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CHASING THE SHADOW

During the past four months, according to government figures, Canada exported goods to the value of \$130,811,013 and imported to the value of \$227,075,270.

Canada exported to Great Britain goods valued at \$59,985,645 and took from Great Britain imports of \$48,188,012.

Canada sent to the United States goods valued at \$52,702,585 and imported from the same country to the extent of \$149,367,823.

Less than 25 per cent. of British goods came to Canada duty free. Nearly 37 per cent. came here duty free from the United States.

Canada's gross trade with Great Britain for the four months was \$108,173,657, or more than \$40,000,000 less than her imports from the United States.

Our gross trade with the United States was \$202,070,408, or almost double that with Great Britain. Our imports from the States more than trebled those from the Mother Country.

In face of these facts the Borden government has steadily refused the demand of western consumers that the British preference should be increased to 50 per cent. as a step towards actual free trade with the Mother Country.

In face of these facts Hon. George E. Foster has been kept touring the world, ostensibly looking for odd corners to trade with, while the government has systematically neglected the two countries with which 4-5th of our trade is done.

During the four months covered by these figures the United States has put into effect a new tariff, reducing its taxes on imported goods by 28 per cent. for the benefit of its own consumers. During the same four months Mr. Borden and his colleagues have spent most of their time enjoying splendid trips all over the map.

During these four months the Borden government has collected taxes of \$50,444,081 on imported goods.

Have the people of Canada received any fair return from this vast sum?

WHERE IS THEIR MAJORITY?

There was little cheer for the government forces in the result of the East Middlesex by-election on October 21st. Every effort had been put forward by the Conservatives to make a good showing. Not only did several cabinet ministers join in the campaign but also a number of less public workers of the "gum shoe" brigade. On the other hand the riding had been conceded by the Liberals, and the contest had not been made with the vigor that marked several by-elections. In the face of this Mr. Glass, the government candidate, only secured a majority of 368 as against 661 secured by Mr. Elson at the last election. With all the prestige and other influences of the government behind him he fell 293 behind the Conservative majority there in 1911.

The Conservatives boasted that they had turned over 90 votes in Chatham. This time there is a turn-over against them of 147 in response to The Toronto Mail and Empire's demand for a majority of 1,000 to support the Borden contribution plan. Such an answer from the heart of Ontario Toryism shows that the real Canadian spirit is still alive there.

Produce shippers who declared for reciprocity two years ago were called "potato importers" by a section of the Tory press. In other words, it was charged that they favored reciprocity because they wanted to be in a position to import potatoes from the United States in order to destroy the farmers' home market. That was the sort of political buncombe which did duty in the County of York and no doubt it was the means of frightening many timid farmers into voting against a measure designed for their

benefit. The new tariff has only been in operation a month and already potato shipments to the United States from this section have broken all records. In the light of this experience how ridiculous the Tory campaign arguments against reciprocity look today.

Some week kneed Tory newspapers—the kind which profess such great friendships for the farmers at election times, have already set up a howl that because farm produce is being exported to the United States under the new tariff the consumer is going to suffer. All that need be said on this phase of the question is that if the new tariff is going to benefit the farmer it is going to benefit the largest and most important element of our population. It is a case of doing the greatest good to the greatest number. Make the farmers prosperous and the rest of us will try and worry along some old way.

Winston Churchill recently proposed to the Kaiser that if Germany would postpone Naval building for a year Great Britain would do likewise. Germany has declined. And for what reason? Because, as pointed out in the cable despatches, she declares the proposal is not an honest one while Churchill is expecting 3 ships from Borden. So the effect of the Borden contribution is to prevent a friendly alliance between England and Germany.

A number of loyal Tories in York and Carleton counties who voted and worked against reciprocity two years ago are now busily engaged in shipping potatoes to the United States. They have forgotten all about the east and west haul and are content to allow the Canadian railways to shift for themselves.

The great boom which the potato trade in this section of the province is experiencing at the present time should serve to bring home to the farmers the fact that they were gold bricked by the Tories two years ago.

STOCK MARKET

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MONTREAL MORNING SALES.

(Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers and Brokers, St. John, N.B.)

Bank of Ottawa—8 @ 204.
Bank of Commerce—32 @ 204.
Brazilian—25 @ 85½, 20 @ 85.
Car Com.—2 @ 66.
C.P.R.—100 @ 226½.
Iron Com.—40 @ 39½, 150 @ 39½, 75 @ 39½.
Hilcrease—100 @ 39.
Montreal Power—1 @ 211.
R. & O.—50 @ 109½.
Bell Phone—1 @ 143½, 40 @ 144.
Crown Reserve—450 @ 167, 100 @ 166.
Winnipeg—11 @ 197½, 35 @ 197.
Shawigan—10 @ 130.
Textile—30 @ 82.
Toronto Street—50 @ 140.
Cement Pfd.—25 @ 93½.
Coal Pfd.—10 @ 108½.
Car Pfd.—50 @ 106½.
Paint Pfd.—2 @ 98.
Ames Holden—10 @ 73.

WORLD'S NEWS IN SHORT METRE

New York, Oct. 30.—Bank of England rate unchanged at 5 per cent. National Association of railway commissioners adopt report recommending federal and state supervision of issuance of stocks and bonds of utility and railway corporations.

President Wilson understood to be much opposed to change made in currency bill eliminating secretary of agriculture and comptroller of currency from membership in Federal reserve board.

Canadian Ford Motor Car Co., passes dividend.

Unsettled conditions in Western Canada given as reasons.

Ottawa dispatch says Canadian Northern will apply to parliament for a further guarantee of \$25,000,000 bonds.

N. Y. Central expected to announce issue of \$10,000,000 or \$12,000,000 five per cent one year notes.

Chairman Clark of Interstate commerce committee says he was incorrectly quoted when made to say he favored an increased railroad rate.

Reading, all companies, for Sep't shows surplus charges of \$714,770 decrease of \$712,038.

12 industrials advanced 0.19 20 active rails advanced 0.27.

Americans in London quiet and irregular.

Chief George Ackman of the Montreal Fire Department, who is also I.R.C. claims agent, is in the city.

Mr. John A. Young, M. P. P., is in the city.

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AT THE GEM

Another two reel feature at the Gem entitled, "The Missing Witness" a strong Thanhouser feature. Also a great Gaumont Western drama and a Eclair comedy, "Funnies Wins the Race." A splendid show Don't Miss It.

THE INTERPROVINCIAL

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provincial representatives for increased subsidies, through the setting aside of the ten per cent of the customs, and excise revenue as a further amount to meet growing provincial needs, is hardly likely to be granted. Certainly it will not be granted full, and it is doubtful if the members of the conference themselves expect it.

COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER

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OTHER BUSINESS.

Mrs. Clark saw need of several repairs being made at the Morrison Mill School and the matter was referred to Mr. Spurdun, Mr. Sharkey and the secretary.

Mr. Sterling reported he had made satisfactory financial arrangements and that the land for a new school building had been paid for.

The committee of the High School Building was authorized to provide for the comfort of the new class room in that building and to provide against frost in the basement.

After the order for payment of a number of accounts and the monthly salaries the meeting adjourned.

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