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FOOLS OR TRAITORS--WHICH?

Are the rabid Conservative papers and speakers absolutely wrong in their bitter condemnation of Liberals for supporting reciprocity or

Are the great majority of Liberals in the Dominion either fools by misfortune or traitors by choice?

The words used in the question are plain, blunt, and some of them not pleasant words, but they are the ones best suited to the case.

If the Conservative papers and speakers are right in the oft-repeated assertion that reciprocity is disloyal, that it means commercial and political union with the United States; that it means the breaking up of the British Empire; then the great majority of Liberals in the Dominion are either lacking in ordinary intelligence and consequently unable to see what their position really means, or else they are traitors to this country and to the Empire. It's one thing or the other.

The great majority of Liberals are supporting reciprocity. If the Conservative papers are right in declaring that free trade with the United States means the gradual breaking up of the British Empire and these thousands of Liberals who are supporting reciprocity are unable to see this to be the case, then the Liberals must be far inferior in mental power to the Conservatives who are opposing reciprocity. If the Liberals are not markedly inferior mentally then—if the Conservative party view of reciprocity is the correct view—they are deliberately working to harm the Empire.

The Liberals who are loyal in their support of their leaders in fighting for reciprocity must rest under the imputation of Conservative partisans that they are fools being fooled by foolish leaders or that they are traitors being traitorously led by traitors. And Mr. F. W. G. Haultain, the Conservative leader in Saskatchewan, and the other Conservative members of the Saskatchewan Legislature who have voted in favor of reciprocity together with the Conservatives in York County and elsewhere who have pronounced in favor of the proposed trade agreement are either fools or traitors.

That is, of course, friends of reciprocity are either fools or traitors if we are to accept the political dicta of such valuable organs of public opinion as the \$20-a-day Gleaner or the editor-lacking St. John Standard, and like journals.

It is interesting to carry to their conclusions the statements made by these partisan papers in the effort to turn the tide against the federal government. Even the citizens who have to decide whether they are fools or traitors find the outcome of the Gleaner and such papers rather amusing, though a bit tiresome since a rehash of the same old stuff is given day after day. But, after all, it is very doubtful whether sensible men who conscientiously favor reciprocity will appreciate Conservative suggestions that they are lacking either in brains or in loyalty.

The Belleville Ontario:—The Mail and Empire expressed its infinite disgust on account of the conduct of the Liberal members of the House of Commons. Our great contemporary states that they sit in their seats "silent as deaf mutes" while the poor Conservative members do all the talking. As the same Conservative members have for two months past been boasting of their ability to talk reciprocity to death, we do not see why they should complain because they are given an opportunity to carry out their threat.

St. Andrews Beacon:—St. Andrews has enjoyed for many years a measure of "reciprocity in natural products" with the United States. Year after year citizens of the great republic have been coming here in increasing numbers, exchanging with us the light of their presence and their gold for a chance to breathe our healthgiving air and participate in the many good things which nature has bestowed on us so lavishly. The arrangement has proved so satisfactory, that we would like to see it extended.

Acting Premier Fleming has received a communication from local trade unions asking that a fair wages clause be inserted in all contracts for public works in the province. He has advised the unions that the government will meet a delegation at the meeting in August.—Exchange. (The Dominion Government adopted the fair wage schedule on contracts fifteen years ago, and it is up to the Hazen Government to fall into line).

Winnipeg Tribune:—Was there not a sorry contrast between the brave Dr. Shaffner in the presence of Mr. Borden. Borden on a Manitoba platform? Declarations in favor of tariff reduction on a platform occupied by Mr. Borden would doubtless have been compromising and out of place. No one knows better than Dr. Shaffner and that is the reason he was so short on tariff reduction talk when Mr. Borden was around.

London Free Press:—The action of the United States Senate leaves the question of the ratification of the agreement in the hands of Canada. Canadians are therefore faced with a duty to their country to themselves to their children and their children's children—a duty in the performance of which they may be counted upon to fail not.

Edmonton Bulletin:—Reciprocity means what it purports to mean—reciprocity with the United States and nothing more. If any other country wants better trade arrangements with Canada it will have to deal with Canada.

Mr. R. L. Borden repeated one of the Tory slanders against Hon. Mr. Pugsley and was promptly taken to task by the Minister of Public Works

WHEN SUMMER COMES
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The summer months are the most dangerous of the year for the little one. The complaints of this season come so quickly that often a precious little life is beyond aid before the mother realizes the baby is ill. Colic, diarrhoea and cholera infantum are all rife at this time. The mother must guard her baby's health every minute. She must be careful of his food and careful that his stomach is kept sweet and his bowels move regularly and freely. To do this nothing can equal Baby's Own Tablets—they are mothers best friend at all times of the year, but more especially in the summer, when, if given occasionally, they act as a preventive of those dreaded summer troubles, or if they do come on suddenly the Tablets will just as quickly remove the cause and baby will soon be well again. The tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville Ont.

It now appears that if they go deep enough in the mud there may be found evidence of an external explosion under the Maine, which touched off the internal trouble.

The Prince of Wales is coming across the Atlantic. American heirs-esses need not apply.

A man is sure he's interesting to girls because they are so tricky as to let him talk about himself.

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A woman is able to hold down her age much easier than her weight.

MADAME LABADIE



Who Will Give Recital at Opera House, Aug. 9th

The announcement that Mme. Harriet Labadie, a well known dramatic interpreter, will appear at the Opera House on August 7th, under the auspices and for the benefit of the Ministering Circle of King's Daughters, is an event of note both socially and artistically. Madame Labadie's patronage list in Washington, D.C., in which city she began her present tour with a series of three engagements, includes the names of many of the most prominent people of the social and diplomatic circles, and throughout her tour critics have unanimously declared her to be unrivalled as a dramatic and creative interpreter. Madame Labadie, who is making a world's tour, returned to the east in June, after travelling for two years through the western states of America and the provinces of Canada. Last summer she visited Alaska, where she gave her dramatic interpretations in the ports of call, under the auspices of the Arctic Brother-

hood, as far north as Nome. Leaving Vancouver in September, where she made a most successful return engagement, Madame Labadie started on her way east, stopping at Calgary and Winnipeg, and proceeding through the middle west states to Florida, thence up the south coast to New York, where she will give a short series of dramatic interpretations in the fall. Madame Labadie is at present resting at her cottage at Thousand Isles, and will leave in time to reach St. John on August 1. Preliminary arrangements have been made for the artist's appearance by Mrs. R. Burton Whiteside, who will be followed at the week end by one of the ladies of the party who are accompanying Mme. Labadie and act as representatives, and who have undertaken the tour from an educational point of view in the desire to gain the wide experience by travelling and as a means to develop themselves for the professions they would adopt in the future.

MAORI CREW A FEATURE AT HENLEY REGATTA.



MAORIS IN THEIR BOAT AT HENLEY FROM THE SPHERE

A striking feature of this year's Henley regatta was the appearance of a Maori crew, the men sitting on the waist and the women clad in a bright red garment. They would sit quickly for a time and then raise their paddles in the air with picturesque cries. The Maoris were from the Maori village at the Corporation Exhibition at Shepherd's Bush.

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