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## Only condition upon which Mr. Ross will lead

## CHALLENGE TO THE TORIES

Rousing Demonstration held at Napanee DECEMBER 20th, 1904.

He Speaks of the Work Done in Opening Up the Northland and in Giving Aid to the Steel and Iron Industry—The Policy of Obstruction Under Mr. Whitney's Leadership Contrasted with the Progressive Spirit of the Liberals—The Old War Horse a Winner Yet.

Napanee, Dec. 20.—A magnificent record of business administration compared with Conservative inaction and stupid obstruction is what Premier Ross laid before the electors in opening the Provincial campaign to-night. The contrast was applied with all of Mr. Ross' old-time vigor, with special reference to the great work of building up Ontario, which now more than ever lies at the door of whatever Government may be in power. The ringing periods of his opening speech, his frequent dashes of humor and ironical thrusts at his opponents, his masterly and impartial review of the attitude of the two parties respecting corruption, and his optimistic views of the great future of this Province, were in the Premier's best style, and his steady maintenance of vigor during a two hours' address should give hope to every Liberal for a brilliant and active campaign. The meeting, which was in the interests of Mr. M. S. Madole, Liberal candidate in Lennox, was large enough to crowd the Opera House in