

send a Gaelic speaking ambassador unless we could translate him beyond this earthly sphere.

This full partnership union would tend to do away with the race and creed prejudices which we find agitating not only Canada, but agitating the motherland at times.

Justice would be assured in every corner of the empire.

Freight rates would be lessened and immigration to Canada would be encouraged. Let me point out that since 1871, 4,159,922 Britishers left the shores of Britain for the United States, while only 708,000 came to Canada, 833,000 went to Australia, and 655,000 to other parts of the world. Under federal union, the aim of the motherland would be to encourage her children to emigrate to her colonies rather than to foreign lands, and instead of the United States getting 4,000,000 Britishers and Canada only 700,000, these figures would soon be reversed.

This full partnership union would secure to Canada the trade of supplying the motherland, which is now in the hands of foreigners.

In 1903 Great Britain imported goods from foreign countries to the value of \$2,100,000,000, while from the colonies she imported only to the value of \$560,000,000.

Of this foreign trade \$600,000,000 dollars worth was of manufactured articles while the colonies only supplied \$70,000,000 worth.

Of this foreign trade \$620,000,000 were for raw materials and articles mainly manufactures, while from the colonies Great Britain only took \$240,000,000.

Of this foreign trade \$900,000,000 went for food and drink and tobacco, and the colonies only secured \$253,000,000 worth of it.

Britain imported from France last year \$250,000,000 worth of goods most of which might have come from Canada, and *Britain taxes herself millions against French and German and Russian aggression while it is needless to say she has not to tax herself one dollar against Canadian aggression.*

Britain imported from Germany last year goods to the value of \$172,000,000, a large portion of which might have come from Canada.

Britain imported from Holland last year \$173,000,000 worth of butter, cheese and dairy products, all of which could have come from Canada and under a full partnership union it undoubtedly would have come from Canada.

England imported from Russia last year goods to the value of \$155,000,000, all of which might have come from Canada, and Russia we may say is the arch enemy of Britain.

An estimate has been made that if the British and colonial workmen had produced only twenty-five per cent. of the manufactured articles imported into Great Britain and Ireland yearly, there would not be a pauper in the empire.

Britain imported from foreign countries last year \$175,000,000 of grain and flour and from the colonies only \$75,000,000 worth.

Britain imported meat products, animals, etc., from foreign countries to the value of \$195,000,000 last year, and from the colonies only \$55,000,000 worth.

Of eggs, butter and cheese, Britain imported \$255,000,000 from foreign countries, and only \$60,000,000 from her colonies.

Under full partnership union, Britain's colonies could have supplied her with the entire bill, and who will deny that if such a result followed, there would not be greater prosperity in the empire?

Canada supplied only \$95,000,000 worth out of the \$200,000,000 of food products imported by Great Britain, whereas under a full partnership union Canada would have secured the greater part of this trade.

There would undoubtedly be a great growth of population in Canada.

It would secure to Great Britain and the colonies the trade of the various British possessions and protectorates. In the past there has always been the open door in these regions, and all the nations of the world have had the same access to these markets as has Great Britain, although it is Britain's soldiers and Britain's money that have brought these lands under civilization. The other nations that have not contributed one dollar to this purpose have now the same rights as Britain in those lands. Under a full partnership union this free access would be denied by Great Britain to other nations.

If this policy were carried out it would compel other nations to grant Britain fairer tariff privileges.

I need not go into details of how it would affect the empire from a military point of view. It would reduce the cost of war to a minimum and guard us against foreign aggression.