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A STRONG PLEA FOR **OUR MARITIME PORTS**

National Transportation Policy Demanded by Speakers at Industrial League Banquet

Hon. J. W. Longley, President George of the Manufacturers' Association, and Hon. H. A. McKeown Among the Orators—Reciprocity a Dead Issue--Confine Preference to Canadian Ports.

Halifax, Feb. 7—(Special)—A strong pleat of ference and the leaders of the Liberal for the nationalizing of Maritime Province party, who seem likely to obtain control ports, the need for a definite national of affairs at an early date, are frankly transportation policy, and the restriction hostile to the proposition. It has always ports, the need for a definite national transportation policy, and the restriction of the British preference to goods entering this country direct, confidence in Canada's future, relegation of reciprocity to the list of dead issues—such were some of the prominent features at the banquet given tonight in the Halifax Hotel by the new Halifax branch of the Canadian Industrial League. Hon. J. W. Longley, Hon. H. A. McKeown, W. K. George, president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and others of prominence were on the list of speakers.

Hon. J. W. Longley, president of the league, proposed "Our National Industries." He said the league was non-political. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association was once regarded as more or less partizan. This was not the case now. Mr. George, the president of the association, who sat beside him, was a consistent follower of Sir Whirid Laurier. The league sought the support of the best men of

cognize that it can be carried to a degree which would be injurious both to the material and moral welfare of the country. ple, but all of us must, I think, have reached the conclusion that the principle of safe guarding Canadian industries by the operation of the tariff is universally

More recently a campaign has been started in Great Britain having for its aim the imposition of customs duties upon certain articles now free, accompanied with the proviso in making these impositions that a preference should be made to the colonial possessions of the empire. This proposition has not yet reached a stage in Great Britain in which it can be said to call for any practical action. The government of the canadian prosperity and development of Canadian prosperity and development of Canadian prosperity and development of Canadian prosperity which they labor as compared with their owners as a whole ask that all our ports be so equipped and prepared that the swelling volume of Canadian traffic with they are opinion, and the city of the call of the call whenever I got ready," Jack Canuck looks proudly at the horse he call for any practical action. The government of the country have scarcely an opinion of the twentieth century, the country have scarcely an opinion of the call whenever with the impositions that a preference should be made to the saying "You used to be very anxious for a trade and I thought you would gladly make a deal whenever I got ready," Jack Canuck looks proudly at the horse he so equipped and prepared that the swelling volume of Canadian prosperity which they labor as compared with their competitors, either in the way of dearer labor or smaller market, or whatever will find no vexatious barrier or incumbrance at the seaboard, but with the same generous spirit which manifests itself in generous spirit which manifests itself in the cover incumbrance at the seaboard, but with the same generous spirit which manifests itself in the cover incumbrance at the seaboard, but with the same propositions at the saveling volume of Canadian prosperity which they labor as whole ask that all our the people as a whole ask that all our ports be so equipped and prepared that the swelling volume of Canadian prosperity. ment of the country have scarcely an nounced any determination to adopt such a policy of colonial pre
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Hon. J. W. Longley, president of the branch, presided, and proposed the first toast, the King, which was duly honored.

The second toast was the Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor, proposed by Prof. Howard Murray, and responded to by Sir C. Parsons. Then came The Dominion, Provincial and City Governments, proposed by Hector McIanes, and responded to by Hon. Mr. Pipes, Hon. H. H. Wickwire and Ald. J. A. Johnson.

Hon. Mr. Longley on Our National Industries.

Hon. J. W. Longley, president of the manufacturing industries of Canada. I am therefore sometimes a little surprised at finding the most sturdy champions of profinding the most sturdy champi finding the most sturdy champions of pro-tection so extremely vigorous in pro-nouncing in favor of preferential trade.

The question of reciprocity with the United States has been recently revived,

The extent and degree to which this incipal may be safely carried will continue to be a matter upon which there will be a difference of opinion. Those most firm a difference of opinion. Those most firm the great one of transportation and it especially appeals to these maritime provinces that all proper measures be adopted to secure in the largest degree the prose rotection to Canadian industries will recurred to a degree ly or of benefiting powerful organizations at the expense of the masses of the peo-

ence has been increased until now it amounts to 33 1-3 per cent. This concession to the motherland was made freely and as a sort of recognition of the many obligations which we owe to Great Britain, but probably chiefly for the privilege of a free market for our great products.

Without breadth. But the dominion has and the only limit that can be put on shipping facilities is the volume and exhipping faci

procity treaty which should be of special interest to those who expect to see Halifax a great Canadian winter pert was the sudden falling off in shipping at St. Lawrence ports. The tonnage of sea-going leading St. Lawrence ports in 1854 was 1,487,097 tons; in 1855 it was only 870,794 tons. The total value of the exports and imports at the ports of Montreal and Quebec in 1854 was about \$42,000,000; in 1855 it was only about \$28,000,000.

It must be remembered that the treaty only provided for reciprocity in natural products. In 1858 the Canadian govern-

ent decided to give a preference to man facturers and a protective tariff of twenty per cent was imposed on a long list of manufactures, while boots and shoes, hartection to the extent of twenty-five pe cent. Thus during the last eight years o provinces of upper and lower Canada pro-ection for manufactures and free trad in natural products. The fact that the customs tariff was doubled on a number of the reciprocity treaty has been gener tection a number of manufacturing dustries were established furnishing was against Canada during the period of

portance to make certain that the full benefit of Canadian wealth and industry facturers' Association what was the result? For two years the proper and dian Manufacturers' Association, in reply-stationary, and then as the United States ing to "Our National Industries," said in people and by no means an unimportant national consideration is the proper and

cution of the foreign business of Canada through Canadian ports of shipment.

All these matters will be open for discoursion tonight. No man is hampered in the unrestricted expression of his honest judgment upon this topic—all that we ask is all that we pray for is that each and collections under the discourse of the material conditions under which the unrestricted expression of his honest judgment upon this topic—all that we pray for is that each and collections under which is—all that we pray for is that each and collection problem on land census, that of 1891, viz., take a record of the canadian workers, for increased prosper through 6,300,000,000 more than the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as and do create conditions under which trace and either flourishes or languishes and foremost among the material conditions was responded to by C. H. Whitman (fisheries), Prof. Melville Canming (agriculture), B. F. Pear we should do as was done in the former is—all that we pray for is that each and continuous the control of the canadian people. Governthan the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as and do create conditions and the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as and do create conditions and the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufactured goods produced in Canadian factories—and note, as I asked you to do a moment ago, these that the value of manufact is—all that we pray for is that each and all will come to the discussion inbued with a large and grand conception of the desting and sea and the logic of the circumstances that of 1891, viz., take a record of the output of establishments employing less and sea and the logic of the circumstances that of the point at which the ratio established in 1891 held good in 1891 held good in 1891 held good in 1891, then the output from these would have been \$122,050,000, which would bring and thoroughly equipped that no ourden the total of the output of manufactured goods more than \$100,000,000 in excess of the combined production of agricultural.

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magnificent resources with which a beneficent Creator has endowed our land. While the practical free trader in Canada has become almost as extinct a species as has become almost as extinct a species as the Dodo, there yet remain some who claim to advocate a policy of a "tariff for revenue only." Gentlemen, let me say this, that in my opinion in a country like Canada, young and richly endowed but largely undeveloped, such a policy would be sheer folly.

the tariff was not high enough to be protected to the proective and thus lead to the establishment and development of home industries, sumer by the percentage of the duty, with-out in any way building up our own coun-try. It would keep neither our men nor

concrete example when I wish to inustrate a case in point, and I want to give you one here to emphasize what I have just said. You could find hundreds of examples, but I use this one because I had some personal knowledge of the case in point, and also because it illustrates in a very concise and striking manner the difference in results, produced between a one time engaged in a business

ment be experienced, and the time to do this is the immediate present."

Mr. McKeown spoke of the development of Canadian spirit and enterprise and the effect of present day action upon the future and said the outlook was of the brightest. Canada, he concluded, must go forward to her high destiny with no halting step and no niggardly hand drawing her support and strength from the people whose high ideals serve as an inspiration to those whose activity lies with in the circle of her public life.

Mr. McKeown's Speech.

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Trade, he said, was a nation's life blood and if the current of Canada's trade is deflection to foreign channels an injustice is done the Canadian people.

While the waterways of the St. Lawrence, he said, are available for shipping no competition, can appear to except the said, are available for shipping no competition, can appear to except the said are available for shipping the said, are available for shipping no competition.

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Steamer Damara Struck on Ledge Near Musquodoboit 25 Miles from Halifax

Chief Officer and Seventeen in Lifeboat Reach Shore Almost Perished With Cold--Captain, With Rest of Crew and Three Passengers, Including a Lady, Board Another Boat, But No Tidings of Their Fate Are Known.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 7 .- (Special)-News reached the city late this afternoon lost off Musquodoboit Harbor, seventy-five miles east of this port.

A boat containing Chief Officer Nuttale, two engineers and fifteen others

being rough and the waves, which were constantly breaking over the boat, soon in

As the boat neared the beach, parties on shore seeing it approaching, hurried to their assistance, and so benumbed and frozen were they that the men of the shore

THOMAS P. LOWTHER RESIGNED YESTERDAY NEW MAYOR OF AMHERST

Toronto, Feb. 7-((Special)-Shortly ai- Defeated A. W. Moffat by 45 Votesclosing scene of the Liberal administration that has exteded more than thirty-two yars. Mr. Ross handed in the resignation that has extended more than thirty-two years. Mr. Ross handed in the resignation to turn it as far as possible closing scene of the Liberal administration that has exteded more than thirty-two years. Mr. Ross handed in the resignation of the Liberal administration that has extended more than thirty-two years.

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tion of himself and his colleges, and advised his honor to call upon J. P. Whither, was today elected mayor of Amherst, defeating Arthur W. Moffat by

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