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## CEASELESS TARIFF INSTABILITY

In one of his budget speeches Mr. Fielding warned the producers of the country that eternal vigilance is the price of protection. Of whatever other meanings this dark saying was susceptible, it was to be understood as a notification that, under the present Government, instability was to be the normal condition of the tariff. This sense of the Finance Minister's words has been made clear by experience. The country has been kept in a state of tariff uncertainty and unsettlement ever since the Laurier Government came into office. The history of what is now called the British preference is a record of disturbing change. It began as the "reciprocal tariff," a device, as Sir Richard Cartwright and Mr. Fielding explained, to temper the protectionism left in the general tariff. The lower scale of duties was to be extended to the goods of any country that imposed no higher duties on imports from Canada. On this subject the language of the Customs Act of 1897 was as follows:

"When the Customs tariff of any country admits the products of Canada on terms when, on the whole, are as favorable to Canada as the terms of the reciprocal tariff herein referred to are to the countries to which it may apply, articles which are the growth, produce, or manufacture of such country, when imported direct therefrom, may then be entered for duty, or taken out of warehouse for consumption in Canada, at the reduced rates of duty provided in the reciprocal tariff set forth in schedule D to this Act."

"2. Any question arising as to the countries entitled to the benefits of the reciprocal tariff shall be decided by the Controller of Customs, subject to the authority of the Governor-in-Council."

"3. The Governor-in-Council may extend the benefits of the reciprocal tariff to any country entitled thereto by virtue of a treaty with Her Majesty."

"4. The Controller of Customs may make such regulations as are necessary for carrying out the intention of this section."

It is unnecessary to relate over again the series of misadventures through which the groping Government made its way from this wide-open door to the smaller side entrance of the British preference. During the months it was wandering in its own labyrinth for forty or fifty countries entitled to favored nation treatment in Canada had the benefits of the reciprocal tariff at their command. When this ended the tariff war with Germany followed, imports from that country being eventually subjected to retaliatory rates of duty. Twice the scale of the preferential tariff was lowered, each reduction being attended by more or less painful adjustment on the part of Canadian business interests. While the producers of the country were thus kept guessing as to what next might befall as a result of Government tinkering with the discount on duties, protracted negotiations were pending for reciprocity with the United States. No one could say at what moment in the final year of the last century and in the opening years of the present century an arrangement might be arrived at for the free admission of goods from the United States. After that uncertainty was lifted over the country had to stand at least three false alarms about coming tariff revision. This Government has been "on the nerves" of business from the very out of its career.

Now that the long-heralded and thrice deferred tariff revision has come, we find that the most marked characteristic of the new scheme is a guarantee of instability. Before the Laurier Government came into power there was little tariff uncertainty, and such as there was was felt only on the eve of unimportant revisions. But Mr. Fielding's new "intermediate" column of duties stands on unsubstantial foundations. When it may fall upon the business interests of the country, or in what direction it may fall, no one can say. There it is, a constant source of uneasiness. There are no conditions of any kind to hold it in position. It depends upon nothing but the caprice of the Government. Bad as was Mr. Fielding's reciprocal tariff of 1897, it was restricted to countries giving Canada equally favorable tariff treatment. The instability it introduced was not so utterly incalculable as that for which Mr. Fielding has now deliberately provided—Mail and Empire.

The new customs tariff provides that all articles imported by the Government or for the Government ser-

# AULD LANG SYNE

FROM PLANET FILES OF HALF A CENTURY AGO

Taken from The Planet files from Nov. 2, 1865, to Nov. 9, 1865:

Startling rumors! The militia reported as likely to be ordered to march without delay to the frontier. An army of 40,000 men being organized!

The news comes to us from Toronto that the military authorities in that city have received orders from the Government to prepare the volunteers for immediate service, so that they may be ready to march upon a moment's notice. From Montreal the story comes westward that the militia department are busy at work perfecting plans for the speedy organization of an army of about 40,000 men to be stationed at the most important points along the frontier. A garrison, it is said, is at once to be established at La Prairie; but it is more probable that the bulk of the force which will be called out will be quartered in Upper Canada, probably in the Western and Niagara Districts. These reports, of course, are associated with the projected movements of the Fenians in the States. We have to confess that we can hardly give full credence to these startling reports, though where there is so much smoke it would not be astonishing to see some fire.

"An inquest was held on Tuesday last on the body of Joseph Perry, who was killed at the railway station this day week, when the jury brought in the following verdict: 'Accidentally killed by being run over by the mixed train going west on the G. W. Railway on Monday last, having fallen from the 'bumpers' on which he had secured himself for the purpose of securing a free trip west.'"

On the 8th inst., a man by the name of Charles Smith, employed at Stoddard's mill, Rond Bau, had his right foot cut through into the ankle joint by a circular saw, which also lacerated the parts very badly. For a fortnight every aid was rendered with a view of saving the foot, but of no avail, and on Sunday, the 22nd inst., Dr. van Velsor, of Blenheim, assisted by Drs. Stewart and Aikin, of Chatham, amputated the limb, since which time we learn, Smith has

vice shall pay duty. This also applies to military uniforms and equipment, with the result that militia officers who have to supply their own uniforms, arms and equipment will have to pay 30 per cent. duty on them. This seems hardly a fair deal in the eyes of the Ottawa Citizen. In the case of the Government it simply takes the money out of one pocket and puts it into the other, but in the case of officers of the militia it means that even for the arms they have to provide themselves with to defend their country will have to pay duty. The expense of officers' equipment is already a serious handicap and prevents many capable men taking out commissions. In some branches of the service a complete outfit costs \$300 or \$500, and if one-third is added to this it will be most unfair to the force. The tariff should be amended to provide against this.

OPERATION WAS NECESSARY. Life.

First Doctor—Is this operation absolutely necessary?

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"STEPHEN PARNALL" PLEASE. Tilbury Times.

The Warden's supper on Thursday evening in Chatham was a great success, and was remarkable for two things—the large number of visitors from Harwich and other East Kent points, and the entire absence of visitors from West Kent, which gave the appearance of a riding affair. Warden "Steve" Sturgis is scarcely to be congratulated upon his unique departure.

EVIDENTLY A DIPLOMAT. Hamilton Spectator.

Looks as though Preston, of Brantford, has scooped his newspaper opponent for the leadership of the Liberal party at Toronto. He sent congratulations to Mr. Studholme, and will likely have the support of the entire Liberal party for the leadership. Chatham is too slow—he will not do.

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It was announced that James McCarron, the poet and lecturer, would shortly visit Chatham, to give the series of lectures, "The House that Jack Built."

Three amateur theatricals were put on by local young people. As the full criticism of the performances took up over a column of the small types used in The Planet of fifty years ago, we will only give short extracts from the personal criticisms. "The pieces which were selected last night, were the laughable burlesque of Bombs and Furio, and the highly dramatic romance of The Corsican Brothers. Bombs and Furio, in the hands of J. Russell, receiving that justice which it was well known he was capable of giving it. The brothers Smith as the King and Fustobos exhibited a certain degree of nonchalance, which shows that a little practice would make them approach perfection. Miss F. L. Russell's representation of Duffina proved that she is accustomed to the foot-lights—her acting was easy and natural. The troops of Bombs and Furio made up in length what they lacked in number. In the Corsican Brothers the principal part was played by J. Russell, whose representation was exceedingly creditable. S. M. Smith was at home as Chateau Bonand, and gave a fair representation of the French role. Mr. McNeil as Alfred Maynard looked the part well enough, but lacked confidence. S. McCrea was quite at home as the Baron de Montgiron. He was well supported by W. Waddell as the Baron Martail. W. Martin was good as Orlando, and the character of the Woodcutter by Dr. White could, perhaps, have been better. Of Miss Fuller's acting as Emilie de Lesparre—she did the part just right. The Chatham Brass Band and Belore's string band played alternately for the evening. In the comedy, Used up, D. Walker as Hon. Tom Saville gave a good representation, whilst R. Cooper as Old Farmer Wurzel treated us to a capital piece of acting. H. Mercer as the lawyer, and J. Wild as the judge did their parts well. Mrs. Turner took the part of Lady Clutterbuck.

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# BIG CROWDS

AT FAIR

Practical Addresses Made At Ladies Convention In Guelph

LADIES' SESSIONS END

Guelph, Dec. 14.—The ladies closed their sessions at the Macdonald Institute yesterday afternoon. Geo. A. Putnam was entirely pleased with the attendance and the practical addresses and lectures that have been delivered in this convention.

Poultry Officers. The Western Ontario Poultry Association elected their officers yesterday. They were: Hon. president, Dr. A. W. Bell, Winnipeg; president, William McNeill, London; first vice-president, A. Bogue, London; secretary-treasurer, A. P. Westervelt, Toronto; directors, A. W. Tyson (Guelph), J. N. Gladwin (London), G. G. Henderson (Hamilton), T. H. Scott (St. Thomas), P. Green (Owen Sound), R. Oke (London), A. K. Cornwall (Thamesville), C. H. Wilson (Hawkesville).

The interest largely centred yesterday in the dressed carcasses of the magnificent sheep that were here for show.

Do Sheep Pay? In the lecture room yesterday morning the question as to whether sheep on the farm were paying animals, was threshed out by John Jackson of Abington, Robert Miller of Stouffville, H. S. Arkell, O.A.C., and representative farmers from the province. The general opinion favored the presence of a few sheep on each farm.

A resolution moved by John Campbell of Woodville, and seconded by Col. McEwen of Byron, was passed unanimously, urging the Provincial Government to strike out that portion of the statute which enables any 25 dogs to be regarded as the enemy of the sheep, and while the dog is regarded as a good friend of men, yet the mongrel dog should be destroyed.

A motion by Mr. Everett to acquire the passing of a law to kill all dogs unattended by the owner, met with a vigorous storm of criticism. Mr. Gardhouse of Highfield discussed the difficulties connected with dealing with the question.

Farm Labor Problem. Last evening Capt. McGillivray of the Salvation Army of London, gave an address on the farm labor problem in Ontario. He outlined the work of the Army during the past year and spoke of the many valuable European immigrants who adapt themselves easily to the situation, and make valuable farm helpers.

William Armstrong of Queenston, in speaking of his experience with men this year thanked the Salvation Army for their efforts.

Another farmer told of the avaricious methods of some of the farmers of the province.

Prof. Grisdale Talks. Can a man increase the usefulness of his dairy returns by a more liberal feeding? This was the question that Prof. Grisdale set out to answer in the affirmative. From returns received from the whole of the province, the dairy department have to conclude that the more liberal feeding will give profitable returns. The average cow does not appear to be well enough fed. Some herds give 8,000 pounds per cow per annum, and others give only 2,000 or 3,000 pounds. Letters are sent to those who have low returns and the results show that low returns are caused solely by poor feeding.

What He Saw in Quebec. During the past year the professor made trips through Quebec and saw that while the June returns were good, September showed an immense falling off through poor pastures. No provision had been made for this and the farmers had to suffer.

Prof. Grisdale then related an experience of his own. He took twenty-five head and fed generously and got 5,000 lbs. of milk next year. He fed scientifically and according to the tastes of the individuals. The results were astounding. The milk was 6,500 lbs. and the cost was lessened.

Milking Machines. Prof. H. E. Dean of the O.A.C., in introducing the question of the success of the milking machine, told of the 130 patents that had been taken out in Canada since 1870 for milking machines. He thought that the successful milking machine will be modelled after the hand milking of cows. The machine must be simple, cheap, minimum amount of power to operate, and be able to milk five or six cows at once.

Much discussion took place at the close of the lecture.

Enslaves in the Dairy. C. F. Whitley of Ottawa delivered an address on the shrinkage in milk obtained from a record of two herds of cows in Oxford and Brockville. One herd was not cared for carefully and the shrinkage in the hot months was very much greater than where ensilage was fed.

Prof. Grisdale, in answering a question as to the feed of a dairy cow, said that a cow had better receive 30 lbs. of ensilage, twice a day. A good rule is to give one lb. of meal for five lbs. of milk produced, and the character of the meal will have to be considered. The digestible constituents must be known. Crushed oats, oatmeal and bran give the best results for dairy cows for winter feeding. The proportion for a cow giving 32 lbs. of milk per day would be two lbs. of oil cake, four lbs. of bran and two lbs. of crushed oats.

At the Annual Banquet. The Guelph Fat Stock Club held their annual banquet at the Royal Hotel last evening. As it is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the club, many congratulatory addresses followed the dinner.

Hon. Nelson Monteith traced the history of the club during that time

and rejoiced in the progress of Ontario agriculture.

Hon. W. J. Hanna was glad that in the agriculture of older Ontario they had as rich lands as were to be found in the newer and rockier parts of the province.

J. P. Downey, M.P.P., was in usual good over the success of the show. The officers of the club of the Winter Fair board, prominent members of Guelph City, J. Lockie Wilson, the new superintendent of fairs; Dr. Rutherford of Ottawa, and many visitors from a distance enjoyed the hospitality of the club. The speeches were all filled with jubilation over the results of the present show.

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THE FOUR D'S.

Charles Spurgeon once said there were three great enemies to mankind, "dirt, debt and the devil." He might have added one more "d" and included dyspepsia. The evil results of this disease could hardly be exaggerated. Its effects are felt in mind and body, and are as far reaching as the effects of the curse that was laid on the Jackdaw of Rheims, which was cursed in "eating and drinking and sleeping, in standing and sitting and lying." The great effect of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery are most marked in aggravated and chronic cases of dyspepsia. It enables the stomach glands to secrete the necessary quantity of digestive fluids, and this at once removes that grinding or gnawing sensation so common to certain forms of indigestion, it tones and regulates the stomach, invigorates the torpid liver and gives the blood-making glands keen assimilative power. "Golden Medical Discovery" cures ninety-eight per cent. of those who use it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are superior to all other laxative medicines when the bowels are obstructed.

A Distinct Innovation. Toronto, Dec. 14.—Hon. Mr. Hanna's draft bill consolidating and amending the Ontario Companies' Act is being distributed for comment, and the Government is inviting the fullest and widest criticism.

Falls Off Sleigh, Dies. Ingersoll, Dec. 14.—Injuries which he received Wednesday morning, by falling off a sleigh and the runner passing over his body, resulted in the death of little Jack Gray, seven-year-old son of John Gray.

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