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by the obvious prosperity and higher standard of living which obtain in the protected countries. The result, as we know, of this new, and to Britons startling knowledge, has been the reimposition of the so-called McKenna Duties. And not a moment too soon, for the British manufacturers saw with dismay that, not only could Germany, the United States and Japan meet them in the foreign field, but they were actually challenging them in their home territory. Canada, it is his sound contention, cannot afford to go counter to a universal tendency.

But Mr. Meighen is not a bigot or a fanatic even in economic matters. His fundamental position is that Canada, at the present time, should have a tariff which should be just to all classes of the population. The person he keeps continually in his mind's eye, and in his heart, is the average decent Canadian. He is determined that the standard of living in this country shall not be lowered to the European or Asiatic level. He believes in a protection which will protect, not only the capitalist who sinks his money in manufacturing enterprises, but which will insure to the worker adequate wages and continuous employment. Whatever degree of protection may be necessary to guarantee an adequate return to capital, generous wages to labor and stimulus to engage in new undertakings that the party he leads is prepared to grant. And the last is perhaps the most important of all since Canada is

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