

DECLARATION DAY.

Mr. Robinson Formally Declared Elected

BY SHERIFF CALL.

Speeches by Messrs Robinson and Morrissy and a vote of Thanks to Sheriff Call.

At the Court House on Saturday morning Mr. James Robinson was formally declared elected as the member of the House of Commons for the electoral district of Northumberland by Sheriff Call in the presence of two or three hundred people. After the ballots had been counted the Sheriff declared Mr. Robinson elected by a majority of 499.

Mr. Robinson stepped forward and addressed the assembly. He said:—

Mr. Sheriff and Gentlemen:—

Again I have to thank you for returning me as your representative. This is the sixth election I have run in this County and every time have been successful. I do not claim that this result has been due to any great ability on my part, but more to the fact that as a business man and one carrying on extensive operations in my native county my views have met with the acceptance of the majority of the electorate. In my nomination speech I laid down certain platforms. This I will adhere to. As all matters pertaining to the welfare and interests of this County I will use my best judgment as a business man and will support all measures brought forward by the Government in its interests. It is a matter of regret to me that so many good men have fallen by the way, but such is the fortune of political war. To my friends who have always stood so loyally by me I wish to return my sincere thanks. I recognize the great responsibility that rests upon a representative of a County of such importance as Northumberland and in all I do and in every act during the term I will have always before me your interests and the honor of this noble Constituency.

Mr. Morrissy then made a short address. He thanked the people for the handsome vote that had been given him. It was thought by some that a man who opposed Mr. Robinson could not save his deposit. He thought that it had been demonstrated that Mr. Robinson could be beaten. Mr. Morrissy referred to the triumphant return of the Liberal party at Ottawa. They had done better than ever. Mr. Blair and reason to feel proud of his success, and he was a follower of his principles should remain with him. He felt that Mr. Blair was a man of the province today. Mr. Morrissy then said that he had been in election in this election and he would be a member of the next one if the Liberal party of this County chose him as their standard bearer. He had nothing to regret. He did not bear any ill feeling towards his opponent. He had been nominated by men who had always been advocates of liberal principles and would always be. Mr. Morrissy felt that if the liberals of this County had stood together there would have been a different tale to tell. He brought his remarks to a close by saying that he had nothing but the kindest words for the gentleman who defeated him.

Mr. Robinson then moved that a vote of thanks be tendered Sheriff Call for the very able, efficient and fair manner in which he had conducted his business throughout the election.

Mr. Robinson seconded the motion.

Carried unanimously. Sheriff Call in a neat speech thanked the assembly for the resolution. He had treated everybody alike throughout the election, showing no partiality whatever, and it was a source of joy to him to find that his labors were appreciated.

The following are the correct returns:

	Robinson	Morrissy
Newcastle	235	191
Dorcy	137	26
Kirk	85	67
Whitbyville	57	19
Redbank	57	40
Douglasville	89	47
Blackville	173	159
Hardwicke	119	84
Bogertown	35	200
Chatham	344	442
South	41	3
Nelson	77	145
Black Brook	123	43
Ladlow	149	9
Blackfield	137	18
Chatham	53	32
Chatham	49	44
Newcastle	85	90
Blackfield	49	44
Blackfield	10	10
Black Brook	39	34
Oak Point	15	34
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Total	2404	1906

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SOUTH AFRICA.

Sergt. Anslow Talks About the Country.

A FINE CLIMATE.

Its People, Towns, Farms, Railroads, Stores, etc. Described.

Sergt Anslow of the First Canadian Contingent was drawn out by an Advocate scribe the other day, and for over an hour talked very interestingly on his experience in the Dark Continent. Speaking of the Canadian marksmanship, Sergt Anslow said he believed it to be above that of the average British regiment. The Boers shot bad; on the field they were not what they were cracked up to be by any means. But he believed they shot better at practice. They invariably lost their heads on the battlefield and hardly knew what they were doing.

Sergt Anslow said the First Contingent could not complain of the food served to them.

Except in rare cases, they received three 'squares' a day. They would have fresh meat, compressed vegetables, soup, etc. for dinner.

How'd you find the officers of Company G?" asked the scribe.

"First class fellows," he replied. They weren't all exactly soldiers, but they were all gentlemen and treated us right.

Sergt Anslow says that their hardest march was the one from Gras Pan to Bloemfontein when they were on short rations. On Sunday from 5 o'clock p.m. to day break they marched over twenty five miles.

When asked if he met a Burgher friendly to the British, Mr. Anslow replied in the negative.

Mr. Anslow spoke in very high terms of the climate. He considered it a good place for consumptives under good circumstances.

Speaking of Bloemfontein, he believed it covered as much area as the town of Newcastle. It contained many handsome buildings of brick and stone. The stores were up to date, having plate glass fronts etc. Males were chiefly employed. The streets of the town, however were very poor.

Mr. Anslow said that Pretoria was a very pretty city. It contained many handsome residences. The people spared neither work nor money on their places. A great many residences were surrounded by pretty lawns and gardens and hedges. Some of the more elaborate places had artificial brooks running through them and quite often a fountain was seen.

Mr. Anslow said that the Boers as a rule were very ignorant. Their leaders could almost make them believe that the moon was made of green cheese.

The Burghers grew a good deal of corn but very little wheat. Lots of squash, melons etc. were seen.

On the battle field the Boers were clad in very different tale to tell. He brought his remarks to a close by saying that he had nothing but the kindest words for the gentleman who defeated him.

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The Advocate's Information Bureau.

IF THERE was one man on the North Shore whose face was radiant with smiles Thursday morning it was Mr. D. G. Smith. Wednesday night was the first night since Nomination Day that he slept well.

D. G. is happy and J. L. is angry. THE "I told you so" man got in his fine work Wednesday night.

WE HAVE a choice little story about a strong party man. It will be commenced in our next. We would have told it this week if the man had completed fortifying the ADVOCATE Sanctum.

LOOK out for squalls. ITS loife thot's loike a foot ball game. You're up against it all the toime.

THERE was a scarcity of stump speeches in Northumberland during the campaign and there are so many stumps in the woods, too.

IT IS said that the Commodore takes all the credit for converting D. G. He is very happy over his conquest.

"IT NEVER rains but it pours," remarked the good conservative as he heard in quick succession the downfall of Sir Charles Mr. Foster, Hugh John, and others.

WHAT a gathering of the chosen there will be at Ottawa in a few days.

THE Commodore is going around with a razor these days.

WHAT A COUNTRY EDITOR MUST DO. You will have to be able to write a poem praise Jones' new house, umpire a base ball game, report a wedding, beat a lawyer, saw wood, describe a fire so that people will shed their wraps, make one dollar to do the work of ten, shine at a circus, address country fairs, test whiskey, abuse the liquor habit, measure calico, subscribe to charity, go without meals, attract politicians, defend the national platform, sneer at snobbery, wear diamonds, invent advertisements overlook scandal, praise babies, delight the pumpkin raisers, heal the sick, fight to the finish, publish resolutions free of charge, speak at prayer-meetings and stand in with everybody and everything.

AN APPREHENSION. "There is a great deal that is unsatisfactory about being a great orator," remarked the man who had made a speech.

"Don't you enjoy the applause of the multitude?"

"I have no desire to figure in a newspaper controversy, but I think the statements made by Mr. Thomas Weaver require a few remarks from me.

Had I intended any reflection on Mr. Weaver's ability as a fisherman it seems I would owe him an apology, but I had not the shadow of an idea that he had caught so many black salmon, and really feel that I must congratulate him on his unparalleled success. I was under the impression that Tom had given up salmon fishing, but that seemingly, was a delusion, and instead he is still in the business and successful to an incredible extent. In fact if any other person made the claim I would hesitate to accept it as the truth, but since it comes from Tom himself it must be a fact.

Now he says I am not in a position to know the facts of the matter but I think it must appear clear to everybody, that, being right on the bank of the river, I would have a better chance to know what was happening than he would when away in the woods with his party of sportsmen as he was during part of September and October, the months in which he claims such vast numbers of fish were slaughtered. I was not aware that Tom had assumed the role of correspondent of the "Gleaner."

Mr. Weaver accuses the liberal government of not protecting the moon, and says hundreds and hundreds have been gathered here this season, forty two being caught in one day within sight of Donald's bridge. I cross that bridge six times nearly every day, have good eye sight, and repeat that I have not seen a case of illegal fishing this season, whereas in other years I have seen persons fishing illegally in the middle of the day, and I won't say that that was not when Mr. Weaver was warden. In my former letter I made the claim that the salmon were as well if not better protected under the liberal as under the former government, that very few had been caught this year compared with other years, and that very little illegal fishing had been carried on.

My only reason for referring to the statement in the Gleaner was because I considered it untrue, and an injustice to the government and its officials, and to the people of Upper Blackville. I did not seek to create a controversy and am anxious to bring to an end so will conclude by advising Mr. Weaver that he will find I am not in the habit of talking for fun or making statements which cannot be verified. I am prepared to stand behind the facts stated by me, and I challenge Mr. Weaver, almighty fisherman though he is, to prove his wonderful statements to be correct, show us indisputable proof that under the liberal government the salmon

are not protected that hundreds and hundreds were slaughtered during September and October, and that forty two were caught in a single day within sight of Donald's bridge as was stated in his communication to the Gleaner. Unless that is done further controversy is useless.

B. DONALD.

THE CELESTIAL CITY Honors Mons Aitken and John Pickles.

J. Mons Aitken and J. D. Pickles who have been fighting for the Queen and Empire in South Africa, arrived here by the 7:30 train Monday evening, from St. John. A number of friends of the young men had gone to Fredericton Junction to meet them, and a large crowd were at the station on their arrival.

The barouche containing Manager Foster and staff of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, of which Mr. Aitken was a popular clerk, was also at the station, and the boys were driven to the Queen Hotel where a lunch was held, after which Mr. Pickles was conveyed to John McCoy's, his former home, and Mr. Aitken went to the residence of his friend Mont Wiley, where a reception was held.

Mr. Aitken will be the guest of Mont Wiley, at his home on Brunswick street, for several days and expects to resume his position with the Merchants Bank in a couple of weeks. Mr. Pickles will probably again act as clerk for John McCoy, which position he held before the war. Both young men are the picture of health and none the worse of their year's experience in warfare.

Mr. Aitken brought with him about fifty dollars worth of Boer money, which is now on exhibition in Shute's window.—Herald.

Honors for Canadians.

Montreal, Nov. 12.—It is stated in French Liberal circles that Sir Wilfred Laurier has forwarded a recommendation to the Colonial Secretary through the Governor General that Sir Charles Tupper shall be created a peer in recognition of his notable services to the empire.

It is also said that Canada will receive quite a batch of honors at the New Year. Among those who are slated for knighthood are Mr. Tarte, Dr. Borden, Lieut. Gov. Jettie of Quebec, Lieut. Gov. Jones of Nova Scotia and probably ex-Speaker Bain.

Col. Otter, Drury and Steele will, it is said, be given C. M. G.'s in recognition of their services in South Africa in addition to the military medals.

Mr. Brodeur, M. P. for Bagot, is to become Speaker of the House of Commons, with an English-speaking Liberal as deputy.

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NOW THE CHURCH. OVER THE WIRES

Soldiers Attend Divine Service.

REV. MR. PICKLES'

Interesting Sermon to the 12th Field Battery and the Khaki Lads.

The Methodist church, Newcastle was thronged with people on Sunday morning to listen to Rev. F. H. W. Pickles' sermon to the 12th Field Battery. The soldiers under command of Major K. L. Maltby were present attired in bright artillery uniforms and Messrs Kitchen, Gifford, Harris and Anslow, South-African heroes were there clad in khaki. Mr. Pickles preached an eloquent, and consequently an interesting sermon, holding the close attention of the large congregation throughout.

After welcoming the Battery to the church, making special reference to the boys in Khaki the Rev. gentleman said he did not intend to address them on a military theme but had chosen a subject that would fit them for the duties of life whatever department they might be called to fill. We are builders, building for eternity. Hence it will be wise to build under Divine direction according to Divine plan. You will find our text in 2nd Peter, 1 chap—5, 6, 7, verses. Add to your faith, virtue and to virtue knowledge, and to knowledge temperance, and to temperance patience, and to patience godliness, and to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness charity. Reputation is what the world thinks about us, it may be right or it may not, character is what God knows us to be, character we take into eternity with us. It largely depends upon ourselves the kind of character we build. We must look well to the foundation, Christ taught this in his description of the man building on the sand and the man building on a rock. With faith in Christ we may proceed to build a christian character. The first stone we lay upon it is courage, satisfied that a thing is right we need courage to do it. Said one officer to another on the eve of battle, you are afraid you are white, I admit it, replied the other, and if you were as afraid as I am you would run away. Moral courage is of higher type than physical courage. Some of you have proved your possession of physical courage to a marked degree. Have you the courage of our text? (We lay upon this stone) knowledge, knowledge is desirable. No man should be satisfied without knowing all he can know of his profession or trade, above all he should not rest without the knowledge of sins forgiven through Jesus Christ, of Jesus Christ himself. Paul said I know whom I have believed. Next to this we have temperance, the spirit and practice of a man's national self control which will make the same in the excitement of New York as in the quiet of his own home. The principle and practice of total abstinence from intoxicating beverages. The Mayor and Council of Newcastle are to be congratulated that in the reception of our soldiers returning from the war they were in perfect harmony with the expressed desires of Lord Wolseley and General Roberts.

Then patience, what an important place it fills in the home, in society, in the various associations of men. "Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and enter wanting nothing." Next our text mentions godliness—like God. How can we be like him? Only by being born again, by having the mind which was in Christ Jesus. We can then believe God in character. Another stone is brotherly kindness. How much the world needs this to win it back to God. How it would change the condition of things if all were actuated by this principle. Well expressed by the poet—

Help us to help each other Lord
Each others cross to bear,
Let each his friendly aid afford
And feel his brothers' care."

Charity the grandest of them all, binding together, the bond of perfectness, all need it, there can be no perfect character without it, Christ said "ye are the light of the world. The Apostle analysed the statement to find that the blending of the seven christian virtues makes the pure white light of a christian life. A character built of these virtues will stand the test of the judgment day and will ensure a home with the blessed forever.

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Général Buller Arrived in England.

MADRID DISPLEASED.

The Alaska Boundry--Canadians Coming Home Soon.

DEWET WOUNDED. Pretoria, (undated.)—By rail to Orléans (Charles on Natal) Wednesday, Nov. 7.—General De Wet has been wounded in the leg in a fight with the troops of Gen. Knox at Rensburg drift. According to native reports, the Boer commander narrowly escaped capture.

BULLER ARRIVES. Southampton, Nov. 10.—General Sir Redvers Buller, on the Dunvegan Castle, from Cape Town, reached the quay at Southampton last evening at half past eight. He was greeted by Lord Wolseley and his