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Debate on the Reciprocity Agreement Begun at Ottawa--Mr. Paterson's Able Speech

Minister of Customs Says That Agreement if Carried Out Will Redound to the Wealth and Prosperity of Canada---Tory Arguments Lack Common Sense---A Nationalist Amendment Supported by Mr. Borden and His Followers---Messrs. Borden and Foster Oppose the Agreement.

Ontario Orangemen Explosion in Color-**Opposed to it Being** ado Coal Mine At-Taught in That tended With **TerribleResults** Province

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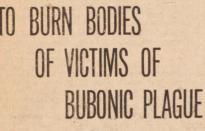
Delegation Has an Interview With Sir Seventeen Men Were Entombed and James Whitney and Hon. Dr. Pyne on the Subject.

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Toronto, Ont., Feb. 10-A deputation of Orangemen yesterday waited upon Sir James Whitney and Hoa Dr. Pyne, minister of education, to ask that religious teaching be abolished in the schools of the province. There was a diversity of opinion among the delegates, some favoring the total abolition of religious teachthe surface. ing while others merely wanted the catechism teaching prohibited. The request was the outcome of the situation in a Peterboro country school, where the Roman Catholic trustees appoint a Roman Catholic teacher maining six men alive. whenever they find themselves in a majority on the board. Sir James Whitney said the government would certainly not abolish religious teach-

ings, but if the regulations were violated the government would investi-



through the poisonous gas, brattic-Pekin, Feb. 10-The Imperial government decided today to send a ing the fires as they advance. troop of Chinese cavalry into the Chang Chung district of Manchuria to act as body burners if the Japan-

ese and Russian governments will take similar action in the plague infested region. The government declined to take the risk of sacrificing a troop of cavalry unless the other governments with equal interests in the bubonic belt would do likewise.

Only Two Have so Far Been Taken Out Alive.

(Canadian Press)

Trinidad, Col., Feb. 10-The bodies terest in the measure was indicated of four shot firers had been removed by galleries crowded with spectators maintenance of good relations with United States should secure some of Corn Exposition today, from the Cokesdale Mine wrecked by and an unusually large attendance of the United States, but that co: ntry an explosion last night, five more members in their seats on the floor. has made its tariffs to suit itself and bodies had been discovered and six As on the occasion with the conwere still unaccounted for today. A. tents of the measure was disclosed, E. Sutton, assistant superintendent there was more interest than emoin the charge of the rescue work was tion shown. Little applause was overcome by gas and was carried to heard but the utmost attention was He will probably die. given to the words of the speakers The superintendent said this morn- and there was evidently the keenest ing that he believed that the explo- desire to hear and weigh all the ion was due to the accidental dis- views expressed.

greatest in the main shops. Tim- ed a position where reciprocity and today might be withdrawn comorrow. who will get the benefit of that but and reduced according to the sched- a wage earning class as intellibers were blown a hundred feet from increased trade with the United the mouth of the slope. The explo- States was no longer desirable, but sion wrecked the fan house, the fan Canada should continue to seek the was uninjured and is still working al- British markets with her surplus prothough the air has been short-circuducts. lated by the blowing out of brattices

ANOTHER MOVE FOR DELAY and doors. Twenty rescuers reached two thousand feet. At that distance FAILS black damp was encountered and hel-At the opening there was an effort met men are now making their way

proper consideration. Mr. and he is credited with this manoeu- Canadian people.'

For the government, Hon.

not been any undue haste in its pre-

Borden and the Conservatives to fol--Chancellor Boyd

sentation.

Ottawa, Feb. 9-The Canadian Hudson's Bay railway, the Georgian | The minister dealt with the allega-House this afternoon began the de- Bay canal, the National Transcontin- tion that the agreement would enable bate on the reciprocity agreement ental railway and the enlargement of the United States to reach and secure with the United States. The great in the Welland canal useless. some of the natural resources of Can-"No one favors more than i the ada. It was not a disaster that the

Canada could well take a lesson in the highest price for them. The for- gun for reciprocity with Canada. His this case. It was true that the ests were mainly in the hands of the speech was aimed particularly United States could at any time take provincial legislatures, and with their quell the fears of the United States down its tariff wall, but it vas not had no desire to interfere. the business of Canda to induce A new and valuable market them to do so."

Some of the results of the agreement which Mr. Borden foresaw were leader of the opposition that Cana-

hope is entertained of finding the re- cussion was a declaration by Hon. kets which Canada has built up with weakened. Mr. Paterson pointed out both. Mr. Fielding that parliament would effort and treasure for forty years, that the present time American roads All the dead and missing are for- put through the measure without de- the growth of commerce with the were carrying great quantities of the outset, I submitted to Congress lay with a provision that it should United States which would eventual- Canadian grain in bond to British an agreement which I had made with When the explosion took place, come into force as soon as the Unit- ly lead to commercial union with markets and no harm had come of it. eventeen men were in the mine but ed States had taken favoreble action, that country. He summed up the cp- It was said that Hill would build subject to the approval and action two shot firers were rescued two and a declaration, for the opposition position by declaring that lines from the south and compete for loc congress and the Dominion par-hours after the explosion. The force by Mr. Borden, the Conservation in English Dutch and compete for loc conservation of congress and the Dominion parnours after the explosion. The force by Mr. Borden, the Conservative Canada should follow the paths she the traffic. "Well," said the minis- liament the tariff of each country of the explosion which was distinctly leader, that after a forty-years de- is now treading without regard to ter, "then he will have to carry it against the products and manufacielt at Trinidad seems to have been velopment struggle Canada had reach- the United States, whose favor of cheaper than the present roads and tures of the other is to be modified has a free popular government with

HON. MR. PATERSON.

Hon. William Paterson, who followed the opposition hadar at night confessed that he was in doubt from the remarks of Mr. Borden whether the latter supported the agreement make cheaper rates.' or not.

"The keynote of the position of by the French Conservative Nation- the Conservative party, as sounded alists to defer the discussion. F. D. by their leader seems to be: 'Don't Monk declared that there had not rush things, we're not doing badly been enough time for proper study of now. Let well enough alone'," he obso large a question and he moved an served amid Liberal applause. "But amendment regretting that the meas- the Liberal policy is: Let us go aure was being submitted without head; let us do better. This agreement if carried out will redound to

vre for the purpose of compelling Mr. The opposition leader, Mr. Paterson, pointed out, had contented him- political expediency has prevented the agreement has been criticized low the Nationalists, as they were compelled to do on the naval situa-tion. The plan succeeded. ected attention to the fact that the records of trade demonstrated that them or without them we will pass the measure. It is said to be a "Let the agreement be adopted and "Let the agreement be adopted and Mr. Fielding said that the House should means 'to consider the reciprocity Liberal, party he proceeded took offi- action." agreement. The question, he dece with the aim to carry out in the clared, was not new and there had

(Canadian Press.)

the Canadian food stuffs if they paid Taft fired the first big administration perogative the federal government farmer. He declared that the greatest reason for adopting the agreement is the fact that it would unite was

opened for fish under the arrangement two countries, with kindred people Dealing with the comments of the and lying together across a wide continent, on a commercial and social charge of blasting powder. Little . The result of the afternoon's dis- the abandonment of the British n'ar- dian transportation systems would be union, to the great advantage of "Some two weeks ago, he said at

MODIFIED THEIR POLICY

the authorities of Canada by which the man who ships? (Liberal applause.) He hoped the great transcontinental railways would not oppose the agreement on selfish grounds portant and affect agricultural and ours except a virgin soil in the far and for selfish ends. "Because," he manufactured products. The greatest aorthwest. added, amid renewed applause, "they reduction and the changes are all will be called upon in self-interest to downward, however, are in grains, cattle, which are free.

Mr. Paterson concluded by noting that the wonderful prosperity and growth of the Dominion on which Mr. afternoon had been due in large measure to the progressive policies inaugurated by the Liberal administration adoption of the British preference and Bourassa was in the gallery the wealth and prospesity of th_e were now opposing the last great

proposal for national advance. "We regret that a mistaken idea of

HON. MR. FOSTER

Hon. Geo. E. Foster, who was in

ly concerned having had any oppor-



Speaks on the Subject Before an Immense Audience at Columbus, Ohio --- Says Agreement Will be to the Advantage of Both Countries --- Criticisms of the Measure Replied to---American Farmers Should Not Be Afraid of Canadian Competition.

|For a long time, the policy had little Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 10-Before an or no limitation. It was thought immense audience at the National that tariffs if protected products, could not be too high, if all foreign President products were excluded competition would stimulate production and reduce its cost and its price. The to temptation to destroy competition by combinations became so great however, that the party in its platform modified its policy and imposed the limitation that the tariff should be limited for purpose of protection to the difference between the cost of production in this country and the cost of production abroad with an lowance for a reasonable profit to the American producer.

A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Canada is our neighbor on the population in English, Dutch and French, her soil is like ours. She ules set forth as part of agreement. gent and as well paid as ours. It is The tariff ra -- of the two coun- difficult to see in what respect her tries changed are numerous and im- farmers have any advantage over

"How is the farmer to be hurt? Let us take our most important crop vegetables, dairy products and live first. The corn crop. The total production in the United States in 1910 was 3,125,712,000 bushels, of which we "Such a result does not need to be justified by a nice balancing of exported 44,076,209 and used the rest Borden had based his argument this pecuniary profit to each. Its un- in domestic consumption, mostly in doubted benefit will vindicate those raising cattle and hogs of which in who are responsible for it. I say this live cattle and packing house proin order that by answering the argu- ducts we exported in values \$135,985yet the Conservatives had fought the ment directed to the detailed effect 212. The Canadian production of of the agreement upon different class- corn was 18,726,000 bushels or es of persons, I may not be thought tents of one per cent. of the total to abandon the broad ground upon production of the United States. We which the opportunity to confirm this exported six millions bushels to Canagreement ought to be seized. The ada. Certainly in respect to corn, the

Following the burning of 800 has decided that the suit brought by corpses of plague victims at Chang David Russell of Montreal against tion. The plan succeeded. Chun yesterday 300 additional bodies J. Greenshields to recover a large were buried today. Owing to the sum of money alleged to have been fact that all the grave diggers have received by Greenshields as secret died and soldiers have rebelled profits for releasing claims held by against the task in the plague cen- the two against the Canadian Nortres, all dead bodies will in future be thern shall go trial in the ordincremated. The fields and roadways ary course. This reverses the decision north of Harbin are strewn with rot- of the Master, who ruled that the ting corpses of those who fled from Quebec Courts should try the case.

igners.

the city and were overtaken by the plague.

military quarantine along the Korean border. Russia is moving troops in great masses upon the northern and western Manchurian frontiers.

Traffic upon the Chinese Eastern Railway which is controlled and policed by Russia, is practically at a standstill, the trains are being operated in a desultory manner by soldier. Japan's road, the Southern Manchurian Railway is in a state of quarantine with the trains manned by troops. At Chefoo nearly 300 have perished including five foreigners among them, two French sisters who left the safety of the hospital where they were employed to nurse the dying in the lazaretto.

Reports from Mukden state that three scores are perishing daily. At gent. Tien Tein, Dr. Poit, who had charge of the quarantine and isolation of patients, had died, and the work is being carried on by bungling soldiers who do not know their duties.

"ALIJAH" DOWIE DIED A MANIAC

(Canadian Press.)

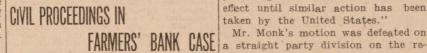
Detroit, Mich., Feb. 10 .- That John Alexander Dowie died a manic, was time ago will be proceeded against nada has made great strides toward in fact insane for the last ten years of his life, is the belief of his son, A. J. Gladstoae Dowie, who has just taken his mother to the Battle Creek those of the provisional directors to we have been seeking, and the United sanitarium. Mrs. Dowie is suffering the proceedings. over the issue of oysters, candies and dispersed, objects to the case being to us." tobacco. Dowie has no sympathy gong on with next week. He claims with the colony and says that his that the civil cases should b_{σ} post-father was mentally weak when, he poned, till the criminal proceedings the trade currents of Canada to north the north tion, at least not on this side of planned it.

Japan has established a strong CORONATION CONTINGENT WILL NUMBER 700

(Can'adian Press)

Ottawa, Feb., 8 .- It has been decided that there will be forty-eight officers and altogether a force about 700 strong on the Canadian contingent to the coronation. This will mean that each regiment of cavalry and infantry will have about four representatives and each brigade of artillery the same number.

The non-commissioned officers and men will be recommended by the officers commanding the different units. will do our part, and by so doing The men will wear the uniforms of will find our position stronger for all their respective corps on the contin- future negotiations. The bill will be passed with a suspending clause



Toronto, Feb. 10-That civil proceedings for the recovery of money will be instituted against others besides thee provisional directors of the Farmers Bank is the intimation f G.J. Wood counsel for Mr. G. T. Clarkson the liquidator.

provisional director who died some will be. In the last forty years Ca- fiscal policy. the argument is not agreement.

are concluded.

largest degree possible the platform enunciations at the Liberal conven-

the United States was concerned. The the reciprocity plank had been prac-

"It is the reciprocity agreement of government inagurated the British tically dropped by both parties in 1854 over again with comparatively preference, which had proved the 1891. Now when the country was little change. It promises prosperity greatest impetus to trade and pros- prosperous and satisfied this old disto the people of Canada and this perity that Canada had known. An carded policy was suddenly sprung House would make a grave mistake hon st effort was made to obtain again.

and do a grave wrong if it refused freer trade with our neighbors to the He animadverted on the fact that to take advantage of it. It is not south, but it was unsuccessful. It the agreement had been made in secplain sailing. There are selfish inter- now seemed that the opportunity for ret without the great interests vital-

THE PEOPLE WILL SOON HAVE tunity to make proper representations. The pact thus made practi-A CHANCE

ally by two men closeted togethe One objection urged by the opposi- was now presented to parliament for tion was that the agreement should swallowing as a whole. There was not be gone into until the people no alternative allowed.

have promounced upon it. It surely THE FIGHT AT WASHINGTON. must be self-evident that the govern-Washington, Feb. 9-The campaign ment could not negotiate the arrangement upon such a basis. But the of the Taft administration and tho people would have an opportunity to various elements allied in the same pass upon it and that at no very cause for the ratification by Congress distant date. When the elections of the reciprocity agreement twith Canada moved on a pace today.

come this would be the live issue. The minister referred to the press suggestions that the arrangement means held its final hearing and is would weaken the tie which bound expected in executive session tomor-Canada to the Mother Country. He row morning to vote to report it

was interested to note that the lavorable for the consideration of the leader of the opposition had not House. President Taft left late tonight for the West and in speeches suggested such a thing. "What force," he queried, "I will tomorrow, at Columbus, Ohio, and not say what sense, is there in such Saturday at Springfield Ill., will

first speaker in committee, "that no a contention. The British preference take occasion to emphasize still fur-The estate of Mr. Jas Gallagher, a man can tell what its consequences remains the cardinal principle of our ther his advocacy of the reciprocity worthy of intelligent men."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier-"Hear, hear." INSULT TO CANADIANS

"The comment," continued Mr. programme in relation to all pending States has been denying reciprocity, Paterson, "is not freighted heavily legislative matters, but it is believed

Mr. Borden said that there should land. The loyalty of the Canadian cus room.

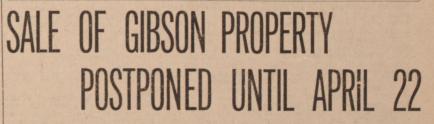
Mr. F. K, Stevens, of St. John, arrived in the city last night.

American far n this

this progress only became emphatic this legislation confident that the re- manufacturers agreement, that it is go into operation and in six months not go into committee of ways and during the past fifteen years. The sults will amply vindicate our in the interest of the manufacturing class and adverse to the farmer have fears will related in this recent class and adverse to the farmer. have fears, will rejoice in this great

step toward closer business and social relations with our neighbors. "The whole country, farm, manu-

"I am a Republican, and the Repution of 1892 in so far as obtaining his usual caustic and hypercritical blican party has always advocated factdrers, railroad companies, middle-AGREEMENT OF 1854 RENEWED. freer trade with Great Britain and vein, began with the assertion that and pursued a policy of protection to m?n, warehousemen, all will be the American products and manufactures. gainers."



(Special to The Mail.) with the local bidders for the pro-St. John, Feb. 10 .- The order perty and that his clients would thus gramted on the application of the obtain sufficient to satisfy their Canadian Colored Cotton Company, claim.

Limited, to show cause why the sale Mr. M. G. Teed, in behalf of Mr. of the property of the Alex. Gibson David Jardine of Liverpool, opposed Railway and Manufacturing Com- the application. He said that on acpany, advertised to take place on count-of the large and important in-February 22nd, should not be post- terests involved, it was necessary poned four months, was returnable that the sale should take place on before Chief Justice Barker at the the date fixed.

His Honor granted the postpone-Chancery Court here today. Mr. J. Roy Campbell, K.C., in be- ment of the sale until April 22nd. half of the Colored Cotton Company, and ordered the applicants to pay Limited, argued that the pending re- costs of the postponement, amountciprocity agreement with the United ing to \$400.

States was sufficient reason for the Mr. F. R. Taylor represented the postponement. He said that large Royal Trust Company, and Mr. C. American concerns would compete F. Inches the Bank of Montreal.



San Antonio, Feb. 10 .- According ... Chatham, Ont., Feb. 10 .- C. H. from a serious breakdown. The state- Mr. H. E. Rose counsel of the pro- and now when their natural resourc- with common sense, but is freighted the consideration of the agreement to a message received by Federal Whitlock, a Mohawk Indian, from the ment from young Dowie was drawn visional directors, who are called up- es of timber, minerals and agricultu- with insult to the Canadian people, will consume practically all of the officials here, three hundred Mexican reservation at Cleveland, was burned out by an interview regarding the on on Feb. 16 to show why they ral are being overtaken by the de- that the concluding of this arrangetrouble now existing at Zion City should not pay back money illegally mands of their population, they turn ment weakens in any way the tie of will determine upon a policy in re- engaged in a battle near Mulatto loyalty that binds us to the mother spect to it before they leave the cau- Mexico. The loss on both sides is re- came to Walpole Island recently,got ported to have been heavy but no de- drunk on Wednesday and was placed tails have been received. According in the lock-up. Shortly afterwards to reports the battle lasted twelve he managed to upset the stove, sethours. ting fire to the building.

The Democratic members of the Senate will meet in caucus tomorrow morning. Ostensibly the conference of the minority was called to outline a

The House committee on ways and

solution. Mr. Borden was the first man to vote for the Monk proposal. BORDEN'S FEARS. "The reriprocity measure is so far-

reaching," declared Mr. Borden, leader of the opposition, who was the

civilly. It is said to be worth \$10,000 development, and no man can say Referee J. W. McAndrews is oppos- that our progress should be faster ed to the adding of more names than than it has been. For forty years

and south and render the proposed the house."

ests on both sides of the line who this benefit had arrived. will oppose it, but against these must be placed the benefit which will

accrue to the great multitude. I have very strong hopes that President Taft will be able to overcome the opposition at Washington, but whether he succeeds or not we in Canada

providing that it shall not come into

effect until similar action has been

Mr. Monk's motion was defeated on

taken by the United States."