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## No Annexation Sentiment In Canada Says Sir Wilfrid

Following is the concluding portion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's great speech on reciprocity, delivered in the House of Commons on Tuesday:

### CONSERVATION QUESTION.

Touching on the question of conservation, Sir Wilfrid asked what was the object of these natural resources. They were given to man by the Creator to be used and all civilized nations have acted accordingly. The Indians were men after the heart of the member for North Toronto. They were great preservers of natural resources, they kept them not for their children, but for their children and the children of their children.

It was charged against the Canadian farmer that he was not cultivating the soil, but mining it, and it was charged against the lumberman that in his operations he destroys more than he uses. The object of the conservation commission was simply to advise the lumberman and others how to use the natural resources of the country.

The commission which was presided over by the hon. member for Brandon would do an immense service to the community in teaching the farmers and the lumbermen by suggesting legislation, and by doing what has not been done until the present time in showing all the people how to use these resources with prudence.

Whether the Americans took them or not, and whether this agreement went into effect or not the natural resources of the country would be made use of, but he hoped that it would be in a more prudent manner than at the present time.

NO DANGER TO CANADIAN INDUSTRIES.

"As to the objection in that this agreement would imperil Canadian industries, Sir Wilfrid noted that the agreement was concerned chiefly with natural products. There were practically no manufactured products dealt with except agricultural implements.

"A certain section wanted free implements altogether," said Sir Wilfrid, "but we did not think it prudent or advisable to go that far. We recognize in tariff matters the wide difference between manufactured and natural products. It is easy enough to put up a customs duty or enact a protective duty, but it is always a difficult task to decrease or remove such a duty. The reason is well known. It is obvious that if you impose a protective duty you create at once fictitious conditions; and if the industries established under the tariff and under that condition have to face suddenly a removal of the duty, you might annihilate in the course of one night millions of capital and reduce to non-employment thousands of operatives. That is why we have acted as we have done.

"On some agricultural implements the duty has been reduced from 17 1/2 to 15, and on others from 20 to 15 per cent. It would have been pleasing for myself, at all events, to have gone beyond that, but we considered that if we did we would, perhaps, not be doing justice to the men who have invested money in these establishments.

TORIES ALWAYS AGAINST REFORM.

"With this logic we have been particularly familiar in this country ever since the first days of responsible government. Open the records of our old discussions and you will find that when the reformers of that day were asking for responsible government all Tories of that day denounced the idea as being the first step towards annexation. It is not, therefore, to be wondered at that if, upon this occasion, the whole Conservative party have been moved by the old instincts of Toryism. But the manner in which this reform which we now bring forward is opposed to my mind will be to every one who examines the ques-

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tion an insult to the intelligence and character of the Canadian people.

"Let me refer to the resolutions of the board of trade of Toronto, which contain in a condensed form all the arguments with which we have been deluged in this House. The third resolution says: 'That any present benefit to any section of Canada or to any interest therein which might accrue from said agreement would be more than offset by the loss and injury to other sections and interests.'

"There is an admission that in this agreement there will be a benefit at least to some sections of the community. And the fourth resolution goes on: 'That the proposed agreement would weaken the tie which binds Canada to the empire.' The fifth resolution: 'That to avoid the disruption of trade, which after some years under said agreement, would result, were said agreement terminated and a protective tariff against Canada established by the United States, Canada will be forced to closer trade relations with them, which would still further weaken those ties and make it more difficult to avert political union with the United States.'

"Mark these words: 'Canada would be forced to closer trade relations.' Well, if Canada could be forced, what would force her? Nations there have been, which in the face of great emergency, great national calamity, would rise to the occasion and even the women would throw their jewels and ornaments into the common fund for the protection of the country. But we are told here by Canadian Tories that if an economic crisis were to arise in which their pockets would be liable to suffer they would hesitate between their pockets and their loyalty.

THE OLD RECIPROCITY TREATY.

"But, the Tories of fifty years ago were made of sterner stuff. In 1854 the treaty which was negotiated by Lord Elgin with Sir Francis Hincks as his prime minister, resulted in an immediate abundance of prosperity.

FINE SHOWING MADE BY  
THE I. C. R. LAST YEAR

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CANADA'S BEST YEAR

Dealing in detail with the work of the past fiscal year, Mr. Graham pointed out that it showed the best year on record in Canada. During the past decade the railway traffic had increased by 101 per cent, while during the same time the water traffic through Canadian canals had increased by 660 per cent.

The railway mileage in Canada in operation was 24,731 miles an increase over last year of 637 miles, and for ten years of 6,591 while there were under construction including the National Transcontinental, 4,500 miles.

The capital invested was \$1,810,297, 657, and increase of over \$100,000,000 over last year. Passengers numbered 35,894,570 an increase of 7,640,608. Railway employees numbered 123,768 with a pay roll of \$67,167,703 while additional employees in railway hotels, elevators, etc., brought the total pay roll to \$72,37,626. The tonnage of the canals was 42,990,608 an increase of 9,269,840 over the previous year.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC

Dealing with the Grand Trunk Pacific the minister stated that the company had expended on the mountain section \$18,765,330 and on the prairie section \$34,436,168 while the cost of the Transcontinental to date has been \$94,580,500 and the estimate to complete \$50,759,200.

Three routes were being tested in connection with the Welland canal up on which had been spent in original construction, and later enlargement \$28,338,616.

Mr. Graham declared that the government would proceed at once with the building of the Hudson Bay Railway. A proposal, he said would later be submitted to the house for its operation, the arrangement to include elevators, wharves, steamships etc.

I. C. R. HAD PROSPEROUS YEAR  
The report of the Intercolonial was most encouraging. The surplus last year was \$623,164.66. The mileage of main track was now 1,490.67 miles, and the capital to date \$83,819,218.53 while the increase this year was \$1,000,000.

The result was regarded as especially satisfactory in view of the difficulties with which the road had to contend. The route from St. John to Montreal was longer by about 250 miles than the C. P. R.; there was cheap water competition and the road exacted the lowest rates in Canada. The Intercolonial was not built as a paying road but to meet the obligations of confederation. Its revenue per mile was less per ton by 40 per cent than the G. T. R., and by 32 per cent than the C. N. R., while its passenger revenue was less per mile

Ten years afterwards the treaty was repealed and a high protective tariff substituted for it. At that time did the Canadians falter? Did they hesitate? Were they forced into closer relations with the United States? Did they seek a refuge in political union? No, in the face of that action they conceived and organized a Canadian confederation.

"The treaty of 1854 was negotiated by Lord Elgin, when, as I have said, he had as his first minister Sir Francis Hincks. It was ratified in 1854 by the first Liberal-Conservative administration that we had. That administration was presided over by that staunch, stalwart Tory, Sir Allan MacNab. Nor did John A. falter. Did they say to Lord Elgin that they would not advise the ratification of that treaty for fear that if it were afterwards abolished the Canadian people would be forced into closer relations with the United States. On the contrary their advice to Lord Elgin was to ratify the treaty.

"Reviewing the situation as it is placed before us, far from sharing in the forebodings, the lugubrious forebodings of what we are told is to follow the application, not of a new principle, but of an old policy, it seems to me there are evidences that we are now entering upon a new era in our relations with our neighbors that we can see already whitening on the horizon the dawn of a better day."

Sir Wilfrid went on to say that the relations which have existed between Canada and the United States for the last fifty years and more especially for the last twelve years and which almost came to a crisis a year ago have been a blot upon the civilization of the two countries, amounting practically to a proclamation of non-commercial intercourse so far as legislation could bring that about.

"One thing could not be denied, and that was there was a growing feeling amongst the thoughtful men of the American union that this policy had been injurious to themselves as well as to us, and that it was

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by 7 per cent than the C. P. R.; by 4 per cent than the G. T. R., and by 29 per cent than the C. N. R.

Comparing the Intercolonial with Ontario's government-owned T. & N. O. railway the minister pointed out that the Ontario road carried freight which admits of high classification and its rates are higher. As a result its earning power per ton per mile last year was 179.02 per cent, higher than the I. C. R., or nearly three times as much. Per passenger per mile the T. & N. O. was able to get 48.1 per cent, more than the I. C. R. If the I. C. R.'s gross-earning power last year had been as great on freight alone as the T. & N. O. its net earnings would have been increased by \$10,957,477.

I. C. R. RATES CHEAPEST IN CANADA

Comparisons made of all other railways on specific mileage showed the I. C. R. to be the cheapest. Up to December 31, 1910, there had been for the nine months an increase in the up-keep of the road over 1909 of \$332,309.

FUTURE OF THE I. C. R.

The future of the Intercolonial, concluded the minister after a four hour's address, afforded opportunity for interesting speculation. When the National Transcontinental was finished no doubt the Grand Trunk would ask to be relieved of this exchange agreement. The Canadian Northern had to secure a through line to the seaboard and Mr. Graham intimated he had an idea that in future the Intercolonial will be linked up with the Canadian Northern for the exchange of freight.

Hon. John Haggart did not attempt any serious criticism of Mr. Graham's administration of his department. He confined his brief remarks largely to an advocacy of the Georgian Bay canal scheme in preference to the Welland canal project.

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