

# THE LIBERAL CHIEFTAIN SPEAKS IN OLD QUEBEC

**Thousands of People Turn Out to Hear Sir Wilfrid Laurier---The Audience Reminded That When England is at War Canada is at War---The Policy of True Canadians is Outlined---Should Fight For Freedom.**

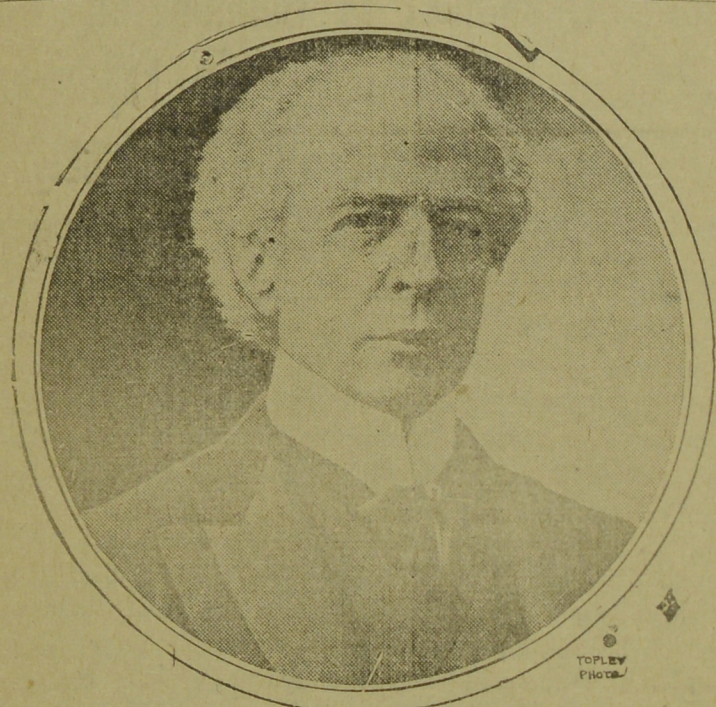
Quebec, Dec. 8.—The historic old hall at St. Peter's market, which has been the scene of many memorable political gatherings, and in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier received the returns of the elections in 1911, was again today the scene of a notable gathering when Sir Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the Liberal party, addressed a large meeting under the auspices of the Quebec Citizens' Recruiting Association.

Thousands of people thronged to the hall which was all too small to accom-

## Came to Tell the Truth.

In his opening remarks, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he had come to Quebec to tell the truth as he understood it, and to define the duties which belonged to Canada as a nation in the present war. He felt proud to be again amidst his electors in the good old division of Quebec East, with which he had associated so intimately for many years.

For twenty-eight years he had the



SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

modate the crowd. Nearly three thousand people filled it, and twice as many more gathered outside, unable to gain admision.

The meeting was most orderly in every respect and was presided over by Sir Lomer Gouin, who is chairman of the recruiting association. Sir Wilfrid delivered a stirring appeal, declaring that when England was at war Canada was at war. He outlined the duty of all true Canadians, and affirmed that if he were a young man he would take up arms and fight for the triumph of justice and humanity.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier was given a rousing reception and was cheered to the echo as he resumed his seat.

As Sir Wilfrid concluded his speech Martin Madden, member of the Legislature for Quebec West, presented the Liberal leader with a floral crown from the electors of the west.

In acknowledging the tribute, Sir Wilfrid thanked the Irish of the Quebec division, and said he would take the bouquet to Ottawa and give it to their French compatriots there.

honor of having the destinies of the Liberal party in his hands, and for fifteen years he had had the destinies of the entire country in his hands. The Liberal party had fallen in 1911, but they had fallen with their heads high, and left a record against which nothing could be said.

"You all know," said Sir Wilfrid, "that the main issue in the province of Quebec at the last elections was not reciprocity, but the naval question, and the cries of our adversaries were all about the navy."

"You have here over the province of Quebec," Sir Wilfrid declared, "the chairman of this meeting, Sir Lomer Gouin, and all will agree that he gives the best government that the province ever had, and no other province in Canada could compare with the province of Quebec under the leadership of Sir Lomer Gouin."

"When England is at war, Canada is at war," Sir Wilfrid asserted with vigor, and said that with the war the provinces and cities on the Pacific coast were exposed. He recalled what a panic there had been when, at the

outbreak of the war, in August, 1914, it became known that there were German cruisers in the Pacific ocean. The coast was defenceless. There was only the Rainbow and he reminded his audience what a number of jests they had heard about the Rainbow at the last elections. In the hour of menace, however, there was nothing left for them to do but to call for the Rainbow to defend the western cities, and besides they hastened to Seattle and purchased two submarines to repel the apprehended German attack.

## Why Canadians Should Fight.

Taking up the question of why Canadians should fight in the present war, Sir Wilfrid remarked that some argued that it was all very well to defend Canada, but why go over and fight for England?

"What blindness! what injustice!" exclaimed Sir Wilfrid.

"Who is England fighting for today? For herself? No; England is not fighting for herself today," he affirmed. "It was not England that was invaded on the 3rd of August, 1914, but it was England that, on August 4, 1914, declared war on Germany to save Belgium from Prussian arrogance. We heard it said that Canadians should not go and fight, but where are Canadians fighting? Where are they shedding their blood?" asked Sir Wilfrid.

"Every drop of blood shed by French Canadians is shed on French soil, the soil of their mother country. They have given their blood that France may live, and that it why young Canadians are called upon to fight."

"I am an admirer of England," said Sir Wilfrid. "I do not say that the history of England does not contain anything to which exception may be taken. The history of France is not more exempt from errors than that of England. If it were in my power I would like to wipe out those pages of England's history which record the ill-treatment of Ireland, which are a blot on her fair name."

"The institutions of England" are the most liberal, the most chaste and the most wise that any country or government has ever known. And no country in the world can give such a disinterested testimony of this as Canada, and particularly French Canadians.

Canada, he said, had a charter so comprehensive that nobody could prevent the country from taking part in the war. He had no confidence in the present government of Canada, Sir Wilfrid said, but as to its attitude on the war he thought the government was right, and he had supported it.

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(Philadelphia Bulletin.)

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## POLITICIANS WERE TOO LADYLIKE

Montreal, Dec. 9.—The following special cable from Lord Northcliffe appears in the Star:

London, Dec. 9.—Premier Lloyd George has made a government perfect with one or two exceptions for prosecution of the war. In this country we have been handicapped in the past two years by politicians who were elected during the country's times of peace. They have been too ladylike. There has not been enough "punch" in them.

I venture to prophesy that Lloyd George will do the right thing. He will win the war; he will bring happiness to Ireland and he will maintain friendship with the United States, of which he is an understanding admirer.

## BRADY CHARGED WITH BEING HEAD OF GAMBLING TRUST

Montreal, Dec. 9.—The Star today publishes an affidavit sworn to by John Joseph O'Connor, former proprietor of the Commercial Athletic Club, St. Catherine street, in which he swears that there are at least five places in Montreal openly run as gambling dens.

O'Connor admits having himself made a "clean-up" in gambling, and swears that the J. Brady sometimes known as "King Brady" gave him protection for which he paid Brady \$150 a month and 20 per cent. of his profits.

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## THE PAPER FAMINE.

(Montreal Star.)

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The latest reports are from Buffalo and from Pittsburgh, where all the 1 cent papers have been raised to 2 cents.

The pinch is felt as much in Canada as in the United States.

Famine conditions have been established gradually for a number of years, and now they are suddenly developed to the embarrassment of the newspaper publishers who, according to American papers, find the increased cost of paper more than three times their former profit.

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