

RECIPROCITY WITH CANADA WOULD NIP CHAMBERLAIN PLAN.

Congressman Sullivan Warns His Fellow Members That the Dominion Will Drift Farther Away from Them Unless Something is Done in the Way of a Fair Trade Treaty.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Representative John A. Sullivan of Boston made his maiden speech in the house yesterday and achieved a distinguished and marked success.

Mr. Sullivan said in part: "Mr. Chairman—The gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Gardner) recently discussed the question of reciprocity with Canada, which has been raised by the resolution of the democratic leader, Mr. John S. Williams.

"I think it may be shown that the views of the gentleman from Massachusetts are not representative either of his district or of his state. Nor do I believe they are shared by any other member of the Massachusetts delegation. When the voice of that state is not suppressed by the leaders of the republican party, it will be raised on this floor in favor of reciprocity with Canada by republicans as well as democrats.

"The demands of her leading trade bodies, such as the New England shoe and leather association, Boston fruit and produce exchange, Boston chamber of commerce, Boston merchants' association, and her merchants and manufacturers generally, as represented in hundreds of congressional organizations throughout the state, leave no doubt of Massachusetts' desire for freer trade relations with Canada.

"The favors immediate reciprocity with Canada and will not be satisfied with the explanation that reciprocity in non-competitive products is the only possible basis of negotiation, for she knows that reciprocity means mutual concessions, and that we must be prepared to accept some temporary losses, knowing that the increased volume of trade will eventually compensate a hundredfold.

"It will be easier to show that the views of many manufacturers in his district are not in agreement with his own, as his attack upon reciprocity has called forth a chorus of dissent from leading manufacturers in his district and indeed, throughout New England generally.

"Both the United States and Canada impose 25 per cent duty on boots and shoes. Therefore, if the duties on shoes were abolished by both countries, tariff conditions would be no more unequal than they are now. Canada would be able to sell her shoes cheaper here than she can now. But so would the United States be able to sell shoes cheaper in Canada than she does now.

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PLANS FOR THE CANSO BRIDGE.

American Bridge Engineering Specialists Are Preparing Them.

Longest in the World—Cantilever Span Bridge Across the Strait Will Be 1800 Feet Long.

Sydney, Jan. 17.—The announcement is made by the Strait of Canso Bridge Company that the well-known bridge engineering specialists, Waddell & Herrick, of St. Louis (Mo.), have been commissioned to prepare full working plans for the proposed bridge across the Strait of Canso.

The bridge from shore to shore will be 3,300 feet, and the under part of the main span will be 150 feet above the water. Approach to the bridge on the Cape Breton side will be made by bridging of the north on the I. C. R. a few miles east of Hawkesbury, and following the high ridge of land to the Nova Scotia side will be made by building a spur alongside of Cape Pordupine to a point on the I. C. R. near Harbor Au Bourch.

A tunnel was found to be the most economical way of getting across the strait, and it is proposed to install before the end of the present year and the promoters expect to start preliminary work within a short time.—Halifax Chronicle.

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THE ECCENTRIC OLD MAN WAS KNOWN TO ST. JOHN AND SUSSEX PEOPLE—SKETCH OF HIS CAREER.

New York, Jan. 19.—George Francis Train died last night at the Mills Hotel in Bleeker street of heart failure, resulting from nephritis.

George Francis Train, who later gloried in the title "Citizen Train," was born in Boston, March 24, 1829. He was the oldest son of Oliver Train, a successful merchant, who in 1832 removed to New Orleans with his wife and three children. At the end of their first year's residence in the Crescent City the yellow fever broke out in a most aggravated form, and among its victims the entire family of Oliver Train was numbered, with the exception of George Francis.

After the elder Train had buried the whole of the family but George, and a short time before his own death, in the hope of saving his only remaining child from a similar fate, he committed him to the care of a captain of a brig bound to Boston, to be restored to the surviving relatives of his mother.

After a protracted voyage of several weeks he arrived in Boston, and was committed to the care of his grandmother, who resided at Waltham. He remained there until he was 15 years old, at which time he grew restless under the state of dependence he felt himself to be in, and determined henceforth to achieve his own success. He accordingly bade his grandmother a good-bye and went to Cambridgeport, where he soon obtained a situation as a clerk, which position he held for two years.

He had higher aspirations, however, and became a clerk in the counting house of his uncle, Enoch Train & Co., a prominent shipping firm of Boston. The position he rapidly attained there is best told in the fact that at the age of 21 he was sent by the firm to Liverpool to take charge of the branch house in that city. He remained there for a year and managed the business with particular ability.

On his return to Boston, he assumed his old position, and at the age of twenty-three he was assigned an interest in the business and remained attached to the house till February, 1853. In the early month he embarked for Melbourne (Aust.), with the view of establishing the house of Caulfield, Train & Co. In 1854 he purchased the interest of Mr. Caulfield and the firm was changed to that of George F. Train & Co., and of the many American gold fever of 1853-54 that of George F. Train & Co. was marked with distinguished success.

After a residence of three years in Australia, he returned to Boston. The firm of George F. Train & Co. was dissolved by limitation in 1857, and he then entered resolutely into street railway work, and afterward traveling extensively in Europe, where in several of the capitals he attended to the business of the firm in some of which he was partially successful. From street railways he took an active part in the Pacific railroad scheme, and advocated it with characteristic zeal and energy. Going to England in 1863, he became prominently identified with the Penian movement, and from his agitation and known sympathies was arrested by the British authorities and imprisoned in the jail at Downpatrick (Ire.).

Released from prison, he returned to the United States, where he lectured extensively on Penianism and other popular topics. Profoundly in financial, as well as railroad and practical schemes, he was one of the most active in founding the Credit Mobilier of America.

Early in 1860 Mr. Train made a trip around the world in sixty-two days, which was the first made in that time. He returned to New York several years ago. Mr. Train went there to live, and he made it his headquarters ever after.

On several occasions he was examined in lunacy proceedings. One of his well-known eccentricities was his refusal to shake hands with any one. He said himself he had not shaken hands with any one for more than twenty years. In 1851 Mr. Train was married to the eldest daughter of Col. George T. Davis, of Boston.

Mr. Train was well known to many St. John and Sussex people, and he lived at the latter place for some time.

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John McKee, a Lumberman, Killed by a Hotel Proprietor for Insulting His Wife.

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McKee was intoxicated, and is alleged to have made improper advances to Gillier's wife. Gillier fired two shots from a six-teen calibre gun, both penetrating a vital part of McKee's body. Gillier was arrested and brought here.

FREE TRADER WINS BRITISH BY-ELECTION.

London, Jan. 20.—The by-election at Gosport to fill the seat in the House of Commons, made vacant by the recent death of Sir William Allan, advanced Radicals, has resulted in victory for John Johnson, Liberal free trader.

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GUYER CLEVELAND'S COUSIN.

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MABEL BECHTEL'S MOTHER ON TRIAL.

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Allenton, Pa., Jan. 20.—The battle of the experts on the blood in the Bechtel trial came to an end this evening and tomorrow every member of the Bechtel family will be placed on the witness stand in an endeavor to prove that the aged mother is not guilty of being an accessory after the fact in the killing of her daughter Mabel. The defense called an expert, Mabel Bechtel, who testified that the difference between human and animal blood was not a standard one and was unreliable.

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