

more honest, honourable, wise and kind leader than Sir James Loughheed was.

So I wish to associate myself, and I think the members of the party behind me will also join, with the honourable member in extending our sincere sympathy and goodwill to the widow and family of Sir James Loughheed, a man whose name will live as long as the Senate exists.

Leaving this subject, which is a very trying one to me, I wish to refer to the death of our former member, Hon. Mr. Bradbury. I know that he was zealous in doing good work in the Senate, and I can say without reserve, having on several occasions worked with him, that I found him very jealous for the honour and usefulness of this House, so that what the Senate did should be for the benefit of the country.

Referring to the late Senator Roche, he was an old client of mine, and we travelled probably 150 miles by buckboard along the South Shore of Nova Scotia when we were bringing good Grits to the poll. After our long acquaintance, I can endorse what the honourable gentleman opposite has said, that Senator Roche had a philosophic cast of mind—and he sometimes hit the mark, too. He was a successful politician, and also a successful business man, and I know there are families in Halifax to-day who will miss him. He was a coal merchant, and he never forgot the poor during the cold winters, though he spoke little about this. I liked to hear Senator Roche address this House, and I think his last speech was one of the best I ever heard him deliver. I have looked over it more than once in order to gain some knowledge, for he was speaking on a subject that he thoroughly understood. He had been more or less engaged in the shipping trade all his life, and when some member from the interior of Canada undertook to tell him about ocean freight, Senator Roche was able to tell that honourable gentleman just exactly how much and how little he knew about the subject.

I heartily join with the honourable gentleman opposite in extending our sincerest sympathy to the family of the late Senator Roche.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: May I refer also to the demise of two faithful servants of the Senate who were sitting in our midst last Session. The last person who spoke in this House before prorogation was, I believe, Mr. Siméon Lelièvre, one of the Assistant Clerks. In various posts he had been in the service of the country for forty-three years. He was for a number of years in the Senate itself, first as a translator, then as Chief Trans-

lator, and finally as a Clerk at the Table. He discharged his duties in a manner which was, I am sure, satisfactory to all the Members of this Chamber.

His senior, Mr. Charles Young, who died after him, had a very exceptional career in the Senate of Canada. In 1860 he entered the service of the Parliament of the Union as a page, when eight years old. He was promoted from one post to another until he became the First Assistant Clerk of the Senate. Mr. Young was an official who was always painstaking and most faithful in the discharge of his duties.

I desire to express our sorrow at the departure of these faithful servants of the Parliament of Canada.

Hon. G. D. ROBERTSON: Honourable gentlemen, I crave the honour of associating myself with the remarks of the honourable leaders of the two parties in this House with reference to deceased members and officers of the Senate. I am sure we all share fully in what has been said of Senators De Veber, Roche and Bradbury. As to the two officers of the Senate who have passed from this earthly life, I think that we are all of one opinion, namely, that in the discharge of their duties they were unfailing in their courtesy and kindness, and that we shall ever have kindly recollections of their services.

It is, however, with a special desire to make brief reference to the departure of our late lamented leader, Sir James Loughheed, that I presume to say a word at this time. For about seven years it was my privilege to be his deskmate in this House. During that period, as well as before, I was intimately acquainted with him and my admiration for him constantly increased.

I well remember on one occasion Sir James gave me a glimpse into his early life and career, telling me that when he went to what is now the city of Calgary he entered it on foot, before the advent of the railroad. What seemed to be the outstanding characteristic of his young life, namely, his unfailing optimism and faith in his country, continued with him until the end.

We all held him in affectionate regard. Those of us who had the opportunity of knowing him quite intimately feel his loss the more. I had the pleasant privilege of being a guest in his home on several occasions and knew each member of his family. I most heartily and sincerely join in the expressions of condolence to Lady Loughheed and those who are left behind.

Hon. L. McMEANS: Honourable gentlemen, I do not rise for the purpose of adding