

JAS. M. DOUGLAS IS THE CANDIDATE

Selected at Wetaskiwin Yesterday by Representative Delegates of Strathcona Constituency.

After a convention that lasted from half past ten in the morning till half past eight in the evening with only a short interval for lunch, and was marked by a prolonged and keen but friendly contest between the different aspirants, the Liberals of the Strathcona Federal constituency gathered in convention Thursday at Wetaskiwin selected James M. Douglas, Strathcona, by one of a majority, as their representative to succeed the late member Dr. W. J. Colquhoun. The successful nominee would be elected on the 11th inst. He had not been decided until ballots had been marked nine times. Ten candidates were before the convention and vote after vote was taken until the deciding ballot was reached at 8:30 o'clock.

Out of a total possible of 215 delegates there were present and represented by proxy, one hundred and seventy. They came from all parts of the constituency and formed a thoroughly representative body.

A feature that illustrated the growth of the constituency was the fact that while, in the by-election of 1906, not one delegate came from the branch line east of Wetaskiwin, there were over 100 representatives yesterday from that part of the constituency.

The chair was occupied by Senator Talbot, of Lacombe, the provincial president, and Alexander Jones, of Calgary, was secretary. The manner in which the chairman performed his duties showed great tact and to him largely is due the credit of bringing harmony and unanimity out of what at first promised to be a permanent disagreement between different sections of the party.

The Morning Session.—In the morning the resolution and credentials committees were appointed and an informal ballot was taken in order that names as candidates might be placed before the meeting. This resulted in the following whose names are given in alphabetical order, being proposed: J. G. Anderson, Angus Ridge; Malcolm C. Kellam, Dr. Robertson; Malcolm C. Kellam, Dr. Robertson; Wetaskiwin; A. S. Rosenoll, Wetaskiwin; Rice Sheppard, Strathcona; Dr. Stevenson, Wetaskiwin; J. G. Anderson, Angus Ridge; Geo. P. Smith, Camrose; J. G. Turgeon, Hardisty; Dennis Messers, Lang Prairie; J. H. McCreary, Smith, Turgeon and Wainwright retired, leaving ten in the contest for the nomination.

At the afternoon session the reports of the committees were received and the work of balloting was begun. The resolutions expressed continued faith in the Laurier administration and extended condolences to the widow of the late representative. The resolutions also taken to erect a suitable memorial to Dr. McIntyre.

The Wetaskiwin Case.—The only question in connection with the delegates in which any trouble arose was over the thirteen representatives from Wetaskiwin. In the result the party selected over Mr. Rosenoll and many of his supporters to another hall where they organized a new Liberal association. Each Liberal association sent three delegates to the convention. The credentials committee reported in favor of those who had been officially recognized association.

To this Mr. Rosenoll's supporters took objection and five minute speeches were made from the platform of the old and new associations expressing the position of each.

The suggestion of Mr. Turgeon, Hardisty, a compromise was adopted. Six delegates were chosen from each organization and those drew lots for the selection over the seventh. The old association through its secretary Mr. McNamara, at first refused to abide by this decision and withdrew but later some of their men came back and took part in the subsequent voting.

The Balloting in Detail.—It was about four o'clock when the balloting commenced and the selection of a candidate was not made until after eight. The arrangement was that the lowest candidate should retire after each ballot was announced. The first to drop out was G. Henderson. He was followed by Rice Sheppard and Joshua Fletcher. They came Malcolm and Robertson. Mills was the sixth man to retire and Rosenoll the seventh. On the eighth ballot Marks, of Leduc, who was chasing the leaders close, was forced to retire and the final vote was between Douglas and Twomey. The first ballot on those two was declared irregular owing to one delegate with two proxies having voted after the papers had been handed in their papers.

Another count was taken and James M. Douglas secured the nomination with eighty-six votes to Dennis Twomey's eighty-five. Mr. Douglas' nomination was then made unanimous amid applause and he stands as the Liberal representative in the Strathcona constituency.

Memorial to Late Member.—A suggestion by J. Hamilton, McDonald, of Strathcona, that a popular subscription be organized in honor of a memorial to the late member Dr. McIntyre, was heartily and unanimously endorsed. Mr. McDonald's suggestion was that the representatives of the Provincial constituencies that go to make up the Federal riding form a committee to deal with the question of a memorial. The committee is Hon. Dr. Ruthertford, George

P. Smith, R. T. Telford, Chas. H. Olin, J. B. Holden and Chas. Hart, proxies. This committee will arrange the details and the form that the memorial will take with its location. One suggestion was a monument and another that several wards of some hospital be endowed. Mayor W. J. McDonald, of Wetaskiwin, opened the list with a subscription of \$50.

The resolutions.—The resolutions committee composed of G. Tipton, Strathcona; Dr. Rash, Leduc; and W. J. Colquhoun, Viking, reported in favor of two resolutions, one of condolence to the widow of the late representative and the other pledging continued faith in the Dominion government. A first vote was passed by a silent standing vote and the second by show of hands and applause. The resolutions were as follows:

Whereas it has pleased an inscrutable Providence to remove from amongst us our late esteemed member of the House of Commons of Canada, Dr. Wilfrid Laurier; Therefore, be it resolved by this convention of the Liberal party in the Strathcona constituency assembled to select a candidate to fill the vacancy so unfortunately created.

A. That we place on record our appreciation of the unimpeachable character and remarkable talent and industry of our late member and our sense of the great loss sustained by the constituency by his death at a time when a life of great usefulness to the constituency and the whole of Canada seemed to us to be before him.

2. That we express our sincere sympathy with the widow and relatives of the deceased in their bereavement.

Confidence in Sir Wilfrid.—Whereas by reason of the lamented death of our late member of the House of Commons it has become necessary for us to select a representative of the Liberal party in the Strathcona constituency, to meet in convention to select a candidate to succeed him. And whereas the time is opportune for us to express our confidence in the Government of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Liberal party of the Strathcona constituency in convention assembled hereby expresses its entire confidence in the government of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and its hearty appreciation of the statesmanlike, progressive and straightforward policy of that government.

Report on Credentials.—The committee on credentials had a large task before them and it occupied all the morning session and part of the afternoon. The committee was as follows: D. H. McKinnon, Strathcona, chairman; C. W. Gaetz, Leduc; E. Clements, Sedgewick; H. Y. Pauling, Wainwright; and George P. Smith, Camrose. They reported the following delegates:

Strathcona—A. G. Baslim, J. G. Tipton, D. H. McKinnon, James Gordon, J. W. Tipton, A. F. Mode, R. E. McPherson, Carl, Patrick Mehan, Harry Lynn, Wm. Vogel, A. C. Beaton, Ed. Crowe, George McDonald, E. Lefebvre, J. A. P. Loughlin, J. H. McDonald, Jas. B. Miller, R. Ritchie, A. M. Fulmer, W. D. Cassmore, W. J. Birnie Brown, J. J. McKeown.

Wetaskiwin—L. F. Miquelon, J. P. Gross, A. S. Rosenoll, J. H. Walker, H. D. Mills, C. H. Olin, E. E. Chanard, D. Wallace, C. D. Enman, D. C. McLean, H. H. Higgs, McLeod—W. C. Forsyth, J. E. Lambert, Beaumont—F. Le Blane, L. H. Johnson.

Leduc—R. T. Telford, C. W. Gaetz, A. L. Marks proxy to Dr. Rash, Calmar—C. J. Blomquist, Olaf C. Melin.

Tofield—A. A. Storey, R. N. Whillans, J. W. Morton proxy to A. A. Storey, W. C. Sifton proxy to A. J. H. McCauley, Dr. J. L. Hammond proxy to A. J. H. McCauley, Clappa—Samuel Adams, W. McFadden, George W. E. Heeseck, Crooked Lake—G. K. Burkhardt, East Battle Lake—Gilbert Svenson, Highland Park—Gus Biekertum, Zaimet—M. Bakken, E. E. Magdon proxy to M. Bakken, Lone Ridge—O. M. Bystrom, O. M. Olin.

Wainwright—Henry Y. Pauling, W. E. Washburn, H. E. Cummer, M. A. Harpell, P. E. Ross proxy to H. Y. Pauling, Edgerton—W. A. Watson, Greenhills—T. L. Wells, Plackett—J. C. Forsyth, Spruce Dale—Jacob Oswald, Wilton Park—John Burns, Thorsby—W. Lindbom, Telfordville—John A. Stocke, Great West—R. B. Brown, Bonnie Glen—John Smith proxy to Isaac Wager, Spring Lake—Kenneth Morrison, Dunham—Andrew Leslie, Albert Normand, Floundergold—Henry Stendrick proxy to S. P. Krengeon, S. P. Krengeon, Prety—Hill—Erick K. Lyseug, Olaus Olson proxy to E. K. Lyseug, Byley—John McLeod, Victor Anderson proxy to J. McLeod, M. R. Gordon, Elkness—Frank Ewald, Esting—Frank Mohler, Round Hill—Wm. Ross, Olan—C. Ward, Heatherbrae—N. A. Smith, Camrose—George P. Smith, Dennis

Twomey, R. B. Price, J. K. Burgess, F. L. Farley, Thomas Dahl proxy to E. L. Scotford, Skates—T. Hoyme, Bitters—T. McKinnon, Vikings—Wm. J. Storey proxy to W. J. Colquhoun, Viking proxy to W. J. Colquhoun, Hastings Colles—John Jameson, Willow Hollow—R. D. McMillan, Loughlin—A. C. Walmsey, New Norway—W. Cole, Ludvig Olestad, Henry Peterson, Killam—L. R. McKenzie, W. M. McGowan, Prairie Park—E. H. Malcolm, Round Lake—Paul Kulawy proxy to Ole Gundersen, Lake de May—Nelle Nelson, Chesterwood—Hugo Uland, Hillside—M. J. Hoves, Rosenoll—C. Giberson, Even Olestad, Albury—G. F. Batke, Bawil—A. T. Schneider, K. O. Egge, L. H. Kirkpatrick, Melville—James Miner, Fairgrove—John Armatage, Goffers—J. H. Goffers, Sedgewick—G. E. Clements, F. F. Beairto proxy to A. E. Clements, Harrisville—J. K. Harris, Bells Hill—Arch Brown, Harville—Ole K. Becken, Merna—T. W. Edwards, Strom—John, Robert, Bedard—W. H. Stewart, Prague—J. A. Dobrey, Blomquist—J. G. Blomquist, Sandy Lakeland—C. Locklin, Mill Creek—Wm. Place, James Fisher, White Mud—James Grose, Rabbit Hill—Thomas H. Stewart, Chorest—W. H. Tucker, Logan—R. A. McKinnon, Colchester—E. Johansen, Buck Lake—Chas. Cropley, East Edmonton—James Aktins, Wm. Lang, Hillside—John Sanford, New Berlin—Angus Cameron proxy to Charles McKery, Angus Ridge—G. Anderson, Holden—G. O. Hendrickson, Thos. Appleby proxy to G. O. Hendrickson, N. M. Smith, Pleasant Prairie—Paul Dikan, Louisvile—John G. Wilcher, Hay Lake—N. O. Oldenburg.

When will you be back? he asked. "I don't know; it depends upon how soon I find seed to suit me," was the reply.

One could readily excuse a young homesteader hundred miles from a large town if his standards in the matter were not very high and he took almost any seed he could get, assuredly the farmer who has the seed well and hand-pick the growing crop. Such a man was not young Bedford. He walked eighty miles from farm to farm looking for the best seed. He placed before him his own history of seed, but he had located pure seed of high quality and bought it. The farmer who has the seed well and hand-pick the growing crop. Such a man was not young Bedford. He walked eighty miles from farm to farm looking for the best seed. He placed before him his own history of seed, but he had located pure seed of high quality and bought it. The farmer who has the seed well and hand-pick the growing crop. Such a man was not young Bedford. He walked eighty miles from farm to farm looking for the best seed. He placed before him his own history of seed, but he had located pure seed of high quality and bought it.

THE MEN WHO LEAD CANADIAN FARMERS

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farm and for eighteen years following he carried on a fine work there, transforming it from an average piece of property to the finest illustration in Manitoba of the agricultural and horticultural possibilities of the country.

During the last year of Mr. Bedford's superintendency he estimated that no fewer than eighteen thousand farmers and others visited the farm, and three thousand letters were dispatched, besides many hundreds of circulars. From these figures it is evident that the farm superintendents address from twelve to twenty gatherings each year, some idea of the amount of information disseminated annually from such stations may be obtained.

Before leaving the consideration of Mr. Bedford and his work at Brandon, it is fitting that mention should be made of the clerical labors of Mrs. Bedford, his wife, who in addition to the care of house and family, relieved him of much detail work in connection with the farm.

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Alberta as a whole quite different in many respects from Saskatchewan, but central and southern Alberta are dissimilar in their climate; so it was necessary to establish two farms if the work done was to be of value to more than one section of the province.

That for the south, was secured first and is located at Lethbridge, one of the most famous districts in the winter wheat country. H. Fairfield, who is in charge of this farm, is another of the younger men who bring to their work special training along various lines of irrigation and dry farming, and his specialties, and he is vested in the science of producing beautiful crops on irrigated land.

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Vegetables. Carrots, onions, radishes, etc... 30c per dozen bunches; dry onions 1 lb. for 25c; cabbage 40 and 50c per dozen; potatoes, 30c to 35c per bushel. Blueberries... \$1.25 per patent pail Cranberries... \$1 per pail

MISHAP ON SASKATCHEWAN

Two Brothers of Edmonton Navigate River for Several Hundred Miles. Lacombe, Sept. 29.—Word has been received here that two young men, brothers, by the name of Stewart, from Edmonton, had a narrow escape from drowning while attempting to navigate the Saskatchewan river from Rocky Mountain House to the Capital City. They were accompanied by a guide but owing to his being unacquainted with the currents all were thrown out of the boat in the Blue Rapids. They managed to save themselves but lost their provisions, and owing to the desolate character of the country have great difficulty in getting sustenance.

Historic Steamer Burned.

Prince Albert, Sask., Sept. 29.—The old steamer "Marquis" used at the time of the rebellion in 1865 to carry the troops from Battleford to this point was burned here tonight.

AN ENORMOUS GRAIN YIELD.

Brandon Farmer Threshes 22,000 Bushels of Wheat, Oats and Barley. Brandon, Sept. 29.—E. W. Hanna, one of the big farmers of the Brandon district, has just finished a twelve days' threshing and has ten thousand bushels of wheat, nine thousand oats and three thousand barley. The wheat is all No. 1 Northern and averaged 25 bushels to the acre. The oats went fifty bushels to the acre and the barley thirty bushels. The average was good, as there was no rain in the district since July 12th.

New Convent at Brandon.

Brandon, Man., Sept. 29.—The first sod was turned this morning for the foundation of the new St. Michael convent here. The ceremony was performed by Mother Inhelda, prioress of the Sisters of Our Lady of Missions, which order has houses at several Manitoba and Saskatchewan points. The contract for the foundation of the convent, which will be a fifty thousand dollar building, was awarded today to A. E. Bullock, Brandon.