

from the Colonial Office. In favor of the establishment of Canadian Courts having Admiralty jurisdiction. Holds that power to legislate upon the subjects of navigation and shipping carries with it power to establish Courts to adjudicate upon matters arising under such legislation, in accordance with the well-settled rules of maritime law. Favors a national policy, based not upon principles of commercial exclusion, but upon principles of commercial extension. Thinks Canada has outgrown the condition of an ordinary colony. She has commercial relations with Foreign States, in which she alone is interested, and which she alone ought to regulate and control on her own behalf. Is opposed to the People's representatives abdicating their functions, either by failing to maintain an effective control over the expenditure of the national resources, or by surrendering to the Crown and Privy Council an important part of their legislative functions. Does not regard an enormous public debt as a national blessing; and believes that the prosperity of the country is to be promoted by habits of economy among the people, by encouraging a feeling of self-reliance and personal independence, and by fostering a spirit of patriotism—not flunkeyism—by which the interests, the prosperity, and the honor of Canada are made the paramount duty of their representatives, and not upon gigantic and costly works, built in wild and uninhabitable regions. Considers the present state as one of transition; and regards the Confederation of the Empire, for certain specified purposes, as the most satisfactory solution of our political future.—*Palmyra, Ont.*

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