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FOR THE CRITIC.

THE UNFINISHED PICTURE.

On the easel stands a picture, And half completed the it be, The painted eyes upon the canvas Seem to gaze out mournfully.

And the tints upon the palette,
That were mixed with tender care.
Dust has dimmed and spoilt their beauty,
Once so delicate and fair.

There, a sheaf of brushes lying, Daubed with paint but scarcely dry, Where the artist's hands have left them, As he left them, there they lie.

See a spider's thread of silver Stretched across the empty chair, While the picture stands unfinished; Why is not the painter there?

Hush, step softly. Hear the echo Of that mournful funeral note, That the great bell in you tower Utters from its iron throat,

But his work upon the easel,
Who the idle brush can take,
And following out the painter's fancy,
A work of glorious beauty make?

None. No touch is like the master's, None is found to fill his place. The thought is dead with the artist's brain, Unfinished lies the painted face.

Take the picture from the easel, Turn the sad eyes to the wall, Leave the studio silent, empty, Death must come to one and all!

Robin Adair.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Critic,-Now I suppose it will be war to the knite. A general olection never fails to stir up the worst passions of many men, and political warfare is as unmanly as it is degrading. The end always justifies the means, and shrewdness, cunning, deceit and craftiness are at a premium.

The two great political parties are both striving for place and power, striving to prove that each is entitled to the confidence of the electors, that the principles upheld by each are correct, and that the welfare of the people of this country is dependent on the adoption of a certain defined policy. What may these policies be?

The supporters of the Government believe in protecting the industries of the country against foreign competition, and at the same time they declare themselves favorable to a fair measure of reciprocity with the United States. The supporters of the opposition denounce protection to home industries as wrong in principle and perilous in practice, at the same time they declare themselves in favor of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States.

We have here two well-defined policies, upon which the electors are asked to express an opinion, but what need for the abuse and scurrility with which the press teems. I may believe that protection and a measure of reciprocity is inconsistent, or I may believe that unrestricted reciprocity is a will o' the wisp, but why am I open to abuse because I hold either belief?

One thing is certain, both parties believe that better trade relations with the United States would be of advantage to Canada, and the only real difference of opinion is as to the measure of this reciprocity of trade. Unrestricted reciprocity involves a higher protective tariff against the rest of the world and direct taxation. If this is not true I would like to hear the arguments against it. Protection with a measure of reciprocity would to my mind fill the bill, and would be most acceptable to all classes in the community, and this being my individual opinion, I for one shall feel it my duty to support the Government at the ensuing elections. This is my view of the situation, but I do not feel that I have a grievence against any of my friends for thinking differently and voting accordingly. The electors of Canada are called upon to use their judgment in deciding as to which policy is the best for this country, and I have faith to believe that whether the verdict be for or against my opinion, it will be in the best interests of the people of our Dominion.

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

CHEESE FACTORY FOR MABOU. - A meeting was held at Mabou last week to consider the propriety of establishing a cheese factory in that district. Dr Cameron, M.P., was elected chairman, and John McKeen secretary of the meeting. L. C. Archibald, of Autigonish, submitted to the farmers of Mabou the terms on which he would undertake to build, equip and operate a cheese factory there. After some discussion on the subject it was decided by the meeting that Mr. Archibald's torms be accepted, and that a cheese factory be crected at Mahou. No place in the Maritime Provinces is better suited to meet all the requirements of a first-class cheese factory than is the farming district of Mahou. The grazing grounds of the locality are excellent, and the high reputation for the quality and quantity of butter for which the County of Inverness is noted will likewise apply to the necessary requirements of cheese making.—N. S. Herald.

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