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### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

The occurrence of the death of two children from diphtheria in this city during the past week is a call to all parents to be upon their guard. If this dread disease is not properly attended to it may easily spread and it develops more deadly qualities as it passes from one to another. The most easily recognized symptoms are a rising temperature and a sore throat. If these are found in a child today the proper course is to call a physician. Early attendance is what is most valuable; the mortality of diphtheria cases given antitoxine treatment within three days of the beginning of the disease is barely five per cent, while about forty per cent of those not inoculated die.

The necessity of quarantine and isolation cannot be too strongly emphasized. Medical authority should insist upon this more strongly than they are inclined to do. Not only in diphtheria but in scarlet fever and other supposedly milder diseases should this be insisted upon. Every person is inclined to think his case ought to be an exception; but the general good demands that there be no exception. There are people walking the streets of Fredericton today and mingling freely with the citizens while upon their houses are posted the signs of quarantine. What folly it is to permit them thus to spread contagion! If a person pours poison into another's cup thereby endangering his life he is prosecuted as a criminal; but if he infuses the deadly germs of disease into his veins, no account is taken of it.

The time is rapidly approaching, however, with the advancement in the knowledge of the nature and causes of disease when strict quarantine shall be insisted upon and the man who disregards its requirements will be looked upon as little better than a highwayman or an assassin.

### THE DAY THAT HAS GONE

Of all the tommy-rot which is being inflicted upon the Canadian people at the present time by the Leacocks and the Fosters and the other biased opponents of reciprocity there is nothing to equal in absurdity the cry that the passing of the proposed tariff agreement will be paying the way for the annexation of the Dominion to the United States. On the other side of the international border line of course, there are flamboyant orators who wave Old Glory and give the eagle a chance to scream while they paint word pictures of the time when annexation shall have come. But no sober thinking man in the United States takes such stuff seriously. It is insulting to the intelligence of the Canadian people that any persons in this country should think that they can stampede the citizens of the Dominion by their poppy-cock talk of annexation.

The day of annexation talk in this country passed many years ago. Each year of Liberal rule has damned the annexation idea more emphatically. There was never less chance for a revival of the idea than there is at the present time. Canada's future is certain. The country will continue as an independent Dominion in the British Empire owing and owing allegiance to the monarch who rules at Westminster. The place of the country in the Empire will continue to be one of growing importance.

And as the trade of the Dominion increases so will the prosperity of the Dominion become greater and this nation become a stronger link in the Imperial chain. Reciprocity in natural products must result in a

great increase in Canada's trade, and particularly in the trade of the Maritime Provinces. The consequence of the increase will be as already indicated—Canada's prosperity will become greater and the country will be ever better prepared to assume more and more of the Imperial burden.

Surely, Canadians might be spared this childish annexation "guff" and its kindred absurdities.

Mr. O. S. Crockett, M. P., has given the following notice of motion in Parliament:

Mr. Crockett—On Monday next—Inquiry of Ministry—1. Is the Minister of Customs aware that George Merder, a Customs Preventive Officer is said to be a member of the town council of Dalhousie, N. B.

2. Is this permissible under the regulations of the Department?

It is very pleasing to see Mr. Crockett taking a warm interest in the affairs of his constituency. The electors of York are keenly interested in Mr. Mercier's case and Mr. Crockett will earn their ever-lasting gratitude by clearing up the mystery. The above question makes it clear that Mr. Crockett is not a small bore politician as many suppose, but a constructive statesman of the very largest calibre.

The Gleaner, in a column editorial labors hard to break the force of the strong pronouncement in favor of reciprocity made by Mr. W. J. Scott of the Scott Lumber Company, through The Mail a few nights ago. Mr. Scott has a thorough knowledge of lumbering and agricultural conditions along the St. John River and his remarks are sure to have greater weight with the people of York than the anti-reciprocity poppycock being published from day to day by the Tory press and paid for at advertising rates by the "special interests."

### GAME WARDEN DEAN AND D. W. CLINCH

To the Editor of The St. John Globe: Sir,—I notice in The Telegraph of the 16th inst. that the secretary of the N.B. Forest, Fish and Game Association stated in his report that the warden in York county had secured one-third of his convictions through the assistance of the Association. I saw Mr. D. W. Clinch with reference to the above statement and as to what warden in York county he gave the information to. He said the statement was wrong, and that he would have it corrected the following morning.

In looking over The Telegraph of the 17th, I find that Mr. Clinch is reported to have said that his previous statement was intended to refer to a leading district game warden and not to the York county official.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am the district game warden, and I am pleased to receive any information and assistance that may enable me to more fully prevent violations, and also to assist me to enforce the Game Law when necessary. But I do emphatically state that I never received any information from Mr. D. W. Clinch, directly or indirectly, at any time whereby I got one single conviction. This is the second occasion that Mr. Clinch has aspired to gain some notoriety at the expense of the game wardens. And, to my mind, he would command more respect if he would confine himself to the truth when he makes any reference to the officials of the Crown Land Department. Now, if he has to resort to making such statements as the above for the purpose of retaining his position, the sooner he is relieved of it the better for the Association.

W. J. DEAN.  
Musquash, Feb. 18.

### DEATH AT PORTAGE

The death occurred at Portage last Thursday morning of Mrs. William Clark, in the 66th year of her age. Mrs. Clark before her marriage was Ann McDonald, a descendant of a 2nd Highlander. She is survived by a husband and eight children: Mrs. Samuel Buchanan, Mrs. John Alexander of Stanley; Mrs. Edward Campbell of Portage; Mrs. Norman Campbell of Pleasant Valley, and Rose, Maria, Bertie and Marshall at home. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. McInnis, interment being at Pleasant Valley cemetery.

Mr. Thos. Hoskins of St. John is registered at the Barker House. Policeman John McCollum of St. John is in the city today. Mr. J. M. Tweedie of Chatham is at the Queen. Mr. R. A. Morris of Petitediac is registered at the Queen. Mr. A. B. Burns of St. John is in the city. Mr. T. W. Reynolds of St. John is at the Queen. Mr. Louis Cleghorn of Toronto is in the city.

## RECIPROCITY DEBATE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—The soreness is apparently going out of the chief sore spot in Canada which the reciprocity agreement produced. When the terms were first announced the province of British Columbia declared that it had been sacrificed for the benefit of the rest of Canada. The Pacific coast lumbermen passed a resolution condemning free lumber and the fruit interests declared that their market, which is chiefly in the western prairie towns, would be invaded and taken from them by the fruit producers of Washington and Oregon.

Information has reached the government that sentiment in British Columbia has entirely changed since the people of that province have had time to contemplate the advantages of the broad market which will be opened to them south of the line. The lumbermen have rescinded their resolution of condemnation and have replaced it with another endorsing the reciprocity agreement.

MEANS BOOM! IN FRUIT LANDS.

A message received today states that the fruit men have decided that as a result of reciprocity, their lands which are now held at \$50 an acre, are bound to rise to the value of the Oregon and Washington land, which command \$500 an acre.

The fishing interests of the Pacific approve of the enlarged market which free fish to the United States will give them. This change of sentiment will in a measure strengthen the hands of the government in getting the bill through parliament, and is therefore, received with much satisfaction by the Canadian administration.

The reciprocity debate was continued in the House this afternoon by G. W. Kyte, a Liberal, member from Nova Scotia, who approved the agreement, and Thomas Sproule, a Conservative member for Ontario, who condemned it.

Mr. Kyte dealt with the criticisms which have been leveled at the agreement by its opponents. He called the attention of those who have broadly declared that reciprocity would injure Canada generally, to the fact that since the terms were made public there has been a substantial raise in a number of the most important industrial and railroad stocks of the Dominion, including that of the Canadian Pacific and of the Canadian Canners merger.

If reciprocity meant eventually the annexation of Canada by the United

States it was incomprehensible that such American champions as Senator Cummings, Senator Foraker and Congressman Bennett were opposing the agreement. The Maritime Provinces had long been asking access to the United States market and were now thoroughly satisfied with the prospect of getting it.

Dr. Sproule declared for the stand-pat policy. "We have now good markets and good times in Canada. Let us alone and we'll get along very well. We want no political quacks to prescribe for us," was the way he summed up his position.

HON. MR. LEMIEUX

Hon. Rudolph Lemieux, postmaster general followed Dr. Sproule, and continued until 10 o'clock this evening. He opened his speech by recalling some opposition history. When the British preference was introduced it had been condemned by R.L. Borden who declared that it was bound to lead to one of two results, either trouble between Canada and Britain or trouble between Germany and Britain.

Now it was claimed this agreement would lead to annexation. One prediction was fourteen years old and the other new. Neither would ever be realized. There was no reason why Canada should be afraid to bargain and trade with the United States. Britain had become the greatest trading nation in the world by opening her gates to trade. Canada had planted trade commissioners all over the world to spy out commercial opportunities. Why should Canada decline the invitation of the United States to come over and trade?

When Sir John A. Macdonald had in the eighties gone to Washington a memorandum of the subjects to be discussed had been sent to Mr. Blaine. That list included the settlement of the fishery questions, navigation questions and a number of others including reciprocity. The Laurier government had settled all these questions.

Toronto and Montreal bankers and manufacturers had protested that the agreement would lead to separation from Britain and union with the United States, yet every considerable city in the United States had a branch of a Canadian bank and in October Canadian banks had loaned in the United States over \$144,000,000. Yet these men feared for the empire because it was proposed to allow Canadian farmers to sell hogs in the United States. The thing was absurd.

### GEM.

The great war drama on Kentucky by the Reliance Film, showing thrilling needs of the Union spy in the enemy's camp, and the old Kentuckian is loyal to the Union cause. A Western picture and one other; an excellent program.

### UNIQUE TONIGHT.

The Italian Barber, (Biograph), His Wife's Sweetheart, (Comedy), After the Ball, (Comedy), and a great Melies Western "How Many Met the Cowpunchers." Farewell Newcombe, musician. Tomorrow Hardy and Lewis, singers, dancers, whistlers.

### TO RUSH WORK AT OTTAWA HOUSE

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—With three months of the session gone and the legislative programme hardly more than one-quarter disposed of, the government has given notice that hereafter government business will have precedence on Mondays, the only private member's day now left. The house will also be asked to forego the usual early adjournment at 6 o'clock on Wednesdays. The only time left for private bills from now on will be the first hour on Friday night and any contentious measures will stand little chance of getting through before prorogation in May.

Wednesday next, being Ash Wednesday the house will not sit.

### RECIPROCITY

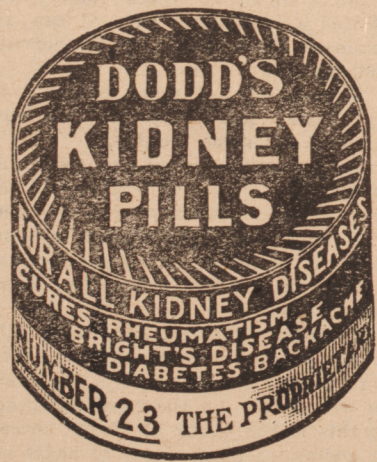
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"I voted for Abraham Lincoln and have voted for every Republican president since, but if the Republican party is to follow this course, by the eternal, it will have to go along without Jones."

While Mr. Ladd was speaking, he was asked by Mr. Penrose how it happened that Massachusetts selected Governor Foss on a Democrat ticket and a reciprocity platform if the farmers of Massachusetts were opposed to such an agreement.

"Don't ask me," said Mr. Ladd. "The farmers regret it now as much as anyone."

The hearings were not concluded today, and the paper and wood pulp interests will be considered tomorrow morning.



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