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NORTH SHORE WELCOMES LEADER OF OPPOSITION

Great Reception Given to Messrs. Borden and Bergeron at Newcastle Last Night—Dr. Daniel and Senator Poirier Among the Speakers.

Newcastle, N. B., Aug. 27.—Newcastle greeted Mr. Borden and his party tonight with flags, with music and with an immense audience representing not only this town but the whole North Shore. The Opera House was by no means large enough to hold the people who thronged the streets anxious to hear the Conservative leader announce his platform and criticize the party in power.

Mr. Borden and Mr. Bergeron after the midnight train for Quebec, feeling that their tour of the maritime provinces had been most successful. Certainly their visit has aroused the whole of the North Shore and the whole section of country, and put the Conservative party in line fighting form and both he and Mr. Bergeron received a reception worth remembering. Dr. Daniel and Senator Poirier, who also spoke tonight, were loudly cheered and very evidently made an excellent impression here.

A representative gathering of local Conservatives assembled at the station to greet Mr. Borden on his arrival. Those present were W. A. Hickson, president of the County Liberal-Conservative Association; James Robinson, ex-M. P.; D. Morrison, M. P.; J. W. S. Parker, John Clarke, John McAllister, Dennis Doyle, W. Dunn, Charles Dickinson, Thomas Russell, T. M. Butler, George Skidmore, and others. The Ocean Limited arrived about ten minutes late and among the first to alight was the Conservative leader, closely followed by Mr. Bergeron and Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P. The visitors were introduced to those present and a short drive round the town followed and the carriage drew up at the Miramichi Hotel, which was Mr. Borden's headquarters during his visit.

At 7.30 p. m. the town band commenced playing a selection of music outside the hotel and a little before 8 o'clock Mr. Borden and those with him entered a carriage and proceeded to the Opera House. The Opera House was packed and a very hearty reception as he entered the building by the large audience which had assembled and again on taking his seat on the stage.

Mr. Hickson, president of the association, occupied the chair, having the leader of the Conservative party on his right and Mr. Bergeron on his left. Among those occupying seats on the platform besides Dr. Daniel, M. P., and Senator Poirier, the other speakers, were: Ald. John Clark, J. D. Creighton, Gavin Copeland, John Ferguson, John McKane, James Robinson, ex-M. P.; Col. R. L. May, D. Morrison, M. P.; J. W. S. Parker, John Clarke, John McAllister, Dennis Doyle, W. Dunn, Charles Dickinson, Thomas Russell, T. M. Butler, George Skidmore, and others.

After a selection by the band the chairman, Mr. Hickson, briefly referred to the speakers of the evening. He was sure they were anxious to hear the leader of their great party and those who accompanied him.

Dr. Daniel was first introduced and he gave a very interesting address. He was followed by Senator Poirier, who spoke in both French and English. He was both witty and eloquent.

Mr. Borden was the next speaker, and on rising was received with great applause, the audience waving their hats and cheering again and again while the band played the strains of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." He said in part: "My chairman, ladies and gentlemen, let me first say that I am very glad to be here. Mr. Bergeron and myself the greatest pleasure to see so many fair ladies present. It has been our good fortune to be supported throughout our tour by very many of the fair sex. I am convinced if the ladies of Canada are with us, or the majority of the ladies of Canada, that it doesn't so much matter about the men. (Laughter.) A married man realizes that he has to do as he is told, in fact, as leader of the opposition, I can claim a certain bond of sympathy with every one who is married or to be married. (Renewed laughter.)

He referred to the great success that had attended all the meetings.

When we were in Glouce Bay with its wonderful resources of coal and iron, we realized that if we have a great west we have also a great east. Then we passed through the beautiful Annapolis valley across the Bay of Fundy to the city of St. John, a community whose pluck and enterprise for the future of their port is equalled by no similar community in Canada. And now coming to this part of the province we are more than ever convinced of the great future before the maritime provinces. Canadians do not yet realize their heritage, but we are coming to be a united Canada. A national spirit is arising and I am convinced the future holds in store more than our most ardent hopes.

The Conservative party stands, at the present time, in opposition. It went into opposition in 1896, after being eighteen years in power, and my friend Mr. Bergeron would tell you during all that time little was brought out in the way of maladministration and what was brought out was punished.

Since his speech in Halifax setting forth his policy, Mr. Borden continued, the Liberal organs had expressed some doubt whether he had any policy or whether his policy was a new one, or if it was the first that he had ever announced. If the Liberal press said that he had withdrawn anything from his Halifax policy it was untrue. It was impossible to go over all the points at each meeting but he stood by every word of the programme then outlined and would do so as long as he remained in public life. (Cheers.)

Mr. Borden then turned to the discussion of several of the leading features of his policy. He touched on the question of public franchises, civil service reforms, better business management of the I. C. R. and reform in elections.

"As I said in St. John last night," he added, "graft and corruption in elections are sure to go hand in hand, as they have gone for the last eight or ten years." Brief reference was also made by Mr. Borden to funds squandered on the Arctic expedition.

"The Conservative party," said Mr. Borden, in conclusion, "have been in opposition eleven years. They have fought many hard fights, harder than some of our friends realized, and we are not ashamed to stand where we do today. I am conscious of a very different sentiment in the country to that of three years ago. We are better organized, we have better support and why should we not win?" (Cheers.)

"We can't want anything better to criticize than the record of the Liberal party. We have fought a good fight. Have we not the right to call on the most up-right men we can name?"

"The Conservative party has great

aditions. It added four provinces to the dominion. It had faith in the great west. It built the I. C. R. It stands for progress and it is the party which will be returned to power at the next election. (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Bergeron, who followed Mr. Borden, made witty and felicitous references to the ladies and then took up the necessity for honest government. Two parties are enough. Judge them by their acts. The Conservative is the party which made Canada what it was in 1896. He told why he described it as the party of performance. It bought for \$1,500,000 those immense territories in the Northwest which in a few years will grow wheat enough to feed all Europe. There were two scandals under Conservative rule. Both were investigated and in the one, where there was wrong doing, the accused were turned over to the courts. That is one party. Now take the other party. It had forsaken its politics and its scandals had not been exposed by the government but concealed and hushed up by the party in power.

He referred tellingly to Edward Blake's retirement from the Liberal party because its policy was leading towards annexation. One by one he took up the successive policies of the Liberals, showed how one policy after another they were abandoned. He challenged any man to say the Liberal party had stuck to any of its policies for the last twenty-five years. He dwelt at length upon Liberal extravagance. Laughter and applause constantly greeted him.

Referring to the railway subsidies, he said if we were to give subsidies of \$32,000 a mile, what a picnic they must have with subsidies of \$6,400. Say economy to a Liberal today and he faints. Over sixty of these patriots have appointed themselves to office. For eighteen years they said protection was a curse and that it must go. Well, where has it gone to? His description of the tariff commission's journey was very funny, and he reminded them protection will be maintained. The working people do not get by fraud and could only retain power by fraud. Some day the people would get tired and then it would be a stampede.

Canada was the greatest country under the sun. The maritime provinces were just as rich in resources as the west. The west was magnificent. Such is our country. They needed honest government. Let Northumberland send a good Conservative to Ottawa next time to support their leader. Mr. Bergeron made a decided hit.

John McKane in response to loud calls spoke briefly and moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Borden and the other speakers. It was passed unanimously amid hearty cheering. Cheers were given for the King, for the Conservative party, its leader and James Robinson, and the meeting dispersed. It was one of the most successful ever held on the North Shore.

Among the interested audience at the Opera House this evening were the premier, Hon. C. W. Robinson, and Hon. F. J. Sweeney, surveyor general, who arrived here on the Ocean Limited. They will attend the Chatham races tomorrow.

HANNAH MIXES POETRY AND PROSE

Editor Times:

Sir—I told you in my last epistle that the Mayor's kind visit started Hannah's thinking plant in full operation. She told me to bring her a quire of foolscap paper and a pencil. I quoted Queen Elizabeth—"Life is a bog, trip over it lightly, if you stop to think you will sink." She replied "Pascal solved problems unsolved for centuries." She'd use all her learning and catch spiders in their own web. As I hunted for the writing material, Hannah laughed like a school girl. I said: "Tell us the joke." She said she was thinking of a coincidence her mother told her.

Jack Lovet was a colored gentleman, place of residence, east end Duke street, time, fifty years ago, vocation, any old job. Like Shakespeare he cultivated the Muse. He wrote verse with facility. One day he met Captain Hancock, another prominent citizen. Hancock made his living fishing in the harbor. Hancock said to Moody: "I'll bet you a barrel of fish you cannot make a poem." Moody's ready response was:

"My name is Moody Lovet
To take a barrel of fishing fish
I think myself above it."

Hancock died, "Unwept, unhonored and unsung."

Moody's wake was St. John's social event of the last century. The ditty of the city were there, our forefathers all. Many afterward were leaders of city life, editors, judges, dealers, etc. There were things to eat and much to drink. If an American ambassador was present he partook of the spirit of the occasion, which was cosmopolitan. There was no show line. No division between life and death. All felt so sorry for Moody, they put a pipe in his mouth, and he seemed the most alive at a lively wake.

"How many a father have I seen
Who's youth was full of foolish noise,
Who wears his manhood hale and green
A sober man among his boys."

Hannah said the old stock of men and women were bighearted and broad-minded. Now a few dollars or a smattering of school books made people forget that one ocean of blood fills all veins. Hannah quoted from Cowper:

"Knowledge is proud that he has learned
ed so much,
Wisdom is humble that he knows no more."

Hannah asked me to hand her down a volume of Walt Whitman. She said Beecher once remarked—"The lowliest cabin with Shakespeare appreciated is a better evidence of true culture, than a million-heir mansion, with its vulgar display of wealth and vacant minds." "He is never alone who is accompanied by noble thoughts."

Hannah said Robert Burns was with a nobleman one day, when he saw a poor man across the street. He asked to be excused, and went over and greeted the poor fellow heartily. When he came back

PEOPLE OF NOTE



Nicolas I of Montenegro

Nicolas I, the reigning prince of Montenegro, was born on October 7th, 1841. He was educated at Trieste and attended the University of Paris. On August 14th, 1860, he succeeded his uncle, Danilo I, as Prince of Montenegro. He was married on November 8th, 1860, to Milena Petrovna Vuotcovica, a Russian lady of high rank and great wealth. The heir to the principality is Prince Danilo Alexander, who was born on June 29th, 1871. His yearly income is about \$50,000, to which Russia adds \$100,000 annually and Austria \$50,000 a year under an old diplomatic agreement. The Prince is a member of the Greek church and is strongly Russian in his tendencies.

The nobleman said: "What did you talk to that old coat for?" Burns replied:

"I was talking to the Man."
"He kept his honesty and truth,
His independent tongue and pen
And moved in manhood as in youth
Pride of his fellow men."

I said: "Hannah, you are wandering in your mind." She said: "I know it, most people wander and don't know it." She opened Whitman and read, his grand, comprehensive poem: "The Open Road." God's Great Highway of Life. All on the one way—beggar and king. The happy and sorrowful. The difference was superficial. God dispensed His true riches to all. Only weak minds abused the privilege allowed by destiny. The rich could be blessed by the poor; the poor by the rich. Hannah closed the book and quoted from Tennyson:

"I will not shut me from my kind,
And lest I stiffen into stone,
I will not eat my heart alone,
Or feed with sighs the passing wind."

Hannah is still trying to come to an explanation of civic administration. I was going to say something sarcastic. Hannah said: "Mayor and council are like travelers' samples—they are representative. It reflected on the whole city to speak disrespectfully of them." I said: "What about the improved water system?" She said I meant the new irrigation plant. It will be a great benefit to have the water soaking through the country. In old times when people depended on wells, a circus paraded the town, a thirsty elephant put his trunk over a garden fence, and drank a well dry, causing a water famine in the locality. Hannah says before the irrigation plant is turned into a water system the people's pockets will be so empty they won't afford butter-milk at one cent a barrel.

I said: "What about the Ludlow?" She said: "You mean, the Harbor Nickel—two cents for the show and eight for the 'Nickel.' Hannah said, 'Anyways, I'm told they have the tub on wheels. Earl Grey and party went to the Glass School Farm in it, thinking they were in a motor car. Coming back, the Superintendent of Terminals sat on the bow in great anxiety, fearing the Ludlow from habit would make for Navy Island bar and give the visitors an adverse impression. Egypt's Sphinx was only typical, we have the real riddles in St. John. I've tried to solve them with algebra—taking X as the unknown. The only result I can get is X. X. X."

Hannah fainted away. Yours,
BUCKWHEAT.

THE HARVESTERS

WINNIPEG, Aug. 26.—After travelling continuously for over five days, the first contingent of harvesters from the Maritime Provinces, who left St. John, N. B., on Monday night, pulled into Winnipeg on the first of three sections of the excursion from the far east on Saturday. As the train drew into the station the men, about 1,500 in all, fatigued from their long journey across the continent cheered lustily.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The Earl of Dunmore, Charles Adolphus Murray, the most prominent Christian Scientist in England, who last December visited Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, at Concord, N. H., died last night at Trimble Manor, Canterbury. He had not complained of being ill, but was suddenly attacked by illness and died before a doctor could be summoned.

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