

Allow me, honourable senators, to add a word to what has been so eloquently expressed by my colleague from Rougemont. Charles Murphy's memory will not fade. There are throughout the length and breadth of this land thousands upon thousands who will cherish his memory and keep it green.

Senator Murphy was a fighter—allow me to say, a bare-fisted fighter; and the world loves a fighter. I will not say that he was always right in his views, but he thought he was right. What else mattered?

In his passing his family has lost a devoted brother, this House a useful and brilliant member, and we of Irish descent a fearless champion. I have lost a friend. But whether my days be long or short I shall often think of him, and always with respect.

Right Hon. GEORGE P. GRAHAM: Honourable senators, I was very intimately associated with Charles Murphy in our younger days, though I was some years older than the senator; not so many, however, as to prevent our being together in our youth.

He was early selected by the young Liberals of the province as their president, and from that office he was called to the presidency of the Liberal Club of the Dominion of Canada. So he was well known all over this country. I met him in those days and was associated with him very closely.

When the time came that, for good or for evil, I was asked to join the Laurier Administration, the man to meet me at the station—though I had no idea that he had any knowledge of my selection—was Charles Murphy. Throughout those days, in evil as well as in good report, we were very intimate friends and discussed many questions; not always agreeing, I will admit, both being Irish, but we discussed everything to our heart's content. And that is really what an Irishman loves.

When the time was a little more advanced, and I had been a member of the Government a few years, it became necessary to find a successor to the Hon. Mr. Scott, a veteran statesman of the city of Ottawa, and I was called into consultation. I told Sir Wilfrid that I knew of no better successor, nor any one more able to take his place as the representative of his race, than Charlie Murphy. Charles Murphy was selected—I do not say on my recommendation, but he was selected.

He laboured under great physical difficulties ever since his boyhood, and the pain he suffered was hardly known to any but his most intimate friends. Down almost to the day of his death he was the victim of one accident

after another, which added greatly to his suffering, but never dimmed his mentality.

He was a rugged character; I might say a rugged debater, a rugged friend and a rugged opponent. A man of a peculiar disposition, he never lagged in endeavouring to fill his mind with the most complete information on every subject. He was a great lover of art, and you will find many examples of it in his home. When he came into his room in the Senate it was transformed almost into an art gallery, as you all know. He was able in debate, but to my mind Charlie Murphy was more entertaining in private conversation. In debate a man is sometimes restricted, as some of you honourable gentlemen know, from expressing his views in the language in which they can be expressed most forcibly; but in private conversation Senator Murphy during the many years that I knew him was one of the most wonderful entertainers, and he diffused information in almost every sentence.

I saw a good deal of Senator Murphy from his boyhood up, for there were not many days at a time when I did not have either a telephone conversation with him or a personal talk. I shall miss Charlie Murphy as a friend as well as a colleague. I was a colleague of his for years in the Government as well as in the Senate. Our private and public life has lost a forceful character that lent individuality and robustness to it at every stage.

To his brothers I extend sincere sympathy.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. Sir THOMAS CHAPPAIS moved concurrence in the first report of the Standing Committee on Debates and Reporting.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Is the salary the same as for last session?

Hon. Sir THOMAS CHAPPAIS: Yes; there is no change.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 3 p.m.

THE SENATE

Thursday, February 13, 1936.

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers and routine proceedings.