

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I assure you that I deem it a pleasure and a privilege to appear before a Westminster audience under the auspices of the Young Men's Liberal Club and speak in support of your candidate, Mr. David Whiteside, a gentleman of standing in the community and one who can be relied upon in giving his very best efforts in support of legislation in the interests of the whole Province.

In the adjacent riding (South Vancouver), I have the honor of being the Liberal candidate. After some 14 months, my opponent, Mr. Stuart Campbell, has seen fit to retire under pressure of business, and in his place the Government supporters have nominated the Rev. William Boulton to be the standard bearer, whose task it will be to try and satisfy the electors (who are in a rebellious mood) that the return of the Government, and, of course, himself, as their member, will be in their best interests. The reverend gentleman's acceptance of the nomination means that he is quite satisfied with, and endorses the Government, its leader, its past acts of omission and commission, and its present very lame attempt to coerce the public into believing that it has been and is sincere in its interests and wellbeing. Mr. Boulton must have satisfied the Hon. the Premier, that he would be a staunch supporter and follower of his, if elected, and the Premier must have believed that in Mr. Boulton he had obtained another to whom he could say, "Do this," and he doeth it, because he has, after 30 years, removed the embargo prohibiting members of the ministry from taking a seat in the House, by amending the "Constitution Act" of the Province.

Mr. Chairman, your Secretary intimated that the subject matter of my remarks this evening was to be left to myself. Not knowing what particular question, out of the many questions of public interest, would be the most suitable, I have decided to touch on two or three matters in the time allotted to me.