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WORKMEN CROWDED CITY HALL IN SPITE OF STORM

Demonstration of Belleville's Workers for Mr. R. J. Graham--Win-the-War Unionist Addresses by the Candidate, Manufacturers and Workingmen--How Candidate Has Benefitted Belleville Told by Mr. S. R. Burrows and Mr. W. C. Springer.

Not even the heaviest December storm, which tied up traffic in all directions, could make a failure of the workmen's meeting held on Saturday evening in the city hall in the interests of Mr. R. J. Graham, the People's Candidate, and the only Free Union candidate in West Hastings. The spacious hall accommodated over four hundred interested workers. They plainly showed where their sympathies lay by their prolonged cheers for Mr. Graham and the laughter with which the claims of his opponent were met. No better sign of the times has been seen anywhere than this demonstration of workmen for the benefactor of Belleville.

The chair was taken by Mr. S. Burrows. The beaming face of this well known citizen beamed more than usual as he saw the gathering's friendship for Mr. Graham. The 15th Regiment orchestra furnished music. On the platform were returned soldiers and leaders in the industrial life of Belleville. Mr. A. F. White, superintendent of Marsh & Henthorn's, Limited, asked: "Who is the workingman's friend?" Mr. Porter knows nothing of the workingman. You have to work with them to know them. Which would you rather have, the placing of a dock costing \$250,000 or a factory of the same cost? Which gives the benefit to the workingman, or the returned soldier?

Mr. Porter's claim that he secured war contracts for Belleville industries is without foundation. The speaker himself knew about the shell orders placed in Belleville. Marsh & Henthorn's, Limited, and Wilson's did not have to bow to Mr. Porter to get orders. When you go to Ottawa to get orders, you meet men in commerce. You don't have to hustle up Mr. Porter.

"I don't know how the postmaster can stand for Mr. Porter's domination."

"Mr. Porter cannot get the support of the workingman. He has to bring in a trained orator to speak for him. He insists a workingman's intelligence. Today, workingmen know as much about running affairs as Mr. Porter."

"Today, the manufacturer understands the workingman. Both cooperate. Every workingman in Belleville believes he is doing the right thing in voting for Mr. Graham. Some ladies are going around telling others that Mr. Porter will get

was nominated by both parties. Mr. Porter by an extreme end of an old political party. Why don't they endorse the nominee of the two parties.

The Franchise Act has insulted a great many women in this country. The Government says they are not to be trusted with the ballot. The mother that brings up sons who are now too old or unable to go overseas is told she is not fit to vote. The speaker would give the vote to all women if he had his way.

"Mr. Porter never offended the Government because he was like a phonograph—you just turn the crank and get a vote." (Roars of laughter)

Mr. Donahue urged the women who had not the franchise to use their influence to secure the election of Mr. Graham. All men are workmen, except tramps and professional men. I am not putting the professional man into the class with the tramp. Each is important—the tramp to show the professional man how low he can get. (Laughter.)

Mr. Graham went security for the machinery for the first company. "You would go a long way before you met another man who would do that."

"Between the two factories we are spending about \$100,000 per year in wages here, and we are sending out about \$2,000,000 worth of goods."

It is fortunate for you to get as great a man as Mr. Graham as your candidate. "I am not going to say what Mr. Porter has done. How many factories has he started? You all know."

The gathering was convulsed with laughter. Bandman Wilkinson was heard in two rousing songs. Little Miss McLeod gave a fine election reading.

Mr. Harry Geary stirred the gathering with his words: "A better man to work for than Mr. Graham, I do not know. The employees of Graham's, Limited, are well satisfied. They are getting good pay. If there is a man in this town worthy of your support, there he is sitting right there. There is no other real Union Candidate," he declared amid cheers pointing out Mr. Graham.

Mr. W. M. Mackintosh of the Belleville Rubber Works declared: "Mr. Graham is a workman, a manufacturer. He knows the value of labor and pays accordingly."

"I admire the man, who, having made money, invests it to help his fellow-men. Today Mr. Graham is one of the biggest employers of labor in this country," declared Mr. Burrows. "In this year he has spent about \$300,000 in our midst. Who will say that this has not helped the working man? If we do our duty we should all do our utmost to secure the election of Mr. Graham. Then you will always have the consolation that you gave your votes to the better man."

Mr. R. J. Graham, the candidate, was received with musical honors and cheers. Mr. Graham was laboring under the disadvantage of hoarseness.

"For three weeks the campaign has been gathering enthusiasm. We've got the people with us. I am told that at Maxmood's, Mr. Porter had \$1 of an audience, 29 men and 2 women."

"Choose a man who on all occasions in Parliament will be your friend," says Mr. Porter. I say amen, and if you do, you won't vote for Mr. Porter. Mr. Porter promises old-age pensions, a standard working day for the working man, and workmen's compensation. Mr. Porter has been there for seventeen years. What has he done? No such bills are on the statute books of Canada."

Mr. Graham believed in old-age pensions. The man closest to the workingman is better qualified than a lawyer to speak of a working day. What does Mr. Porter know of a working day? The Workmen's Compensation Act has eliminated lawsuits of manufacturers with doctors and lawyers. What has Mr. Porter to do with the compensation law, which is provincial? The manufacturer pays taxes for compensation. The manufacturer and the workman are co-operating. They are mutually necessary. "I take off my hat to



labor. Labor and capital combined have developed Canada to what it is today.

Suppose all the factories in Belleville closed down. It would be a fine place for labor, wouldn't it? His company had promised a bonus to their workmen and the promise was kept.

It is an exception to find organized labor and capital fighting in Canada. Both must co-operate to produce the best.

When was Mr. Porter lined up on the side of the working man? Certainly not in his 17 years in Ottawa.

How Mr. R. J. Graham as mayor of the city, brought Mr. W. C. Springer to Belleville and started two of the finest local manufacturing plants had the tolls raised on the bay bridge thus driving farmers from Belleville.

Mr. Porter drafted the bill in his own office in Belleville and forgot his duty to West Hastings.

"What has Mr. Porter done for Belleville? You can't see it with a spy-glass. (Laughter.)

There is something besides politics. There is such a thing as a clear life. Which would you prefer, the man who has not done anything for the betterment of Belleville, who has not, the speaker believed, invested a dollar in local industries or employed the workingman? Or would you rather have the man who has been devoting his energy to the development of the city, bringing it capital? We are going to get away from lies and slanders! He hopes he would never slander the life of any man. The times are too serious for that.

Slanders have been spread that Mr. Graham would support Laurier. They are absolutely false. Those who would circulate these statements must be very small must have something wrong with them. "I am no base enough to make a dollar by giving a soldier something to eat. I would not eat myself. Politics have been interfering with the winning of the war."

"We don't want a man running up the country on a joy ride or have a bunch of tin soldiers racing around."

"If we don't do something and do it quick we may lose this war. This is a very serious time in connection with the Russian and Italian problems. I believe it will be just as necessary for us to get down on our knees and ask forgiveness for our shortcomings as a nation. It is time for prayer and a change. It is time we asked God's blessing. Then we can hold up our heads. It is time flippancy were eliminated."

On this high note of patriotism and with the singing of the National Anthem and cheers for Mr. Graham the meeting broke up.

DID NOT REMAIN PRISONER LONG

Canadian Engineers Escaped From German Escort—Struggle Bared-handed with Guard.

With the British Army in France, Dec. 10.—The best of many exciting episodes related in connection with the Cambrai fighting was that involving fifty American and Canadian engineers, together with some British fighting troops. These men were cut off in the German turning movement near Gouzeaucourt and were taken prisoners. A German escort of 20 soldiers or more started with them along the road leading from Gouzeaucourt to Cambrai. As they were proceeding disconsolately towards the zone of the German prison camps they came upon a small body of British troops, who had also been cut off from their comrades and were wandering about. The British Tommies immediately charged toward them. The Germans tried to drive their captives off toward La Vaquelette, but the prisoners buried themselves upon their guards and struggled bare-handed until the Tommies arrived and disposed of the Germans. The German rifles and worked their way back with the rescuers until they were able to reach a point where they could join the British line.

Charged by Motor Lorry

A party of Americans and Cana-

dians also had an exciting time in a motor lorry, which, coming unexpectedly upon six Germans holding the cross roads with machine guns, charged at full speed, tank-like, bowling over the surprised enemy and escaping down the road before the Germans recovered from their shock and fright.

The engineers were not the only army men from the United States who did their bit during the most intense part of the German counter-attacks at Cambrai. Not less than ten American army medical officers were working in the British stations along the Gouzeaucourt front. In fact they had been laboring there since Gen. Byng began his great offensive.

A CHANGE FOR MR. PORTER TO HELP

The following letter has been sent by Mr. Graham to the Intelligencer in reply to a suggestion that Mr. Graham ought to resign and save the money for Red Cross purposes.

Belleville, Dec. 10, 1917

To the Intelligencer,—

I notice the suggestion in your paper, that I should resign as a candidate for West Hastings, as the money I am spending on the election would be better devoted to the British Red Cross. I would suggest to Mr. Porter that he resign, and I will subscribe liberally to the different Patriotic and Red Cross Societies of West Hastings, the distribution to be left to a committee consisting of the mayor of Belleville, the ex-mayor of Trenton and the warden of the County of Hastings.

This will give Mr. Porter a chance to show his interest in the welfare of the soldiers, and their dependents in some practical manner. I will then devote my time until election day in assisting the Union Government candidates in the near-by constituencies.

R. J. Graham

THREE TIMES ON CASUALTY LIST

Mr. B. A. Sanford has received a letter from his friend, Pte. Jos. Alderstone, informing him that he has been gassed and is now in hospital in England. Pte. Alderstone is on the casualty list twice previously from wounds. His spirit is, however, undaunted and he expresses himself anxious only to get nother try at the Huns.

He acknowledges with grateful appreciation the receipt of parcels from Mr. D. V. Sinclair and staff he W. C. T. W. and from other friends in Belleville.

Pte. Alderstone is a Brighton boy but spent much time in Belleville prior to the war.

DEATH OF MARTIN DEIBERT

alised with Heavy Battery—only 19 years old.

Gunner Martin Deibert, who left Belleville on June 8th with the Jobourg Heavy Battery, has fallen in action, such was the sad news received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Deibert, Everett St. Martin's only 19 years of age.

He was a teacher in Holloway St. Sunday School and president of the Epworth League. He was for some years in the employ of Mr. T. Blackburn and Mr. Allan McFee, Jewellers.

Yesterday funeral reference was made to his death at Holloway St. Church. A service is to be held to his memory on Sunday evening next.

SUBSCRIPTION FOR HALIFAX SUFFERERS

Graham's Limited have forwarded a subscription of one hundred dollars in aid of the Halifax sufferers.

WILLIAM DUNCAN

who co-stars with Carol Holloway in Vitagraph's latest and best serial story of the great outdoors, "The Fighting Trail," which starts at the Palace tonight to Wednesday. Matinee daily.

DEATH OF CHILD

Harold R. Carter, six month old child of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Carter, 108 Cedar street, died this morning.

THE EXEMPTION APPEAL BOARD (Special to The Ontario) KINGSTON, Dec. 11.—Exemption appeal board for Belleville will be No. 13, Judge G. E. Deroche, Wil- liam Carnegie, and Capt. L. C. Lo-



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Political Meetings

In the Interest of R. J. Graham, the People's Candidate, will be held on the following dates at 8 p.m.

Moirs Town Hall, Monday, December 10th
Crookston Guild Hall, Tuesday, December 11
Wellman's Corners, Orange Hall, Thursday December 13

Mr. Porter or his representative will be welcome.

GOD SAVE THE KING

R. J. GRAHAM

Moira, No. 54, Judge J. F. Wills, Lt. Col. E. B. Clegg and Lieut. E. E. Elliott.

RESULTS OF SNOW STORM

The terrific snow storm of Saturday and Sunday tied up traffic roads in the country are rather blocked up. The Tuesday stage was not in at two o'clock this afternoon. The Ameliasburg was an hour late. The Ameliasburg was an hour late. The Ameliasburg was an hour late.

RICHARD F. YOUNG

Richard F. Young, a former Bellevillian died in Toronto. His remains will be brought here to-morrow for interment.