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HON. W. J. HANNA SIDESTEPS ALL SCANDAL CHARGES MADE BY PROUDFOOT AT OWEN SOUND

Member for Centre Huron Scored Heavily in Joint Debate, and Gave Big Audience Much Interesting Information.

Hon. W. J. Hanna Told Anecdotes and Amused Crowd, But Made No Reply to Important Questions Asked Regarding That \$500.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Owen Sound, July 13.—With artful evasion, Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, sidestepped every issue presented to him in the joint discussion of the Proudfoot charges here on Saturday night.

Mr. W. Proudfoot, M. P. P. for Centre Huron, gave a careful review of the entire case, that has produced the only sensation in provincial politics within the past decade. The audience comprised about twenty-five hundred people in the large Riverside Rink.

It was a Conservative meeting, and this fact was frequently impressed upon Mr. Proudfoot, who was treated with the most reasonable fair treatment. It was apparent during the evening that the charges against the Prime Minister and the Provincial Secretary have taken hold upon the public mind of the Province and that the Conservatives will admit themselves.

Put On Defence.—What was intended to be a love-feast among the Conservatives actually turned out to be a serious attempt to defend the tactics of the Government members at the sittings of the committee on privileges and elections, and where this was not possible Mr. Proudfoot was subjected to vilification and abuse.

It was a trying ordeal, which one with less courage than the member for Centre Huron would not have attempted. As it was, Mr. Proudfoot made a splendid impression and left the rink with the applause of the audience. Time and again applause broke out as he pressed home his charges, showing what an artful force the conduct of the proceedings before the committee on privileges and elections degenerated into, and declaring that Taylor, when he paid the \$500 to Mr. Hanna, had full expectation that his claim would receive special treatment at the hands of the Government.

A Serious Matter.—The contribution was actually made at a time when claims were piling up against the whole matter, he explained, was apparent to the Provincial Secretary, whom, Thorne stated, said if Taylor's charges were made public it would enforce his withdrawal from public life.

In the interests of justice to Mr. Hanna, Sir James Whitney, and the people of the Province, Mr. Proudfoot declared a full and fair investigation should take place.

Mr. Hanna at the outset led his audience into a pleasant mood by reciting one or two anecdotes. He again went back to Malsonville's traffic in the charges, and ridiculed Mr. Proudfoot's edition of his story, and denied any irregularity in the conduct of his department.

Mr. Proudfoot to indicate there to what particular coal contract his objections were taken.

Mr. T. W. McGarry (South Renfrew), with characteristic impetuosity, denounced Mr. Proudfoot, roundly. Such epithets as "cowardly," "pale and bedraggled," were freely applied, while Mr. C. C. Asper, a projected Conservative candidate, openly bid for electoral support by promising to secure some sort of Government assistance, either land grant, cash or subsidy, of bond guarantees for the projected Owen Sound and Meaford Railway, as well as a normal school, when the next distribution of these gratuities was to be made.

Disputes Numerous.—In commenting, Mr. Proudfoot gave a brief resume of the contrast between Taylor, Scott & Co. and the Government, which extended for five years, from 1905 to 1910. As early as 1907 disputes between the parties arose which at that time were rejected by Mr. Postlethwaite, inspector of prisons, as being groundless. These disputes went on until a claim was made in January, 1911, amounting to \$17,000. When particulars were demanded, the amount grew to \$19,000. This juggling of figures went on, as was shown in the item for loss of power, which grew from \$6,300 to \$8,000, finally striking the high level of \$27,000, and for which \$17,000 was allowed by the arbitrator.

Continuing, Mr. Proudfoot pointed out that, after no attention had been paid to the application for a flat, Mr. Geo. C. Taylor took an appeal to the Prime Minister. He laid before Sir James Whitney the fact of his contribution of \$500 to the party campaign fund in 1907, the trouble over the underfed stokers, and the manipulation of coal tenders. It was the statement of these important facts that was the governing point in procuring a flat," declared the member for Centre Huron. The difference between Mr. Hanna and Mr. Taylor

Thorne without the necessity of evidence and without appeal?

"Do you not know that such an agreement was an illegal, corrupt and criminal transaction?"

Committee's Obstruction.—"Do you approve of the action of the public accounts committee in blocking the investigation into the facts and circumstances connected with the settlement of the Taylor, Scott & Co. claim, and particularly the obstructive tactics of Mr. G. Howard Ferguson, M. P. P., chairman of the committee, and of Mr. T. W. McGarry, M. P. P., which led the Conservative papers to protest against them by name?"

"If not, why did you not take steps to secure a full investigation?"

"Did you approve of the refusal of the committee on privileges and elections to testify as to the facts and circumstances connected with the payment of the \$500 to you and as to the conversation which took place between you and Mr. Taylor with reference thereto?"

An Unfair Course.—"If you do approve, what excuse do you offer for such an unprecedented and unfair course?"

"Did you approve of the position your counsel took that you should not be examined or cross-examined with reference to the said payment of \$500?"

"If you made full confession and had nothing further to conceal, why did your counsel block all further investigation as to the facts and circumstances connected with this payment?"

Continuing, Mr. Proudfoot declared that Thorne had personal knowledge as to the coal tenders, although the committee absolutely refused to allow any questions to be put on that point.

"Mr. Hanna's counsel was the man who had charge of the case and insisted that the evidence should not be given. Mr. Hanna later made a statement to the committee on something that had already been ruled out. The chairman was overruled. Mr. Hanna made his statement, his counsel said it was not evidence, and it was expunged from the record. What do you think of that kind of way of conducting business?" (Hear, hear.)

Hanna Sidesteps.—Mr. Hanna was received with hearty cheers when he rose to reply. Evidently he had many friends in the audience, and he proceeded to relieve the situation with a story. Mr. Proudfoot's story was like a novel that one might read once, twice, and a third time after each revision. For himself it had reached the third edition, and to the author of the charges he turned fervently: "I say it to you tonight, sir, in the words of the immortal Cap. Sullivan, 'Mr. Proudfoot, you are a corker.'" (Laughter.)

The Provincial Secretary then went on, referring to Malsonville's farming of his information from 1902 to 1905, which had been rejected and spurned until it found a "resting-place on the doorstep of William Pinkerton Proudfoot."

Dismissing at once from the questions put by Mr. Proudfoot, Mr. Hanna declared: "I never for one moment hesitated to put every single fact before the public, and I suggested, with regard to every feature of these charges."

In the questions submitted to him by Mr. Proudfoot—his belief that there were "insinuations, innuendoes and recitals that were absolutely false." (Hear, hear.) A short time ago he would not have believed that any man in the public life of the Province, representing a great constituency, could have framed such questions for an opponent.

Not Spent Illegally.—Referring to the subscription of \$500 in November, 1910, Mr. Hanna said the elections did not come on until June, 1908. If this money had been used to buy votes it would have been used in a preliminary election. I want to say that not a cent of that went for a strictly party purpose, and properly expended long before there was a solitary claim for Taylor, Scott & Co. against the department."

There was no claim by Taylor in 1907, Mr. Hanna explained, neither was there any in 1908 or 1909. These were matters which had nothing to do with Taylor, Scott & Co. and the officers of the department, and it would be distorting that fact to call it illegals. The \$500 went to the regular funds of the Conservative party.

By way of contrast Mr. Hanna sought to show what had been done by the late Liberal Government with party funds.

During the last years of the Ross Government the people were ashamed to read in the daily papers the record of rascality in elections. He had little patience with the hypocrisy of people who stood for that happened prior to 1905, and were outraged by the present incident.

Whitney Irregular.—"Let me dispose of the whole thing in a word. With regard to underfed stokers, I have said again and again and I say it now that there never was a transaction or receipt or suspicion in connection with underfed stokers. Let me say with regard to coal contracts that there never was either. And more than that, unlike my friend Mr. Proudfoot, I did not hesitate to kiss the book." (Applause.)

No man, he went on, had ever produced a solitary witness or document that reflected in any way a transaction in his department.

"When he (Mr. Proudfoot) talks of having evidence ruled out he did not have any evidence to offer bearing upon that point."

Mr. Hanna then reviewed Thorne's evidence to show that he did not know of one transaction in the Provincial Secretary's department that was irregular or suspicious, nor did he know of one instance where Mr. Hanna had favored a contractor or discriminated against the public of the Province. He also quoted editorials from the Globe that no one suggested that he in any way profited by these transactions.

Switched Off.—Mr. Hanna took less than half an hour to deal with the Proudfoot charges. He then digressed to the record of the Government, and the administration of his department in particular.

Mr. Fred Harrison, who accompanied Mr. Proudfoot, rose to object that this was not contemplated in the arrangement for a joint discussion until Mr. Proudfoot had taken his opportunity to reply, but the member for Centre Huron would not permit objection to be made and waited until Mr. Hanna had finished his remarks. Mr. Hanna spoke briefly of the progress that Ontario had made in prison reform, the closing of the Marcellus Refuge for Girls and the improved methods that had been adopted for caring for the insane. Experts in this work had recently declared that Ontario was now the model for the world. "If we had not

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taken up prison reform there would have been no trouble and no charges for Mr. Proudfoot to air."

Proudfoot's Reply.

"Mr. Hanna has not seen fit to deal with the questions that were placed before him," said Mr. Proudfoot in reply. "His story had reached me in many more before the last was heard of the matter. It was a practice among lawyers who had a poor case to abuse the jury, and I had no communication with Malsonville whatever in the matter, and so far as that went, Malsonville was not the author of the letter produced. The Thorne letter was a recapitulation of what had taken place in connection with the Taylor, Scott & Co. claim. The fact was that Mr. Hanna dared not answer his questions. Mr. Hanna's attempt to give testimony before the committee was merely a dodge to get his statement in the newspapers. The sword contract to which Mr. Hanna had referred was not the coal contract about which he had evidence."

Plays to the Gallery.

In concluding the debate Mr. Hanna declared that never in his life had he heard anything so extraordinary as Mr. Proudfoot's argument. On the floor of the House he had asked the member for Centre Huron to name the particular coal contract to which he had referred. Mr. Proudfoot had a right to answer such a question put to him by another member. He understood all along that the coal contract to which objection had been taken was the Kingston contract."

"What I said in the House I repeat here now; that if at any time I should be in the position of manipulating tenders or bettering myself at the expense of the people of this province I would not be fit for public life. I could not look an honest man in the face. That is what I said then, that is my position now."

Charges Revived.—When Mr. Hanna resumed his seat Mr. Proudfoot, along with Mr. F. G. Inwood and Mr. Fred Harrison, of

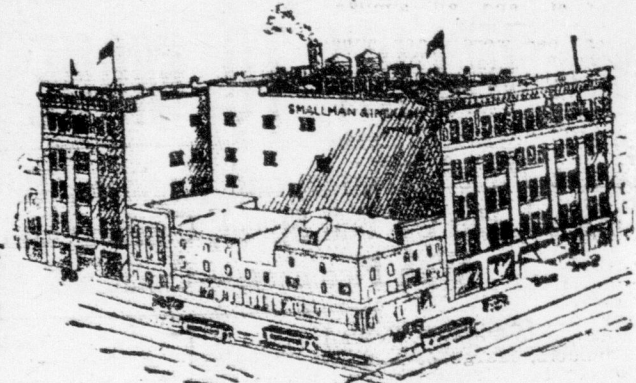
Owen Sound, left the platform and proceeded to leave the rink. Mr. Proudfoot's view was that he should properly leave the meeting, as it was organized by the Conservative candidate. Mr. T. W. McGarry, M. P. P., however, took occasion to refer to this as cowardice and an attempt to avoid facing the music. He wanted to ask Mr. Proudfoot whether he himself believed the charges that he had brought forward. He ridiculed the suggestion made at a former meeting here by the member for Centre Huron, that he declined to take the oath before the committee because he feared his documentary evidence would be impounded. He referred to Mr. Proudfoot before the committee as a man "pale and bedraggled," presenting a "pitiable sight." Mr. Proudfoot was afraid to make anything but insinuations.

Before concluding, Mr. McGarry resurrected Mr. Rowell's one-time connection with the Lake Superior Corporation, and suggested certain contributions to the campaign fund of the Liberal party at the time that corporation was receiving financial assistance from the Ontario Government to enable it to rehabilitate the industries that had been established at Sault Ste. Marie.

Hon. W. H. Hearst.—Hon. W. H. Hearst, minister of lands, forests and mines, concluded the meeting with a brief address. He eulogized the work that Mr. Hanna had done for the province, and gave a graphic exposition of the policy of the Government for the development of Northern Ontario.

Before Mr. Proudfoot left today Mr. T. W. McGarry's remarks at his leaving the meeting on Saturday evening were shown to him.

"I left the meeting then at the suggestion of the gentlemen who accompanied me," said Mr. Proudfoot, "as I did not consider it was necessary to remain longer. So far as Mr. McGarry asking me whether I believed in the charges I have brought up, I would have been quite prepared to answer his question, I believe the charges are true; otherwise I would not have made



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Miss Genevieve Wise, of Detroit, visited recently with Miss N. Dahl.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dumanoson announce the engagement of their daughter Mary Catharine to Mr. George Kendall. The marriage will take place in July.

Douglas Kennedy has secured a position for the vacation near Niagara.

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Mr. Elliott, B. A., has been re-engaged

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