

RECIPROcity IN PARLIAMENTS

CONSERVATIVES UNITED AGAINST RECIPROcity

AMENDMENT IN BEVERIDGE AND WILSON LEAD FIGHT FOR MEASURE

Government Majority Cut to Twenty-six on Resolution for Delay Moved by Mr. Monk and Supported by Opposition.

Mr. Borden, With Full Sympathy of Followers in House, Takes Strong Ground Against Agreement With United States--Points Out Political Danger and Unstability of American Trade.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 9.—Parliament today began the discussion of the reciprocity issue. The developments were: 1. A reasonably expressed request from Mr. Monk for a postponement of the whole subject followed by a motion to that effect.

MR. BORDEN'S CONCLUSION. "I trust that the Canadian people will not lightly relinquish the task to which their energies and the energies of their fathers have been consecrated for so many years. I trust that the standard will not be thrown aside and the restreat sounded when the battle is more than half won.

When the debate on the American reciprocity tariff proposals was reported on the order paper, F. D. Monk rose to make a statement in this connection. He said he desired in view of the great number of interests concerned in this important matter to judge a protest at the great, unseemly haste with which the government had asked the House to consider this matter.

The speaker wanted to accentuate the fact that there were points raised outside the House that this agreement had embraced a far greater extent than had been expected when the matter was first discussed.

Mr. Monk reviewed the trade and tariff arrangements of Canada in the forty years past. A new tariff had been inaugurated by which interests, large interests, had been built up. A new revival in trade had taken place, for which Mr. Monk said the Liberals claimed credit, but which he indicated might have been the results of the foundation that had been laid by the National Policy.

Mr. Monk then moved a resolution to the effect that the House and the country had not been given sufficient time to discuss the tariff agreement and that the matter be delayed until the question had been carefully studied.

ant matter. He could not agree that there was anything unseemly or hasty for it was not a new question. In view of the fact that it had been before the country for forty years. It was an agreement which had given faith and hope to every industry, and they believed that the present prosperity of Canada would continue and increase. To a large extent it was the old reciprocity treaty of 1854 over again, and there was nothing in the agreement which any intelligent man could not understand.

Big Drum of Imperialism. The opponents of the agreement had been beating the big drum of Imperialism, and had insulted the intelligence of the people when they told them that the acceptance of the trade agreement interfered with the loyalty of the Canadian people.

Mr. Fielding—"Don't get excited." Mr. Fielding—"I think that is a very statesmanlike remark." The minister of finance went on to say that there was tremendous opposition to the arrangement in the United States as well as in Canada.

MR. R. L. BORDEN. Mr. Borden when he rose to speak was cheered for several minutes by his followers. In reply to the deputy speaker he said there would be a general discussion before they took up the resolution in detail.

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In Course Of Debate Premier Asquith Makes Remarkable Statement That Imperial Preference Is Dead.

CANADIANS TAKE HAND IN DEBATE

Canadian Press. London, Feb. 9.—The amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, introduced in the House of Commons yesterday by Austen Chamberlain, urging fiscal reform, with special reference to the proposed reciprocity agreement, was rejected tonight by a vote of 224 to 222.

DR. R. L. BORDEN, M. P. Who Leads a United Party Against the Dangerous Reciprocity Policy of the Laurier Government.

Mr. Borden said he could not agree with Mr. Fielding that there had been proper time for consideration of the agreement. Only two weeks ago the matter was presented to parliament, and only on Tuesday last, twelve days after, was the government's proposal presented to the House.

THE PROPOSALS EMBODIED PRACTICALLY A NEW TARIFF SWEEPING THAT NO ONE COULD ESTIMATE THEIR ULTIMATE ECONOMIC EFFECT WITH ANY ACCURACY. He would like to point out to parliament and the country that this was the year 1911 and not 1854, and it was idle to discuss the proposals from the standpoint of 1854.

Unnatural Conditions. It was true that in the last half dozen years of that treaty the production of Canada was stimulated, but they had to remember that the conditions were peculiar. The conditions were due to the civil war, when production in the United States had been lessened.

They had to do all this, and to do it under conditions that were not only unattractive but of lesser sort than those of Mr. Borden reviewed the progress of Canada during the last forty years, and claimed that the prosperity of Canada was now an assured fact. Not the least worthy of mention was the raising of the standard of living during these forty years.

Satisfied With Progress. "Will you tell me," he asked, "that we in Canada have not every right to be satisfied with the progress we have made?" Since 1866 there had been paid out of the treasury about five hundred million dollars for railways and the Federal and Provincial governments have to the extent of one hundred and twenty-seven million dollars more guaranteed the bonds of various railways.

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Prominent Officials of Municipality Placed Under Arrest and Admitted to Bail After Lengthy Conference.

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 9.—The Oxford police net was thrown out this afternoon and gathered in some of the leading figures in the Oxford investigation. The authorities this morning received word from the attorney general's department at Toronto instructing them to take quick action in apprehending M. T. Buchanan, Byron McCarthy and John Youngs.

MUCH ANXIETY FELT AS SON WAS BORN TO LADY CREWE TUESDAY—BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL BY SMART WORK.

London, Feb. 10.—Unusual excitement was caused in Mayfair by the discovery at midnight that the home of the Earl of Crewe, secretary of state for India, was on fire. The greatest alarm was felt because of the fact that on Tuesday a son was born to Lady Crewe.

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