping the work in the province of Quebec for the workmen of Quebec and Rivière-du-Loup;