

PARLIAMENTARY UNION.

At the session of the Victoria Mock Parliament, Monday night, an amendment to the amendment, affirming that Canada was not yet ripe for a policy of free trade, and it was not to her interest to seek closer relations with the mother country, was moved by Mr. H. A. Sutherland, and seconded by Mr. Roper.

Mr. Murison ridiculed the idea of Canada giving up protection in favor of free trade. Our young industries would suffer by such a policy.

Mr. Cohen did not think that Imperial Federation was a party question. He pointed out that it was a peculiarity of the leader of the Opposition to try and saddle the Government with disloyalty to the old flag. Free trade with the old country would result in free trade with the world. The more goods that could be purchased for the money resulted in the greater happiness of the people. He contended that the majority of the Conservative members represented manufacturers and monopolists.

Mr. Cook believed that Imperial Federation would be a beneficial thing for the whole world.

Mr. Bawkins was in favor of free trade, but he believed it impracticable.

The Hon. T. R. E. McInnes was of the opinion that Canadians should be loyal to no other land than Canada. The tide of nationalism was beginning to flow from the heart of Canada, and he trusted it would soon make its presence felt even in British Columbia, where mossback colonialism had so long held sway instead of Canadianism. Canadian independence was the only possible means of preventing the drift toward annexation. He regretted to see that Victoria with her 24,000 population floated more Stars and Stripes on any public holiday than Toronto with her 200,000, but it was the result of trying to bolster up loyalty to Great Britain and another loyalty to Canada. If Canadians wished to prevent their country going to the United States and the devil, they must put a stop to this babyish reliance upon England and work out their own salvation, even though it be with fear and trembling.

Mr. Roper believed that we should be proud of our country.

The people came here to build up British Columbia and Canada, and patriotism to Canada did not necessarily mean disloyalty to England.

Upon a division the amendment to the amendment was lost, and the amendment, affirming the principle of political separation and free trade was carried by a large majority.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Monday, February 29, 1892.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Bowes to move the following Resolution:—

That at least one week's notice must be given of a Motion impeaching the Ruling of the Chair.

The Honorable Mr. Hunter to move the following Resolution:—

That whenever upon a division of this House any three members shall demand the yeas and nays, the Clerk of the House shall call the roll of the members and read out the names and response of each member voting upon the question, which shall be recorded by two tellers to be nominated for that purpose by Mr. Speaker, who shall, after comparison of the tellers' lists, announce the result to the House.

The Honorable Mr. Barker to ask leave to introduce a Bill for the purpose of providing for full jurisdiction in matters of Divorce in the Supreme Courts of those Provinces of the Dominion of Canada not yet possessed of such jurisdiction.

Mr. Bowes to move the following Resolution:—

That the Constitution be amended by inserting the following clause:

"That no member of the House be allowed to speak continuously during a debate longer than thirty minutes, and that any member speaking longer shall be deemed out of order."

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