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## THE HOME RULE BILL

The Montreal Star, a Tory paper with strong imperialistic leanings, has the following sensible comment on the Home Rule bill, which should be read and carefully by some Tory journals nearer home:

"Mr. Winston Churchill, in his speech in the House, as in his speech in Belfast, took the imperial view of the Home Rule question. We cannot escape the feeling that, in these times of peril for the empire, that is the true view. The policy of the British government should be conciliation towards all the different peoples who make up our motley empire. They conciliated the Boers, who had lately been in arms against us, and who have ten chances to Ireland's one to arm again. Why should they not conciliate Ireland? Even if some of the opponents of the measure sincerely believe that this implies a chance that Ireland may use her new power to weaken imperial defence—and, for the life of us, we cannot see how she can—ought they not to be willing to risk this small possibility when they realize that every ounce of the united strength of the entire British empire will presently be needed to protect its life? Taking their own view of it, it is a small stake risked, with huge possible winnings on the table.

The British empire needs the support of the Irish race—not only in Ireland but overseas. We haven't got a man under the flag whose help we can spare—and certainly not "a first class fighting man" like the Irishman. Coercion has been tried on Ireland for a century with the worst possible results—one of which is a solid anti-British political force in the American republic. Why not "gamble" on conciliation? This is no time to hesitate over small risks. A few years ago there were "stick-in-the-mud" Britishers who could not stomach the notion of establishing genuinely friendly relations with "our historic enemy," France. But the late King Edward brushed aside all such nonsense, and where would we be today without the French "entente"? They do say, moreover, that the late King Edward was in favor of Home Rule. His long life at the centre of things, detached from party feeling, gave him a truly imperial outlook."

## THE SPLIT LOG DRAG

A Nova Scotia exchange, which is not any too well disposed towards automobiles, throws out the following suggestion, which, if adopted, might be the means of turning motor vehicles to good account in the matter of road making:

"As the autoists are beginning to find bad spots in the highways and intimate that those in charge of the public roads should make an effort to improve them, the following suggestion may not be without merit. That each auto have attached to it a split log drag and go out and do a few days work shaping up those bad roads. They have much more power than horses and could do the work more quickly and effectively than the farmers with their teams. There is not any doubt but that Road Inspector Stewart would be pleased to supply and direct the work and there would be more sense in working off the surplus gasoline in real improvement work like that than flying about the town streets."

Toronto Globe:—Canada's imports from the United States are over three as great as from Britain. Yet there are not a few Conservatives, like the member for South York, who are opposed to the British preference that has done so much to increase our imports from the motherland. A few days before the last general election Mr. Maclean boasted that he had voted against the British preference and would do it again. Preference for preference, he declared, was his motto. It is men like the member for South York who, by their fiscal vagaries, would make Canada an "adjunct" of the United States.

The announcement is made that the first sod of the St. John Valley Railway will be turned at Meductic on Saturday. There have been so many premature announcements made in connection with the great enterprise during the past year that the public will do well to take this one with a grain of salt.

The members of the Board of Trade were right on hand with the goods when Hon. Frank Cochrane Minister of Railways visited the city yesterday. The Minister of Railways is a public servant and he is now travelling about the country in search of information that will the better enable him to administer the affairs of his department. The Members of the Board of Trade handed him out some capital suggestions which if acted on will give the city better terminal facilities and add to its importance as a city. While the Minister in his reply was delightfully non-committal, there is reason to believe that he was favorably impressed with what he heard. Even should nothing come out of the conference the Board of Trade by bringing Fredericton's needs to the attention of the Minister discharged its duty to the city in a most commendable manner.

Four years ago J. K. Flemming and his two colleagues, when in opposition to the government, were elected in Carleton County by six hundred majority. One of the candidates who suffered defeat on that occasion was Mr. George W. Upham. Ten months later, when a bye-election was called on, Mr. Upham was again a candidate, but this time in opposition to the government and despite all the influence brought to bear against him, he won out by one hundred majority. As the Tories are fond of precedents, we commend this one to those who labor under the delusion that because they have the government at their back, they are going to clean up everything in sight at the approaching elections. The truth is, the present government lost the confidence of the people before it was in office a year.

According to The Sackville Tribune the strike on the N.B. and P.E. Island Railway, which is owned by Tory bosses, has destroyed whatever chance the Tories may have had to redeem Westmorland at the approaching election. The Tribune says—"And what shall we say of the chances of Messrs. Siddall and Black not to mention Mr. Mahoney, who also has a finger in the pie, to win Westmorland County for the Conservatives in the approaching provincial election? Do you think that paying their men \$1.20 per day will improve their chances, do you? These gentlemen had a fighting chance before; now they are done for, just as sure as the sun shines."

The Kingston Standard, a Tory paper, finds cause for complaint because a Liberal in that city was recently awarded a contract by the Dominion government over a Tory competitor. The explanation is that during the Laurier regime Liberals acquired the habit of tendering for public works at a reasonable figure. This is why they are now able to underbid their hungry Tory competitors.

A correspondent of The St. John Standard has discovered that the Liberals of Victoria County are divided and have no hope of electing their ticket. Our advisers from Victoria County are that the oft defeated Titus J. Carter, who is heading the Tory ticket, is in for a more severe drubbing than he received when last he offered himself as a sacrifice in that county.

"I am anxious for the local election to be brought on so I can cast my first Liberal vote," was the statement made by a well known Kings county man in a letter to a friend in this city recently. There are hundreds of honest electors in all parts of the province who are waiting for a chance to assist the Liberal party in putting the government of pledge breakers out of power.

In the City Council Chamber last evening Mayor Hooper in his speech took occasion to tell Hon. Mr. Cochrane that the meeting was non-political and that nobody was after graft. The Mayor's observations were correct so far as the meeting was concerned. But all the same the grafters had their innings with the Minister after the meeting adjourned.

While the relations between Mr. O. S. Crockett, M. P. and Hon. Mr. Hazen are somewhat strained, it is interesting to know that he has no grudge against Hon. Mr. Cochrane, Minister of Railways. It was the portfolio of railways and canals that Mr. Crockett aspired to.

## DOMINION STEEL AND UNION BANK MARKET FEATURES

(By direct private wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co., 604 Queen St.

New York, May 9.—The market showed little inclination to improve at the opening although one or two specialties were bid up quite sharply. Trading became dull and it might be said that at the end of half an hour there was merely nominal market. Both steel issues were notably strong common selling up 1 1/2 to 3 1/2 while preferred advanced 1 1/2 to 7 1/2. The street argued that members of inspection party would probably send buying orders for Bethlehem steel into market as was believed to have been done by Amal Copper inspection party a couple of weeks ago.

U. S. Steel was supplied at the opening level and while there was no aggressive pressure on the stock the absence of aggressive bullishness tended to discourage speculative holders.

quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange

	Open	Close
Copper, 100 @ 135, 30 @ 135 1/2, 50 @ 135 1/2.	81 1/2	82 1/2
Brooklyn, 25 @ 257.	82 1/2	83
Smelters, 25 @ 211, 40 @ 211 1/2.	84	85 1/2
C.P.R., 100 @ 94.	256 1/2	257
C.P.R., 25 @ 257.	131 1/2	132 1/2
Paint, 15 @ 99, 15 @ 100.	123	123
Ottawa Power, 20 @ 156.	174	176
Tooke Bros., 25 @ 36, 25 @ 39 1/2, 150 @ 40 1/2, 75 @ 40 1/2.	110 1/2	111
Penns., 1 @ 56 1/2, 110 @ 57.	169 1/2	170 1/2
Soo, 50 @ 139 1/2, 50 @ 140.	65 1/2	66 1/2
San Paulo, 75 @ 212 1/2, 25 @ 214 1/2.	52	52 1/2
Rubber, 1 @ 85.		

## SUGGESTS A COMPROMISE

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members of the clubs and Orange lodges and the men in the factories and shipyards.

London, May 8.—Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, was the star speaker in today's debate on Home Rule in the House of Commons. He declared that the establishment of a strong executive in Ireland was the only cure for the ills of that country. It would prove to be the pulse of the whole machine. Its absence was the real source of all weakness and troubles both before and after the union. There were, he said, tens of thousands among the Irish capable of undertaking the heavy responsibility of government, as was proved by the way they carried on the local boards.

In giving the House of Commons information on the subject of Ireland he was, he said, merely a gramophone, transmitting the views obtained from the local commissioners. He believed that the fears of Ulster were groundless and it would be found that Catholics and Protestants could work together for the common good of the people.

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