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THE ADDRESS IS PASSED

Speeches by Premier Whitney and Ex-Premier Ross.

Latter Contends That His Administration Had Done Nothing to Be Ashamed Of, But the Premier Could Not Forget Some Things—Facts Mentioned Speak Louder Than the Empty Boast.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The House yesterday listened to speeches by the Opposition and Government leaders. Nearly every chair was occupied and the galleries contained hundreds of spectators, drawn, no doubt, by the promise of a fine forensic battle.

Mr. Pense, returned by the electors of Kingston, was introduced by Hon. G. W. Ross and T. H. Preston. The Opposition rattled the desks for a full minute after Mr. Pense took his seat.

In resuming the debate on the address, Mr. Ross said he was glad that the long period of opposition had broadened the views of the Government supporters. The great bulk of the people felt that the services of the Government during the past 20 years were of immense value to the country. They had nothing to be ashamed of. Mr. Ross outlined what had been done for agriculture. The agricultural college had at least given the Government a Minister of Agriculture; the Liberal party had given the province a license law, a good road policy and a mining policy. From what had been done by the late Government immense pulp industries had sprung up. The Liberal party had built the Temiskaming Railway, which now pays a surplus, and they had developed the water powers at Niagara Falls, which yield a large revenue.

A Surplus at Last.
He believed the treasurer would be able to boast of a surplus—he was glad of it, but how did he get it? It was got because the Liberal party had provided for it. The treasurer was something like a symbolical Jack Horner eating his Christmas pie. If there had not been a Liberal party there would be no pie.

"The surest way for the hon. gentlemen to remain in power is to walk in our footsteps in these respects," asserted the ex-Premier.

Two Appointments.
He touched on the education department by criticizing some recent appointments. He would not object to either of the gentlemen, the provincial librarian or the deputy minister of education, but previous experience should have been a requisite qualification. Mr. Ross said his policy had been to draw men from the profession for such positions. These two appointments were indisputably political.

"I do not think there is any deterioration in our school system," said Mr. Ross, who was now speaking from his seat. Figures were quoted to show a large increase in the number of students passing the high school and the junior matriculation examinations. He

would hail with delight any move of the Government to raise the salaries of the teachers.

The License Appointments.
Had the license inspectors been removed from party influence, as promised by Mr. Whitney when in Opposition? Mr. Ross thought it was merely a case of changing from one party to another; he would say from one party to a worse. The public did not approve of the removal of the Toronto inspectors, what would be the consequences of all this? If the inspectors were to be under the political whip of the Government it would be a bad thing. He would wait, however, for further evidence. All this had now was a bad beginning.

Only Half a Minister.
The province was promised a Minister of Mines. It had got only half a minister. There was plenty of material inside the house, yet the Premier had passed them over. There was a good deal for him to do, and perhaps he would develop into a pretty good half. New Ontario, said the late Premier, was his day dream. In preventing the Helen mine falling into the hands of the United States steel trust, the Government had gone as far as a Government could go, but he believed that even the present Government was glad that the assistance was given to the Soo industries. The Temiskaming railway was projected and we have Cobalt.

The old Government had been criticized for assisting the Grand Trunk Pacific. It had been said that the road would be built anyway. The fact was the scheme was hanging in the balance.

The Spoils System.
A large number of men had been dismissed without cause. Their sole offence was in being Liberals. It was true that the Dominion Government had dismissed hundreds from office—he had the returns before him, but there were so many he could not count them. But in these cases investigations were conducted while the present Government had conducted only two investigations. Mr. Ross said the Government had made \$80 appointments, not including justices of the peace and issuers of marriage licenses. Could anyone imagine a more heartless proceeding? Of these \$80, 35 were necessary, owing to death. He did not object to a Conservative getting a dead man's job. They were welcome to as many dead men's shoes as came their way.

Some Omissions.
As a catalogue of what the Government proposed, the speech from the throne was very good, but you could not tell what a book was like by the catalogue. The Opposition would support any good measures brought down. There would be no carping criticisms, but the Opposition would hold the Government strictly to its promises.

A good deal had been left out of the speech from the throne—that was to be expected. In the speech there had been no reference to a bill for a repeal of the tax on corporations, so stoutly advocated during the Opposition life of the present Government. Likewise he noticed that there was no reference to the proposed reduction of the recession duties, or the abolition of the public works department or the repeal of the office of clerk of forestry. However, since possession of office had

broadened the members of the Government, some of these propositions might be discarded.

Premier Replies.
There was not a single act of commission or omission in the Government's record that it might be now wished to have changed, said Mr. Whitney, who opined that the "awful warning" in the downfall of the late Government would be an effectual deterrent from wrongdoing.

Mr. Ross had started out to tell the history of that Government, but how much had he told? Had Mr. Ross dared to say the present Government had followed in the footsteps of the old? Mr. Whitney referred to the Minnie M., North Renfrew and other episodes of the kind.

Coming to the license question, the speaker said that the present system of administering the law, while defective, was the best in sight. The Chatham incident merely showed that the poison of the late Government's principles had extended to some of the men who supported the present Government. The action of the Provincial Secretary had shown an intention to dismiss from office license officials who acted for party gain. The Government would continue to choose proper men. The Ross Government was referred to as having been able by thimblebaggery to delude both liquor men and the temperance folk into the belief that he favored each individually.

Hastings' Dismissal.
Mr. Whitney said that License Inspector Hastings was one of a group of chief heaters of the Liberal party for the last ten or fifteen years. In dismissing other officials he had been allowed to remain.

"I was surprised when the members for Toronto came to the conclusion that they would leave him in," admitted Mr. Whitney. "I thought they made a mistake, but I thought their views should govern. After a trial of some months, it was shown that he could not remain in office with regard to the license administration of the city." The Government would not be deterred in future, but would "do the same thing under similar circumstances and considerations."

Pulp Concessions.
Mr. Whitney scored the former policy in pulp concessions. From 10,000 to 15,000 square miles had been given away just before a general election, without any competition, whereas now tenders for such concessions were being advertised, as with timber lands.

Mr. Whitney compared the surplus of the Temiskaming railway with the deficit on the Intercolonial, and announced that a very different policy from that of the late Government would be followed.

Niagara Given Away.
Still more vigorously assailed was the late policy re Niagara water power. No more priceless possession imaginable could have been given away than had gone for a nominal return, so small that it could hardly be credited until documentary evidence was scanned. 70-day conditions at Niagara showed that three-quarters at least of the returns which should come to the Government would never come to them, and the fault would lie with the late Government, which had deliberately given them away to the people who were at

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That time very close to its heart, because of the approach of the general elections.

Of the acquiring by the G. T. P. of a branch line north from Fort William, 24 miles, to Port Arthur, Mr. Whitney reminded them that the late Government had given \$400,000 and 1,250,000 acres to the Grand Trunk and that it had been through his initiative that provision had been made that subsidies granted a road should be returned on the acquisition of that road by another line.

Leavitt a Poet.
He was glad Mr. Ross had referred to the appointment of Messrs. Leavitt and Colquhoun. Mr. Leavitt, the librarian did not possess a title of importance in the Conservative party as was possessed by W. T. R. Preston in the Liberal party organization, yet Mr. Preston was appointed librarian in the Legislative building. Mr. Leavitt had written (Mr. Whitney emphasized the "written") as much poetry as the leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Ross: "Perhaps not as good as Mr. Whitney's." "Perhaps not as good as his own."

The Globe had commended Mr. Colquhoun as a good man for the position of deputy minister of education. Mr. Whitney then went on to say that it was not the intention of the Government to appoint experts as ministers or deputy ministers.

Autocrat of the Department.
Mr. Whitney said the ex-Premier could not remain quiet in his seat on the mention of the name of Prof. Macdill of the university, the reason

for which being that the professor had given the speaker a couple of years ago, some information respecting the university, for which he (Macdill) was given a severe verbal castigation by Mr. Ross. This was one of the reasons why the educational system had deteriorated until the officials high and low hesitated to do anything for fear of being taken to task by the autocrat of the department. Mr. Whitney dilated on the education question which he said was close to the heart of the bulk of the people, and answered other points raised by the Opposition leader.

The Spoils System.
The spoils question was referred to. Mr. Ross had not told of one minister at Ottawa who had himself dismissed over 700 in one department. The Government was told in some quarters that it would not be returned at the next election because it would not dismiss the officeholders, while on the other hand defeat was threatened because it had dismissed them. For years there had not been an officeholder appointed who had not been told they must work day and night for the welfare of the late Government. These men were the "hidden workers and heelers and traitors" of the late Government and there were some there yet. There were officeholders going about the province saying "what kind of a Government have you got that dare not put us out?"

More Reformers had been left on the commission of the peace, than multiplied by five had ever been appointed by the late Government, Mr. Whitney said. He closed promptly at 8 p.m.



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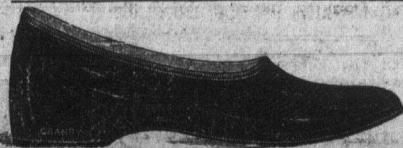
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