

MAYOR IS A LINGUIST, MAKES ITALIAN SPEECH

Reservists Cheer Him to the
Echo as He Speaks Their
Own Tongue.

"Vivi l'Italia!" shouted Mayor Church as he grasped the Italian tricolor and waved it in the faint breeze before the grand stand yesterday afternoon. In response several hundred Italian throats cheered Mr. Mayor to the echo. It was the occasion of the departure of a hundred Italian reservists to join the colors; and the Mayor, the Exhibition directorate, and other prominent citizens were on hand to review the soldiers and wish them bon voyage. As a special honor for the occasion, Creatore's band left their stand and marched at the head of the procession.

Those present were: President Oliver, Hon. Col. J. O. Orr, Sir John Eaton, Mr. N. W. Rowell, Hon. Col. W. K. McNaught, Signor Marino, Italian Consul; and Dr. Gigliotte, from Erie, Pa., who is here in the cause of recruiting.

The Mayor addressed the Italians in their own language, much to their surprise and delight. His speech follows:

Cori Concittadini Italiani — Mi fa gran piacere di accogliervi qui. In questa esposizione della vostro paese adottato. Sieto degul figli della Nazione Italiana. Vetri fratelli combattono vittoriosamente per la causa di liberte. Vi felicito del fatto che siete richiamati della patrie per dare la vostra valutabile assistenza in questa guerra del mondo. Vi auguro in viaffio sicuro nella patrie una vittoria glorioss contro namici della patria.

Vive l'Italia!

Vive l'Ne Vittorio Emanuele!

Vive l'Ne Georgio!

Which, being interpreted, means:

My Dear Italian Citizens—It gives me much pleasure to welcome you here to the Exposition of your adopted country. You are worthy sons of the Italian nation. Your brothers are fighting victoriously for the cause of liberty. I congratulate you that you have been called by the motherland to give your valuable assistance in this world war. I wish you a safe journey to your homeland, and a glorious victory against the enemies of the motherland.

Long live Italy!

Long live King Victor Emmanuel!

Long live King George!