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Looks forward with hope to Canada's future as that of an Independent Canadian Republic, in equally friendly alliance with the United States and with Great Britain, believing that such a status would be best for Canada, best for Great Britain, and promotive of the best attainable relations with the United States. Meantime, everything is to be gained by cultivating cordial relations between all English speaking peoples. Those who take an opposite course should be regarded as enemies of mankind.

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Is a believer in Christian Union, and considers the time has come when the various Christian denominations should come closer together. Those bodies which are now nearest should unite first. Under the present system there is an unjustifiable waste of men, means and effort. The differences between most of the existing denominations are no greater than the differences, natural to thinking men and women, to be found in every congregation. Even those Christian bodies supposed to be the farthest apart, the Protestant and the Roman Catholics, have more of belief that is common than of belief that is antagonistic. To the laity the differences between the various Protestant denominations are microscopic. For various reasons the clergy, even when, as is true of the best of them, they favor Christian Union, are not in a position to be as outspoken as the laity.

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Advocates Obligatory Voting. Most of the electoral corruption centers around "getting out the vote." Let the duty be laid on every elector of getting out his own vote.

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Advocates the more general use of the Plebiscite, the Initiative and Referendum, etc., believing that the interest of the people in public questions, apart from persons, would be increased, and that something would thereby be done to promote independence of political thought, as opposed to excessive party spirit.

God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—(BROWNING.)

London, Friday, March 17.

MR. MCCARTHY'S RESOLUTION.

Mr. D'Alton McCarthy's resolution denouncing the high tax policy, and calling for an immediate reduction in the tariff, was voted down by the followers of Sir John Thompson in the House of Commons.

No other result was expected. Anyone who has sat in the galleries of the House knows how difficult it is to change votes on the floor of the chamber.

The Liberals, agreeing almost entirely with every declaration in Mr. McCarthy's resolution, voted for it; but the Conservative members, with the exception of Messrs. McCarthy, O'Brien and Hodgins, voted in favor of the programme that meets with favor by the combines.

In fact, members of Parliament who have themselves large interests in the cotton, sugar, and other rings by which this country is cursed, were the chief speakers in opposition to Mr. McCarthy. Their principal plea was the "not that in its early stages the member for North Simcoe was himself a supporter of the National Policy, and that his judgment was not to be trusted now. As if it were the duty of a public man to live a life of deception, to life that party interests might be served, while the majority of the people suffered—all because at one time he had thought differently from what the logic of events compels him to think now!

Though the resolution was voted down,

we are satisfied that its main features meet with the approval of the large majority of Canadians. Its defeat gives no discouragement to tariff reformers. They know that the present majority does not represent the sentiments of the country, and are confident that when the time does come for a general election they will have the assistance of thousands of men like D'Alton McCarthy and Mr. Hodgins, who have discovered the fallacy of attempting to make people prosperous and contented by taxing the many for the benefit of a few already rich.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Detroit News, who has just visited Ottawa, suggests that the mice be used to kill dull and prolix orators. Is the motion seconded by Dr. Sproule?

SOUTH MIDDLESEX ELECTION.
On Wednesday next the election of a member of Parliament, to take the seat occupied by the late James Armstrong, will be held in South Middlesex.

The constituency is a Liberal one. The majority of the electors have always been in favor of tariff reform and progressive legislation. There have been occasions, however, when relying on the knowledge that the normal Liberal majority was large, many Liberals did not take the trouble to go to the polls.

In a bye-election the tendency is to take things easy.

But in view of the important issue at stake it is the privilege, nay, it is the duty, of every elector to go to the polls and register his vote for those principles which he believes will most effectively tend to his individual welfare and to the prosperity of the whole community.

There are two candidates in the field. Reeve Boston, of Lobo, is the candidate of the Liberals of the riding, as chosen in convention.

Mr. Gray is the candidate of the Conservative party, chosen in the same manner.

Mr. Boston's platform cannot be mistaken. It is for a radical reduction of the present tariff. He takes the ground that even so strong a Conservative as Mr. McCarthy has been denounced by the Conservative leaders for holding that no Government can help the farmer or wage-earner by adding to his taxation. The only way in which the farmer can be helped is by reducing his taxes, by combating the combines, by giving him new markets in which to sell his products. The wage-earner will prosper just as the farmer prospers. "The farmer feeds us all" is a true saying.

Mr. Gray, on the other hand, professes to repudiate the party which brought him out. Off the platform, in the side lines, he is a no-party man—if his hearer is a Liberal. On the platform, he would fain ask for votes as a man who would go to Ottawa unallied with parties. Mr. Gray undoubtedly is the Conservative candidate, and as such he must stand or fall by the determination of the leaders of that party to uphold a "protective" tariff which presses most heavily upon the farmers and wage-earners. Even were he to go to Parliament pledged to tariff reduction, as Dr. Roome, as Mr. Ingram, as Mr. Marshall were, what guarantee have the electors that he would not succumb to the seductive wiles of Sir John Thompson and the combine agents, as did these men. Dr. Roome pledged himself to support the Patrons of Industry platform. Is it not notorious that when tax reduction, called for by the Patrons, came before the House, he joined Sir John Thompson in opposing it every time? The other Conservative M.P.s mentioned also went back on their pre-election promises to the farmers and wage-earners the moment that the bosses at Ottawa demanded that humiliation.

With these examples before them, how can the electors of South Middlesex take stock in the protestations of the candidate who is daily groomed by so pronounced high tariff advocates as Messrs. Chisholm and Thomas?

As it is, the only tax which Mr. Gray would consent to have reduced is that on binder twine, as if there were not a hundred and one taxes on other necessities to life and happiness in this Dominion that are altogether too excessive.

If the electors of South Middlesex desire to promote genuine tariff reform, and thus take from their backs a portion of the burden they are now called upon to bear, that millionaires may profit and may help political adventurers in return for opportunity to tax the many, they can best secure the reform by defeating the Conservative and high tax candidate by an overwhelming majority.

Let every elector go to the polls.

It is said that Senator Tasse and Mr. Adam Brown, postmaster of Hamilton, will be the paid commissioners of the Dominion Government to the Chicago Exhibition. Doesn't Mr. Carling come in anywhere?

THE CENSUS.

The Opposition are not satisfied with the last census, neither were they with the one before that. It is impossible to please them.—[London Free Press.]

If our contemporary will turn to the debates in Parliament, and to every independent newspaper in Canada, it will find that not the Opposition alone, but a wide section of the Conservative party hold that the census is neither satisfactory nor completed with honesty.

Mr. McCarthy is not a member of the Opposition, yet he holds that the census, so far as it relates to manufacturing industries is absolutely worthless.

Mr. Hodgins, member for Carleton,

represents probably the most Conservative constituency in Ontario—one that returned Sir John Macdonald himself—and he, too, has voted want of confidence in the census and the Government under which it was compiled.

We have Col. O'Brien, the stalwart Muskoka representative, speaking out boldly on the same line. In the debate on Thursday night the colonel declared:

"As one who had supported the N. P. since 1878, he now denounced it as having given rise to many evils. He would give the farmers relief by decreasing their expenditure and increasing their purchasing power. He condemned a protection system. He did not think the country was prosperous, and the figures of the census intended to bolster up such a belief were simply rubbish. The figures made him lose confidence in the infallibility of the Minister of Finance. Dealing with Mr. Foster's speech he said that the Government evidently thought itself a little providence. One would think they were gods sitting on Olympus instead of twelve ordinary mortals—very ordinary."

This is the opinion of a pronounced Conservative. It is suppressed in the Free Press report of Parliament, but nevertheless it stands unanswered.

Our contemporary's denunciation is thus altogether too restricted. If it means to see Sir John Thompson through whensoever he gets into a hole, it will have to widen its condemnation to include a large number of persons in and out of Parliament who have up till recently sailed in the same boat as itself, but who, in view of recent revelations regarding the padding of the census, the partnership of the Administration in the combines, and the determination, for party interests, to ignore the public welfare, are like Col. O'Brien heartily sick of the present regime.

ROBERT BOSTON, Liberal, and Alexander Gray, Conservative, were nominated as candidates for the Commons in South Middlesex yesterday. The only question is Mr. Boston's majority.—[Hamilton Times.]

That is so. But nothing must be taken for granted. Every tariff reformer, every man who favors a radical reduction in the tax burdens of the people must see to it that he records his vote for Mr. Boston bright and early next Wednesday.

THE OPEN FORUM.

Selling Tobacco to Minors.

To the Editor of the ADVERTISER:—Is a grocer liable under the Ontario Act respecting the sale of tobacco to minors when filling a verbal order given by a minor for groceries for parents in which tobacco is included, no written order from parent for tobacco having at any time been given requesting the grocer to give the child tobacco when sent for it, but it being customary for the children of said parents to give verbal orders for groceries (tobacco included) and carry the goods home, the groceries and tobacco being charged to parents' account? And secondly, would the grocer be any more liable, providing the child pays for the goods (tobacco included) when ordered, the goods being carried away by the child, who is under 18 years of age? An answer will oblige.

AN INTERESTED PARENT.

London, March 15, 1893.
[NOTE.—The statute is intended to cover both cases presented by you, but in our opinion the grocer would not be liable upon the facts firstly stated because the tobacco is not sold, given or furnished to the minor, but to his parents. When, however, the sale is to the minor, who pays for it, and there is no written request or order of the parent or guardian as secondly stated by you, we are clearly of opinion that the second section of the act applies and that the grocer is liable to the penalty. The statute only came into force on July 1 last, and has not yet been judicially interpreted.]

—[EDITOR ADVERTISER.]

The Missing Sarnia.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 16.—Up to 2 o'clock this morning there is no appearance of the overdue mail steamer Sarnia. Shipping men here have no fears of her safety, they say.

Baseball in a Snowstorm.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 16.—The Memphis Southern League team defeated the St. Louis Browns this afternoon by a score of 7 to 1. The game was played in a flurry of snow.

Died Playing Cards.

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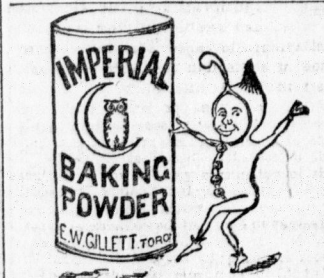
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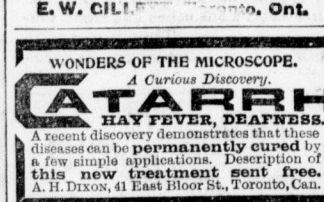


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At 13c Extra Fine Cretonne, worth 20c.

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