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ROOSEVELT DROPS RECIPROCITY

Mr. Roosevelt has boxed the com-
pass on Canadian reciprocity. He
supported the Taff-Fielding agreement
last year, but he is now trimming his
sails to every breeze that may help
to blow him back to the White House,
and there is a stiff anti-reciprocity
gale in the American west. He sees
a politician's opportunity in the anger
of the Dakota and Minnesota grain-
growers at Taff, and their dread of
Canadian competition. On Feb. 13,
1911, as a distinguished private citizen,
Mr. Roosevelt could say to the Republi-
can Club, of New York:

"I want to say how glad I am at
the way in which the members of
the club here tonight responded to
the two appeals made to them to
uphold the hands of the President,
both in his efforts to secure recip-
rocity with Canada, and in his
efforts to secure the fortification of
the Panama Canal. . . . I hail
the reciprocity arrangement because
it represents an effort to bring about
closer and more intimate and more
friendly relationship of mutual ad-
vantage on equal terms between
Canada and the United States."

Having thrown his hat into the
presidential ring, Mr. Roosevelt now
writes to B. V. Collins, editor of
the Northwestern Agriculturist, under
date of Feb. 29, as follows:

"You are welcome to make this
letter public. The reciprocity treaty
is now dead. No useful purpose can
be served by discussing it. In any
further attempt by reciprocity treaty
or otherwise to bring about a re-
arrangement of the tariff, there
must be no discrimination against
the farmer. No effort to make him
pay the entire burden of reduction.
His interests must be considered
with the same care that is given to
the consideration of the interests of
other American citizens."

"This change of front throws an un-
pleasant light on Mr. Roosevelt's
character, and explains why, with all
his popularity, he is distrusted by
many serious Americans."

The offer to Canada of a free Ameri-
can market for farm produce is likely
to be withdrawn in any event. The
next Congress, whether Republican or
Democratic, will throw the tariff into
the melting pot, and with it will go
the reciprocity agreement, if not be-
fore. There may be some reductions
in the duties on agricultural products
to correspond with a cut in the duties
on manufactured goods, to which both
parties are pledged, but there will be
no open door to the Canadian farmer.
The Big Interests and their dupes in
this country slammed the door in the
face of the United States, and it will
not swing open again until Canada
makes a move.

SCOTT AND AMUNDSEN.

Pearry found the North Pole on an open
sea. Amundsen confirms the theory
that the South Pole stands on terra
firma. The North Pole is a spot on
drifting ice-floes and any monument
left there would be inevitably swept
away. The South Pole is on a great
plateau, thousands of feet above the
sea level, and the tent and flag left
there by Amundsen may stand for a
long age, though covered by snow.
Scott may have found them if he
reached there after Amundsen, though
the most accurate instruments may not
precisely fix the geographical pole. If
both men arrived at the spot where
their observations pointed to the end
of the earth's axis, they will equally
share the popular glory, though sci-
entists will give the palm to the one
whose records are the more exhaustive.

Until late years the South Pole has
been deemed the more difficult prize
because less accessible to a vessel.
Shackleton, in 1909, proved the con-
trary when he came within 112 miles
of it, and found no impediment ex-
cept the lack of supplies. Scott was
determined not to fall from the same
cause, and carried sufficient food and
other supplies to enable him to remain
a much longer time at the pole than
Amundsen spent there. The Norwe-
gian's lightly-equipped expedition was
speedier than the Britisher's, but it
had not the same staying power. It is
a reasonable conjecture that Scott's
strong scientific corps, if it reached
the Pole, would not leave in three days,
as did Amundsen, but would carry on
extensive explorations and investiga-
tions, and yield more permanent and
useful results. This is probably the
explanation of Scott's non-emergence
from the polar regions. His ship, the
Terra Nova, was left nearly 900 miles
from the Pole, or 60 miles further
than Amundsen had to travel to reach
the Fram on his return journey. The
scientific world can well afford to wait
for Scott's reappearance.

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Government. Premier Roblin, in re-
fusing the demand, dictated on the
moral qualities of the treating custom
as follows:

"The treating custom is simply
the manifestation of the social and
the intellectual qualities of man as
contrary distinguished from the ordi-
nary brute creation. If you take
away the social qualities or the hos-
pitality and the neighborly or the hos-
pitable side of a man you have
something very little better than a
brute. Here is a declared intention
to curb, restrain, destroy, if possible,
that social side of life."

Mr. Caldwell, the Minister of Edu-
cation, spoke in the same strain.
Treating, he said, was a habit im-
planted in men to be pleasant, agree-
able, kind, and sociable to their fellow
men. "Then you think giving a man
a drink is a kindness?" he was asked
by Mr. Johnson, M. P. To this Mr.
Caldwell replied:

"Yes, I do; and I make no bones
about it."

The mothers, wives, and children of
these benevolent habitues of the bar-
room, or of those who partake of their
bounty, have a different point of view,
but it makes no appeal to the Mani-
toba Government. If temperance sen-
timent is strong in the province,
Messrs. Roblin and Caldwell should find
themselves in an uncomfortable position.
In Ontario it would not be politi-
cally safe for any public man to use
the language of either of the Manitoba
statesmen.

The grain bill has not brought grist
to the Federal Government's mill.

Mr. Bourassa is ill repaying Hon.
Mr. Cochrane's pressing invitation to
Sudbury, Ontario.

Bourassa and Lavergne are only in-
cendiaries, it seems, when they hurl
their firebrands at the Conservative
abode.

The choice of the city hall site is
causing more trouble than the selection
of the capital of confederated Canada.

The Ottawa Government has dropped
the inquiry into the charge that
Hon. Frank Oliver was paid \$69,000 by
a railway company. Another cam-
paign fiction exploded.

As the anti-reciprocity orator put it,
"We want no truck or trade with the
Yankees." The coal strike in Penn-
sylvania, which is looming up, will
therefore be a blessing.

Reciprocity thinks it a popular move
to declare against Canadian reciproc-
ity. The notion that reciprocity
might lead to annexation was limited
to Champ Clark and Canadian chumps.

The Orangemen of Vancouver have
cabled a message to Ulster in which
these words occur:

"Canada taught the priestly machi-
ne-manipulators a lesson last
September, and, if necessary, will
give the hordes of Jesuits another
and a more effective lesson."

Reciprocity was not a religious is-
sue, but the Orangemen as a rule can
always find one when there is a Lib-
eral head to be hit.

TURN ABOUT FAIR PLAY.
[Montreal Herald.]

Turn about is fair play. Casual re-
flection for the benefit of Conservatives
ought to be chuckle as they saw
Messrs. Bourassa and Lavergne ragging
Laurier.

MAY LOOK THROUGH THE
WINDOW.
[Toronto Globe.]

Manitoba sits down to a five-course
dinner at the Hudson Bay Cafe, Ont-
ario is permitted to look through the
window at the favorite of fortune.

WHERE CANADA SQUARES UP.
[Vancouver Province.]

Australia is shipping butter to Can-
ada, but, as we export axle grease to
that country, it is an even break.

THE ENTERPRISING YANKEE.
[New York World.]

The announcement that Australia is
seeking protection for her industries
against "Yankee pauper labor" is by
no means so funny as it sounds.

PELLETIER CLINGS TO PORT-
FOLIO.
[Ottawa Citizen.]

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AFTER THE CAMPAIGN.
[Sacred Heart Review.]

Once, at the height of the Civil
War, two men at a railway station
saw a card of wooden legs depart
for a military hospital.

"Those wooden legs," said the first
man, "are a rather eloquent protest
against war, aren't they?"

"Yes," agreed the other, "they are
what you might call stump speeches."

ENDLESS CHAIN.
[Young's Magazine.]

Generosity, like beauty, is a matter
of individual opinion, according to
Ottie Harlan, now appearing in "Little
Boy Blue."

"My mother's awful generous," said
the New Boy. "She knows I hate to
take my codliver oil, so she gives me
a nickel every time I take it."

"How often do you take it?" queried
the Other Boy.

"Three times a day."

"Gee," sighed the other in hope-
less envy at such wealth. "Fifteen
cents a day! How do you ever spend
it all?"

"I don't. She takes care of it for
me. And when there are enough
nickels to make up a dollar, she—"

"Hands it over to you?"

"No. She buys me another \$1 bot-
tle of codliver oil."

OR WAS LOVE BLIND?
[Judge.]

Mrs. Hoyle—My husband loved me at
first sight.
Mrs. Doyle—I understand you met at
a masquerade ball.

THE CANADIAN WAY.
[Rochester Times.]

Canada has attacked some of its eco-
nomic and social problems in a way
which might teach the United States a
lesson. The Canadian manner of deal-
ing with threatened strikes and lock-
outs is wiser and more effective than
any method in use in this country. This
has been illustrated by the Lawrence

strike. Such a strike would not be ab-
solutely impossible in Canada, but it
would probably be averted. During the
four years the present Canadian method
has been in operation, 36 threatened
strikes have been averted, while 10
were not. Thus the Canadian plan
averts nearly 80 per cent of threatened
labour troubles.

THAT'S THE QUESTION.
[McCall's Magazine.]

Wife—Billy, dear, I stitched up the
hole in your trousers pocket last night
Then you had gone to bed. Now, am
I not a thoughtful little wife?
Husband—H'm! How did you know
there was a hole in my pocket?

COMPENSATION.
[Ella Wheeler Wilcox in the Nautilus.]

Across my window glass
The moving shadows of the people pass.
Sometimes the shadows glide along the
hall;

And neighbors come, to call,
Bringing a word or smile
To cheer my loneliness a little while.
But as I hear them talk
These people who can walk
And go about the great green earth at
will,

I wonder if they know the joy of being
still,
And all alone with thoughts that soar
afar—

High as the highest star,
And oft I feel more free
Than those who travel over land and sea.
For one who is shut in
Away from all the outer strife and din,
With faithful Pain for guide,
Find where great truths abide.

Across my window glass
The moving shadows pass,
But swifter moves my unimpeded
thought—
Speeding from spot to spot
Out and afar—
High as the highest star.

ANTICQUATED ROAD
MAY START LIVELY ROW

Two Companies Claim To Own
Line Along the Ottawa
River.

[Special To The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 12.—A twelve-mile
stretch of antiquated railway on the
Ottawa River promises to give the
railway committee of the Commons
the liveliest fight that it has had this
session. The Central Railway Com-
pany, of Canada, claim to have ac-
quired the rights of the Carleton and
Grenville Railway, and claims that
under an agreement with the old Pro-
vince of Canada, made fifty years ago,
to have acquired a million acres of
land grant in what is now the Pro-
vinces of Quebec and Ontario. It de-
veloped this morning that the Cana-
dian Northern has been busy with the
disfranchisement of the Carleton and
Grenville, and now claims the line.

The railway committee has decided
to look into the claims of the two
parties before proceeding to a settle-
ment of their claims.

TEACHERS' SALARIES
WILL BE DISCUSSED

Finance Committee of Board of Edu-
cation Meet This Afternoon.

The finance committee of the board
of education will meet this afternoon
to discuss teachers' salaries.

Applications have been received from
the lady teachers to raise the maxi-
mum from \$750 to \$900, from the male
principals from \$1,000 to \$1,500, and
high school teachers from \$1,700 to
\$2,000.

Some time ago the committee met,
and practically agreed to raise the
women teachers from \$750 to \$800, and
the male teachers from \$1,500 to \$1,600,
but when the request was made for
favors from the Collegiate teachers
it was decided to deal with them alto-
gether.

Considerable objection has been
raised to the suggestion that the sal-
aries be increased, and lively de-
bate is anticipated when the matter
is dealt with this afternoon.

INGERSOLL HOCKEY

East Side Businessmen Won in a Fast
Game With Westerners.

[Special To The Advertiser.]

Ingersoll, March 12.—There were no
dull or monotonous periods during the
one hour that the local western
east and west side businessmen was in
progress at the arena last night, and
which, as in the case of the initial con-
test, was witnessed by several hundred
enthusiastic spectators. The stages of
the contest would have made a three-ring
circus look like a minor attraction. But
while this was true, burlesque features
were not so numerous as in the previous
game, and there were occasional flashes
of genuine hockey.

The easterners were successful in run-
ning up a 6 to 3 score, and it is prob-
able that chest measurements would dis-
cover a considerable expansion since yester-
day. The westerners played the game
in whirlwind style, and when the
teams were summoned to the dressing-
rooms for the five-minute rest they were
leading by 3 to 1.

Some objection was raised to Geo.
Henderson on the west side, and he was
dropped from the line-up, his place being
taken by M. C. Elliott, who had been
handling the bell. The change proved the
benefit of the westerners. The eastern-
ers were bored in at all times, "piled up"
by George Batcheller, and the team, as well
as their supporters, were naturally jubilant
at the outcome.

How Nerve Cells
Are Broken Down

Every man or woman who works
with the brain uses up daily an enor-
mous amount of nerve force. Millions
of tiny nerve cells are broken down
and must be replaced if mental and
bodily efficiency are to be maintained.
If brain fog, headaches, sleepless-
ness or irritability set in, the evidence
is plain that nature is not rebuilding
as fast as work is breaking down. You
cannot allow this depleting pro-
cess to continue long if nervous pro-
stration or paralysis is to be ward-
ed off.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food will help
you to get the balance on the other
side of the account, so that each day
will add a little to your stock of
health and vitality. A man whose
work is largely mechanical may keep
going with health below par, but the
brain worker must have a clear head
or fall behind in the race. Restore
the wasted nerve cells with Dr.
Chase's Nerve Food and know the
joys of good health and success.

Do you know that of all the minor
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A Few Lines of Most Anything

OUR PRECISE ARTIST.

"He was shot at sunrise."

The ideas of March are apt to be-
come bromides in the hands of the
spring poets.

Leap year maidens may be having
many conquests, but will fail to see
any chafing dishes or other symbols
of bachelor blessedness advertised for
sale in the classified columns.

"Good morning, have you been
Glaubitz-ized yet?" Is probably the
greeting exchanged between employees
of the water and electrical depart-
ments these days.

Captain Amundsen and his trifle of
49 degrees below at the pole? "Oh?
don't consider weather like that cold
enough to keep the butter hard in
some parts of the west."

Theodore Roosevelt expected Taff
to play the part of the bass drum
and take all the pounding. Since the
latter has shown that he can bat over
.500 with the drumstick, the knight of
the terrible is anxious to chuck
him out of the west.

A London dealer says he is selling
all kinds of rubber stamps to date
Bismarck's eggs. Cannot some poultry
Bismarck produce a hen that will "punch
a time clock" every time she lays, or
imprint an affidavit, as to age and
quality upon each shell?

Some people, so a friend from the
country says, use the rural line so
much that it might as well be given
over to them for the family washing.

"What forced our friend, Scoops,
into bankruptcy?" asked the first
grocer.

"He stocked up with a whole crate
of eggs, and the price dropped Satur-
day," replied the other.

The newspaperman who goes to in-
terview Superintendent. Gilted about
prospects for London usually comes
away with the refrain of "Tell Me The
Old, Old Story" buzzing in his ears.

Odd Want Ads.
Wanted—Furnished room by elderly
lady with electric lights.

"Stay in Ontario!"

And better still:
"Stay in Western Ontario!"

Decidedly.
Dear Few Lines:

You mention those who say "The
west and done it, as not being in-
cluded in the 150,000,000 English-
speaking people of the world. Please
tell me whether the man who says: "I
ain't got no use for him," is a
foreigner.

London in 1985.
Teacher of English Class—Vy is
nineteen hundred twelve noded in der
history of our city, Adolphe Dinkel-
and?

Adolphe—Dot was der year dot Herr
Klochwitz game and took possessions
in der name of der Kaiser and annex-
ed it to Germany.

Cheer rises and shouts:
"Hoeh der Burgaster!"

Yes, supposedly, gentle reader, the
old issue of postage stamps has been
sent to Hamilton.

"You must cultivate good looks,"
reads a leading druggist's advertise-
ment. Do you mean to ask him if there
is anything personal in the statement?
Neither do we.

What Did They Do to Get In?
[Hensall Observer.]

The Temple of Fame is being pre-
pared for a Blyth audience.

Where Family Bliss Ceases.
[Wyoming Enterprise.]

A Wyoming lady is mad at her hus-
band just because he said in company
"that he couldn't tell his rubbers from
hers."

A Warm-Soled Opponent.
[Wyoming Enterprise.]

Rev. E. M. P. of G. of G. is out
hot foot against church union.

Why Worry With Shears So Near?
[Wyoming Enterprise.]

We used to see a couple of shaggy-
looking editors when a hair cut cost
15c. What will they do now that the
price is up?

A Lot More Were Down This Winter.
[Ailsa Craig Banner.]

Tom Craven, Jim and Melvin
Trevelthick were down skating Satur-
day evening at Craig.

A Choice Descriptive Bit.
[Ailsa Craig Banner.]

Messrs. C. Hobbs of Lucan, and C.
Rosser, of the village, returned on
Wednesday from Chicago, where they
each purchased a bear to look at
and a speedy to travel horse.

FARMER MEMBERS.
Calgary, Alta., March 12.—W. J.
Tregillus, president of the United
Farmers of Alberta, today said: "I
believe the next Legislative Assembly
of this province will be made up
largely of farmer representatives. We
will probably have candidates in every
riding, and we can confidently hope to
win in many of them. Farmers will
be sent to the capital by their fellow
agriculturists not only to represent the
farm folk, but the laboring classes."

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