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AFRAID OF THE ISSUE

Partisan politics aside, the one question before all patriotic Canadians today is whether or not reciprocity will benefit the Dominion.

If the Conservatives are right in their contention, it, as they say, our railroads will be ruined, our farmers injured, the country robbed of its natural resources.

Terrified politically by the issue of reciprocity, which they believe will ensure the defeat of their party at the polls, Conservative newspapers everywhere are branding all their energies to divert attention from the economic advantages of reciprocal trade.

The Conservatives enter this campaign beaten. They know that the day of extreme protection has gone by. They know that all over the Anglo-Saxon world there is a movement toward greater freedom of trade, and greater equality of opportunity.

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deprived of their present good prices by the competition of American produce, but this is the special province of The Toronto World. This advocate of obstruction declares that "with the duty off and reciprocity will take the duty off—the Toronto live stock market would be flooded with American sheep, and prices would drop about a dollar a head!"

"During the year ending with March, 1910, the Canadian farmers sold sheep in the United States to the value of \$287,696. On these they or the people who bought them paid \$103,919 to the United States Treasury. This will be remitted by the tariff relief agreement.

"When relief is effected the men who raise live animals for the market will be less liable of being punished by temporary local glut in the market, and consumers will be less likely to suffer through temporary shortages. These abnormal fluctuations, now used with free alternation to warn buyers against high prices under freedom, afford opportunities for middlemen, but seldom benefit either producers or consumers.

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The Debates regarding the treaty as a praiseworthy effort to reduce the chances of war though as it understands the text, it does not mean the absolute suppression of those chances. A mixed commission which will weigh non-justifiable difficulties will be a powerful brake on dangerous national passions but the real efficacy of the commission the paper thinks, will depend vastly upon the merits of the men composing it.

ONLY ROSES

To a garden full of posies Cometh one to gather flowers, And he wanders through its bowers Toying with the wanton roses.

In a nest of weeds and nettles Lay a violet, half hidden, Hoping that his glance unhidden Yet might fall upon her petals.

IN LIGHTER VEIN



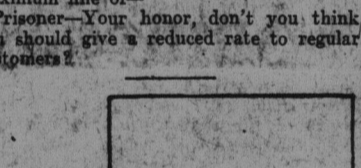
CONFUSING. "Did your late employer give you a testimonial?" "Yes, but it doesn't seem to do me any good."

"What did he say?" "He said I was one of the best men his firm had ever turned out."



WHOLESALE RATES. Magistrate—How many times have you been arrested?" Prisoner—Seven, your honor.

Magistrate—Then I shall impose the maximum fine of— Prisoner—Your honor, don't you think you should give a reduced rate to regular customers?"



LIGHT AHEAD. Poet—I wrote this poem in five minutes this morning.

Editor—If you really wrote a poem that long in five minutes, you can easily make a living by your pen.

Editor—Yes. You can get a dollar a thousand addressing envelopes.

PLenty of STABILITY. A western mining prospector was paying his first visit to New York.

"What do you think of it?" asked the proud Gothamite as he pointed out the skyscrapers.

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