

The Sons of Scotia

Annual Banquet of St. Andrew's Society Last Night.

A Very Successful and Happy Gathering.

Good Cheer, Good Speeches and Good Music.

The Guests Present and the Toast List Admirable Sentiments of the New U. S. Consul—A Real Brawl Night at the City Hotel.

The annual banquet of St. Andrew's Society at the City Hotel last night was one of the most notable in the long history of the society. It was marked by a large attendance, good cheer, splendid enthusiasm, bright oratory, capital music, and it is needless to say of any Scotch gathering—fervent patriotism. The dining-room was gaily bedecked with bunting and flags, in which the Stars and Stripes had a conspicuous place out of courtesy to the official representatives of the republic who were present, and made admirable addresses. It was a representative gathering, embracing old and young, and various creeds and nationalities, animated by the one feeling of good fellowship and honor for the patron saint of Scotland.

A pleasant feature was the introduction of the new United States consul, Hon. Henry S. Culver, who justified the chairman's encomium by expressing sentiments which will be warmly welcomed in the community of which he will be a member for four years, at least.

Mr. Charles E. Wheeler kindly played the accompaniments for the excellent musical programme.

The menu was first-class, and put the guests in good humor for the several hours of toast and song that followed.

THE GUESTS.

During the supper, Dr. McLaren, the retiring president, occupied the chair. On his right were Robert Reid, honorary president; J. D. Clarke, past president; Hon. Henry S. Culver, the new United States consul; Col. Jacks, the retiring United States consul; Patrick Mulken and Col. Garthshore. On his left were Thomas Purdon, the president-elect; Rev. Walter Moffat, Rev. W. J. Clark, R. Cadwallader, John F. Cowie and A. D. Craighero.

At the other tables were the following: Samuel Craig, D. W. Blackwell, John Purdon, R. J. Donaghy, Alex. Purdon, Dr. T. V. Hutchinson, Charles Hinchey, E. D. Grant, J. Cockburn, L. Inlay, A. W. Fyfe, Major John Williams, James Gillean, G. W. Armstrong, Capt. T. E. Robson, L. Leith, Wm. Howie, Frank Newton, G. P. Flaxton, J. Tod, A. E. McLachlan, W. T. Hamilton, John A. Macintyre, W. H. Skinner, J. W. Jones, James Shand, R. K. Cowan, F. Love, John Ferguson, A. Sharp, Robert Boston, ex-Mr. Dr. H. A. Stevenson, Charles E. Wheeler, J. W. McIntosh, Thomas R. Parker, A. M. Hamilton, R. Stevenson, John G. Stevenson, C. E. Glendening, J. G. Mackay, A. C. McLeod Campbell, J. Lockyer, A. G. McLeod, John J. Harding, J. B. Cox and James A. Stewart.

PROCEEDINGS BEGUN.

Shortly after 10 o'clock the chairman, Dr. McLaren, arose to introduce the programme, and was received with applause. Dr. McLaren referred with pleasure to the large gathering. He explained the absence of the national music by the statement that both the pipers engaged were ill. He paid a deserved compliment to the honorary president, Mr. Reid, who had always kept the society alive in the days of its infancy. (Applause.) The doctor, after a brief and appropriate reference to the flourishing state of St. Andrew's Society and the good work accomplished during the past year, called upon the

A LITTLE LIGHT.

Every young woman needs a little light upon the subject of health. It is far too much neglected among mothers. Every young woman should have explained to her the supreme necessity of keeping herself pure and wholesome. It is the free from weakness and disease is a womanly way. Her general health, her future happiness, her good looks, her physical strength, her capability as a wife and mother, and the health and strength of generations to come are dependent upon this.

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secretary, Mr. D. A. Donaldson, to read the greetings and letters of regret.

LETTERS OF REGRET.

Among the letters of regret at inability to attend was the following from Mr. C. S. Hyman: "I have to thank you for your kind invitation to the annual dinner of St. Andrew's Society on Tuesday evening, the 30th inst., and remembering the generous courtesies and kind welcome that I have more than once received on like occasions, in bygone days, I regret exceedingly that I shall be unable to be present this year. If any good wishes of mine can find one iota to the pleasure that I feel sure is in store for you on Tuesday evening, permit me to tender them in the heartiest manner."

Mr. T. S. Hobbs, M.P.E. also regretted that absence from the city would prevent his attendance.

Letters of regret were also received from Mayor Little, Sir John Carling and Thomas Beattie, M.P.

FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

The local society wired greetings to St. Andrew's Societies in various parts of the country. Among the responses were the following:

"Hail, brither Scots o' London town, Rax out tae us yer hand, And help complete the chain that's this night across the land."

(Signed) J. H. Kenning, president; F. H. Macpherson, vice-president; Andrew Brail, secretary; Windsor St. Andrew's Society.

From J. C. MacLagan, president St. Andrew's Society, Vancouver, B. C.: "From awa doon on the Pacific slope the Scots o' Vancouver send ye hearty St. Andrew's night greetings. Here's tae ye, brither Scots o' the Forest City."

G. R. R. Cockburn, president St. Andrew's Society, Toronto: "May ye be happy and never drink out o' a dry cappel."

W. D. Hogg, Q.C., president St. Andrew's Society, Ottawa: "On this our 50th anniversary we send the greeting 'The day an' a' wha honor it.'"

THE HONORARY PRESIDENT.

Mr. Robert Reid was called upon to install the new president, Mr. T. H. Purdon. The latter was called to the chair amid applause. Mr. Reid thanked the society for the honor of the position conferred upon himself. He recalled his first association with St. Andrew's Society 36 years ago. He did not think there was a single person present who then sat around the festive board. He felt that the shadows are lengthening around me," Mr. Reid continued, "and the days are coming when I shall not be able to perform even the simple duties placed upon me tonight. But there is the thought in my mind that I have had some recompense in the kindness of my fellow-countrymen in placing me in the position of honorary president—an honor conferred for the first time upon anyone in the long history of the society." (Applause.)

THE QUEEN.

Mr. Purdon, in introducing the toast list, said that if the bagpipers were wanting now they were never wanting when the Queen wanted them. He proposed the toast of "The Queen," which was honored by the singing of the National Anthem, followed by three cheers and a tiger.

THE GOVERNORS.

In proposing the toast of "The Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor," the chairman said it was unanimously conceded by the Canadian people that the present pair of governors at Ottawa and Toronto were among the finest the Dominion ever had. (Applause.)

The toast was honored by the singing of "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows" and cheers.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The chairman, in proposing the health of the President of the United States, said that no matter what party had been in power in the republic they had always sent excellent representatives to London—men who had always helped to promote the friendly relations of the two countries. (Applause.) "Next to Great Britain we in Canada like the United States better than any other portion of the earth, because so many of our friends and relatives have found homes in the republic, and I think, are among its very best citizens." (Applause.) Mr. Purdon expressed the hope that a treaty of everlasting peace would soon be established between Great Britain and the United States. (Applause.) He voiced the regret he felt at the departure of Col. Jacks, whom they had all learned to like. (Applause.) They were pleased to welcome his successor, Hon. Henry S. Culver, who was a magnificent specimen of American manhood. (Loud applause.)

The company honored the toast by three hearty cheers, followed by the chorus, "Yankee Doodle."

COL. JACKS' FAREWELL.

Col. Jacks was received with renewed applause. He said that four years and a half ago it was his privilege to appear in his humble capacity in London. He felt like a stranger in a strange land. His first invitation was to a picnic of St. Andrew's Society at Port Stanley. He enjoyed himself and made many friends. "I am going home," continued Col. Jacks, and I will remember with pleasure the many courtesies extended to me while in your midst. If I wanted to, it would be impossible to forget you, and I shall always look back to my sojourn in London as one of the happiest periods of my life." (Applause.)

THE NEW CONSUL.

Hon. Mr. Culver, who was most enthusiastically welcomed, expressed his pleasure at the cordiality and good fellowship on this occasion. He was delighted to meet the members of St. Andrew's Society and the good citizens of London present. He had observed since coming to London that his predecessor, Mr. Jacks, had won general respect and esteem—(applause)—and he (Mr. Culver) only hoped that in his life among the citizens of London he would also win their esteem and confidence. (Applause.) He was proud to speak to the toast of the president, who was one of the noblest of men. In his view the government of the United States was a government of blood. (Applause.) You may differ with him in politics—(laughter)—but the people of Canada will not differ

with him in his high Christian purpose as a man and citizen. (Applause.) I hope the time will soon come, if it has already not come, when all the dissensions between the people of Canada and the United States shall cease, and that we shall go hand in hand, the greatest nations of the earth in the van of the march of civilization. (Loud applause.)

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

The toast of "The Army and Navy" received the usual honors.

Col. Garthshore said he was in Mexico a year ago and attended a St. Andrew's dinner there. There was a law against religious processions in Mexico, and when the pipers proceeded to march the streets after the banquet they were mistaken for a religious body and arrested. (Laughter.)

The colonel sang a patriotic song, which was heartily enjoyed.

Major Williams said he had been 22 years and for the Imperial Service and 23 in the Canadian. He paid a handsome compliment to the Canadian volunteers.

Mr. Wm. Howie, also a veteran, was one of the respondents to the same toast, and recalled his old country experience.

THE DAY WE CELEBRATE

was coupled with the name of Rev. Walter Moffat, whom the chairman thanked for his attendance at short notice.

Rev. Mr. Moffat said though separated by the Atlantic, their hearts were still warm and united because of its past and because of what it was. The rough and rugged character of Scotland, instead of being a drawback, was a means of drawing forth that noble courage and all the best qualities in the Scotch nature. (Applause.)

Names and faces with difficulty elicited all his ingenuity and ability to overcome them. Mr. Moffat evoked applause by a reference to the gallantry of the Highland soldiers in India. Scotland's eminence in literature was also noted. The speaker alluded to the monster paragon of the Scotch people, asking the British Government to use the word "Britain" instead of "England" in all official communications. (Applause.)

Mr. J. Tod sang "Loch Lomond" with fine effect, and was warmly enjoyed.

Mr. George Taylor, vice-president, then took charge of the programme, and introduced the toast of

"CANADA OUR HOME."

which elicited a brilliant response from Rev. W. J. Clark. He said that though his blood might boil more fervently upon St. Andrew's Day, and though they might well be proud of the history of Scotland, which, in nobility of spirit and devotion to God's earth, yet there was never stronger interest in "Canada, Our Home." (Applause.) The time has come when Canada now exists as a nation, and there were many elements that went to make Canada one of the first nations of the earth. Insisted into its nationality were the prudence and thrift of the lowland Scotch, the sturdy strength, the bravery and patience of the English race, and the poetic temperament and mysticism of the Celt. Besides these inherent qualities of the Canadian people, they had the grandest environment. England, Scotland and Ireland had not only the English, Scotch and Irish attributes, but the lightness and grace of the French people, a few settlements of the United States, and the sprinkling of other races. "We want to weld these elements together, so that we shall stand respected and admired by all." (Applause.)

The speaker then alluded to the sectional feeling. We should be Canadians first, and Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, and all the rest afterwards. Canadians first, and all the rest second; Catholics first, and all the rest second; Liberals and Conservatives afterwards. (Applause.) I am not anxious to see the day when there will not be strong political contests, but I hope to see the party bitterness that has too long predominated, banished. (Applause.) Speaking of the Queen's jubilee, Mr. Clark said there was one man pre-eminent in that mighty jubilee—the premier of Canada. (Applause.) He was not acclaimed as the leader of a party, but as the premier of Canada. There was party feeling in the jubilee, but the greatest aim was to bring about that happy time when "the war drum throbs no longer and the battle flag is furled."

Mr. J. D. Clarke was called upon to reply, and alluded to the comprehensiveness of the toast, which was not confined to English, Scotch, Irish, or any one country, but extended around the world. Inquiry into the range of the new postal regulations showed him that they applied to every corner of the earth, for in every corner the British flag was planted. Her omnipresence showed her to have a mission given by a higher power than that of earth; it was a mission for the benefit of humanity, and while she had that mission her prestige and power would grow among the nations of the earth. (Applause.) Even the adjoining republic was a branch of the British nation, which would never have been separated if Britain had treated her as liberally as she now treats all parts of the empire. Mr. Clarke referred to the efforts to bind all portions of the empire together. The preferential tariff and the new imperial postage regulations would prove powerful cement. He hoped to see the day when not only the British Empire, but the adjoining republic and all the Anglo-Saxon race would pulsate together in the benefit of the world. (Applause.)

Mr. Skinner following with a humorous song, "Mr. Cusack's Stop the Ship," which was loudly enjoyed. Mr. Skinner kindly responded.

In reply to the toast of

"THE PARLIAMENT AND LEGISLATURE,"

Mr. Frank Love made one of his usual witty speeches. He was personally well satisfied with the constitution of the country, and the government at present ruling it. (Laughter and applause.) Canada was never so prominent in the eyes of the world as now.

(Applause.) Mr. Love was glad to see Hon. Mr. Culver present. He considered the United States as equal with the greatest nations of the earth.

"SISTER SOCIETIES"

were honored by choruses and cheers. Mr. A. Mulken, of the Irish Benevolent Society, said that St. Andrew's and the Irish Benevolent Societies were doing better work than any other in the city. The Irish Benevolent Society knew no distinctions of creed or race, but invited all to join its ranks for the purposes of charity and fraternity.

Mr. J. B. Cox responded for St. George's Society, and said that he had been present at St. Andrew's banquets for 35 years, and that was more than some Scotchmen could say. (Laughter.)

Mr. John Pocock, of the Irish Benevolent Society, said that the two societies—St. Andrew's and his own—had furnished dinners and picnics for years, and had done a great deal of good work. He referred to the efforts of Mr. Gladstone to obtain home rule for Ireland, and the statement that the Conservative government were about to introduce a local government bill for Ireland.

Mr. S. D. Huff, of the Irish Benevolent Society, referred neatly to the good work of the national societies in London.

Mr. Cadwallader, secretary of St. George's Society, also responded on behalf of his society.

OTHER TOASTS.

Ex-Mayor Tomlinson proposed "The Mayor and Corporation." He said the city was the best governed on the continent, and it had made great advances in recent years.

Water Commissioner Cowan, in reply, said London was the prettiest city on the continent. It is a city of good homes and contentment, good health and pure water.

Mr. Graham, candidate for alderman in No. 1 ward, Mr. J. W. Jones, of the assessment commission, and Mr. D. W. Blackwell, Board of Health, also replied.

The toast list was then taken up by Mr. James Shand, second vice-president, who gave "The Learned Professor," Mr. Alex. Purdon, barrister, and Drs. McLaren and Hutchinson responded.

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