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**East York Liberals.**  
PREMIER HARDY AT  
MARKHAM.  
**John Richardson**  
Re-Nominated.  
A ROUSING CONVENTION.

At a mass meeting of the Liberals of  
East York, held at Markham Town  
Hall on Friday last, Mr. J. Richardson,  
M. P., was again nominated as the  
Liberal standard-bearer in the coming  
elections for the Ontario Legislature.  
The meeting was one of the best that  
has ever been held in the riding, quite  
400 people having been present in the  
hall during the speech delivered by  
the Premier of Ontario, Hon. A. S.  
Hardy, who arrived by the afternoon  
train after the nomination had been  
made.  
Mr. G. B. Smith, who came with the  
Premier, received a gratifying welcome  
from his old constituents. Hon. E. J.  
Davis spoke for some time, directing  
attention to the misstatements that  
have been made by members of the  
Opposition, giving a final and crush-  
ing answer to the charges of extrava-  
gance made by Mr. St. John in relation  
to West York piggyery. After the  
plain business statement of the Pro-  
vincial Secretary it is not probable  
that any more will be heard of this  
ridiculous campaign cry. The inci-  
dent has, however, had the quite un-  
intended effect of proving the capacity  
of the Government to administer even  
the smallest details of the work entrus-  
ted to them in a way that would reflect  
credit upon any business establish-  
ment. Inspector Noxon's letter ex-  
plaining all the circumstances of the  
case will be read on this account with  
an interest the subject could not have  
been expected to warrant.

The address of the Premier went far  
to establish his reputation as a wise  
and courageous leader of the Reform  
forces in the Province. It was im-  
possible to listen to Mr. Hardy's ad-  
dress without feeling that the attacks  
so assiduously upon the party in the  
hope that it is immeasurably weak-  
ened by the loss of Sir Oliver Mowat  
will fail of their effect, for the nature  
of the attacks in all their variety was  
laid bare before the audience with that  
unsparing keenness of presentation  
and that bantering exposure of a weak  
case which has made the new Premier  
at once dreaded as an opponent and  
respected as a leader of men and an  
advocate of great principles of govern-  
ment.

Predominant in the speech was the  
ring of encouragement to the Liberal  
forces in the coming contest. The Pre-  
mier dwelt upon the intention of the  
Conservative organization to obtain a  
foothold in the Dominion again by  
first seizing upon Ontario, the key-  
stone of the political arch, and while  
challenging any and every honest criti-  
cism by the Opposition of the record  
of the Government for the past quarter  
century, appealed to the Liberals of  
Ontario to hold fast by the advantage  
the present triumph of the party af-  
forded, knowing as they did how much  
the fate of Canada must depend upon  
the continuation of such a Government  
of the Dominion had witnessed since  
Mr. Laurier's accession to office. The  
speech was a trumpet call to Liberals  
all over the Province, and so far as his  
immediate audience was concerned  
was received with repeated and long-  
continued marks of the most favorable  
appreciation.

When the convention assembled the  
Town Hall was well filled with electors  
from all parts of the riding, among  
whom were the following:—  
East Toronto—Wm. Omerod, J. L.  
McCullough, R. Nimmo.  
Markham Village—Dr. Robinson, G.  
R. Vanzant, H. R. Corson, H. R.  
Wales, Henry Wilson, E. H. Wilson,  
A. H. Wilson, Kenneth Douglas, Jos.  
Watts, H. B. Reesor, Thos. Morgan,  
S. L. Beebe, C. S. Billing, Geo. Read,  
H. Jonea, G. W. Reesor, P. P. Crosby,  
J. D. Smith, R. Pringle, Geo. Warren,  
R. A. Mason, J. Lunau, J. J. Lunau,  
W. J. Foy.

From Richmond Hill—T. F. Mc-  
Mahon, D. Horner, D. Lynett, E. Red-  
ditt, D. C. Steele, A. Moodie, T. H.  
Trench, and J. A. E. Switzer.  
Markham Township—Walter Scott,  
David James, J. C. James, F. K.  
Reesor, W. D. Reesor, John Sewell,  
A. W. Umy, E. Umy, Jonathan  
Slater, H. P. Crosby, C. H. Stivee, H.  
Quantz, John Eckardt, Simon Miller,  
Salem Eckardt, Arthur Quantz, Jas.  
Eckardt, Frank Gohn, Jas. Harring-  
ton, Geo. Robb, George Brown, An-  
thony Forster, Jos. Lupp, D. B. Nigh-  
wander, Wm. Burr, Moses White, Al-  
lan McKinnon, L. Summerfeldt, Abner

Summerfeldt, Jesse Noble, W. Noble,  
Jonathan Nigh, John Calvert, John  
Milroy, W. H. Lundy, John Pike,  
Alf. Hoover.

Scarboro' Township—George Elliott,  
John Elliott, John Ineson, J. C. Clark,  
Robt. Crawford, W. Crawford, Henry  
Harding, Oliver Harding, W. Heron,  
Peter Heron, Thos. Crawford, James  
Ley, Thomas Ineson, J. McGinn, Geo.  
Fitzpatrick, John Fitzpatrick, S.  
Dougherty, Wm. Dougherty, L. Ken-  
nedy, R. Forfar.  
York Township—Charles Harmon,  
Joshua Harmon, Thomas Harmon, W.  
Gooderham, Thomas Gooderham, Jno.  
Muirhead, Geo. Fitzpatrick, Charles  
Fitzpatrick, Alex. Muirhead, R. J.  
Gibson, Wm. Harrison, W. Sylvester,  
Charles Murphy.

Stouffville—James O'Brien, G. S.  
Macdonald, A. G. Brown, H. Johnston,  
Geo. Flint, jr., C. Pingle, J. G. Martin,  
F. Wilson, Dr. Sangster, R. Sangster,  
W. B. Saunders, John Saunders, L.  
Hoover, W. J. Covington, Walter  
Covington, A. Brown.  
Mr. James Ley of Scarboro', was  
chairman of the convention, and with  
him on the platform were a number of  
the leaders of Liberalism in East York.  
Nominations were immediately called  
for, and the following names were  
quickly placed before the convention:  
John Richardson, M. P., proposed  
by County Councillor F. K. Reesor  
and L. E. Annis.

R. J. Gibson, by H. J. Wilson and  
Alex. Muirhead.  
H. P. Crosby, ex-M. P., by W. D.  
Reesor and T. F. McMahon.  
F. K. Reesor, by E. H. Wilson and  
David James.  
H. R. Frankland, by H. P. Crosby  
and A. Forster.  
Walter Scott, by J. C. Clark and W.  
S. Ormiston.  
George Flint, by A. Johnston and  
John Richardson.  
David James, by L. E. Annis and  
A. Forster.  
Wm. Douglas, by F. Wilson and A.  
Umy.  
P. R. Hoover, by W. Scott and H.  
K. Frankland.

All withdrew in favor of Mr. Rich-  
ardson, the candidates making brief  
speeches, expressing confidence in the  
present member and in his ability to  
retain the riding for the Hardy Ad-  
ministration. Much interest was  
aroused by a vigorous address from  
Mr. Flint, who as an old-time Liberal,  
who was now to some extent out of  
the running, rejoiced at the Reform  
party's jubilee and triumph, for which  
those present had so long labored and  
so long labored in vain.

Mr. H. R. Frankland was accorded a  
rousing reception, a well-deserved tri-  
bute to the vigorous fight that was  
made by him in the Dominion cam-  
paign. Mr. Frankland said he hoped  
yet to represent the constituency at  
Ottawa, and the statement was hearti-  
ly received.

Mr. R. J. Gibson had been spoken of  
by one of the retiring candidates as a  
Toronto man. There were many in  
the hall who desired that he should  
stand for the nomination, and while  
he decided against doing so, Mr. Gib-  
son stated that he had been born in  
York Township, lived there all his  
life, and objected to being regarded as  
an outsider. He had been asked to  
stand for the nomination and had said  
that when the right time came he  
would do so. "I will be frank enough  
to say that I cherish aspirations in that  
direction," he continued. "I do hope  
to some day represent East York in  
the Legislature, and perhaps at the  
next convention of this kind if the in-  
vitation is repeated I shall not with-  
draw my nomination." He was pre-  
pared to support Mr. Richardson to  
the last. Mr. Moyes might be a strong  
candidate or he might not, but whether  
or no the Reformers must buckle  
on their armor and retain the consti-  
tuency at any cost of personal effort.

Mr. Richardson, to save the trouble  
of calling another convention, as he  
jokingly remarked, accepted the unan-  
imous nomination of the meeting. He  
thanked those present for the honor  
done him, and promised to begin hard  
work at once, not leaving off until the  
night of the election, whenever it  
might come. He complimented Mr.  
Lee, the Chairman, on having been  
chosen to preside over the affairs of  
the Liberal organization, and expressed  
confidence that the work of the  
election would be carried on in the  
most effective way. Turning to public  
questions, Mr. Richardson reviewed  
the attacks made upon the Govern-  
ment by Mr. Whitney and his lieuten-  
ants, and pointed out that nowhere  
had there been a single substantiated  
statement calling in question the hon-  
esty or the economy of the Govern-  
ment. Mr. Whitney was pleased to  
say there were too many High Schools,  
but it was a singularly striking fact  
that there has never been a single High  
School abolished. That was answer  
more than sufficient to any attack  
upon the Government, as the respon-  
sibility for establishment and abolish-  
ing these schools rested as directly as  
it possibly could upon the people them-  
selves through School Boards and  
municipal Councils. Mr. Richardson

also adverted to the attacks of the  
Opposition offered to the retention of  
the Good Roads Inspector, the Agricul-  
tural College, and other aids to the  
farming community, and closed with a  
reference to the triumph of Liberalism,  
as represented in the lesson of Sir Wil-  
fred Laurier.

The following resolutions were  
unanimously agreed to:—  
Moved by Mr. Douglas, seconded by  
George B. McDonald—"That this con-  
vention, assembled for the purpose of  
selecting a candidate to represent East  
York in the Local Assembly, desire to  
extend to the Premier, the Hon. A. S.  
Hardy, an expression of our unbound-  
ed confidence in him as our leader.  
This convention feels that the country  
cannot be in safer hands. We there-  
fore pledge ourselves to do our ut-  
most in returning a candidate to sup-  
port him in the Government of this  
Province, which is so dear to us, who  
desire good government and prosper-  
ity in this fair Province. We have in  
the Hon. Premier a good leader, whose  
motto is honesty, industry and integ-  
rity. We pray that he may long be  
spared to rule in our Legislature with  
the same good judgment that he has  
hitherto displayed.

Moved by L. E. Annis, seconded by  
R. J. Gibson—"That we, the Liberals  
of East York, in convention assem-  
bled, hereby express our confidence in  
Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prem-  
ier of Canada, and his Government.  
We congratulate the Premier, the  
people of Canada and the British  
Empire upon the signal success of his  
visit to the old land and the grand pro-  
gress made in the development of Lib-  
eral principles."

About 4 o'clock the meeting ad-  
journed to meet Hon. Mr. Hardy on  
his arrival by the afternoon train. The  
Premier was accompanied by Hon. E.  
J. Davis, Mr. J. K. Kerr, Mr. G. B.  
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Mr. G. B. Smith, who until recently  
represented East York in the Legisla-  
ture, received an excellent reception  
from his old constituents. He was  
pleased with the convention, and pleased  
that it had again chosen the man  
who, from township councillor to  
member of the Legislature, had per-  
formed the various public duties with  
honor to himself and credit to East  
York. Mr. Smith referred to his long  
connection with the riding, and ex-  
pressed his regret that he would still  
be unable to participate actively in  
political work. He was sure the  
choice of the convention would again  
be the member for East York, and  
pledged himself to do all that lay in  
his power to contribute to that end.

Hon. E. J. Davis, Provincial Sec-  
retary, followed Mr. Smith, and gave a  
good speech as he always does. Then  
the Hon. A. S. Hardy, Ontario's Prem-  
ier, whose rising was the signal for a  
demonstration which lasted for several  
minutes, gave one of the ablest ad-  
dresses he has ever been known to  
give. Speaking of the candidate, he  
said he was pleased to learn that his  
old friend, Mr. Richardson, had been  
re-nominated. He has served his ap-  
prenticeship in the county council, is  
well acquainted with municipal law,  
and as your representative he always  
takes part in all that is going on in  
committee on the floor of the house.

A good deal is said in the papers to-  
day, notably the Conservative organs,  
of the great ability of Mr. Whitney,  
Mr. Willoughby, Mr. Miscampbell and  
Mr. Matheson, the quartette who are  
stumping the Province in the interests  
of Opposition. They do not hesitate  
to sound their praise, to blow their  
bugles, and wherein they fall short in  
proclaiming their knowledge and great  
ability, the organs throughout the  
country supplement what they have  
left unsaid.  
Now, I do not wish to say it to de-  
tract from their fame, or in deprecia-  
tion of them, at all events beyond the  
strictest line of justice, but I will say  
that Mr. Richardson has shown him-  
self unusually familiar with the legis-  
lation, and you would be surprised if  
I were to tell you—but I will tell you—  
that I will take the statutes commencing  
with the year that Mr. Richardson  
first entered the Local House, and, al-  
though Mr. Whitney and Mr. Will-  
oughby have been there for ten years,  
Mr. Miscampbell six years and Mr. St.  
John three years, I am bound to say  
that there has been more legislation  
placed upon those books by Mr. Rich-  
ardson during the brief time he has  
been there than by all the four gentle-  
men I have named, combined during  
the time they have held seats in the  
House.

The meeting which closed with  
cheers for The Queen, the candidate  
and the Premier, was one of the best  
and most enthusiastic ever held in the  
banner constituency of East York.

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