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#### The Two Trade Policies.

Since its exile from office six years ago, the Conservative party has been floundering on the trade question, una footing or a vantage from which to assail the Government. At first it took comfort by ascribing the wonderful access of prosperity, which has accompanied Liberal rule, to the retention of the National Policy, under which the country stagnated for eighteen years. This was the burden of its song at the last general election. It virtually indorsed the Government's tariff policy. British preference and all. Lately there has been a change of tune. The Conservative leaders are repudiating the policy which they claimed as their own offspring. They have come out unequivocally for a general increase in the tariff and the abolition of the British preference, or at least the nullifying of it by making the minimum tariff to high that it will check the flow of British imports. The Liberal party need have no fear in challengcountry well, and the country is disindustry cries for a remedy, but why which every branch of "industry is flourishing? The Conservatives try to make political capital out of Mr. Tarte's advocacy of higher duties on Mr. Sifton's preference for a tariff have yet to learn that Mr. Tarte and Mr. Sifton have not loyally accepted the present arrangement as a compromise, while free to urge their own opinions. It is the definite policy of the Government, as promulgated in Parliament, and not the individual views of Cabinet ministers, by which the Liberal party must be judged. At of the hypocrisy of posing as the champions of Imperial preferential trade, on the basis of excluding British imports—the products of this country's best customer-from the Canadian market. It is only recently that the Conservative party has dared to attack the preferential feature of the Canadian tariff. That feature has been splendidly vindicated by results and will be the nucleus of the commercial federation of the Empire, if such a system is to be brought about.

#### party in Canadia is badly stultified. Manitoba's New Problem.

When the Manitoba Government last

year closed the deal by which it practically took over the Northern Pacific and Canadian Northern railway systems. Sir Wm. Van Horne declared that it would bankrupt the Province. He may have overstated the case, but the financial sequel of the deal will probably bankrupt public confidence in the Roblin Government. Roughly speaking, the Government leased all the lines of the Northern Pacific in Manitoba, and these were connected with the line of the Canadian Northern Railway Company (Mackenzie and Mann) from Winnipeg to Port Arthur, the management of the whole system being handed over to the Canadian Northern. The Province assumed the indebtedness of the system, thereby incurring a liability estimated at \$442,000 a year, but retained control of the railway rates. This control of rates was the Government's trump card, in appealing to the Legislature and the public for support. The farmers were promised effective competition against the C. P. R. Premier Roblin declared that they would no longer "sweat drops of blood in order that the C. P. R. might have more lords, more dukes and more knights setting upon the banks of the River Thames." In moving the second reading of the of the lines would prevent the Province from having to meet any of its liabilities in the premises. He estimated the profits in the first year at \$181,675. Mr. Greenway, the leader of the Opposition, strongly opposed the arrangement, and said that anyone who supported it would dig his own political grave. The Winnipeg Board of Trade also pronounced against the deal. It has now been in operation about a year and a half. Within the past few days the Province has been surprised by a new tariff on the system under Government control, which increases freight rates on many classes of merchandise, amounting in some cases to 50 per cent. Equally surprising is the fact that this new tariff has been issued simultaneously with another by the C. P. R., and that the rates exactly correspond in both cases. "The effect of these increases," says the Winnipeg Free Press, "is to add to the cost of the commodities in every store of merchants doing business at or tributary to stations on the Canadian Northern, to quote the official language set forth within the Province, fully 90 per cent | my carnest desire . . to provide | tion.

consists of shipments of goods by the wholesalers of Winnipeg. That is to say, this new schedule of rates fixed by the Provincial Government applies to every article in every retail store in Manitoba outside Winnipeg, which has been supplied by a wholesale house in this city. This is the manner in which Mr. Roblin, railway commissioner of Manitoba, fulfils his pledge to stand by the farmers of Manitoba against the exactions of the C. P. R." The same paper charges that the C. P. R. and the Government have

worked in collusion. The inference is that the Government has been obliged to advance the rates, order to avert a railway deficit, which the Province would have to make good. This may be only a temporary necessity, but it will tell heavily against the Government, as the electors were fed with promises of cheaper railway rates.

#### Can Do Good Work.

There is a well-founded objection to the multiplying of civic bodies, causing overlapping of public business and irresponsible expenditure of public money by those which are not amenable to the control of the city council. The proposed appointment of a park commission for this city, however, is not open to the same complaint, as Ald. Campbell has wisely provided in his bylaw that the council shall govern the appropriation. The City Council of Hamilton petitioned the Legislature at the last session to abolish the local park commission, but the reason aleged was that the commission was extravagant and insisted on spending the whole proportion of the tax rate ing the Opposition on these issues. The allowed it by the statute, regardless of present moderate tariff has served the the financial exigencies of the council. With the taxpayers safeguarded on posed to let well enough alone. There that point, a park commission will be may be some pretext for tariff tinker- able to do effective service in this city. ing in a period of depression, when It is a duty that could be performed better outside the council by a comdisturb and unsettle conditions under mittee of citizens with special knowledge of the work, who would be able to spend to much better advantage the money that now goes for the same purpose. What is badly needed is more system in the beautifying of the even lower than the existing one. There at present for the planting of shade for want of uniformity in this particular. The commission, in addition to this, might devise some scheme for keeping the boulevards tidy. The question of additional playgrounds and park spaces is also too important to. be ignored much longer.

Whistling as a feature of church music is becoming popular on the least that party has not been guilty other side. If the object is to draw a crowd, it should be a success.

> The likin, which the British Government is striving to abolish in China; imports after paying duty at the port of entry are again taxed upon being carried from one province or district to another. The nearest approach to the likin system in this country is the toll road.

Germany has asserted her rights in sinking a Haytien pirate ship which On this question the Conservative the feeble government of that republic was unable to do. If these revolutioncursed countries of South America cannot protect foreign rights, foreigners must step in, whether it is agreeable to the Monroe doctrine of not.

> Major Maude, the English official swell who prescribes etiquette for the blooming colonials at Ottawa, ruled several aldermen out of a public function at the capital on the ground that they were not dignitaries. What do Ald. Cooper, Ald. Dreaney and Ald. Douglass think of that? The Ottawa civic solons must be a poor-spirited lot to put up with such an affront.

Mr. Joseph Gould, of Boston, a large cattle buyer, writes the Toronto World that Chicago cattle are superior to Canadian cattle, not because of breedng, but because the United States farmer has an advantage over the Canadian in an abundance of cheap corn. Mr. Gould is a Canadian, who spent most of his life in this country, and he should know what he is talking about. The remission of the duty on corn has been the salvation of the Canadian live stock business in the past few years.

The metric system of weights and measures, which has been recommended by the Imperial Conference for adoption throughout the Empire, is not generally understood in this country. The meter is the standard measure of length; it is usually divided measure he affirmed that the earnings | into 100 centimeters, of 1,000 millimeters - (one meter equals 391/3 inches). The meter can be squared for measures of surface, or cubed for measures of bulk or volume, just as yards or feet can be squared or cubed. Water has been happily chosen as the material that determines the weight. One cubic meter of cold water weighs 1.000 kilos, or one ton. The liter is the standard measure of fluids, grain, etc.; it can be divided into ten deciliters, or 100 centiliters (one liter equals 1% pints). One liter of cold water weighs one kilo. The kilo is the standard measure of weight; it is usually divided into 1,000 grams-(half a kilo equals 1.1 or 1 1-16 pounds).

The Ottawa Free Press has a most appreciative review of the sketch of Dr. Ryerson, just published by Dr. J. George Hodgins, ex-Deputy Minister of Education, and now librarian of the Provincial Department of Education. The Province, it says, owes Dr. Hodgins a debt of gratitude. He seems to have had before him in the preparation of the booklet a passage from Dr. on the schedule. Of all the freight Ryerson's letter accepting office and

#### .. Poems the World Has Read.

Strangers Yet.

Strangers yet! After years of life together, After fair and stormy weather. After travel in far lands, After touch of wedded hands— Why thus joined? Why ever met, If they must be strangers yet?

Strangers yet! After strife for common ends, After title of "old friends,"

for my native country a system of education and facilities for intellectual improvement not second to those of any country in the world," and throughout its pages it is shown how faithfully Dr. Ryerson lived up to his plan. Truly is it said that "in founding the school system of his native province and in promoting the establishment of free schools he displayed the rare gifts of a far-seeing and enlightened statesman." The late Dr. Ryerson might be called an educational statesman, and it is well that the record of his life work, which is interwoven with the history of this Province, has been preserved in such admirable form by Dr. Hodgins, to whom the task must have been a labor of

#### Hard to Please. [Life.]

He-What more can you ask, dear? Haven't I admitted I was wrong and humbly apologized? She-Well, what of it? I have no respect for a man who is that weak!

#### Morituri Salutant!

[London Punch.] [We anticipate that within the life period of the majority of those who will read these lines, America will dominate the world in literature, art, science, finance, commerce and Christianity!—Harporis Workly.

We are the People, and wisdom will die with Us, Ours shall be ever the conqueror's part, No other nation can possibly vie with us Either in Letters, or Science, or Art!

Twenty years hence, 'tis the general (Think, only think, how the whole world will gain!) will gain!)
All who acknowledge Columbia's domin-Both in the moral and physical plane.

None of the Peoples who flourished be-Showed from the first such remarkable powers,
let us sing in unanimous chorus,
'We are the People! The Future is
Ours!"

in fact, the fine flower of Humanity. Where—save with us—can true Progress Morals and even, I fear, Christianity, Scarcely exist in the nations around.

Art doesn't flourish in the Peoples about But for our help it would certainly die. Painting would certainly perish without Painters would starve if New York didn't buy.

Whether in poetry, drama or fiction, Or in Philosophy, still we excel, Note our remarkably elegant diction, Notice the masterly way that we spell Mark our advance in the physical

sciences, Note the inventions we give to mankind.

Think of the many ingenious appliances
Due to the nimble American mind! Europne, poor thing, can you wonder we

scorn her.

Passed in the race and left lagging behind? When we invented the Trust and the Oh, what a boon we bestowed on man-kind!

Picture how Commerce was sunk in dejection, Striving in vain to dispose of its wares, Till these devices were brought to perfection
By the resource of our millionaires. What is the hope, then, for civilization

What is the cure for a century's tears? What—saye the mighty American Nation? That is the obvious answer. Three cheers!

#### Good Enough for a Horse. [London Chronicle.]

A well known North of Ireland gentleman, greatly interested in Irish industries, was recently making a tour through county Donegal. While driv-ing through an Irish speaking district, he remarked that the jarvey spoke to the occupants of the car in Irish, while he abused his horse for being slow in English. At length the gentleman inquired why he made the distinction? Jarvey-Arrah, sure, yer honor, isn't English good enough for a horse.

#### The Man Who Clipped. [Baltimore American.]

I saw him take the paper, and Turn to the Household Page, Then scan the columns up and down, As one who all would gauge.

'Aha!" he mutters to himself, "Here's 'How to Make Rice Fritters,'
And 'How to Utilize Cold Beef,'
And 'Home-Made Stomach Bitters.'"

Then from his pocket forth he took A pair of scissors small, And severed from the printed page The helpful hints and all.

He clipped "The Way to Scramble Eggs,"
And "How to Make Peach Butter," As well as half a dozen more "That's all"—again his mutter. "A thoughtful man," at once I mused,

"A man who cares for things; Who loves the calm, contented song The home tea-kettle sings." "Do you," I asked, "preserve those notes "So that your wife may eye them?"
"Not much," he growled; "I cut them out
"So she won't get to try them."

#### A Rise in Estimation. [Puck.]

Mr. Gotrox-Your friends won't think any more of you for spending your money so freely. Cholly Gotrox-Oh, some of 'em do, dad-some of 'em actually think I'm a wine-agent!

#### Couldn't Resist It.

[Philadelphia Bulletin.] "What deep mourning she has for such a distant relative?" "Well, you see, she went shopping and struck such a splendid bargain sale of black goods.'

#### Love and Poetry. [Baltimore Herald.]

Beryl-Has Chollie Phoodle proposed to you yet? Sibyl-No; he is only writing blank verse to me now. After he breaks into the sonnet and other forms of which goes out of Winnipeg to points written nearly sixty years ago: "It is poetical expression he'll pop the ques-

[Lord Houghton.]

After passions fierce and tender, After cheerful self-surrender, Hearts may beat and eyes be met And the souls be strangers yet.

Strangers yet!
O, the bitter thought to scan
All the loneliness of man—
Nature by magnetic laws
Circle unto circle draws, Circle unto circle draws, But they only touch when met, Never mingle—strangers yet.

#### Hardships of Genius.

[Exchange.] Milton sold his copyright of "Para die Lost" for \$72 in three payments, and finished his life in obscurity. Homer was a beggar.

Spencer died in want. Cervantes died of hunger. Dryden lived in poverty and dis-

Terrance, the dramatist, was Butler lived a life of penury and died Plautus, the Roman comic poe

turned a mill. Paul Gorghese had fourteen grades yet starved with all. Tasso, the Italian poet, was often distressed for a dollar.

Otway, the English dramatist, died prematurely and through hunger. Bacon lived a life of meanness and Steele, the humorist, lived a life perfect warfare with bailiffs.

Sir Walter Raleigh died on the scaf-Bentivoglio was refused admission to a hospital he had erected himself. The death of Collins was through neglect, first causing mental derange-

ment. Chatterton, the child of genius and misfortune, destroyed himself at 18. Savage died in a prison at Bristol, where he was confined for a debt of

Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield" was sold for a trifle to save him from the grip of the law. Fielding lies in the burying ground of the English factory at Lisbon, with-

out a stone to mark the spot.

#### Keeps Its Old Name.

Montreal, Sept. 9.-The general synod of the Church of England rejected the proposal to change the church's name, but voted in favor of a revised edition of the prayer-book.

#### Snow on Lake Superior.

Duluth, Minn., Sept. 9.-Masters of ncoming vessels at this port reported flurries of snow on Lake Superior yesterday, the first of the season. Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 9.-The weather this morning is generally clear and cool.

#### A River of Fire.

Kingston, St. Vincent, Sept. 8 .- The phenomena resulting from the eruption of the Soufriere volcano Sept. 3 are very interesting. The Rabacca River is even now a stream of fire a quarter of a mile or more wide. The greater part of the Rabacca estate is wrapped in vapor, and there are mimic eruptions everywhere. The river bed is continuously throwing up columns and dense clouds of steam, mud and

Anarchists in Spain celebrated the anniversary of the assassination President McKinley.



A child three years of age died of drunkenness the other day in New York City. The parents said they had given child whisky to strengthen him. In their absence he found a bottle of whisky and drank from it, until he fell over in a drunken stupor, from which the physician could not arouse him. That is only one case in several cases of baby drunkards recently noted. The important fact is that alcoholic stimulants quickly develop the alcoholic habit in children. This fact is just as true when the alcohol is disguised as a medicine, a "sarsaparilla" or other "compound." So many medicines contain alcohol, to the same extent that it is contained in beer or whisky, that parents should be cautious what medicines they give their children.

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Typographical President Resigns.

Toronto, Sept. 9.—By a majority vote Typographical Union No. 91, at a meeting held in Richmond Hall on Saturday night, demanded that President James Wilson apologize to Mr. Klein, a member, or resign. President Wilson chose the latter course, declaring that the meeting was packed, and that he would stand for re-election. The union's action arose out of a police court case, in which Mr. Wilson charged Mr. Klein with soliciting advertisements for a Labor Day programme, purporting to be in the interests of the Typographical Union. The defendant was discharged, and several members of the union held that an unbrotherly spirit had been shown by Mr. Wilson in bringing the charge, hence the action taken at the meeting.

#### Butter From Denmark.

Ottawa, Sept. 8.-The creamery men of the Northwest will have to be on he watch, otherwise in a year or two they may find themselves having to compete in the British Columbia markets with Danish butter produced in Siberia. According to a report received at the department of agriculture there was not a butter-making establishment in the country seven years ago, now there are over 100. In 1897 nearly ten million pounds of butter were exported from the country, last year two establishments run by Danes exported more than that quantity.

### Arsenic Poisons Hundreds.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 9. - A Constitution special from Santiago, Texas, says: It is reported here that information has been received of destruction of life at Mapimi, Mexico, by the breaking forth of arsenic springs in he mountains, near the city, and that the distributing reservoirs have been thoroughly impregnated with arsenic This report, which lacks confirmation, says 30 are said to be dead, and 400 seriously ill.

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