

## Liberal Conservative Meetings in York County.

Monday, September 4th.

IBSON (Temperance Hall, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Jas. K. Pinder, M. P. P.

PENNIAC (Goodspeed's Hall, 8 p.m.)—John A. Young, M. P. P., and others.

ROYAL ROAD WEST (School House, 8 p.m.)—R. B. Hanson, Dr. B. M. Mullin.

MACTNAQUAC (School House, 8 p.m.)—Fred P. Robinson, J. Stewart Mavor.

Tuesday, September 5th.

TAY CREEK (Forester's Hall, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Jas. K. Pinder, M. P. P.

ZIONVILLE (School House, 8 p.m.)—John A. Young, M. P. P., and others.

SCOTCH SETTLEMENT (School House, 8 p.m.)—Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M. P. P., Fred P. Robinson, J. Stewart Mavor.

HANWELL (School House, 8 p.m.)—R. B. Hanson, Dr. B. M. Mullin.

Wednesday, September 6th.

MARYSVILLE (Orange Hall, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Dr. B. M. Mullin.

DAY MILL (School House, 8 p.m.)—Fred P. Robinson, J. Stewart Mavor.

MYSHALL SETTLEMENT (School House, 8 p.m.)—John A. Young, M. P. P., and others.

UPPER HAYNESVILLE (Wiggins' Hall, 8 p.m.)—Jas. K. Pinder, M. P. P., Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M. P. P., R. B. Hanson.

Thursday, September 7th.

BACK BRIGHT (School House, 8 p.m.)—Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M. P. P., R. B. Hanson.

PRINCE WILLIAM (The Hall, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Jas. K. Pinder, M. P. P.

SPRINGFIELD (School House, 8 p.m.)—Dr. B. M. Mullin, J. Stewart Mavor.

Friday, September 8th.

BLOOMFIELD RIDGE (Orange Hall, 8 p.m.)—Hon. H. F. McLeod, Fred P. Robinson.

LAKE GEORGE (School House, 8 p.m.)—John A. Young, M. P. P., R. B. Hanson.

DORN RIDGE (School House, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M. P. P.

Saturday, September 9th.

BURT'S CORNER (Foresters' Hall, 8 p.m.)—Oswald S. Crockett, Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M. P. P., Hon. George J. Colter.

WILLIAMSBURG (Orange Hall, 8 p.m.)—Hon. H. F. McLeod, Fred P. Robinson.

FREDERICTON (Club Rooms, 8 p.m.)—R. B. Hanson, His Worship Mayor Thomas, and P. A. Guthrie.

## FIELDING MENACES THE MANUFACTURERS

Mr. Fielding's speeches on reciprocity have the habit of falling into the form of confessions. He is always telling us why he did it; and assuring us that it will not hurt us very much. He talks, indeed, more like a kind-hearted dentist than the discoverer of a great national boon.

Down at Digby the other day, he began by confessing that, while the Liberals formerly favored unrestricted reciprocity and the Conservatives only a limited reciprocity, he now sympathized with those who did not desire unrestricted reciprocity. That is, conditions had changed, and he had changed his policy. He appeared to regard this as quite fair and reasonable, but incredible and most reprehensible that the Conservatives have also taken note of changed conditions.

It is only the reciprocity party which is to be permitted to advance with the times. MR. FIELDING CAN CHANGE AS CONDITIONS CHANGE, AND CLAIM IT FOR A VIRTUE; BUT NO SUCH PRIVILEGE IS TO BE ALLOWED THE SHADE OF SIR JOHN MACDONALD. Sir John is to be represented to us as still infallibly favoring in the spacious times of to-day his "vaccination" policy of 1891, which he proposed chiefly for the purpose of felling the "vetted treason" that Mr. Fielding and his friends then advocated, but which they now claim the right to recant.

However, Mr. Fielding has recanted. As for the great dead, they cannot speak and must endure in silence the slanders of the least of the living.

Mr. Fielding gives a reason for his recantation. He says, "We must be fair and reasonable. We have to consider the capital invested in the manufacturing industries and the workmen employed in them." Later, he admitted very specifically that our industries could not live without protection. He said that "our American friends expressed the wish to have reciprocity in manufactured goods," but he and Mr. Paterson had refused. "IF WE HAD AGREED UPON RECIPROCITY IN MANUFACTURES, UNDOUBTEDLY THIS WOULD HAVE CLOSED MANY FACTORIES IN CANADA."

There is nothing like having on this point the specific testimony of a Free Trade Finance Minister. He recognizes that "free trade in everything means that many factories will close, and that the workmen dependent on them will be thrown out of work."

Now, Mr. Taft means "free trade in everything." Congress means "free trade in everything." Every interest in the United States which supports this provisional agreement means "free trade in everything." When this agreement goes into force, the Canadian farmers—sixty-five per cent. of our population—will have lost their own share of protection, and will be in a mood to refuse to pay for protection for other people. They, then, will be inclined toward "free trade in everything." The Western grain growers make no bones about regarding reciprocity as nothing more nor less than a step toward "free trade in everything."

Now, what do the owners and wage-earners connected with our industries think about it? With all these forces fighting for "free trade in everything," which Free Trade Fielding admits will "close many factories in Canada," what is likely to happen? Can even Free Trade Fielding save us from the deluge?

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WOULD IT NOT BE MUCH SAFER TO REFUSE TO TAKE THE FIRST STEP, and so keep this country as a solid phalanx, marshalled for the protection of its industrial autonomy, of the wages of its workers and the home market of its farmers?

However, this was not the important part of Mr. Fielding's speech—important as it was. The important part came later, when he said, no doubt with deliberation and deep meaning:

"I AM A REASONABLE, SANE AND RATIONAL FREE-TRADER, BUT I AM NOT SUCH A FREE-TRADER AS TO WANT TO STRIKE DOWN ANY LEGITIMATE INDUSTRY, AND I HAVE TOLD THE MANUFACTURERS THAT IF THEY ARE FAIR AND REASONABLE THEY CAN COUNT ON MY SUPPORT. I AM AFRAID SOME MANUFACTURERS ARE GIVING US A POOR RETURN FOR THAT CONSIDERATION."

Now, what does that mean? Mr. Fielding is an avowed Free Trader; but he will not compel our manufacturers to "walk the plank if they are fair and reasonable."

There is much vice in an "if." An "if" may be a club—a menace—a threat. What does Mr. Fielding mean by being "fair and reasonable?" What does he mean especially by saying that he is "afraid that some manufacturers are giving us a poor return for that consideration?"

Note the "us." It is "my support" that the manufacturers "can count on" "if they are fair and reasonable," and it is to "us" that they "are giving a poor return." That is a pretty way for the tariff-maker of Canada to talk to the manufacturers of Canada within three weeks of polling.

Are the manufacturers of this country to be bludgeoned into acquiescence in a policy on which Mr. Fielding's political fate hangs, but which, as citizens and patriots, they hate and fear and distrust? Here is a policy which—on Mr. Fielding's own evidence—will close many of their factories and throw many of their workmen on the street if it is carried as far as the "big fellow" to the bargain intends it shall be—and as far as sixty-five per cent. of our own people will probably, after Reciprocity, be very willing to have it go.

Yet the manufacturers are to be "fair and reasonable" if they want to "count on my support;" and are told that, in fighting this policy, they are "giving US a poor return for that consideration."

We do not ask the manufacturers to resist this open attempt at intimidation. We do not ask the workmen to consider whether they should think first of getting Free Trade Fielding's "support" or of taking care of themselves that they retain their power to "support" their families.

But we do ask the fair-minded, independent and high-spirited portion of our people how they like these sort of tactics in the course of an election which many of us believe will settle for real or woe the national future of Canada.

Mr. Fielding's own position toward that future is historic—if he has not, again, made a convenient recantation. In 1887, Mr. Fielding was Prime Minister of Nova Scotia, and in that capacity attended the Inter-provincial Conference at Quebec, presided over by Sir Oliver Mowat. In the minutes of that Conference appears the following entry:

"In view of recent movements in the Province of Nova Scotia, the representatives of that Province desire to place on record that they participate in the deliberations of this Conference upon the understanding that, while they join the representatives of the sister provinces in seeking reforms in matters which are of common interest, they do so without prejudice to the right of the Government, Legislature or people of Nova Scotia to TAKE ANY COURSE THAT MAY IN FUTURE BE BY THEM DEEMED DESIRABLE WITH A VIEW TO SEPARATION OF THE PROVINCE FROM THE DOMINION."

If the manufacturers are "fair and reasonable," possibly they "can count on my support;" but can the loyal people of Canada, who believe in Confederation and desire to make it permanent and powerful, also "count on my support?"

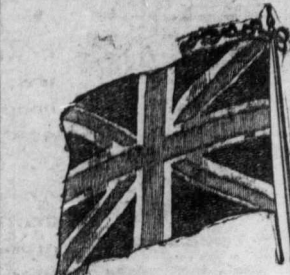
## RECIPROCITY, PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

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the horrors of war such as the world has never seen. To be fully prepared is the only practical argument that can have weight with a powerful enemy and make him pause beforehand and count the cost.

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Is it not time that Canada awakes?



## Liberal Conservative Meetings in Queens-Sunbury

Grand Meeting at GAGETOWN, MONDAY, Sept. 4th (Labor Day), at 2 p.m., to be addressed by Mr. R. L. Borden, the Leader of the Liberal-Conservative Party of Canada, and other speakers.

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