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Canada, and where the standard of living is correspondingly low.

#### All-Round Development

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But why not, you ask, have free trade with United States, who now maintain a high standard of living? There is a very serious difficulty in the way, which those advocating free trade frequently overlook. We only make laws for Canada. We do not make them for United States. We are a separate nation. Altho the United States today might be willing to adopt free trade with Canada we have not power to keep them from changing their mind in future. Unless we had political union it would be the height of folly to merge a commercial union. Canada must have an all-round development and not be at the mercy of any other country's legislature. This all-round development is only possible by maintaining a proper protective tariff.

In developing our national industries a protective tariff creates a large home market for the farmer. Even at the present stage of Canadian development this home market consumes very much the largest percentage of what the Canadian farmer produces.

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A good illustration of the value of the home market to the farmer, as against the foreign market is seen in the relative position of the farmers in Germany and Russia today. Both countries are barred from exporting. The German farmer, because of his large home market is making a fortune, the Russian farmer, with his foreign market cut off and a comparatively small home market is in a most serious position. Had the British fleet lost control of the Atlantic the home market, that some of our free traders scoff at, would have looked good even to the prairie farmer. Very quickly he would have converted his wheat into cattle, hogs, mutton, eggs and butter to supply

have converted his wheat into cattle, hogs, mutton, eggs and butter to supply his own needs and those of our consuming towns and cities.

Our protective tariff is, therefore, of great value to the prairie farmer in securing him one market which he is sure of, even in time of war. As this market develops and as the prairie farmer goes more into mixed farming it will be of increasing value to him and will do more than anything else to raise land values in Western Canada.

### Save the Farmers

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The countries of the world, such as Russia, Turkey, Roumania, China, India, where manufacturing industries have not been developed, are peopled by poverty-stricken farmers who make a very poor comparison alongside of the prosperous farmers in manufacturing countries. With her national life properly rounded out, Canada is destined to be a very populous and great country. If Canada were a country without natural resources in minerals, forests and fisheries and without an intelligent industrious population, there might be some reason for not striving to develop all her national resources and all classes of industries, but she has a prodigal supply and their development will result in benefiting all, including the prairie-Larmer.

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## EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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The Annual Convention of the Manitoba Educational Association will be
held in Winnipeg, April 9 to 12, 1917.

One important feature of the Convention for some years has been the exhibit
of work from various parts of the Province. Three cash prizes of \$25, \$15,
and \$10 are offered to Rural Schools
that present the three best collections of
work. These prizes are accompanied by work. These prizes are accompanied by framed diplomas. For Graded Schoots of not more than four rooms there is no cash prize, but framed diplomas will be given in cases of special merit. The rule governing the exhibit are stated below:

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