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A PURCHASED FRIENDSHIP.

The United States is a highly protected country. Great Britain is a free trade country. The latter is discussing the advisability of becoming a protectionist country, but the United States says, No, if you put on a tariff against us that will prevent the United States from exploiting your market you will forfeit our friendship!

That is the attitude adopted by the New York Sun in a lengthy editorial entitled "A Consolidated British Empire vs. American Good Will." In the first place it contends that several decades will pass before Canada can supplant the United States as the granary of the British empire. Secondly, that even if Canada were in a position to supply Britain with food she could not do so in the event of a continental war.

"Admitting the possibility that some decades hence the Northwest provinces of the Canadian Dominion might in peace times be able to supply all the grain needed by England's population, let us see of what use the Canadian supply would be to Great Britain, in the event of a war with a continental coalition. It is obvious that under such circumstances very little, if any, Canadian wheat could reach England in British bottoms, because the British fleet would be needed to defend England from invasion, and would not possess enough surplus strength to police the North Atlantic. Canadian wheat could then reach England only through American seaports and in vessels under the American flag."

This is chiefly interesting as illustrating the ridiculous lengths to which such an argument can be spun out in default of any real reasons to advance. In the first place a number of far-fetched promises must be accepted as the basis of what is in itself a shallow proposition: It would have to be supposed that Great Britain would be engaged in a war without any naval allies; next that her enemies proposed to invade England; and lastly that the naval force of Great Britain would be so completely tied up that it could spare no ships to protect its line of communications. Incidentally that the United States, which, as the Sun admits in the same article, was saved from such a European combination by Great Britain in 1898, would turn round on the occasion when Great Britain might be placed in a similar situation and requite her friendship with hostility. The supposition is worthy of the course.

By accepting the extreme case set up by the Sun as a bugaboo—that the navies of two or three continental powers were arrayed against Great Britain and she occupied a position of splendid isolation, forsaken even by her "natural ally," the United States; Great Britain could not be invaded until her fleet was defeated; therefore, there would be no need of the fleet to hang about the British coast. If her fleet were destroyed Britain would be undone anyway and her sun would set. But Britain's navy is equal to that of any two first class powers with enough ships left over to protect her line of communications from any of the enemy's navy that could be spared from the extensive task of handling the British fleet. Besides all this, such a war, if it ever did happen, would not last any length of time in these days of steam. The British fleet would lose no time in bringing the issue to a conclusion. Fleets cannot cruise for months and years away from their coal supply the way the British, French and Spanish fleets did under their own sail in Nelson's days. With Britain's recovery of food and the supplies that Canada could send there would be no danger of Britain being starved before conclusions on the sea would be tried, and on that conclusion the fate of Britain would rest as to invasion, food supply and everything else.

This is the 496th day of the North Renfrew vacancy.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Montreal Gazette.

The platform of the Massachusetts Democrats has a plank favoring reciprocity with Canada. As the Canadian's interest in reciprocity dies out, that of the people of the United States seems to increase. Our neighbors may live to put reciprocity on the list of things they might have had if they had known enough at the right time.

Some women can tell a queer story without appearing to mean any more than they say.

Some men carry religious convictions so lightly that their existence is a question.

WRECKING THE WOOLLEN MILLS

Policy of the Laurier Government has Proved a Severe Blow to Many Mechanics.

Interesting Figures Obtained by Mr. Clements on an Eastern Business Trip.

Herbert S. Clements, who is with the T. B. Taylor Co., has returned from a business trip east. While away Mr. Clements met Mr. Kendry, manager of the Canada Woollen Mills, also manager and largest stockholder in the Auburn Woollen Mills, of Peterborough.

Mr. Kendry says that the havoc which has been wrought in this Canadian industry by the Laurier preferential tariff is appalling. Many smaller mills have been wiped out entirely, while among the list of larger plants closed down are:—

The Auburn, of Peterboro, employing 185 mechanics.

The Waterloo Mills, employing 175 mechanics.

The Carleton Place Mills, employing 175 mechanics.

The Hespeler plant, employing 350 mechanics.

The Excelsior, of Quebec, employing 200 mechanics.

The Rosaman Mills, of Elmont, employing 300 mechanics.

Willett's Mills, Quebec, employing 200 mechanics.

This is simply a table of mechanics thrown out of employment and doesn't include office help, etc., which is also affected.

The main cause of the closing of these mills within the last two or three weeks is the Government's action in the matter of tariff. Here, before the Canadian mills have made the great bulk of the goods used by the wholesale clothiers, who give spring orders at this season of the year.

By reason of the tariff they have all purchased their goods in England. Canadian mills are not able to compete with cheap English labor, cheaper fuel and cheaper raw material. Then, again, these goods are an inferior brand to the honest Canadian goods made in this country, being manufactured of the cheapest stock and in a very "shoddy" manner.

It would seem that the present Government had made a dead set on the woollen mills and thrown thousands of mechanics out of employment.

While the mechanics of this country continue to support a Government which is giving a preference to cheap foreign labor instead of protecting our own industries!

READING CIRCLE

The Reading Circle in connection with the young people of Park Street Methodist church, was re-organized Tuesday night at the parsonage. Between thirty and forty members were present.

Mr. Sissons, the leader, gave an excellent introductory address on the characters of the play. The different parts were then assigned to the members of the circle for a general reading at their next meeting, after which the play will be studied critically.

These meetings are to be held every Tuesday evening in the Lecture Room of the church, and are open to all who desire to attend.

ELECTRIC ROAD

While in Toronto last week N. H. Stevens met the other directors of the Chatham Electric Railway Company. They decided to come to Chatham at as early a date as possible and interview the municipalities and find out what support they would give the road. If the different municipalities will give the road a liberal support the work of construction will be commenced at once.

Herbert L. Dunn, Mr. Mackendry and W. N. Warburton are expected here this week when they will meet the councils of the various municipalities interested with a view to learning what support will be accorded the road.

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Local Briefs

Bicycles for hire at Brisco's. If R. A. Harrington went to Toronto yesterday.

James King, of Glenora, was a Maple City visitor Tuesday.

Genuine French chewing taffy 10 cents per pound at Wigzell's.

G. C. Munroe, of Wheatley, was a Chatham visitor Tuesday.

A. J. Pike says that he will leave for Liverpool on Tuesday.

John Flook and gang of men went to Jeannette's Creek yesterday.

Garnet Park left on Tuesday for Toronto to attend the university.

Mrs. W. J. Clement, of this city, of a daughter, Tuesday morning.

K. L. Ferguson, of St. Thomas, has accepted a position at the G. T. R. freight office.

Frank Rayner has returned from Detroit and resumed his duties at the Bon Marche.

Wanted!—Dress making or plain sewing, by day. Address R. M. Rice, Chatham, Ont.

Mrs. (Dr.) Young and son Clinton, of Ridgeway, were Maple City visitors Tuesday.

O. L. Lewis returned from St. Luke's Club Tuesday. He brought back 25 ducks.

Miss Burns resumed her classes in China painting on Tuesday, Oct. 6th, at the studio, Thames street.

Ald. E. A. Mounter's horse met with an accident by falling on Lorne Ave. yesterday.

The ice dealers expect to have a shipment of ice from Leamington by Friday morning.

Mrs. A. E. Northwood will leave to join her husband at Wagon-Metals, New Mexico, to-day.

Live hogs are bringing only \$5.00 per cwt. this week. One or two cars were shipped yesterday.

Wanted, a first class saleslady for ladies furnishing department. Apply Planet Box 83, Chatham.

Dr. I. L. Nichol and Thos. Gutteridge have gone to the Owl Club for a few days' duck shooting.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bennett have sold their household effects and will leave on Monday next for St. Louis.

Arthur Corkran, who was injured at the wheel works, Saturday last, remains in about the same condition.

Miss Maude Smith, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. J. Laird, has returned to her home in Montreal.

Blight & Fielder commenced work on the new brick pavement from Wade St. to the G. T. R. on William street.

Walter Anderson fell in the drill shed Tuesday and broke his collar bone. Dr. J. W. Rutherford reduced the fracture.

Mr. Wellman, representative of the Manson Campbell Co., who has been attending the southern fairs, has returned to the city.

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B. Brett and family have moved to this city from Galt and purchased Mr. Lowe's property on Park Ave. Mr. Brett is employed at the Dowley Works.

The meeting of the Young Men's Club of Park St. Methodist Church, billed for next Friday evening, has been postponed for one week, owing to the Hospital Concert.

"The sanitary conditions around the Central school are not improved any by the feed stable across the street," remarked an interested citizen to The Planet.

William McKenzie Messers, who had his ankle broken and dislocated in the Darrell-Chatham football game, was removed to the Public General Hospital yesterday morning.

The Bitulithic Paving Company are pulling up the cobblestones which they placed as a foundation on Queen street. They are now putting down the broken stone only, as the specifications call for. It seems some of the ratepayers along the street declared point blank that they would object to the paving according to specifications or they wouldn't pay for it. In consequence the portion that was laid has been torn up.

D. N. Stevens has sent Herbert S. Clements a sample of grain from their farm at Rosser, Manitoba. Mr. Stevens writes that they threshed last week and had the best crop in that district this year. The sample of wheat received by Mr. Clements tested 63 bushels and better to the bushel.

Besides raising the best wheat, Mr. Clements raised some pretty fine oats and barley. This is the 400 acre farm which Messrs. Clements and Stevens purchased last spring. They cropped it this year and they harvested the following—wheat 2,500 bushels, oats 1,500 bushels, 400 bush., hay 150 tons, and 68 acres of flax.

Richard Fullerton is in charge of the farm and it was cropped under the supervision of Mr. Clements, who previous to coming to Chatham was always considered one of the best practical farmers in Kent County.

Mr. Clements' excellent judgment and direction probably accounts for the successful yield on his Manitoba farm.

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