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THE TORIES AND THE PREFERENCE

The Halifax Recorder does well to recall the fact that clause by clause, section by section, the British preference legislation introduced by Mr. Fielding was fought tooth and nail by the Opposition, and the Tory leader at that time, Sir Charles Tupper, burst forth into a prophecy of the utter ruin to our manufacturers it was sure to produce. When we remember these things, our smile must be pardoned, when we note the ostentatious solicitude of the Tory press on behalf of that same preference now.

Sir Charles said in substance at the time: "Let John Bull give up his Free Trade and adopt a Protective Tariff with a clause in favor of the colonies, then it will be time for us to grant British goods a preference in our markets."

But the preference, given by the Liberals without making any preposterous demands on the mother country, has, as the Recorder points out, "become popular, and so those who cursed it at birth now profess to be enamored of the same and are using it as an argument against any bargain with the Americans. There is no reason whatever for feeling any alarm as to the effect of the preferential tariff on British imports. In the cases of those classes of goods upon which the customers' rate has been reduced by reciprocity, the British preferential rate is automatically reduced proportionally so that the British exporter enjoys the same advantage as before."

"When we come to examine the class of goods which are put upon the free list by Reciprocity, we find that scarcely a single item in the whole list is imported from Britain or is produced by that country. The free list then is practically composed of raw materials which Britain does not produce and which we must and do procure from the United States anyway, while the imports still paying duties continue to enjoy the same percentage of preference when coming from Great Britain as they did before. The truth is, that the same people are objecting to any reduction in the tariff on American imports who objected with equal warmth and noise thirteen years ago to the reduction on imports from the mother country. Thirteen years from now they or their sons will be praising their present tariff agreement and exhibiting equal solicitude for its preservation intact."

An Amherst paper says: "E. N. Rhodes, M. P., for Cumberland is expected in Amherst on Monday and will spend a day or two in this constituency. He would like to hear as many views as possible with regard to reciprocity from his constituents during his stay in Amherst."

While the Tory members in Nova Scotia are endeavoring to ascertain the views of their constituents on the important question of reciprocity Mr. O. S. Crockett, is seeking through his newspaper organ to make his constituents believe that reciprocity is just what they do not want; that its adoption would mean the disruption of the British Empire. In other words he is playing the role of a dictator instead of that of a servant of the people. It is about time the intelligent farmers of the County of York, every one of whom stands to benefit by the reciprocity agreement, were setting Mr. Crockett right on this question.

Toronto Globe—Liberals should end this talk of reciprocity injuring British connection by insisting on getting the Tories who put forward the argument to point out wherein the argument lessens the British preference.

Victoria B. C. Colonist—Earl Grey is said to have criticized the manners of Canadian children. We are sorry to have to say that there is only too much ground for such criticism. Time was when there was such a thing in this country as respectful treatment of their seniors by all children, but the contrary is becoming the rule only too rapidly. This evil can be remedied by a little judicious work at home and in the schools.

St. John Times:—The Ottawa Journal, Conservative, says—"The Montreal Star has gone into hysterics against reciprocity. All of us are to go to the demerit bow-wows, and Canada is to be wiped out. Which it seems to us that if Canada be wiped out by a common-sense policy of removal of barriers to the sale and transportation of food for people, there cannot be much good reason for Canada's existence."

Halifax Chronicle—Canada is the Twentieth Century country, and Nova Scotia is going to be the Twentieth Century Province. She has contributed more than her share in men and money to the upbuilding of the Dominion. She has done all this cheerfully and ungrudgingly. Now is the time to do something for herself. Let us start nation-building at home, and make Nova Scotia a bigger factor in the Dominion!

The Regina Leader in commenting on the speech of Dr. J. W. MacNeill, formerly of Keswick Ridge, who moved the address in reply to the speech from the throne at the opening of the Saskatchewan Legislature says: "Dr. MacNeill in a splendid speech of great fluency and considerable eloquence voiced the fervid patriotism of the people of the province to their country and empire."

Referring to Hon. W. S. Fielding's message to Lord Strathcona, the London Daily Chronicle says that "it is particularly timely in view of the forthcoming debate in the Commons. What is good for Canada is good for the Empire and will make for its greater freedom and greater strength." There you have the gospel of Liberalism and true Imperialism in a sentence.

At a meeting of the Victoria county board of trade a few days ago, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, that this Board heartily endorse the reciprocity agreement now under consideration by the United States and our government and do hope that it will pass and become law."

The sale of the Gibson property has been postponed for two months because some of the interested parties were able to satisfy the Chief Justice that the reciprocity agreement if ratified would be likely to enhance the value of the property.

In the United States Congress yesterday a motion to give the trade agreement preference over all other legislation was adopted by seventy-seven majority. It looks as if the agreement will be ratified by a majority equally as large.

Mr. Crockett, M. P. for York, fell into line behind Mr. Monk, M. P., in Parliament last week and voted for his motion to defer consideration of the reciprocity agreement.

The more the Tories howl against reciprocity the more likelihood there is of the measure passing the United States Congress and Senate.

The debate on the reciprocity agreement is to be resumed in Parliament today.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS

(Continued from page one.)

ator Brown of Medford a Republican. Resolutions advising the rejection of the reciprocity agreement were unanimously adopted by the executive committee of the Home Market Club of this city today. The resolutions declare that besides being contrary to the principles of protection, the agreement "will provoke international jealousies and probably cause demands for equal concessions under the most favored nations clause in the United States commercial treaties."

CHEAP CROP

Chatham World—Editors are teerily worried in this part of the country because it is reported that the spruce gum crop is small.

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Reciprocity Will Benefit Consumers and Producers

(Montreal Herald)

Wheat will be worth more to the Canadian producer, but will not follow Canadian routes nor reach Canadian mills so largely. Ontario and Quebec will increase output of hay and coarse grains for American consumption, without reducing domestic supply or European export.

Ontario and Quebec will sell to United States large quantities of late and specialized fruit, particularly apples, while Welland fruit will have wider and more even market with occasional loss from U. S. competition.

The Canadian butter market may be largely seized by Denmark and Australia, but Canadian butter will have a favorable position on the United States market to which these have no access.

The Ontario and Quebec meat packers fear the loss of a portion of their market to the Chicago packers, with a consequent reduction in the Canadian demand for cattle and hogs.

The Ontario salt industry is doomed, unless supplemental legislation can be contrived to overcome its present disadvantage. Canadian poultry if properly fed will find an excellent market in the States, and new-laid eggs will on the whole find better prices. Lower grades will be reduced.

Canadian cattle may be transferred as yearlings to the States, where the process of feeding may be somewhat cheaper. This will depend on the state of feed crops.

The Western consumer, hitherto dependent on Eastern Canada and a very small supply from British Columbia for his fruit and vegetables, will be greatly benefited.

Certain special industries, such as British Columbia fruit farming and Western Canada truck farming will be severely set back.

There will be a marked increase in the influx of Americans and others into the West and a rise of land values, with a further great increase in the wealth and consuming power of the West.

The milling industry, both in Manitoba and east, will be at a disadvantage on the export market over the American mills which have a double market, at home and in Europe.

The Maritime Provinces will gain immensely by the enlarged market for their fish and lumber, and the small producer will be able to handle his own produce to the New England market.

The Maritime Provinces will greatly increase their output of farm produce, shipping to New England cities. Maritime fruit and hay, now going largely to England, will be diverted to the U. S. market.

FIVE KILLED BY TUNNEL EXPLOSION

Hazleton, B. C., Feb. 13—Five men were killed and two severely injured yesterday as the result of a premature explosion in a small tunnel on the Grand Trunk Pacific at Kitzeles (B. C.). The men were working at the far end of the tunnel when a box of powder, left near the mouth, presumably to be taken out, became over heated and exploded.

The dead are: M. F. Burgess, station man; Charles Quarstrom, W. E. Kova, Eli Elazavitch and John Elazavitch.

AT THE BIJOU.

An exceptionally fine Vitagraph and a great Indian romance of the Hudson Bay Country. Tomorrow, "Roses of the Virgin," a Canadian lumber camp story, and "The Cowboy's Innocence." There is not only a few cowboys and girls in this picture, but dozens of them—the kind of pictures that draw patronage to a theatre. Don't miss these fine programs at the Bijou.

HAMILTON WOMAN INHERITS FORTUNE

Hamilton, Feb. 14—Mrs Marshall, wife of Wm. Marshall of the Hamilton Distillery and her sisters, Mrs. Wm. Brown and Mrs. Hurd of Burlington inherit \$250,000 from their brother Wm. P. Mallory who died recently at Stamford Conn.

GETTING MARRIED.

Chatham World:—A Chatham woman warns the young men: Matrimony is always a subject of great interest and importance for the single. Several young men of our town seem to be all worked up on this matter. They are making goo-goo eyes at the girls, even in church; and the pomade they use on their hair would be enough to grease our band-wagon. They are extremely anxious, so we are told, to get married for better or for worse. That's the point; it will be the one or the other, and all the silly goo-gooing and the brainless plastering of the hair cannot change it.

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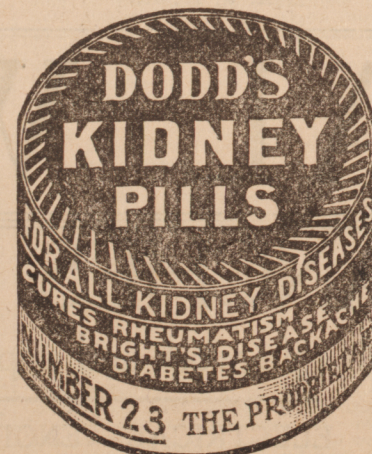
GREAT SHOWING OF CANADIAN PACIFIC

Montreal, Feb. 13—At the meeting of the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway held today the following dividends were declared.

On the preference stock, two and one-half per cent for the half year ended December 31 last.

On the common stock, two and one-half per cent for the quarter ended December 31 last, being at the rate of seven per cent per annum from revenue, and three per cent per annum from interest on proceeds of land sales and from other extraneous assets, both dividends payable April 1 next to shareholders of record at 3 p. m. on March next.

After payment working expenses, fixed charges and dividends now declared there is a surplus from operation for the half year of \$10,233,401.92.



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