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GURL'ig Attendance, and Everything Goes Along Well-Provincial Liberal Association Reorganized-Enthusiasm Kept High by Speeches of WANTT Representatives from Many Counties-Announcement Regarding the G. T. P.-Minister, Candidate and Others WANTE sex, f Queens Co Donald, V Address Mass Meeting.

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In the afternoon, a number y. In the arcenoon, a number of echoa were made by men from various unties, and the day closed with last ring's mass meeting in the Opera

MORNING SESSION. Popla

"enizatio", and an Address by the Minissons in wood, so I would say su ter of Railwys.

hey wanted to hear. The chair was taken at the morning's ent. He was glad to see there was so to revive the old asso

could not have been gathered together, but it was different now. He praised the choice of Hon. Mr. Emmerson as cabinet minister and was pleased New Brunswick could send a man of Mr. Emmerson's ability to strengthen the arms of that grea statesman, Laurier

AFTERNOON MEETING. Hon. F. J Sweeney.

Mr. Sweeney said he was glad to be en Speeches by Many Provincial Man-Ekac colled and recognized as a Luceral. 11 was corry to hear some one say there was apathy in this election, and spoke of the tive Representatives Appointed -- Resofighters in Westmorland. He said he w There was a large assemblage for the willing to follow Mr. Emmerson with the rest of Westmorland Liberals. (App ause) afternoon proceedings, and very hearty en-thusias was shown throughout the after-noon. At trues almost every man was on He also paid tribute to Sir Wilfrid Lau ier, the greatest Canadian. He said in al his feet cheering lustily in reception of one or other of the speakers, while cheers and applause were frequent in recognition of some point made. There was a good ueal of wit in the speakers and consequently

Premier Tweedie

of wit in the speeches and consequently the auditons were pleasantly entertained as well as hearing Laberal doctrine ex-Hon. L. J. Tweedie was received with pounded. There was no set order of sp akers, the audience calling for the men great cheering. He congratulated Hon. H. R. Emmension on his appointment, and wished him every success. Politically and Richard O'Brien opened the proceedings pensonally Mr. Tweedie was with him every time. They said he (Tweedie) was no Conservative, and no Liberal—a kind

een made to this on this occasion. He said that while he always supported Mr. Blair's government, he almost always voted against his measures. (Laughter.) It had been said of him (Hill) that he was like the man in the boat who looked one way and rowed another. Mr. Hill was glad to hear Dr. Pugsley speak hopefully of the G. T. P. for it didn't look just right at first. As to New Brunswick redistribution, h

said the province could still have fourteen members. In the last electoral act, the reading gives one member for Kings-Al-bert, one for Queens-Sunbury and one for St. John city and one for each of the other counties. This would embrace Vic toria-Madawaska. Those counties are now oined for dominion elections but under he act will have a member each. He laughingly said Mr. Emmerson wa not only to run the I. C. R. but he also could supply the oil. (Laughter.) He hoped the oil business would so develop

ere that Mr. Emmerson would be nulti-millionaire esolution re Mr. Emmerson. Senator Thompson, of Fredericton, in a

vigorous speech then moved the following esolution:-

resolution:--This large and representative convention of the Liberais of the province of New Bruns-wick now in session representing as it doe-every constituency of the province, take very great pleasure in recording its ernes approval and deep appreciation of the wis-network of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier the honored leader of the great Libera party of Canada, in his selection of the Hon H. R. Emmerson to fill the vacancy in hi-cabinet of minister of railways. And while we most hearily congratulat Mr. Emmerson upon his elevation to the im-pointment of Hon. H. R. Emmerson, repre-senting as he does the great county of Westmorland, and the centre of our govern-ment railway system, and who for so man-years has been prominent in the council of the Liberal party and who was premiser of his native province at the time he resigne-tion ment resident the time he resigne-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-senting and the time he resigned his mative province at the time he resigned his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his network to mine the resigned the soundi-his mative province at the time he resigned his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his mative province to mine the feelar of the soundi-his the soundi-hi

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into some pretty good places.

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Gloucester-O. Turgeon, M. P. Northumberland-Geo. Watt.

Kent-James Barnes, M. P. P.

Moncton city-John T. Hawke. Albert-W. J. Taylor.

Kings-G. G. Scovil, M. P. P.

Sunbury-Dr. James Peake.

Carleton-Frank R. Shaw.

Victoria-J. E. Porter.

Westmorland-Chas. S. Hickman.

St. John city-Hon, H. A. McKeown. St. John county-James Ready. Charlotte-Robt. E. Armstrong. Queens-Hon. L. P. Farris.

York-Hon. F. P. Thompson. Fredericton city-W. T. Whitehead, M.

Madawaska-Cyprien Martin, M. P. P. This was adopted and the meeting ad-

EVENING MASS MEETING.

Mr. Emmerson Says G T. P. Modification

Are Reasonable and Moderate--St. John

He Says Will Get Transcontinental Freight

Business--The Candidate -- Senator King

The mass meeting in the Opera House

n the evening was very largely attended

nd good addr s es treating on present pol-

tical issues were given by Hon. G. G. King, Hon. H. A. McKeown, E. M. Me-

Donald, M. P. P., of Pictou (N. S.), and

and E M. MacDonald Heard.

There was a short address by Alex.

Closing Pricedings.

is native province at the time he resigne is provincial trust to enter the federal par his provi

his provincial trust to enter the federal par-liament of Canada. And this convention, recognizing as it does the Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways of the great Liberal and domant party of New Brunswick, take this oppor-tunity of expressing our entire confidence in his executive ability to discharge the trust and hereby pledge him our unanimous and hearty support as a party.

than Eastport had it not been for the Tory party. Senator King read clause 42. word it stood for corruption in the Conof the transcontinental contract. He was servative administration. It now seemed willing to grant that the railway proas if the mantle of former great men in moters might attempt to evade certain of as if the manufe of former great men in the Tory ranks—Tilley, Macdonald and others—had fallen on Liberal shoulders. In discussing Mr. Tarte, Mr. Macdonald alluded to the name he had been given he provisions, but he pointed out that the government could obtain redress. The government, besides being in a position to gain redress in a number of other ways, as the master of transportation. In speak-ing along this line, he took occasion to ould place I. C. R. trains on the transontinental and run them to the Pacific;

and could also apply a tariff low enough to drive the G. T. P. out of business. It could make G. T. P. stock a drug on the London market.

Senator King treated of the preferential question, and Canada's trade relations with the United States. In conversation with an American he had been asked if Canada did not feel like asserting her in dependence in view of her remarkable growth and prosperity. The senator re plied that the dominion was preparing t become independent not of Great Britain but of the United States so far as com mercial affairs went. In conclus drew attention to the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier who said the only way to retain the favor of the United States was

to be absolutely independent of her. ton. Mr McKeowa.

Hon. H. A. McKeown, Liberal candidate was received with prolonged applause. He elt great satisfaction at seeing so large and representative an audience and read victory at the polls, not only in looking se around him but from the attitud of the citizens as he prosecuted his can vas. It was not to be expected that in the discussion of a public question there

would not be two distinct and well defined parties. It was well that this was so, for such a condition brought out the critical judgment of the people. The more keen the scrutiny the more clearly would it be seen what the administration stood for was one worthy of the most unselfish

The question of the transcontinental railher greatest impetus. between the criticisms made by the Con-servatives and the true merits of the scheme. The main contention of the Con-servatives was that the cost of the road would be too tremendous for the people of Canada to undertake, that the terrer way was today before the people. The speaker wished to draw a clear distinction

lines to Boston, and in greater degree the G. T. P. would be able to compete with

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any line from the west. As to the objection that the line from Chipman to St. John was not in the contract, he asked how many were there here who did not know there was a line now from Chipman to Norton and then to St. John. He and Mr. Hays had gone over the New Brunswick distances by map and Mr. Hays said St. John being the nearest seaport must necessarily have the traf-fic; the railway must make connection with St. John at the point most advantageous to that traffic.

Room on West S.de.

say that Mr. Tarte had transported Thos. McGreevey to jail, Sir Hector Langevin out of his office as minister of public There was not area to permit another line on the west of the harbor. Build docks and sidings on the whole western side said the minister and there isn't room works, and Mr. Monck out of his position as Conservative leader in Quebec. Unless side said the minister and there isn't room enough for the C. P. R. if they are ear-nestly in business in bringing the traffic to St. John. (Applause.) Mayor and aldermen would agree with him when he said the question of the extent of the meet side are more the extent of the Conservatives were careful it was possible that Mr. Tarte might transport R. L. Bor-den out of his office. (Laughter.) Mr. Macdonald spoke of the Liberal gov-

ernment recognition of organized labor and referred to Dr. Daniel's claims in respect west side area was a material factor in the matter of improvements. The G. T. P., he said, therefore, must come to St. John on the east side of the harbor. The to the labor question. He dwelt upon the increase of Canadian business since the Laurier government came into power and in taking up the question of the Grand Trunk Pacific said if H. A. McKeown was conditions of the country made Chipman the first point where the road must turn off. Mr. Emmerson referred to Courtelected the Nova Scotia representatives would be at his back in his endeavors to have the claims of St. John fully recog-nized. The building of the G. T. P. was the Conservatives said this would never

have the claims of St. John fully recog-nized. The building of the G. T. P. was what Canada stood in need of. Cana-dians should view the matter from a broad standpoint. Montreal, while not on the proposed route, was confident that she would be connected with the line by a branch. All Canada should feel that the transcontinental was something which from Chipman to Norton and, said he, "he isn't there for nothing. Coming events cast their shadows before." That's where transcontinental was something which would be of great and lasting benefit. The great west wanted it and the necessity for the G. T. P. will find a turning off point it in the east was emphasized by the vol ume of export trade which would flow to St. John, he said, and he said it on the ume of export trade which would flow from the west. The western land was filling up. Last year \$7,000,000 worth of settlers' effects went into the country. R L. Borden had admitted the necessity of increased transportation facilities. The verdict of the next ten years would be that the transcontinental gave St. John her greatest impetus.

Was it any wonder that he as a New Brunswick representative favored the con-struction of this railway; if he consented Mr. Blair's opposition to the line was based on the necessity for more time for would he be at the next election and it

'ould not be prudent to legislate for the punties, which should manage their own ffairs. That was the Liberal principle. Faik? Jate Cr School, T qui Hairs. That was the Liberal principle. Inter C? he chairman said the meeting would be School, pen to the press. He suggested that pro-600 acr. isional officers be selected and arrange-woodhar unts made for county meetings, so that Large i uly accredited delegates from each parish wells ne could be secured to form a representative in good vention later on. He thought ∠solu-large sto is should be adopted endorsing the pol-Samuel T. af the government and also the selec-f Hon. Mr. Emmerson as minister

sisting of area from the Emmerso's A'dress dwelling, fon, Mr. Emmerso fon. Mr. Emmerson was called on. He as heartily applauded. Having thanked D. Linto

house. F D. Linto. as heartily applauded. Having thanked To Linto. as heartily applauded. Having thanked F of all New Brunswick Liberals will be on the result. He spoke highly of Hon. Mr. Emmerson and his rights to the place hi-occupies in the cabinet. He eulogized Sir Wiffid Laurier as one who ha year at most had risen to a place as one of the greatest statemen of the empire, and that Mr. Emmerson had such a future before how. The north shore hoped that on next

25 lb s how to get the elements together and cure the necessary credentials. This could S st be done by a convention, and he had S st be done by a convention, and he had Keown.

ked Senator King to call this meeting. A lb 's agreed with Senator King as to the both Morrisey, M. P. P. of Liberals, he said, determine to or

a Indering, he shu, determine to there no lethargy, no apathy. Let us prepare attack the enemy's citadel in every inty. The convention could not legise e, could not make policies, but it could (Laughter). But all met today as Laber-A lb ange for the organization of the counas (applause) and Canadians (hear, hear

ie hoped he would be endorsed and the new of the government sustained. Lib-uls should not only be interested, but thusiastic. There should be determin-ion to gain success, but there should the between the loyal support of a people as Mr. Emmerson. (Cheers). He was re-spected in Northumberland and at the THE ion to gain success, but there should ot be overconfidence. In regard to St. next election every man in the party would work to victory and carry out his hn he would utter a word of cautionwishes-the election of a Liberal from tere should not be apathy, nor over-con-idence. Every effort must be made to vin the seat, not merely by a majority, ut by a majority as large as it can be nade.

But work is required elsewhere as well as in St. John. Parliament must have an end sometime, and Liberals must prepare for the general elections. He would like for the general elections. He would like to have thirteen Liberal members from this province this province, and there was no reason

why, with enthusiastic work, that hope could not be realized. He said that while abler men might have been selected in his place in the cabinet no man could be chosen who would be more sincerely dethe bright future in store. sirous of serving the Liberal party-which Hon. Mr Robinson.

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means the doing of good for the country. He asked for the trust and forebearance of his fellow Liberals, and said he would do his best to retain their confidence. N

The election of provisional officers was then proceeded with. On motion of W. C. Winslow, Chatham, Senator King was re-elected president. On motion of Hon. H. R. Emmerson Richard O'Brien, St. John, was re-elected

first vice-president. On motion of R. E. Armstrong, St. Andrews, F. B. Carvell, Woodstock, was made second vice-president.

On motion of Mr. Friel, Dorchester, Dr. E. T. Gaudet, Dorchester, was chosen third vice-pres C. J. Milligan was re-elected secretary,

and Geo. McAvity, treasurer. A long discussion took place over the ----Mr. Carvell of Woodstock.

mode of selecting the executive committee, Digt Bowen of W noom she w mouth Sche lumba shipp and finally a nominating committee of fiv was appointed. Mesars. R. O'Brien, O. Turgeon, M. P. and F. B. Carvell were appointed a com-mittee on resolution approving of the

government's policy. Senator Thompson, W. S. Loggie, M. P. P., and Mr. Mercier (Dalhousie), were appointed a committee to prepare resolution endorsing the selection of Mr. Emmerson

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Strange Blands

as taken at the morning's itor G. G. King, the president of G. King, the pr ooin elect on, was it to St. John's interest to ask government assistance and send an opposition man to parliament? He felt na daubt of the election of Mr. McKeown, and epoke of the value of ward work. Mr. Tweedie thought there was a good time in store for New Brunswick. Mr. Emmer-em Irasis the province thermuchte and her

in store for New Brunswick. Mr. Emmer-son knew the province thoroughly, and he feit satefield we would have nothing to complain about and the party would be stronger than ever after the next election. He spoke of New Brunswick's claim against losing one from our representation at Ottawa, and spoke for support and as-sistance for Mr. Emmerson in every way. Speaking to the resolution, O. Turgeon, M. P. for Gloucester, delivered an elo-quent address full of epirit. After deal

The Attorney General.

Regers, ex.M. P. of Albert, and Hon. A. S. White, of Sussex, was the last speaker. F. B. Carvell, for the committee ap The Attorney General. Hon. Mr. Pugsley laughingly said he was a very young Liberal and this set the convention laughing heartly. He spoke of the indipendent platform of 1896 and said when you left one party and became independent it wasn't a long step to the other party. He thought the independ-ents gave a cold crack to the Conserva-tives then, and if that independent party was now true to St. John's interests, Mr. pointed to recommend a member of the executive for each county reported as fol was now true to St. John's interests, Mr. McKeown would be handsomely returned John Morrisey, M. P. P., of Newcastle, was loudly cheered. He referred to his embarrassment at being called upon, but He did not agree as to apathy in St. John and spoke of the great silent vote. The Liberal government was looking here with Laberal government was looking here with a sympathetic eye after twenty years cold-ness on the part of the Conservatives. The attorney general made the inter-esting statement that he had positive in-formation that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company intended to have the shotest possible connection between the main trunk line and this city, which would become the winter freight terminus of the line. He also said that in his opmof the life. He also said that in his opin ion this connection would be made by means of the existing line from Chipman to Norton and by the Intercolonial to St John. He further stated that Mr. Wain-

every constituency. In the St. John contest there was an John. He further stated that Mr. Wain wright, the general assistant and comp-troller and member of the executive of the Grand Trunk Railway, was a director of the N. B. Coal and Railway Company which owned the line from Norton to Chipman and thence to the coal fields at Minto. From Chipman to St. John is 77 wiles as against about 245 miles to Heli-

niles as against about 245 miles to Hali-H. F. McLatchey, M. P. P., of Resti gouche, entirely agreed with the resolution fax, or a difference in favor of St. John and said it was an auspicious occasio when the Liberal party headed by Laurie

Mr. Pugsley enlarged upon great bus Mr. Fugsley emarged upon great busi-ness waiting for the G. T. P. railway and said St. John would be the outlet. He appealed to the 1,400 who stood by him in the fight of 1896 to stand together in astook power and began the grand careet which had marked it up to the present. He spoke of Canada's properity and of sisting to elect Mr. McKeown.

Hon. C. W. Robinson, of Westmorland, spoke of the convention purposes—to show St. John the party pleasure in Hon. Mr. Hon. C. H. LaBill Hon. C. H. LaBill Hon. C. H. LaBillois was warmly welcomed. Dr. Pugsley said he was a young Liberal but he (Mr. LaBillois) thought he Emmanson's appointment (applause), support of the Laurier administration an port of the Lather athan stration and pleasure in Canada's prosperity. He briefly sketched Mr. Emmerson's carcer in e cetion contests. Mr. Emmerson well de served the honors which came to him, and all Libera's in New Brunswick would be in the rooms. (Laughter and cries, "You're welcome.") Mr. LaBillois spoke of prosperity under Sir Wilfrid Laurier, of unity of classes and creeds (applause) and said it was the duty was the youngest Liberal in the rooms. of every citizen to assist Sir Wilfrid. (Ap-plause.) He praised Hon. Mr. Emmerson and said credit was due to him for New thoroughly cemented in his support and that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He had no doubt Mr. McKeown would secure a mag-Brunswick prosperity. Outsiders were in nificent majority. (Applause). All wou terested in the St. John contest and St. go from this convention fielding proude than ever that they were Liberals. H John would make a great mistake if it did not return Hon. Mr. McKeown by hoped in the next general election to see every Liberal elected in New Brunswick. 2.000 majority.

Grand Manan Congratulati mr.

F. B. Carvell, of Woodstock, was warm-ly received. He was particularly gratified to see such a tremendous exhibition of Here a telegram signed by S. W. E. Tatton, Frank Ingersoll and J. E. Gaskil was read, conveying the congratulations of Grand Manan Liberals to Mr. Emmersor power as given at this convention. It had never been equalled by either party. on his appointment and explaining that delegates could not attend the convention Whether it was a demonstration to Ho Emmerson it was a magnificent d on tration. It was said there was apathy because of lack of connections. R. E. Armstrong, of St. Andrews, proposed three cheers for the Grand Manan Libh the St. John contest, and surely this eeting should awaken all Liberals to return Mr. McKeewn by 1,000 majority. (Applause). He spoke of Canada's doubl-ing its business under the Fielding tariff and was glad to see the premier's an-nouncement that the tariff will not be erals and they were given.

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adjourned. I deticers of regret were received from W. F. Todd, Frank Todd, Irving Todd, St. Stephen; J. T. Hawke, Moncton; Nelson Before 1896 such a convention as this B

earty support as a party. FRED P. THOMPSON. W. S. LOGGIE, GEO. E. MERCIER. of Canada to undertake, that the taxpay ers should hesitate before they gave their endorsement to so huge an undertaking C. J. Osman, M. P. P. of Albert, spoke of Mr. Emmerson in highest terms poli-tically and personally and said he was ad-The cost of the road had been discussed in parliament. Men qualified to speak on the matter had been heard. Mr. Field-

ing, the finance minister, had given his pinion of what the road would cost, and mired and respected by his opponents. Mr. Osman believed in a measure of protection and felt his interests as a protectionist his statement was the correct financia were perfectly safe in Sir Wilfrid's hands. A. B. Copp, M. P. P. of Albert, spoke exposition. The figures the speaker had mentioned as the cost of the road were not the outcome of his own calculations at some length on general p litical condi-tions and party lights and shades in New but were spoken in view of what the finance minister had said. It was not Brunswick and expressed his respect for ecessary to go over the figures again but Mr. Emmerson and the province's respect the expenditure would require between \$13,000,000 and \$14,000,000. This had been for that gentleman. The Conservatives said Mr. Emmerson blundered in all he proved. did, but it might be noticed he blundered

Scotia, a different idea was put forward The speaker sad the orposition talk in the St. John exampling deserved no cre-lence. Mr. McKeown, on the other hand, stood by the Liberal advancement policy. Next Tursday a momentous ques-tion was to be decided here. If the peo-p'e wished to stop the progress here, they would vote for the opposition candidate. but if otherwise they would stand by they young candidate who stood for everything that was participe and Mr. McKeow: A voice-"What did Mr. Blair say?" "It is not what one man says," replied Mr. McKeown, "but it is the reasons he gives for what he says." It had never been the policy of the Liberal party to blindly follow one man. The Liberals wanted to be convinced of reasons.

that was patriotic, and Mr. McKeowi would go to parliament with a rousing ma rade and St John. It had been claimed that the building of the road would divert trade from St. John jority. The assertion was without any logica grounds. No person could study the con tract without seeing that exactly the re-verse was the fact of what they said. Mr. McKeown here explained the policy of the Grand Trunk Pacific as laid down in the contract and the work the government agreed to in the construction. The gov ernment would build from Winnipeg to the maritime provinces and this section o the road was the key to the whole situ ation. The party building the eastern see tion of the road had a grip on the entire line. If the company did not carry ou its part of the contract the government culd put it out of business in 24 hours

(Applause). The wisdom of the administration wa amply shown in the contract. If the con tract was laid before business men they could not help but see that the G. T. P. company was compelled by the terms of the contract to perform what had been contracted to do. The Conservatives ex-pressed a fear that trade would be diverted from Canadian ports. Canada was ot standing still. She was developing at remarkable rate. The star of empi was steadily toward the north. The Lib erals had faith in this. They saw for their country a great future. In order that the realization of this might be accon plished it was necessary to have railways Until the Liberal party came into power practically nothing was done for the de-velopment of the maritime provinces. If the transcontinental was built it must of cessity come to the maritime provinces When, on the hustings, the speaker had asked Dr. Daniel if he was opposed to the eastern section he was finally driven to admit that he was opposed. The issue was plain to the electors.

The present election was not a matter of preference for H. A. McKeown or Dr. J. W. Daniel-not a question of the as-cendancy of the Liberal or Conservative party, but the question of having the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway built-having it built so that the people of St. John would share in its benefits and have passing through their port the vast volume of western export trade. To vote for Dr. Daniel was to vote against it. The speaker had been through several political campaigns but to judge from the signs of the present one he felt assured that an overwhelming victory for the Liberal cause would be the result at the polls next Tues-

all-Canadian route or not and if the road was not built now, it might not be 10

did they cry? A voice—"Don't want it." Mr. Emmerson—"Yes, don't want it." He was willing to come to St. John and contest an election if run on this one issue of the advantages or disadvantages to St. John ait by the construction of the G. years from now. As to paralleling the I. C. R., he con-tended that the road would always be John city by the construction of the G. T. P. because when this city sees a good thing it knows it. Turning to Mr. Mc-Keown he laughingly made this remark maintained under the terms of confeder-ation. The I. C. R. would never be of less importance than it always had been, or was today. Mr. Macdona'd said the Libera's stood

Keown he laughingly made this remark also apply. He would not have to fight for New Brunswick for Sir Wilfrid was sympatime tic for all sections of Canada and had so expressed himself as to St. John. Only business, more labor and higher wages to come from this line here. This was a vital moment in St. John and no one was more desirous of advancing the great inon their record, but Mr. Borden last year in Manitoba declared the Conservative on faim ng implements. Down in Nova Scotta, a different idea was put forward. more desirous of advancing the great interests here than was Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mr. Emmerson felt sure the people of the city and province would stand with him and they would be triumphant.

The meeting closed with cheers for the king, the candidate and Hon. Mr. Em-

HIS POLITICS.

PROMINENT MONTREAL

the Minister of Railways

LIBERAL CHANGES Hon. H. R. Emmerson was loudly cheerd. He said to the reception given him onight and the ovation given him by the assembled New Brun wick Liberals in the day were a most sufficient to turn a head der than his. He did not take it to him-off, but as a tribute to the great Libera elf, but as a tribute to the great Libera arty, and also accepted it and returned sincere thanks for the consideration show s neere thanks for the consideration shown him. He would best show his apprecia-tion by not keeping his hearens long. Referring to the lights going out (a-they had done for a moment while Mr Macdonald was speaking), he said he had than fear d the Liberal party was going a bar where the Constructions was going

to be where the Conservatives were for wenty years in the dark. (Laughter) But the Liberal party was in its position new, practice by as it was when parliad ament adjourned. Doctor Stockton had asked what were the proposed modifica-tions, but he (Emmerson) never could hope to enligh en so thoroughly versed a genti-ment as Doctor Stockton. While he could not constitutionally tell what the charges men as Doctor Stockin, white he charges not constitutionally tell what the charges were until parliament meets and the changes are rabled by the Grand Trund shareholders, yet he could say that the

shareholders, yet he could say that the people when they learned, would be sur-prised how very moderate and reasonable the proposed changes were. The very fact, he said, that the Conservative pross spoke of the necessity of changes before the company could finance the road was the company could finance the road was the

strongest tribute to the case of the govern ment in entering into the contract. It was not 1 ke the Con ervat ve com ract with the C. P. R. by which the C. P. R. got every hing and the government nothing. Commerce and wealth, he said, followe and do not precede railway facilities and what St. John wants was commerce and vealth. This was the case in a nutshel St. John was the winter port for freigh and the buciness was wanted to be en larged. One of the first things wanted

was an additional railway with terminu-in St. John. True, more facilties were needed for the business of the railwaynow here. As to St John.

The statement had been made that the railway was not coming here. He re ferred, in anewer, to the G. T. P. contract,

and said that the railway would come to Quebec and through the heart of New Brunswick, following the shortest possible ne to Chipman or vicinity and thence the Moncton. The minister said it was claimed the great transportation question was the cost of tran porting freight, and if St. John

was interested in increased freight busi-ness they were interested in lessening the haulage from the wheat fields of the west. By a line from Chipman to Norton and

thence to St. John, this port would be 200 miles nearer the wheat fields and the

J. M. Fortier, Hitherto a Strong Supporter of Laurier Government Takes the Chair at Conservative Meeting. Montreal, Feb. 11-(Special)-A signifi-cant development in the Sti James election took place tonight when J. M. Fortier,

the tobacco manufacturer, and hitherto a strong supporter of the Laurier govern-ment, took the chair at a meeting held in the interests of Mr. Bergeron, declaring himself a strong protect

NEGRO AND HIS WIFE BURNED AT THE STAKE

Closing Chapter in Tragedy Which Has Cost Eight Lives.

Doddsville, Miss., Feb. 9.-Luther Holbert and his wife, negroes, were burned at the stake here yesterday by a mob of 1,000 persons for killing James Eastland, 1,000 persons for killing James Eastland, a white planter, and John Carr, a negro, on Wednesday, at the Eastland planta-tion. The burning closes a tragedy which has cost eight lives, and engaged 200 men and two packs of bloodhounds in a four days' chase across four counties. Saturday night Holbert and wife, worn out from travelling over one 100 miles on foot, were found as een in timber near Shenhardstravening over one too miles on toot, were tound as eep in timber near Shephards-own, and were captured without a shot. Two negroes were killed by a possee near Belzoni, Yazoo county, one resembling Holbert, Eastland was a member of a wealthy Mississippi family.

Dr. Kelly, Mayor of Charlottetown.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Feb. 11-Fred. F. Kelly, M. D., was elected mayor of Charlottetown yesterday. The city was incorporated in 1855, and Doctor Kelly is its first Catholic mayor. He is president of the A. O. H., treasurer of the C. M. B. A., and a Canservative in politics.

Lecture at Amherst.

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Amherst, Feb. 10.-A good audience greeted H. J. Logan, M. P., in the vestry of the Methodist church last night when were glad the portfolio of minister of rail-ways and canals had gone to so capable a man as Mr. Emmerson. (Applause.) After urging the meeting to vote for Mr. The C. P. R., he said, can compete with Hon. Judge Morse occupied, the chair,

narrating the facts of his relations wi the railway matter, giving a different ligh

on the situation. The speaker could not see why Dr. Stockton should have re-sorted to such measures as accusing him of being an enemy to St. John by reason of his ill-founded claims of 1883. The Conservatives and Portland,

The Conservatives' chief contention against the building of the G. T. P. as laid

Hon. H. R. Emmerson. The majority of the delegates from the counties, together with many representa-tive effizens, occupied seats on the stage. Harrison's orchestra played a programme of popular music. Senator King presided. Senator G G. King. Senator G. G. King, the first speaker devoted the first part of his address to treating of the allegations made against him in a recent Conservative meeting by

Dr. A. A. Stockton. The doctor had at-tempted to make it clear that the speaker was not a friend of St. John by reason of the Harvey railway bill in 1883. Senator King read an extract from the

reported statements of Dr. Stockton in the St. John Sun, and followed this by

E. M. Macdonald, M. P. of Pictou (N. S.), said he had undergone a difficult journey that he might present to the meeting the greetings of the Liberals of Nova Scotia. The people of the sister province were glad the portfolio of minister of rail-

Mr McDonald of Pictou.

