

had confidence as to the only result. The Liberal party would make their appeal to the people on their record of the past, and on the record of what they had done in giving the people of the country honest and progressive administration. They had a record of consecutive administration exceeded by no country. They had been led by broad-minded, energetic, able men—men of big heart—men who believed in the Province—men who had the confidence of the people of the Province—men who took the people of the Province into their confidence, so that the people followed them, as he believed they would follow them again. They were not “little Nova Scotians.” He (Hon. Mr. A.) did not make these statements in defence of the Murray Government, but in explanation of facts which the people would appreciate. The leaders of the Liberal party had been surrounded by men of true worth—men who would not countenance anything in the nature of graft or maladministration. In other Provinces transactions had been revealed that were reprehensible; but in the Province of Nova Scotia the public business had been conducted on sound lines, and for this the people had to thank their leaders, who were honest and faithful. The leaders of the Liberal party had the full confidence of their supporters and a great deal of credit was due to the supporters of the party for standing behind their leaders in the way they had done—a source of strength and confidence. The leaders of the Liberal party took no mean or ignoble stand with regard to the possibilities of the Province, but would continue in the future, as in the past, to so administer Provincial affairs as to respond to the ambitions of a loyal and patriotic people.

In conclusion, all he wished to add was that what he had said, although lengthy, had been said for the purpose of explaining matters, upon which he thought the public mind may have been somewhat confused by the campaign to which he had referred.

The motion was then put and carried.

BILLS—COMMITTEE.

On motion, the House resolved itself into committee on bills, Mr. Irvine in the chair, when a number of bills were read, clause by clause, and passed. The committee adjourned when the bills passed in committee were reported up, and ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

House adjourned until 3 p. m. tomorrow.