

A REMARKABLY SIGNIFICANT DEMONSTRATION IN HONOR OF DEFEATED POLITICAL CHIEF

Seven Bands from Outside Places and Contingents of Paraders Hundreds Strong Streamed Into Woodstock and Overcrowded the Halls

SIR WILFRID LAURIER IS HAILED AS THE VERY BEST LOSER IN CANADA

Woodstock, Ont., Oct. 4.—As a climax to Laurier's week's tour of old Ontario came the Woodstock demonstration. The Imagine Younger street from College street to Queen on a Saturday night. Eliminate some of the trolleys, light up the Hydro chasers, and put half a dozen brass bands at intervals. Then start a torch-light procession from College street to the Arena—a procession over half a mile long. 75 automobiles pay with flags, elaborate, some of them with bunting, the 2nd Regimental Band of the Oxford Rifles following playing "The Buffs," then a double file of torch bearers from Woodstock, followed by the Inverell Pipeband, then the West Oxford delegates bearing the banner "West Oxford Welcomes Laurier," then more torches, then the Galt Klubb Band, and then more torches. Then came the Hamilton, front showing the canal and the tiger and a Highland lad with a drawn sword.

The Hamilton Contingent.

Behind this symbolic marching came the Hamilton contingent, 276 strong, led by John Lennox, president, marching valiantly at the head of the line. Then came Hamilton's truck band, the 10th Highlanders, heralding the open carriage which contained Sir Wilfrid Laurier, N. W. Howell, K.C., and Mr. E. W. Nesbitt, M.P., and after this carriage half a dozen more containing members of the late dominion cabinet and nearly all the more prominent Western Ontario politicians of the Liberal side. London delegates, 300 (count them), came in a special train, 300 marching behind the London banner, 300 marching behind the "fastness of North Waterloo," 300 stout yeomen from St. Thomas, 200 bargainers from the loyal city of Guelph, 200 more

... Where those cheers given? Three times, and then three times again, and a tier. And after the cheering a man started, "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and gradually, laughing and cheering, the crowd took it up and on-tour-ed it through to the end, Sir Wilfrid standing smiling, but almost at a loss whether to sit down or remain standing.

"I would be a strange fellow, indeed, if I were not a jolly fellow, with such an audience as I see before me now," said Sir Wilfrid when the last "nobly canny" had died away. "An audience composed of men not only from Woodstock, from the good old county of Oxford, the land of such great Liberals as George Brown, Oliver Mowat, Richard Cartwright, and as I will confidently add, your own friend here, Mr. Rowell."

"It may be a good loss, but I would sooner be a good loser, and I still hope to be a good winner. For we were not defeated in the last election; we were simply swept out of office by a wave not altogether creditable to the victorious party. I am not satisfied to be a loser, without another tussle with the Tories, and the sooner the better." (Cheers.)

"Sir Wilfrid took up the history of the past year's Conservative administration. "Open the book of their administration," he cried, "and you find a blank, and the crowd laughed.

Referring to the last campaign and the policy of annexation then raised, Sir Wilfrid made a telling local allusion to the West Zorra top-of-war team of Embro, North Oxford, who won the championship of the world at the Chicago World's Fair.

"The Americans can annex Canada according to what they said last September.

"There is not a Liberal in this audience or in Canada who need blush for the policy we propounded at the last election."—Sir Wilfrid at Onaham.

from Galt, 3 coaches full, a contingent from Stratford and points north, contingents in fact from almost everywhere within the radius of a day's railway travel, north, south, east and west, in between.

Did I Tell Proud.

Imagine this procession in a blaze of rockets moving down Younger street with a Yonge street crowd on the kerbs and you have an idea of the scene on Dundas street last night in Woodstock.

The normal population of Woodstock amounts to about 10,000 people. Reinforced by the surrounding towns and cities, and by the farmers of agricultural centres as Oxford, Waterloo, Middlesex, Norfolk, and Perth, the population of Woodstock last night was abnormal, and those who were not in the rush in the Opera House were on the route of that procession.

"When I tell you I am proud of the reception I received in this town of Woodstock today you might very well tell me like my honest Scotch friend in Inverness, Megarty, coming in a day like a similar occasion, 'I know you are.'"

Tumult of Enthusiasm.

As Sir Wilfrid came up the long aisle of the Woodstock hall, headed by the 10th Highlanders band, the scene as witnessed from the altitude of the platform, presented a tumult of enthusiasm, such as Woodstock never saw before, nor anything like it before.

Previous political demonstrations in Woodstock have always found sufficient room in the Woodstock Opera House, which holds, it is estimated, about 2,000 people. Last night the Opera House was jammed full, not as the chief scene of the meeting, but as an overflow of the main demonstration in the skating rink, one of those great buildings where O. H. A. matches are played in winter, and which, springing up in the last decade, have afforded Ontario towns within the radius of a few miles a place to be held in some of the big cities. The acoustic properties of these great rinks

"I am young yet in everything but the arithmetic of years. I don't feel ripe for Heaven, at all events I want another tussle with the Tories."—Sir Wilfrid at Woodstock.

are not perfect, but they are better than many a great hall built at great cost, expressly for purposes of the kind. The people were seated. The spacious platform, from which the speakers addressed the great audience, was raised high at the end of the skating floor, its railing draped with the Union Jack. Behind it three tiers of well-filled gallery seats surrounded a great photo stretching from wall to wall, in great red letters, "Welcome, Laurier, Statesman and Patriot; Trusted in Victory, and Honored in Defeat."

Cheered to the Echo.

This sentiment found voice again presently when Sir Wilfrid arose to speak. A man arose in the hall with a great shout, "Three cheers for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the very best loser in the dominion of Can-

"If Mr. Borden has a policy just as good as mine, we will support it; if not, we will oppose it in the name of the people."—Sir Wilfrid at Woodstock.

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"The Nationalists have denounced me for years as a traitor to my race and my religion. That does not hurt me, however, and the more they do so, the more the score of the navy does not hurt me. But they are also denouncing their own friends," said Sir Wilfrid, "a circumstance to the Conservatives far more awkward."

Straw to Fall On.

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WILSON AGAINST LEGALIZED MONOPOLY

Democratic Candidate Sees in Roosevelt's Scheme for Governmental Control of Trusts, Their Enthronement in Washington—Declares High Protection is Not Necessary for High Wages—Stands for Free Markets and Abolition of Class Legislation.

Norton, Kas., Oct. 8.—That the "very men who have been most successful in building up the trusts are also the very men who have been most successful in preventing the organization of labor" was the contention of Governor Woodrow Wilson in an address here today devoted largely to what he characterized as "the pervasive power of the great interests which now dominate our development."

"Don't you know," he asked, "that one of the objects of their combination is to control the labor market? And do you imagine that they have ever set deliberate plans for giving the workman anything comparable in the way of wages to the proportion of the profit which they themselves pocket? They do not have to care for the laboring man any more than he can get in the competition of the market. And they do not give him any more. As a matter of fact, some of the most highly productive industries in this country pay very much lower wages than the unprotected industries. And some of the most highly protected industries pay wages that are below the living scale, at the same time that the profits they are making are so great that they can build new factories out of their surplus every second year. It is one of the grandest pieces of bluff and humbug that has ever been known in the history of political deception."

Wants Competition for Labor.

"I want to widen the market for American labor. I want to see conditions exist in which men will compete for American labor. I want again to see a time when we shall realize that the high-

way which, in turn, will set an example for the empire, which has throughout history set a noble example to the world."

Murphy and King.

"The one minister responsible, the dead end of the other, the dead end of the other, Hon. Charles Murphy, who opened his speech in his own witty way. He was referring to the appointment made by the postmaster-general, when it was announced that Mr. King was the last speaker, and he held the audience to the end.

"Three cheers for Mackenzie King, the friend of labor," came a shout from the crowd, and with unabated heartiness came the response.

"The Liberal party stands for the uplift of humanity," said Mr. King, "for those principles which have as their inspiration the common brotherhood of God and the common brotherhood of man."

The Opera House Meeting.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. George P. Graham, Hon. Sydney Fisher discussed the issues of the day and the politics at the overflow meeting in the Opera House, which was jammed to the doors.

"For long after the close of both meetings the Woodstock streets were crowded, the Liberal parade and the spirit of carnival pervading all. Woodstock was aroused last night, and continued in that condition until an early hour this morning."

SCENE OF THE WAR IN THE NEAR EAST, WITH FIGURES GIVING POPULATION AND THE ARMIES' STRENGTH



In this map the figures in regard to military forces, taken from the latest books of reference, must not be regarded as indicating the comparative strength of the Turkish Empire and the states that are threatening to go to war with it. The Balkan states, the "armies" consist of practically every able-bodied man, while the figures for the Turkish army represent men actually serving with the colors or in the reserves.

OUTLINES DEFENCE OF "DYNAMITERS"

Counsel for Indicted Iron Workers' Officials Says That the Three Men Responsible for the Explosions Have Pleaded Guilty, and That the Other 45 Are Innocent.

Indianapolis, Oct. 8.—What the defence will be in the trial of forty-five men accused by the government of complicity in the "dynamite conspiracy" was outlined before the jury today by William N. Harding, attorney for defendants.

Mr. Harding said at the outset it would be shown that the executive board of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers never appropriated a dollar to be used for dynamiting, and that those three men already have pleaded guilty.

Referring to letters written by Frank M. Ryan, president of the Iron Workers' Union, to various business agents, whom the government quoted as showing that "jobs" was the term used to designate positions against employers of non-union labor, Mr. Harding said it would be shown that Ryan meant only new work which offered opportunity for union men to get employment. He added it would be upon the very letter which the government quoted in the indictments that the defence expected to rest its case.

which I ventured to make upon accepting the nomination for the presidency, in which I explicitly laid down the programme which I thought we ought to pursue with regard to the protective duties. I said that they ought not to be changed except in such a way and at such a rate as would not in any way interfere with the course of sound business in the United States.

Will Tackle Special Privileges First.

"I also said, and that is what makes the parenthesis applicable to my discourse, that we were going to begin with those particular items in which we found special privilege entrenched. We know that these items are. The gentlemen who enjoy the special privileges have been kind enough to point them out themselves; and we are interested in first of all with regard to the tariff in getting the grip of special interests off the throat of congress. We do not propose that special interests shall any longer camp in the committee rooms of the committee on ways and means of the house and the finance committee of the senate.

"Those of us who handle the machinery of politics know that it gets difficult in breaking up the control of the political boss is that he is backed by the money and the influence of these very people who are entrenched in these very schedules. I shall not write you out a list, if you were interested in it, of the gentlemen, not exceeding half a dozen, who used to own the legislature of New Jersey. All that I shall say is that I stand them up in front of all audiences all over the country, metaphorically, of New Jersey and call the roll and their power was broken by the mere exposure.

Free Markets Wanted.

"How are you going to get a free government? That is the point. The absolute necessary first step is to disentangle us from the things which have been entangled. What we want is free markets for our commodities and free markets for labor; and we haven't got them. What we want is free enterprise for one thing; but we haven't got it. What we want is free competing water routes that will enable us to handle the heavier kinds of our goods in transportation without delay and in quality; and we haven't got them as things stand now. What we want is genuine conservation of our natural resources and we can't get it as things stand now.

"Have you noticed that the trouble about conservation is that the government of the United States hasn't any policy at present? It is simply marking time. It is simply standing still. Reservation is not conservation.

"We know perfectly well that there can't be a workable programme until there is a free government. And what I want to point out to you is this: The centre of all our economic difficulties is that there is no freedom of enterprise in the United States.

No License for Monopoly.

"I am not interested in disturbing the great course of business in this country, but I am interested in enriching it; I am interested in varying it. And I know that the only way to do it is by the method I have suggested by regulated competition instead of legalized monopoly. After you have made the partnership between monopoly and your government permanent, then I invite all the philanthropists in the United States to come out and sit on the stage and go through the motions of finding out how they are going to get philanthropy out of the masters.

"I, for one, do not desire assistance from the government in anything; I am a disbeliever in charity. I am a disbeliever in pity. I am a disbeliever in consideration which is given in justice and righteousness and good faith. We are not children to be taken care of. We live in a free government and can't be taken anything but free air, and we want to take care of ourselves. This business of setting up individuals or parties as special providences in one of the things that is played out. So far as my pride is concerned, I would just as leave have a malevolent boss as a beneficent boss. I don't want any boss at all.

"This is a year of critical choice. After the year 1912 it may be too late to turn back. Don't deceive yourself for a moment as to the pervasive power of the great interests which now dominate our development. They are so great that it is almost an open question whether the government of the United States can dominate them or not. Go one step further, make their organized power permanent, and it may be too late to turn back."

LITTLE DEMAND FOR GOVERNMENT'S SHEEP AT ST. STEPHEN

Thirty-five of the Forty-five Offered, Sold, But They Brought Low Prices.

St. Stephen, N. B., Oct. 8.—(Special)—The government sale of sheep was held here today. There were forty-five sheep for sale and the auctioneer succeeded in disposing of thirty-five of them. Prices ran low but the sheep were placed in different sections of the country.

LEARNING FAST.

"All, sir, we do enjoy your sermons," remarked an old lady to the new curate. "They are so instructive. Indeed, sir, we didn't know what sin was until you came to the parish—we didn't indeed, sir."

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