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**Hypocrisy Unmasked.**

The debate on the address in reply to the Speech, with which the Parliamentary session at Ottawa was opened on the 16th inst. by his Royal Highness the Governor-General, has been unusually prolonged, in consequence of the attitude assumed by the Opposition, under the leadership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The debate commenced on Monday, 20th, and, unless concluded last night, is still going on. Laurier and his friends are deeply chagrined and sorely disappointed over the defeat of the Liberal Government, and have started at the earliest possible moment to make as much trouble as they can for Premier Borden and the victorious Conservative Government. To offer all manner of legitimate criticism of the Government's programme is the function and the privilege of a Parliamentary opposition; but all such opposition should be buoyed up by some semblance of proportion, and should be pertinent to the questions under review.

From the very opening day of the present session Laurier has sought to avenge himself for the defeat of September 21st, by sowing the seeds of racial and sectional discord. He showed his hand in this direction when he raised objections to the Government's choice of a Speaker for the Commons, and has accentuated the attitude he then assumed by the course he has pursued in the debate on the address. In thus acting, Sir Wilfrid is only showing himself in his true colors. He secured power, fifteen years ago, by his hypocrisy in the directions named, and managed to retain himself in office from election to election by deceiving anew his compatriots and fellow Canadians. All this time he had himself proclaimed, by his obsequious flatterers, as the man of sunny ways, whose mission was to promote harmony and concord between different races and creeds in Canada.

This semblance of a conciliatory spirit; this apparent desire for peace and concord between people of different nationalities and creeds was only assumed; it was but a flimsy veneer to conceal the hypocrisy in his heart. All was assumed for the purpose of holding on to office and deceiving the people. Now that his tricks have failed and power has been wrested from him, Laurier once again shows himself in his true colors. He and his followers in Parliament are now bending all their energies to create divisions; to set race against race and Province against Province. Good must result from this course of action, as all will now be able to see what manner of man Laurier is, and may judge him accordingly.

Besides the statesmanlike deliverance of Premier Borden, admirable contributions to the debate were made from the Government side by Hon. Messrs. Foster, Hazen and Monk, who made splendid speeches. Admirable addresses were also delivered by several Conservatives, not members of the Cabinet. Laurier was assisted in his tirade by Pugsley of St. John; McDonald of Pictou, Lemieux and others. Anyone who follows the debate and reads the speeches must be struck with the contrast between the lofty

and statesmanlike attitude taken by the Government speakers, as contrasted with the appeal to passion and sordid motives of Laurier and his followers.

**Senseless and Mischievous.**

In its issue of the 25th inst. the Patriot animadverts upon the custom of changing public officeholders or employees on a change of Government. The righteous soul of the Patriot writer is worked up to a high pitch of indignation at the thought of making changes among public employees at this time. The Patriot characterizes such conduct as "both unchristian and inhumane," and has no hesitation in pronouncing it quite at variance with the preaching in the churches. Anything savouring such conduct is designated as a "cruel and despotic custom of barbarous ages." It is of the opinion that "what ever may have been the custom in the past," no change should be made at the present time. What could be more hypocritical than this attempted pathos of the Patriot? Its pretended opposition to changes among public employees comes too late; it is fifteen or twenty years behind time. The Patriot had no fault to find with the proceedings of Mr. H. James Palmer, the man who is now hanging on to the rump of a Liberal Government contrary to the expressed wishes of the electorate, when he operated his star chamber inquisitorial court fifteen years ago. Mr. Palmer was given a free hand to turn public servants out of office to make room for friends and supporters of the new Liberal Government. He was judge and jury; chief inquisitor and prosecuting attorney. The fate of every one summoned before this inquisitorial court rested upon the biased and arbitrary decision of this royal inquisitor. It is easy to judge how much justice was meted out to Conservatives in these star chamber proceedings. For his services in this connection Mr. Palmer's remuneration came from the Federal treasury, and his charges were so extraordinary that the Auditor General declared they were "unprecedented." In the estimation of the Patriot these proceedings were all right; these were not "cruel and despotic practices;" they were not "unchristian and inhumane." It was quite proper, in the Patriot's estimation, that changes should then be made; but now it is all wrong. Could cant and hypocrisy go further?

A meeting of the moribund Provincial Executive was held Monday afternoon, and a caucus of the Local Liberal members and others of the faithful was held the same night. The Guardian says the meeting continued until after midnight. It was resumed yesterday afternoon; but so far the public has no information as to what decision, if any, these die-hards have arrived at. What on earth are they waiting for; why cannot they, with some show of decency bow to public opinion, as expressed at the polls?

The expected explanation of Sir Edward Grey as to the circumstances in which Germany and Great Britain stand was given in the Imperial House of Commons Monday afternoon. Sir Edward said that the speech delivered by Chancellor Lloyd George, after consultation with Premier Asquith and himself, was merely an assertion of the rights of Great Britain, by which the Government meant to stand. It is in no sense intended as a menace to Germany. Sir Edward went on to say that the German Am-

bassador had complained concerning Lloyd George's speech at the Mansion House; but the tone of the complaint was such that the Government did not deem it advisable or consistent with dignity to explain the speech. A dispatch from Morocco Monday announced that the German cruiser Berlin and the gunboat Eber had been withdrawn from Morocco, so that the crisis is for the present ended.

Louis McLaren, 25 years of age, a step-son of Mr. John Campbell, store keeper, Head St. Peter's Bay, was shot dead at Reserve Mines, C.B., Saturday afternoon last, by an Italian named Dominico Baptista. It appears McLaren boarded with a family named McIntosh, and the Italian, who was married to a daughter of Mrs. McIntosh, lived in the other end of the house. A Halifax despatch, referring to the matter, has this to say: Cape Breton has had another murder. The island has now had three in two weeks, one at Sydney, another at North Sydney, and the third at Reserve. Lewis McLaren, of Prince Edward Island, was shot and killed instantly at the latter place Saturday afternoon by an Italian named Dominico Baptista, a miner. The men had been drinking, and McLaren struck Baptista with his fist. The Italian left the room in which the fighting took place. He returned a few minutes later with a revolver and fired two shots at his assailant, both entering the head. McLaren fell dead at Baptista's feet. The murderer escaped into the woods near the colliery.

**Golden Jubilee Of**

Rev. D. M. MacDonald

The most important event that has occurred in the history of Tignish parish took place on Tuesday, Nov. 21st, when the venerable pastor Rev. D. M. MacDonald celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his elevation to the priesthood. On the eve of the celebration a most enjoyable entertainment was given in St. Mary's Hall by the Sisters of Tignish Convent. There was a very interesting program participated in by the pupils of the convent in which they expressed their respect and love for their devoted pastor. Even the very smallest of the little girls ably suggested their parts in the addresses, declamations and choruses, and it was eminently fitting that a little girl should present the pastor with a magnificent bouquet of flowers whose snowy whiteness was truly typical alike of their childish innocence and of his stainless life.

After the pupils' parts an address from the married ladies was read in English by Mrs. Charles Dalton and in French by Mrs. Joseph Richard. This address was accompanied by a valuable bed and fittings.

Father Dugald feelingly acknowledged the addresses and gifts, thanking those who took part in the entertainment and especially the good Sisters who had prepared the demonstration in his honor. A few appropriate remarks by other clergymen present closed the proceedings.

On Tuesday at nine o'clock Solemn High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Jubilarian assisted by Rev. John Chaisson D. D. as deacon. Rev. P. P. Arsenault, as Sub-deacon and Rev. J. A. McDonald was Master of Ceremonies while Rev. Dr. Monaghan was Censor bearer.

Two most eloquent sermons were preached; the one in French by Rev. Dr. Gauthier and that in English by Rev. Gregory MacDonald.

In these the life work of the faithful pastor was commented on, particularly his nobility as a man, his zeal for the cause of Christ and his self sacrificing devotion to the people of Tignish for the past forty-six years.

addresses a copy of which appears below.

To The Reverend Dugald M. McDonald, Reverend and dear Father— Representing your parishioners of Tignish we are here today to pay you our profound respect and to offer you our heartfelt felicitations on this, the day of your Golden Jubilee, which signalizes the fiftieth anniversary of your Ordination to the Holy Priesthood.

For fifty years Reverend Father you have been laboring for the spiritual and temporal advancement of your people, nearly all of which time, has been spent in this parish and we still in the enjoyment of health and strength. During this long period ministering to our spiritual needs, you have always been ready—yourselves—at all times even in the most inclement weather to visit the sick and dying, administering to them the Sacraments of Holy Church, thus affording them Hope and encouragement in their journey to eternity.

When we remember that at one time your parish comprised so large a territory as the first three townships of Prince County, we readily understand the hardships and sufferings you must have endured. This you have done for us your people, and indeed we owe you a debt of gratitude.

Reverend Father you have in many ways been our Prince, our Priest, our Friend, our Benefactor, and now we fervently pray that the Giver of all good may bless you abundantly and preserve you for many more years to continue the noble work to which your life has been so generously devoted. In conclusion, dear Father we beg of you to accept the accompanying purse of gold as being emblematic of the many golden years spent among us and of the golden Jubilee that we are so proud to assist in celebrating today. Agno J. Gaudet, Peter F. Cahill, Fidele Bernard, John A. Hackett, J. J. Arsenault—Committee. Tignish, November 21, 1911.

The gift accompanying was two hundred and fifty-five dollars in gold. The worthy pastor in his reply heartily thanked his people for their avowals of love and fidelity and for their princely gift. He referred in touching terms to the happy relations which always existed between his people and himself and made fitting reference to many of the old pioneers and early parishioners who had been called to their Heavenly reward. His reply was equally eloquent and sincere in both languages.

The church had been most appropriately and beautifully decorated for the occasion. At one o'clock p.m. a banquet was held in the Parochial House, attended by the following clergymen:—The pastor Rev. D. M. MacDonald, Revs. R. B. MacDonald, Gregory MacDonald, John Chaisson, S. Boudreau, P. X. Gallant, J. C. MacLean, P. P. Arsenault, J. A. MacDonald, P. O. Gauthier, J. J. MacDonald, Martin Monaghan, T. Campbell Rector of S. D. College, F. Connolly, R. J. MacDonald and A. J. MacDonald. A letter of regret was read from the administrator Very Rev. Dr. Morrison. After a long and elaborate ment was disposed of an address from the clergy present was read by Rev. F. Connolly. This address was couched in beautiful and eloquent language expressing the feelings of brotherly love felt by the clergy for the celebrant of the day. Suitable reference were made to his long and holy life in the service of God and to his noble example and influence for good upon all classes. Hopes were expressed for his continued good health.

This address was accompanied by a magnificent reclining chair. Father Dugald feelingly replied to the address, sweetly thanking his brother priests for their gift and for assembling to do him honor. The speechmaking by the clergymen present was of a high standard of oratory; many and beautiful were the expressions of esteem for the jubilarian of the day. They expressed individually their appreciation of the noble example of this minister of God who had been so singularly blessed in being able to complete a half century's work in the missionary and parochial field.

Altogether the parish of Tignish lived up to its best traditions in turning out in full force to honor the pastor who had spent his life for their welfare, and during the afternoon all creeds and nationalities were represented at the reception held in the presbytery.

Space does not permit of an enumeration of all the valuable gifts, many in gold, which were presented to Father Dugald on this notable occasion.

**Debate On The Address.**

Some extracts, from the report of the correspondent of the St. John Standard:

With regard to naval defence, Mr. Borden in replying to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, stated clearly and concisely where the government stands. After referring to the fact that the naval proposals of the late government involved an expenditure of nearly \$55,000,000 in the next ten years, he continued:

"It was argued in parliament, and there was never any satisfactory or reasonable answer to our contention, that as a fighting force, it would be absolutely useless when completed. Further than that, it established the principle of a disunited navy, and I think it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the right hon. gentleman himself, and will be demonstrated before the end of the session, that before such a navy would be completed it would be absolutely obsolete. Does my hon. friend consider that under those circumstances an expenditure of that kind would be carried on? I say there is only one thing to be done, and that is to stop such a system of wasteful expenditure—and we propose to do it. Further, Mr. Speaker, the whole policy must be reconsidered and we shall reconsider it, and in so grave and important a departure, affecting for all time to come the relations of this Dominion to the rest of the Empire, it is infinitely better to be right than to be in a hurry. The question of permanent co-operation between this Dominion, and the rest of the Empire ought to be thrashed out and debated before the people, and they should be given an opportunity of pronouncing upon it. I say further that we shall take pains to ascertain in the meantime what are the conditions that confront the Empire. I stand by the declaration which I made in this House on the 24th day of November last. My right hon. friend has spoken of the resolutions that were passed and has called attention to one which I myself moved declaring:

"That no such proposals can safely be accepted unless they thoroughly ensure unity of organization and of action without which there can be no effective co-operation in any common scheme of Empire defence."

"That the said proposals while necessitating heavy outlay for construction and maintenance will give no immediate or effective aid to the Empire and no adequate or satisfactory results to Canada."

"That no permanent policy should be entered upon, involving large future expenditures of this character, until it has been submitted to the people and has received their approval."

The debate on Wednesday 22nd was not of particular interest except towards the close when Mr. Monk rose to speak. He twitted Sir Wilfrid with exhibiting so much bad humor and peevishness and suggested that he was developing "that very natural sentiment of vanity which when a man passes a certain age, leads him to believe that he alone is right." He reminded Sir Wilfrid of the Judgment of Sept. 21st. The decision of the Canadian people, he said, was not only to remain, but a careful and judicious appreciation of the conditions of the pact which led them on that day to affirm their determination to remain Canadian, to remain in the Empire, and to continue their development, independent of all foreign influence. Mr. Monk made a strong point against Sir Wilfrid when he reminded him of his absolute refusal in 1907 to co-operate in Imperial defence. Turning to the result of the recent election he said: "The chief point upon which my right hon. friend lost the confidence of his own people was when we called upon him not to inaugurate his naval policy without giving the people a chance to be consulted and decide upon it." The most told. Mr. Monk moved the adjournment of the debate.

The Supreme Court opened at Summerside yesterday. The docket is heavy, there being four criminal cases and ten civil cases.

While the band was ripping out. The Maple Leaf Forever" last Saturday night in the 23rd Regiment Armory, Brooklyn, George Gooding, the crack Toronto walker, was starting the American record in the three-mile walk. Though not well equipped for cracking performance, as he wore ordinary rubber-soled shoes, the Canadian showed wonderful speed, and succeeded in covering the three miles in 20 minutes 59.3 seconds. This beat the outdoor mark of 21 minutes 9.1 seconds, made by Frank Murray at the Manhattan Athletic Club in 1883.

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