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LAURIER'S LETTER.

the National Policy.

proclaim, as a guiding principle, that in and use American furniture, American the imposition of customs duties the ob- machinery and American tools, the betject of levying the revenue should not ter chance the Canadian Finance Minisbe the primary consideration, but that duties should be imposed and the nation Many Canadians will not like this kind taxed not for the nation itself, but for of thing. special interests in the nation.

lish, is that the Government and their the steam from the flesh pots in Ottawa Mr. Farrer, like a bad penny, is now supporters proclaim as a guiding principle that in the imposition of customs meaning which the Star and the Conduties the object of levying the revenue servatives put upon it, but they will party, having for colleagues McCarthy should not be the primary considera- protest in vain. Canadians know too and Laurier. tion, but that duties should be imposed well what a tariff for revenue means to with the view not only to raise a rev- be deceived by any of the hundred enue but to protect the industries of the and one ways in which the Grits will incountry. It is to this protection that terpret Mr. Laurier's letter. Mr. Laurier takes exception. He goes on to say:

On the other hand the Liberal party assert as a cardinal principle that in the

This means literally that the taxation of the country should be so imposed that the Government, and the Government only, should be benefitted by Grits and the Patrons or the Grits and it. A tax on tea, for instance, the McCarthyites consider themselves No tea is grown in this country, and the Government candidates. It was Mr. in the slightest degree benefited by the of the Patrons of Industry, who let the cat their text. The speeches of both Col. Cowan corrected him, stating that they duty on tea. A tax on tea is therefore a out of the bag. purely revenue tax. From that tax is obtained the greatest possible amount of ed by their advocates to be a non-partition"; taxes on sugar, oranges and raisins, rice and tobacco, are all revenue taxes. A little examination shows that what Mr. Laurier proposes, if carried out faithfully and logically, is the English system of free trade pure and simple; but, consistently with his deeply-rooted dislike of plain-speaking, he hides his meaning under a number of words which are not familier to the ears of the people. A paragraph closely connected with

to weigh equally upon all classes, the only exception being that articles of luxury should be more heavily taxed, whereas all the necessaries of life should be more lightly taxed, and as nearly free as possible, and even in many cases en-

in the case of the farmer. As we have shown, taxes on tea, sugar and tobacco shown, taxes on tea, sugar and tobacco heartily reciprocate the feeling." "We are in this country revenue taxes; bread, do not care whether a man calls himself butter, cheese, potatoes and meat are here necessaries of life. Under Mr. Laurier's system tea, sugar and tobacco will be taxed as high as is required to raise the revenue needed; cereals, flour, butter, cheese and meat being necessaries of life, will be allowed to come saries of life, will be allowed to come into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to keep entirely into the country tree of duty. Conservative forms meant to the filter of the filter from the substitute of the filter from the substitut into the country free of duty. Conse- free from political entanglement." Mr. quently, under Mr. Laurier's system the Mallory was right so far as the mem-

The reader, if he thinks a little, will gain with the Grits. penses are paid, have nothing left to cal missionary, Mr. Edward Farrer.

live on. That the native manufacturers, left exposed to the competition of the rich manufacturing nations, will fare no betthe Montreal Star, an independent of the Mercier gang. They are all workpaper. The following passage from its ing together to give the Dominion a respondents of the Globe, were of the article on Mr. Laurier's letter very

Some hope has been expressed by Canadian manufacturers and their em-

here; incidentally such a tariff is also goal. Mr. Laurier has not issued a manifesto, but he has written a letter in which he in a round-about way defines the enue out of the importation of articles trade policy of the Liberal party. He so far as it tends to exclude such articles proposes to eliminate the element of pro- it tends to defeat its own object. The tection from the tariff and to impose Liberal Finance Minister will endeavor taxes merely for the purpose of raising a revenue. Here is how he contrasts the will not make the scale high enough to system of taxation which he proposes exclude importations to any great exwith that of the system of moderate pro- tent, because that would decrease his tection which has long been known as revenue and moreover it would partake of the nature of that unclean thing, protection. The more Canadians wear Am-The government and their supporters erican clothes and eat American food

Of course the worshippers of Laurier This, translated into intelligible Eng- and the Grits who are hungrily sniffing will declare the letter will not bear the

THE LATEST CONSPIRACY.

The Grits, the Patron bosses and the levying of the public revenue by means McCarthyites are playing what they reof a customs tariff, the duties should be gard as a very clever game in Ontario. imposed simply with the view of collect. They have formed an alliance offensive express disapproval when they dissented Canada or, in fact, any western countries the countries that the countries the countries the countries the countries the countries the ing the necessary revenue of the country, so as to produce a maximum of revalue and defensive—but more offensive a great enue with a minimum of taxation, and | deal than defensive-against the Dominto bear as lightly as possible upon the ion Government. Without letting the rank and file of their several parties know what they were doing they made arrangements to euchre the Conservatives in the constituencies in which the would benefit the Government alone. strong enough when combined to beat consequently no native industry will be L. A. Welch, Grand Secretary-Treasurer

The Patrons of Industry are representrepresentatations many staunch Conservatives joined their order. These Conservatives as well as many honest Reformers never dreamt that their leaders would trade them off in a political deal as if they were so many head of livestock. But this is exactly what they have been trying to do. This is how the Toronto Mail and Empire speaks of the

To-day the candidates are being slyly arranged to suit Grit interests and to the one we have quoted above the independent movement. Shows that Mr. Laurier does not Mr. Welch has had his eyes opened. So have allowances even for those who are so wedded to their who tinguish from the best product of Eurohimself know very well how his system have thousands of farmers, the country opinions that they cannot or will not pean and American factories, and they will work, for he says:

While it is hardly possible to lay down specifically and minutely the particular articles which should be included in such a tariff, certain broad lines may be such a tariff, certain broad lines may be stated which ought to prevail. As far as stated which ought to prevail. As far as practicable the burden of taxation ought suasion. Mr. Welch's discovery has elicited a frank confession from the Toronto Globe as to the existence of the fraud. That paper owns up to the whole thing. It says there is a Patron-Grit alliance, and it wants to know why the 'allies', should be kept asunder. believe," it adds (Globe, June 2nd) Let us see how this system will work "the great body of the Patrons heartily butter, cheese, potatoes and meat are a Liberal, Patron or McCarthyite"-it farmers' taxes will be increased and the protection to his industry taken away.

bers of the order were concerned—the farmers who listened to him and believed him and did not know of his bers.

Laurier on the trade policy of his party amount of revenue with the lowest didates in the field. That Association amount of taxation. It follows, then, had nothing to do with the matter, protection to his industry taken away. lieved him, and did not know of his bar-

see how it is that, under the system of It seems that the arch intriguer, Mr. taxation which Mr. Laurier, if he gets a Edward Farrer, is an active member of what it was going to be. Even the majority in Parliament, proposes to es- this conspiracy. There is, it appears, a editor of the Times in his capacity as tablish in this country, English farmers letter which has fallen into good hands candidate coquetted with protection. In have been brought to the verge of ruin. that reveals the designs of the plotters. the presence of farmers who were also They can buy the necessaries of life This letter is to be published at the electors, he lost his ardor for free trade, cheap, it is true, but it is that very proper time, and it will then be seen and his antipathy to protection. He cheapness that makes them too poor to how far the Ontario bosses have pro- assured the farmers that the protection meet their many liabilities. After they gressed in the art of political tradinghave sold their crops at the low prices an art in which they have, no doubt, trary to the fundamental principle that prevail, many of them, when ex- been instructed by the American politi-

A REMARKABLE CHANGE.

friendly terms with prominent members same way it is quite possible that many, political purists they are. This is how was elastic enough to keep their several the Globe spoke of them, five years ago:

Mr. Mercier's colleagues refuse to apployes that the exigencies of the revenue pear in Ottawa because "the federal parwould prevent Mr. Laurier if he got liament has no right to hold an investinto power from so altering the tariff as gation into a provincial affair." But to seriously injure Canadian industries. this is not a provincial affair. The fed-It has been contended that the debt of eral parliament has voted bonuses to It has been contended that the debt of the Dominion is so large and the various financial obligations of the country so great that even Sir Richard Cartwright could not send the Canadian manufactually been paid. Assuming that they cannot successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successful than the successfully contradict Armstrong's confession and the very dameter than the successful tha turers to the devil without finding him- strong's confession, and the very damself in the awkward position of a Minis- aging testimony of the bank managerster of Finance without any finances. one of whom refused to cash the letter of nevertheless, the most important utter-Unfortunately Unfortunately Un ness roundly declares and stakes the for- Langelier and Robidoux obtained money The Bertram letter is not a pleasant tunes of the present electoral campaign under false pretences from the province for the benefit of Pacaud. Lieut.-Governor Angers, who on the advice of his now exists a tariff for revenue only.

What is the essential difference between under which the letter of credit was is- however, shows the manufacturers a protective tariff and a revenue tariff? sued, will no doubt take action; But what they have to expect from a Liberal Campers, Excursionists and Picnicers cles of foreign produce and manufacture as can be with advantage to the people of Canada produced or manufactured should not be arrested and clapped in facturing figure would give to it very different produced or manufactured should not be arrested and clapped in facturing figure would give to it very different produced or manufactured should not be arrested and clapped in facturing figure would give to it very different produced or manufacture and the country such as the country such as the country such arrested and clapped in facturing figure would give to it very different produced or manufacture as the country such is to exclude from the country such arti- fit to do, the fact remains that these four

Circumstances alter cases. Some of these men are now on the Globe's side an article from which appears in another and helping it to fight the Conservative column—was, previous to the publica-Government, and this circumstance tion of the Bertram letter, rather favorplaces them in a very different light in able than otherwise to Mr. Laurier and the eyes of the Globe to what they were his party, but since that letter has apin 1891. Then they deserved to be peared and it knows exactly where Mr. 'clapped in goal," now they are fit to Laurier stands on the trade question, it occupy places of honor in the Grit party. has become one of his most determined

THE SAME OLD SIXPENCE.

Wiman, in 1891: "A very large num- journal. ber of the people (Canadian Liberals) are inclined to think that we had better make for annexation at once instead of

THE CONSERVATIVE MEETING.

from what was said and to ask questions try. This is what Mr. Cowan said: ate and the speakers stuck closely to ployees had to work 14 hours a day, Mr. amount of information and sound argu-amount that the electors on both sides elicited demonstrations of the heartiest | tariff removed, (Applause),

over. It is now seen that Mesers. Mallory listen to reason. Tuesday night's meet are produced at a cost which makes sucoose, and those who formed it conducted | Europe and America. themselves as became serious and self-

FREE TRADE MANUFACTURERS. they were enjoying, though it is conof free trade, would be continued if the Liberals were successful in the present election. It is only charitable to presume that Mr. Templeman The Toronto Globe is now on the most believed what he was saying. In the

clean government." A nice lot of opinion that Mr. Laurier's trade policy industries protected. We know that Mr. Snider of Waterloo was satisfied with the assurance given him by the Liberal leader. But Mr. Laurier has changed his But attitude with respect to the trade quesof the existence of that letter. But it is,

ferent answers from those that have been published. The Montreal Staropponents, and it is quite fair to presume that there are thousands upon This is how Mr. Edward Farrer wrote whom that letter will have the same to his fellow-conspirator, Mr. Erastus effect as it has had on the Montreal

ORIENTAL COMPETITION.

Mr. Cowan, the Conservative candimaking two bites of a cherry." Undate for the Burrard district, in the exrestricted reciprocity was the first bite. cellent speech which he made on Monday evening, proved that protection is back again and is taking his old position absolutely necessary to preserve one at as one of the managers of the Liberal least of the industries of the Dominion, that of the refining of sugar. The competition to be guarded against in order to preserve Canada's sugar refineries is not the competition of the United States The Conservative meeting on Tuesday or Great Britain, or of any other Europevening was in every respect a most sat- ean country, but the competition of isfactory one. The attendance was good China. That country has sugar reand the speakers received an attentive fineries which are capable of turning out and a respectful hearing. There were a immense quantities of sugar of excellent few interruptions and some questions quality. The cost of producing it in China were asked. The right of the electors to is trifling compared to what it is in

was freely and good-humoredly accorded Mr. Cowan next referred to the facby the candidates. The manner in which Col. Prior and Mr. Earle met the adwhich should be an object lesson. The verse criticisms of some of the audience books of the company were, he knew for was admirable. We do not think that a fact, open for investigation. This inwe will be accused of partiality when we say that the speeches were good. No time was wasted in abuse of apponents or in of the accused of partiality when we say that the speeches were good. No time was wasted in abuse of apponents or in of the accuse of was wasted in abuse of opponents or in of the refinery. They could not comunedifying recrimination. The tone of pete with the refineries in China and the speeches was courteous and moder-the speeches was courteous and moder-10 cents. Some one stating that em-Prior and Mr. Earle contained a large only worked 10 hours per day, and \$2 ment that the electors on both sides wages, but also the coal they used was would do well to study carefully. The mined in British Columbia, so was the venerable Dr. Helmcken is always fav- coke, the barrels were made here, the orably received by Victoria audiences castings and machinery made and repaired in Vancouver, and all this capital and his few pithy and pungent remarks and labor would be thrown out were the

Sugar refining is not the only Canadian The day has, we trust, gone by in this industry which will have in the near Dominion when those who take an in- future to compete against Chinese and terest in politics are ready to condemn Japanese cheap labor. The natives of electors of Canada will not, we are coneveryone who does not agree with them China and Japan make excellent artisans. vinced, allow the industries of their as either a fool or a knave. People are It does not take them long to attain country to be destroyed to carry out the beginning to see that there is something a high degree of skill. Many articles impracticable free trade theories of any to be said on both sides of nearly every are even now produced in Japanese fac- politician or to gratify the ambition and

respecting men. In fact it was in almost the competition of China and Japan will reasons best known to themselves, sent every respect a model political meeting. have to be considered and allowed for. somebody into this district to ascertain This cannot be done if the elem-candidates in the field, with the result ent of protection is eliminated from that this same gentleman came to Na-If the Toronto Globe is to be believed, the tariff, as Mr. Laurier declares naimo, and after consultation with repalmost every manufacturer in the Domin- it must be. Under a revenue tariff such resentative Conservatives there began to loving and kind, do your baking with ion is a supporter of the Liberal party.

Columns of names of manufacturing con
as Mr. Laurier and Sir Richard Cartsisted in for several days, until finally
he said he would consent, provided he cerns who subscribed to the Liberal tariff of the Dominion, the products of received the nomination from a convencreed as it was a week or two ago are re- Chinese and Japanese factories must be tion. tection to native industry. But this tion, is that the tariff must be framed couver Island district to ascertain the does not follow by any means. Until with the view to raise the very highest popular feeling in reference to the canwere so vague, ambiguous and contra- that the more Chinese and Japanese either directly or indirectly. They did dictory that it was impossible for manu- goods consumed in the country the not authorize anyone to go to Nanaimo facturers or anyone else to say exactly greater the revenue will be. But the for the purpose specified. They did not

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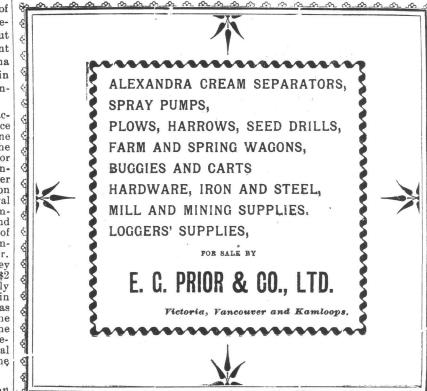
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even know that anyone had been sent to make inquiries of any kind with regard to the election.

chambers yesterday morning staying execution in the case of King & Carnody vs. Johnston & Earle. Under the order the defendants must pay the amount of judgment into court, and pay the costs of the action to plaintiffs' solicitor on condition that the same will be returnable in the event of a successful appeal. Mr. G. H. Barnard appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. P. E. Irving or the defendants.

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C. H. Wilkinson trade and a nun zens his last cost to the city. Mr is considered confid sent.

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REVELSCORE, Jun are the ore shipmen for the week-ending Pounds. Idaho. Alpha Slocan Star 60

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