

SIR WILFRID LAURIER

RE: RECIPROCIITY

"Sometimes I realize that I have reached the allotted span, the three score years and ten. I may not live to see it, but the time will come, my friends, when my fellow-countrymen will wonder if after all, Fielding and Laurier were not right in seeking freer trade in natural products with our neighbors, while increasing our trade with England through British preference. Even my brilliant young friend from Calgary (Mr. Bennett) may concede it sometime. I cannot pierce the mists of the future, none of us can, but I am confident coming years will vindicate our course."

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