



Opera House

Monday Evening, May 21st, 1900

Grand Entertainment BY THE HIGHLAND BRIGADE

PART I.

- Overture—"Bonnie Scotland"..... St Cecilia Club.
- Overture—"True to the Flag"..... Orchestra.
- 1. Tableau—"Britannia" (by request)..... Highland Brigade.
- 2. (a) Company Drill..... Highland Brigade.
- (b) Rifle Drill..... Highland Brigade.
- (c) Quartette and Chorus..... Highland Brigade.
- 3. MacLern, McIsaac, Lord and Bremner.
- 3. Recitation—"Who Killed Kruger"..... Bugler T Fullerton.
- 4. Vocal Solo—"Scots Wha Hae"..... Mr Charles Earle.
- 5. Selection on Bagpipes..... Piper Peter Ferguson.
- 6. Vocal Solo..... Miss Cotton.
- 7. Tableau—"Peace"..... Highland Brigade.
- 8. Sword Drill (with orchestra)..... Highland Brigade.
- 9. Vocal Solo..... Prof Caven.
- 10. Quartette—"Annie Laurie"..... The Misses Earle, Mr Belleau, Mr C Earle.
- 11. Character Sketch—"Samantha Allan"..... Miss Enid McLean.

INTERMISSION.

- Sale of Home Made Candy.
- Selection—"Blue Danube Waltzes"..... Orchestra.

PART II.

- 1. Tableau—"Prince Edward Island"..... Highland Brigade.
- 2. (a) Physical Drill..... Highland Brigade.
- (b) Solo and Chorus..... Highland Brigade.
- 3. Recitation—"The Pipes of Lucknow"..... Miss F MacKenzie.
- 4. Vocal Solo—(a) "Sing Tae Me the Auld Scotch Sings"..... Mr A E MacIsaac.
- (b) "Sally in Our Alley"..... Rev Leo Williams.
- 5. Tableau—"Our Lady of the Snows"..... Highland Brigade.
- 6. Vocal Solo—(a) "Willie's Geen to Melville Castle"..... Miss Earle.
- (b) "Will Ye No Come Back Again"..... Miss Earle.
- 7. Coronation Song and Cake Walk..... Mr E Mitchell and Mr W Brecken.
- 8. Vocal Solo..... Mr Belleau.
- 9. Tableau—Finale.....

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THE DAILY EXAMINER

MAY 21, 1900

THE PATRIOT

AND THE SPEAKER.

AFTER much delay, and in a labored article, the Patriot has made an attempt to justify the unprecedented conduct of Speaker Cumiskey regarding Mr. Wise's case and to reply to THE EXAMINER's article.

"Although there is very little in the Patriot's answer for THE EXAMINER to reply to there is one admission in it which disposes of the ground of Speaker Cumiskey's now famous decision. The Patriot admits that the fact that the Speaker holds a document purporting to be a resignation of a member is not conclusive that the member has resigned. Yet this was the very ground upon which Mr. Speaker Cumiskey claimed to eject Mr. Wise.

In defence, however, of Speaker Cumiskey, the Patriot claims that Mr. Wise did in fact resign, and therefore occupied the position of a stranger in the House and when the standing order was called the Speaker had the power, under the rules of the House, to direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove him with the strangers.

Now, who decided that Mr. Wise was a stranger? Was it not the Speaker? And upon what evidence did he do so? He was informed by Mr. Wise and other members of the House that the alleged resignation was irregular, and had most improperly got into his hands. But, instead of referring the matter to the House, he decided the dispute himself, and upon no evidence whatever, and contrary to the statements made to him by Mr. Wise and other members, and without any contradiction of those statements, he declined to allow the House to pass upon the matter and ordered the member's removal.

Inferentially, the Patriot admits that the Speaker was wrong, and the editor might have been candid enough and gone further and told his readers that the action of the Speaker was not only wrong but without precedent and against all parliamentary law.

Does the Speaker want authority to show that he was wrong? If he does, common sense should supply it. But if this will not do and he wants more, it can be found in the utterances of the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone and the Hon. Edward Blake. The former of these distinguished gentlemen has laid down the principle that where the facts are in dispute the House must inquire into them and decide upon them. The Hon. Edward Blake has stated that if a member has not legally resigned, an election to fill the alleged vacancy cannot be held, and may on Parliament expressly states that if it appear doubtful whether a member has really vacated his seat the Speaker must refer the matter to the decision of the House.

Resignation is only one mode by which a member's seat may be vacated. It may be vacated by the member accepting an office under the Government. Now, supposing the Government of the day should appoint a member of the Opposition to an office and the appointment appeared in THE Royal Gazette, could the Speaker order the member, in case he took his seat, to be removed from his place, simply by being informed of the alleged appointment, if the member denied that he had accepted the office? The logical conclusion from Speaker Cumiskey's decision in the Wise case is that he could. But no person at all acquainted with Parliamentary law will for an instant argue that the Speaker has such authority,

but will admit that the proper course to adopt would be to refer the question to the House to decide. If it were otherwise, a Government could very easily and promptly vacate the seat of every Opposition member or the seat of a recalcitrant supporter.

In Mr. Wise's case, a supposed resignation has reached the Speaker's hands. The validity of that resignation has been challenged by Mr. Wise himself in the public newspapers, by written notice to the Speaker, and on the floor of the House. It has also been challenged by other members of the House from their seats.

Notwithstanding all this, the Speaker has ruled that the fact he had the resignation was conclusive, and would not allow any inquiry into the matter.

The Patriot, in defence of the Speaker, admits that a resignation surreptitiously obtained and forwarded to the Speaker does not vacate a seat—and therefore the Speaker on that ground was wrong—but alleges as an excuse for Speaker Cumiskey that Mr. Wise, had in fact, resigned. In doing so, THE Patriot has placed the Speaker in the position of one who decides a case, not only contrary to the uncontradicted statements of the only witness heard, but without hearing the other side,—because it must be remembered that, so far, Mr. Wise's version of the transaction is the only version before the public and his statements have not been contradicted by any one outside of the Patriot office.

Speaker Cumiskey, by his arbitrary unconstitutional, unparliamentary, and unprecedented conduct, has prevented a full hearing of the matters in dispute and deprived Mr. Wise of that fair and impartial trial which every British subject has the right to expect and insist upon.

It was for this right, amongst others that our forefathers fought in days gone by; and it is that this right, amongst others, shall be accorded to the Uitlanders, that Lord Roberts and his great army—among whom are many Canadians and some Prince Edward Islanders—are now fighting and shedding their blood in South Africa. Yet, here in Prince Edward Island, under the British flag, that right has been refused, and by whom?

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—The tone of the Continental newspapers is sad, in view of British success in South Africa,—particularly the relief of Mafeking.

—We haven't heard from Mr. Tarte for several days. Is it possible that he has been warned by Sir Wilfrid that he had better hold a quiet tongue?

—Michael Davitt is returning home, after a useless visit to President Kruger. He is reported to have expressed the opinion that the war is practically ended.

—It is said that Australian Federation is endangered, because it has been decided that the supreme judicial power shall, as in the case of Canada, be in England.

—The Duke of Orleans has been politely requested to resign his membership of several London clubs, on account of his letter to M. Willotte, complimenting him upon his insulting caricatures of Queen Victoria. Some of these requests have been complied with. But, as to the Bachelors' Club, which demanded his resignation, the Duke writes to the president, from Venice, under date of May 15th, refusing to comply with the demand, and characterizing the summons as "unbecoming." The Duke says: "You have forgotten that you addressed the heir of the king who made France. My intention was to resign, but your action makes me change my mind. I refuse to resign. I desire you to deliberate on the disgrace of my name. It is important to know if your hospitality signifies bondage, and if you intend to abandon the ancient traditions of individual liberty, which makes the strength and grandeur of your country. I await your decision whatever it may be. Mine is taken."

A Bloody Battle.

COLON, Columbia, via Glaveston, May 19.—News has been received here of a victory by the Government troops over the insurgents in a battle in the Venas district, which began May 11, and lasted seventeen hours. General Leal and Herrera were among the killed, who are said to have been very numerous, the slaughter being described as "horrible butchery." Twelve hundred insurgents were taken prisoners, and the Government troops captured a large quantity of guns and rifles.

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