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WHAT ST. JOHN STANDS TO LOSE

DRUMMONDS ARE OPPOSED TO PACT

Will Seriously Injure
Every Canadian Indus-
try and Interest.

Geo. A. Drummond Wires
Turgeon to this Effect,
Who, of Course, Sup-
presses Information --
T. M. Burns Later Ap-
prized of Fact.

Special to The Standard.

Bathurst, Sept. 13.—It having been reported in certain localities of the County of Gloucester by canvassers of the Liberal party, that the Drummond people of Montreal, who are so largely connected with the iron mining industry in this and other provinces, are in favor of reciprocity, T. M. Burns, Conservative candidate, wired George E. Drummond and the following is his reply:

"Answering your telegraphic inquiry as to my opinion of the reciprocity pact, I cannot do better than give my views as expressed in a telegram sent to your opponent, Mr. Turgeon on Aug. 26th. It reads as follows: 'Telegram just received, my associates and self are STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE RECIPROcity PACT WHICH, IF UNFORTUNATELY CARRIED WOULD WE ARE ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED, SERIOUSLY INJURE IN COURSE OF TIME EVERY CANADIAN INDUSTRY, AND INTEREST, AND MOREOVER, WILL STRIKE A SERIOUS BLOW AT THE FISCAL AND POLITICAL AUTONOMY OF CANADA.'

(Signed) "GEO. E. DRUMMOND."
Mr. Turgeon has wisely kept the above answer quiet. He will be defeated this time by an overwhelming majority.

ANGLICANS DISCUSS UNION OF CHURCHES

London, Ont., Sept. 13.—Church union came up before the Anglican synod this morning. Judge Ermatinger, of St. Thomas, proposed that there should be a union or understanding between churches as to missions, dividing them up to the best advantage economically. This was opposed to the mission policy of the Anglican church. Judge Ermatinger finally moved that a committee be appointed to meet with a committee of all other Protestant churches to discuss the subject of church union. This was carried.

DIRECTORS LIABLE

Toronto, Sept. 13.—A bomb has fallen into the old board of directors of the Sovereign Bank in the shape of a court appeal judgment holding four of them liable for \$178,794. Others are liable for sums totaling in all \$400,000.

WHAT FISHERMEN MAY EXPECT

One of the principal canvasses of the Liberal party for the Reciprocity Pact all along has been the great boon it would be to the fishermen. R. O'Leary, of Richibucto, one of the largest shippers of smelts to the American market in the Province, yesterday received a telegram from his agents in Boston which should prove an eye-opener to the fishermen of the Maritime Provinces. The telegram was as follows:

"Boston, Sept. 13, 1911.

"Richard O'Leary, Richibucto—Impossible to make contracts for smelts now, owing to unsettled conditions, awaiting result of Canadian elections. IF RECIPROcity CARRIES DELIVERY PRICE ON SMELTS IN AMERICAN MARKET WILL POSITIVELY BE LOWER TO THE EXTENT OF THE DUTY NOW PAID WHICH AMOUNTS TO THREE QUARTERS OF A CENT PER POUND; IN FACT PURCHASERS WILL LOOK TO BUY GOODS A CENT CHEAPER.

"(Signed) HEALY & LYONS."
Reciprocity is not an alluring bait to the fishermen.

\$500 THAT SAYS LAURIER WILL BE DEFEATED

James Carruther Willing to
Back Conservative Chances
to That Extent—Gains Sure
in Ontario.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—The Conservative prospects are improving every day and the latest index is the wager of James Carruther of \$500 that the Laurier government will be defeated and \$500 more than Laurier will not have 30 majority.

Mr. Carruther who was quoted in the Herald last evening as willing to wager that Laurier would be returned by a less than 30 majority, republishes the interview and expresses the conviction that Mr. Borden will be returned to power. This is an isolated instance which shows which way the wind blows. Whereas a few weeks ago the Liberals were prepared to bet any amount of money that the government would be sustained by at least 30 or 40 majority, today even money is offered, that Laurier will be sustained. The Opposition are delighted with the progress of events of the past few weeks and the signs are that Quebec for the first time since 1896, will not be true to the Laurier shibboleth. The Conservatives are confident that they will carry at least 30 seats in the House and from the recent speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, it is evident that he is nervous over the situation in his native province.

"The Bitter End."

Speaking at Beauce yesterday instead of repeating the prediction he has made on previous occasions, that Quebec will again send its usual contribution of 50 members to the Liberal ranks in the House, Sir Wilfrid made an appeal to the people of Quebec: "To you, gentlemen, my dear compatriots, I rally to support and defeat the machinations of the enemy. With clenched fists he declared he had never had a fight in which the tactics of the Opposition were so invidious and dishonest as they are in the present one. "I don't complain," said he, "though I am 70 years of age, God has given me strength enough to face it and I will face it to the bitter end."

This speech and others of like kind made recently by the premier indicate that he is not nearly as confident as he was at the outset of the campaign. Reports from Ontario are to the effect that the Opposition will gain several seats in that province. The work of Sir James Whitney has had an immense effect, and the indications are that the banner province will elect at least sixty Conservatives.

Simon Clifford Sifton is changing many votes by his speeches throughout Western Ontario. Speaking in St. Marys last evening he entered a strong protest against the manner in which certain advocates of reciprocity were meeting the criticisms of the pact. "It is a various policy they are pursuing," he said. "They are deliberately setting to incite one class of this community against another."

FOUNDATIONS FOR SUSPICION



JOHN CANUCK—"If your medicine is good for me, what is your big friend out there with the hearse for?"—From the Toronto News.

RECIPROcity WILL RUIN ST. JOHN'S EXPORT TRADE IN WHEAT AND FLOUR

W. F. Thompson, Managing Director of Ogilvie's Mills, Says United States
Want the Business to Build Up their Railways and Seaports -- Trade
Going South Will Benefit their Milling, Banking and Elevator Interests
at Canada's Expense -- Hard Blow to Wage Earners.

Mr. W. F. Thompson of Montreal, who was the victim of a serious automobile accident in the early part of the Summer is still resting at his Summer home in St. Andrews where a Standard representative obtained an interview with him yesterday upon the coming elections and the issue of reciprocity.

Mr. Thompson is Vice President and Managing Director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., the largest individual users of Manitoba wheats in the world. He is also a Director of the Montreal Transportation Co., and President of the Keystone Transportation Co., and a recognized authority on all Canadian Transportation questions.

AGAINST ST. JOHN.

Asked as to how the adoption of the reciprocity pact might affect the Port of St. John, he stated that St. John and Halifax would suffer as winter ports, if reciprocity were adopted. To use his own words—"THERE WILL BE MIGHTY LITTLE WHEAT AND FLOUR SHIPPED FOR EXPORT VIA ST. JOHN, IN THE WINTER TIME, UNDER RECIPROcity."

Asked as to his views generally on the great question now before the Country, Mr. Thompson further stated:

"I believe Canada today is facing the gravest situation in her history. Under the conditions existing during the past ten years all Canada East and West has prospered as never before and the future promises even greater prosperity under the continuance of existing policies.

The vast majority of our people were satisfied with things as they were and enormous numbers of high class immigrants were being attracted to us by reason of our success, foreign industries have been established and foreign capital provided to assist them.

FOUR PEOPLE DEAD IN WRECKED TRAIN

Cleveland, O., Sept. 13.—Four are reported dead and several injured in the wreck of a work train on the new belt line, which occurred in the eastern part of the city tonight.

One body was taken from the wreckage of the engine and another is said to be under it. Eleven injured have been taken to hospital, and seven more are in the debris. All of the injured are foreigners.

thereof, entered into an agreement with the United States which has resulted in disorganizing the entire business of the community and threatening our nationality.

"There comes a time in the history of every country when a crisis arises which calls for the abandonment of political lines, for the time being, and the uniting of the people in the common interest of all. Such a position in my opinion obtains in Canada today and the question that has so suddenly confronted the country should not be clouded by any political bias or party prejudice.

If this Reciprocity Treaty be ratified and becomes law, the demand upon our Government for changes and alterations is bound to result in unstable business conditions and a general bitterness of feeling between the two countries where good will has heretofore prevailed. Up to the time of the announcement of the terms of this Treaty our commercial interests and conditions generally were satisfactory. What has resulted since January 28th? A wave of intense apprehension has pervaded the country from one end of the Dominion to the other involving more or less disturbance in all businesses, and a feeling that if it is possible for any Government to accomplish what has been done almost overnight, it is equally possible to reach further than they themselves contemplated when these negotiations were concluded.

U. S. WHEAT EXPORTS.

According to official reports the United States last year produced a surplus of wheat which amounted to more than the whole of our Canadian North West crop. All this talk about their requiring our wheat for their own use must be considered as mereest buncombe. What they do want is the handling of it through their own lines of communication and to develop more trade, not only for their inland ports but for their seaports as well and for the benefit of their commission houses, milling, banking, elevator, and all other interests which are more or less involved in the handling of natural products and all this to be at the expense and destruction of our inland marine

and our various ocean ports such as Montreal, St. John, and Halifax.

Canada today is certainly at the parting of the ways. Her whole future course, commercial and national, depends upon the choice she now makes and the principles she now adopts. One way leads to commercial and financial decadence and ultimate dependency, the other to commercial success, prosperity and nationalhood, and the people of Canada are called upon now to decide which way she shall take. The principle of fostering Canadian prosperity and nationality applies to the whole of Canada.

CHANGE IN OFFICERS CAMORRIST ABLE TO PROVE ALIBI

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—It is said to be almost certain that Gen. Otter, inspector general of the Canadian forces, will shortly retire on full pension to be succeeded by Gen. Cotton, commander of the western Ontario division with headquarters at Toronto. Brigadier General Lessard is understood to be slated for General Cotton's post while at present the adjutant general, Col. Denison, of Toronto, and Col. Henry Panet are possibilities.

RIVER'S SPEECH WAS LIBELOUS

SHIPBUILDING PLANT WILL GO TO HALIFAX

Says Liberal Organ in
City—Duplicity of Party
Who Promised it to St.
John.

Mr. Pugsley is not the only Liberal politician who is using the promise of a shipbuilding plant to catch votes. The Liberal candidates in Halifax are assuring the electors that the Canadian navy will be built in the city of Halifax. Hon. A. K. McLean addressing a Liberal rally in Halifax said:

"It is our purpose to see that Halifax harbor is the location of that important industry. Will you by your vote, help along this move in the upbuilding of Halifax? Do you workmen want to see a shipyard in Halifax and our waterfront noisy with the workmen's hammer? Then vote for the candidates of the government."

Across the front page of a recent issue of the Chronicle, the Liberal organ, runs the legend in heavy type: "Halifax first, the policy of the Liberals. Vote for it, if you want steel shipbuilding."

Halifax Makes Strong Bid.

In another part of the same issue, the Chronicle takes issue with Mr. Pugsley's statement that St. John will get the shipbuilding plant, and declares that in accordance with the condition laid down by the British Admiralty the Canadian naval vessels must be built in a port provided with forts, capable of repelling any attack by hostile warships. If that is so, it seems rather unlikely that Courtenay Bay will be chosen as the site for the shipbuilding plant, because it would be an easy matter for warships in the offing to destroy any vessels that might be on the stocks there.

The Chronicle says in part: "Rumor has at different times in the past located the shipbuilding plant at Montreal, at Halifax, at St. John and at Sydney, and when an announcement was made that the plant was to be located towards locating there, on the other hand the visit to Sydney of Sir Henry Pellatt, who was regarded as identified with one of the shipbuilding projects led to a rumor being sent out from there that Sydney was to get the plant. But subsequent events showed the falsity of both reports and the visit to Halifax recently of the Canadian representative of the English company reported the lowest tenders for the navy contract evidenced the fact that the attention of the concern had been directed towards Halifax."

No Fort Protection.

"The fact is that certain conditions deemed necessary for a port wherein is situated a naval building yard exist here, and in none of the other ports mentioned as possible locations, and hence Halifax is figuring now so prominently in consideration of the project. The matter of taking tenders with the provision of such safeguards as centuries of warship building have been demonstrated as necessary in the interests of the nation owning the ships, was left to the British Admiralty, which had prepared the specifications of ships deemed most suitable for the Canadian service and so far the contract has not been awarded, notwithstanding announcement as to the lowest tenders. There are conditions to be complied with by the successful tenderers before the contract is awarded, and it is known now that these conditions are better met with in Halifax than in any other eastern Canadian port; in fact some of them exist here already. Sufficient fort protection is one, and others are a dry dock nearby, plenty of water always, direct railway communication, the presence of a naval staff, cable, and signalling stations."

Possibly Mr. Pugsley may have to abandon his scheme of beautifying Fort Howe, and provide it with armaments for the protection of Courtenay Bay. He might also tell the people of St. John if he knows of any shipbuilding plant for the construction of naval vessels which is located right on the sea coast.

Is the Opinion Expressed
by Henri Bourassa.

Enters Suit for \$10,000
Against Liberal Candidate
in Hochelega --
Latter Claimed Bourassa
was Subsidized by
Ontario Capital to Assist
Le Devoir.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—The now familiar Liberal cry that the "Imperialistic jingoes" of Ontario and the "Cassidors" of Quebec are working together in an unholy alliance is likely to receive its quietus in court very shortly.

Henri Bourassa, leader of the Nationalists has become incensed at some of the wild campaign statements of the Liberals which are being thrown out in the desperate hope of checking the tide of opposition which is rising so rapidly in Quebec. He has entered a suit for damages against L. A. Rivet, Liberal candidate in Hochelega claiming \$10,000 for alleged libelous utterances. Mr. Rivet in the course of a speech made Sept. 6, stated that Mr. Bourassa was being subsidized to the extent of \$200,000 the sum being devoted supposedly to advancing the interests of Le Devoir, the official organ of French Canadian Nationalism.

Mr. Rivet has not published any retraction and Mr. Bourassa intends to show by his suit the falseness of the allegation. It is not money that is turning the French Canadians against Laurier, but the many scandals permitted under his regime and the policy of opportunism which the Liberal party is pursuing.

SIZE OF MAJORITY DOUBTFUL.

Special to The Standard.

Gagetown, Sept. 13.—The Orange hall here was packed to the doors this evening with an enthusiastic meeting of the electors of the parish of Petegouille, No. 4. There is no doubt the election of the Conservative candidate here and the only question now is one of the size of the majority. The speakers at the meeting all received marked attention and the candidate, Luther B. Smith was greeted with an ovation. The issues of the campaign were ably discussed by J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., John R. Dunn, and H. W. Woods, M. P. P.

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DESPERATE TACTICS

So strong is the sentiment against Reciprocity in this city that some of the Liberal canvassers, with the object of deluding the voters, are trying to persuade the ignorant that they can vote for Pugsley and Lowell, and still have a chance to vote against Reciprocity. Nothing could serve to illustrate more completely the desperate straits in which the Liberal party in this constituency finds itself, than the fact that the heebers have to resort to such a contemptible trick. Of course every voter should know that A VOTE FOR MESSRS. PUGSLEY AND LOWELL IS A VOTE FOR RECIPROcity. The only way of defeating the infamous pact, which will cripple the Winter Port trade of St. John, is to vote for Daniel and Powell. DON'T SPLIT YOUR BALLOTS; THAT'S ANOTHER SCHEME TO SAVE PUGSLEY.

A Vote for Pugsley and Reciprocity is a Vote Against St. John