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SITUATION IN THE STRIKE CRITICAL

Parliament is Kept in Session to Rush Laws

MEN NOT ALL OUT

Some Lines Partially Operating, Some in Normal Shape--Trouble Spreads to Ireland — 50,000 Soldiers Assembled in London

(Canadian Press)

London, Aug. 18—So critical does the government regard the strike situation and so urgent may be the need of instant legislation, that the cabinet suddenly decided that parliament should not adjourn today as had been arranged. The adjournment was delayed until Tuesday on motion of Chancellor Lloyd George.

London, Aug. 18—At noon the strike ordered last night by the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants and allied organizations of employes showed only a partial success. Some of the railway lines were operating very few trains, while on other roads the service continued practically normal. The union leaders this afternoon expressed themselves as satisfied with the response to the strike order. They said that 200,000 men had quit work.

The military held possession of the stations along the lines not for the purpose of interfering in the strike except to protect men desiring to work and to guard the property of the companies.

Meantime the government continued its efforts to avert the general stoppage of the transport service in the country. Sydney Buxton, president of the board of trade, who had an early morning call from Viscount Richard Haldane, secretary of state for war, again met the railroad managers and the officials of the union were in session at Unity Hall considering the government's suggestion for the appointment of a royal commission which should investigate and report on amendments made to the conciliation agreement now existing between the owners and the employes as explained by Chancellor Lloyd George in the house of commons last night.

50,000 Soldiers Assembled

Some 50,000 troops arrived in London during the night and early morning found them encamped at points where they were able to protect the lines of communication according to a plan worked out months ago by a commission composed of railroad men and military men appointed to adopt a scheme for protecting these lines in the event of a foreign invasion. The plan worked perfectly last night, and long before Londoners were about this morning the various military units were at their posts.

Should the strike become general, the soldiers could help but little in moving the trains as there are only three railway companies of royal engineers. They, however, are able to protect the roads and the men working. The orders to the military officers in this connection are strict. There is to be no firing over the heads of the mob in case of a riot, but after the riot act has been read, ball cartridges, with 100 rounds of which each soldier has been supplied, are to be used. The troops were placed chiefly in the passenger and freight depots and at the signal boxes, some of which have already been disconnected by wire cutting and attacked by stone throwers, and at the tunnels, bridges and workshops. Six hundred men guarded the general post office.

All taverns were closed at 8 o'clock and hereafter, in accordance with the orders of city magistrates, they must shut down at 2 o'clock in the afternoon until further notice. It also decided to suppress the sale of beers and other drinks in bottles so as to minimize the use of bottle by the rioters as missiles. As a further precaution, the press is requested to avoid sensational headlines, which would be likely to incite to disorder.

It is also deemed advisable to ask the government to afford a military and naval protection to prevent intimidation of men who are willing to work. The streets of the city are getting into an unbearable condition as a result of a strike of the scavengers.

London, Aug. 18—One reason advanced by the newspapers that a general strike of the railway men may yet be averted is that the country is thoroughly aroused by the strike leaders' point blank rejection of Premier Asquith's offer of a royal commission to settle the trouble. It is believed by some of the newspapers that the unions on reflection will realize they have made a false step in completely alienating public sympathy and endeavor to retrace their steps.

Strong denunciations of the leaders appear in the editorial columns of the newspapers today. Even journals friendly to the men chide them for dismissing the government's fair offer without consideration. The conservative organs, while frankly admitting that the government made laudable efforts in the direction of peace, warn the unions that if they persist they will be fighting not the railway companies alone, but the government and an angry nation. They accuse the strike leaders of having as their sole object not the welfare of the men, but a desire to drive all the railway workers into the unions.

The Daily Telegraph says:—

"Troops are in motion and cruisers have appeared in the Mersey. It would not be a strike, but something perilously like civil war."

Trouble in Sheffield

Sheffield, Aug. 18—There has been considerable rioting here. Troops and police who were engaged in escorting wagons in moving goods were obstructed by rowdies, and compelled to use their batons, and late last night a gang of roughs attempted unsuccessfully to tear up the tracks of the Midland Railway. The lord mayor threatens to requisition more troops if there is a repetition of the disorder.

The Daily Graphic says: "We have had a sudden revelation of unsuspected danger to the very existence of the nation. Our criminal courts ought to be empowered to deal with such a conspiracy. The nation must defend itself against its enemies, whether it be under a foreign banner or in our midst.'

"The strike is against the public and the public have victory if they have the courage of their convictions and a sense of their own dangers," says the Daily Mail. "The public can end the strike and make its repetition impossible.

In Liverpool

Liverpool, Aug. 18—Liverpjool was comparatively quiet during the last twenty-four hours following several days and nights of turmoil and rioting growing out of the strike of transport workers and allied unions. Troops, however, continued to guard all public buildings and patrol the streets. That there were no serious disturbances last night was partly due to the fact that the electric light company, by careful management, succeeded in keeping the city lighted by smuggling men into the power station to replace the regular men who quit in sympathy with the strikers.

Until 8 o'clock last night the company maintained only a limited supply of current for illuminating purposes, but at that time the street car service was suspended and the additional supply of power thus secured was diverted to lighting the streets and hotels. The latter previously had been deprived of all electric lights. It was necessary to close down the theatres because of the use of their electric current for street lighting, it being feared that if the streets were in darkness rioters again might give serious trouble.

The cruiser Antime late last night landed a party of marines, who were sent to the Herculean docks and the electric power station. In the Paddington district the police had to disperse a crowd of roughs looting a bread shop and other stores.

Spreads to Ireland

Dublin, Aug. 18—At a meeting last night attended by the employes of the four Irish railways, it was decided to call a strike at 6 o'clock this morning.

Glasgow, Aug. 18—Eighteen hundred railway men of all grades, struck here last night, but at Edinburg the men still favor conciliation, and it is unknown whether the 45,000 Scotch railroaders, half of whom are Unionists, will join the strike.

Leeds, Aug. 18—Five thousand railway men of all grades, struck here without waiting for the official signal. As a result, only a restricted service is possible and all business is paralyzed.

FROM BORDEN'S ELEGY

Arthur Hawkes, of the British Born campaign, who quoted Grey's Elegy at a political meeting the other night, is understood by the Toronto Star to be preparing one for R. L. Borden for use on the night of September 21, and it is suggested that this might fill the bill:—

"The ballots toll the knell of tax on hay,
The lowing herd will enter duty free,
The plowman homeward plods his weary way,
He voted Grit and disappointed me."

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

A. M. WEATHER REPORTS.

Temperature Past 24 Hours.

	Max	Min	Dir	Vel.	
Toronto	86	62	W.	18	Clear
Montreal	76	60	W.	4	Fair
Quebec	72	54	W.	12	Clear
Chatham	72	48	W.	4	Fair
Charl'town	68	56	S.W.	6	Fair
Sydney	68	56	W.	6	Clear
Sable Island	64	58	S.W.	20	Fair
Halifax	72	56	W.	6	Clear
Yarmouth	66	56	S.W.	10	Clear
St. John	72	58	S.E.	6	Clear

Forenoon Bulletin From Toronto

Forecasts—Moderate westerly winds, fine and warm. Saturday, moderate to fresh southwest to northwest winds, a few scattered showers or thunderstorms, but generally fine.

Synopsis—Thunderstorms are occuring locally in Ontario elsewhere fine weather prevails. To Banks and American ports, moderate westerly winds.

Local Weather Report at Noon.

Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 72
Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 58
Temperature at noon 65
Humidity at noon 78
Barometer readings at noon(sea level and 32 degrees Fah.), 29.71 inches.
Wind at noon:—South, velocity ten miles per hour, fine.
Same date last year:—Highest temperature 64, lowest 56, fine.

D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director

NOVELIST IS FOUND DEAD; WAS SUICIDE

Mrs. Myrtle Reed McCullough Took Overdose of Sleeping Powders

LEFT NOTE TO MAID

Check for $1,000 and Farewell Lines—Reference to Husband as Unkind Causes Susprise To Friends—Her Writings Severe on the Male Sex

Chicago, Aug. 18—Mrs. Myrtle Reed McCullough, thirty-seven years old, author of "Lavender and Old Lace," "Love Letters of a musician," "Love Affairs of Literary Men" and many other books, was found dead at her home last night and reports to the police indicated that death was caused by an overdose of sleeping powders taken with suicidal intent.

Mrs. McCullough's body was found by Miss Ann A. Larsen, her maid, to whom she left a note and check for $1,000. That death was intentional was indicated by the note, which read: "Dear Annie:—I am leaving you a check for $1,000 for your true and faithful service during four years. If my husband had been as good and kind to me, and as considerate as you, I would not be going where I am

(Signed) MRS. MAC."

The reference to her husband was a surprise to friends of Mrs. McCullough. "Paradise Flat," as her home is known, has long been a favorite gathering place for a select circle of the writer's acquaintances. She gave many unique entertainments. Among these was a "model husband contest," which took place last year. Each woman guest "entered" her husband for the honor of being the "finest husband in the world." The men paraded, sewed buttons and deported themselves at their best and their wives extolled their virtues in written essays. On that occasion, largely through the eloquent praises of his wife, Mr. McCullough received first prize as the "model husband."

The doctor in attendance said Mrs. McCullough had been troubled with insomnia for some time.

Marriage a Romance

There was a pretty romance connected with her marriage to Mr. McCullough, a romance that some said was cleverly described in her story, "A Spinner of the Sun," published about the time of her marriage, in 1906. Miss Reed—as she then was in her girlhood—was one of the editors of "The Voice," published by the pupils of the West Division high school. James Sidney McCullough was editor of a college paper in Toronto. "The Voice" was on his exchange list, he admired the writings of Miss Reed and a correspondence was opened. In 1896 Miss Reed and Mr. McCullough, who had by that time made Chicago his home, slipped away quietly to Grand Haven, Mich., and were married.

Mrs. McCullough entertained some original ideas on the subject of the sterner sex. It has been her delight to poke good natured fun at the opposite sex. For instance, she has written "Is the average man only a little better than the mushroom, at his best a delicacy, at his worst a poison?" "Most wives are expected to run a porter steak establishment on a mutton stew allowance." "Man, the married kind, are the greatest gold brick artists in the world; their wives are the easy marks."

FIVE TIE FOR THE McAVITY CUP ON SUSSEX RANGE

Sussex, N. B., Aug. 18—(Special)—No less than five men—Major Frost, Private Clarke, A. N. Vince, C. R. Brown and G. W. Hazen tied in the McAvity match this morning with 44. It was one of the best contests ever seen on the Sussex range. The match is 900 yards, ten shots, but the weather conditions were responsible for low score.

GUEST OF SIR THOMAS

The arrival of the yacht containing Admiral Beresford and the Duke of Sutherland from New York is hourly expected at St. Andrews, they will be the guests of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. Their stay there will be brief.

ONCE MORE THE TAR POT

The fire department were called out again this morning about 4.45 for a fire in a tar pot in Brittain street. It was the same tar pot that gave the firemen a run some few days ago.

ECHOES OF THE GREAT CAMPAIGN

(Montreal Herald)

Buyers in Chicago and Detroit are offering the Ontario farmers $7 more per ton for hay than they can get in the Ontario market. There are many evidences that the farmer realizes that when reciprocity comes there should be something doing in hay, with the duty of $4 per ton swept away.

BOURASSA FAVORS RECIPROCITY

"Mr. Lemieux has made out a great case," continued Mr. Bourassa in a speech last Sunday, "because I expressed myself in favor of reciprocity in 1904. Allow me to tell him that I am in favor of reciprocity in 1911, and that I refused to accept in my newspaper the manifesto of the Anti-Reciprocty League for which we should have been paid as for an advertisement. There are two sides to this as to all questions. I am not opposed to reciprocity between the United States and Canada. I am, and always have been, in favor of increasing the entry of Canadian goods into the American markets."

PERTINENT QUESTIONS.

Hartland Observer:—Today Canadian hay is bringing $23 to $24 in Boston. Vote for reciprocity and the American duty of $4 per ton will be taken off. Aroostook county farmers are shipping hay to Boston, why cannot Carleton county do the same? —the four dollars duty shuts us out. Can we raise as good hay as in Aroostook if we try? We do, you say; then till your land and raise still better hay, vote for reciprocity and get $4 a ton more for it.

Twenty years ago there was a general election. Conservatives at that time shouted. "Hurrah for Vince"; across the main street in Woodstock was a banner with this device "Vote for Vince and reciprocity!" Did anyone at that time call D. McLeod Vince an Annexationist, a Traitor, a Disloyal Subject?

A FARMER'S QUESTION.

"This is a farmers' question, and the farmers will have to answer. Let them unite, and they must have their say. I am a member of the Manufacturers' Association. I was a member before I was elected to the House in 1904, but I resigned for fear I would be asked to favor them as a friend rather than to vote as representing the constituency. I joined again last year because of the help it may give in regard to railway rates. I know that the Manufacturers' Association does not allow politics, but I also know that members of the executive use their position for political purposes."

This statement was a striking feature of the speech of T. B. Caldwell, the Liberal candidate in North Lanark, to the convention. Mr. Caldwell was elected to the house of commons in 1904, but was defeated by a small majority by William Thoburn in 1908.

Referring to the flag-waving of the tories, Mr. Caldwell said that the reciprocity negotiations had been opened through the British Ambassador at Washington, and the agreement had been reached with his approval. Yet it was charged that this agreement was disloyal.

BENEFIT BOTH WAYS.

Mr. J. F. Mattheson, writing to the Montreal Herald, says:—

"The farmers can benefit by the reciprocity measure, and at the same time the consumers be benefitted too. Many instances might be given if space permitted, in the meantime I give one.

"Take the articles of peas, tomatoes and corn. The combine make a price which they will pay the farmer and also make the price they will charge the consumer. The agent of the combine goes to the farmer and says, How much will you take for your tomatoes? The farmer names the price, the combine men say 'No, that is too much, we will not can tomatoes this year, we will can something else. If you agree to take our price we will agree to can sixty per cent of your goods. 'He then goes to the grocer to sell his canned goods. The grocer asks him his price. He says 'never mind the price, give me the quantity of the tomatoes you want to sell and the price will be fixed later on.' From the growers of tomatoes he goes to the growers of peas and corn and works the game in the same way. Thus the farmer gets a low price and sells but sixty per cent. of his goods, and the rest may go to waste, and the consumer pays a high price, which is that of the combine.

"Much of the same argument is applied to baled hay. and it is well-known that the brewer buys barley at his own price. When there was a heavy crop of these things, the surplus would, under reciprocity be sold in the United States for the benefit of the farmer, and the country at large. On the other hand months before vegetables and fruit were ready for market in Canada those of southern growth would be sold in this country at reasonable prices. Another fact which must not escape observation, is that under reciprocity the farmer could import the corn, so much needed for the fattening of cattle and hogs."

Numidian Was Crippled

Boston, Mass., Aug. 18—(Canadian Press)—Delayed three days by the blowing out of her high pressure cylinder head, the Allan Line steamer Numidian, arrived yesterday from Glasgow. The last 600 miles were made at reduced speed.

RECIPROCITY AND PREFERENCE.

This talk of annexation is simply beneath the contempt and beneath the attention of serious people.

We stand upon our manhood. We will trade with our neighbors and make a good thing out of it. And if they will not trade with us we can get along without them.

If the British people change their fiscal policy and give us a preference we are ready to meet them. I say more: that the present arrangement is no interference, is no obstacle against it, and we will bring it in.—[Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Simcoe.

LAND TAX MATTER IN COUNCIL TODAY

This Afternoon's Meeting Promises To Be Interesting Session Because of Taxation Changes Proposed

A special meeting of the common council called to deal with the report of the committee on the mayor's inaugural address, particularly with reference to the proposed tax reform system, it is to be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon. There will probably be a lively debate upon the report. It is said that there are some lots owned by the city from which the revenue is not nearly what it should be, and this is a matter which will likely start considerable discussion, as one of the matters recommended in the report is the sale of these lands, or some of them at least.

Charts have been prepared showing the value of some of the land about the city, business and residential blocks, comprising several streets, giving the amount at which they are appraised and taxed, and the amounts which would be shown under the projected changes. The recommendations in the report have evoked considerable discussion and the outcome of today's meeting will be awaited with interest.

LOCAL NEWS

LEAVE FOR WOODSTOCK

The English newspaper men left Fredericton this morning by automobile for Woodstock, a delegation of the capital citizens accompanied them as far as Hawkshaw.

WILL SPEAK IN CHARLOTTE

Michael Kelly, who will go over to his home in Digby tomorrow, will return on Monday, and on Tuesday will go down into Charlotte county to address Liberal meetings on the subject of reciprocity.

RODNEY WHARF

The work of re-planking Rodney wharf, Carleton, is being proceeded with. Already about half of the wharf has been repaired with new planking, and if the work is continued at the same rate, it will be finished probably early next week.

ASSIGNED.

General regret was expressed this morning by his friends about the city when it became known that Walter H. Irving, jeweller, of King street, had made an assignment to John A. Sinclair, on behalf of his creditors. A meeting of the creditors has been called for August 28 in the office of MacRae, Sinclair & MacRae.

GAME TOMORROW

The Globe baseball team will meet the Schofield Paper Co's team in a return game tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock on the Barrack Square. It promises to be interesting, as each team seems confident of success. Howard and Hansen are the batteries for the Globe, while Gallagher and Donovan will perform for the paper company.

MAY SING HERE.

George S. Starling, who is managing the tour of Miss Constance Crowley, English concert artist, arrived in the city yesterday. There is a possibility that Miss Crowley, who is a niece of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and a relative of Lord Kitchener, will be heard in St. John on her tour through Canada.

MAYOR NAMES COMMITTEE

John Reid, representative of the shipbuilding firm of Cammell, Laird, Co., left for Montreal last evening. Before going he said he was greatly pleased with the action of the common council regarding their lending of hearty support to the movement to have a ship-constructing plant at St. John. He said also that St. John was most likely the place where the ships would be built if his company was awarded the tender, and expectations were that this would be the case. His Worship Mayor Frink has appointed a committee, composed of Ald. Smith, Hayes, Potts, and Wigmore to act with himself in conjunction with the provincial government in order to ascertain the position of the latter as regards the plant's coming here.

SUES STREET RAILWAY OF MONTREAL FOR INJURY TO HIS SON

Claim of $43,455 in Suit Against Montreal Corporation is Entered —Father Says Lad is Crippled For Life

Montreal, Aug. 18—John H. Kimball, acting as tutor for his minor son, Oscar, has entered suit against the Montreal St. Railway for $43,455, saying that the boy has been made a cripple for life by an accident which took place last March.

The boy jumped on a St. Catherine street car, but so great was the crowd that he could find room only on the steps and was knocked from this position and very seriously injured by a lorry past which the car was driven by the motorman at, it is alleged, altogether excessive sped.

MORE NOMINATIONS IN UPPER CANADA

Ailsa, Craig, Ont., Aug. 18—(Canadian Press) — George Elliott Reeve, of West Williams, was yesterday nominated by the Conservatives of North Middlesex to oppose Alex Smith, M.P., nominated yesterday.

Wallaerton, Ont., Aug. 18—The conservatives of South Bruce have nominated James J. Donnelly, the member in the late house.

Cayuga, Ont., Aug. 18—F. R. Lalor, the late member has again been nominated at Haldimand.

Perth, Ont., Aug. 18—Hon. John Graham Haggard, who has represented South Lanark, for forty years, was again chosen yesterday by the conservatives.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 18—Hon. G. E. Foster received the conservative nomination in Toronto last night.

SACKVILLE'S STREET PROBLEM

Sackville, N. B., Aug. 18—Although no announcement has yet been made, it is rumored that the contract for the construction of the concrete sidewalks for the town has been awarded to J. E. Lusby, of Amherst. The intention is to make a good start at permanent sidewalks this season. The work will be both sides of Bridge street from Lorne to Main street, as well a strip in Main street extending from Bridge street to the Tribune block.

Just now the town council is wrestling with the problem of how to pay for land expropriated last week to strighten Lorne street. The finding of the jury was, in the opinion of the ratepayers, rather excessive, and some prominent men have gone so far as to advise the aldermen to refuse to take over the land at the figures named.

EX-SHAH REPORTED VICTIM OF ASSASSIN

Teheran, Aug. 18—It is reported here that Mohammed Ali Mirza, the former Shah of Persia, who recently returned from exile in Russia and started an uprising in an endeavor to regain his throne, has been assassinated.

The last previous news concerning Mohammed Ali Mirza was received here Tuesday and was to the effect that he was in full flight after a crushing defeat of his forces by government troops north of Firuzkuh, which is about sixty miles east of Teheran.

ELLEN HAYES' CASE

Mary Ellen Hayes, who has been in jail on the charge of stealing from the house of Herbert Sears on the West Side, and who was adjudged by Dr. Christie, to be mentally unsound, was taken to the Provincial Hospital this afternoon by Acting Sergeant Gosline.

NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Dyer visited them last evening to witness the opening of a night blooming cereus, which blossomed during the evening. It was a very beautiful bloom, and those who witnessed the unfolding were delighted.

OUR BACON WILL GO INTO THE STATES

Orders for Fredericton Pork Packer When Reciprocity Goes Through

YORK LIBERALS

Convention Will Be Tomorrow—Sifton Will Not Speak in West —More Demands on Opposition War Chest and Distillers Do Not Fully Respond

(Special to The Times)

Fredericton, N. B., Aug. 18—Timothy man. The writer states "if we get receipt of a business letter from a Boston man. The writer states "if we et reciprocity with Canada, I can get you some customers here for your bacon."

The Liberals of York will meet in convention here tomorrow afternoon to select a candidate.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 18—(Special)— Hon. Clifford Sifton said this morning that he would not go west during the present campaign. On Tuesday next he will inaugurate a speaking tour in Ontario with an address at Ingersoll. In September he will go to the maritime provinces, and on returning will address a meeting in Montreal on September 5 and another in Quebec.

This programme was decided upon after a conference with George Perley, the chief Conservative whip. Mr. Sifton and Mr. Perley were in Montreal recently.

It is understood that while there they gave a good deal of attention to the financial aspect of the campaign. The demands upon the opposition war chest are said to be unusually heavy, and as a result another call has been sent out. It is known that last week all the distillers of Ontario were summoned to Toronto, and invited to contribute. Hon. Robert Rogers dropped into the conference and pressed the demand for funds. From one of the distillers it is understood that the contribution was not as generous as was expected.

TRAIN ON TIME; A RIOT THE RESULT

Paris, Aug. 18—There was a riot at the Gare St. Lazare a few nights ago for the most Gilbertian of all reasons—a train left the station at the appointed time.

For many months the trains on the Western (state-controlled) railway have not only arrived late at their destinations, but have invariably left the station many minutes after time. Passengers by the line have become accustomed to this state of affairs and when M. Chalon, a lawyer, arrived at three minutes past ten to catch a train for the suburbs, due to have left at two minutes past the hour, he became furiously angry because it had already left.

He became so angry that he assaulted the stationmaster. A large crowd gathered, which took his part against the officials, and the police had to be called in to the station, where they made half a dozen arrests.

DEALS BLOW AT PRIVATE AGENCIES OF DETECTIVES

Bill For Evidence in Divorce Case Contested and Contention is Upheld by Court

Geneva, Aug. 18—The highest court in Switzerland, the Tribunal Federal, in session at Lausanne, has just tried an appeal case which creates a precedent in Switzerland. A wealthy Genevese woman obtained a divorce from her husband recently on the evidence supplied by a local firm of private detectives, which she had employed.

When she received the bill, amounting to $700, from the firm she refused to pay, and the Geneva court found in her favor on the ground that the contract was "contrary to good morals." This judgment was supported by the federal judges, and deals a great blow to private agencies which work on similar lines in Switzerland.

ST. MICHAELS WON

In an interesting match on St. Peter's church grounds last evening the St. Michaels sustained their reputation as artists at the diamond by defeating the young St. Johns by a score of 6 to 2. Hannah and Smith performed for the losers, while Elliott and McCrossen acted for the victors.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

AMONG THE PATRIOTS

At the Patriot's Hall last evening the Exalted Patriot was asked if in a flag election it would be good form to speak to persons suspected of a leaning toward reciprocity. The enquirer explained that he lived in a neighborhood where most of the people were supporters of Pugsley. He had lived on most friendly terms with them, and in a general way they were very fine people. But they said they were going to vote for Pugsley and Lowell and the winter port and for Laurier and larger markets. Under the circumstances, should he continue on speaking terms or break their windows?

The Exalted Patriot consulted a handbook on Imperialism, and replied as follows:—

"In times of national peril, when the enemy thunders at the gate, it is the duty of every loyal citizen who cherishes the noble traditions of his race to mount the ramparts and give his life if need be for those lofty principles of patriotism which have inspired the souls of the world's heroes in all ages and in every land beneath the canopy of Heaven. It is this noble instinct of patriotism that has prompted the heroic Hazen and McBride, Whitney and Roblin, and so many members of their respective governments to sacrifice everything and seek commissions under Field Marshal Borden, to battle for our homes and firesides. So far as the matter of this Patriot's enquiry is concerned, however, inasmuch as the followers of Sir John Macdonald live in a reciprocity glass-house, I would not recommend the smashing of windows. If in a wild burst of patriotic fervor on the part of some of our frenzied orators the force of the explosion should break windows near the hall, we would at once repair the damage. I may say, moreover, that after September 21st we will all be patriots, and this fact should not be entirely overlooked."

EX-GOVERNOR McCLELAN SPEAKS.

Hon. A. R. McClelan, ex-lieutenant-governor of the province, speaking at Hillsboro yesterday made a strong and dignified speech in favor of reciprocity. He recalled the negotiations for the reciprocity treaty of 1854 at which time he had voted for the measure in the provincial legislature, and he reviewed the efforts made by the provinces to prevent its abrogation by the United States. On these efforts failing, the lieutenant-governor of the province had expressed great regret, as the province had shown great growth and prosperity in the eleven years in which it was in force.

The same conditions existed today, he said. He did not know of a single industry which would not benefit from the agreement going into force.