

The City Industries

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier on Trade Restriction.

How the Taxes on Raw Materials Injure Our Industries.

The Slander That the Liberals Are Enemies of Legitimate Manufactories Thoroughly Exposed.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Speaking at the recent great mass meeting in Montreal, Hon. Wilfrid Laurier addressed himself to the broad and bitter question and the effect of high taxation on the manufacturers and their employees. The honorable gentleman said:

"We are told in Montreal that you should not vote for the Liberals because, forsooth, if the Liberals are returned the first thing they will do is to destroy the industries of the country. Well, the Liberal party are neither fools nor knaves that they should destroy the industries of the city of Montreal, for, after all, the prosperity of the city of Montreal is not the prosperity of the city of Montreal as it is at the present time. There is more than that. There is many a man today, and many a Conservative, too, who, in the face of the records for the last fifteen years, has, perhaps reluctantly, come to the conclusion that what is known as the National Policy is a fraud and a delusion, and that it has not fulfilled the expectations of the people. (Cheers.) I speak as one who is listening to me, and I want a fair and candid answer, and let that answer be removed from party prejudices. Is it not a fact that after fifteen years the National Policy has failed to realize the promises which were made in its favor? Fifteen years ago it was expected that the National Policy would bring in millions of dollars to people of the great Northwest, but we see the sad fact that the rate of increase in Canada has been going down rather than going up."

THE REASON.

What is the reason and greater prosperity under the National Policy, although we have taxed ourselves so heavily for it? I address myself to the workmen of the great protected industries of the country, the monopolies and the combines especially, there is not one which gives to any single worker continuous employment during every working day of the year. Under the present system the workmen are forced to idleness when the factory will be shut down for a week or two, or three weeks during the year. Sometimes you have to work quarter time, and sometimes half time, but during all that time that you are idle you know that the wife and children have to be fed. Is that a fair state of things? For this I do not blame the manufacturers, it is no pleasure for a manufacturer to close his factory, but why is it that the factory is closed? It is because the country has not developed sufficiently to give labor to all the hands that are willing to work. Under the present system the manufacturer is forced to close his works during many weeks in the year, because if he does not his goods will accumulate in his warehouse; there are not sufficient buyers in the country, and he cannot sell to foreign parts, because he is too heavily burdened by the present tariff.

THE MANUFACTURERS.

The Conservatives tell us that the Liberals have a quarrel with the manufacturers. We have quarrelled with them, the country, we want to go on developing the manufactures of this country. (Cheers.) But we have a quarrel, and an undying quarrel with combines and monopolies, a quarrel which shall never be stopped until we have destroyed them. (Cheers.) With the honest manufacturers, with those who employ labor, I am bound to say we have no quarrel at all. (Hear, hear.) I say further, that such manufacturers are burdened by the tariff and we must have a decrease and a reform in that tariff. (Cheers.) You are told again that the Liberal party is in favor of free trade as it is in England. That is a peculiar rebuke for the Conservative party to make toward me. The Conservative party pride themselves on their loyalty. Old Dr. Johnson used to say that patriotism was the refuge of a scoundrel, and I say that loyalty is the last refuge—I won't say of scoundrels—of a Canadian Tory. So long as the Tories are on top they air their loyalty, but when they go down, down goes their loyalty as well. Much as I admire England, however, I am bound to say that it is not possible for us under our present conditions to have free trade as it is in England. Free trade must come gradually in Canada. It must come after 35 or 40 years, or perhaps more, as my friend Mr. George Urline has stated. At the present time we must have a revenue tariff, and a decrease of the burdens which now lie so heavily upon the consumers and upon the manufacturers as well. (Hear, hear.) I say that the present tariff is an incubus upon the manufacturers of the city of Montreal. This does not apply to the monopolies, but I say that it is an incubus upon the manufacturers.

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the duties on iron. I have stated again and again that the duties on iron are an impediment to the prosperity of Canadian manufacturers. Some four or five days ago a Tory gentleman in the Board of Trade building took exception to my statement that the duty on iron amounted to between 40 and 60 per cent, and he said it was an outrage for a man in my position to make such a statement. Well, I am here to prove my language, and I take my proof from no less an authority than Mr. John Haggart, the Minister of Railways. Last session, speaking of the effect of the protective tariff in the United States upon iron, he said: "Notwithstanding the high duty imposed upon pig-iron coming into the country, the people of the United States have pig-iron furnished to them from Alabama and Georgia cheaper than it could be bought in any other country in the world. It is sold in Alabama and Georgia for a little more than \$5 per ton, while the customs duty is about \$5 per ton. Some of the manufacturers in the city of Toronto are able, notwithstanding our duty, to purchase pig-iron in the Southern States and pay the duty and bring it to Toronto in competition with English iron and iron from other countries." That is what Mr. Haggart said. He says that pig-iron can be bought in Alabama for \$5 per ton. Now, the duty on pig-iron brought into Canada is \$4 per ton, and \$4 on \$5 make 60 per cent. But there must be the freight added to that, and the rate of freight is about \$4 per ton between Alabama and Toronto, which makes the price of iron there \$10 per ton. That is met by a duty of \$4 per ton, and that is exactly 40 per cent. Is it conceivable that the interest of manufacturers in this country that their raw material should be met with a duty of 40 per cent? The policy of the Liberal party is not only to diminish the duty paid by consumers generally, but also to diminish the duties which weigh upon the manufacturers. Let us decrease the duty on raw materials, and there will be more work done in Montreal than there is at the present time.

"George, We Watched You."

Close of the Dutton Arson Investigation.

The Urline, Father and Son, Committed For Trial.

Dutton, Dec. 21.—In the course of the investigation of the charge against A. D. Urline and his 19-year-old son, charged with arson, J. C. Hensall, Esq., stated that the amount of stock on hand made by Mr. Urline of stock on hand made by the insurance companies contained clothing that he had made for A. D. Urline and his family. The suit of clothes that Geo. Urline had on his back was made out of the stock sheet that was made out of the insurance companies.

Mrs. (Dr.) Cascarden said that she, with her daughter, was sitting in their library upstairs, at the window facing Urline's store, and she saw some person manipulating with a lamp by waving the hand quickly over the top of the lamp chimney until the flame came out at the top of the lamp chimney. Then the lamp was carried back to the waterroom, and after a little light appeared upstairs, and a dim light still remained in the waterroom until the fire alarm was called. The waterroom was called. The waterroom was called. The waterroom was called. After the light disappeared from upstairs it reappeared in front of the store, and George had come out of the store and walked to the south side of the street, opposite to the store. Then George went back, and the front store at once became dark, and the small dim light still continued to be seen under the waterroom doors. In about ten minutes after the front of the store became dark, the cry of "fire" was heard, and the light in the waterroom window appeared. A loud appearance. On George coming over to their house with the book she said to him "George, this has been a dreadful night's work, and we know who did it. We watched you, and saw it all. George, you burned the building." To this George made no reply.

Cross-examination by E. Meredith, Q.C., failed to make witness deviate from her statement. She told A. D. Urline on the night of the fire that she knew who did it, and told him that she knew who did the forgery, to which he made no reply, but walked away. There was no feeling between the two on the night of the fire that she was under the impression that A. D. Urline was in the store, and when she said to George "You did it," she meant some of the Urline did it. It is not at that time that she thought the young boy did it alone.

Annie May Cascarden corroborated statements made by her mother.

Counsel for the prisoners said that they did not wish to offer evidence in defense or to address the bench.

After two or three minutes' private deliberation the magistrate committed the prisoners, A. D. Urline and his son, George Urline, for trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction, "for having, on the 7th day of November last, set fire to and destroyed a building, to wit, a store belonging to A. D. Urline, one of the prisoners, without legal right, and with intent to defraud."

The Urline were admitted to bail by Judge Hughes in \$5,000 each.

The theory of the defense, so far as could be learned, will be that there was a blind on the window of the office, and that therefore Mrs. and Miss Cascarden could not see what they swore they did on the night of the fire.

PURSER JOHN MacEDWARDS.

Of the C. P. R. Steamer Arthabaska, Says That Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the Best Remedy in the World.

To the thousands who have enjoyed a trip on the beautiful Canadian Pacific steamers, few men are better known than the purser, Mr. John MacEdwards, of the Arthabaska. Sailing, however, has not been all joy to him, as he has been a sufferer from catarrhal troubles. With others, fortunately, he at last found relief, quick and effective, in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. So pleased has he been with this medicine that, Good Samaritan like, it is a practice of his to send supplies to friends whom he knows have been afflicted like himself. It never fails to give relief in ten minutes, and cures permanently. Sold by druggists. Sample bottle and Powder sent by S. G. Detchon, 44 Church street, Toronto, on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

There are so many cough medicines in the market, that it is sometimes difficult to know which to buy; but if we had a cough, a cold or any affliction of the throat or lungs, we would try Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. Those who have used it think it is far ahead of all other preparations recommended for such complaints. The little folks like it as it is as pleasant as syrup.

See Anderson & Nelles' drug store for Xmas Presents, new and cheap.

Ontario West.

Toney Weddings at Sebringville and Guelph.

Shortage of Over \$6,000 in Windsor's Waterworks Accounts.

Walkerton Agitating for an Electric Railway—The Seventh Day Adventists' Appeal to Be Defended.

Hay is \$11 per ton in Exeter. Alvinston is to have a chartered bank.

Walkerton people are agitating for an electric railway. The Joe Milton has arrived safely in Walkerton from Port Stanley.

After Jan. 1 the merchants of Plattsville will conduct their business on the cash system.

F. Minard, sexton of the Sandwich Catholic Church, died on Wednesday, at the age of 79.

Robt. Dalton, Hibbert, sold his farm, lot 18, con. 4, to Andrew McLellan last week for \$4,500.

The Postmaster-General has refused to give Brussels an additional mail on Tuesday, on account of the fact that the 60th anniversary of the Congregational Sunday school of Burford, will be held on Christmas night. A grand time is expected.

The fat stock show held at Hensall on Tuesday, under the auspices of the South Huron Agricultural Society, was only partially successful.

At Dutton on Friday morning A. D. Urline and George Urline, father and son, charged with arson in having set fire to their store, were committed for trial.

James Stacey, cheese maker, Devizes, has moved to Blanshard, where he has been engaged as cheese maker for the coming season at an advanced salary.

Thomas Fittion, jeweler, has presented a new clock to the officials of Main Street Church, Exeter; while J. W. Broderick donated a handsome Bible for the pulpit.

The financial statement of the village of Milverton shows a balance on hand of \$55.39, and on liabilities except the railroad debt, which cannot be paid off at present.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 26, the Kincairdine fire brigade will give their annual ball in the town hall, commencing at 8:30 o'clock. Supper will be served at the Queen's Hotel.

The model school pupils at Goderich finished their course on Friday, but before separating presented their teacher, Mr. S. P. Hall, B.A., with a gold-headed cane as an address.

Mr. John Callister, a respected resident of St. Marys, passed away in the 78th year of his age. He was a native of the Isle of Man, and came to St. Marys in 1875 from Cleve.

Frank Bleakley, a small boy, who was accidentally shot by his brother at Watford, Ont., on Aug. 6, and had lingered ever since with the bullet in his head, died on Thursday.

Mr. William Gillies, 3rd concession of Sarnia township, lost his house and all its contents by fire Wednesday evening. Mr. Gillies was only insured for \$300, and his loss is very heavy.

At the Court of Sessions held at Walkerton on Thursday, David Manly, a county constable, was dismissed for office for taking money to settle an alleged infraction of the law.

Mr. David Allan, who was the moving spirit for 40 years in the Allan mills, in their day the most extensive industrial establishment in Guelph, died on Thursday, having almost completed his 88th year.

One afternoon last week Mr. Alex. Stobie received and shipped from Seaford 2,300 pounds of dressed turkeys and 200 pounds of ducks. The shipment was consigned to Winnipeg, Manitoba.

A quiet but pretty affair was the marriage Wednesday night of Joseph Dunn and Miss Harriet Heath, daughter of Samuel Heath, at the home of the bride's parents, Home street, Stratford.

The parties in Chatham township who have been interested in the prosecutions against the Seventh Day Adventists, have decided to take an appeal against G. A. Watson's decision.

Lucy and Nora Sanders, daughters of John Sanders, of con. 3, Stephen, aged 14 and 12 respectively, have just completed a quilt containing 8,300 pieces. The entire work was done in three weeks.

Mr. T. J. Berry, of Hensall, who left some time ago with a consignment of horses for the old country, had the misfortune to lose five of them. Three died on board ship, and two others just after being landed.

Mr. Thomas Russell, of Riverside farm, Uxbridge, carried off the second prize at the Guelph show for thoroughbred steer, and afterwards sold him to a Galt customer for 1-2 cents per pound, realizing for him over \$100.

The Essex model school has granted certificates to Misses Bird, Brewer, Blahopie, Dodson, Monroe, Mowbray, Matthews, McGorman, Queller, Sinclair, Worthington, and Messrs. Barst, Cunningham, Fox, Huffman and Schultz.

The solicitors of subscriptions to defray the cost of enlarging and improving James Street Methodist Church, Exeter, have just received and meeting with much success, having already booked subscriptions to the amount of \$2,000. Some \$500 will be required to liquidate the debt.

William Brooks of Force's Corners, died on Sunday at his home after a few days' illness, in his 69th year. The son-in-law and five sons of deceased acted as bearers at the funeral in Princeton. Mr. Brooks had survived his wife only three months and three days.

The captain of the Seaforth corps of the Salvation Army wishes us to express her sincere thanks to the citizens of Seaforth, Exeter, Hensall and Bruce, for their liberal donations towards the army self-denial fund. The sum total contributed by these four places was \$103.

The apparent deficit in the accounts of ex-Secretary Charles Reid, of Windsor waterworks department, is not far from \$6,000. His bonds are for \$4,000. Reid's mother may settle to the amount of her bond and the board will probably put up with the loss of \$2,000. Reid is not expected, however, that Reid will accept the audit as conclusive.

The following have been awarded third class Provincial certificates by the Elgin county board of examiners: Misses Bertha Adkins, Lizzie Bellwood, Daisy Cavan, Clara Charlton, Lena Connor, Belle Hoshal, Belle Lamb, Lily Moore, Annie McIntyre, Eva F. McKenzie, Jennie McMillan, Chelle Paupet, Carrie Smith, Messrs. Robert Aylesworth, Walter Campbell, Linden Chute, Percy Gerhart, Duncan James, James Goldie, John Howey, Lemen Harrison, Norman Ledy, Frank Lamb, Thomas McColl, Emma McCutcheon, Nell Mc-

Phall, Wm. Odell, Lewis Pettit, Morley Pettit, Arthur Smith, Renewals are granted to Anna K. Baker, Kate Ramsey, Alex. J. Turner, Merritt Moore and Emma Ford.

A fashionable wedding took place at Guelph on Thursday afternoon in the Norfolk Street Church, being the marriage of Mr. Hugh Guthrie, of the law firm of Guthrie, Watt & Guthrie, and eldest son of Mr. Donald Guthrie, Q.C., to Miss Seafort, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Seafort, of Woolwich street. The bridesmaids were Miss McCallum, of Cobourg, Miss Seafort, of St. Thomas, and Miss Evelyn Guthrie, sister of the groom. Mr. C. L. Dunbar acted as groomsmen.

At Sebringville on Wednesday evening about 150 guests witnessed the marriage at the residence of Peter Smith, clerk of the township of Downville, of Mr. Smith's second daughter, Miss Hattie, to Robert Murray, a prominent young farmer of the Avonorton district. Rev. A. H. Drumm, the popular pastor of the Presbyterian congregation of Carletonplace and Avonorton, officiated. Miss Jennie Armstrong, another Downville maiden, attended the bride. Thomas H. Smith, brother of the bride, performed the pleasant duties of best man.

THAMESVILLE.

("Advertiser" Agent, P. R. Braddon.) Dec. 21.—Lawyer Couttes attended division court in Bothwell this week.

Mr. Thos. Brown sold his Lady Wilkes horse to Mr. David Sherman at a handsome figure.

Mr. A. Monteth is outfitting 2,000 cords of wood for a London firm.

Mr. D. J. Davis made an extra large shipment of fowl this week.

The Sultan concert will be held again on Monday on account of the rain on Wednesday last.

The Band of Hope was well attended yesterday as usual by the children. They were entertained by Mrs. Coutts.

The closing concert of the public school was held yesterday, and after a good programme given by the school, Mrs. J. G. Cameron, the principal of the school, was presented with a handsome travelling case and a kindly-worried address.

WYOMING.

("Advertiser" Agents, E. C. Rice and James Fisher.) Wyoming, Dec. 20.—Business was brisk in town today.

Mr. R. McKenzie, of Petrolia, was here today. Mr. John Stokes, of Petrolia, was also here.

Mr. Harry Britain, of Strathroy, called on his brother Arthur Wednesday.

Mr. Guy Campbell left for Bay City this week.

Mr. Alex. Ewart is home from Toronto on his Christmas holidays. He is studying for a V. S.

BRIGDEN.

("Advertiser" Agent, J. B. Wynne.) Brigden, Dec. 19.—Mr. A. Dawson, now of London, formerly one of our citizens, is in town today.

Mr. J. C. McKee was in Sarnia on Tuesday.

Mr. G. Cannon starts on an extended visit to his old home in Michigan.

Mary Blakie, who was hurt on Monday last, is slowly improving, and we hope to see her around in a few days.

Go to J. B. Wynne's for your Christmas goods.

Our town was at life today, but not much business doing—only buying old coats at the big sale at the Queen's Hotel.

Leopold Lodge, A. F. and A. M., held its regular meeting last night, at which the following brethren were elected officers: W. M., Dr. Seagar; S. W., John Doty; J. W., B. Townsend; chaplain, J. C. McKee; secretary, W. J. Ward; treasurer, R. E. B. received a telegram today that his father, Rev. Jas. Whiting, of Forest, was dead.

No service in the Methodist Church Sunday evening on account of the absence of Rev. R. Whiting.

Christmas anniversaries will be held as follows: Baptist Church, Monday evening; Presbyterian Church, Christmas eve in Haynes' hall on Christmas night; the Methodists will hold their annual Christmas entertainment.

The Latter Day Saints are holding meetings in Windsor's hall this week. Election matters quiet as yet.

BOTHWELL.

("Advertiser" Agent, Frank Fleming.) Dec. 20.—Mr. C. F. Colwell, of London, is in town today.

Master Frank Fleming, the popular "Advertiser" agent, had his foot badly injured the other day by a cutting box. The large toe was nearly severed.

The funeral of the late Wm. Dutton was held today. Mr. Dutton was 72 years of age, and was well known and highly respected. He leaves a wife, two daughters and one son—all grown up.

Mr. Z. Bull has returned to town, and will hereafter conduct the photograph gallery.

The produce market continues brisk. Mr. Payne reports business good in that line; prices steady.

Wm. Marcus and John Mundoe have taken the contract for making 400 crates of baskets for C. Reid. A number of men have been engaged, and operations will commence at once.

A. Buckingham has put in a new and handsome show case.

Thos. Heller is offering a fine line of Christmas goods at specially low prices.

The division court was held here on Thursday, and a large number of cases were disposed of.

Chas. M. Edwards has left for parts unknown.

It is reported that Thos. Gurd has sold out his store business here to Mr. John Eighan, of West Bothwell.

Geo. John is purchasing another load of horses for the English markets.

The question of the day is who will be our next mayor.

Great preparations are being made by the Presbyterians for their Sabbath school entertainment for New Year's night.

Jas. Meade, of Muirkirk, gave a party last night. A number attended from here.

Dr. J. C. Bell reports business good since his arrival here. He has not opened his office up town as yet, but will do so shortly.

Now that the stores have put on their Christmas dress the town presents a gay appearance.

Unable to Move Hand or Foot for Weeks—Efforts of Rheumatism.

"For fifteen years I have been more or less troubled with rheumatism in my back. Last spring I became so very bad that I was unable to move hand or foot, and was in bed for weeks. My husband and I became discouraged, and had given up all hope, but at the critical time a neighbor, Mrs. Blanchard, who had been cured of lambo in three days by ed to see me, and advised me to try this remedy. I did so, and the first bottle enabled me to sit up in bed, and in a week I was attending to my duties as usual. It is without doubt the best remedy in the world."

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China Tea Sets; see our three special lines at \$5 10, \$5 45, \$6 40 and \$8 35; the best value ever offered.
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Fine Crumb Brush and Tray, elegant line of Decorated Rose Jars, Handsome Parlor Lamp complete, choice China Salads, choice Decorated Fruit Trays, Beautiful Colored Glass Cruets, Pretty China Cake Compacts, China Chess Stands, Beautiful Biscuit Boxes, Large China Vases, Beautiful Wine Set, Etc., consisting of Decorated 8 Wine Glasses and Tray, and many other lines.

50c.
Nice Colored Glass Lemonade Set, Nicely Decorated Biscuit Jar, Handsome Egg Basket, Choice Line of Covered China Dishes, Choice China Bread and Milk Set, Beautiful Hand-Painted China Cake Plates, with handles; Candlestick and Candle; shaving Mugs, Fine China Ash Trays, Pin Trays, Vases, Glass Cake Stands, Fern Pots, Powder Boxes, Dainty Night Lamps, etc.
\$1.
Handsome China Fruit Set of Tray and on dozen Nappies, Choice Line of Lemonade Sets in three different colors, Elegant Parlor Lamp complete, with decorated shade; Nice Wine Set, Ruby Engraved Glass, Royal Bonn Pudding Dish, Handsome China Photo Frames, Smoker Sets, Celery Sets, Marmalade Jars, Biscuit Jars, Chocolate Pots, Nicely Decorated Porridge Sets, etc.

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