

THE ACADIAN.

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Why?

The Times newspaper, London, tells its readers that, in the provincial election shortly to be held in Nova Scotia, the question of reciprocity is expected to be a test issue. Why? we beg to inquire. If there is any newspaper issued anywhere on earth more ignorant of Canadian politics or colonial matters in general than those published in London, England, we have not heard of them. The question of reciprocal trade or any other trade issue is purely a federal question and not a provincial one. It is a question in which a provincial legislature has absolutely nothing whatever to do. The election shortly to be held in Nova Scotia is a purely provincial one, in which the provincial government is on trial as to how it has conducted the provincial business, and in which the electorate of the province of Nova Scotia, are expected to express their will as to who shall legislate for the province during the ensuing five years. The federal issues are not on trial and therefore have nothing whatever to present.

It is true that the government of the province, generally known as the Murray administration, in view of being compelled, by law, to show up before their masters and answer for their shortcomings, have been attacked by a serious disease, sometimes called 'cold feet', and are anxious to divert a discussion of purely provincial affairs to anything else that anyone else may suggest. But that their stewardship for the past thirty years has anything to do with the Dominion issue of reciprocity, any child can deny. It is true, also, that at its last session the provincial government put up one of its most obedient supporters to move a resolution approving of the federal pact of reciprocity, and that the brilliant, though unfortunate, Mr. Wickwire, of this county, in supporting this purely federal question was led to have his arguments in favor of reciprocity up on the alleged fact that the conservatives in parliament at Ottawa were seeking to remove Mr. R. L. Borden from the leadership of that party; that Mr. Haultain, of Regina, was in favor of reciprocity, and that the Canadian west was also a unit in favor of that federal issue; that all the farmers of Canada were utterly in reciprocity, and all the other people were millionaires and jack-asses, and therefore anti-reciprocity. In spite of this unanswerable argument in favor of reciprocity we still hold that the issue before the electors now is whether they approve of the Murray Government at Halifax and whether they want them to rule over them for another five years, or not.

If we mistake not the electorate will want Mr. Geo. H. Murray, or his candidates, to explain first, what he meant when, in 1896, he wrote, 'Long holding of office has brought about its inevitable consequence—corruption and jobbery in every branch of the public service.' The government at Halifax has been in power thirty years, with an accumulation of over \$10,000,000 of public debt, without one single permanent structure to show for it—an increase of more than \$20 for every man, woman and child in the province. They will be asked to explain why they have not provided an intelligent system of book-keeping in the government offices, and although urged to do so have not, until just on the eve of appealing to the people, provided an independent auditor, and when urged by the conservative opposition to provide such an audit have flatly refused, and have continued to publish what it calls annual reports which have been for thirty years about as informing and enlightening as a Chinese laundry ticket.

Instead of confining themselves to the purely federal question of reciprocity, the champions of this maculate provincial administration will be required to explain why they have not placed upon the statutes of the province a decent law governing corrupt practices and their punishment in the conduct of elections, and make practically impossible the exploits of 'holders', grafters who are counted by hundreds of law to avoid exposure and punishment.

If so anxious to orate upon the great gold-brick of reciprocity, they might explain that the federal government has no intention whatever of ever entering upon a reciprocal agreement with the United States and are simply playing to the galleries of Nova Scotia in order to divert and side-track the real issues of the provincial contest. The Annapolis valley went up 25 per cent. in value when it was announced some months ago that the Canadian Pacific Railway had acquired the development of the Dominion Atlantic Railway, and such a happy index was certain until this unfortunate reciprocity pact was introduced at Ottawa. The Annapolis valley can now suck its thumb until this nightmare is finally and forever banished from parliament, and the country governed by sane and mentally responsible parliamentarians.

The date fixed for the campaigning at New Brunswick this year is Aug. 9th to 17th. The evangelist engaged is Rev. O. S. Gray, who was the leading assistant evangelist in the Chapsman Alexander meetings lately held at Toronto.

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United States View.

Hon. E. J. Slattery, of Boston, speaking at Roxbury, Mass., recently remarked:

'The administration at Washington has found it necessary to call an extra session of congress to consider reciprocity and tariff revision measures with our Canadian neighbors on the north, while at the same time hundreds of thousands on both sides of the line are firmly of opinion, and do not hesitate to say so, that the proper and inevitable solution of United States and Canadian questions is, and will continue to be until finally settled, the annexation of Canada.' 'Reciprocity, however, if we must have it, may prove a blessing in disguise for the United States. If reciprocity will encourage four hundred thousand Americans to take up Canadian homes, it will prove a mighty factor in Americanizing Canada, and will hasten the day of annexation when Old Glory will proudly and majestically wave alike over Washington and Ottawa.' 'Annexation is sure to become a live wire issue in the not distant future.'

Professor Murray, of McGill, a Nova Scotian and formerly of Dalhousie College, speaking at Westmount, Quebec, the other evening, sketched the political history of Mr. Fielding with a view to showing that there was ground for viewing his actions regarding reciprocity with suspicion. He told how the Liberal party in Nova Scotia became irreconcilable anti-confederates and tried to break up the Canadian Union by urging New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island to join with Nova Scotia in a scheme for a repeal of the Union. He showed Mr. Fielding's relations to the Liberal party as editor of their organ, 'The Morning Chronicle,' until he retired in 1884, after a twenty years connection with it.

Mr. Fielding became Premier of Nova Scotia in 1884, and in 1886 ran his 'repeal' election campaign on a platform whose chief plank was the withdrawal of Nova Scotia from the Canadian Union. How Mr. Fielding, trained as he has been in a political school of such narrow and bitter ideas, he himself for years the chief exponent of their ideas, how can Mr. Fielding be expected to possess a very keen sense of, or regard for, possible dangers that may threaten Canadian Unity? Such a sense and such a regard, as that possessed by Sir John A. Macdonald, Sir Charles Tupper, or Edward Blake.

Professor Murray continued: 'If the reciprocity agreement were consummated, Canada, as very much the weaker party financially, would be at a great disadvantage. She would have to take more and more on the United States. Let her preserve her fiscal independence. Canada should not be over-confident as to her powers of resistance to the influences tending to financial and at last to political absorption by her friendly neighbor of the south.'

He asked his hearers to consider carefully this remark made by Mr. Ralph Smith, who spoke at Mr. Fielding's meeting in Montreal, a remarkable man. Mr. Smith said that if he believed that the proposed reciprocity agreement could result in the union of Canada and the United States he would vote against it. Mr. Smith there showed that he considered that the supreme test of the agreement is its possibility for leading to union with the United States, and is against such a union. If a man admitted that there was a possibility, and was against such a union, he should use his influence against the reciprocity agreement.

The United States trusts are said to be distributing enormous sums of bootie funds already. Party funds at Ottawa are said to be exceedingly flush just now. Newspapers are relating how articles and telegrams are rolling in upon them, all paid for in advance by some unknown friend, and all advocating the interests of the United States in the contest. One paper declares that it is swamped with manufactured literature. A costly campaign is being carried on at the expense of some one, and evidently the machine is at Ottawa. False interviews are being published to convey the idea that the country, especially Nova Scotia, is hot for the bargain. Immense quantities of pamphlets are going out from Ottawa, and tens are headed for our little province. Millions of documents are being mailed by a staff that has been employed to send them forward. Stumpers are being hired to harangue the people. Where does the money come from? Why is it already headed for 'poor Nova Scotia? Who are interested? Could not our little province hold her regular provincial election without all this expense and worry?

Almost immediately after the defeat of the late local government of New Brunswick, a man shot himself because certain revelations were on tap. It would be an awful thing if the Murray government at Halifax were detected, and new men given a chance for four years. It might be an awful thing if an independent audit should be placed upon the provincial book-keeping system as carried on for the past thirty years. It might transpire as to the disposal of some of the nine millions of dollars debt now upon the province.

No wonder reciprocity is being advocated for a money loan situation. Anything will be attempted rather than that the people should have an opportunity of voting intelligently upon purely provincial affairs. Does any one imagine that a more wicked, unscrupulous, high handed and dangerous body of men could be gathered together in all Nova Scotia than the Murray government? For thirty years power and nothing to show but failures and vicious enmities.

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Practical experience in recent years in certain large industrial companies has shown that a fair wage, supplemented by a profit-sharing plan, will go a very long way toward promoting harmony between capital and labor. This statement is made by George W. Perkins, of the U. S. Steel Trust in an article in the MacLean's Magazine. He goes on to say: 'By profit-sharing I do not mean bonuses or gratuities, but rather a definite statement made to an organization at the beginning of a year as to what is expected of it, and that, if such expectations are realized, certain extra compensations will be paid and paid, not in cash that can be easily spent, but in some security that represents an investment in the business in which the man is working. Most profit-sharing plans have failed because they did not in point of fact make a partner out of the worker.'

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Do you know what it is to be faint and sick for want of food? We wish to call the attention of our readers to the famine-stricken Province of Anhui and Kiangsu in China, where nearly three million people are destitute and perishing. The conditions there are appalling. The harvest was destroyed by the terrible flood, and no food can be had from the soil until next June or later. Many villages have been entirely swept away and the people left homeless and in dire distress. Multitudes gather together in great camps, those who are strong enough wander over the hills pulling up roots of weeds for fuel in cooking the pittance of rice they may receive from the relief agencies. The suffering is terrible. Thousands of babies, boys and girls, clad in rags are about everywhere; old men and women hobble about leaning on sticks for support, or lie by the wayside, their eyes staring up in mute appeal. Many thousands have perished and it is estimated that over a million will die unless helped at once.

Canada is asked to give one hundred thousand dollars to meet this awful situation. One dollar and fifty cents will save a human life. Cannot the Wolfville churches take the matter up and see if we in Wolfville cannot assist in saving some human lives? All contributions are to be sent to Mr. B. J. Moore, 445 King street, Toronto, who is associated with Earl Grey in this effort to help alleviate this awful suffering. Let us do something.

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