

have always voted Liberal. But the honourable gentleman from Montarville went down there and turned the tide in northern counties, the French counties of that province. We are all familiar with his eloquence and force of expression. My neighbour to my right tells me that all the Conservative speeches made during the last election were simply a repetition of what the honourable gentleman from Montarville has said in this House. He can deny it if he dares. He told me so himself. What was his song all over the countryside? He told me that he spoke for an hour and a half at each place. His song was this: "Do you want to work for three days a week or six days a week? It is up to you. If you want to work six days a week vote for Bennett; if you want to work three days a week vote for King."

Hon. Mr. TANNER: Give us some of your songs about race and religion.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: The honourable gentleman can make his own speech.

So our honourable friend went about from county to county. I think his ancestors came from that part of the country and that must have appealed to the people, because as a rule they do not like strangers. He reversed the situation in four or five counties that had been in the Liberal line. We were so sure of them that we never sent anyone down there—

Some Hon. SENATORS: Oh, oh.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: —and Peter Veniot was the only member returned. Now, I am going to make a proposition to the honourable gentleman.

Hon. Mr. POIRIER: Honourable members, I protest against three-quarters of what my honourable friend has said.

Some Hon. SENATORS: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. BELAND: The honourable gentleman will still have twenty-five per cent protection.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: I do not want to have any family quarrel. The honourable gentleman can protest one hundred per cent if he likes. It will make no difference to me.

Now I am going to make a proposition to the honourable gentleman from Montarville. His argument was this: "We are importing from England and the United States half the cotton that we are using in Canada." Now, if it takes us three days to make the other half, it would take us six days to make it all, would it not? My proposition to the honourable gentleman is this. If he will make a

motion to keep out English and United States cotton, so that we shall have work six days a week, I will second it. Will he do it?

Some Hon. SENATORS: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: If not, I will make him another proposition. If I move that the Government arrange, by any device it may choose, to keep out foreign cotton, will the honourable gentleman second the motion? Will he?

Some Hon. SENATORS: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: Well, if he will not move it, and will not second it, I am afraid I shall have to say that he was not sincere in what he said to those good people, and that if they ever hear of this debate he will not be able to go down there again.

Some Hon. SENATORS: Oh, oh.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: Now I come to the increased duties that the honourable gentleman from Lethbridge (Hon. Mr. Buchanan) was talking about a few minutes ago. Unless those duties have the effect of increasing the price of manufactured products in this country, what good is the increase to the manufacturers? We might as well remain as we are. If the manufacturers are going to sell at the old prices there is no use putting on the duty. I do not think anybody in this House believes that prices will not be increased. I believe the manufacturers will make use of the protection they are getting, and will raise their prices—and I do not blame them for it, either—

Some Hon. SENATORS: Hear, hear.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: —because conditions are not too prosperous, and everybody likes to make an honest dollar when he can.

Some Hon. SENATORS: Oh, oh.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: Now, I would commend to honourable members a wonderful article by Charles E. Sibley that appears in Maclean's Magazine of September 15. I have read it twice. It is on Canada and the Imperial Conference, and the very subject that we are talking about now. The three great provinces of the Northwest are not having their own way now as they did for the last nine years, and I am not sorry.

Some Hon. SENATORS: Oh, oh.

Hon. Mr. CASGRAIN: Everyone has his turn. Now they will have less to say, and I am not sorry. They will have to pay their share of the duties that are put on agricultural implements and other products of that charac-