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OVATION TO VICTORIA'S MINISTER-MEMBER

Electors Crowd Workmen Hall to Applaud the Candidate Who Does Things For City He Represents.

A feeling of confidence in the result of the campaign, born of a just cause and a splendid candidate, animated everyone of the hundreds who attended the Young Liberal smoker in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening. Long before 8 o'clock the body of the hall and the gallery were filled and the crowd overflowed out into the lobby and on the sidewalk. Hundreds were turned away being unable to gain admittance. It shows the enthusiasm of the crowd and the excellence of the oratorical and musical programme that at least two hundred men stood for nearly three hours till the last cheers had died away.

The Young Liberal Club is famous for its smokers, but that of last night eclipsed those it has given in the past, which is equivalent to saying it has never been surpassed in this city. The speeches were good and were all kept short, the music was excellent, the campaign songs were apt and caught on with the audience, which joined with tuneful vigor in the choruses, and the mellowing influences of tobacco added their quota to the sense of enjoyment.

The reception accorded to Hon. William Templeman was one of the greatest ovations ever given a public man in the life of the city. When the minister stepped forward to speak the audience sprang to its feet spontaneously and gave three rousing cheers and a tiger and, lead by the orchestra, sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

In his speech, the minister made spirited reference to the campaign being waged against him by the Colonist and nailed the attempt made by it to distort the article written by W. T. R. Preston in the National Review. He defended Hon. Clifford Sifton from his defamers and gave an answer to the question of Joseph Martin and others as to the source of his riches. The minister's remarks were frequently greeted with cheers and applause, and no doubt was left as to the thorough loyalty of Victoria to its member and minister.

Denis Murphy, who possesses all the eloquence his Irish origin would promise, made an exceptionally effective speech. His effort of last night was one of his best. It was brilliant and keenly logical, searching out all the weak spots in the Conservative case—and they are many—and marshalling the facts rapidly and concisely. Mr. Murphy will be heard to-night in the North Ward school and again on Saturday at the closing rally in the Victoria theatre.

On the drop curtain was a sentiment which met with the very heartiest sort of a greeting. It ran:

VICTORIA WANTS
HON. WM. TEMPLEMAN,
Minister of Inland Revenue and Mines,
In the
LAURIER GOVERNMENT;
Not Barnard in Opposition,
WHAT WE HAVE WE'LL HOLD.

On one side of the hall hung the motto:

M'BRIDE'S MOTTO
If You Can't KNOCK Victoria DON'T BOOST Her.

On the other side was the motto:

COLONIST EDITORIAL SCANDAL
Why Did Templeman Waste Money on Dredge?
We Are Here to Throw Mud Gratis.

The musical portion of the programme was well arranged and was splendidly rendered. The instrumental selections were given by the Victoria Theatre orchestra. R. A. C. Grant sang a patriotic song, "Song of Freedom," the words written by W. J. Dowler and the music composed by George Werner. This proved one of the song hits of the evening. Later Mr. Grant sang a campaign song to a rattling military air. Jesse Evans gave another campaign ditty, the chorus of which was taken up lustily. R. Morrison sang "The Deathless Army" at the opening of the proceedings. Herbert Kent rendered a campaign song which went to the air of "Red, White and Blue." Joseph Price sang what proved to be the favorite among the songs, the chorus in part running thus: "Goodbye, Harry Barnard, goodbye, "For we won't do a thing to you."

The songs and music will all be repeated at the Saturday evening meeting.

H. A. Munn, president of the club, was in the chair, with Hon. William Templeman on his right. Others on the platform were: Senator Riley, Dennis Murphy, R. L. Drury, Frank Higgins, W. C. Stewart, M. Hutchison, W. H. Langley, M. E. Ditchburn, James Bell, John Brown, W. Moore, J. R. Wescott, J. H. Young, Jno. A. Turner, J. D. McDonald, A. J. Bechtel, H. Chapman, Jas. Dickson, P. P. Calger, David Spencer, C. C. Greenshaw, Dr. Ernest Hall, D. W. Higgins, F. B. Gregory, R. Hutchinson, W. G. Cameron, A. W. Currie, Alex. Hendry, Geo. Rapley, T. Donovan, J. Stapleton, W. S. Fraser, R. A. C. Grant, Arthur Brakes, Joshua Kingham, John Sherburn, J. Campbell, S. G. Clemence, W. McCarter, John Cochrane, L. N. Conyers, A. E. Bechtel, C. W. Bradshaw, W. H. Jones, Russ Humber, A. M. Aitken, Frank Bennet, Geo. Glover, H. V. Cooley, H. R. Watson and Sam Kirby.

The Chairman.

"The only question we have to settle is whether we are going to let Laurier finish his work; let Templeman finish his work," were Chairman Munn's opening words, which were drowned out with cheers and cries of "We're going to do it." The great leader's expectation of a majority of sixty seats in the eleventh parliament was repeated, and the audience endorsed it by their applause. On Trafalgar night, as it was, there came aptly an adaptation of the famous signal: "Laurier expects every Victorian to do his duty."

R. L. Drury.

R. L. Drury reminded his hearers that the two great hopes of the Tory party, outside of scandal cries, were better terms and Asiatic exclusion, and the man who was to help British Columbia was Mr. Borden. How then did it happen that he said nothing about these matters and did not embody any reference to them in the Halifax platform. The only reference to what might be considered better terms in that precious platform related to the so-called "restoration" of public lands in the new prairie provinces. All that the people had from Mr. Borden on the subject was his acquiescence in the passage of the treaty. One definite statement from him as to what he would do if he was placed in power would be worth far more than hours of useless talk against the Laurier government. In connection with the vote on the treaty Premier McBride had stated that J. B. Kennedy, of New Westminster, had voted against it and was kicked out for that. Mr. Kennedy had not voted against the treaty; it passed unanimously.

Mr. Drury dealt briefly with the agreement made with Japan, than which it was impossible to get a better one. The only other thing that could be done was to adopt total exclusion, which would have the result of shutting Canada out of a most profitable market. The agreement had been faithfully lived up to on Japan's part, and there was every reason to believe that it would continue to be. Canada retained absolute control of the situation, as no Japanese could be brought in by anyone without the consent of the government.

Hon. Wm. Templeman.

When Hon. Mr. Templeman was called on to speak the great gathering rose spontaneous, cheered and sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." The minister acknowledged the warmth of the reception given him and accepted it as an augury of victory. Throughout the campaign, he said, he had tried to set before the electors fairly and honestly the matters that should be in the mind of the voter when deciding how he would mark his ballot; the record of the government on the tariff, trade, finance, immigration, development.

Regarding the capital sought to be made by Mr. Barnard and the Colonist out of the Songhees reserve matter the minister said:

"I want to challenge the Conserva-

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THE SONGHEES RESERVE

"I challenge the Conservatives to ask Harry Helmcken, a former member of the party, what I have done in the matter of the Songhees reserve. If Mr. Helmcken will say that I have not, during the twelve months since I put my hand to that plough, been in weekly communication with him and done everything possible to bring Chief Cooper and his band to consider the proposition I submitted to them on behalf of the government, I am willing to stand the censure of the people of Victoria. Mr. Helmcken is in a position to speak with authority, because he was the confidential agent between us. He has every letter and telegram I sent him, and they are numbered by the score, and I have those he sent me. I say that if the Conservatives will ask him to get up and say I have failed I will abide by the result. But I know Mr. Helmcken will not do anything of the kind. Every step I have taken I am willing to give to the public to-morrow if he gives everything he sent to me in reply."—Hon. William Templeman at the Young Liberal smoker last night.

THE POLITICAL WITCH.

"Thrice the brinded cat hath mewed,
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"Double, double toil and trouble
"Fire burn and cauldron bubble."

ONTARIO ELECTORS ACCLAIM SIR WILFRID

(Special to the Times).

Alexandria, Ont., Oct. 22.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's final meeting in Ontario held here yesterday was marked by the same enthusiastic acclaim as its predecessors. The premier asked the electors to return both J. A. McMillan in Glengarry, and E. R. Proul, in Prescott. He was assured, he said, of the victory of the Liberal government.

SIFTON ANSWERS HIS TRADUCERS

GANG OF HOOLIGANS TRY TO BREAK UP MEETING

Riff-raff of Winnipeg Present Primed With Liquor by Tory Organizer.

Winnipeg, Oct. 22.—Thousands of people attended the Walker theatre last night to listen to the Hon. Clifford Sifton. By 7 o'clock the doors were stormed by crowds anxious to get in and at 7:30 it was impossible to get a seat anywhere in the large auditorium, while hundreds clamored outside to get in.

In his speech, Mr. Sifton met all the slanderous charges that have been thrown at him, answering them fairly and squarely in a manner that left no doubt in the minds of his intelligent hearers. He discussed the issues of the day, and the record of the Liberal party. He took up the questions that are of paramount importance and explained them. He compared in a masterly way the record of the Liberal and Conservative parties and through all his remarks there ran a current of sincerity that appealed to his audience.

Some hundred hoodlums led by Fred C. McLaglan, a member of the committee of Alexander Haggart, Conservative candidate for Winnipeg, early in the meeting, made the most desperate attempt in the history of political meetings in the West to break up the gathering, and above all to prevent Hon. Clifford Sifton from addressing the electors of Winnipeg. Never have the despicable tactics of the Conservative heelers been more foully exemplified than in the disgraceful scenes enacted at last night's meeting. It was a scene to disgust any man with a modicum of British fair play in his mental make-up, that the managers of a great political party should resort to such means to prevent their opponent answering slanders and insinuations which have been spread broadcast against his character.

This "man" McLaglan collected around him the scourings and riffraff of the lowest dives and bar-rooms in the city and it is beyond the descriptive powers of the English language to adequately describe the aggregation that almost filled the gallery and had odd seats in the balcony and partially filled the standing room at the rear of the pit. McLaglan's body guard of ruffians had been thoroughly primed with liquor before they started out, and not content with interrupting the speaker, hurled filthy epithets and obscenities at all who happened to come under their displeasure. The decent people who comprised five-sixths of the audience, Liberals and Conservatives alike, were inexpressibly shocked and disgusted with the whole performance. Finally the police succeeded in locating McLaglan as the storm centre and he was warned that if he did not desist he would be ejected. This calmed him down considerably, though his hooligan followers still kept up their share of the uproar.

SHAUGHNESSY SAYS GOOD TIMES ARE HERE

Vancouver, Oct. 22.—Sir Thos. Shaughnessy president of the C. P.R., left this morning for Victoria. He said "Good times are virtually here. The improvement in the east and the New Provinces is obvious and I feel confident that within four or five months normal business will prevail. British Columbia has stood the test of last year remarkably well."

BOMB OUTRAGE IN NEW YORK.

New York, Oct. 22.—Another bomb was exploded last night in an east side tenement which has been guarded by police to prevent just such outrages. The explosive was packed in the hallway of a house in East Eleventh street occupied by 18 families and owned by Pasquale Discardi, who has been receiving "Black Hand" warnings for nearly a year. Little damage was done.

ANOTHER DASTARDLY ATTACK ON G. T. P.

(Special to the Times).

Ingersoll, Ont., Oct. 22.—In a speech here last night, Hon. G. P. Graham exposed another attempt by slander to injure the G. T. P., pointing to a vicious attack published in the Boston News bureau by an American from Montana. He believed it would have no effect upon Canadian electors, who knew the truth but it might have an effect upon the credit of the G. T. P., but what cared the Tories for that.

LIBERALS WILL GAIN IN ONTARIO

PROSPECTS VERY BRIGHT IN TORY STRONGHOLD

George Eulas Foster Likely to Be Defeated in North Toronto.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 22.—The exploitation of the story that R. L. Borden will have sixty odd majority in Ontario is a matter for laughter to those who know. There will of course, be losses by Liberals, but there also will be gains and among these can be placed such seats as West Algoma, Brantford, Durham, Huron, East Kent, West Kent, Lambton East, Lincoln, Norfolk, Ontario South, Peel, Renfrew North, Simcoe East, Toronto Centre, Waterloo North, and Wentworth.

On the other hand the Liberals can at worst only lose Algoma East and Glengarry which they may, and probably will, win, Nipissing (which is also in the doubtful column), Peterboro East, Simcoe North, and Centre York. This will give the Liberals a gain of twelve. Sorth Toronto is not worth a gamble. Privately, voters are talking against G. E. Foster. If they carry their intentions into effect Mr. Foster is beaten.

LAURIER TO HAVE BIG MAJORITY

OPTIMISM INCREASES AS MONDAY APPROACHES

Liberals May Make Clean Sweep of Nova Scotia.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Oct. 22.—During the past week advices received here from all the provinces as to the progress of the campaign have been uniformally to the effect that the Liberal majority in the next parliament will be much larger than was at first hoped for.

Many Ontario constituencies where the Liberals entered the fight with misgivings, are now practically sure to return Liberal members and a Laurier majority from this province, which at the opening of the campaign, was not thought possible, is now well within the range of probability as at least ten ridings which went Conservative last election are now expected to go Liberal.

Those in closest touch with the campaign throughout Ontario predict an even break. From other provinces similarly optimistic reports are being received and the previous predictions of forty majority for Laurier is now replaced by a prediction of over fifty-five. Quebec will do as well and possibly better than in 1904, while in Nova Scotia not a single Conservative is at all sure of election.

DAMAGING MONTREAL FIRE.

Montreal, Que., Oct. 22.—Damage to the extent of $8,000 was caused by a fire in the establishment of O. Poirier, Ltd., dealers in leathers, shoe findings, and shoe store supplies, St. Paul street, last night.

OTTAWA'S GROWTH.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 22.—The assessment roll this year gives Ottawa a population of 80,284, an increase of 12,000 since 1906. The total assessment, exclusive of government property, amounts to $50,863,200, an increase of $6,086,797 over last year.

TSCHAIKOVSKY'S CASE.

Appeal to His Friends in England and United States to Raise $25,000 Bail.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 22.—An appeal has been issued to the sympathizers with Nicholas Tschaikovsky in England and America, particularly those who signed the petitions for his release to Premier Stolypin, asking them to assist in raising the bail of $25,000 demanded by the authorities, and which the family has been unable to furnish unassisted. Tschaikovsky has been in confinement in this city for nearly one year and he will be returned to the fortress to-morrow unless this bail is deposited.

'QUAKE SEASON IN FULL SWING.

No Less Than Thirty Shocks Felt Yesterday in District of Saxony.

Plauen, Saxony, Oct. 22.—Thirty earthquake shocks were experienced in the Zwickau region yesterday. They were accompanied by thunder-like reverberations and the people were greatly alarmed.

ABRUZZI-ELKINS ROMANCE.

Rome, Oct. 22.—It was stated here last night that the Duke of Abruzzi would be a passenger on board the French line steamer La Lorraine which sails from Havre on October 24. The Duke will travel incognito.

Paris, Oct. 22.—The report from Rome that the Duke of Abruzzi would be a passenger on the French liner steamer La Lorraine could not be substantiated to-day at the office of the company. Inquiries were met with the statement that the Duke had not taken passage on the steamer.

TYPHOID IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Que., Oct. 22.—The epidemic of typhoid which is visiting the city appears to be of a particulary malignant type, and it has in its grip even more than the usual number of patients. Most of the hospital accommodation is taken up and several cases per day have been refused admission. The usual causes are attributed for the present outbreak, namely, the water supply in a minor degree, that of milk as well.

SPANISH ROYALTY TRAVELLING.

Madrid, Oct. 22.—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria, accompanied by Premier Maura, have started for Barcelona, where they will remain until Oct. 27th. All the anarchist centres are being closely watched.

ON THE FIRING LINE

The frantic appeal of the Conservative candidate to workmen to support him in his Herculean efforts to exclude Orientals from this country, provide the comedy of the present campaign. Both Mr. Barnard and Mr. Templeman have been residents of Victoria for many years, and if any comparisons are to be instituted on that score, it is not the Liberal candidate who need fear them.

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Mr. Barnard charges his antagonist with "subordinating the great interests of the province to the petty interests of his party." Let's see. Which mayor of Victoria was it that subordinated the great interests of this city to those of his private clients?

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Mr. Barnard's latest plea for support is that Mr. Templeman may not be a cabinet minister anyway, because Mr. Borden may have a majority. The electors of this city may be safely left to judge of whether the chance is good enough to gamble on or not.

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A special feature of a local Conservative rally is advertised to be the singing "by request" of the refrain, "Poor Old Bill, Halo Bill." Liberals have no reason to complain if Mr. Barnard and his managers regard this as good politics. The same refined sense of humor was in evidence, in similar form, on a previous campaign against Senator Riley, with results eminently satisfactory to the Liberal candidate.

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The Liberal campaign committee got its lesson last night when the crowd which couldn't get into the A. O. U. W. hall was half as large as those who could. They have secured the Victoria theatre for Saturday night, but judging by the enthusiasm of last night's gathering those who come late on Saturday evening will stand a poor chance of getting inside. Seats will be reserved for ladies, but they also must come in good time. Bantly's theatre orchestra will be on hand and all the campaign songs will be sung.

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According to reliable reports from Vancouver it will be a close run between Cowan and Joe Martin for second place.

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It would be a pity to stop the tide of Canada's prosperity in its flood. The whole world has confidence in Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal party.

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The people of Victoria have sufficient sense to know a good thing when they see it. They would hardly turn down Templeman to elect Barnard.

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The world is divided into two classes: those who do things and those who criticise what is done. In Canada the former are called Liberals, and the latter Conservatives.

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Herbert Cuthbert should form a new political party which would devote itself to working up a secession sentiment. He might find a follower or two in the Conservative ranks.

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A vote for Templeman means also a vote for Laurier. A vote for Barnard means nothing, for he will be defeated anyway.

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"Canada for the Norwegian seems to be the cry of the Liberal government" says the Tory organ. Sure, and for the Eskimo. Any old thing for the last days of the campaign. But by the way, wasn't it Mr. Barnard that wanted the government censured for refusing to permit a Norwegian Whaling Co. to exploit an industry built up by Victorians?

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The Colonist is getting hopelessly mixed. It refers to the agreement made by Mr. Lemieux on behalf of Canada, with Japan, limiting the number of immigrants from that country to this, to a small number each year, as "the secret agreement." The only "secret agreement" in which Victoria electors are interested was made by Mr. Barnard when mayor with the tramway company of which he was solicitor. The principal significance of the "secret agreement" was to demonstrate how unsafe it was to entrust Mr. Barnard with the protection of public rights.

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Since the big meeting last night betting men have been offering ten to one on Templeman and there have been no takers at these odds. Probably these men do not know how the election is likely to go. Some of them are Conservatives too.

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Watch the Tory roorbachs grow.