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CANADA'S OPPORTUNITY

The coming conference with the Washington authorities should result in another substantial reduction in the tariff against imports into Canada, and exports from Canada to the United States; and in corresponding benefit to the Canadian people as consumers and producers. Not since the Dingley tariff declared to Canada that the United States did not care to trade with the people of other countries has there been any marked indication of a willingness beyond the border to make easier conditions of trade with the people living in Canada.

How they came out in the game is sufficiently plain from the fact that they want a new deal. It was from the United States rather than from Canada that the present proposal for better terms came. Whichever government made the first step toward realizing the proposal, the real reason behind it acceptance by the United States government was the peaceful revolt among the people of the Western and Central States against being longer held in bondage for the profit of the New England factory owner.

All this, of course, we have heard before, many a time and often. Forunately it has not of late years gathered much credit with the Canadian people. It is to be hoped it will gain a little now, for the doctrine has not in recent years had as large an opportunity for mischief as it has at present. Promoted by the man in control with such fervor there can be no manner of doubt that the object of the campaign is to force the hands of the public, and a believer in low tariff or even in free trade, who undertakes to bind his people in a treaty must consider not only what he thinks himself but what his fellow-countrymen think.

This popular movement across the border originates in fact, not theory; in experience, not in attachment to an economic dogma or a panacea for all the ills of nations. The people of the United States have tried the exclusion policy, have tried it fairly, tried it under circumstances most unusually favorable for it, and have turned from it as the author of more mischief than good. At home it has sent the cost of living soaring while it has failed to make employment and raise wages in proportion. Abroad it has failed to make the world do homage to the industrial might of the Republic. Free trade Britain continues to be the clearing house and banker of the world, with only a few small islands in its out-of-the-way corners of the globe for its business base. Even Canada has not been brought into a mood to purchase trading privileges with the Republic at more than face value.

Which as the people generally would approve a mutual reduction of duties, they are in no humor to give something without getting something in return. We have found that we can get along pretty well even with a hostile tariff along the United States boundary, though we should do much better if our neighbor was a little more neighborly. This the people of the United States understand thoroughly and it is because they understand it that they are forcing their government into the direction of better trading conditions.

stand it that they are forcing their government into the direction of better trading conditions. "Protection," they have found to be a millstone about the neck of the consumer, for a tariff which he has received no adequate compensation. The tariff they were told would help them and hurt others they have found to injure themselves more than any one else. That is why they are clamoring for tariff reduction and demanding that they be allowed to buy from the people north of the boundary on reasonable terms. Their necessity is our opportunity.

It is reported that Lord Kitchener or some other high officer may make periodical trips to the overseas Dominions to inspect the colonial troops and tender advice. It will take something of a diplomat as well as a soldier to do this without getting mixed up in the dogs of colonial politics or rousing among colonials feelings that they are being tampered with. It may as well be admitted that on the matter of running their own affairs the overseas Britons are a bit touchy, and nothing is more likely to irritate them than the wrong way than military officiousness. An officer who could remember that he was inspecting men who were in the soldier business not for what there is in it at the price of their personal sacrifice, might do good service by securing something of uniformity among the troops of the widely scattered Dominions. One who did not do that would seem to have few over-sea troops to inspect.

LET THE OTHER SIDE BE HEARD

Canadian high tariff preachers are busy denouncing the reciprocity idea. Their anxiety betrays a firm belief in those quarters that the coming negotiations with Washington are likely to result in a substantial reduction of the tariff barriers and consequently in a freer and larger trade between the two countries. The papers through which this campaign is being carried on and the vigor and persistency that is being shown in its prosecution indicate quite clearly that apprehensions are growing in the minds of those who profit by the exclusion of United States goods from the Canadian market, apprehensions that if left to their own inclinations the Canadian representatives at the conference will agree to an arrangement which will allow a much larger importation of goods made in the United States. To forestall this terrible possibility an attempt is being made to create in Canada a public sentiment hostile to the idea of trading with the people across the line. With a fine show of national pompousness we are told that the people of the United States are a hopelessly selfish crew, that they never concern themselves about the good of their fellow-citizens, and that if Canada starts dicker with them she is sure to get the worst of it. This is all sprinkled with professions of extremist loyalty, with fine phrases about the desirability of trading with the Mother Land, and garnished with warnings that if we buy more from the Americans and sell more to them we may become so enamoured of them as to desert the Empire and join the Republic.

Calgary News—"The \$26,000,000 fight is on between the C. P. R. and the Province of Alberta. If the insurgents had succeeded in defeating the Liberal government in the British North West, the province in the C. P. R. suit." Precisely how much truth is contained in this assertion the facts declare. The Government is out, and the C. P. R. suit proceeds without interference, interruption or delay.

REGULATING THE IMMIGRATION

A pamphlet has been issued containing the laws and regulations of the Dominion Government regarding immigration. The booklet contains the Immigration Act passed at the recent session of parliament, the orders in council by which regulations are established in accord with and under authority of the Act, and directions for bringing about the deportation of an "undesirable" alien. Recommendations to deport should be signed by a mayor, reeve, or other public official having knowledge of the facts. The form on which the recommendation is to be made contains blanks for the name of the "undesirable" alien, nationality, time and port of entry into Canada, present whereabouts, the reason for which his deportation is desired, and whether he is a proscriber or an inmate of a hospital, insane asylum or public charitable institution, or enters or remains in Canada contrary to any provision of the act, it becomes the duty of an officer cognizant thereof, and the duty of the clerk, secretary or other official of any municipality wherein such person may be found, to send a written complaint thereof to the minister of the Interior or superintendent of immigration, giving full particulars.

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British or Canada, or other British dominion, colony, possession or dependency, or of any foreign government, or by word or act create or attempt to create riot or public disorder in Canada, or should be by common reputation suspected of being connected with any secret society or organization which extorts money from, or in any way attempts to control, any resident of Canada, by force or threat of bodily harm or by blackmail; or person for the purposes is by the act considered and classed as an undesirable immigrant, and it shall be the duty of any officer becoming cognizant thereof, and the duty of the clerk, secretary or other official of any municipality in Canada wherein such person may be, to forthwith send a written complaint thereof to the minister of the Interior or superintendent of immigration, giving full particulars.

Upon receiving a complaint of this character the minister may order the offending party detained at an immigration station pending inquiry by a board of inquiry. If the board of inquiry finds the person to belong to the prohibited or undesirable classes, he shall be deported forthwith. The Governor in council is permitted to order any such person to leave Canada within a specified time, and on his failure to do so he is liable to be arrested and escorted from the country.

WONDERFUL CANADA

Manchester Evening Chronicle—"At the Geographical hall, Manchester, last night, an entertaining lecture on Canada was given by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron, the Canadian traveller and author. She said there was being made in the great wheat belt of Western Canada the largest and most productive wheat-growing area in the world. The area is now being opened up to the Canadian farmer, and the present state is not taking advantage of it.

THE GREAT LONE LAND

Toronto Globe—"The death of General Sir William Butler at the age of seventy-two will recall to older living Canadians his journey across the continent in 1871, when he was in the very height of his physical powers. He was officer of the adventurous party, a dashing officer of the adventurous type, and he could not resist the call of the wild, which was the chance came of plunging into it. He was offered to him forty years ago. The outcome was the publication in 1872 of an eminently readable account of his journey in the form of a volume entitled "The Great Lone Land," and this was followed in 1873 by less readable account of a similar but less interesting journey under the title of "The Wild North Land."

SIR WILFRID'S ACCEPTANCE

Vancouver Province—"That Sir Wilfrid Laurier has accepted the true ring given in royal nature's mint we have another evidence, if indeed any is needed, in his acceptance of Hon. Richard McBride's invitation to a public reception in his honor in the legislative buildings in Victoria on the 17th inst. If a company is not confident that both the paving it sells and the company itself will last that long, that is a company that had better be left to sell paving to other people.

Calgary Herald—"A Calgary business firm sent an order over for some goods to a large firm in Buffalo, and in reply it was stated that additional express charges would have to be added. As the express companies claim that the point to which the shipment is consigned (Calgary) has no express office and express shipments have to be left off at a railroad station and are strictly at the risk of the consignees."

PROTECTIONISTS IN THEORY ONLY

Toronto Globe—"Why is it that some of our protectionist advocates of the theory of high protection are themselves in practice the most persistent evaders of the customs duties imposed upon imported commodities? Not to mention instances nearer home, take the case of the well known ex-governor of one of the New England States who, with his wife and son, was arrested at the port of New York on the charge of smuggling and was fined \$5,000. The Outlook of New York commenting on this case, says it is of special interest, "as this particular ex-governor had long been a high-tariff advocate."

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should a careless man be allowed to handle them under any circumstances. It might be well to forbid their use except by those passing an examination and receiving a certificate of qualification. A man is not allowed to run a steam engine unless he first proves to an inspector that he knows how to do it. Equal precaution should surely be taken regarding the use of materials which are liable to blow up with terrific force and which frequently do so with terrific consequences.

In the current monthly report of the Trade and Commerce Department, the Canadian Trade Commissioner at Leeds and Hull cites one item of farm produce in which Canada seems to be losing her place in the British market for foreign countries. He says: "It is to be regretted that whilst the quantities of eggs shipped from Canada to this country are showing a decline year by year, there is a marked activity in the trade in eggs from other sources. Statistics recently published show that Riga has the largest trade in eggs of any Russian port and that nearly two-thirds of the eggs shipped from Riga to the enormous quantity of 23,472,858 great hundreds (a 'great hundred' being 120) of eggs exported from Russia last year, 9,858,332 great hundreds were shipped from Riga. Of these, 6,044,448 great hundreds were sent to the United Kingdom, more than half coming to this district. Leeds and Hull, for instance, took 3,188,592 great hundreds between their Grimsby, 36,948 great hundreds, and West Hartlepool, 10,440 great hundreds. Although encouragement is being given to home supply, the extent to which Great Britain is dependent upon foreign sources is shown by the large annual imports, which, last year, amounted to 17,710,441 great hundreds valued at \$56,176,510. There would seem to be a wide field of employment open to the Canadian hen which at present she is not taking advantage of.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

Everybody's Magazine—"The wife of a literary man of the Indian school, who had taken up chicken raising as a side issue, was telling of the poor success she had with a brood of eleven chickens. They seemed to be doing all right for a few days, she said, and then, one after another, they all died in the coop. "What did you feed them? asked the wife of a farmer neighbor. "Feed them," replied the author's helpmate, "I didn't feed them; I thought a healthy young pullet like that should have milk enough for her chicks."

PHILADELPHIA RECORD—MUGGINS

Philadelphia Record—"Muggins—I don't believe in contradicting a woman. Buglins—No, it's a waste of energy. Give her time enough and she'll contradict herself. Smart Set—It seems she did something rather odd—wedded her first love or some such silly thing. No. It was far more remarkable—loved her first wedded."

New York Tribune—Richard Le Gallienne, the poet, was entertaining a group of magazine editors at luncheon in New York. "To a compliment upon his fame," Mr. Le Gallienne said lightly:—"But what is a poet's fame in this age of prose? Only yester-liv in a schoolboy came and asked me for my autograph. I assented willingly. And today at breakfast time the boy again presented himself. "Will you give me your autograph, sir?" he said. "But," said I, "I gave you my autograph yesterday. "I snatched that and a dollar," he answered, "for the autograph of Jim Jeffries."

JACKSON AGAIN IN TROUBLE

Toronto Conference Revives Controversy and Holds Stormy Session. Toronto, June 13.—A series of resolutions relating to Prof. Jackson's book, "Studies in the Old Testament," caused a stormy session of the Toronto Methodist conference this morning. The resolution tabled on Saturday, protesting against the book, was amended to read that the committee, and one to send it on to the General conference.

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