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THE PROTECTIVE TARIFF

In its reply to the Western Graingrowers, the C.M.A. took a reasonable attitude. Under the policy of protection Canada has, since 1878, been continuous progress, both agriculturally and industrially. The capable manner in which it shouldered and carried its war responsibilities was proof positive of the country's soundness.

Its fiscal policy could not have been subjected to a severer test. Had it, prior to 1914, been struggling along and perhaps slipping back, these trial years would have revealed its weaknesses. Instead, it had been gathering a reserve strength which has stood in good stead and enabled it to cope with extraordinarily heavy demands. During the long and arduous struggle it was able to pass from a debtor to a creditor nation. Canadians emerge from that period as a more virile and versatile people.

It is reasonable to assert that the policy which has been tested and found under existing conditions to be reliable should not, until something better is presented, be abandoned. The C.M.A. recognizes that the tariff has not been revised since 1907. It admits that there may be items in it which call for readjustment but contends that it would be damaging to the country's best interests to tinker with it for a year or two. And that when it is reconsidered, the revision should be scientifically made, and every interest affected given a hearing.

The world is in a state of flux. Industrial nations are preparing themselves for the new era, on whose threshold they now stand. Competition for trade is likely to become keener than ever, first leading them to protect their own people against outside encroachments. It was yesterday announced that Great Britain intends to restrict imports by means of licenses. This is protection under another name. Until other countries have adopted new fiscal policies or rehabilitated their present ones, it would be unwise for Canada to level its tariff wall. Its paramount duty is to protect its own households.

In the same breath in which free trade is demanded, the factories are requested provide employment for returning soldiers and likewise for those who took their places. In an official circular, issued by the Reparation Committee at Ottawa, this assertion is made:

The work of Reparation, if taken aright, cannot fail to prove the biggest event in the history of the country, but the fact must not be overlooked that three-fourths of the opportunity to carry on the movement to complete success rests with the employers of Canada.

All of the Canadian soldiers are expected to reach home by August of 1919. Were the tariff question introduced, when parliament meets in February, it would cause a feeling of uncertainty to spread that would halt plans for the extensions of plants and of businesses. Factory owners would be obliged to wait until the decision, whether favorable or unfavorable, were made. A hot controversy over the tariff would have an ill-effect on industry.

Were a majority of the country's legislators to favor a reduction in the general tariff, it would beyond question, injure the manufacturing industry, and consequently their workmen and all dependent upon industry, including the farming interests. Then does not Lincoln's assertion that you "should not swap horses while crossing a stream" apply?

While the graingrowers may view the tariff solely from the angle of importing farm machinery free of duty, the tariff to one half of Canada's population means work and business. For the country itself it furnishes the best known means of raising revenue.

On the heels of the grain growers' demand for free trade, comes the Canadian government's announcement that it will during the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1919, require \$450,000,000. This is an increase of nearly \$190,000,000 over last year.

In 1917-18, Custom duties yielded \$161,595,628 or 75 per cent. of the total collected by all forms of taxation. Scrap the tariff and three-quarters of the country's revenue would disappear and would have to be made up by direct taxation. Were the tariff discarded, there would also go the bulk of the \$65,000,000 now received by way of income and the profits taxes since these would be greatly lessened if they were not eliminated. Only an industry operating on full time can pay special taxes.

The West advocates the raising of an unprecedented sum of revenue, placed at \$450,000,000, by a tax on unimproved land, an increased inheritance tax, an extension of the personal income tax and a tax on the profits of corporations, all of which, excepting the tax on unimproved land, are now in operation.

It will be noticed that they do not, in exchange for free trade, offer to bear a tax on all farm lands, sufficiently high to replace the \$160,000,000 collected on imports of manufactured goods.

Even with the retention of the tariff it will be a difficult matter for Canada to raise \$190,000,000 more revenue. Imports are declining in volume and will continue to do so, proportionately as the exports of manufactured goods recede. New forms or extensions of present forms of direct taxation will then require to be introduced.

With the problem before us of gathering more revenue from a lessened volume of trade, coupled with the necessity of providing employment for all who are able and willing to work, it would presently be disastrous to every interest in the country to make an assault upon the tariff.

EXTRACTS OF EXCHANGE

TOO MUCH MODESTY!

Opinions differ, but there are many "wayfaring men" in Canada who might look horns with the Winnipeg Tribune when it advances this astonishing pronouncement:

"There is, perhaps, too much modesty on the part of Canadians in advancing the spirit of Canadian nationality."

NIMROD'S PROPHECY

"All signs fall in dry weather," is a saying as true as anything that ever emanated from the meteorological office, but most people will hope that the Nimrods thus reported by the Woodstock Sentinel-Review are right:

"Hunters report that great numbers of wild ducks are flying northward and they de-

clare that this is an infallible sign that the spring will be early and that there will be open weather for the balance of the winter."

NOT SO BADLY "FROST-BITTEN"

The old habit of taking things for granted is one little idiosyncrasy members of Fourth Estate should be wary of indulging in. "The frost-bitten east" this winter is not suffering so badly as the Vancouver World appears to thus imagine:

One may well be timid for mentioning it so soon after New Year's, but the frost-bitten east should take notice that here rose bushes are beginning to send forth new shoots, and spring is within hailing distance.

ALWAYS THE SHADOW

Of all sad thoughts of modern tongue and pen, saddest is the fact that when the average politician prophesies concerning the future greatness of a district or province, he generally alibis himself by the proviso: "If a certain railway is built or completed." Thus the Edmonton Journal:

"In an address in Winnipeg the other day, Sir James Aikens, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, made the prophecy that some day the largest city in the province would be on the shore of Hudson Bay. To hasten this day he urged the early completion of the Hudson Bay Railway, which he believed would prove a great success."

WAIT A MINUTE

NEW YORK AUTO SHOW

The "honk, honk" and "toot, toot" of a myriad of automobiles of all kinds and sizes and numbers will echo through Madison Square Garden, New York, to-morrow night and during next week. The show this year, for which active preparations were begun as soon as the armistice was signed, promises to be the most extensive of its kind which has yet been carried on in any country. Switching from a war basis and getting the industry back upon a peace footing will be the main issue to be discussed and acted upon by the thousands of manufacturers, agents and dealers who will go to town for the big show.

NOTED PRESBYTERIAN LEADER IS 75

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 31.—A bushel basket would have been required to hold the messages of greeting that poured in upon the Rev. Dr. William H. Roberts to-day to remind him that this was the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth. The number of felicitations was not surprising, in view of the fact that Dr. Roberts is probably the most widely known of all leaders of his church. For thirty-five years he has been "stated clerk" of the Northern Presbyterian General Assembly. As such he has had charge of all the records of the denomination, legislative and statistical, and has been the right-hand man of every moderator for several decades. In 1908 he himself was moderator, the church thus bestowing on him the highest honor in its gift.

A native of Wales, Dr. Roberts accompanied his parents to America in early youth, settling at Utica, N.Y. After graduating from the College of the City of New York he entered the service of the Federal Government as a statistician on the treasury department, afterward becoming assistant librarian in the Library of Congress. He decided to study for the ministry, and went to Princeton seminary. After serving in one pastorate he returned to the seminary as librarian, remaining there for nine years, until, in 1888, he was made a professor in Lane university, Cincinnati. In the meantime he had become stated clerk of the general assembly and since 1893 he has devoted all his time to that office.

MUSICAL CURE FOR SOLDIERS

A course in music-therapy, designed primarily "to provide practical training for therapeutic treatment under medical control" of invalided soldiers and sufferers from certain nervous diseases, as well as the deaf and blind, is to be inaugurated at Columbia University next week.

The course, according to the official announcement, will "cover the place which music-therapy fills in relation to vocational re-education and occupational therapy; psychoses and neurosis of shell-shocked men with indications of specific ailments; and vibratory musical massage for curative results."

Miss Margaret Anderson, who met with pronounced success in similar work in Canadian military hospitals, will direct the instruction.

"IN THE DAY'S NEWS"

Sir Horace Plunkett, who has come to America in an effort to influence public opinion to bring about a settlement of the Irish question before the peace conference ends, is an Irish leader who probably has done more for the material progress of his country than any other man living to-day. Indeed, the greatest authority on Irish history (Mr. Lecky) has declared that "no living Irishman has a better title than Horace Plunkett to the gratitude of his countrymen." The aim of Sir Horace has been to improve the condition of the Irish people through the development of agriculture and other industries. With this end in view he created and became head of the department of agriculture and technical instruction. He is an expert in agriculture and has had practical experience in cattle raising, gained through ten years spent on a cattle ranch in Wyoming.

TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

1574—Ben Jonson, the intimate friend of Shakespeare and himself a dramatic poet of power and beauty, born at Westminster. Died Aug. 6, 1637.

1606—Guy Fawkes was executed for his part in the plot to blow up the British houses of parliament.

1844—Count Henri de Bertrand, a French general who accompanied Napoleon to St. Helena, died. Born in 1773.

1854—The Prince Consort was vindicated in the British parliament from charges of undue political interference.

1891—A republican rising at Oporto, Portugal, was suppressed.

1910—Japan placed all her bonds on a 4 per cent. basis.

1915—German forces abandoned their attempt to take La Bassee Canal.

1916—Violent artillery fighting resumed by Italians on Isonzo River.

1917—Germany declared indiscriminate submarine warfare on neutral as well as enemy shipping.

ONE YEAR AGO TO-DAY IN THE WAR

British expedition in Palestine penetrated Muki-mas.

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Spivy Says Wife Does Work First Time in 12 Years Gains 28 Pounds

"You ought to hear the way our neighbors are talking about Tanlae since my wife's recovery," said W.A. Spivey, motorman No. 96, for the Kansas City Metropolitan Street Railway, a valued employee of the company for twenty-three years. He and his wife and interesting family of children live in the home at 1135 South Church St., Olathe, Kansas. "Mrs. Spivy has been in poor health for fourteen years," he continued, "and almost every month during that time she was under treatment of some sort, but she never got any relief that we could notice. She had no appetite and there were mighty few things she could eat and what little she did eat would sour on her stomach and gas would form and make her so miserable that she would have to lie down for awhile. She almost always had an aching pain in the small of her back and she suffered from blinding headaches and sometimes she would be so dizzy she would have to put her hand on something steady to keep the back of a head from coming forward. She suffered from nervousness so that some nights she could hardly sleep at all and she never did know what it was to get a good night's rest. She kept growing weaker and weaker and was bad off that twice in the past six years she was given up to die. We thought we had tried everything to hold her and didn't know what else to do when a lady friend of hers told about Tanlae. I bought the first bottle about three months ago and almost at once she began to show her strength was coming back, but the wonderful improvement has been in the past two months."

"She has a good appetite now and can eat anything she wants like apples, cabbage, peas and meats, of any kind. Anyone of these things before she began to take Tanlae were just like poison to her. She doesn't suffer a bit from sour stomach or gas and she gets so much good from what she eats that she has gained twenty-eight pounds in the past two months. She is entirely rid of that pain in her back and the headaches are gone, too. Nobody could tell that anything has been the matter with her nerves they are so quiet now, and she sleeps about nine hours every night. She has gotten so strong that she is doing all the housework for our family of six and doesn't mind it a bit and it is the first time in twelve years that she has been able to do any work at all. She is more like she used to be fifteen years ago than I ever hoped to see her and I feel just like everybody else that knows Tanlae is the best medicine ever made."

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Toronto Radials Acquired

TORONTO SUBURBAN RAILWAY TAKEN OVER BY CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS BOARD.

Ottawa Jan. 30.—It was learned to-day that the Toronto Suburban Railway Board has passed to the Canadian National Railways and that the radial lines will be operated under the management of the Canadian National Board with practically Ernest Oliver as local manager.

The Toronto suburban lines acquired by the Canadian National Railways Board for the Dominion Government include the line running from West Toronto through Islington to Guelph, together with all other lines on the outskirts of Toronto. The line has been constructed and contemplated plans to finish the line to the Guelph line at the Hamilton bridge to the new C.N.R. Hamilton line, which is to run across the northwest part of the city into the North Toronto Station. This steam railway line, if built, will use the Toronto Suburban bridge over the Humber, this having been constructed with just such utilization in view.

To Reach North Toronto. Under these conditions the lines running west from the North Toronto Station will be C.O.R. cross-town line; C.N.R. Hamilton line, which shares the elevated right of way with the C.P.R. about as far west as Dovercourt road.

The new management will also have jurisdiction over the Niagara St. Kitts and Toronto electric road in the Niagara peninsula and any other electric which may be secured.

Weston Line. The Weston electric line passes into C.N.R. hands with the acquisition of the Toronto Suburban. It too will continue to be operated as at present. It is said, however, that if the North western C.N.R. steam line is built the Weston line will also be diverted on to that in the neighborhood of the Silverthorne estate.

At Cost Value. The Government has paid the cost value after a special audit of the road's affairs and the stock, none of which was held outside the Mackenzie-Royce circle has all been handed over. It is not in the name of the Canadian Northern Realities Company which in turn is owned by the National Railways.

INFLUENZA IN OTTAWA. Ottawa Jan. 30.—Influenza is again so prevalent in the city as to necessitate the reopening of the Emergency Hospital used during the epidemic last fall.

The Board of Control at a special meeting adopted the urgent advice of Dr. Law W.O.H., and authorized the immediate opening of the hospital. There are 577 cases in the city.

HYDRO CARS BROKE LAW. January 17th Hydro Electric officials went to Burlington on the Radial question and five cases of speeding resulted, netting the commissioner \$700.00. Sir Adam Beck was in the party. One car was caught at 11.54 hitting it over 40 miles an hour.

Travellers' Aid Is Appointed For City

EXCELLENT ADDRESS ON CITIZENSHIP AT W.C.T.U. MEETING.

The January meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held in the Y.W.C.A. parlors

SATURDAY'S

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