

RETIREMENT

Of Sir Charles Tupper Into Private Life.

His Heart Goes Out to All Canada in Hope that Peace and Prosperity May Abound.

The Decision of the Grand Old Man Regretted by the Entire Conservative Party—Talk as to Who Will Succeed to the Leadership.



MONTREAL, Nov. 9.—Perhaps there never was tendered to any public man in Canada such a testimonial as awaited Sir Charles Tupper on his arrival in Montreal this morning. There were letters and telegrams from every part of the dominion, expressive of sympathy and good will, and amongst them were messages from six provinces from sitting members offering to resign their seats and promising to work to elect Sir Charles.

When asked what his decision was to be, Sir Charles was firm in the declaration that under no circumstances, even if offered a seat by acclamation, would he consent to re-enter political life.

"I am deeply moved," said Sir Charles, "by these expressions of good will," as he showed a budget of telegrams, "but my decision is final. For years I have worked in season and out of season for the good of the party to the best of my ability. I have shortened my life by privations incident to campaign work. My friends, colleagues in the house, are good enough to say very kind things about me and that work. They are too considerate, but I thank them cordially for their expressions of goodwill.

"In the quiet of my home life I will not be an indifferent spectator of public events. I will take the greatest pleasure in seeing the conservative party, now united to a man, taking its place in the house and before the country, waging their battle by younger men, full of vigor, hope, endurance, and having behind them a good cause, securing for the people of Canada wise legislation, righteous laws and fair play to all creeds and nationalities. As I step out of public life I am proud to be able to say that I never used nor countenanced using of any but one policy in each and all provinces. I defy any man to say that I have ever reflected upon any nationality or did other than help to cement the bond of union between all races as Canadians with a common heritage and a common future. God forbid that there should be anything but peace and good will throughout the dominion. There is a great future for the conservative party, and its future has not at any time in four years looked as bright as today.

"Gentlemen, with all seriousness, this relief from public life is a boon, the greatest I have enjoyed for years. Remember my age. The party would not listen to the idea of my resigning. I could not insist upon doing so against their united protest, but now the good people of Cape Breton county have given me the opportunity. I made no great effort to hold Cape Breton, for I felt my duty to my party was to be in the fight to help my supporters rather than to concentrate my efforts upon one seat. I was in the county only four days. I have nothing but what is pleasant to say of the electors of Cape Breton, and at this moment, as I leave the arena, my heart goes out to all Canada in hope that peace and prosperity may abound."

WHO WILL SUCCEED TO THE LEADERSHIP?

MONTREAL, Nov. 9.—The announcement of Sir Charles Tupper's retirement from public life has started a lively discussion as to his probable successor in the leadership of the party. The man most favored in Montreal is Mr. Foster. *La Presse* has started a little movement in favor of Thomas Chase Casgrain. The idea is to secure a man who can offset Laurier. Casgrain is a strong man, but perhaps lacks some of the qualities which are necessary if the province is to be weaned from Laurier.

Mr. Bergeron was in Montreal today and ascribed his defeat solely to the vote of the large floating population in Valleyfield. All voted for the Laurier candidate, Love. Strange to say, the only poll in Valleyfield in which Mr. Bergeron secured a majority was in one largely composed of English speaking Protestants, where he got nine out of every ten votes cast.

NOT TILL PARLIAMENT MEETS.

OTTAWA, Nov. 9.—Local conservatives have heard with profound regret of Sir Charles Tupper's definite intention to retire from politics. The warmest feelings prevail for the grand old man who put up such a fight as to command the admiration of friends and foes alike. He would have no difficulty whatever in securing a seat did he desire to remain in politics.

It is generally expected that Mr. Foster will secure a seat in parliament, but he will not be able to take up his parliamentary duties until two or three weeks after the session has opened. It is a curious thing that while there is ample provision in the law for the resignation of a member of parliament, there is absolutely no provision existing in the statute for a member resigning his seat after a general election or before the meeting of parliament. A seat becomes vacant, however, by the acceptance by a member of an office of emolument under the crown. This was done in two cases during 1878, when Messrs. Horton and MacDougall temporarily accepted such offices in order to provide seats for Messrs. Cartwright and Langevin. Had there been two ministers defeated in the present election, the government could have immediately solved the difficulty by appointing two members to post-masterships or tidewater-ships, but at this particular time the liberals are not yearning for the presence of Sir Charles Tupper or Mr. Foster in the house of commons, so that it is not likely they will appoint any two members elect to offices of emolument to make way for Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Foster.

Hence it will be necessary for these gentlemen to wait until parliament is organized and seats found for them. In 1898 the situation was a different one to what it is today. Sir Wilfrid Laurier wanted Mr. Blair and Mr. Fielding into his cabinet, and he immediately got seats for them by appointing Frank Forbes to a post-mastership and subsequently to a judgeship, which made a vacancy in Queen's-Bathurst for Mr. Fielding, and the present Senator King to a post-mastership to make a seat for Mr. Blair in Sunbury and Queens. After a speaker is chosen the members who desire to make way for the leader can hand in their resignations, leaving the constituencies open.

Hon. Mr. Tarte has returned feeling very cocky. He now maintains that the race cry out in Quebec in the recent campaign. He says sixteen Protestants were elected.

The local liberals will jubilate when Premier Laurier arrives here.

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LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET

Lord Salisbury Makes an Important Statement Regarding the Presidential Election.

Believes the Cause Won was that of Civilization and Commercial Honor—Nine Hundred Guests Present.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The lord mayor's show was witnessed today by large crowds. It consisted of the usual gilt and ermine features.

The procession moved on through admiring throngs to the law courts, where the ancient ceremony of taking the oath was carried out. The new and old lord mayors were heartily cheered. There were no emblematical cars, but there were mounted men clad in British uniforms in use from 1800 to 1870. A mode of the gun of the British cruiser Powerful used at the siege of Ladysmith was much cheered, as were also mounted men representing India, Canada, Australasia and South Africa.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—What is probably the most brilliant of all public functions in England, the lord mayor's banquet, took place this evening. It will be a memorial event to Americans by reason of the following remarkable utterance of Lord Salisbury, who, in the presence of nine hundred guests, including U. S. Ambassador Choate, the members of the British cabinet and many of the leading men of England, spoke as follows of the American elections:

"We believe that the cause which has won is the cause of civilization and commercial honor. We believe those principles to be at the foot of all prosperity and all progress in the world. Therefore, we claim that we have as much right to rejoice in what has taken place as the distinguished gentleman (referring to Mr. Choate) who sits at my side."

This was followed by loud and prolonged cheering, which made the gold plate of the golden shawl shimmer and the great rafters of the Guildhall ring and ring again.

Lord Salisbury's incursion into the internal politics of the United States was preceded by an apology, in the course of which he said that the choice of the circumstances which has gratified me most during the last year is the very hearty, friendly feeling displayed between this country and the United States. I hope Mr. Choate will forgive me if there is any irregularity in my expression. It is quite wrong for a secretary of state to make any observations with respect to the internal politics of another country, but I am soon to give up my office, and in view of this abandonment, which closes at hand, I hope Mr. Choate will forgive me for expressing the supreme satisfaction with which all of us have heard of what has recently taken place in the United States."

Mr. Choate, replying a few minutes later to the toast of the Diplomatic Corps, declared that Lord Salisbury had stated with such truth, simplicity and earnestness, the principal object and what led to the fight against Foster was that I wanted him defeated. We were sure of Blair's stand; we knew what to expect. I repeat, for that reason every man connected with the trade worked day and night to defeat the conservative candidate. The liquor question entered very largely into the fight against Foster, as it did against Hugh John Macdonald. We naturally dreaded that the fate which overtook our brothers in Manitoba would be ours. As for Mr. Fisher, I may say that I never considered him a serious prohibitionist. This was shown at Brome, where I succeeded in having the notorious Scott Act repealed. Liquor men are responsible for 200,000 of the votes cast for the Laurier government, and it is at their hands that they will demand and expect more equitable legislation in excise and customs laws on wines and spirits. I do not say this as a threat, but if the present government does not treat the trade with consideration in a readjustment of the laws controlling our business, we will hand over our case to the opposition."

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others, who took part in the peace conference at The Hague. His stirring, stirring speech closed with a fervid appeal to the people of England to maintain their defenses in such a perfect condition that we shall not be exposed to any sudden interruption of the peace upon which our prosperity depends.

"The supreme condition," exclaimed the premier, "is that no reform, no improvement is of the slightest value unless security against external interference is obtained by putting our defenses in such a position that no accident may happen beyond our borders that shall make our security doubtful."

The majority of Lord Salisbury's hearers believed that this warning which was delivered in his most impressive manner, referred to the possibility of French antagonism.

Mr. Choate, in concluding his address, expressed the belief that no long Lord Salisbury and Mr. McKinley continue to hold the reins of government there will be no danger of any disturbance of the honorable and friendly relations now existing between the United States and Great Britain.

George J. Goschen, the retiring first lord of the admiralty, who used the occasion for a dramatic farewell to public life, despite the support and confidence of the British people for his successor, the Earl of Selborne.

Other speakers were Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India; Baron Halsbury, lord high chancellor; Lord Alverstone, lord chief justice; Chas. Thomson Ritchie, the newly appointed home secretary, and Sir Robert Bannatyne Finlay, attorney general.

Lord Salisbury, winding up the proceedings by proposing the health of the new lord mayor, said that some of the younger men present "will live to see the day when members of parliament from the Orange and Transvaal colonies will be present on such an occasion."

A dance followed the banquet and continued to a late hour. Among the celebrities present were Sir Francis Jeune, president of the probate, divorce and admiralty division of the supreme court of judicature; William St. John Brodrick, the newly appointed secretary of state for war; Sir Theobald Light, and all available civil and national dignitaries.

AGAINST FOSTER.

President Wilson, of Licensed Victuallers' Association Says All Dealers Here Worked for Foster's Defeat.

MONTREAL, Nov. 11.—"Every hotelman, brewer, cigar-maker and liquor merchant at St. John, N. B., to my personal knowledge, was arrayed against Foster in the recent election, and he was beaten to a standstill."

So Lawrence A. Wilson, president of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, said today in an interview, in which he reviewed the work of the liquor men in the campaign. "The principal object and what led to the fight against Foster was that I wanted him defeated. We were sure of Blair's stand; we knew what to expect. I repeat, for that reason every man connected with the trade worked day and night to defeat the conservative candidate. The liquor question entered very largely into the fight against Foster, as it did against Hugh John Macdonald. We naturally dreaded that the fate which overtook our brothers in Manitoba would be ours. As for Mr. Fisher, I may say that I never considered him a serious prohibitionist. This was shown at Brome, where I succeeded in having the notorious Scott Act repealed. Liquor men are responsible for 200,000 of the votes cast for the Laurier government, and it is at their hands that they will demand and expect more equitable legislation in excise and customs laws on wines and spirits. I do not say this as a threat, but if the present government does not treat the trade with consideration in a readjustment of the laws controlling our business, we will hand over our case to the opposition."

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DECLARATION DAY

Proceedings in This City and Several Other Counties.

Mr. Blair's Majority Three Short of One Thousand—Speeches by the Successful and Defeated Candidates.

The Declaration day proceedings were attended by a small crowd of people. All four of the candidates were present. The one amusing incident during the declaration of the ballots was the discovery of one of the boxes, the key hole of which a conscientious officer had plugged up with sealing wax. One of the sheriff's officers had to break open the box with a hammer.

The returns in the county add to Col. Tucker's majority, the city remains about the same.

The figures stand:

CITY AND COUNTY OF ST. JOHN		Stockton	Tucker
Kings	1	147	58
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Dukes	1	132	87
St. John	1	129	87
Guy's	1	124	87
Brooks	1	117	91
Lorne	1	113	91
Queens	1	108	98
Lansdowne	1	106	97
Dufferin	1	101	103
Victoria	1	97	107
Stanley	1	91	113
Simonds	1	88	116
St. Martins	1	81	121
Lancaster	1	75	127
Musquash	1	75	128
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Sheriff Sturdee declared Hon. Mr. Blair and Col. Tucker elected.

Col. Tucker was heartily received as he rose to speak. He thanked the electors heartily for the vote given him, and expressed his appreciation of the able manner in which the committees worked for him.

Mr. Blair followed, and was given a splendid reception. He felt that he could not do much more than his colleagues, Col. Tucker, did. The people have proved that he had made no mistake in coming here. He knew that a great corporation would put itself forward in this election, and the least thinking people might be driven into a panic. Events proved that neither the electors nor candidates had made a mistake in their choice. The great body of the manufacturing and business strength was behind him and he would not fail. Hundreds of young people were behind him. He could hardly express his pride in the position which he now held, and he felt that the result has given the constituency a higher place in Canada. He told the people that he could not yield to the demands of the corporation, and he further pointed out that there was no indication that the winter port business would not be done. After events proved he was right, and further what would have been your position today if this constituency had elected his opponent and defeated himself, the minister of railways. Mr. Blair then expressed his thanks to the electors.

Dr. Stockton was well received also. He said he was a defeated candidate, but not conquered. Had he foreseen the result before he accepted the nomination he would not have done otherwise than he had. He would suggest to Col. Tucker that he should now carry out his promise to dredge the harbor.

How can you dredge without a dredge? said Col. Tucker.

There was a man in Ontario did it, remarked Dr. Stockton.

However, he continued, if a running



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mate had to be elected for the minister of railways there was no one he would rather see than Co. Tucker. (Cheers.)

He felt that the electors have not yet proved that the people made no mistake in electing Mr. Blair. He still had his back to the wall in respect to the C. P. R. (Cheers.) Mr. Blair does not expect to get over the I. C. R. or Grand Trunk export freight. So the export freight of Canada must come by the C. P. R. If, then, in consequence of Mr. Blair, this freight does not come you will realize that Mr. Blair made a mistake in keeping his back to the wall. We have the authority of the minister that the hope of freight from the west is by the C. P. R. Yet he hoped that the minister of railways was correct in his diagnosis of the case, and the freight would come.

He hoped that the prohibition electors who voted against him would read and consider the statement of Lawrence Wilson of the Licensed Victuallers' Association.

In conclusion Dr. Stockton expressed his thanks to the electors who had supported him. It was the unpurchased honorable vote that he obtained, and he was proud of it. He regretted the defeat of Mr. Foster. It was a distinct loss, when such a man, it matters not on which side he may be, drops out of public life.

Hon. George E. Foster's reception was a hearty one. He said he had a lingering hope that the sheriff might find a majority for him. He was disappointed. He heartily thanked the electors for the support given him. He felt that he was not content to be charged that at any time during the campaign he had abused any one. He did not believe a campaign should be carried on in this way. Could the editor of the *Telegraph* say the same thing?

Mr. Foster said that the constitution would have made a mistake if it had rejected him. It is an appeal either to the lowest in politics, or it means that a constituency will get but cold justice if it does not support the government. No matter how just your cause, you may impair it if you oppose the powers that be. That is not a good principle to lay down before the electors.

Mr. Foster took up the matter of sending the contingent, brought up by Mr. Blair, and went into it fully.

Mr. Sears—"Would the conservative party have hindered the diplomatic settlement by offering troops?"

Mr. Foster—"While diplomatic relations were going on British troops were going out to Africa."

Turning to Quebec, which had sent to parliament 87 liberals and 8 conservatives, Mr. Foster read a quotation from Le Soliel, written by Mr. Pacaud, a friend of Mr. Blair's, an appeal to race and religious feelings against Mr. Casgrain. It was a convass such as this that was carried on in Quebec.

W. H. Trueman wanted to know if Mr. Foster had a copy of the Hamilton Spectator.

Mr. Foster said he had not. If the young man wanted one he would give him two cents to get a copy.

Hon. Mr. Blair interrupted to save his disciple by explaining that Mr.

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