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DOMINION ELECTION

Nomination - - Sept. 14th
Polling - - Sept. 21st
Reciprocity Candidate for York
ALFRED B. ATHERTON, M. D.

THE FARMER'S TURN

The leading feature of the reciprocity pact is that it admits the Canadian farmer to a share of the already large trade which this country does with the United States. The farmer, who is the person especially interested and who above all others has a right to be heard in regard to an agreement, which gives him no privileges, but merely freedom has been receiving various and strange advice from Hazen government office leaders and Tory newspapers. HE HAS BEEN TOLD FIRST, THAT HE WOULD SELL SO MUCH OF HIS PRODUCE TO THE UNITED STATES THAT OUR TRADE AND TRANSPORTATION WOULD BE REVOLUTIONIZED and our hopes of nationality destroyed. He has been told, second, that he will sell little or nothing to the United States, because prices are lower in that country than here, and they are exporters of farm produce. Listening to all these advices contradicting each other, contradicting themselves, swinging violently from one extreme to the other, consistent only in their determination to keep him excluded from a market of ninety-two million people, it is no wonder if he begins to show some impatience and is now asking what are the real causes of opposition to reciprocity where the assigned causes are so lamentably weak.

The facts of history are all against the absurd arguments of the Tories. The farmers of York know that we had reciprocity with the United States from 1854 to 1856. They know that our foreign trade during that period grew by leaps and bounds. They know that the country was prosperous during that period and there was no talk of annexation. Our people were loyal then and they are loyal today and will always remain loyal. Their loyalty cannot be bought with dollars and cents.

It is not disloyal, it is not unpatriotic for any man to seek to improve his position. The farmer has as good a right to increase his business from year to year as the merchant has. The only favor he asks is a market for what he produces and it is the duty of the government of the day to provide this for him. The Laurier government is endeavoring to provide the honest tiller of the soil with a larger market. The opposition led by R. L. Borden and backed up by the interests which have been fattening for years at the expense of the farmer are opposing it. The farmers are in a majority in Canada. On Sept. 21st the case will be left in their hands for a decision. It is up to them to render a verdict that will be favorable to their interests.

BETTER DAYS COMING

Farmers of York, disregard the cheap talk of Tory jingoes and alarmists who care for nothing except your votes, and take a look into the future. Look to your own interests and the interests of your children. Here is what will happen when we get Reciprocity:

"The vacant farms will again be occupied.
"The boards will be removed from the windows.

"The brass knocker will be replaced on the front door.

"The old sweep will again lower the moss-grown bucket to quench the thirst of the happy farmer.

"Sheep will again sport themselves on the green hills and great crops of potatoes and herds of fat cattle will again be raised.

"The exiles will return and replace their household goods and the spirits of the departed pioneers will no longer grieve our deserted hearths, and as they gather around the family altar a word or two will be said for Hon. W. S. Fielding.

"New Brunswick ports will again take on the hustle and the bustle of the olden time.

"Her creeks will again resound with the cricket-like chirp of the chalking mallet.

The meadows and islands of the St. John Valley will dance for glee when they see the four dollar bills representing a like number of tons of hay going into the farmers' pockets.

"The cry of the weary hearts has been, 'How long, O Lord, how long will we be prevented from trading with our natural market?' But the cry has been heard and it has been put into the heart of man to arrange affairs so that New Brunswickers can look at the millions to the south as friends—from a business standpoint—without lessening their love for the British flag or forgetting the trials and abuses of the forefathers of many of us at the time of the revolution."

Let the farmers of York throw aside party policies on this occasion and bury their prejudices, and inside of three months they will be shipping their produce to the great markets of the New England States.

THE EXHIBITION

In the turmoil of the political campaign, it must not be forgotten that what promises to be an exceedingly successful provincial exhibition will be formally opened by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor at eight o'clock. President Campbell, Secretary Hooper and the other members of the executive have labored faithfully with a view to making this exhibition eclipse all previous efforts and if the weather man is only kind to them success will crown their efforts. The grounds have been enlarged, new buildings have been erected and everything has been done to make the show a credit to the city and province. The space is all departments have been taken up, and the exhibits both in live stock, agricultural products and industrial lines promise to be of a very high class.

All roads lead to Fredericton this week. Let everybody come to the exhibition.

PROSPERITY NOT GENERAL

But they have a further argument "Everything is well with us, why not let well enough alone." I deny this premise. I say everything is not well with us. It is true there is great prosperity in many portions of the country, but it is not by any means equally diffused. Ontario is very prosperous, but what of the balance? What of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. None of these provinces have shared, or only to a very limited extent in the prosperity of the rest. Nor is there any reasonable hope that they will share except it be through the medium of this identical reciprocity agreement.

—Sir Richard Cartwright at Toronto

If anything were wanting to show the desperate straits in which the Tory party of York finds itself at the present time, it is furnished by the frantic shrieks of the local hack organ concerning a boodle fund which the wicked Grits are alleged to have brought into York County. The hack organ is either paving the way for a defeat or it is trying to frighten the Tory campaign managers into making a more generous allotment out of the Tory corruption fund. Mr. Crockett and his hack organ did so much boasting about York early in the campaign, that they are finding some difficulty in getting a generous share of the boodle fund as they now feel is absolutely necessary to stave off a crushing defeat.

SOME GLEANER PREDICTIONS DURING CONTEST OF 1908

As polling day approaches the local hack organ is becoming more and more hysterical and cleaning up everything in sight for the Tories. It worked the same game during the election campaign of three years ago as the following gems from its columns will show:

(Oct. 20, 1908.)

"THERE IS NO DOUBT OF THE ELECTION OF MR. BURNS IN GLOUCESTER AND THE FINISH OF THE VENIOT-TURGEON REGIME IN THAT COUNTY. THE OLD CONSERVATIVE SPIRIT SEEMS TO HAVE AWAKENED."

(Oct. 22, 1908.)

"GRIT MINISTERS IN HARD PLACES."

"Paterson, Aylesworth, Graham and Murphy Have a Hard Row to hoe in Their Constituencies. There is no Hope for Mr. Paterson. Mr. Graham was Fighting for His Life. Mr. Aylesworth's Chances of Election are Slim. Mr. Murphy May be Defeated in Monday's Election."

(Oct. 20, 1908.)

"FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY MOST ENCOURAGING NEWS COMES OF CONSERVATIVE PROSPECTS."

"The Sweep Appears to be From Ocean to Ocean. The People are Sickened of the Graft and Waste of the Laurier Administration and Are Determined by Their Ballots to Place the Destinies of Canada in Safe Keeping."

(Oct. 20, 1908.)

"EVERYTHING POINTS TO A LARGE MAJORITY FOR MORRISON, THE CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE IN NORTHUMBERLAND."

(Oct. 22, 1908.)

"LET YORK ELECT CROCKET. CANADA WILL MAKE BORDEN HER PREMIER."

Hon. D. V. Landry has been going up and down Kent County condemning the Reciprocity agreement. In this gentleman's Report of the Department of Agriculture in New Brunswick, for the year 1910, we find the following reference to one very important industry of the province:

"If any industry is to be thrifty and to develop in the way it should, we must have an outlet for the product of that industry, and you have an outlet here without limit. South of you there is a vast market ready to take over the last leg of lamb and mutton you can produce during twelve months of the year."

"There is no month in the year when the Boston and New York markets are not ready to take your lambs when your home market is not ready for them."

Mr. Blondin, a member of the last House of Commons and a follower of Borden and Bourassa, has publicly expressed himself as follows:

"We will not be made to forget that in 1837 it was necessary to bore holes in it (the English flag) in order to breathe the air of liberty. The English have never done anything for the French Canadians. We do not owe them anything. The only liberties we have enjoyed have been snatched. England has sowed the world with hatred, quarrels and wars. We have had enough of England and the English."

Mr. Blondin sat in caucus with O. S. Crockett in the last parliament.

There was a glut of potatoes in the local market this morning and the price dropped to one dollar per barrel. The most pressing need of the farmers of York is a larger market. Then vote for Atherton and Reciprocity.

(Oct. 22, 1908.)

"AS THE DAY OF POLLING APPROACHES IT IS GENERALLY CONCEDED BY ALL FAIR-MINDED MEN THAT THE LAURIER GOVERNMENT IS DOOMED TO DEFEAT. THAT MR. BORDEN WILL BE PREMIER IN A FEW DAYS IS NOW ASSURED."

(Oct. 23, 1908.)

"QUEENS-SUNBURY IS SURE FOR WILMOT. COL. McLEAN HAS SHOT HIS BOLT AND IT HAS PROVED AN OBJECT FAILURE."

(Oct. 23, 1908.)

"RURAL MAIL A CAMPAIGN DODGE."

"And a Patent Vote-Catcher Will Last Until Election Day." (Rural mail delivery is now in vogue in many sections of York and Sunbury.)

(Oct. 23, 1908.)

"THE LAURIER PARTY IS DOOMED TO DEFEAT AND IS ON THE RUN ALL OVER CANADA."

(Oct. 23, 1908.)

"THE LIBERALS ARE LOOKING FOR AN EVEN BREAK IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES."

"In New Brunswick Even the Liberals Acknowledge a Conservative Majority is Assured. In St. John the Defeat of Hon. Mr. Pugsley is No Longer Doubtful and Candidates of His Party Who Were Looked Upon as Reasonably Safe Are Now Placed in the Doubtful Column and Some Will go Down to Defeat."

(Oct. 24, 1908.)

"PUGSLEY WILL BE LEFT AT HOME."

(Oct. 24, 1908.)

"SMITH WILL WIN BY OVER 300 IN CARLETON COUNTY."

"Grits in Despair and Privately Concede Smith's Election by Over 206 Majority."

Every obscure Tory paper that comes to hand these days contains a made to order supplement from the Montreal Star filled up with election dope. These are supplied by the Montreal junta and the country weeklies are being paid for circulating them and they have been given to understand "Mr. Borden will be pleased." Almost the first article in the sheet, that strikes the eye appears under the caption of "The Paid Press." Here is a sample extract from it: "Now do you realize that the government press of the country is a paid press." For downright hypocrisy commend us to the Tory junta.

Mr. Michael Kelly who has been doing such effective work in York County on behalf of Reciprocity has been deprived of his eyesight, but he is able to see much farther ahead than some of the men who are blindly following Crockett and McLeod in this campaign regardless of their own interests.

Speaking in North Toronto on Wednesday evening Hon. G. E. Foster stated that he had not seen a single case of attack being made by the Conservative press on the few men who had gone over to the support of reciprocity. It is quite evident that the ex-finance minister is not a reader of the local hack organ.

All the screaming of the local hack organ over Yankee gold cannot hide the fact that the United States trusts have raised an enormous fund with the object of preventing the passage of reciprocity in Canada.

The local hack organ having failed to make any headway in its annexation campaign against Dr. Atherton, has discovered that he is an enemy of the French people. The organ is certainly getting desperate.

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