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IN BOTHWELL—THE POPULAR
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RENOMINATED.

If those who are predicting James Clancy's defeat in Bothwell could have stood in the town hall at Dresden yesterday and heard the enthusiastic shouts of three hundred and fifty intelligent Conservative delegates, representing every division of the riding as Mr. Clancy poured lyddite into the record of the Ottawa cabinet, they would without doubt have quaked and groaned for the safety of their pet theory. As one old Conservative, who has attended every convention at which Mr. Clancy has been nominated, said:—"I have never yet seen a convention which in point of numbers and enthusiasm could come within a mile of equalling it," and he voiced the general sentiment of the delegates.

When President J. W. Sharpe called the convention to order nearly every seat in the hall was occupied and, as the people continued to pour in, all the available space was soon taken up and emergency measures were resorted to.

On the platform were—Jas. Clancy, M. P., T. A. Smith, Kent's future M. P., Mayor Cragg, of Dresden, J. S. Fraser, Dr. Mitchell and A. B. Carscallen, of Wallaceburg, as well as Mr. Tooley, the most aged Conservative present, who formerly had the honor of representing East Middlesex.

THE OPENING ADDRESS.

In opening the proceedings President Sharpe said:—"It is a number of years since we last assembled in convention here and since our former one we have won a notable victory. (Cheers.) We accomplished no less a feat than the conversion of a riding which had given a Liberal majority for thirty years. Every Conservative who worked to bring about that great victory deserves credit, but the chief praise is due to the ability, energy and hard work of Mr. Clancy himself. (Cheers.) This year we will do even better, and I have not the slightest doubt but that Mr. Clancy's majority will be more than doubled."

A voice—You bet it will. (Loud applause.) To avoid an unnecessary delay, as everyone knew that Mr. Clancy would be the only nominee, the collection of credentials was dispensed with. Some of those representing the different divisions were:

Dawn—Sam. Carr, John M. Webster, Richard Brown, Ben. Moulton, James Whitney, John Mackie, Thos. Mackie, Sr., Geo. N. Boyle, Wm. Groom, Sr., A. D. Cook, Jas. A. Law, Wm. Stinson, C. H. Babcock, Joseph Beattie, Frank Hanks, R. Butler, Wm. Beattie, Rich. White, A. C. Sussner, J. Cruickshank, A. McGaffey, John McDowell, W. J. Bodkin.

Chatham—Eli Hazlett, Josiah Armstrong, Jas. Howe, John McKay, Geo. Lindsay, Thos. Richardson, Thomas McCollum, Wm. Vance, John Burns, Robt. Johnson, Wm. George, Arthur Stewart, Wm. Adams, John Richardson, John Irwin, Chas. Wilkinson, Huntley McKay, A. Campbell.

Sombra—J. Walker, Wm. Elliott, A. Brown, Joseph Ferguson, Dr. Cowan, H. Roebuck, H. Barth, M. D. Pretty.

Wallaceburg—Jas. Beattie, Dr. Standish, R. Tooley, Nelson Seed, J. S. Fraser, A. B. Carscallen, Dr. Mitchell, John Mox, Frank Seed, T. E. Parrie, Andrew McKibbin, Thomas Newton, A. Wickins, Seth Hodge, N. H. Beattie, Ben. Wellman, Geo. Cook, C. McGregor, R. C. Stonehouse, A. Christner, Dr. Best, H. Bins, S. L. Mann, James Wakefield, R. T. Riddle, S. F. Taylor, Chas. McDonald, F. Stenlake, John Grayson.

Camden—Frank Gifford, Wm. Elgie, Thos. E. J. Isaac Hazlett, H. Ellis, J. D. Traxler, J. F. Harris, Z. Traxler, Ed. Norton, Thos. Howden, Jerry McFinn, Walter Thompson, Sam. Farnsworth.

Thamesville—John Thompson, C. A. Mayhew, F. Lawrence, Thomas Arnold.

Dresden—J. W. Sharpe, J. B. Carscallen, H. M. Carscallen, G. E. Weir, Chas. Tasse, Newton Carscallen, Jas. Hart and all the other prominent Conservatives.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—J. W. Sharpe, Dresden.

Vice-president—Dr. Mitchell, Wallaceburg.

Secretary—Morley Carscallen, Dresden.

Treasurer—John H. McVean, Dresden.

Vice-presidents for the municipalities:

Chatham, Alex. Wilson; Zone, Richard White; Camden, Wm. Elgie; Dawn, Sam. Barr and Frank Brock; Sombra, Dr. Cowan.

Wallaceburg, James Beattie; Bothwell, J. W. Atkin; Thamesville, J. E. Eastman; Dresden, Benjamin Bridgewater.

Following the election of officers John S. Fraser, of Wallaceburg, took the platform to move a resolution of confidence in the said Mr. Fraser. "This," said Mr. Fraser, "is the finest convention I ever saw. The delegates are the most intelligent I ever saw and I read in their faces a fixed determination to show what the electors of Bothwell think of that gang which is abusing the privileges of power at Ottawa. (Applause.) It is a pleasure for me to move this resolution when I think of the course which Sir Charles Tupper and his colleagues have pursued. When I think of the fact since 1896 they have fought valiantly against an adverse majority for the old flag and the old party and have kept ever before them the policy of the late Sir John Macdonald, I am more than ever convinced that victory will again perch upon the shoulders of Jas. Clancy, M. P. The Reformers think that because they have got a man from Wallaceburg, who is a big manufacturer, that they will be all right but we will show them they are mistaken."

A. B. Carscallen, in a bright and eloquent address by which he held the fixed attention of the audience, seconded the policy of the Laurier government unsparingly. He seconded Mr. Fraser's resolution, which was carried amid cheers by a standing vote.

Dr. Mitchell moved a second resolution of confidence in J. P. Whitney, the leader of the opposition in the Ontario House.

James Houston, the old Dresden war horse, was called upon to second the motion, and second it he did in a ringing speech, which brought cheer after cheer from the enthusiastic delegates. He recalled the time when Sir Richard Cartwright and Honorable David Mills had stood upon that same platform and said that Canada was bankrupt. Laurier, with his party of purity, had succeeded in pulling Canada out of the hole by running up the expenditure from \$38,000,000 to \$50,000,000. (Laughter and applause.) The second resolution was passed amid the same enthusiasm as marked the passing of its predecessor.

President Sharpe then introduced the coming member for Kent—"Mr. Smith's appearance was the signal for a salvo of applause, and it was some time before he was able to proceed. He said, "Gentlemen, if I travelled the way here from Chatham to give Mr. Clancy a certificate of character, I might as well have stayed at home. By the magnificent reception which you have given him I plainly perceive that you well know that he has justified the trust you placed in him in 1896. (Cheers.)"

I would just like to put a little problem to you. Four years ago one of you farmers gave your wife \$7 with which to do a little shopping. She came home with a satisfied smile, with her bargain. To-day you give her \$10, and does she get as much as she did for the \$7 four years ago? (Cries of No.) Yes, as farmers are being led to the tune of \$3 in order to keep the Liberals in power at Ottawa. I am sorry to see that Mr. Gordon, when speaking at the Liberal convention here, predicted a campaign of slander and lies. I defy any man to say that he ever heard a slanderous word from the mouth of James Clancy, either on the political platform or on the floor of the House, and I only hope that the campaign in Kent will be as clean and free from slander as those conducted by Mr. Clancy have ever been. It is quite true that the Conservative party was snowed under in 1896. The main reason for the disaster was that we were divided party, and I tell you right here and now, gentlemen, that the beating we received four years ago was the most beneficial dose we ever had. (Applause.) As far as the tariff revision instituted by the Liberal Government is concerned, it simply amounts to this: The wants and needs of the poor man and the farmer are heavily taxed, while the silks, satins and diamonds of the rich are brought in almost free of duty. It is nothing more nor less than legislation for the classes against the masses. Is it legislation for the bone and sinew of the land? Not much."

As time was passing and much business was yet to be done, Mayor Smith concluded with a few more brief remarks along the same line.

He was loudly applauded and evidently made a good impression, as after the convention, he was warmly complimented by many upon the ability of his effort.

THE NOMINATION.

Nominations were now in order. Francis Gifford arose and in a short but able address, nominated Mr. Clancy, and at the same time tendered him the thanks of the Bothwell Conservatives for the brilliant manner in which he has conducted his political career as their representative in the house of commons. When Mr. Gifford finished, President Sharpe said: "Gentlemen, that nomination needs no second. All who want Mr. Clancy to represent us for another term, stand up."

The convention rose en masse and for five minutes hats went up, hands were clapped, and cheer after cheer awoke the echoes. The enthusiasm was unrestrained and the delegates went wild. Mr. Clancy came to the front of the platform, and when some semblance of order had been obtained, thanked the audience feelingly for the splendid renewal of confidence. He recalled the former occasion on which they had stood at his back in his hard fought political battles, until he had learned well the lesson that he could do nothing without their unswerving support.

Mr. Clancy referred to his opponent, Mr. Gordon, as a most respectable gentleman about whom it was impossible to speak in anything but complimentary terms. Launching out upon the broader subject of Dominion politics Bothwell's member dealt blow after blow at the Laurier administration, laying stress upon Tarte's patriotic principles as evidenced by his speeches in Paris and Laurier's remarkable manner of keeping his ante-election pledges. He showed up the jobbing m-m-m in the cabinet as brought out in the emergency relations scandal and followed this up by exhibiting in their true light the immigrants who have been cast

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"Should you," concluded Mr. Clancy, do me the great honor to entrust me with the duty of representing you, I hope that my best qualification will be that I am Canadian and a loyal Conservative. (Long continued cheers.)

The convention broke up amid cheers for the Queen, Sir Charles Tupper, Col. J. P. Whitney, the candidate, President Sharpe, Mayor T. A. Smith and Dr. Mitchell.

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Of 3,000 Boers who retreated from Koomatipoort before the British advance from Machadodorp, 700 have entered Portuguese territory, others have deserted in various directions, and the balance are reported to have crossed the Kumati river, and to be occupying spurs of the Lotombe mountain, south of the railway.

A general tumult seems to have occurred when they recognized the hopelessness of their cause. Their long tons and field guns have been destroyed and nothing is left of the Boer army but a few marauding bands. Kelly-Kenny is dealing with one of these, which occupies a position at Doornberg.

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