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NORTH AND SOUTH TRADE Canadian Pacific stock has advanced fifty percent, more or less, since January last.

This is the answer of the investing public to the Conservative allegation that the reciprocity pact means the ruin of the Canadian railways. This stock sold last week at 247 on an income basis of four per cent.

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wood directly, and only by indirection can it be won. This philosophy is reflective and derived. It is built upon experience and contemplation. It represents a secondary stage of progress and is not primitive like that enunciated by the New York legislator.

In spite of a general sufficiency of food and drink and troops of friends, men and women are not bubbling over with happiness. There is, as a rule, a fly in the ointment. Dr. John Brown's pleasant story of the gravity of his dog, replied: "Oh, sir! life is full of seriousness to him—he can just never get enough of 'fechtin'."

It may be that the result of all philosophy on the subject is somewhat negative, and that as men increase in knowledge they will increase in sorrow. But that negative result at least proves that the formula of the New York lawmaker is hopelessly inadequate. An increase of luxury in the ways of living for a time seemed to be good.

WHICH IS RIGHT Discussing the dissolution of Parliament, the Standard, in its first editorial yesterday morning, said, with some attempt at solemnity:

"The sudden decision of the government to dissolve Parliament and precipitate a general election in a high handed piece of business, for which no valid excuse can be offered."

It is quite a relief to turn from the indignation of the Standard editor to an interview with Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P., in that same newspaper. Dr. Daniel, who could not foresee the Standard editorial at the time, and so did not know that an outrage had been committed, spoke as follows:

"An election on the reciprocity issue is what the Conservative party has been fighting for, and the announcement that the government had decided to abandon its efforts to force parliament to ratify the reciprocity convention without consulting the people will cause general satisfaction in the Conservative ranks and among the people generally."

That gentleman is in a somewhat unfortunate position, because, while he is a deserving man in many respects, he has felt compelled to belittle the attempts to build up a great port here and to speak slightly of the work done by the Minister of Public Works for St. John and the province.

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deceive the electors as to the record of the party on this question. But this is a question of ethics and morality, over which they will remain more than usual calm. The question of ignorance will give them more concern.

The Liberal party is now confronted by a magnificent opportunity to carry the city as well as the county, and at the coming convention, if all the delegates set before themselves as the most important thing the thought of selecting the best candidate, there will be no doubt about the result. Almost everybody in St. John is heartily in favor of the forward policy which the Minister of Public Works has followed, and there are very few who fail to appreciate what he has done in causing the Federal government to undertake wharf building in St. John harbor.

It should not be difficult to select as a running mate for the Minister of Public Works some sterling Liberal who will assist in bringing out the full party strength, and behind whom all Liberals would rally for the political redemption of the city.

In other parts of the province, while much work remains to be done, the Liberal party is in excellent fighting condition. Mr. Todd will run again in Charlotte, and though he may be opposed, the Conservatives will have no hope of beating him.

THE OTHER SIDE OF IT While many of the Conservative newspapers have been attempting to prove, by insinuation or by open assertion, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is disloyal and that his policies are separatist in tendency.

Conservative editors in search of material hostile to the Canadian Prime Minister would do well to read a speech delivered July 31 at Terrebonne by Mr. Jean Prevost, ex-Minister of Mines and Colonization in the Liberal provincial government of Quebec.

Hon. L. O. Taillon, ex-Prime Minister of Quebec, said there was no need of such heavy expenditure on the Canadian navy. Dr. Eugene Paquet, M. P. for L'Islet, a Conservative, said:

"I accuse our Ministers of having made arrangements with Great Britain suicidal to our political autonomy. I accuse them of burdening our exchequer with expenses that the country will be unable to shoulder. I accuse them of piloting us into the abyss of Imperialism."

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British preference will not be affected, as we took good care when we negotiated the treaty with France two years ago that the British preference should not be affected. The British preference is a part of our fiscal policy, and it will remain a part of our policy so long as the Laurier government remains in office."

Can any such frank and honest expression of policy be found on the part of the leader of the Opposition? It is not to be found anywhere. On the contrary, he is still hostile to that policy. At the time of its introduction the Conservative party said that it was not patriotic on the part of Canada to give a preference to Great Britain, unless the Mother Country was prepared to give us a preference in her own market also.

The manufacturers are still hostile to this preference, and in the event of their being able to defeat the will of the people, their next step will be to have the preference removed. Not only will the preference be removed but the Manufacturers' Association will insist upon Canada raising a still higher wall around the country—a wall which will enable them to receive back four-fold the amount they are now eager to spend to defeat the will of the people.

It is evidently not the intention of Mr. Borden to make this a campaign of reason and commonsense; every effort will be made to muddle the issue and appeal to passion and prejudice.

TITLES An earldom by reason of its antiquity and associations is the most impressive of all the titles in the peerage. But an earl's children are the half-castes of the peerage.

"When an earl gets a marquess, it is worth a hundred thousand pounds in hard money to his family." The explanation of this utterance is that, whereas an earl's youngest sons are "misterys," a marquess' younger sons are "lords."

Mr. Russell in his "Collections and Recollections," says that in 1880 a member of the house of Russell (in which there are certain Whiggish traditions of jobbery) was fighting a hotly contested election, and his ardent supporters brought out an arcaistic placard—"Benjamin, Earl of Beauford!" he made himself an earl and the people roar; to which a rejoinder was instantly forthcoming—"John, Earl of Russell!" he made himself an earl and his relations rich.

Pitt destroyed, deliberately and forever, the exclusive character of the British peerage when, as Lord Beaconsfield said, he "created a plebeian aristocracy and blended it with the patrician oligarchy."

In the event of Mr. Asquith deciding to create a batch of new lords, he would find many good radicals who would be willing to "serve their country" in this manner. But as the appointments would not be made because of peculiar ability and fitness, it is doubtful if they would greatly improve that body.

NOTE AND COMMENT St. John heard a rumor Tuesday that France and Germany had gone to war. As a matter of fact the war-cloud appears to be shrinking.

The good prospect that the Harvey and Salisbury railway will be reopened throughout its length and taken over by the I. C. R. will be most pleasing to residents of the country traversed by that road.

Sir Charles Tupper said the British preference was a death blow to Canadian industries. He really thought so. And some of those who are predicting disaster through the pending tariff relief are really in earnest.—Toronto Globe.

A correspondent tells of a warm reception that is awaiting Mr. Hazen in Queensbury because of the neglect to repair a bridge on the Central railway necessary to haul coal out of the Minto mines. The reception is not of the sort a homecoming statesman would desire to encounter—but it is waiting.

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The reception the Liberals of this city and province will give the chieftain who has led them to victory so often and so gloriously will be in itself the forerunner of another great triumph on September 21. Sir Wilfrid's Maritime tour will be an event long to be remembered like by him and by his followers. It will warm the hearts of both. Conservatives fear Sir Wilfrid politically, but they cannot dislike him and they are compelled to admire him.

Courtenay Bay has been the subject of a sensational Conservative campaign article in the Montreal Gazette. The writer of the article, in the course of a violent effort to make some political capital for his party, indirectly charged the Minister of Public Works with all sorts of improper intentions. As tenders for the great work in Courtenay Bay were only recently called for, and none has yet been accepted, the Tory writer was compelled to deal in conjecture only. Of course the attack falls

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It is reported that Hon. Robert Maxwell is seeking an appointment in the gift of the local government. In his cabinet position unsatisfactory, or must that other man have it?

The Public Utilities Commission Monday handed down its decision in the Telephone case. The Telegraph gives much space to the finding this morning, publishing it in full. There are several interesting features. Generally, the decision is in favor of the company. There is one sop to the complainants—the reduction by half of the price of extension sets, to take effect at the end of the current quarter.

The community received a severe shock Monday when the sudden and untimely death of Sheriff Ritchie became known. He was a popular official and one with a high sense of duty. As a man he was a warm-hearted and true friend, with many other admirable qualities. In a very wide circle he will be sincerely mourned. He seemed in the prime of life and in the enjoyment of excellent health, and his unexpected demise is a great blow to all who knew him.

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The Minister of Public Works, in a speech made in the House of Commons just before dissolution, expressed the view that his party should carry twelve of the thirteen seats in New Brunswick at the coming elections. There are few men so acquainted with the political situation here who will regard Dr. Pugsley's estimate as excessive. Certainly in the next Parliament the city of St. John should be represented by a Liberal member. When we take into consideration what has been

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Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

How thankful we should be, my friends, the weather is so warm! No frosty sky above us bends, we fear no arctic storm! Sweet summer lingers with us yet, the good old fashioned sort: SIZZLING and down my face refreshing sweat is rolling by the quart. The sun is sizzling through the skies, and paints its pathway red; the dear, delightful, sportive flies are dancing on my head. As I contemplate the boons that cluster over me, I eat another dish of prunes and shed some tears of glee. Now while we loll in comfort here, let's think of others' woes; the Eskimo who drives his deer among the drifted snows—what would he give to sit with us, the mercury beside, and fan himself, and cuss, and cuss, while being slowly fried? What would the man of Lapland give to quit his native soil, in this, our sunny land, to live, and watch his whiskers broil? I do not have to shovel snow, and that is surely nice; and never am I asked to throw coal ashes on the ice; you do not see me on the fire big chunks of cordwood slam. What more could any man desire! I'm happy as a clam.

ABSORB From a Box of... trouble and... horse can be... not entirely... horse... bind... Violes, Parrot... Will you give it... M. J. YOUNG, P.F.F.