

TOPICS OF THE LATE SESSION DISCUSSED BY COL. HUGHES

Member For North Victoria Addresses His Constituents at Fenelon Falls

Col. Hughes address a large number of his constituents at Fenelon Falls on Friday night. The meeting was called under the auspices of the Conservative Association of Fenelon Falls, to give the member an opportunity of the work of the recent session of the Legislature. Dr. Mason of Fenelon Falls, Dr. Vrooman, M.P.P., and Mr. H. Carnegie, M.P.P., were invited. The meeting was unable to attend. Mr. Fox made a capable address. Mr. Jas. Lithgow of Fenelon Falls, president of the South Victoria Conservative Association.

Mr. Lithgow declared that the Conservative party was the party of the future. He said that the party had the hollowest of the professions of the Reform party when they gained control almost doubled expenditure. The distribution Bill by which the Government had hit Victoria county, had hit Victoria county, had hit Victoria county. He considered the Government's cross injustice and one that he would more determined than ever to assist the Liberals out of power.

Mr. Fox, M.P.P. stated that he was in accord with the current of the first elections for the Dominion. He would be for the province. Things were getting better for Premier Ross. He had the condition of the province, and how the Government had dined to \$5,000,000 had dined to \$2,000,000 under the security of the so-called Royal Commission. The Ontario Legislature was a model of commissions. When asked to evade responsibility, the Royal Commission had failed. They had been unable to detect the defalcations of the account which had been going on. They were simply a waste of money.

These system came in for general condemnation. While the Government were claiming a boasted \$5,000,000, Mr. Whitney had followed Col. not see any levying taxes on the people. The speaker then made a scathing attack on the "machine" employed to keep the Government in power. Ballot switching, stuffing, intimidation, etc., were exposed by the records of the machine. Was it right that when a ballot was put for a certain candidate that it should be tampered with? The Government was to blame, and were just in the mire as the tools who work for them. They were used to retain power by the machine irrespective of the will of the people. It was the machine that placed Louis Heyd in East Victoria, and not the voters of the riding. He believed that Mr. Stratton put up the Government would not say that Mr. Heyd acted right in every way. The pressure put on the Government by the way of intimidation and the methods of disqualifying, that they had to manufacture the case. He had heard Mr. Gamey's explanations in Muskoka, and as in the house, and he could hardly be impressed therewith. The speaker went into politics and had a taste of "machine" doctrine. His election was a success and Organizer Vance had

visited the riding and offered "good money for evidence that would unseat him." This being the case why should he doubt the statements made by Mr. Gamey. Far less cause existed for the Northwest rebellion than exists to-day in Ontario by the machine methods of the Ross government. He admired the people of Ontario, because they want to act constitutionally, but the Government does not. He referred to the Renfrew county, which has been unrepresented for nearly two years, because they were afraid an opposition member might be elected. Then the Government was trying to prevent the four protested elections coming to trial, so that they could retain their majority. Was this honest? Was it right? Even the administration of justice is tampered with. Things have gone from bad to worse until the Globe has been forced to call a halt and insist that the baronages be cleared from the ship of state. But are they doing it? He explained how the grafter gets in his work by securing limits and mines from the Government at a nominal price and disposing of them at great profit. In New Ontario everything was held or controlled by grafters or Government heeled. He outlined the recent election at the Soo, where some of the impersonators were caught. The plan of campaign had been carried so far that the people are becoming aroused, and even the Reform press is condemning it.

When Mr. Fox had concluded the following address was read to Col. Hughes by Mr. Lee on behalf of the association:

To Col. Sam. Hughes, M. P.
Dear Sir,—It is nearly two years since you first came prominently before the people of Victoria county. You then drew attention by advocating improved wagon roads throughout this district especially to the business centres; at the same time your fearless, yet fair stand on the "Equal rights and equal laws for all and special privileges for none" showed that you valued the rights of citizenship at their proper standard. The fads of Commercial Union, Unrestricted Reciprocity, Continental Free Trade, and Free Trade as in England, each and all found you a fearless opponent.

Your true British Canadian position was then and has since continued to be, the upbuilding and unity of the Empire (1) trade and commerce, (2) in war, (3) in government by imperial council of some suitable form, and (4) ultimately of a union of the British world.

In all this you were not neglectful of Canada's immediate and direct home interests, the upbuilding of Canada's seaports, the development of her system of railways, the projection of the Lindsay, Bobcaygeon and Pontypool railway, the Mattawa railway, the Trent canal, the Hallsburton canal, the reduction of freight rates for farmer's produce and merchant's goods, the protection of home workmen and their industries, the trade in stocker cattle, union with Newfoundland, opening up the river channel to Lindsay, the Fenelon road, Rosedale bridge, the railway bridge at this village, Eldon roads—these and a score more other important local improvements have received your attention.

Although a fair friend to railway development it has been noted that you have ever been found guarding the rights of the people as against the corporations. Notable instances of this are your constant agitation for fair freight rates to farmers of Victoria, and you stand in favor of farmers' rights to railway cattle guards.

Upon the vexed question of the Manitoba schools you again proved your fearless manhood and declined to accept coercion of the freeman of Manitoba whether in the Liberal leader's pledge for a "stronger bill" or in the Conservative's "Remedial Bill."

In your own special sphere—the militia—the public have noted with much pleasure that your course has ever been towards the suppression of militarism, by the development of a broad militia system. The drilling of the youth in the schools and the training them early in the use of arms seems the most efficient system consistent with the rights of the people and the least expensiture of public money.

The great question of preferential trade within the Empire, now so ably advocated by the Right Honorable Chamberlain in Britain for long years has had staunch advocate in you.

In truth upon all the great questions now prominently before the Empire, you have been one of the earliest pioneers. It is needless here refer to your conduct in assisting to build up the Empire, in your visits to New Zealand and Australia in 1897 and 1898, encouraging our fellow colonials to be ready to take part in the great war for the preservation of Britain in South Africa, and in your gallant stand since he made to your gallant stand in Canada in repeatedly offering to raise and lead Canadian corps on service in Britain's wars; and in effect the hour arrived to carry into effect your theories, you hesitated not to leave family and friends and do your part manfully in that great struggle.

We, one and all rejoice in your successes in Africa, and congratulate you upon the distinction conferred upon you therein, and also in the deserved honor of being made full "Colonel," the only one in the ordinary active militia of Canada.

Yet amid all these great problems in which you have played such a leading part, your restless energy, kindly heart and willing spirit have ever caused you to give care and attention to obtaining a position for an honest workman out of employ-

ment; for a teacher wishing to better his or her condition in life; for a farmer desiring to settle on larger areas in Canada's great Northwest, towards the development of which you have contributed so much; and for the upbuilding of any fellow being whom you could benefit. And in all you have done for the Conservative party of the county and country, in the many interest in which you have assisted, and in all you have performed for the country in its material upbuilding, you have never been known to accept aught but the thanks of the grateful community or your valuable services.

In conclusion let us wish you for the future, the same continued success as has accompanied you in the past. Signed on behalf of the Liberal Conservative Association of Fenelon Falls.

R. M. MASON, V.S.

Replying, Col. Hughes thanked the chairman, Dr. Mason, and Mr. Lee, representing the association for the address. He would not on that occasion review the many questions therein referred to. However, it was gratifying to him to find the great change that had come over the relationship existing between himself and the people twenty years ago. Then he was a comparative stranger and the Conservatives were not quite sure that there might be something in the disparaging statements emanating from the small ring of Liberal wire-pullers in Lindsay, while the vast mass of the Liberal party naturally accepted the assurances of their then not discredited leaders. But the Conservatives had stood to their guns to a man; not one solitary defection had occurred on account of anything done by Col. Hughes. He believed that the Conservatives today are more firmly loyal than ever before to him and the cause he represents. Not less gratifying was the feeling displayed the last year or two towards him by the rank and file of the Liberal party, many of whom had given public approval of his course. Even the grit wire-pullers, a very small band, were comparatively inert against him; though he would be sorry to find himself meriting the approval of some men among that petty little ring.

The speaker briefly reviewed the contests in which he had taken part since coming to the county, and as was stated in the address he had never accepted aught but thanks for all the hard work he had done for the party in any party in any part of Victoria, for every candidate. He had given his time, every moment that could be spared, in some cases as much as months at a time, towards the election of John Cruess, Adam Hudspeth, Robert Bryans, John Fell, S. J. Fox, J. H. Carnegie, the old war horse Charles Fairbairn, Dr. Vrooman and Hector Cameron, and he had taken part in the most active part in the defeat of the following: D. J. McIntyre, Mr. Bick, W. J. Campbell of East Victoria, Mr. Thurston, J. Austin, L. Heyd, N. Smale, Dr. Wood, J. A. Barron, R. J. McLaughlin, W. Needler, W. Lowmingsborough, Geo. McHugh and Thos. Walters. In all he had given his services in far more than a score of contests for the grand old party in North Victoria. Col. Hughes had not known he was ever to be a candidate when first nominated for North Victoria, for he had twice refused nominations in South Victoria and had at that time, long years ago no thought of entering parliament. But he had redeemed the old riding and was in the field, so long as the people wished him.

The Colonel then briefly reviewed recent political questions, touching on the expenditures, the indebtedness, the Grand Trunk Pacific, the Trent Canal and how it would save the farmers large sums in freight rates, Preferential Trade within the Empire, the Alaskan boundary, and the Redistribution, especially with regard to Victoria.

THE REDISTRIBUTION
On the Redistribution measure now light was thrown. The draft bill was privately made by the Liberals before the matter came before Parliament. In that, in order to defeat Col. Hughes, Victoria was assigned only one member. The signed only one member. The scheme was the product of two Lindsay Liberal wire-pullers. Another proposition to effectually annihilate Col. Hughes was to take Verulam Bobcaygeon, Emily and Omeme Bobcaygeon, and add to West Peterboro, thus making a solid Tory hive of West Peterboro and fixing it so that the colonel could not get elected. Thus Victoria and East and West Peterboro would be nearly equalized in population, while Hallsburton could be cut adrift to be stranded upon Muskoka or Nipissing. But Col. Hughes fought the issue; showed Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his committee that, under the very law they had laid down for their own guidance and rule, viz chapter 3 Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897. Victoria and Hallsburton must be united for they are under that law, a unit judicially. Upon this being shown him, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with the fairness characteristic of him when approached in reason, at once decided that Hallsburton should remain attached to Victoria, and he promised and offered if possible to give Victoria two instead of one member. It was understood he would have taken one from Lanark county; but it would be unfair to that splendid city already under-represented to deprive it of a member. The reason Lanark was not taken is said to be that Sir Wilfrid felt he could not yield to attacks, but Col. Hughes had not attacked him. He had appealed to his reason and sense of fairness. However, every man of prominence in Hallsburton wished to remain with Victoria where many of them had voted since confederation. That being the case Col. Hughes declared he would never be so recreant to a right sense of honor as to desert that grand people, a hardy but an

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Girl's Ulsters and Reefers Coats worth up to 4.50 for
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Lot No. 10
New Tweed and Plain Dress or Walking Skirts, always sold for 6.50, 7.50 and 8.00, choice for
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Lot No. 11.
Women's 8.50 and 9.00 New Cravenette Rain Coats for
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P. J. KURLEY

in Toronto on Thursday night. (1) Adequate protection to Canadian interests and (2) Preference among Britain and her colonies over other nations. The speaker also showed how with Great Britain and her colonies united the massacres of human beings in Turkey and in Russia would have to cease. Incidentally he pointed out that the passive yielding spirit had never been responsible for any reform. It was the stirring, energetic, aggressive fellow who inspired people. As well follow:

"The old man who said how Shall I deal with that terrible cow?"

I will sit on the stile
And continue to smile
And soften the heart of the cow."
Incidentally in his remarks Col. Hughes reminded his audience that he had never asked a vote in convention or in election, it being every freeman's right to vote as he chose. He had no agents out seeking to injure opponents, by placing incorrect statements before them. He had never fought fairly and thus had won his Conservative friends to be stronger, and had been fortunate enough in securing the alliance of many an

honest and a capable class living amid their rugged hills, along their beautiful lakes, and in the fertile valleys. He therefore stood to retain Hallsburton with Victoria and he would so again a hundred times over.

TREATY MAKING RIGHTS
Upon the right for Canada to make her own treaties, the speaker took peculiar ground. While he yielded to no man in his thorough Canadianism, yet carrying out his plan of a union of Great Britain and her colonies upon a plan which would delegate to each integral part of the federation full control of her fiscal and general affairs, it would provide a Greater Britain council dealing with subjects of inter-imperial and foreign concern and in which each component part would be represented on a fair basis. Then the peace of the world would be assured. But the world would be assured to make once Canada acquired power to make her own treaties, she would be virtually free from Great Britain, and a greater Britain would be impossible.

THE BOUNDARY AWARD
Upon the Alaskan Boundary he scored Mr. Aylesworth, one of the tribune, for having, while the judgment was yet undelivered, given away to a reporter an exaggerated account of Canada's losses. He then flamed the Canadian public. Yet in coming to Canada, the same Mr. Aylesworth who had cried not to get excited, that it was all right after all. The colonel showed that as far back as 1898 he had no claim to that Canada had no claim to a portion of Alaska, and had advocated then an "All-Canadian" route from Kitimat Harbor to the Yukon. The two little islands conceded to the United States are of no possible value to anyone in any sense.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE
Upon the Preferential Trade question, Col. Hughes pointed out that the Conservative policy is as enunciated in President Drummond's speech

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