

Election Opinions

"WINNIPEG TELEGRAM

The Telegram said in part: "Canada has vindicated her position, her common sense, and her imperial spirit. The country has suffered from misgovernment, and it has sent the chief authors of maladministration back to the obscurity from which they should never have emerged. To cover its maladministration of our affairs, this government introduced an unpatriotic policy which had a false appearance of benefitting the people, and endeavored to use it to deceive them. The Canadian people have unmistakably declared that they desire statesmen of honesty, integrity and capacity to be their leaders, not quack doctors, fortune tellers or thimble riggers."

This is not a victory for a particular political party. It is a victory for Canadians in the character of their citizenship and a victory for Canada in her future destiny.

Reciprocity is dead. Save for men elected for some individual excellence or local considerations, or those returned from constituencies in which reciprocity was not an issue, Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns to Parliament with no support at all. They have had their referendum on reciprocity. And now they have the result.

These imposters in statesmanship have been bragging for years that Canada is a nation, and that they have made it such. They have forgotten that Canada really is a nation and must so be treated. We have shown, not the politicians only who planned our undoing, but the empire, the United States and the world, that Canada is a nation, and that the flag she chooses is the Union Jack of Empire."

WINNIPEG FREE PRESS

The Winnipeg Free Press says in part: "This is a country where majorities rule. The majority may be right or wrong; it may be influenced in reaching its decision by arguments that are not sound or by means that are not admirable; nevertheless, when a clear decision is rendered, sensible people submit to it, philosophically, even though they may disagree with it."

"A straight, clear issue was put up to the Canadian people in the elections settled yesterday. They were asked to say whether they desired reciprocity in natural products with the United States. They have decided by a substantial majority that they do not. Incidental to this decision, the Liberal government, headed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, has been defeated."

"Liberals should accept the situation with good nature. They have been in power for more than fifteen years—a very long period. The time has come for them to go into opposition, where it will still be possible for them to render the state valuable service."

"The reins of power and the responsibilities of office have passed, by the judgment of the people, to the Conservatives. The issue, being thus settled for a term of years, Canadians of all parties will extend to R. L. Borden their best wishes that he may be successful in giving Canada a creditable and efficient administration."

TORONTO GLOBE

The Toronto Globe of September 22 said: "The government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier goes out of power on a great issue. Believing as it did that the offer of the United States to exchange natural products with Canada on a duty free basis would prove advantageous to both countries, the government risked its life on the issue of reciprocity and lost it. The people of Ontario do not like their neighbors to the south. That is emphatically the lesson of yesterday's election. Liberals in tens of thousands must have joined with Conservatives in city and country to show their objection to having any 'truck or trade with the Yankees.'"

"The other provinces of the Dominion, taken together, gave a majority for Laurier and larger markets, but, by an overwhelming vote Ontario has declared that she will have nothing to do with reciprocity. The campaign orators of the Conservative party builded better than they knew when, during the last two weeks of the campaign, they appealed

to the people of this province to save Canada from the Americans. They created a wave of feeling that was not observable on the surface, but that nevertheless swept the voters from their political moorings in vast numbers."

The Anti-American Sentiment

"That the wave of anti-American sentiment will speedily subside is entirely probable. It mounted too high to last. But the drift will remain, and until Ontario becomes less powerful relatively in the councils of the nation than she will be in the opening period of the Borden administration, there will be no hope of better trade relations with the people of the United States. The tariff wall will remain. The more ardent high protectionists may even seek to raise it still higher. If that is to be the policy of the victors, the reign of Mr. Borden will not be long unchallenged."

Still Against High Protection

The Globe still stands against high protection. It believes that reciprocity

Laurier has amid the wreck the very great satisfaction of knowing that, despite the most desperate efforts of the Bourassa-Borden commission, his own province stood true to the statesman who, in defeat as in victory, is still the greatest Canadian."

NEW YORK WORLD

"Popular stupidity has rarely won a more decisive victory than it gained in Canada yesterday, when reciprocity was defeated at the polls. The credit for the result must be variously apportioned. Part belongs to the manufacturing interests, which are as highly protected in Canada as they are in the United States. Part belongs to the Canadian Pacific railroad, which is more concerned about its own dividends than about the welfare of the Canadian people. Part of it belongs to the United Empire loyalists, part to the super-patriotic Canadian element, which feverishly feared that reciprocity might lead to annexation, and part to the American protected interests, which bitterly resisted reciprocity here in congress and helped to defeat reciprocity."

NEW YORK TRIBUNE

"Canadian voters have evidently been

months ago, for reasons of his own. Mr. Taft took them at their word. Under his influence and with the active assistance of the Democrats in congress, the measure, so far as we are concerned, was carried. Now Canadians, heeding alarms of imperialism, terror of annexation and frantic appeals of interested classes to "patriotism," have rejected our advice and pinned their faith to Toryism, empire, non-intercourse and privilege. We have learned something and Canadians will learn something later on."

ADVANCING YEARS

"Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day."
—2 Cor. IV. 16.

You shun me, seemingly afraid
That I, perchance, may chill your heart,
And all your springs of life congeal
That from this fountain have their start.
But stay a while, you may delight
In these brief madrigals of night.

The poet sings of youth and morn,
And childish glee inspires their verse;
Old age apparently they scorn,
Not seldom meeting with their curse.
I grant you, youth and glee unite,
But sure! there's majesty in night?

A sight sublimer far than day
The evening shade so oft proclaims,
That never ending bright array
Which He Who made calls by their names.

Thus, what in one respect we lose,
We gain; how hard it is to choose!

Each decade doth convince our frame
Of something lost; some sense grown dim.

The outward man, it doth decay;
The inward man, oh, thanks to Him!
Grows livelier as the years advance,
Though bodies numbed, still spirits dance.

F. T. BRAMSTON.

Wootton Wawen.

Note.—Rev. F. T. Bramston is one of the many vicars of English Parish churches who are enthusiastic over the idea of the English-Canadian Harvest Thanksgiving.

Question Drawer

This department of The Guide is open to all readers, and it is hoped that they will take advantage of it. All questions relating to the problems of the farmer of Western Canada will be answered in this department. Write questions on one side of the paper only, and send only one question on one sheet of paper. Join in making this department of the greatest value.

MUST HAVE NAMES

Questions sent in without the name of the sender attached will not be answered. The name will not be used if not desired, but it must be sent in as a guarantee of good faith.

SHIPPING VEGETABLES

F. W. R., Esterhazy, Sask.—Would it pay to ship vegetables to Winnipeg in less than carlots? Say 50 bags of potatoes, 10 of carrots, five of onions, a few bags of beet, swede turnips and cabbages, probably 125 bags in all?

Ans.—The freight on potatoes from Esterhazy to Winnipeg in less than car lots is 40 cents per 100 pounds, and on the other vegetables mentioned 52 cents per 100 pounds in shipped boxes or 77 cents in bags. Potatoes are now worth about 50 cents a bushel, carrots 40 cents, beets 50 cents, turnips 30 cents, onions 1 1/4 cents a pound and cabbage \$10 a ton. It will be seen that except in the case of potatoes and onions, practically the whole value of the vegetables mentioned would be absorbed by the freight charges, and there would not be much left by the grower on those. Dominion Produce Co., or Laing Bros., of Winnipeg, buy or dispose of all kinds of vegetables.

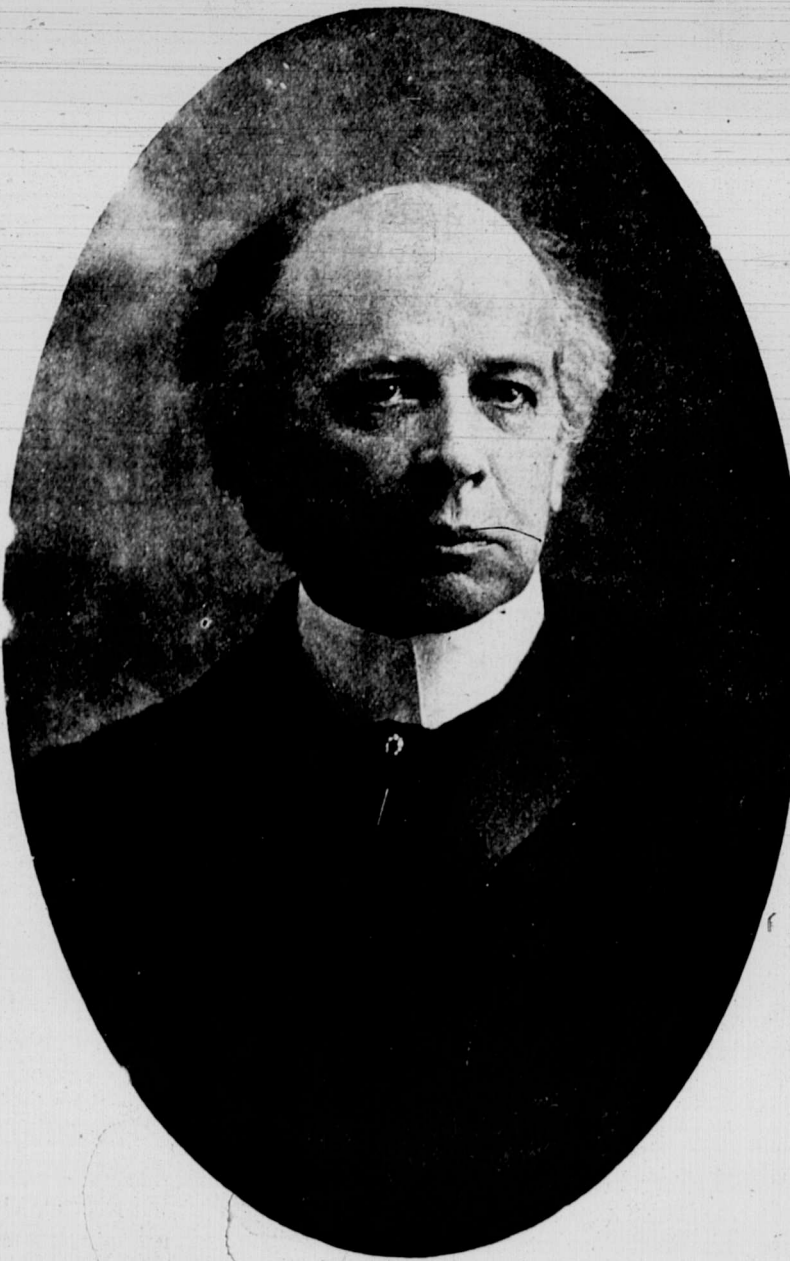
FROZEN FLAX NOT GOOD FEED

F. S.—Would frozen flax be good for feeding purposes? It is out in head and the flax seed is all soft and will never come to anything, only dry up. It has a good deal of leaf on stalk.—Would it be better than feeding wild hay that is just cut?

Ans.—Flax straw is not good feed, as the fibre which it contains cannot be digested and forms balls in the stomach of cattle or horses, which does them more harm than the feed which it contains does good. If the flax cannot be threshed the best use you can make of it is for bedding.

ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC

"For more than 40 years the ablest of Canadian statesmen have urged reciprocity upon the United States. A few



SIR WILFRID LAURIER

in natural products would be to the advantage of Canada. It believes that some day Ontario will feel sufficiently loyal to trade with the people of the United States, without fearing that trade will be followed by political union. It will continue to preach the doctrine of international good-will, in the confident hope that as Canada grows in proportion and in material resources she will grow also in her outlook upon world politics."

"It is a matter of very great regret," the Globe says, "that so many of the leaders of the Liberal party should be among the defeated. It will be some time before Mr. Borden can gather around him heads for his various departments who will measure up to them. Sir Wilfrid

governed more by prejudice than by reason in rejecting a friendly trade agreement by which Canada and the United States would undoubtedly have profited. Though Canada has temporarily refused to sanction a compact intended to expand American-Canadian commerce, the United States will not alter its attitude of friendliness or cease to hope that another agreement aiming at the same results as the Taft-Laurier compact will some day be approved by both nations."