

tive parties, whichever is the more powerful be it Protectionist or Free Trade, to that party I can assure you I with my whole soul and strength belong, you will pardon me for not being more explicit, but I am desirous that the party to which from my youth up I have adhered should immediately take measures to know its own strength as well as the weakness of its adversary. Once more, then, my friends once more into the breach, or fill the ditch up with our Splashville dead. Remember that in electing me you have a man in *utrumque paratus* (*aside*, that is ready to take anything he can get) who has always maintained the honor of his constituency, has worked for the interests of his constituents and who has to give the truest idea of his versatility of intellect and immutability of character, spoken for three hours wisely and well in favor of Protection and ended by voting dead against it.

I am, &c.,

JOHN THORN.