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THE WRONG POLICY

Mr. Verville, the Labor M. P. for Maisonneuve, P. Q., thus summarizes the objections of Labor men to Borden's Little Canadian naval policy:—

1. It changes Canada's economic policy.
2. It changes her industrial power by giving control of some Canadian industries to the United Kingdom.
3. It is against the prosperity of the industrial world.
4. It discourages immigration.
5. It favors the large moneyed interests of the Old Country.
6. It is against the interests of the farming population who comprise 60 per cent. of the whole.
7. It is against the will of the majority of the electorate.
8. The masses in Great Britain are against the additional burden which the additional ships would impose on them, and 2,500,000 workmen are asking us not to impose it.
9. The working class have petitioned against the Borden expenditure.
10. It is against the interests of the Canadian producer as well as the retailer and wholesaler.
11. It is against the development of natural resources.
12. It is against the policy of coast protection.
13. It will increase the tariff, and the cost of living.
14. It is a step away from self-government.
15. If there is a yellow peril, the Pacific Coast will not be protected from it.
16. The contribution would be a tax of \$5 per head or \$25 per family in Canada.
17. The policy is being put to through when proper representation in the House of Commons has not been granted.

At last a Tory paper has risen to defend the dismissal of Mr. Albion R. Foster from the position of provincial constable. It is scarcely necessary to say that it is the Fredericton hack organ which bagged \$11,280 in easy money from the provincial treasury last year. It declares that Mr. Foster is a partizan and should have been removed from office long ago. It is certainly laying down a new principle in this country to say that because a man holds an appointment under the government with no salary attached to the same he must cease to take an interest in politics, especially if he happens to be a Liberal. Of course if he were a Tory and holding an office with a salary attached, it would be an altogether different proposition. He would then be in no danger of losing his job, unless he ceased to be a partizan.

If the Borden government follows the precedent set by a previous administration of the same political faith it will make tariff changes to correspond with those to be brought about in the United States by the Underwood bill. When it came to tariff tinkering, the Tories preferred to borrow ideas from the United States rather than from England. As a matter of fact the famous National Policy tariff was nothing more than a very bad copy of a much worse Yankee original.

Sir Charles Tupper is to spend a week in his native town of Amherst before leaving for the Old Country. Citizens of the town irrespective of party are arranging to extend to him a suitable welcome. Sir Charles was first elected for Cumberland in 1854 and represented the County for thirty years without a break first in the N. S. Legislature and afterwards in the Parliament of Canada.

The indications are that the Tories at Ottawa will have a nice time of it getting their closure resolution through parliament.

It is to be hoped that His Worship the Mayor and the board of aldermen will soon find some means of disposing of that little item of \$17.50 held over from the last council meeting. There will likely be other matters of greater importance to deal with before the year is over and it is well to have the decks clear.

If the new tariff revision bill becomes law it will be a bad thing for the big interests in Canada. They will get no increased protection and they will be mighty lucky if they are not called upon to stand for a cut in the customs tariff.

The report of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's great speech on the naval question will be found in another part of this issue. The Old Chieftain struck out straight from the shoulder.

With the prospects of closer trade relations with the United States in the near future the steamboat business on the St. John River ought to take on a boom.

When the United States of America start in to abolish high protection it is almost time for the big interests in Canada to get their houses in order.

The new President of the United States promised to do something to reduce the high cost of living and he seems to be going the right way about it.

If the new tariff bill becomes law in the United States the farmers of New Brunswick will not have to let their potatoes rot in the cellar next year.

When the people of the United States begin to hand out solar plexus blows to high protection, what is going to happen to it in other countries?

There will be wise on the green at Ottawa during the next few weeks

MONCTON MAYORALTY CASE OFF UNTIL JUNE SITTINGS

Before the Supreme Court this morning postponement was made in the quo warranto proceedings in connection with the mayoralty of Moncton and the case will be heard in June. Proceedings this morning were as follows:—

Exparte Patrick Gallagher in re W. K. Gross. Mr. Sherrin asked that the matter stand until the next sitting in order that he might answer affidavits served on Saturday last, M. G. Teedi K. C., contra stated that he did not wish to consent but could offer no serious objection. Case stands until next term.

The King vs James G. Forbes, Judge of the St. John County Court exparte O. D. Hanson. Mr. W. B. Wallace, K. C., moved to set aside a writ. Case was unfinished when court took recess at noon.

The King vs The Town of Grand Falls exparte The Grand Falls Company, Ltd. Mr. P. J. Hughes showed cause against an order nisi to quash an assessment. Mr. F. R. Taylor supported the rule. Court considers.

Tuesday afternoon in the matter of the expropriation of the lands of Reardon. Under an agreement by the St. John & Quebec Railway Co., P. A. Guthrie showed cause against a rule nisi granted Feb. 21 last to set aside an order of the court made on Nov. 12 last. The land was taken an agreement made with John Reardon, sr. W. P. Jones, K. C., supported the order. Court considers.

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GOOD PROGRESS

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Chief Engineer Thompson states that very little damage to the work already completed has resulted from the floods of the latter part of the winter and early spring which have been the cause of much damage elsewhere. The winter has been a severe one as far as railway construction has been concerned. During the month of February the frost got deep into the ground and as a result the contractors held back during March as there was little use of using dynamite when the warm weather of spring a few weeks later would do the work which would be performed by blasting.

The greater part of the heavy work on the Centreville-Gagetown line lies in the Woodstock-Centreville section. The railway will follow the valley of the Meduxnekeg River six miles north of Woodstock and in this part the cost will run up to \$50,000 per mile on account of the amount of rock cutting which will have to be done.

On the three sections on which construction is under way the work is all advanced to about the same degree. Grading is about two-thirds completed and the heavier cuts and fills are what will take the greater part of the time until October. None of the bridges are long, the majority being of three or four spans, sixty or seventy feet in length.

At the end of March not more than nine hundred men were employed on the stretch of 121 miles between Centreville and Gagetown, work being slack at that time. Usually the number of men employed is between 1,200 and 1,500 with about 100 teams of horses. When spring opens that number of teams will be at work and the number of men will be in the vicinity of 1,200. Twelve steam-shovels are now at work and that number probably will be increased.

Station plans now are being got out. The location of the stations has been pretty well decided upon but will not be announced until plans are approved by the department. They will be about four or five miles apart and located wherever the conditions demand.

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The Building Trades Labor Temple Association of Marion County, Indiana, has been incorporated, its object being the erection of a labor temple in Indianapolis.

Fred Johnson, a member of the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union, is a candidate for the postmastership of Park Ridge, Ill. He is the only union man trying for that position. A bill has been introduced in the legislature of Manitoba, to prohibit employment of white women or girls in any factory or place of business owned or managed by Chinese or Japanese.

was composed of the following:—Miss Long, P. McLeod, Purdy, Lingley, O. Lister, M. Lister, O'Neill, Topham, Ina McKnight, Dennison, Mesdames A. Limerick, W. McKay, C. K. Howard, David Colwell, Corbett, Bullock, Messrs Lawlor, Barker Limerick, Durham, Douglas, Laughlin, Donnelly, Merrithew, Vradenburg Vavasour, Herr, G. Wandless, L. Wandless, R. McKenzie, Harrison.

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