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## EDITORIAL

**A Tariff** The local Board of Trade has gone on record as favoring the establishment of a permanent Tariff Commission and thus to take the tariff out of politics.

There is a good deal of agitation throughout Canada with regard to this proposal and it is assuredly of sufficient importance to receive the most thoughtful consideration. A good many Boards of Trade have endorsed the principle of a permanent Tariff Board. It is worthy to note also that some three hundred or more labor unions throughout Canada have done likewise.

**Excellent Idea** If indeed the tariff can be taken out of politics, it is much to be desired.

The dislocation of business and the agitation because of the tariff which divides the country at almost every general election, the people would be glad to avoid. An interesting possibility is that the tariff, in certain respects at least, will be wiped out entirely if the Farmers, led by Mr. Crerar, attain to power. The latter believes that our manufacturing industries require no protection and he would raise the necessary national revenue by direct taxation. We question whether the people of the industrial parts of Canada are ready for the drastic action advocated by Mr. Crerar.

**Signs Of** The most significant event that has occurred in that connection recently is the by-election last Tuesday in N. Ontario for the Dominion Parliament. The issue between the Farmers and the Unionist was the protective tariff. The U.F.O. man won by a majority of about 200. But on Oct. 20, in the Ontario general elections, when the tariff was not an issue, the farmer won by some 1500 majority. Whether the reduced majority is caused by the tariff issue, or whether perchance the election would see the usual agitation. If the wave of Oct. 20th has spent its force, none can tell as yet. We believe both caused influenced the result.

**Difficulties:** So far as we know, no one has yet given a detailed scheme for a workable "permanent" tariff board. If the intention is to place complete power of taxation by this means in the hands of a group of men for a long period of years, and if their action is not subject to the approval of Parliament, it does not look practical to us. Every tariff board were a "high tariff" body, the low tariff men would agitate for its abolition and vice versa.

If, on the other hand, a body of independent men, drawn from all classes, were appointed whose duty it would be constantly to investigate as to the degree of protection necessary for our various industries, great and small, well-established or the reverse and if the well considered recommendations of this Board were then made subject to the ratification of Parliament, a great deal of good would be accomplished.

Parliament would act then in the light of full knowledge of the facts. At present, the tariff is a good deal of a hit-and-miss sort of contrivance that, in some cases, does as much to hamper industry as it does to protect it.

## COMMENT

Be thankful for one thing,—the coal strike is settled.

Laugh a little less at your neighbor's trouble and more at your own.

The man who comes to your house just before dinner is usually after dinner.

In the States they suggest that this winter the coal be kept in the empty sugar bowl.

But to take it out of politics and to make it satisfactory — that, we believe, is "some job".

The Minister of Labor has been elected President of a Chicken Club. And we had hoped he would bring down the price of eggs.

"The worst thing about prohibition," says the Woodstock Sentinel-Review, "is the kind of whisky it produces." All "moonshine".

It is said that the Drury Government will abolish the property qualification for municipal office. This has long been the demand of the labor organizations.

Henry Frick gave \$117,000,000 to charity and only \$25,000,000 to his family. He's a man in a million. At that, the family will be able to worry along.

In Hamilton two clergymen are running against each other for the office of school trustee. Wonder if they will do their electioneering in church, in accordance with recent practice.

Farmer Halbert beat the Unionist in N. Ontario by some 200 majority. Figure it out for yourself why his majority was so much less than that of the provincial farmer member elected on Oct. 20th. His margin was 1500.

We are glad that the operation of the proposed radial from Elmira to Hamilton does not involve our giving up control of our own street railway. The electrification of the Grand Trunk branch lines is the proper course.

In England they are agitating to keep lawyers out of Parliament. That's all wrong. There may be too many lawyers in Parliament, but that's the fault of the people themselves. There should be no law discriminating against any class of citizens; neither should any one class, for class reasons, receive preference over any other class. Broad citizenship is what counts.

## WHAT OTHERS SAY.

### Wealth Consumed From Day to Day.

Henry George in Progress and Poverty, Book I, Chap. IV.

Here is a luxurious idler, who does no productive work either with head or hand, but lives, we say, upon wealth which his father left him securely invested in government bonds. Does his subsistence, as a matter of fact, come from wealth accumulated in the past or from the productive work that is going on around him? On his table are new-laid eggs, butter churned but a few days before, milk which the cow gave this morning, fish which twenty-four hours ago were swimming in the sea, meat which the butcher boys has just brought in time to be cooked, vegetables fresh from the garden, and fruit from the orchard—in short, hardly anything that has not recently left the hand of the productive laborer. . . . What this man inherited from his father, and on which we say he lives, is not actually wealth at all, but only the power of commanding wealth as others produce it. And it is from this contemporaneous production that his subsistence is drawn. (Ottawa Citizen.)

### The Reason Why

(Book of Wonders)

Why do I get cold in a warm room? I suppose you mean the instances when you get cold while in a warm room even when you are perfectly well. This will happen often when all the moisture in the room outside of what is in your body, is evaporated by the heat in the room. The remedy is, of course, to keep a pan of water some place in the room as the air has become too dry.

While heat is necessary to evaporate water, the process of evaporation produces cold. The quicker the evaporation the sharper the cold feeling produced. Now your body is continually evaporating the water from your body, which comes out in the form of perspiration through the pores of the skin. This is one of nature's ways of taking the impurities and waste out of the body. You know, of course, don't you, that more than one-half the waste material which the body expels from the system comes out through the pores of the skin rather than through the canals.

When the air in the room becomes too dry, the evaporation on the outside of the body proceeds faster and makes you cold. By keeping water in some vessel in the room you keep the air of the room from becoming too dry.

### Home Pride.

Flint Journal.

The ardor for improvement which is so well manifested in the spring time, is not always so evident in getting ready for winter. In spring people are anticipating the enjoyment of their flowers and grounds, and take hold of clean up work with enthusiasm. Fall and winter cleaning seems more like a waste of time, and like paying for past pleasures you have had from lawn and garden.

However, a place littered up with flower and vegetable stalks, dead leaves, and other rubbish looks slouchy all winter, and casts discredit on itself and the whole neighborhood. A place cleaned up for cold weather has a trim beauty of its own that suggests home pride and community spirit. If we want our city to look its best for the four months coming on, we should help by seeing that our places are free from all disorder.

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Mr. Herb Feil of Bridgeport spent the week-end at his home.

Mr. Alf. Snyder left on Monday for Montreal and other points on business.

Mr. Alvin Cross and daughter, of Kitchener spent Tuesday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Cross.

Mrs. Noah Gingrich left on Saturday for Toronto and Rochester, where she intends to spend the winter.

Mr. Moses Gingrich of Calgary is here on a visit.

**Married.**  
Kneischewsky—Oswald, at St. James Lutheran Parsonage, St. Jacobs, On Dec. 2, 1919, by Rev. Stremper. Mr. Ludwig Kneischewsky of St. Jacobs to Miss Ermina Oswald daughter of the late Michael Z. Oswald, of Woolwich township.

**"In The Day's News"**  
Luis Cabrera, who is believed to be a large measure responsible for Mexico's attitude in the controversy with the United States, holds the post of Secretary of the Treasury in the Carranza Government, and is known to be bitterly anti-American. Cabrera is personally known in Washington having served as chairman of the Mexican delegation on the joint commission named in 1916 to adjust the difference between the United States and Mexico. For nearly twenty years he has been a major figure in the ranks of Mexican progressives and he is credited with abilities of a high order. Officially he has been confined, under the Carranza Administration, to administration of the Treasury, but practically he is said to wield a potent influence in shaping the Carranza policies with regards to both the internal and external affairs of the republic.

**SHOW WINDOWS OPEN INTO MOVIE HOUSE.**

According to Albert Applegate, proprietor of Applegate's Furniture Store in Eugene, Ore., the fine interiors of the moving-picture scenes have their effect on the women who see them. "We used to hear that the desperate pictures caused many a wild young man to hit the rail," says Mr. Applegate, "and we have suspected that the movie mustaches of the hero has had its effect on the upper lip of young men. Now we know that there is a merchandising benefit to be derived from the beautiful scenes and that women's eyes are not altogether focused on the antics of the heroine."

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