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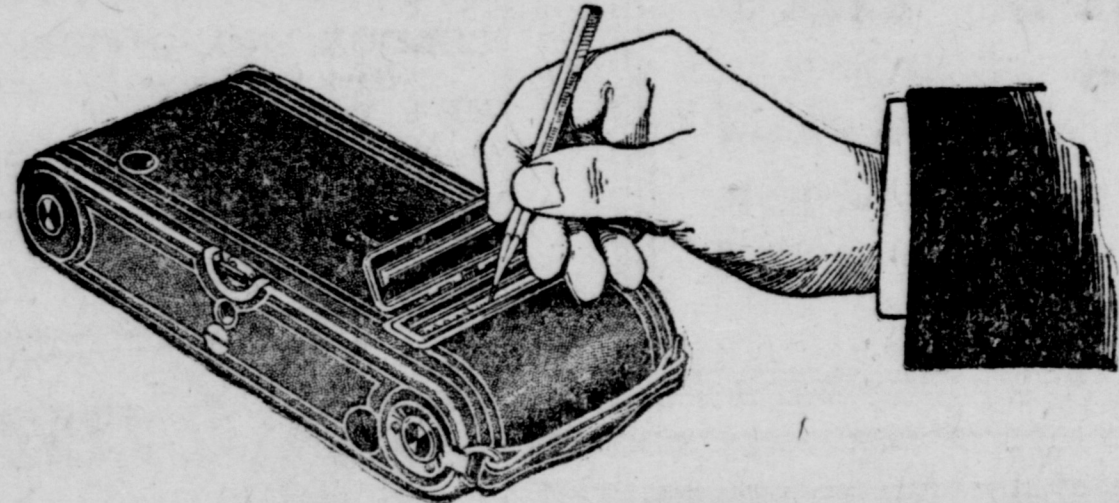
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Liberals Kept the Faith and Put the Cause of the Allies and of Freedom Above the Cause of Party, Declared Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but They Will Not Shirk Their Duty and Responsibility When the Government, Rent with Dissensions, Had Forfeited the Confidence of the People—They will be Faithful and True to the End

Ottawa, Nov. 16.—A speech which, for its political significance, and compelling and fearless discussion of the national situation at the present time, is perhaps the most noteworthy of any that Sir Wilfrid has made for many months, was delivered by the Liberal leader tonight to a cheering and enthusiastic gathering of the Liberals of eastern Ontario. The occasion was the banquet following the Liberal conference here today.

Sir Wilfrid declared that the country now realized the lack of firm leadership in the present administration. He asserted again that the Liberals had done their best to preserve the political truce while the war lasted, and would continue to put the cause of the Allies above the cause of party; but, he added, significantly, there was a general feeling that confidence in the government to pay the part that might have been expected of it in a great war had been misplaced, and the responsibility which might soon be placed upon him and upon the Liberal party would not be shirked. Sir Wilfrid was speaking at the time of the government's announcement that a further extension of the life of parliament would be asked for.

OPPOSITION CRITICISM JUSTIFIED

He touched briefly but succinctly on the outstanding features of the government's record and on its sins, both of omission and of commission. He noted the chasm of national disunity between the races caused by the appeal of discordant elements of class and race which the Conservative party had made in 1911, a chasm which was now proving the administration's own destruction. He pleaded his own record to all classes, rich or poor, and of unity for all races and creeds. He drew the moral from the tariff increase and soaring prices of all commodities entering into the cost of living. He justified opposition criticism of the government administration of the war in so far as rigid honesty and rigid economy was concerned. He instanced some of the scandals. He referred trenchantly to the Borden-Hughes correspondence, and the lack of cohesion and a strong hand in the cabinet which that correspondence showed.

He amplified the reasons for his refusal to accept Sir Robert Borden's invitation to take up the task which Sir Thomas Tait had been compelled to give up because of the intolerable conditions the latter had found. He called upon the government to at once satisfy public opinion that no more Canadian nickels should go to Germany. He declared, finally, that what he and the Liberal party had at heart was not the gaining of office but the welfare of Canada.

"POLITICS BEFORE COUNTRY." Hon. George P. Graham, in a speech of almost equal power and eloquence, fired the audience with a resume of the way the present administration had put politics before country and had failed to measure up to the high responsibility of giving the country a united lead during the tragedy of war. To the "babel about loyalty" which Conservative flag wavers were now indulging in with the hope of making party capital, Mr. Graham gave the convincing answer. It lay in the contrast of Sir Wilfrid's own record and the record of his government and in the squabbling and intriguing and class legislation which has characterized the Borden cabinet.

H. B. McGivern, ex-M.P. for Ottawa, presided, and gave Sir Wilfrid Laurier a most flattering introduction, arousing a perfect torrent of cheers.

Mrs. Woodside Loane and children of Washburn, Me., were called here this week on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Loane's father, Mr. Albert Brewer.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM ANDOVER

Successful Concert in Aid of Belgian Children—\$117.50 Realized—Personal Notes.

About 19 members of the Round Table Literary Club went to Kitchener on Thursday p.m. Those going by train were Mrs. Lee Bedell, Mrs. Gillett, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. C. Spike, Mrs. Ben Beveridge, Mrs. Herb Baird, Mrs. Douglas Baird, Mrs. James Porter, Mrs. Niles, Mrs. Gay Porter, Mrs. Estabrooks, Mrs. McPhail, Grace McPhail, Miss Thomas and Miss Hoyt. Mrs. Tibbits took her car and with her Mrs. W. E. Spike and Mrs. Dickinson. The hostess was Miss Bessie Kilburn. After an afternoon spent socially tea was served. Miss Kilburn was assisted by the Misses Hoyt, McPhail and Thomas. After supper the following program was carried out. Roll Call answered by anecdotes from Kitchener. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted and Miss Kilburn gave a very fine paper on "The Life of Kitchener." The next meeting will be held at the home of the President, Mrs. James Porter. Subject "Alfred Noyes."

The concert, given by the Andover Grammar School, in aid of the "Poor Belgian Children" on Nov. 15th, was a great success, under the efficient management of the teachers, Miss Thomas, principal; Miss Rankin, Intermediate, and Miss Grant, Primary, and pupils. The sum of \$117.50 was realized. The program was as follows: Chorus—The King Will be Proud of Canada. Flag Salute. Recitation—Muriel Baird. Girls Flag Drill. Tableau—Britain and Colonies. Chorus—By Order of the King. Song—Mrs. Waite. Pantomime—Britannia the Pride of the Ocean. Band Selection. Recitation—Myrtle Crawford. Intermission. Tableau—Grand March of the Allies. Belgian National Anthem. Duet—Mrs. Stebbins and Mr. Birmingham. Russian Dance. Chorus—Boys of the King of England. Violin and Mandolin Duet. Moon Song. Boys Pumpkin Drill. Reading of Andover High School Honor Roll.

SENDING PRESENTS TO SOLDIERS OVERSEAS BY THE PARCEL POST

For the information of those sending parcels to soldiers in England or at the front, the Sentinel publishes the rates of postage as follows: To England, the rate is 12 cents a pound, or any fraction thereof. Limit weight on parcels to England is 11 lbs. To France or Belgium the rate is 24 cents for parcels any weight up to three pounds; from three pounds to seven pounds (the limit), the rate is 32 cents, not 32 cents per pound but 32 cents for any weight from 3 to 7 pounds. Any letter or parcel for any soldier in a hospital (even if the hospital is not known to the sender), having the word "hospital" marked across it, will be delivered. A customs declaration must be attached to each parcel, for which application should be made at the stamp window of the post office.

YOUNG PEOPLE RECIEVE ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION

Concert in Hayden-Gibson Theatre Unqualified Success—In Aid of Destitute Belgian Children—Afternoon function Well Patronized—Total Proceeds \$243.

In the Hayden-Gibson Theatre, on Wednesday night, the Woodstock schools lived up to their reputation by furnishing an entertainment of exceptional merit and brilliancy. The hard working teachers, advanced pupils and ladies who were in charge of the concert amply sustained their reputation as purveyors to those who enjoy an entertainment like that of Wednesday night. The children who took part received and merited the praise of all who were present.

The proceeds, which amounted to about \$133, will be applied to destitute Belgian children.

In aid of the same fund a five o'clock tea was given at the Vocational School building by the pupils of the manual training and domestic science departments under the direction of their teachers, Miss Smith and Miss Akerley. The attendance at this function was very large with receipts of \$110.

In the evening the following delightful program was rendered: Sextette, High school girls; vocal solo, Mrs. Chester MacDonald; piano solo, Miss Maudie Henderson; musical play, "The Key to Jack Canuck's Treasure House," participated in by groups of fairies, Indians, Scouts, Boy Scouts, sailors, soldiers and many other individual characters. Miss Dorothy Loane gracefully took the part of Miss Canada, while Master Basil Fewer took the part of Jack Canuck. Miss Margaret Gibson made a very attractive queen of the fairies. The Boy Scouts were in command of Captain Allan Atherton and the sailors in charge of Admiral Mavor and as the soldiers came on the stage under the command of Captain Hedley Colpitts, they were greeted with tumultuous applause. Bayard Manzer ably acted the part of the Aviator. Miss Rowena Ketchum as chief of the Scotch tribe, delighted the audience with her dancing of the Scotch Reel, while Miss Muriel Merriman was head of the Indians. Miss Muriel Newham as Wisdom acted the part most acceptably. A pleasing feature of the programme was a vocal solo, Scots Wha Hae, by Master John Rankin.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. S. W. G. Jones left last week to visit friends in Halifax. Mrs. Hugh Pearman of St. John has been the guest this week, of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welsh. Mr. R. P. Hartley spent a day in Houlton this week, on professional business. Mrs. Edward Deming returned last week from a visit to her son in Moncton. Mrs. R. E. Guy Smith of Westmount, Montreal, was the week end guest of her mother, Mrs. B. H. Smith.

National Anthem. Major Peat acted as chairman. The next day, Thursday, was given as a holiday to the school, who had worked very hard for the concert. In the evening a high school skating party was given, later having an oyster stew at Beveridge hall, thus adding several more dollars to the amount made the night before.

LESLIE WATTERS PASSES AWAY

The Injuries Received on Railway Proved Fatal—Was Highly Respected and Deep Sorrow Expressed Over Untimely Death—Large Funeral Party Accompany Remains to St. John

Leslie Watters who was so terribly injured on the C.P.R., Thursday, 16th inst., passed away in the Fisher Memorial Hospital, Saturday at 3:30 o'clock. He never spoke from the time of the accident but seemingly regained consciousness a few moments and recognized those at his bedside. His wife, father and mother were with him when the final summons came.

Mr. Watters, who was an engineer, was, on this day, firing on one of the trains, which was on a siding at Phillips, waiting for the Gibson train to pass. While the cause of the accident will perhaps never be fully known it is the opinion of some railway men that he jumped from his cab to escape steam and water coming from a broken steam gauge and perhaps overcome was struck by the passing Gibson train. Mr. Watters was 37 years of age and has been connected with the railway for twelve years. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Lottie Dunn, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodford Watters, and two brothers, Roy and Douglas, all of St. John.

The remains were taken to St. Luke's church Monday afternoon where impressive services were carried out. The choir sang "Lead Kindly Light," "Unto the Hills" and the Nunc Dimittis.

The body was taken to St. John on the evening train accompanied by Conductor B. A. Craig, Engineers W. R. King, J. B. Gardner, Morris Craig, William Rudge, Allan McIntyre.

The following members of Carleton Lodge, I.O.O.F. No. 41, were also of the funeral party: Albert Fields, John A. Atherton, Phillip Saunders, Ernest Burt, A. E. Jones, Charles Comben, P. B. Armour, Harry Stevens, Samuel Smith, J. W. Ellsworth, Rev. Frank Baird, W. H. Flemming, Coles Vanwart, Clarence Jackson.

The death of Mr. Watters was an awful shock to the popular engineer's large circle of friends. To his devoted wife, father, mother and brothers heartfelt sympathy goes out in their great and sudden bereavement.

Deceased was prominent in all branches of Oddfellowship and was a member of Woodstock Canton No. 4. In June last he was a delegate to the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers held at Denver, Colo.

(St. John Telegraph.)

The funeral of Leslie Gordon Watters, who died as the result of injuries sustained in a railway accident, was held yesterday afternoon, (Tuesday) at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of his brother, A. Douglas Watters, 186 Adelaide street. Rev. R. P. McKim conducted the services, interment being made in Cedar Hill cemetery. The obsequies were largely attended, members of the local Oddfellows being in attendance as well as a delegation from the Woodstock branch. Local firemen and Woodstock firemen were also represented, the pall being borne by six members of the brotherhood from Woodstock—Messrs W. R. King, W. R. Rudge, J. N. Gardner, A. McIntyre, M. H. Craig and B. A. Craig. Many beautiful floral pieces testified to the esteem in which the late Mr. Watters was held. The delegation of Oddfellows from Woodstock, numbered thirty, several of the members being accompanied by their wives.

Mrs. Somers, wife of Rev. Mr. Somers of Silver Falls, and her mother, Mrs. H. F. Grosvenor, have been visiting friends at Meductic.

Sergt. Stewart Bailey of the 236th Battalion, Fredericton, has been spending a few days in town, guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bailey.

Mrs. Guy McLauchlan, wife of Major Peat, who has been on the firing line for some time, and son Ronald, left on Tuesday for Montreal, to sail for England. Mrs. McLauchlan was accompanied by Major (Dr.) Peat, Mrs. Peat and two children, Major Peat's father and Miss Mabel Peat of Andover. Major Peat is doing hospital duty in France.