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HON. C. W. ROBINSON WAS CHOSEN LEADER

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sent time for me to enter provincial politics as leader. The province does not want an orator or a shining light in the political firmament, but a plain business man who has made a success of his own business. We have seen the result of making premier a man who was a failure in life before he entered politics: a man who did not have two coppers to rub against each other, and who now leaves the financial affairs of the province in a hopeless condition. I must say I feel ashamed this morning to acknowledge that I am from Carleton county, where such a man as the premier of New Brunswick was nominated as a candidate for the House of Commons."

Mr. Carvell spoke of the importance of formulating a new policy for the administration of crown lands and of the highways of the province. In referring to the proposal to issue bonds for \$5,000,000 to expend on permanent roads, he said:

"Lord forbid that this policy be carried out if the present crowd is to handle the money, for there would be another carnival of boondoggling, besides which the Valley Railway graft would pale into insignificance."

"But we need not worry. In the eyes of the financial world with this government in power New Brunswick is bankrupt. They could not raise \$50,000 in the markets of the world. Remember, New Brunswick is not bankrupt; she has immense resources and can pay a reasonable expenditure, but we must have a change in the men in charge of affairs, and I assume that a change will come at the first opportunity."

CHEERING THE LEADER.

At the opening of the afternoon session, O. Turgeon, M.P., reported as chairman of the committee that Hon. C. W. Robinson had been unanimously chosen by the committee as the opposition leader. The decision was received with ringing cheers, and the new leader was at once called upon.

Hon. Mr. Robinson said the offer came to him as a surprise, that he had considered himself out of politics, but in consideration of the present situation had been willing to contest as one of the candidates in Westmorland a seat for the legislature.

As a matter of duty he was willing to accept the unanimous call to leadership. He believed the prospects brighter for a victory for the opposition party than at any other time since the government came to power. The good work done by the men honored at the banquet the night before had aroused public feeling to such an extent that a change would be demanded.

The time had come for our public men to be guided by principles of right and justice and not by political expediency. It was, in other words, a day of regeneration. The best citizens must come forward to take their part in bringing about good government.

They had before them the shining example of the men from all the empire who were sacrificing home and business ties and shedding their blood for their country. He accepted, therefore, gratefully, and with a sense of the high honor the trust reposed in him. (Applause.)

Mr. Carvell was then called upon and spoke of the qualities of the future premier, having, as he did, the power to draw men and to command the respect of all classes. If the speaker possessed qualities which were considered of any value in carrying on the fight they were at Mr. Robinson's service. He would not shrink from the task until this "nest of traitors, this gang of scoundrels has been driven from office." (Applause.)

RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

Mr. Carvell moved a formal resolution thanking The Telegraph for fair and honest publication of reports of the evidence before the Royal Commission, and this was unanimously carried.

A resolution in appreciation of the services of A. B. Copp, now a Liberal candidate for the federal house in Westmorland, as provincial leader, was moved by W. J. Mahoney and carried amid cheers.

Mr. Copp made a rousing speech in which he referred to Hon. Mr. Robinson's record as a provincial legislator and his sound financial suggestions, notably his proposal to set aside a portion of the increased dominion subsidy to form a sinking fund to meet the growing indebtedness. He referred to the breaking of the party truce by the Conservatives of Westmorland and his own nomination by the will of the party. It looked like leaving Mr. Robinson a soft thing, but he promised him his hearty support.

J. A. McQueen moved a resolution expressing regret at the death of Hon. H. R. Emmerson and this was seconded in a few impressive words by Hon. C. W. Robinson.

George M. Byron of Campobello, also spoke feelingly of Hon. Mr. Emmerson and the assistance he had given young men. Mr. Byron continued to speak on provincial politics and of the strong feeling in Charlotte county against the government.

Mr. Carvell added his tributes to the memory of Hon. Mr. Emmerson. Canada had not suffered such a loss in three decades, nor the party had lost no more greatly loved leader than by the death of Mr. Emmerson.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

Plus Michaud, M.P. for Victoria-Madawaska, aroused great enthusiasm in a fighting speech. The money of the grafters was being spent in Madawaska, but Mr. Dugal and his colleagues would come back.

Hon. L. P. Farris expressed delight at the return of Hon. Mr. Robinson as leader. He had looked up to Mr. Robinson as a man of great reserve force with always something back to draw upon.

A formal vote of thanks to Mr. Dugal for his services in the legislature was moved by Hon. Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried.

The meeting closed with cheers for the King, Hon. Mr. Robinson and Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

TWELVE RECRUITS FOR GARRISON DUTY

There are now 180 men on the strength of the battery of Field Artillery and eight more are expected to arrive from Moncton this evening. It is expected that the total strength will soon be up to two hundred. The unit is now so large that the men cannot be drilled at the Armory and they are being taken out to a vacant lot in the back part of the city. The men are already beginning to show the good effects of their training. It is expected that in a few days all will be provided with uniforms. Some of the horses are expected here next week.

Major Grey has secured twelve men for garrison duty at Halifax and will send them forward by this evening's train. The list is made up of the following:—Seymore Chase, Fred Nason, Albert Daigle, Walter Watts, Amos Shields, Walter Doyon, George E. Rowe, George A. Davidson, Cecil F. Dorcas, George Tonar, Gordon W. Grey and Robert Craig.

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