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CONSERVATIVES' 'SAINT' ROGERS

Ottawa, August 2.—Seventy-one Conservative members of the house of commons have signed the following address, which was presented to the Hon. Robert Rogers today:

"We, the undersigned members of the house of commons of Canada, have learned that the base attack made against your character as a public man has been, by the Hon. Sir Ezekiel McLeod and the Hon. Mr. Justice Toller, the royal commission appointed to investigate, found to be without foundation of any kind whatever, and that the said judges have exonerated you unanimously in every particular for the unsupportable charges made against you by Mr. Justice Galt.

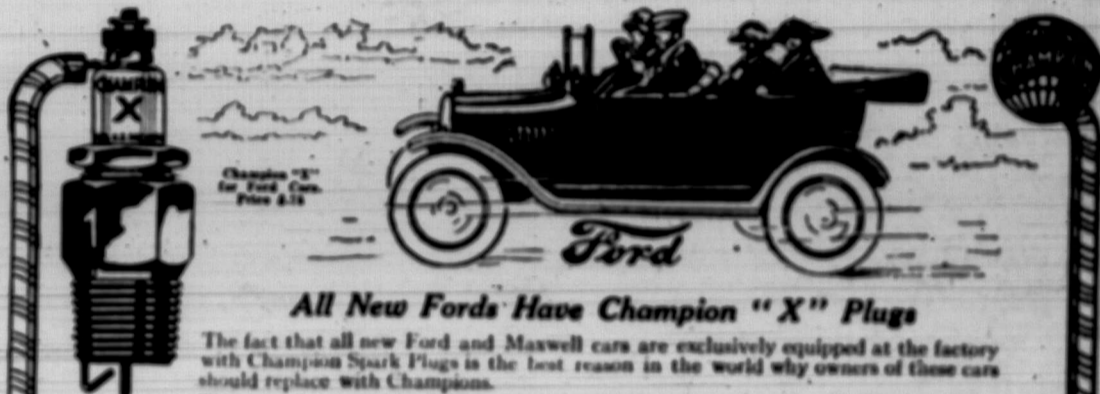
"We beg to assure you that the result was anticipated, as from even a casual reading of the charges made against you by Mr. Justice Galt, whose venom and malice were so plainly visible, we had long been convinced that there was nothing on which to base his splendid utterances, except feelings of resentment at your manly and outspoken expressions, reflecting upon him as a judge accepting public money contrary to the statutes in that behalf.

"Your colleagues in the house of commons congratulate you upon the result of the investigation, and desire to avail themselves of this occasion to express their unbounded confidence in you as a representative of the people, unafraid to speak the thing you will when the public interests demand it. Please let us offer you our best wishes and kindest thoughts, at the same time hoping that you may be long spared to work for the welfare of the constituency you represent and for the benefit of the people at large.

Thus as one paper says, has Rogers been officially "sainted" by the party. Mr. Rogers is hailed as an unblemished public benefactor suffering under a vile attack. The testimonial it is stated, was circulated on behalf of Mr. Rogers by Col. Sam Donaldson, M.P. for Prince Albert, and the unanimity of the signing, it is believed here, precludes all possibility of Mr. Rogers retiring from the ministry.

It is understood that the following Conservative members were among those who signed: Bennett (Simons), Best, Bowman, Boyce, Arthurs, Ball, Armstrong (York), Armstrong (Lambton), Beatty, Paul, Northrup, Munson, Currier, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Wellington), Cronwell, Currie, Donaldson, Glass, Gregg, Hanna, Henderson, Jamieson, Labor, Lewis, Macdonell, Middlebro, Murphy, Morris, Morrison, Macneville, McPherson, Reynolds, Shepherd, Smith, Steele, Stewart (Hamilton), Stewart (Lunenburg), Sutherland, Taylor, Thoburn, Thompson, Thurston, Wallace, Webster, Weichel, Wilson and Wright. In all parliamentary corridors tonight expressions expressed by some Conservative members that the document was made public. While for the sake of friendship and for party considerations, they were prepared to sign the testimonial, some of them were not quite prepared to have it made public. Perhaps they will be more careful next time.

In the meantime, to make the job complete, the minister of public works it is said is now pressing hard to have Mr. Justice Galt impeached. This can only be done by the governor general on an address from both houses of parliament. The government as a whole does not relish the task.



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