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DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Sir Hibbert Tupper Makes It Unpleasant for Fielding and Davies

He Reviews the Political Records of Blair and Fielding With Effect.

Sir Charles Tupper Unanimously Chosen Leader of the Liberal Conservative Party

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—After routine Hon. Mr. Foster took the floor in continuation of the debate on the address. The galleries were crowded and Lady Aberdeen occupied a seat on the floor to the right of Speaker Edgar. Almost from the very start Hon. Mr. Foster gave proof that strong as he had been in defence he was more powerful in attack, the keenness of his thrusts at the joints of the opponent's armour evoking the utmost enthusiasm in the conservative benches. His opening reference to Mr. McInnes' statement that hordes of cultured and intelligent men were pestering the members to death for petty office was richly enjoyed, as he pointed out that the house was called on to mourn the absence of two prominent maritime liberals, the member for Queens and Shelburne having accepted a hundred dollar collectorship and the member for Queens and Sunbury a ten dollar Ontario postmaster-ship. He reviewed Mr. Laurier's evasive reply to Sir Charles Tupper's claim and judicial challenge of the government's position, and taking up the government leader's charge that Tupper's tone was bitter by reason of losing the sweets of office, reminded the house that none of Mr. Laurier's colleagues were open to any such charge. None of them had accepted a post in the liberal battle. Mowat, Fielding and Blair had not risked their lives in the balance, but drew their provincial salaries till a victory had perched on the party banner. Neither Mr. Laurier nor his newly called associates could appreciate Sir Charles Tupper's manliness in placing party loyalty above personal advantage. As to the earthquake about which Hon. Mr. Laurier had spoken yesterday, Hon. Mr. Foster marked that defeat was not on scriptural authority proof of exceptional wrong doing. The eighteen on whom the tower of Babel fell were not sinners above all others. He pointed out that there were no such things as the maritime provinces in Ontario or Manitoba, and that the political conclusion was really limited to an individual landslide in Quebec. The conservative party, strong in its assertion of personal liberty, had lost by divisions, but it had come together once more and when the contested elections were tried out would recapture the status it had lost in St. John, Ottawa, Hamilton and Vancouver. Premier Laurier had succeeded to power by a policy of evasion and vagueness, but that would serve his purposes no longer now that he had to crystallize his opinions into laws and statutes. He exposed in a most trenchant manner the late opposition's change of base with respect to raising money by governor general's warrants, and showed that according to their present course there was no necessity for calling parliament together now or for that matter at any future day. After referring to the failure of the government to fill up the portfolio of the interior, although such tried and trusty servants as Mills of Bowdoin, Ellis of St. John, Donville of Kings and Martin of Winnipeg were surely available, Hon. Mr. Foster took up item by item the things the liberals had pledged themselves to do as soon as they got into power, and pointing to the incoherence of Mr. Laurier's statement that new legislation of any important kind could not be introduced this session because the departmental reports had not been printed, Hon. Mr. Foster closed about 5:30 and was followed by Sir Richard Cartwright, who had the floor at recess.

OTTAWA.

Aug. 18.—Incoming trains have brought senators and members from far and near. The fact conservative caucus being called tomorrow morning accounts for unusual early influx. Everything readiness for the opening of parliament. The proceedings tomorrow will be confined to the election of a speaker, and the formal opening will take place until the following day (Friday), when the speech from the throne will be delivered by his excellency the governor general. Room 16, liberal headquarters this year, has been put in order for the supporters of the government, and No. 6 has been reserved to the opposition. The walls are strikingly painted blue. A vivid painting of Sir John Thompson the wall meets the eye of the visitor. Mr. Laurier will have the room formerly occupied by Sir Charles Tupper at the entrance of the library. Sir Charles, should he be elected leader of the opposition, will take Mr. Laurier's old room, in close proximity to No. 6.

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MONCTON.

Some Fine Samples of Coal Found in the Vicinity of the Railway Town.

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