

and that this course of procedure had been agreed to by members of the Liberal Association of the constituency. That was some three weeks ago.

On Tuesday, July 2nd, the Chief Electoral Officer announced that owing to a Member-elect having accepted an office or emolument under the Crown a vacancy had occurred in the constituency of Glengarry and that a by-election to fill the vacancy would be held on August 6th, official nominations to take place a week earlier, July 30th. Tonight members of the party representative of the several municipalities have met here in convention to select a candidate and as you have just seen and heard have honoured me by inviting me to become the Liberal candidate in the present by-election.

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is not always easy to find words wherewith adequately to express one's feelings. It is most difficult of all where those feelings are a mixture of gratitude and pride. You will not be surprised therefore when I tell you that in the course of the thirty-seven years I have been in public life, there are few occasions, if any, where I have found it more difficult to say just what I should like most to say to those who have expressed so great a measure of confidence in me and have paid me so high a tribute and so great an honour.