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Sir Wilfrid's Stand.

During his recent visit to Winnipeg, Sir Charles Tupper was waited upon by a representative of the Manitoba Free Press, and a lengthy and interesting interview with the veteran statesman was published in that paper. The first of the many subjects referred to in this interview is the so-called preferential tariff of the Laurier Government. Regarding this matter Sir Charles was asked to speak in the light of his recent experience in England, and is reported to have, in part, replied as follows: "The people of Great Britain do not understand it, and are wondering what it means. When the tariff bill was under discussion in parliament the opposition pointed out that the preferential trade clause was a delusion and could not be carried out. This was met by the statement that the finance minister had already instructed every customs house to admit the products of Great Britain at one-eighth below the general tariff. We cannot do what is impossible, and the government soon found that the opposition were right when they pointed out that their course would lead to confusion in the customs, and they would be obliged to bring down a clause extending the preferential advantage to Belgium and Germany, and to other nations enjoying the privileges of the most favored nation treaty, and also refund all duties which had been paid over and above the duty paid on English goods. This was acceded to by the government at first, but they have since found it to be sound and correct. The treaties which England had made, which included the colonies, would be cancelled. Even when the German and Belgian treaties are denounced at the end of the present fiscal year no preference can be given to British goods under that clause. The clause provides that all countries whose products are as favorable to Canada as Canada's is to them on the whole shall be entitled to this one-eighth reduction this year and one-quarter subsequently. The fact that the tariff of several countries is much lower than Canada's will entitle them to the reduction, and the moment the treaties are denounced Canada will then be obliged to extend the concession to all countries enjoying the favored nation treaty with England, as the most favored nation clause provides that whatever privileges are given to any country must be given equally to all. Those who will read carefully the addresses of the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain to the colonial premiers, a copy of which has been laid on the table of the house of commons, will find that this is clearly pointed out. He there shows that no preference can be given under the Canadian tariff clause, as it stands, and that the only means by which, after the Belgian and German treaties are denounced, any preference can be given to Great Britain would be by repealing the present clause, and substituting another giving the concession to Great Britain only." No doubt this is a fairly accurate state of the worthlessness of Mr. Fielding's reciprocal tariff act so far as British preference is concerned. Instead of facilitating the obtaining for us of a preferential tariff on our products in the British markets, it is evidently an obstruction that must be removed from the statute book at the earliest opportunity. It will be seen that Sir Charles takes it for granted that the Government will, at the earliest possible moment after the meeting of parliament, repeal the so-called "reciprocal clause," and pass an act granting a tariff preference to Great Britain by that name. Whether or not the Government will do this remains to be seen; but assuming that such will be the case, Sir Charles further says: "Every person in Canada will be glad to see the mother country enjoy fiscal advantages that are not given to any other country, but it is to be deplored that the attitude of the secretary of state for the colonies in favor of preferential trade between the mother country and the colonies as mentioned in the Duke of Devonshire's address to the premiers at Liverpool, has been repudiated by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who ignored the pledge he had made to the people of Canada when asking for power and rejected all advances to secure for Canada a preferential position. Surely the people of Canada will unreservedly agree with this statement of Sir Charles. The opportunity for taking a forward step in the trade organization of the British Empire, and of participating in it with Canada, with which Sir Wilfrid Laurier was brought face to face, was one of a country; but Canada's representative, wittingly or unwittingly, failed to take advantage of it. Sir Wilfrid's failure in this matter is not a blunder such as can afford any satisfaction to a party opponent, but rather, by regarded as a serious public loss, not only to Canada, but to the Empire.

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THE VICE REGAL VISIT.

His Excellency the Governor-General and the Countess of Aberdeen arrived here from Pictou at 2 o'clock yesterday on board the cruiser Acadia. They were received on landing by a guard of honor. After the presentation of an address by the City Council, the distinguished visitors were escorted to the Lieut. Governor's carriage and conveyed to Government House. After luncheon the distinguished visitors drove to the Opera House where they were again received by a guard of honor. When they reached the platform they received addresses from the Provisional Government and from the Citizens' Club. His Excellency made brief and appropriate replies to these addresses. After this their Excellencies held a public reception, when a number of ladies and gentlemen were presented. After the public reception, Lieut. Governor and Countess of Aberdeen remained in the Opera House and delivered an address to those assembled on the Women's Council of Canada. In the evening the Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Howland entertained their Excellencies and a number of invited guests at a state dinner. This morning their Excellencies visited the different schools and convents of the city. At St. Joseph's Convent they were treated to a short musical programme, and presented with an address of welcome. At Notre Dame Convent they received a most cordial greeting. The pupils most numerous in the music room, which was most appropriately decorated for the occasion. After the rendition of a most delightful musical programme, their Excellencies were presented with two addresses, one in French and the other in English. Lady Aberdeen and Lady Marjorie were presented with beautiful bouquets. Following is the English address: To the Right Honourable Sir Charles Campbell, Lieutenant Governor, Earl of Aberdeen, Governor-General of Canada. May It Please Your Excellency, We greet the amiable ways of Prov-

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