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*Henderson, D.* (Halton)—8757.

Should be informed why these particular items were selected to be dealt with, 8757. Draws attention to something that he considers rather peculiar, 8758. Asks the government to change the classification of lime, 8759. All that the government is bound to give are the articles in item 711, 8760. Trust the government will take a fair view of the matter, 8761. Possibly the Board of Customs is only following the old practice, 8762.

*Herron, John* (MacLeod)—5999.

For many years we have been promised better commercial relations in regard to farm machinery, 5999. It is time we should try to do something for the families of the west, 6000.

*Hughes, S.* (Victoria)—5957.

Did not make reference to the 'Globe' but to the gentleman who runs the 'Globe', 5957. It was this government after all who first did the bowing or the crawling, 5958.

*Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfred* (Prime Minister)—5993.

The thing is a slander so far as the government is concerned, and a slander so far as Maclean is concerned, 5993. First time in history that American commissioners were sent to negotiate with the Canadian government, 5994. Strong proportion of public opinion which deprecated placing the maximum tariff in force against Canada, 5995. What Canada was asked, 5996. These are the concessions we have made. We do not intend to go very fast, 5997. It is due to his efforts that we have averted very serious trade complications, 5998. Such is not the case, 6002.

*Maclean, W. F.* (South York)—5956.

Asks if the U.S. have abandoned their contention as to reciprocal relations, 5956. Asks if these concessions apply only to the U.S., 5966. At last the great United States have been compelled to recognize that Canada is a free and independent nation, 5977. With a nationality, a fertility, a resource, that must command the respect of all nations, 5978. The tariff of the United States is very unfriendly so far as we are concerned, 5979. The moment we let them see we cannot let them have our pulp or our water powers they will come to Ottawa again, 5980. We need not fear from this time that the Americans will take the stand they once took, 5981. It has to-day become the basis of Canadian nationality, 5982. The 'World' controlled absolutely by himself, his family and one other person, 5998. If he is manly he will get up and acknowledge that his insinuations were unfounded, 5999. The U.S. is attempting to assert a supremacy on this continent, 8755. We

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want commercial independence in Canada, 8756. Directly you coax trade lines to run north and south the dismemberment of Canada commences, 8757.

*Meighen, A.* (Portage la Prairie)—5966.

Then for some years we have been cutting off our own noses in order to have a whip to use on the U.S., 5966.

*Middlebro, W. S.* (North Grey)—5964.

Some member on this side asked if our passing the French treaty could not bring upon us the U.S. maximum tariff, 5964.

*Northrup, W. B.* (East Hastings)—5963.

Explains the suggestion in respect of the French Treaty, 5963.

*Paterson, Hon. Wm.* (Minister of Customs)—8753.

Regrets the position taken by the leader of the opposition, and his utterances, 8753. The amount of concessions asked by the U.S. and granted by the Minister of Finance, 8754. Understands that Canada is in a position to do what she chooses, 8755.

*Reid, J. D.* (Grenville)—5956.

Asks who advised the government of the desire, 5956. Through the negotiations of Mr. Macdonald of the 'Globe', 5957. Did the Minister of Finance send Mr. Macdonald there, 5959. Asks if the minister had that information when the French treaty was being put through, 5962. The minister was brave then but he has capitulated since, 5964. In 1896 the Prime Minister did go to Washington and he knows the reception he got there, 6000. The same tariff obtains now practically that was in existence in 1896, 6001. If we were at any future time making treaties with other countries we would practically have to consult the U.S., 6002. Believes the concessions we have given will hamper us in making a more beneficial arrangement in the future, 6003.

*Shaffner, F. L.* (Souris)—5967.

Sees no reduction on agricultural implements, 5967. Asks what concessions the American government have made to us, 5974.

*Sproule, T. S.* (East Grey)—5951.

Asks what would be the result of Canada levying an export duty, 5951. Quotes the provision of the U. S. tariff law dealing with pulp wood, 5952. The amount of the export duty levied shall be added to the duty, 5953. Asks who gave the interpretation of the 25 per cent ad valorem, 5960. Wants to know the result of our imposing restrictions on trade between Canada and the U. S., 5961. Has always understood that when two nations are negotiating each makes