

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable gentlemen, we have on our Order Paper but one item, the consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's Speech on the opening of the First Session of the Fifteenth Parliament. In order that the Senate may discuss the Speech in a serene atmosphere and with a mind free from preoccupation, I would suggest that this Order be postponed until Thursday or Friday of this week. If this proposal is agreeable to the Senate I would suggest that my honourable friend who was to move the Address (Hon. Mr. Lewis) move that the Order be discharged and be placed on the Orders of the Day for Thursday next.

Hon. W. B. ROSS: The suggestion of my honourable friend quite meets with my approval. The only question I would raise would be as to whether it should be Thursday or Friday; but it is not worth while altering the motion.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: When we come to it, we may decide whether we will take it up on Thursday or on Friday.

Right Hon. Sir GEORGE E. FOSTER: Honourable gentlemen, I am a little curious to know the reasons for this. My honourable friend has simply made the proposition to defer the consideration of this item until another day. It is an unusual course. My honourable friend must have reasons for making his suggestion. Perhaps he would inform us what they are.

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: I do not know that I can do so in better words than I have used, though I am sure it could be done in better English. My suggestion is made in order that we may take up the consideration of the Speech with minds free from any preoccupation, and discuss it on its merits. I feel that we should endeavour to maintain the serenity of this Chamber and approach all matters in a judicial frame of mind; and with that end in view I think that my suggestion is opportune. I leave my right honourable friend's imagination to add to the reasons which I give.

Right Hon. Sir GEORGE E. FOSTER: My honourable friend has of course larger opportunities than I have of becoming acquainted with the atmosphere of the Senate at this particular time. For my own part I have not seen any seething excitement on either side of the House. However, I am willing to defer to my honourable friend's opinion, and to take his advice for the present if he thinks we have reached such a boiling point that we are not in a position

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to approach this matter now with calm consideration.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Lewis, the Order of the Day was discharged, and set down for Thursday next.

TRIBUTES TO DECEASED SENATORS AND OFFICIALS

THE LATE HON. SIR JAMES LOUGHEED, HON. WM. ROCHE, HON. GEO. H. BRADBURY, HON. L. G. DE VEBER

Hon. Mr. DANDURAND: Honourable gentlemen, I take the first opportunity which offers to express our sorrow at the sudden departure from this life of the late Sir James Lougheed, who during twenty years played a leading role in this Chamber. Sir James's life is an object lesson to the rising generation. In the full sense of the term he was a self-made man.

In his early teens he began life seriously, preparing for the carpentry trade, a trade which requires intelligence and which affords scope for artistic values. At the same time, being anxious to learn, he attended regularly the Sunday school classes of the Hon. Samuel Blake. That honourable gentleman, recognizing his ability and his desire to learn, and seeing in him talents which would fit him for professional life, suggested that he should prepare himself for a higher station in society. This advice did not fall upon unproductive soil. Young Lougheed decided to make an effort to advance himself by studying the classics, he devoted all his spare time to self-improvement, and the moment came when he entered upon the study of law.

After very hard work he was admitted to the Bar. He did not practise his profession to any extent in his home city of Toronto. At that time the Canadian Pacific railway was forging ahead on the plains of the West, and he obtained a letter of introduction to the Chief Engineer of that railway, a gentleman whose name is familiar to us all, now Sir Herbert Holt, who at that time was located at Medicine Hat. With that letter of recommendation Lougheed went to Medicine Hat, where he was received by the then Mr. Holt and placed in one of the offices of the company. The road, which was still under the construction department, had then advanced beyond Medicine Hat, at that time the jumping-off point. Sir James, as we knew him, did not remain there, but within twelve months reached the place which was to be and which now is the city of Calgary, and there, I understand, he lived under canvas for the first month.

It was soon found that Calgary would be a divisional point of importance, and people