

MR. CHAMBERLAIN. Points and Arguments of His Speech

Delivered at East London—Wants Public to Dissociate His Policy From Controversy.

The Standard, recently purchased by C. Arthur Pearson, for the first time manifested its change of political attitude in reference to fiscal reform.

In his record of Mr. Chamberlain's speech in East London, the Standard acted as chairman of the meeting, and in addition to a verbatim report of the speech itself with descriptive introduction, a new journalistic feature was introduced in the form of an analysis of the speech, published in another column.

The following are the principal points of Mr. Chamberlain's speech: In his favorite country of missionary for the British empire, he was very grateful for the classes of the East-end of London—a district where the margin of subsistence for the majority of the people was very small.

He did come because he believed that the greatest evil from which they suffered was our antiquated fiscal policy. He asked them to dissociate his policy from party controversy and personal recrimination.

Mr. Chamberlain compared Mr. Balfour and himself (Mr. Chamberlain) to footpads, and to card-players who, when they were not trying to deceive the public, were trying to cheat each other.

At the next general election—while sooner the better so far as he was concerned—he would put two questions before the country: Was the existing fiscal policy—which was sixty years old, based on unfulfilled promises, and conceived in different circumstances from those in which we now lived—suitable to modern conditions? Secondly: What are to be our future relations with our colonies—what is to be the future of the empire?

Change was the order of our being. The most retrograde Tory, in the most retrograde times, never committed himself to the policy of stagnation now advocated by the radicals.

The great democratic nations and our colonies had rejected the extreme doctrines of free trade, or of free imports. Was the rest of the world mad, and were we the only sane people? If so, how was it that other nations had advanced more quickly than we had? The comparative advance had been much more largely with them—with our competitors.

Another point of view: Mr. Cobden's doctrine was consistent. To him protection of labor was as bad as protection of trade. A trade union was worse than a landlord; factory legislation as bad as taxes.

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Would the colonies remain loyal if their loyalty were reciprocated in such a spirit? He appealed to the people to consider whether the offer was worthy of their acceptance. He would not predict, but whether the liberals had a majority at the next general election or not, he could tell Mr. Asquith that the question of tariff reform, once raised, would never die.

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over this immigration. But the party of free importers was against any reform. If this were not so, they would be giving up their whole theory.

It was essentially a working man's question. "You are Caesar to whom appeal." If working men were happy, he was quite contented; they should leave well alone.

It was not a question of the loyalty of the colonies. Sometimes he thought it was not loyalty that was wanted. It was organization for the new circumstances—an organization by which each of the several parts of the empire should go forward in the fulfillment of its independent purposes.

It could not be secured, each state must fend for itself. It was certain that it would then offer more temptation for attack, either in commercial or some other kind of warfare.

How could he say British statesmen were anxious for this great result while Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman had the opposition? He had hoped better things from another leader—a quondam leader—of the liberals—Lord Rosebery.

Lord Rosebery had deserted the imperialists, and it became their duty to do what could be done without him. The colonists wanted a constructive policy. His experience at the colonial office proved that colonial statesmen agreed that the line of least resistance would be a commercial union on the basis of preference.

The colonists asked for no return. It was mean and contemptible for opposition speakers to say they sought gain at the expense of Great Britain. They gave preference without asking, "If you will do something, then in return we will do something for you."

That offer he gave in the words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the colonial conference: "We are ready to discuss with you the articles on which we can give you a preference and the articles on which you can give us a preference."

He would warn the people of this country that if they refused that offer there were other countries, not so potent as ours, ever ready to step into our place.

Opponents pretended to disbelieve that there was any offer. They were certain that if there were one it would be ruinous to this country, and he made in the hope of benefiting the colonies at our expense.

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BATHURST. Christmas Celebrated in a Royal Manner.

BATHURST, N. B., Dec. 28.—Christmas eve was a very busy day here. Everybody was out either marketing or otherwise engaged preparing for Christmas. The stores did a large business.

Yesterday the usual Christmas services were held in the different places of worship. At the High Mass in the Church of the Sacred Heart the choir rendered the Kyrie Eleison, Sanctus and Agnus Dei of the second tone and the Credo of the Missa Angelis (Gregorian) with violin obligato by R. Godin and Leonard Veniot.

Francis J. McManus, chief blacksmith of A. T. Hinton's establishment, was on Christmas eve engaged by his friends with a handsome briar root pipe at the Miller House. The presentation was made by Wm. J. Laplante, who, as usual, made one of his happy speeches to the recipients.

Donald Fraser, one of Chatham's aldermen, and his wife, spent yesterday in the company of friends in town today exchanging compliments with all of his old friends, who are delighted to see him.

Today is being observed in nearly all respects as a public holiday. The weather is fine and not too cold. The streets are about thirty feet below zero, and the snow is covering the ground.

On the ice track in front of the town, viewed by numbers of people from Water street, about thirty feet below zero, "tried" conclusions. Whether speedy or not each did his best in the different brushes.

Charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when used on the human system for the same cleansing purpose.

Charcoal is a remedy that the more you take of it the better; it is not a drug, but simply absorbs the gases and impurities always present in the stomach and intestines and carries them out of the system.

The curiers had a keen competition on Christmas day, the vice-presidents rinks defeating the presidents by 17 shots. Seven rinks played. The points competition for the patent handles dominated by Mr. Dover of Turro, who took three of the prizes.

Among the holiday presentations was a handsome Limoge china tea set to T. C. Burpee, engineer of maintenance of the I. C. R.; a pair of fur-lined gloves to Rev. B. Hooper of St. George's church, from the choir; and a reading lamp and pipe to W. H. Crandall, local manager of the Western Union, for his services.

Mr. John O'Shaughnessy is dead at Hillsboro, aged 71. Word has been received here of the death at Steveston, B. C., of Mrs. Frank Trites. Mr. Trites belongs to the parish of Moncton, being a brother of Hiram Trites of this city.

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The Progress of a Northern Town.

Newcastle on the Miramichi Has Made Rapid Strides During the Last Year—Its New Industries.

(Special to the Sun.) NEWCASTLE, Dec. 27.—Progress seems to have been the keynote of the town of Newcastle during the year 1904. Its citizens have been infused with a new life, a new energy and a new hope.

This week the Anderson Furniture Co. commenced operations. Since last April the work of construction of the largest furniture factory in the maritime provinces has been in progress.

Another industry to establish during the past year within the environs of Newcastle is the Rosebank Lumber Co. This concern, which is composed chiefly of Swedes, was formed as the result of the purchase of what is known as the "old mill" site.

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retic young Swedes. The market for the company will be found in France and the countries along the Baltic. A substantial extension was made to Leonard's woodworking factory during the year and other efforts were made and are being made to improve Newcastle's industrial position.

Newcastle not only progressed in an industrial way during the past year, but it progressed substantially in other ways as well. Thanks to our energetic board of aldermen and mayor, the town may now boast of a fine stretch of grandiose sidewalks.

There will be opened here on Monday next a handsome new hotel. It is four stories in height and built of brick. The rooms are all fitted with private telephones, which have connection as far as Boston, and many of the rooms contain private baths.

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GREAT STRIDES FOR CHURCH UNION. Reports of Toronto Conference Misleading. Dr. Shaw and Rev. Mr. Pedley Most Optimistic—Dr. Scrimger Fears Progress Was Hasty.

Contrary to the unfavorable impression conveyed by newspaper reports, regarding the union of the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches, Dr. Shaw, Dr. Pedley and Rev. Hugh Pedley are unanimous in the opinion that the conference at Toronto was a success, and they feel confident that the project of amalgamation will eventually succeed.

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When asked as to the possibilities of the Baptists joining the union, Dr. Shaw said he was not likely to meet the favor of the other Non-conformist churches, but he was also of the opinion that the union would maintain the principle already recognized by the three contracting bodies, that church property should be immune from taxation.

REV. DR. SCRINGER. Rev. Dr. Scrimger, principal of the Montreal Presbyterian College, was also a delegate, thought that far from being opposed to the union, the conference had perhaps taken greater strides towards the project than were safe.

Speaking on the conference, Dr. Scrimger said that interest in the subject of church union was plainly shown by a larger expression of popular feeling, and of individual as well as of congregational liberty.

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