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EMPIRE UNITY VERSUS RECIPROCITY: ISSUE AT ELECTIONS SEPT. 21

"THE WIDER MARKET" IS NOT FOR CANADIAN SHEEP

An Invasion of American Mutton Hits Town To-day

THE STAR SAYS IT IS A POLITICAL CONSPIRACY

The Globe Says it is Only "A Few Sheep"—Twenty Thousand Strong

CALL OUT THE POLICE AND CATCH THE CONSPIRATORS RED-HANDED

The World begs permission of its readers to return to the sheep question this morning, and it takes it that our readers, and especially the farmers, will be glad to allow us that privilege. The World is especially instigated to this course by reason of some remarkable statements in The Globe and in The Star, in regard to our news about flooding the Canadian market with American sheep. In this discussion The World is so confident of the soundness of its own position that it prints with the greatest pleasure the answers, or rather the reputed answers, that these two champions of reciprocity make to The World's charges that reciprocity means the loss of the Canadian market to the Canadian sheep raiser. In fact, our whole case is largely based on the defence these papers make. We have printed and now print them alongside, and we know the Canadian farmer is laughing at them. These papers are mad or are ignorant or are "manipulating." Perhaps they do not understand the live stock situation. They have been led away by what politicians have been telling them, instead of asking the men who do the business as to the facts. We therefore ask our readers to cast their eyes on the column alongside and read The Globe's article of Saturday and then to read The Star's article of Saturday night.

Taking it for granted that the reader has read what The Globe and The Star have to say, we wish them to make answer to the following effect:

First—The Globe and The Star and their political chiefs have been telling the Canadian farmer that reciprocity meant two markets instead of one, and that it also meant "a wider market"; and by a wider market they meant that the Canadian farmer would get a better price, that he would not be limited to the Canadian market, and all he would have to do would be to go across the line and get a better price for his sheep.

Our absolute answer is that sheep are cheaper in the States than they are in Canada. In fact, they are so cheap that the dealers can pay duty on them, bring them into Canada and undersell the Canadian farmer! We said on Saturday that as many as 18,000 sheep as our live stock reporter learned from three or four importers only, had been brought into the Toronto market within the last three or four months. You will notice how The Globe tries to dodge the question by saying "a few sheep." We say "20,000 sheep at least in six months" in the Toronto market alone; and we said on Saturday that 570 head were on the way and would be at the stock yards this morning. Our stock market reporter turns up from his visit to the yards yesterday and says that instead of 570, 1196 American sheep and lambs came into the market this morning can be seen awaiting the Canadian butcher to buy them. The firm who have these 1196 sheep on sale at the market this morning are Rice & Whaley, dealers on the Buffalo and Toronto markets, and who have been doing business on the Toronto market for a long while. If these are the political agents at work, The Star can crucify them in their deadly political conspiracy. Any man who would enter into a political conspiracy certainly ought to be crucified or chased out of this country of Canada. But if they are business men we are glad to see them here to-day and The World shakes hands with them this morning as furnishing the best argument against reciprocity we have met with in many a week.

Here for a moment we wish to go to The Star's reply, which is to the effect that some bad Tory politicians are manipulating this situation in order to help the enemies of reciprocity! Here now is a splendid chance for The Star with its photographer and its reporters to catch these political manipulators red handed this morning in the very act of putting up a disreputable job on the Canadian electorate when a great electoral struggle is about to take place. The Star will be able to catch these men in the very act and give their pictures and grill their political allies if what they say is true; and The World will be branded and so will these political manipulators, as they ought to be branded, as enemies of the country and the Canadian farmer.

Now, Mr. Star and Globe, go up and catch these men in the very act if you can; but The World believes these sheep are brought in by business men for business reasons, that there is no political manipulation in the proposition, but that it is as a matter of fact the outcome of actual conditions. And it all goes to prove that "the wider market" which The Globe has been promising the Canadian sheep raiser, is a myth and all that reciprocity will do will be to allow the American sheep raiser a free entrance to the Canadian market; and once this is granted, the price of the wider market will rule in the Toronto market, and sheep will be sold here, on the average, for \$1 a head less than the Canadian farmer now gets. The World met a man yesterday who said it would be between \$1 and \$2 instead of \$1. In the light of these facts also, read The Globe's article again, wherein it says that what is happening is "a chance occurrence of a day or so when a few sheep from the United States were sold on the Toronto market." The American farmer can beat the Canadian farmer out of his boots in many things, and all he wants is one chance in the Canadian market, not only in sheep, but in many things. So far we have shown what he can do in the way of sheep.

But now go back to the other argument of The Globe's that it means cheap mutton for the consumer. As we asked on Saturday,

The Tariff and the Sheep Market.

From The Toronto Globe, July 29.

Enemies of reciprocity and of the larger market for the Canadian farmer are seizing on a chance occurrence of a day or two ago, when a few sheep from the United States were sold on the Toronto market. This is taken to mean that American sheep will flood Canada under reciprocity, instead of Canada selling to the cities across the line. Apart from the simple fact that it is no crime to buy what you want elsewhere if you cannot get it at home, is the circumstance that the present conditions are altogether exceptional.

At certain times of the year the demand for mutton and lamb in Toronto is greater than the supply, and the sequel is high prices. The Ontario farmer is not producing sheep necessary and sometimes possible to import supplies from the United States, it is not always possible to do so at a profit. Prices are not always higher in the Toronto market than in the Chicago market, and it is advantageous to bring sheep and lambs in from the United States only when the Ontario farmer fails to maintain a steady supply.

Our farmers do not go into sheep-raising very extensively, for reasons which are well known. Some of them have found dairy farming, beef-raising and fruit-growing more profitable. The average sheep farmer in Ontario specializes in the pedigree stock than in market mutton, and there are few farms where sheep-raising is carried on exclusively except where the farmers are breeding pure-bred stock. Dealers from the sheep-raising districts as-

SHEEP IMPORTATIONS BIT OF POLITICAL STAGE PLAY?

That is the Belief of Some People—Dealer Traced One Car and Found Net Loss Was \$140—Certainly Not Normal State of Affairs.

From The Toronto Star, July 29.

Are the prices being paid for sheep on the Toronto cattle markets natural? Markets have been manipulated for political purposes often enough before this, and it is whispered by some that the present prices for sheep here, which are sufficiently high to attract sheep and lambs across the border, constitute a bit of stage play by people in that line of business, who are opposed to reciprocity.

One man who thinks this is a prominent drover who was rather upset by the importation of American sheep. To assure himself, he traced one carload, which was brought to the Toronto market and found that the net loss on that car was \$140. That led him to believe that things were not all as they seemed.

Farmers Not Worried.

However that may be, the agriculturalists of the province are not evidencing any violent alarm. The attitude generally taken is that the relative position of prices here and in the United States is an unusual and only temporary position.

This morning E. C. Drury of Crown Hill, secretary of the National Council of Agriculture said: "As a farmer, I have been raising sheep and lambs for ten years, and this is the first time in my experience when the Buffalo prices have been below the Toronto prices. Generally the average price in Buffalo is about a dollar higher than in Toronto, that is just about sufficient to cover the duty."

First Time in Years.

"It is the first time in years that American sheep have come in here," said one prominent dealer this morning. "The general rule is that Canadian sheep, in spite of a duty of \$1.25 a head, go to the United States market. But this year the price of sheep in the American market is unusually low. Why I cannot say. That market, however, has been flooded with sheep. There have not been enough sheep coming from Ontario to satisfy the demand, and therefore sheep were brought in from the other side. The fact that one day they brought a little higher price than Canadian sheep was due to the temporary requirements of the market that day, requirements to which the imported sheep were especially adapted."

Would reciprocity mean that Ontario bred sheep would be crowded out of this market?" asked The Star.

"Until things were more settled in the American market, I think the removal of the duties would perhaps unsettle things here. One week the Canadian market would be flooded with American sheep, and the next week everybody would be shipping sheep back to the other side until the market was flooded. It would go on that way for a while until the new market conditions were in stable working order."

we ask again, Does it? The United States is the home of the trust and one of the greatest trusts there is the meat trust, which does two things, and we ask the farmer to especially consider what we are about to say, namely: That the American meat trust is so powerful and so far reaching that it has wiped out all competition, both in

CRUISER NIOBE STRIKES ON SHOAL

Driven to Sea by Heavy Storm, She is Drawn on Rocks by a Current—Frightful Marine Disaster Barely Averted—Ship Badly Injured, Making Water Fast.

HALIFAX, N.S., July 30.—It was a close call that H.M.C.S. Niobe had last night when she struck the southwest shoal off Cape Sable and came within an ace of a frightful disaster. She got off with her starboard engine room pierced and with water rising there and aft, but was able to keep it down by her own pumps. The first news of the stranding of the cruiser came shortly before 1 o'clock this morning by wireless from Cape Sable. Commander MacDonald reported that the Niobe was in grave peril and required assistance.

At 6:45 he sent a wireless that the cruiser was afloat and asking for a convoy, and stating that the ship pumps were keeping the water down. The Niobe had been at Yarmouth as one of the chief attractions at a big old-home week celebration at that place, and she was to have sailed tomorrow for Liverpool, N.S.

The depth of water did not permit the cruiser to proceed up Yarmouth harbor, so she anchored in the roadstead outside the bay.

A despatch from Shag Harbor to—

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SIFTON TO TAKE THE STUMP (Is Going Permanently Out of Parliament) AS OPPONENT OF RECIPROCITY

PARTY WELCOMES APPEAL TO PEOPLE

R. L. Borden Declares That While Liberal-Conservatives Are Pleased That Issue of Reciprocity Will be Fought at Polls, Government Has Acted Dishonorably and Unconstitutionally.

OTTAWA, July 30.—Mr. R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, gave out the following statement to-night: "The dissolution of parliament came as a great surprise to the supporters of the amendment. They evidently knew no more of the intention of the government than they knew of the reciprocity agreement up to the 26th of January last. Apparently the government decided upon dissolution in a hurry or even in a panic, as they gave no intimation to the many members on both sides of the house who are accustomed to spend the week-end with their families and who left their

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Will Not Contest Any Riding But Will Devote All His Energies to an Assault on the Pact—Dissolution Largely Hastened by Oliver Inquiry.

OTTAWA, July 30.—(Special.)—That the fear of disclosures in the Oliver enquiry set for Tuesday influenced the government in precipitating the dissolution now appears to be beyond doubt. Oliver is angry about it, or is pretending to be, and report has it that a lively row took place in council when the decision to get to the country ahead of the evidence was going thru. Furthermore, Mr. Oliver is credited with the determination of seeking a reopening of the enquiry when the new parliament meets. There is in this a bid for public confidence in the west, a bid which the minister will emphasize by protesting his innocence from every platform of the west. Oliver is angry at his colleagues. His colleagues are angry at him for showing his discomfort. But there is no prospect that the minister of the interior will set out the government under attack by the electorate to whose tender mercies his colleagues have left him.

Eight Weeks Campaign.

The campaign will start almost immediately and will last the best part of eight weeks. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and R. L. Borden will remain in Ottawa this week and will then go on the stump. The prime minister will stay pretty well in Ontario and Quebec. Mr. Borden will stump both these provinces and will also tour New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, speaking in his own riding of Halifax, where the Liberals are putting forward a strenuous effort to beat him. Mr. Borden was at his office in the parliament buildings to-day and is in high spirits.

The presence of Hon. Richard McErdie in Ottawa last night was the occasion for a conference between the opposition leader and the western premiers and of a jubilant gathering of Conservative members. Hon. Clifford Sifton had a conference with Sir E. Brien yesterday and will take the field against the government.

Mr. Sifton announced that he would not contest any riding himself and will devote all his attention to the work of the conservation committee.

It Was So Sudden.

F. D. Monk was in Ottawa a short time to-day but would not discuss the election beyond saying that the dissolution was sudden.

The circumstances attending this dissolution are unique. There is no precedent for it and a grave question has arisen as to the constitutionality of the government's action in proceeding to dissolution without any attempt being made by the government to obtain the fifty millions of left-over supply.

The publication of the proclamation bring the life of the eleventh parliament to an end, has been delayed. The Gazette will not be out till to-morrow morning, the reason being that although the proclamation was ready for his excellency early in the afternoon of Saturday the governor was away going and did not pen his name to the document till nine o'clock at night. The procedure involves the unusual course of a prorogation by proclamation, followed immediately by dissolution and the elections. The proclamation is fourfold, parliament is prorogued to Sept. 7 and dissolved. Writs are issued under date of Aug. 2, returnable Oct. 7. The elections are called for Sept. 21, with nominations on the 14th.

A cabinet shuffle will almost certainly take place before the election campaign is far advanced. Sir Frederick Borden goes to London and will likely leave his portfolio to E. M. MacDonald in time to let the latter make good use of his new dignity in Elctou. Hon. L. P. Brodeur goes to the bench and will be succeeded by Dr. Beaud of Beauce. Sir Alan Aylesworth apparently intends to keep T. C. Bollen out of the North York contest.

Are in High Fettle.

As indicated in the declaration of the leader of the party the opposition goes into this struggle eagerly. The dissolution announcement was received in the Conservative committee room with shouts of acclaim and the demon-

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Back to the Old Order

The local board of health announces that their special regulations limiting the days and hours of lawn-sprinkling expired last week and have not been resumed. Hence the old order now obtains and lawn watering can be carried on each day at the hours specified by the regular city by-law.

THE TRUTH OF IT ALL.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier took advantage of his absence from Ottawa on vacation to call the election for Sept. 21. Says Wilf to Bill Fielding: "Is that man Hunter out of the way?" He says Bill: "Let the election go on," says Wilf.

The Difference of a Letter.

A recent well-intentioned compulsory notice described Dineen's haters and furrers—corner Young and Temperance streets as "the best haters" in Toronto. The word lacked just one "t" to make the reference intelligible. Dineen's are "the best hatters" in Toronto.

ITALIAN SHOT ON STREET THE MURDERER ESCAPES A DAYLIGHT TRAGEDY

Leaving Tarro Dying at Corner of Front and Church Streets Slayer Eludes Pursuit, But Police Have Clue—Two Revolvers Found.

TWO WOMEN SAW DEED AND DESCRIBED ASSASSIN

A cold-blooded murder, done in broad daylight right at the corner of Church and Front streets—that was the tragedy which broke in upon the Sunday quietude of the down-town part of the city about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The victim was a young Italian named Tarro, 23 years of age, residing at 165 York-street, who was shot and

killed by bullets from a 38 calibre revolver of the Iver-Johnson type.

After his cowardly attack, the murderer left Tarro lying on the pavement with his life-blood streaming away, and succeeded in making good his escape down a lane leading from Front-street to the Esplanade.

A number of Italians, who were about to impart information, were rounded up very quickly and from them the detectives extracted much data which they hope will aid them greatly in the search of the missing man. Among those who were called to the city hall was Frank Motto, the police court interpreter, and he learned from the other Italians that the deed was most probably committed by one of two men. A search was at once begun with the result that one of the two was not to be found.

May Have Clue.

It so happened that a police photo was obtained of one of the men men-

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A NEW TOY



UNCLE SAM: Darned if he don't climb up or down this tariff wire whichever way I pull.

—From the Nelson, B. C. News.

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