

to us when we are asked to believe that the man led the bull all the way. (Laughter and applause.) Now, here you have the bull and here you have, say, my honourable friend the Leader, and between them was a rope. What a suggestive word. At any rate, between them was a rope, and, as far as we know the case, there was nothing in this story of my honourable friend to contradict it; as far as we can understand there was the most unrestricted reciprocity between the bull and the honourable gentleman as far as movement and action were concerned. (Laughter.) I am sorry there are some honourable gentlemen in this House who perhaps will not be able to get the complete meaning of what I am saying because they were not brought up under rural conditions, but those who were will find it very hard to be convinced unless it appears that the next day the honourable gentleman, after paying sorrowfully for the witch hazel and arnica necessary, declared with considerable emphasis that in this business of travelling with a bull reciprocity of movement should be in future restricted, not unrestricted. (Loud laughter and applause.) If you ask me how this illustration fails, I shall reply that I give it up. I do not know how it fails; I cannot see that it applies at all. But it may be, as I said awhile ago, Sir, that I am dense. I cannot see how it applies; therefore I cannot see how it fails. (Laughter.)

### **BIG ISSUES EVADED BY OPPOSITION.**

Well, sir, we have put forward our convictions with regard to this great and serious question, and there has been no attempt, no pretence of an attempt, to answer the straightforward, direct and serious language and statements of President Taft, of J. J. Hill, of Mr. Champ Clark, and of Senator Beveridge, who, by the way, I believe, will be here shortly. Senator Beveridge was defeated for re-election to the Senate. His term expired on the 4th of March, and he is coming here to get local color and information in order to write a book on Canada, so that apparently we will have an opportunity to see this gentleman, who who, at any rate, had the virtue of frankness, and stated deliberately that his purpose in supporting reciprocity was to get back from Canada the American capital which had gone there to be invested, and have it reinvested on the American side of the line, where American workmen would get the benefit of it. (Hear, hear.) All these statements are unanswered. There has been no attempt to contradict or controvert them. When my honourable friend did get down to the subject himself, like his colleagues, he said we can get a