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# Which Shall Be Your Choice, Protection Or Destruction?

The Advocate desires to deal in facts only. We have no use for mere sentiment, theories and experiments. The time is very near at hand when the people must decide, as to what kind of a tariff shall be maintained in Canada.

The Opposition to the Government, wish to shirk this question, as much as possible, but their own declarations have forced it upon the attention of the Electors.

The Government as we now have it, with Mr. Meighen as Premier, advocates a Protective Tariff, the principle of National Policy, which tends to the development of Canada, commercially and industrially, and the welfare of all the people of every class, throughout the Dominion.

Mr. Crerar has certainly, at long last, in his recent Manifesto, given us to understand he is against protection, in the declaration "Our goal is the ultimate elimination of the principle of protection in our fiscal policy." That may suit the one crop farmer, or graingrowers; but it would ultimately put, the genuine farmers of the Country out of business. Canada wants no such "elimination."

Mr. King, leader of the Liberal party, surely knows where he is. He is certainly placed in a hard position through his efforts to catch votes, by pleasing everybody, however, he has declared himself in favor of a Tariff for revenue only. In this way, he hopes to catch both the votes of the Western Free Traders, and those Eastern Liberals, who happen to be Protectionists, and have no fault to find with a Protective tariff, although

not on the platform of their party—so called.

We leave Crerar and his party, to their own sweet dreams, and take it for granted that the fight is between the National Policy or protective tariff, and the tariff proposed by the Opposition, "A tariff for Revenue only," something totally inadequate to meet the needs of Canada.

Canada has contracted debts and obligations, which must be honorably attended to, and which a revenue tariff cannot adequately meet. The War debt of Canada, and kindred obligations, must be met, and any one who impartially looks into the matter knows well the insufficiency of ordinary revenue to do so. Much of our debt, was contracted, with full concurrence of leading Liberals. It is a Canadian debt, not a mere party debt. Our Railway debt is of another colour. The Liberals are responsible more than any other party for the railway mess. They may bluster about it, as much as they like, but the truth will stick. They are more guilty than any other party as to existing Railway Conditions. Deny this, they may, disprove it they cannot. They built the Transcontinental and the Grand Trunk Pacific, fully twenty years before they were needed and they bonused the C. N. R. between Port Arthur and Montreal, in the face of paralleling Transcontinental, which was then not earning grease for its wheels.

The Railway Policy, is held to be, by many Liberal Party speakers, the most important issue before the People. It is a very important issue, but not the most important.

The National Protection Policy, which will enable us to meet these Railway, and other debts, is still more important. The honor of Canada is pledged. We must have a Protective Tariff, to pay our way, and at the same time keep alive Canadian Industries, and protect the interests of our Manufacturers, and their hundreds of thousands of workers, as well as a host of others who labor in every department of employment. A tariff for revenue alone, will not do this, any man of common sense, could not view it as a safe business proposition. Insofar as the Railways are concerned, one experience of Liberal bungling should be enough. Their past career should be enough to prove that as railway builders they have made the most colossal blunders in all Canadian history. Such blunders cannot be safely trusted with the handling of our Railway affairs now. One experience of them is enough. It would mean destruction.

ed. Managers or owners were de-throned and new managers appointed by the Central Board were installed. Naturally the latter were exponents of law and had no real financial interest in promoting the sale of liquors, and so the whole character of our public house was changed. "Attractive fixtures were installed and delicious foods were displayed. Soon we had the continental atmosphere. Men brought their wives and their children and ate while they had their mug of ale. Hours for the sale of liquor were greatly reduced, and now the public house is a delightful place which no woman need fear to enter, and drunkenness in the Carlisle district is reduced to a minimum. "Carlisle district is full of romantic interest. It was here that Wadsworth wrote most of his poems, and we are right next door, to Gretna Green, where back in the eighteenth century, the village blacksmith, the toll-keeper, or the ferryman used to unite the loving hearts of elopers from England over the border into Scotland, for fees varying from half a guinea to as much money as these early profiteers, the self-appointed Magistrates could extort. "In that district the scene changed to a munition centre during the war. A very rough element came in and there was much drunkenness, so the law abiding people took matters into their own hands and the present reforms are the result. In our own way we solved the important problem, and it seems to me much more effectively solved than you have done in America, with your prohibition and your bootleggers."

## AN ENGLISH WAY OF FIGHTING RUM

(New York Times)  
The liquor problem has been solved without prohibition in the Carlisle district, England, according to K. M. Chance, who comes from there and who is at the Hotel Pennsylvania on a shopping trip. In my district at home," said Mr. Chance, "they created a Control Board which has absolute rule over the sale of liquors in the district. Every public house was commandeered.

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## What Is To Be Canada's Destiny?

Shall it be that through the destruction of the Tariff as proposed by both Crerar and King, the development of Canada is to come under the domination of the United States, to be followed by gradual financial domination and as a consequence, political domination?

OR

Is Canada's destiny to be that of a great free nation within the British Empire group of Nations, developing her boundless resources of mine, river, water power, forest, and cultivating her millions upon millions of acres of arable land? Is her development to surpass that of any other nation?

Shall her manufacturing industries develop her minerals and raw materials into implements and goods for the benefit and comfort of her people and for foreign trade?

Shall she become a self-contained nation within the Empire, her great railways interchanging, the products of factory and farm among her own people, and her ships sailing every sea?

Shall she maintain her integrity within the Empire and protect her farms and factories against unfair competition from foreign countries?

### IF THIS IS TO BE CANADA'S DESTINY THEN CANADA NEEDS MEIGHEN.

On December 6th, Canada should once again protect her farms, her factories and her workmen against the un sound theory of Free Trade, and should hold fast to her reasonable Protective Tariff, her national entity and her British connection.

On December 6th Canada should declare with no uncertain voice that she will not tolerate the false trade theories of visionaries and group leaders which tend toward her economic destruction, toward the separation of her people and the weakening of the ties that bind Canada to the British Empire.

On December 6th Canada should demonstrate unmistakably to the outside world her fixed determination to keep Canada for the Canadians.

On December 6th Canada's destiny is at stake.

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