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FARMERS MADE STRONG DEMAND FOR RECIPROCITY

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Western Delegation Put Up Strong Argument for Free Trade in Natural Products — To the Deputations, Premier Borden Gave the Non-Committal Reply of Careful Consideration

OTTAWA, Dec. 16.—A dozen representatives of the organized farmers and grain growers of Western Canada and Ontario, combined under the central organization of the Dominion Council of Agriculture waited upon Premier Borden and members of his Cabinet for three hours this morning and this afternoon, and with facts and figures backed up a compelling argument for free trade in natural products, for relief both to producers and consumers from unjustifiable tariff burdens, which benefit the middleman, and the monopolies and combines at the expense of the many, and generally for a fiscal policy of wider markets, and sound national economies.

STRONG FOR RECIPROCITY

The argument presented was, in a large measure, a repetition of the demands made by the great farmers' gathering at Ottawa in December of 1910 prior to the Reciprocity agreement. Today the representatives of the same classes declared that subsequent events had but emphasized the justice of the demands they made at that time, for Reciprocity, and that action by the Government along the lines of a lowering of tariff restrictions was even more imperative now than it was then.

TORY SENATOR'S COUNTER-BLAST.

A smaller deputation organized by Senator E. D. Smith, of Winona, the well known fruit grower and canner and comprising fruit growers and pure bred stock breeders from the Niagara and Toronto districts heard the arguments presented by the main deputation, and come back later in the afternoon to tell the Government that the farmers did not want, and should not want any lowering of the protective tariff. Their argument in

this afternoon, the members of the deputation who had urged, among other things, that bonuses to railways, or other corporate interests were usually not justifiable, met Sir William MacKenzie, President of the Canadian Northern, at the door hurrying in to see Mr. Borden.

REMOVE TARIFF RESTRICTIONS.

Altogether there was five hours of tariff talk covering fairly fully the arguments heard during the Reciprocity campaign with figures brought down to date. From the farmer's standpoint one of the main arguments was that the protective tariff benefited the manufacturer and the middleman without benefiting to any appreciable degree, the agriculturist. The margin between the cost of production, and the profit from the sale of farm produce was, the deputation claimed, steadily decreasing. The remedy for the relatively faster increase of urban population, as compared with rural population, lay in the direction of cheapening the cost of production by removing tariff restrictions, both in regard to buying and selling in the best market.

BENTON.

The most beautiful weather—the stores are all decorated for Xmas and certainly would compare with any city store, more particularly the store of D. W. Olts, it is full to overflowing and looks lovely.

The ladies all have to go to Houlton or Woodstock for their millinery since Mrs. Sharp has gone out of business. We have no other store for millinery.

Mrs. Harry Boyle, Mrs. J. H. Bolger, Mrs. Muse, Mrs. Roy McNally, and several others, took a trip to Houlton on Saturday.

Our schools closed Tuesday with a very large attendance in the forenoon and afternoon. Each of the teachers received beautiful presents from the children. Miss Rice received a lovely copy of Tennyson works, a pretty box of stationery and several pretty handkerchiefs for which she thanked the children in a neat address. Miss Baird of the advanced department received a copy of Shakespeare, a box of stationery and several handkerchiefs, for which she also thanked the children. They are both to remain next term. Trustees D. W. Olts and W. E. Boyle were present and expressed their appreciation of both teachers and pupils. The attendance of visitors were very large.

The Rev. F. L. Carney of Fredericton paid a visit to the home of John H. Bolger. He remained all night. The house was filled with his friends of all denominations until a late hour. He looked fine and all were delighted to meet him as he was always liked so well by every one at Benton.

John Bolger and his crew are home for the winter months. He will be with John H. Bolger until spring.

John Bolger and wife took their little son to Dr. Griffin at Woodstock on Saturday. He is bad with kidney trouble and cannot walk.

Mrs. John Boyd and daughter Maggie, went to Brownville, Me., to spend the winter. Mr. Boyd is to stay with his son Willie.

Happy Christmas to all and a prosperous and cheaper New Year—The wish from Benton.

FOUR FALLS.

Miss Sadie McGrand, teacher of Aroostook Portage, attended the teacher's Institute on Wednesday, Dec. 17th.

Dan Morrell of Limestone was in the village Thursday.

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California, were calling on friends here Sunday.

G. S. Wiggins went to Woodstock on Thursday returning Friday.

Miss Muriel Bradley, teacher of this place, returned to her home at Little Nashwaak Saturday.

Wood Murchison has gone to Toronto on potato cars.

Rowena Murchison who has been attending Andover Grammar school is home for the Xmas holidays.

Several from Aroostook Junction attended the concert here the 19th.

Nellie Wright is spending a few days at Easton.

John and Hugh Pickard spent Sunday at Gillespie.

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Progress of the Anglican Churches in Carleton Co. During 1913

(Standard)

RICHMOND

Rev. A. W. Teed has now been twenty-five years in charge of this laborious mission. Mr. Teed took a distinguished course while at the University of New Brunswick and in his graduating year was the best all-round athlete. He settled down to the work of a country parson in 1888 and has been faithful in his ministrations to the people of his first and only charge from that day to this. During the past year twenty-two persons have been confirmed. Four Sunday schools are in operation one at the parish church, the others at Hartford, Monument Settlement and Golden Ridge. Two branches of the W. A. are doing good work. The delegates who attended the convention at St. John came back filled with enthusiasm. The parish has increased by \$110 its annual contribution to the Diocesan Mission Fund. A mission was conducted by Rev. A. H. Crowfoot at South Richmond in August from which much good has resulted.

WOODSTOCK.

Rev. A. S. Hazel reports an increase both in the number of communicants and in the attendance at church services. The Sunday school, too, has made an advance, and the various parochial organizations are doing well. A chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been organized with the assistance of Mr. Birmingham, the Brotherhood secretary. A junior branch of the W. A. has been started and during the few months of its existence has accomplished much. A brass credence table has lately been placed in the parish church as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Bedell. The W. A. senior and junior branches have by their gifts helped to beautify St. Luke's church. The parish has a

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zealous body of laymen who have, by their efforts, helped to promote the well-being of the church. Mr. A. J. Raymond, lay reader, has greatly assisted in the services at the two churches. A monthly service is held by the rector at St. Peter's church, Jacksonville.

HARTLAND

Rev. A. Franchette, lately appointed to this comparatively new mission, writes very encouragingly of his field of labor. A new church will shortly be begun at Hartland. The services there are well attended. Services are also held at Glassville and Beaufort. A small church will be built at Beaufort, for which a building fund has been started. There have been fifteen baptisms in the past nine months.

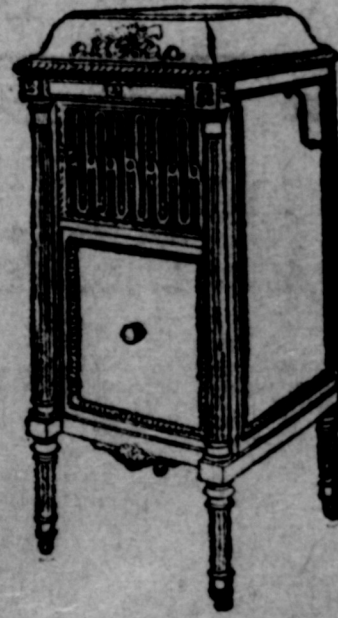
CENTREVILLE

Rev. Hazen F. Rigby has been only six months in his extensive mission. The principal centres are Florenceville, Greenfield and Centreville, at each of which places there is a church in excellent condition. Bishop Richardson visited the mission in October

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