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LET THE EMPIRE UNITE

New Zealand and Australia are reported to favor reciprocity with Canada. Before reciprocity with the United States or any foreign country should come absolute free trade between all the parts of the British Empire. The Empire united is naturally and industrially independent of the rest of the world. What is the use of an Empire whose component countries maintain tariff walls against each other? More union and fellowship is what we need more than anything else.

CIVIC EMPLOYEES.

We do not agree with the Aldermen who at last meeting of the Council voted to reconsider the usual increase of \$5.00 a month in the pay of the policemen while doing extra work keeping up fires in the Hose station during the winter months. The Policemen get little enough, and should get more, rather than less, if any change is considered. It is a poor policy to stint public employees. If good service is expected the town should be willing to pay what such service is worth. No matter how close private employers may be the town should aim to give all of its workmen the full value of their work. The town cannot afford, as suggested one of the Councillors, to abolish the office of day policeman, even during the winter. The Town needs constant protection, and then there is the enforcement of the Scott Act, which is most largely a matter for the day policeman to look after. The town has been so well guarded at night during many years past that the least the Council should do for Officer Hill is to make the \$5 a month increase a yearly instead of a winter arrangement. And let those who work on the roads, in the water and light department, in the schools, and elsewhere, for the town receive decent remuneration without grudging. Let the civic expenses be cut down by greater diligence in collecting taxes from property holders who are one, two, three or more years in default.

BRITISH POLITICS

Complete returns from the British elections which ended on the 19th instant, give the parties the following standing:

Unionists	272
Liberals	272
Labor-Socialists	42
Nationalists	74
Ind. Nationalists	10
Total Number Elected	670
Total Coalition	398
Unionist Votes	2,410,049
Labor Votes	2,290,738
Nationalist Votes	384,288
Total	5,214,693

The registered voters numbered, round numbers, 7,000,000 in Great Britain and 700,000 in Ireland. In about 100 constituencies there was no election, which accounts largely, especially in Ireland, for the difference between the registered vote and the vote cast.

As compared with the result last February, the Conservatives have lost one seat, the Liberals three, and the Independent (O'Brienite) Nationalists one; while the Redmondite Nationalists have gained three and the Socialists two. The conservative opposition is one seat worse off than last time. It would appear that the Government, being returned three times in succession, have now a clear mandate to curb the House of Lords; provide for payment of members of Parliament; disestablish the Anglican church in Wales, where the great majority of people are non-Anglican; give to Ireland, as well as to Wales, Scotland and England, a local legisla-

ture to look after all merely local affairs, the essential unity of the British Islands as one state being left unimpaired; and bring about many other long-needed changes in the political, social and economic condition of the people. Tariff reform, put forward by the Conservatives, failed to develop much strength.

IRISH FARMERS CO-OPERATING

Right Hon. Sir Horace Plunkett, president of the Irish Agricultural Society who is the originator of the co-operative dairy system in Ireland, says that there are now 900 of these co-operative associations of farmers, with a total membership of about 90,000, and that \$15,000,000 worth of business was done by them last year. Farmers in this country ought to do more in the way of getting together for the marketing of their products, he thought.

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Oats.—Banner, Abundance, Danish Island, Wide-Awake, Thousand Dollar Improved Ligowo—all white varieties.

Wheat.—Red varieties: Marquis and Early Red Fife (early beardless sorts of high baking strength.) Rep Fife (beardless), Preston and Huron (early, bearded) White varieties: White Fife (beardless), Bobs (early, beardless), Barley.—Six-rowed: Mensury and Manchurian (a selection from Mensury). Two-rowed: Standwell and Invincible.

Field Peas.—Arthur and Golden Vine.

Indian Corn (for ensilage).—Early sorts: Angel of Midnight, Compton's Early and Longfellow. Later varieties: Selected Leaming, Early Mastodon, and White Cap Yellow Dent.

Potatoes.—Early varieties: Rochester Rose, and Irish Cobbler. Medium to late varieties: Gold Coin, Carman No. 1, and Money Maker. The later varieties are, as a rule, more productive than the earlier kinds.

Only one sample can be sent to each applicant, hence if an individual receives a sample of oats he cannot also receive one of wheat, barley, peas, Indian corn or potatoes. Applications on printed cards or sheets, or lists of names from one individual, or applications for more than one sample for one household, cannot be entertained. The samples will be sent free of charge through the mail.

Applications should be addressed to the Dominion Cerealists, Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and may be sent in any time from the 1st of December to the 15th of February, after which the lists will be closed, so that the samples asked for may be sent out in good time. Applicants should mention the variety they prefer, with a second sort as an alternative. Applications will be filled in the order in which they are received, so long as the supply of seed lasts. Farmers are advised to apply early to avoid possible disappointment. Those applying for Indian corn or potatoes should bear in mind that the corn is not usually distributed until April, and that potatoes cannot be mailed until danger from frost in transit is over. No postage is required on mail matter addressed to the Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

WM. SAUNDERS,
Director of Experimental Farms.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Collectors of Rates are requested to make returns to the undersigned on or before the first day of January next. All persons indebted to the said County are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

The Annual meeting of the County Council will be held at their Council Chamber in the Court House in Newcastle in the said county on Tuesday the seventeenth day of January next at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Dated this sixteenth day of December A. D. 1910.

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