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Rowell Walks on Gridiron Says Premier at Cobourg

Flings Out Challenge to Liberal Leader to Show Where He Stands on Temperance and Bilingual Schools—Ontario Government's Progressive Policies Effectively Reviewed.

RY. BOARD CRITICS
DON'T CAUSE WORRY

COBOURG, Nov. 15.—(Staff Special.)—It was no mere opening gun in the Ontario political campaign that Sir James Whitney fled here to-night, it was a perfect broadside, a fusillade of words achieved that stand out before the electors in bold relief, not as promises visionary or uncertain, but as things actually accomplished in the interests of the people of Ontario.

But about with this armor of what the government has accomplished in the seven years of its existence, Sir James boldly opened the centre of this avowed Liberal riding of West Northumberland to give an account of his stewardship.

No Partisan Spirit.
Victoria Opera House, where the big meeting was held, was crowded to the doors. The townspeople, whatever their party affiliations were, put them aside for the time being and vigorously applauded the premier as he recounted the different measures of progressive legislation that are now being enforced by the government of the premier province of the Dominion.

Frank Field, K.C., chairman of the West Northumberland Conservative Association, presided. Among those on the platform with Sir James were, Capt. Hugh McCullough, Conservative candidate for West Northumberland in the legislature; C. A. Munson, M.P., West Northumberland; J. W. Johnson, M.L.A., West Hastings; Sam Nesbitt, M.L.A., East Northumberland; J. J. Preston, M.L.A., East Durham, W. C. Nickle, K.C., Belleville; T. G. Carstairs, M.P., for Lennox; Robert Smetzer, Herbert Rosewar and many others.

A Law Maker's Needs.
"I speak under somewhat of a disadvantage after the flattering words said about me by the previous speakers," said Sir James Whitney. "If I continue to receive the approbation such as I have received here to-night, I will continue to do direct my public life that you will not regret it as the days go by. Conscience and intelligence are the two main things required in the legislature by those representatives who are elected."

Sir James, therefore, complimented Capt. McCullough on his intention to preserve his individuality if elected, but assured the captain that he would see nothing objectionable done by the government. (Hear, hear.)

Rowell a Sidelighter.
As Sir James remarked, the new leader of the opposition had issued a remarkable manifesto, endorsing practically three-fourths of the government's program, while on the questions of temperance and bilingualism, he hedged and shuffled and utterly failed to adopt any definite policy.

After referring to Mr. Rowell's statement that the Liberal platform aimed

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CONSERVATIVES GAIN IN N.S.

Digby and Lunenburg Captured in Provincial By-elections.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 15.—The Conservatives captured the two seats where by-elections were held in Nova Scotia to-day, for the provincial legislature—Digby and Lunenburg.

In Digby, H. H. Marshall, Conservative, a lumberman, is elected by a majority of about 500 over A. E. Wall, Liberal, who was the candidate in the Dominion election on the Liberal side. In Lunenburg, C. S. Zwicker, Conservative, has a majority of nearly 200 over William Duff, Liberal. The vacancy in Lunenburg was caused by the retirement of Hon. A. K. MacLean, who ran and was elected in Halifax for the federal house.

The opposition in the Nova Scotia legislature will not number 13, the government strength being 25.

CAN GRAHAM COME BACK?

OTTAWA, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—The resignation of T. A. Low, Liberal member for South Renfrew, is said to be in the hands of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, to be forwarded to Speaker Sproule as soon as arrangements for the candidature of Hon. G. P. Graham are completed. The hitch is still the disinclination of the Conservative organization to facilitate the return of the ex-minister.

NOT C. P. R. THIS TIME.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—(C. A. P.)—The Amsterdam correspondent of The Times telegraphs that proposed new steamship line between Europe and Canada is not financed by the C. P. R., but by Dutch and French bankers, who purchased two ships from the C. P. R.

NORTH LIBERALS PIN HOPE ON OLIVER

Comes Out With Extremely Advanced Platform, Embracing Big Reforms—Has Choice of Either Seat—Labor Men Vainly Suggest a Coalition of Support.

Ex-Mayor Oliver was last evening given the Liberal nomination for North Toronto, and will contest seat A or B, according to his wishes.

The main planks of the three-fifths clause, the closing of every bar in the province, the doing away of bilingual schools, single tax, public ownership, the extension of the T. and N. O. Railway to Toronto and on to Windsor and Niagara Falls.

A resolution was passed to the effect that there should be but one constituency in each riding, and in keeping with their views the association nominated only one man.

Several representatives of the Labor party were present and tried in vain to persuade the convention to nominate a man for either riding, in order that they might have a representative in the other. They promised that if the convention would promise the vote of the Liberals in the constituency in which they placed their candidate their adherents would return the compliment in the other riding.

The convention failed to give its promise to support the Labor man and left itself only responsible for its own candidate whom it expects to unseat Hon. J. J. Fox, for that is most likely the seat which Mr. Oliver will fight for.

After thanking the meeting for their hearty support, Mr. Oliver went on to expound his platform. His position on the bilingual school question was that if the parents of scholars wish their children to learn other languages than English they can pay for it, and that it is entirely out of place to teach French or any other language exclusively in any school, as the scholars can not go far miles without feeling handicapped in not having a knowledge of the English language sufficient to carry on an intelligent conversation and transact business.

Down With Bars.
As to the removing of the three-fifths clause and the abolition of the bar, the speaker was inclined to believe that it is better to remove a temptation from a man rather than give him the opportunity to fall into its snare.

Many in the meeting spoke at some length endorsing the stand taken by Mr. Oliver and declared that he is the only man who could wrench the riding of North Toronto from the Conservatives.

A number of protests condemning the action of the Whitney Government, and others in honor of the new Liberal leader were passed. The first was in connection with the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board. It found fault with the board in that it was organized for the protection of the citizens and claimed it has fallen short of its mission. The convention advocated that the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board be reorganized.

Another resolution endorsed the new leader, N. W. Rowell.
Dr. J. A. Macdonald spoke admirably for the chief of the meeting. He referred to the time when Joseph Oliver was mayor of Toronto, and said that he acted as a wise and learned man, while filling that important civic position, and that having experience in municipal affairs, he should be an excellent candidate for that riding.

HIS ONE HOPE OF GETTING THERE



NEWTON WESLEY BEN ROWELL: We'll give this enchanted carpet game a try out anyway.

UP TO YUAN SHI KAI TO CHOOSE HIS CABINET

To Quiet Rebellious Provinces is First Task—Bloodshed Not Yet Over.

PEKIN, Nov. 16.—1:25 a.m.—Yuan Shi Kai has accepted the premiership and will assume office probably to-day (Thursday). Yesterday's Official Gazette contained an expression of thanks from Yuan Shi Kai to the throne for his appointment, but the truth is that he did not undertake the task before him without receiving guarantees that he would have practically a free hand in conducting affairs while he retained his official position.

The new premier yesterday received several foreign ministers. In conversation with a foreigner, Yuan Shi Kai said that he intended to form a cabinet immediately and endeavor to carry on the government by securing the support of as many provinces as possible, allowing the remainder to retain their independence for the time being. It would be his endeavor also gradually to win back their allegiance to the throne.

Another important development in the capital was the issuance of an edict yesterday ordering Hsiangling, formerly viceroy of Manchuria, to assume command at Jehol, where the summer residence of the emperor is situated, in place of Puting, the Tartar general. This appointment has led to the belief in certain quarters that the court may retire to Jehol, leaving Yuan Shi Kai as chief executive until the opportunity arrives for the court to resume a measure of authority.

Wooing the Provinces.
Sun Pao Chi, the viceroy of Shantung, has been elected president of the

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Australia Fears German Peril.

MELBOURNE, Nov. 15.—(C. A. P.)—Great concern is felt throughout the commonwealth over the assertion that all overseas vessels subsidized by foreign countries are easily convertible into commerce destroyers in war time. Private advices received in this country state that liners flying the German flag are especially equipped for this contingency, and as a result there is this feeling of apprehension.

A resolution was moved in the federal parliament to the effect that action be taken forthwith to discourage such shipping by trading in Australian waters.

Premier Fisher said: "We must emphatically state that ships other than of nations which come to trade in our waters must not presume too much on our good nature and equip themselves so that they may act."

Boy Murderer to Jail For Life

MAIDSTONE, Vt., Nov. 15.—Without betraying any emotion, Arthur Bean, the 19-year-old boy who confessed last Monday that he murdered his mother, Mrs. George Bean, and his sister, Miss Nina Bean, with a rifle heard himself pronounced guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor, in the superior court here late to-day.

Judge Fred M. Butler, who presided at the trial, said that the most charitable view he could take of the crime was that the defendant's mind had dwelt upon his loss of property willed to him by his father and had been excited and controlled by passion. "This condition," the judge continued, "was stimulated by intoxicating liquor furnished by his own mother. The evidence was clear beyond question of doubt that a double murder like this must have been premeditated."

Felon Stripes for Those Who Break Anti-Trust Law

Texas Member of Congress, Dissatisfied With Supreme Court Interpretations, Would Substitute "Big Stick" for "Rule of Reason"—Bill Likely to Carry.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—"Felon stripes" as a punishment for "trust criminals" in the United States to end "commercial piracy under benevolent rules of reason," are proposed in a bill amending the Sherman anti-trust law, drafted by Representative Henry of Texas, to be introduced in the house upon the opening of congress next month. Its introduction probably will mean its passage in the house.

Don't Want Pulp On U.S. Free List

Now That Reciprocity Has Received Quietus, Paper Manufacturers Think They Have Real Grievance.

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—Just before adjournment of its meeting here to-day, the Home Market Club went on record as against the free importation of wood pulp and print paper from Canada and the possibility of the extension of this policy to other pulp and paper exporting countries.

The resolution, which was adopted unanimously, was as follows: "Whereas wood pulp and print paper have been placed on the free list so far as Canada is concerned, notwithstanding that the expected concessions on the part of Canada have been denied us, and whereas demands are now being made under the favored nation clause by all paper exporting countries for the same tariff privileges, which have been extended to Canada:

"Be it resolved, that we protest against this unjust treatment of American paper manufacturers, and respectfully petition congress to repeal this legislation."

Secretary Marvin, after the adoption of the resolution, pointed out that in 1906 and 1907, the paper producing countries of Europe, led by Norway, Germany, the Netherlands, Austria, and Great Britain, had a surplus for export amounting to \$337,127,000, or nearly twice as large as the entire paper and wood pulp production of the United States.

PORCUPINE BULLETIN.

PORCUPINE, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—Wind shifted to northeast, following thaw of Sunday, and snow is falling. Roads materially improved. Work moves along more smoothly.

Chas. Fox.

BORDEN, LAURIER HAVE OPENING CLASH

It Arose Thru Sir Wilfrid's Naive Suggestion That Speaker Marcell Should Remain in Office—Premier Aroused by Taunts as to Professions of Party Loyalty.

OTTAWA, Nov. 15.—(Special.)—A scrap on the first day. Quite an unexpected and almost unprecedented air of belligerency marked the usually tame and peaceful ceremony of electing a Speaker of the house of commons at the opening session of the 12th parliament to-day.

Hon. R. L. Borden, who, on rising for the first time in his place as premier, was greeted with prolonged and tumultuous cheers and applause, after a short historical review of the functions of the Speakership, an office which, he declared, demanded a man of intellect and experience in the rules and procedure of the house, one who should be in a sense the representative on both sides of the house, a man impartial, courteous, had nominated, seconded by Hon. George E. Foster, Thomas Simpson Sproule (East Grey), as one in whom these very qualities would be found to reside.

Sir Wilfrid Surprised.
Then came the surprise. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who was heartily cheered by his followers, rose to remark that while he could take no exception to the appreciation of the merits of Dr. Sproule uttered by Mr. Borden, he was surprised at the selection, not on the qualifications of the hon. member for East Grey, but his surprise arose out of the very set of circumstances under which the present administration had come into power.

The British system, he said, had been to continue the Speaker of the previous house in the chair, and if the government were as devoted to British institutions as they had professed to be, they ought to have elected Mr. Marcell as their candidate. (Laughter.) But British institutions had been relegated to the backyard, to the dust heap of oblivion.

"Loyalty has always served the Tories well as election time," he said, "whereupon applause arose from the government benches, followed by counter applause from the left.

"Dr. Sproule," continued Sir Wilfrid, "is able, painstaking and conscientious, according to his lights, altho his lights are not my lights. The only fault I have to find with him is that he is a Tory, a Tory of the Tories, the very quintessence of Toryism."

He trusted, however, that when Dr. Sproule ascended the three steps that lead to the Speaker's chair he would leave his Toryism on the floor of the house.

"But if I was surprised at the selection," continued Sir Wilfrid, "I was not surprised at the selection of a Tory as Speaker. It is significant that the Big Dome sold at only \$39 in the New York market yesterday. Dome Extension came along with it on the local exchanges. With Dome going up, it is fair to expect a boiling up of Dome Extension that naturally approximates to the class of its bigger brother. Wise ones say, 'Watch Dome Extension go up.'"

Treat for Theatregoers To-night.
A veritable treat may be expected by theatregoers when Ethel Barrymore appears in "The Witness for the Defence," at the Princess Theatre this evening. Aside from the striking merits of the play, it is doubtful if a more perfect balanced company, or one more nearly attaining perfection in its work, has been seen in recent years. The selection of the different players was a matter of special care on the part of Charles Frohman, for the reason that he takes infinite pride in the Ethel Barrymore combination. "The Witness for the Defence," it may safely be said, deserved his care, for it is not only a capital play, but it gives Miss Barrymore a tremendously effective part.

Watch for Imitation Fur.
The Canadian fur market has been badly flooded recently with spurious goods, particularly in the shape of muffs, stoles and ties. Most of these furs came from the United States, the German fur itself is very good and which we should state came properly labeled to Canada, but are being sold as real fur now by some unprincipled dealers. The public is warned against purchasing furs from any but reputable merchants. It is easily to be detected with the imitation article, because the fur itself is very good and dense, but the felt is generally so delicate that the garment does not last over a few weeks at the most. The Deane Company take this occasion to advise the public of the danger of purchasing furs beyond the regular dealers, and beg to again call the attention of its customers to the fact that their stock of furs and fur garments now on sale is complete, and exclusive.

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