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COPYING CANADA'S POLICY!

American legislators are learning from Canada's example that the best and only defence against oppression by trusts and combines is freedom to buy elsewhere. It is a tribute to the anti-trust clauses in the Fielding tariff that similar legislation has been introduced at Washington with strong support that promises to make it a feature of the American tariff law. The new bill proposes to give the President and the Tariff Commission power to remove the duty from any article when its production and sale are so controlled by combinations that the people are injuriously affected. This is a feature of the Fielding tariff that has prevented the protected interests of the Dominion from taking any unfair or oppressive advantage of their special favors. After seeing its practical effect since the Liberals attained power Congress is about to pay us the compliment of imitation.

Trusts and combines are not necessarily injurious institutions, nor are they essential in enabling privileged interests to take oppressive advantage. The combination and consolidation of individual firms may lessen the cost of management and superintendence and save the waste generally occasioned by a competitive contest for business. So far as they do these things they lessen economic loss, and result in benefits that may be diffused among the people or secured by a fortunate few. It is only when they unduly advance the price to consumers that they confine the benefits of a few and oppress the general public. The anti-trust laws illustrate one method of dealing with this evil. Another and more certain way is to remove the artificial restrictions and let it be cured by the natural and healthy action of commercial freedom. This method has never been known to fail.

In Britain trusts and combines are helpless, so far as the levying of exorbitant prices is concerned. The people are free to buy in the cheapest market. There has been some reluctance toward adopting that policy on this side of the Atlantic owing to the fear that it would, as protectionists express it, open the way for a devasting deluge of foreign goods. This fear is now seen to be wholly illusory. The removal of all or part of the duty from goods produced by an oppressive combine results not in a flood of importations, but in a reduction of the home price sufficient to still hold the market. The removal of say, a 25 per cent. duty causes a reduction of 25 per cent. in the price of the domestic product, and this makes it as difficult as before for the outside producer to effect an entrance. It is not necessary to import. It brings down the combine prices. If The mere possibility of doing so brings down the combine prices. If imitation is the sincerest flattery, the Government should feel grat- at this tribute from leading Am- legislators.

AN EMINENT STATESMAN.

Death of Duke of Devonshire Causes Widespread Regret.

CANNES, March 24—The Duke of Devonshire died here this morning of heart failure.

LONDON, March 24—The news of the death of the Duke of Devonshire at Cannes came unexpectedly to England and has caused widespread regret. Although the Duke had been ailing since he suffered a sudden attack of acute weakness while visiting King Edward at Windsor Castle last June, and in spite of some alarming reports that reached London during his sojourn in Egypt this winter, the recent accounts of his health had been more assuring and the news of his death had come almost as a surprise.

The death of the Duke leaves a gap in the public life of Great Britain, for although his withdrawal from the Balfour ministry when Joseph Chamberlain launched his fiscal policy estranged him from a majority of his party, he still had a large following in the country and was president of the Unionist Free Trade League. He took an active part in the campaign against tariff reform. He led the Liberals during the temporary retirement of Gladstone in 1875 and was offered but refused the premiership after the Midlothian campaign of 1880. He was again offered this honor upon the defeat of home rule but again refused.

The Duke has no family, and the Dukedom passes to his nephew, Mr. Cavendish who married a daughter of Lord Lansdowne. The death of the Duke places a badge of the Order of the Garter at the disposal of King Edward and this in accordance with custom will be returned to his majesty by the successor of the title. A number of public offices are also made vacant by the death of the duke, notably the chancellorship of Cambridge University, and the Lord Lieutenancy of Derbyshire. The Duke owned about 186,000 acres.

ANGLICAN HYMNAL COMPLETE.

Everything Ready for Presentation to the General Synod---Book has 794 Hymns

TORONTO, March 23—Though it was by some deemed impossible, the Hymnal Committee of the Church of England in Canada did complete the final revision of the Book of Common Praise at its meeting in St. Luke's school-house in this city. As stated before, there was a very large attendance of members of the committee from all parts of Canada and over a thousand points were discussed and settled before the committee adjourned. Throughout the policy of "unity by inclusion" has been followed, and the hymnal as presented to the Synod will contain 794 hymns. The secretary of the committee, Mr. J. Edmund Jones, Toronto, will go to England in June to see the musical edition through the press. The words edition will be issued as early as possible, probably in June, and a copy sent to each member of the General Synod, so that members will have a chance of becoming thoroughly familiar with the book before being called upon to vote upon its acceptance at the General Synod meeting in Ottawa in September.

To ensure securing a copy General Synod representatives should send in their names and addresses to Mr. Jones, at 32 Prince Arthur avenue, Toronto.

THE BOOK ENRICHED.

The committee had great difficulty in selecting the last twenty hymns, as over two hundred had been submitted to them to go into this final list. Cowper's "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood," over which there has been considerable discussion, remains in the new hymnal. Some hymns like "Lord it belongs not to my care," "O Paradise," "The for tomorrow and its needs," "Father, to Thee I come," etc., were placed among those "chiefly for personal use." A new section was provided "For Mothers." and includes some beautiful new hymns. The section for "Processionals" has been enlarged The carol section was further enriched, as was also the section for harvest, one of the additions to the latter being a hymn set to the Manx fisherman's hymn "Peel Castle," the hymn laying special stress upon the harvest of the sea. The musical edition will have as a special feature someattractive tunes from the Welsh Hymnal, and indeed it will be a veritable storehouse of the ancient and modern tunes. Organists, both professional and amateur, all over Canada have either directly or through the clergy been scanning the work very closely, and have given the committee the benefit of their suggestions and commendation.

MUSICIANS REPRESENTED.

to the Canadian poets whose hymns will be contained in the Book of Common Praise. The policy of considering all the original productions anonymously and strictly on their merits was adhered to, and it is gratifying to Canadians to find that many professional and amateur Canadian musicians will be represented in the new book, including Dr. Albert Ham, Rev. Canon Roberts, Mus. Doc, Very Rev. Dean Crawford, R. S. Ambrose, Rev. G. F. Davidson, Ven-Archdeacon Bedford Jones, Dr. C. F. Davies, T. Arnold Fox, George E. Hague, C. J. Johnstone, James Edmund Jones, J. H. Knight, Thomas Langton, Lansing Lewis, George H. Loud, W. C. T. Morson, Alfred P. Perrin, Rev. Charles Plaisted, Rev. Dyson Hague, L. A. Stewart, L. W. Watson and E. M. Williams. It is hoped that the composer of one beautiful tune (pseudonym X73) will reveal his identity to the committee.

OLD FAVORITES RETAINED.

Although at previous meetings the committee had endeavored to include all hymns in existing books beloved of church people, it was found that still others were much desired in some quarters, and the committee have restored among others Ancient and Modern 325, 402, 605, 338, 212, 131, 589, 195, 275, 609, 579 and 4 and also "From Egypt's bondage come," "Awake, my soul,, stretch every nerve," "Beyond the holy city wall," "Look, ye saints," "The shadows of the evening hours," "O, Lamb of God, still keep me," "How firm a foundation," "Breathe on me Breath of God," "When the day of toil is done," "There came a little child to earth," "Jesu, Thy Blood and righteousness," "Sweet is the work," "When the world is brightest," "Shepherd of tender youth," "Jesu, Thou has willed it," etc.

The committee has consistently endeavored to submit its work to as wide a constituency of churchmen and churchwomen as possible for help and criticism, and it is believed that the Book of Common Praise, meeting as it does with the approval of this large and representative committee, will meet with the practically unanimous approval of the General Synod and the whole church.

INTERESTING RELIC.

Governor Fraser Recovers Barrel of His Grandfather's Rifle in a Strange Way.

Truro Daily News: Lieut Governot Fraser, of Nova Scotia, has recently recovered a relic which he prizes very highly. The grandfather of His Honor fought in the American war, and among his effects brought to Pictou county by one of his sons was the old musket. After it had served its day and purpose as a firearm, the barrel was converted into a handle for a shovel.

The Lieut. Governor's grandfather evidently did not have the feelings now possessed by his grandson, as it was country talk for some time and a matter of history that the old musket barrel ultimately found its was to the scrap heap of a Pictou blacksmith shop. Last week, while visiting a lumber camp. His Honor accidentally struck against the shovel at the camp fire, which attracted his attention from its curious appearance, and on examining it from a purely curious motive, discovered the long lost gun barrel shovel of his grandfather. It had been picked out of the scrap heap by the lumbermen's cook. The Lieut. Governor is now the proud possessor of this comely relic, which holds a prominent position in Government House at Halifax.

SIMPLY WENT BACK.

Dr. Thompson, M. P. for Yukon, Elected as a Tory and Always Counted as Such by Liberals

Ottawa Free Press:—As had been expected for some time, Dr. Alfred Thompson, representative of the Yukon territory announced just previous to adjournment of the House of Commons last evening, that in future he would ally himself with the Conservayive party.

A denunciation of the bonus system as applied to the immigration policy of the government he made the prelude to his announcement. There was nothing dramatic in the occurrence.

At the conclusion of his speech, Mr. Thompson said:—"I consider the bond that binds me to the independent party I represent now dissolved and in future I shall support the Conservative party and the principles laid down by Mr. R. L. Borden."

Considering that Dr. Thompson was formerly a Conservative, and was elected by 618 over Mr. F. T. Congdon, K. C., the government candidates in the Yukon on December 16, 1904, and that he openly confessed himself at the beginning of his parliamentary career as at heart, Conservative, there was nothing very startling in his return to his old love. He never voted with the government, and the Liberal whip always paired him off as an opponent.

AUTOMOBILE LEGISLATION

Anti-automobile legislation of the most stringent character is contained in an amendment to the Motor Vehicle Act, which has been introduced by Mr. R. M. Macgregor, of Pictou, in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly. The bill provides that municipalities may forbid the running of automobiles on certain days of each week, and in its entirety reads:

1. It shall be lawful for every city, town or municipality in the province of Nova Scotia to make regulations prohibiting the use aad operation on certain days of each week of motor vehicles upon any of the public highways of such city, town or municipality and providing penalties for any violation of said regulations.

2. The said penalties shall not be greater than the penalties mentioned in Section 6 of "The Motor Act."

3. The said regulations shall be approved by the Governor-in-Council, and upon being so approved shall come into force.

In moving the second reading of this bill, Mr. Macgregor dwelt at some length on the importance of regulating what he termed "the automobile nuisance." Owing to the conditions of the roads in many sections of the country it was exceedingly dangerous for teams to meet automobiles and the horses could not get accustomed to them. He thought that limiting their use to certain days was much less drastic legislation than the farmers might have asked for.

Dr. Kendall, of Cape Breton, suggested giving drivers permission to carry guns and shoot down automobilists on sight just as sheep-killing dogs are shot, but Mr. E. H. Armstrong, of Yarmouth, opposed the bill. Automible owners had rights, and it would be a ridiculous thing if, say each municipality had different close days. A man might leave Yarmouth town and have to wait a day or so until he could travel in the county, and be delayed several days on the border of each county until he could travel in it.

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LICENSE VS. SCOTT ACT

To the Editor of the Herald:

Dear Sir,—A considerable amount of interest seems to be taken on this side of the Atlantic in the new British Licensing Bill, which has been introduced by Mr. Asquith on behalf of the government. The British people do not run into fads in respect to the liquor traffic any more than in other respects and there is no talk of introducing Maine Liquor Laws, Scott Acts, or even Local Option on any large scale. The government although friendly to temperance, recognizes the fact that the liquor traffic has always existed and will always exist, and that the proper function of a government is to regulate and restrain it and not to engage in a futile attempt to destroy it. This new bill is generally interesting to us because it is an approach to the legislation as already exists in New Brunswick in respect to liquor licenses. Heretofore the license system in Great Britain has been much more liberal than that which exists in this province. The hours during which licensed bars have been allowed to be kept open have been much longer than in New Brunswick, and bars are allowed to remain open on Sunday during certain hours. The number of licenses also per head of population is much larger than in New Brunswick. The new bill proposes to reduce the number of licenses by about one-third, which will bring the number pretty nearly to the New Brunswick standard. It also will reduce the hours during which bars are kept open on Sundays to three hours out-side of London. The owners of those bars which will be abolished under this law will be compensated for the loss of their business by a fund to be raised by a levy of their trade, the amount payable to be such a sum as will produce an annuity for the unexpired term of a reduction period equal in amount to the annual value of the license. This bill is likely to be passed although it will meet with strenuous opposition in certain quarters.

AGE LIMIT ON APPLICANTS.

Female Teachers Over 30 Years of Age Need not Apply in Toronto---What of Retirement?

Toronto News: Hereafter no female teachers, new applicants, over thirty years of age, will be engaged for the Toronto Public School teaching staff.

Dr. Hawke's motion to this effect was carried by the Board of Education last night on the following devision:

Yeas—Trustees Rawlinson, Davis, Simpson, Levee, Bryans and Hawke.

Nays—Trustees Houston, Hunter and Ogden.

Regarding the reported opinion of Inspector Hughes that the age should be changed to thirty-five, as many good teachers came to this city after they were thirty years of age, Dr. Hawke said that if his motion was carried they would simply make a point to get here sooner.

Dr. Hunter was strongly opposed to the motion. "Some teachers are older at twenty-five than others at thirty years of age," he said. "The principle of the motion is all right but I would favor making no such regulation as is proposed, but leaving the Board to use its own judgment."

Trustee Rawlinson—"I agree with Dr. Hunter. What we want is a limit at the other end so as to prevent teachers remaining too long on the staff."

Trustee Houston advised making the age limit for entrance thirty-five years instead of thirty years.

Dr. Bryans referred to the fact that one teacher had been employed for forty-six years, according to last year's report. He thought there should be a limit to the length of service and this should be given serious consideration.

RETIRE AT A CERTAIN AGE.

Trustee Levee agreed that at a certain age all teachers should be asked to retire. He favored, however, a scheme of superannuation. He was entirely in sympathy with Dr. Hawke's motion. "It is a gross injustice the way things are now," he said. "There is no excuse for putting on a lot of worn out teachers thirty-five or forty years of age."

Dr. Bryans agreed with the principle, but at first thought it better to leave the matter to the discretion of the Board. On the vote, however, he supported Dr. Hawke's motion.

Trustee Davis, on learning that it did not affect the present staff, favored the motion also.

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