

momentous war are some Nova Scotians, and it may be that hereafter we shall read with a thrill of pride as a matter of history that the colors of one regiment at least were led up by a Nova Scotian, who shed his blood on the field of Alma, mingled with that of the Englishmen, Irishmen and Scotchmen who suffered to win that brilliant victory. L. O'Connor Doyle said: It may be rather a singular coincidence, sir, but it is quite likely that when representative of Her Majesty receives the address conveying the substance of the resolution just moved he may be occupying the same apartment in which the young officer was born, who has been spoken of as bearing the colors of a regiment on the heights of Alma, as His Excellency is at present sojourning in the late residence of Col. Bazalgette.

Captain Bazalgette the young officer Doyle referred to, went through the Crimean campaign, and afterwards that of the Indian Mutiny with distinguished credit. He came back in his old age married, and settled down in Halifax. His last camping ground is in Camp Hill cemetery where a plain marble head stone records his services to the empire.

Lawrence O'Connor Doyle retired from the Uniacke Government in 1851. He continued to represent the township of Halifax until May 1855, when a general election took place. The Liberal convention met at Masonic Hall on the 30th April, 1855 for the purpose of nominating candidates. The honorable Attorney-General (Young) was in the chair and George A. Paw acted as secretary.

John Esson and William Annand were nominated to represent the county of Halifax, and Benjamin Wier and John Tobin the township of Halifax in the Liberal interest. The latter was nominated by Conrod West and Francis Munro of Portuguese Cove.

John Tobin who thus succeeded Doyle in the representation of Halifax city was the founder of the firm of John Tobin and