

Upon the Prime Minister's return from England, from the Jubilee ceremonies, until the last day of the session, I repeatedly questioned the ministry as to the progress of negotiations, and was informed that they were proceeding. In these circumstances, the Liberal party refrained from bringing in any resolution which would even criticize the Government for what appeared to be unnecessary protracted discussions. If, for any reason, the present Administration has failed, no word of criticism can possibly be levelled at the Liberal party therefor.

Mr. Bennett has told us, as recently as the night of September 9th, "we are doing all we can to increase our trade with the United States. The two governments are at present seriously engaged in negotiations designed to increase the trade between our countries. We have reason to expect, and do expect, that these negotiations will be successful".

I need scarcely say that I, too, hope for a successful outcome of negotiations, which have been in progress for the last two years. If not by the present Administration, then by whatever Administration may succeed it. I doubt very much, however, that there is longer a possibility of that being effected under Mr. Bennett or his Administration. I say that for the reason that, having some

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