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EAGER FOR VICTORY

The Liberals are awaiting the dissolution of the Commons with impatience. They are eager, for the chance to meet their opponents at the polls.

the government will again be approv ed by the people just as it was apequally confident that the vast majority of the electors are favorable to reciprocity the Liberal party wel comes the battle which Conservative blocking of public business is bringing on. A short sharp struggle will stir the fighting blood of the Liberal forces and polling day will give the administration five years more in which to work for the advancement of the country's prosperity.

If the situation in the several provinces is reviewed the chanes of an overwhelming Liberal victory are seen to be such as to bring confidence to every friend of progressive administration. British Columbia is probably least friendly to the Liberal party. There Premier McBride dominates the situation and, undenlably he is a politician of ability. But even in the Pacific province the Liberal government stands to make whether the Liberals will carry York some gains

for the Liberals in Alberta and Sas- cal predictions are often exaggeratkatchewan. Opposing the trade pact ed and are always easily upset but because of the pressure of the inter- there is every good reason for saying the scrutineers. Perhaps-oh, well, ests, the Conservatives have taken that there is not a single seat now let it go at that. apon themselves an alliance which held by the Liberals in this province las completely wiped away what lit- which is in danger of Conservative tle hope they had of gaining the capture. St. John city ought to votes of the western men. Even the prove very satisfactory ground for Conservative leader in Saskatchewan Liberals at present. With the evidenis out flat-footed in favor of the ces of what Liberalism has done for trade agreement and indignantly re- that city already before their eyes futes the assertions of the "Eastern and with the magnificent prospects of

less loyal than they are. will have opposed to them all the of the Liberal standard as never beenergies of a Conservative govern- fore. York is admittedly hard ground ment which has ever employed "ma- for Liberals, but here too, recipro chine" merhods. But with the Liber- aty has gained a remarkable popuals will be the powerful Gra,n Grow- larity. This coupled with the fact ers Association whose members stand that Mr. Crocket has utterly failed steadfastly for reciprocity. Hon. "Bob" Rogers, the master mechanic stituency is having a most gratifyof the "machine" is this time fight- ing effect in wiping out the work of ing a losing battle. Even the thous- the unscrupulous personal machine ands and thousands of dollars sub- which for some years has been dom- mar School. scribed by the "interests" will not inating this country for the benefit avail. The Liberals are certain to of two or three self and family seekmake material gains in this the last ers. A Liberal sweep of New Brunsof the western provinces.

In Ontario the government will will not do much more than hald its future of the Conservatike party.

In Quebec the government will have to fight both the Conservatives and their allies the Nationalists. Just as in Ontario and some other provinces the Conservatives will shout that Laurier is disloyal so in Quebec the Conservatives will join with the Nationalists and cry that Laurier is trying to sell French-Canadians der? We hate to think that there to the Empire. No doubt Mr. Bourassa will tell his compatriots his at a convention presided over by the old, old story that Laurier wishes to editor of the World. It is perhaps send their sons to be murdered in rather unfortunate, though, that fighting the battles of the Empire. just after the quoted words the Mr. Gilbert, the Nationalist M. P. World printed other words saying who votes steadily with the Conser- that a gentleman stood over the vatives, and Dr. Paquet, the Consertcrutineers, when a condidate was vative M. P. who publicly stated the being balloted for, and scrutinized

The Daily Mail ably paint gruesome pictures of French-Canadians being torn from their families by force to serve in Published every afternoon (except the Canadian navy to help Britain. Bunday) at No. 613 Queen Str by These and kindred tactics will be us-THE MAIL PUBLISHING COM- ed to help swing Quebec in favor of the Conservatives to whom, apparPresident ently, if we are to believe their own story. Providence has given a mono poly of Canadian loyalty. But Laurier and Lemieux and other Liberals will have little difficulty in nullifying the effect of such guerilla methods of warfare. From well-informed circles the word comes that Quebec will do even better for the Liberals than it has hitherto done. There, as everywhere, the Liberal record and reciprocity will gain votes for the

In the Maritime Provinces reciprocity is proving no less popular than in the prairie parts of the Dominion Reciprocity sentiment has long been strong in these eastern provinces though many people had almost given up hope that freer trade with the United States would ever be gained Farmers, lumbermen, fishermen-all for reciprocity first and party afterwards but because they are so intensely loyal to the British Empire the cry is being energetically raised by anti-reciprocity campaigners that the trade pact is disloyal to Britain proved in 1900, 1904 and 1908, and By such a cry the campaigners hope to deceive the people and to léad them to vote against their own best interests and the best interests of the Dominion and the Empire because of a false belief that support of reciprocity would in some way in jure our common imperial cause. But just as they are intensely loyal so the people of the Maritime Provinces are sensible, and the loyalty cry is for that reason gaining no converts to the Conservative "interests"

In Prince Edward Island the Liberals will probably carry all before them. It is thought that in Nova Scotia the Conservatives will Icse several seats and that perhaps the Liberals will repeat the sweep of 1904 when their opponents failed to capture a single constituency

In New Brunswick the question is and St. John city. And the chances Reciprocity will sweep the fields of doing so are encouraging. Politi-Gamaliels" that because of this he is the future bright before them the people of the commercial capital may In Manitoba the Liberal candidates be expected to rally to the support to accomplish anything for the conwick is quite within probability.

So, let the fight come on. Recipaold its own. In some agricultural rocity and Continued Progress is the sections the ministry will gain but cry of vistory. The voice of the peoelsewhere the influence of the ;'inter- ple not the voice of the millionaires mar School ests" and the flag-waving and dis- who would be dictators of Canada's loyalty rant of unscrupulous -or policy will determine, the course of weak-minded-persons will quite pro- events in the Dominion. The alliance bably nearly off-eet these gains. On- of the Conservatives and the Nationtario, however, has not been a Lib- alists and the "interests" is welding eral province and because of certain the Liberal party together as it has specious cries now being raised by never been bound together before; the Conservhtives the government and just as surely is camning the

The Chatham World is authority for statement that at the Conservative convention in Chatham everything was done decently and in or der." Why this announcement? Had it been expected that the convention would be marked by some happenings that would not be decent or in orwould be danger of such happenings other day that he would follow Mr. every ballot. That's rather a new Bourassa and Mr. Monk, will problidea-having a scrutineer to watch

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