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AN OLD FRIEND PAYS TRIBUTE TO SIR WILFRID LAURIER

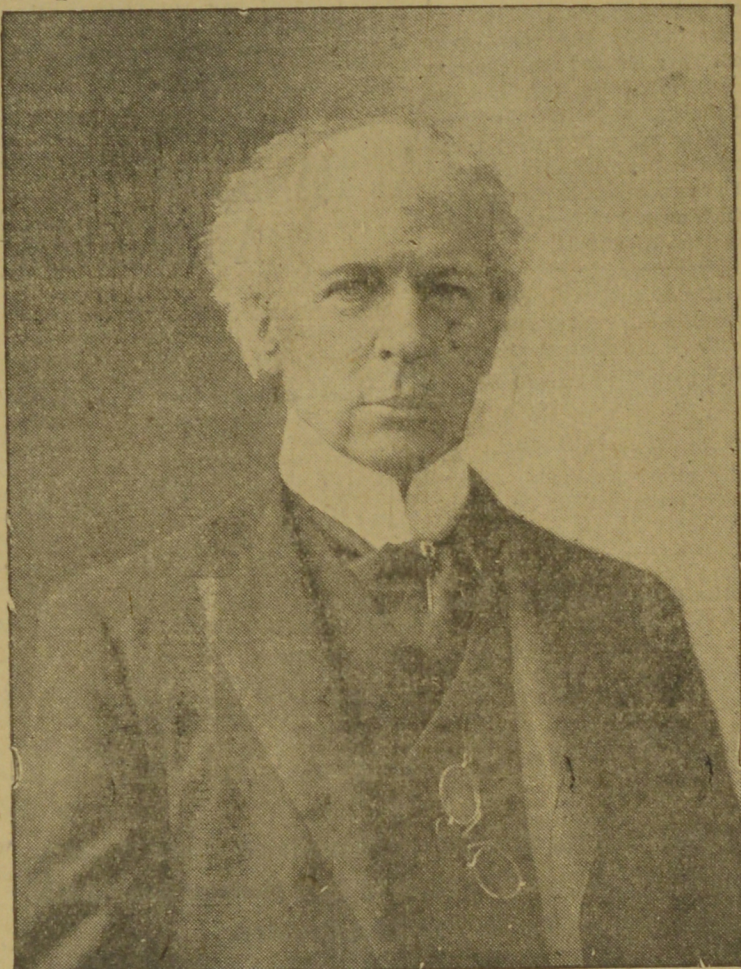
Interesting Reminiscences and Anecdotes Connected With the
Life of the Liberal Chieftain—Sir John Willison Quoted—
Has Been in Public Life Since 1874 and is the Oldest Mem-
ber of the House of Commons—Likes a Joke Even at His
Own Expense—An English Writer's Tribute.

(Montreal Gazette.)

Today is the seventy-seventh anniversary of the birth of
Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who came into the world in the village of
St. Lin, at the foot of the Laurentides, November 20, 1841.

On the occasion of the leader's birthday his lifelong friend,
Senator L. O. David, consecrates an article written for La Presse
touching some interesting reminiscences and anecdotes con-
nected with the life of the Liberal chieftain. The Senator
says Sir Wilfrid has no illusions as to living very much longer,
adding that he would rather pass away enjoying all his intel-
lectual faculties than linger along amid suffering and decay.
Of all the men occupying seats in the House of Commons in
1874, Laurier alone remains, Senator David designating him
the most perfect orator and brilliant parliamentarian in Canada
today. With a very sweet character is added a most affable
manner and he is a stranger to hatred, vanity or jealousy.

The Senator quotes Sir John Willison as saying that al-
though he first thought that Sir Wilfrid would not make a suc-
cessful leader when he succeeded Blake in 1887, he soon found
out his mistake, as Sir Wilfrid possesses all the elements of
leadership, such as firmness of character, energy, activity, and
above all, authority over those who serve under him—declaim-
ing often that he was following the policy of Lafontaine and
Cartier in the endeavor to serve his province and to make Que-
bec a strong factor in the political life of the Dominion. He
refused, Senator David says, a seat in the House of Lords, and
in spite of the seductive offers made him in England, he com-
bated the Imperialistic tendencies of Joseph Chamberlain.



SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

He lost many friends by refusing to enter Sir Robert Borden's coalition government, but rather than support conscription, Sir Wilfrid lost power as well as a great many of his parliamentary supporters. His charming personality is wonder-
ful, and his charm of manner irresistible. Laurier likes a joke
even if it is at his own expense, and no one appreciates re-
partee better than he. One day the witty Judge Langelier put
on Laurier's coat instead of his own, and, when his attention
was called to the mistake he quickly replied: "Of course, Laur-
ier, the coat is yours, as I find the pockets full of promises."
Senator David attributes this reply to the fact that Laurier had
made promises to the two Langeliers, which perhaps he did
not keep.

Not long since, Armand Lavergne was complaining to his
ex-leader about the failure of Liberal tactics, but Sir Wilfrid
quickly replied: "You wanted all or nothing, and as you have
got nothing, it seems to me that you should be satisfied."

"It had been said," adds the Senator, "that the defection
of the English majority of the Liberal party indicated that they
had no longer to guide them that spirit of toleration possessed
by Mackenzie, Blake and Mowat. The veterans who surround-
ed Laurier when he made his brilliant debut in parliament have
all disappeared. The Old Guard is dead, but it remains to be
seen what the New Guard will do.

As for his great oratorical successes, Senator David quotes
from different people attesting to the leader's wonderful elo-
quence. Hon. Mr. Tarte wrote years ago in Le Canadien that
Laurier was a grand master of the oratorical art, and Mr. Por-
ritt, an English writer, said: "I have seen and heard many
colonial public men, but Sir Wilfrid is the only one who would
have become a national figure had he been transplanted to
Westminster. I have never seen him in the Canadian Parlia-
ment without wishing that instead he was at Westminster, for
then it would be easy to decide as to the leadership of the
British Liberal party."

"In order to resume all I have said of Laurier," continues

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mottoes: "Whipping, to be effective
should be a science, not a 'slogging'
display," and "A work of national im-
portance: making naughty children
good."

There are times when a man ex-
presses the same idea by wagging his
head that a dog does by wagging his
tail.

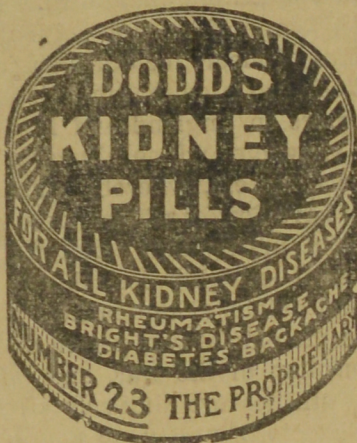
RUBBING IT IN.

Miss Passay—Jack was talking to
you about me, wasn't he?

Miss Knox—Yes, he asked me if you
were 35 yet, and I said certainly not.

Miss Passay—What a ridiculous
question.

Miss Knox—Just what I told him. I
said, "How long do you expect her to
remain 35?"



MARY PICKFORD in "How Could You, Jean?"

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