

Mr. Robert Esdaile, responded on behalf of the ladies. The members of the St. Andrew's Society owed a great debt to the ladies, and he gladly acknowledged the fact. On behalf of the ladies he thanked them for the kind manner in which their health had been drank.

Mr. Beaugrand said that as the list of regular toasts was drawing to a close, he begged leave to propose a volunteer toast, that of the worthy Chairman, Mr. Ogilvie, who had filled the position so admirably. [Applause.]

Mr. Ogilvie responded in a capital speech. He expressed his pleasure at seeing so many Scotchmen around him, and was proud to be one of them. He was glad to be able to tell them how many Scotch had gone into the North-West this year, where they were building up a Manitoba, a Minnesota, and a Colorado, all in one. There was but one St. Andrew's Society in the North-West, that of Winnipeg, and there was a great necessity for the establishment of such societies in the other towns in the North-West. The St. Andrew's societies had it in their power to do a great deal to assist and encourage the emigrant, and the same was true of all the national societies. He wished to impress on the national societies here the fact that great as was the work that they had already done, there was a still greater work for them to do as immigration to this country increased. Before sitting down he wished to give another toast, the health of the two members of Parliament who had been present this evening, Hon. Peter Mitchell and Mr. Curran, the member for Montreal centre.

Mr. Curran responded. He expressed his regret that the distinguished statesman whose name had been coupled with his had retired, as he was a man whose name would go down to all time as one of the founders of Confederation. [Applause.] He felt highly complimented by the honour that had been done him, and said that his relations with members of St. Andrew's Society in this city had always been harmonious and pleasant. He would not inflict a speech upon them, however, but would sing them a song, and accordingly sang that fine old Scotch piece, "Annie Laurie," which was received with great enthusiasm.

Ex-President McGibbon proposed the next toast, "The Press," in a neat speech. He thought the people of Canada had reason to be proud of their press, and that it would compare favorably with that of any other country. He took the occasion to congratulate Mr. Ogilvie on his occupation of the chair to-night. He was glad to recognize in him a fellow-townsmen.

The toast was responded to by Mr. Provencher, of *La Minerve*, Mr. Cloran, of the *Post*, Mr. Stewart, of *THE HERALD*, and Mr. Beaugrand, of *La Patrie*.

Mr. James McShane, M.P.P., proposed the health of the officers and members of the General Committee, to which the President replied.

At the close of the banquet the President expressed the great satisfaction which it afforded him to propose the health of host Hogan, which he did in the most complimentary terms. He referred particularly to the satisfactory manner in which he had catered for the Society, and he knew he was expressing the sentiments of all present when he said so. Mr. Ogilvie spoke of the esteem in which Mr. Hogan was held as a host throughout Canada.

Mr. Hogan replied in a happy style, expressing his satisfaction with the fact that his labors were appreciated.

The assembly broke up amid much enthusiasm, Col. Stevenson singing "Auld Lang Syne," in French and English.