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HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

The following is an extract from a speech delivered by Sir John A. Macdonald in 1876. It shows that from that day to this Macdonald to McPherson the Conservative Party has not changed in its tariff policy. It is a policy that will appeal to the farmer and manufacturer alike as it did in 1876.

Gentlemen, there is another issue between the present Government and the Opposition. We are in favor of a tariff that will incidentally give protection to our manufacturing industries. We believe that that can be done, and if it will give a home market to our farmers. The farmers will be satisfied when they know that large bodies of operatives are working in the mills and manufactories in every village and town in the country. They know that every man of them is a consumer and that he must have pork and flour, beef and all that the farmers raise, and they know that instead of being obliged to send their grain to a foreign and uncertain market they will have a market at their own door. And the careful housewife, every farmer's wife, will know that everything that is produced under her care—the poultry, the eggs, the butter, and the garden stuff—will find a ready and profitable market in the neighboring town or village.

No country is great with only one industry. Agriculture is our most important, but it cannot be our only staple. All men are not fit to be farmers; there are men with mechanical and manufacturing genius who desire to become operatives or manufacturers of some kind, and we must have means to employ them, and when there is a large body of successful and prosperous farmers and a large body of successful and prosperous manufacturers, the farmer will have a home market for his produce, and the manufacturer a home market for his goods, and we shall have nothing to fear.

TARIFF IS THE ONE VITAL ISSUE.

It is rather amusing to notice how some politicians, when crowded into a corner over the weakness of their tariff stand, shout out that the tariff is not the main issue. They would be more truthful if they said they wish it were not the one vital issue. Unfortunately for them, the facts are all against them. The United Farmer Movement was started with the tariff as the dominating issue, and the propaganda of the movement extending over years, has been based on it and on practically nothing else. It was in that issue that the Hon. Mr. Crear left the Unionist Government, so that he might be free to carry on his free trade assaults. The Liberals, scared out of their boots by the spread of Farmer movement, slavishly copied the Farmer platform almost word for word. The Toronto Globe has been preaching lower tariff and denouncing protection until it is almost black in the face. The Farmer's Sun and the Grain Growers' Guide have harped and harped on the ineffectiveness of protection until their poor old heads are almost strangled. The tariff, the whole tariff and nothing but the tariff has been the United Farmer and the Liberal battle cry ever since the war ended, and it is too late for them to say anything to the contrary.

MEASURES, NOT MEN.

At this crisis in the country's history, it is pitiful to hear some men express the cynical view that, although Crear and King talk free trade and lower tariff, they would not put either in operation if they got into office. There could be no more dangerous talk than that. It strikes at the roots of honesty and decency in public life; it amounts to a denial of principle in politics; it is an acceptance of the detestable doctrine of bluff. The question we ask seriously is: If public men are not to be taken at their face value, are not to be judged by their public utterances and the platforms solemnly adopted at representative conventions of the parties they lead, how in the name of heaven can people arrive at proper conclusions?

Men who laugh and say politics is only a game and politicians do not mean what they say, are not worthy citizens. They would not take the same attitude in their business relationships. Why then do they laugh and sneer about politics, particularly when the issues at stake so greatly affect the whole business interests of the country? The sooner that sort of loose talk, which we strongly support springs from inability, which we utterly condemn, the better for the country as a whole and for all

In selecting Dr. O. B. Price as their candidate in Westmorland instead of Col. Boyd Anderson, who for personal reasons found it impossible to go into the campaign, the Conservative party in that County have made about the best selection possible. Dr. Price is as a matter of fact about as strong a man as could have been found, being not only a seasoned politician, but an immensely popular one all round. He should have no trouble to win under ordinary conditions.

When I got home to supper last night, I found Pop very busy hiding The Globe. So I said, "What's the big idea, Pop?" "My boy," said Pop, "there's a place in it where it says that a Toronto court says that a wife may be the head of the home, and if your ma sees it, then you and me'll have to go out and board." "Right o'," says I, "lets burn it." Which we did.

Words having as many as ten different meanings are said to be common in the Chinese language, which perhaps is the reason why one's laundry check doesn't always insure the return of one's own laundry.

What has gone down in price I see, but I suppose the grocers will say that it is the cost of the bags and barrels that keeps the price of flour up.

I see in the paper where Judge Slipp gave some fellows a couple of years in the pen, for stealing some Hart's books. This sets you guessing what the fellows would have got if they had pinched anything of any value.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Sometime Liberal Opinion

"Whatever our American friends may have intended by their trade policy, there is one thing they certainly have done, they have made Canadians more independent and self-reliant, and have caused them to look more steadily than before to their home market and to their market overseas, where there is an open door for them. Therefore, the market of our friends to the south is much less important to us than it was a few years ago, and we are better able to do without receiving anything from them than we were previously. This is the history of Canada."—Hon. W. S. Fielding in the Canadian Parliament, May 2, 1899 (Hansard, p. 2477.)

Just So.
(Toronto Free Press.)
F. M. Chapman, a "farmer expert," who is candidate for the Progressive party in Southwestern Ontario, is a supporter of moderate protection. His leader, Mr. Crear, declares that protection is unjust and immoral. What is the use of taking a party seriously when every man in it seems to have nothing to do with it? It is to be making his own platform regardless of the official stand? Hon. Duncan Marshall, who is a Liberal candidate in Alberta, declares he will "have nothing to do with the protection of protection." W. D. Butler, Liberal candidate in North Waterloo, says he is a firm Protectionist. The Opposition groups are succeeding admirably in being all things to all men. They are imitating well the shiftiness and lack of principle shown by their leaders.

Canada's "Prosperity."
It is rather a pointed reflection of Mr. Crear's estimate of Canadian people that he should ask political audiences, "Has protection made you prosperous?" Does he expect them to say "No?" The people of Canada as a whole cannot deny that they have been prosperous, far beyond the degree reached in most other countries. The average person in this country has a better standard of living, more opportunities, more enjoyment of life, and less of distress, than in any other country of similar general development.

We attained to a larger foreign trade per capita than the United States, as large bank deposits, almost as large manufactured output, almost equal general production. Statistics of comparison published in the Manufacturers' Record of Baltimore showed that a year ago Canada had more business per capita than the United States, then the leading commercial nation in the world. Even today, when world reaction from the war has affected Canada like the other nations and when low agricultural prices in particular hit the life earnings of Canada's chief producing class, Canada has comparatively easy conditions. The United States has three times as much unemployment, relatively. Britain's economic problem has the Government at its wits' end. Continental Europe is submerged by war debt. Australia and New Zealand have far bigger public burdens than Canada, with a much smaller general resource of industry out of which to carry them.

Canada has many reasons for thankfulness. The depression that came with the break in prices, and readjustment to a peace basis is slowly passing off. Next Spring, probably, will see this country settled down to a stable condition. Prosperity is a matter of comparison, and while conditions today cannot compare in individual effect, with those of two years ago, yet as a nation Canada is today in far better intrinsic condition than she was two years ago. Now we are settling down to pay our way, to make current earnings meet expenses, and put ourselves on a safe basis. As we again begin accumulating savings or surplus funds we are laying the groundwork for what is popularly termed "greater prosperity"—better returns and more opportunities to all. And Protection is helping us to do it.

HOW ADEQUATE PROTECTION HELPS WHOLE COMMUNITY

By Building Up Industrial and Manufacturing Plants, It Draws Increased Population and Thus Provides Profitable Markets for All the Produce the Farmers Can Raise.

The little city of St. John's, Quebec, had a population of 4,200 in 1904, with 10 manufacturing plants. Today it has no less than 17 manufacturing plants. Its population is 8,200 and its City Attorney came before the Tariff Committee at Montreal to explain just what its industrial development had meant to the community. "I am speaking for the town," said Mr. Jacques Cartier. "Before the manufacturers came to St. John's we were practically stagnant. The great improvement that has taken place since then is essentially due to important manufacturing concerns that have been established here."

Sir Henry Drayton: How are the farmers doing?
Mr. Cartier: They are doing splendidly. They are more than paying the mortgages on their farms. They are putting money into the bank; the deposits in the banks are increasing in a way that is really extraordinary.
Sir Henry Drayton: From farmers?
Mr. Cartier: From farmers especially.
Sir Henry Drayton: You say they are now paying their mortgages. Do you mean they are paying their mortgages off?
Mr. Cartier: Ten or twelve years ago lots of farms were mortgaged to secure the balance of the sale price. These mortgages have been paid and they are putting money in the bank. They are the largest depositors. I know one bank in the city of St. John's which has actually more than \$1,000,000 in deposits, practically all from farmers.
Sir Henry: From farmers? How about the value of farm lands?
Mr. Cartier: Farm lands have greatly increased in value. Sales at from \$7,000 to \$8,000, and sometimes \$10,000, and more than that are of daily occurrence.
Sir Henry Drayton: How much more is that than the sales ten years ago?
Mr. Cartier: There has been a forty per cent. increase, if not more.

THE TELEGRAPH CALLED IT A "JOB"

The Times (yesterday) said: "Hon. Macdonald King is not injured in public estimation by the efforts to make him appear ridiculous, nor do flings at Uncle Sam cause the people to forget that the government which pretends to fear the machinations of the Yankees has purchased a thousand miles or so of railroad in the United States, with grain elevator, and terminals, which must be fed at the expense of Canadian roads and terminals or be a still greater source of loss to the owners—who are the Canadian people."

The Telegraph, Nov. 2nd, 1904.
CLOSE THE DOOR TO PORTLAND.

"Tomorrow the elections of Canada will have their last chance to kill the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme."

In St. John and New Brunswick there are reasons for voting against the railway deal which patriotic voters with the interests of their city and province at heart cannot afford to ignore.
"It is the same and safe policy to bury under a substantial majority every candidate who defends the railway bargain."

"Mr. Blair, who was in the cabinet as minister of railways, and who knew all the secrets of the administration, said he could not steer the G. T. P. bill through parliament unless he wore a mask and carried a dark lantern. No comment is required to strengthen this characterization of the government's bargain with the Grand Trunk."

"The deal if now approved by the people, shuts the door against nationalization of our transportation system."

"In common with the rest of the people of Canada New Brunswickers demand a transcontinental which would be all-Canadian in conception and in operation—a railroad owned and controlled by the people and operated in their interests."

"What is offered?"
"The government hands over the new road, the cost of which the people guarantee, to a corporation which has its Atlantic terminus at Portland."

"All freight will go as the shipper routes it. Let the shipper say 'Portland' and not a pound of freight will come to St. John. The contract leaves the Portland door wide open, and the government is now sustained by the electorate."
"But the people of this country can close the Portland door tomorrow for all time, if they stand fast for Canadian interests and hurl from power the administration which is now making a final attempt to foist this iniquitous and un-Canadian project upon the country."
"Party considerations are of no account today in the face of the high duty confronting every voter."

"Tomorrow the Grand Trunk-Portland issue should be settled for all time. It is the duty of electors in this and every other constituency to assist in saving the country from a scheme which no man can afford to defend."

"The vote tomorrow will prove that the country utterly condemns the railway job."

THE LAUGH LINE

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Obituary

William Burton.
The death of William Burton occurred early yesterday morning at his residence, 362 Main street, after an illness of three weeks. He was seventy-three years of age, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to this country 45 years ago. He is survived by his wife and eight children. The sons are William and George of St. John, and James and Allan of the West. The daughters are Mrs. H. R. Roberts, Mrs. W. P. Colwell, Mrs. P. W. McNichol of St. John, and Miss Jessie Burton at home. Friends will deeply sympathize with them. Mr. Burton was very well known in the city as the proprietor of the American Dye Works. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

The death of Robert L. Parker occurred at his residence, Peters street, on Sunday afternoon, after an illness of two days. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Robert Carson of St. John, two brothers, Captain Alfred Parker of England, and Captain Raymond Parker of Boston, and by numerous nieces and nephews. The funeral service will be private. Many friends will be sorry to learn of his death.

The death of Angus McIntosh, B. C., on October 18th, of Angus McIntosh, at the advanced age of ninety-four years. He was a native of Kent County, and is survived by four of his family. The surviving members are Miss Anna, Donald and David of Vancouver, B. C., and Mrs. J. M. K. Letson at present in London; also one brother, Duncan McIntosh of Hexton, N. B.

U. S. Senate Asks Publicity of Conference Doings

Washington, Nov. 8.—The United States delegation to the Armament Conference was requested in a resolution offered by Senator Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, and adopted today

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