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VAN HORNE ANSWERS

"LET ME ASK THIS OF MY FRIEND VAN HORNE, WHO TALKS OF THE NECESSITY OF PRESERVING OUR NATIONAL RESOURCES. WHERE WOULD WE BE TODAY IF THIS WAR WERE WAGED TO THE BITTER END? EVERY INDUSTRY IN ONTARIO WOULD BE CLOSED IF THE UNITED STATES REFUSED TO ALLOW THE EXPORT OF COAL TO THE DOMINION. WHAT WOULD THESE PEOPLE DO IF THE UNITED STATES TOOK THEM AT THEIR WORD, FOR ONTARIO CANNOT GET A POUND OF COAL EXCEPT FROM THE UNITED STATES. YOU MANUFACTURERS, FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, WHY DON'T YOU BRING YOUR COAL OVER THE INTERCOLONIAL? YOU WANT THE FARMER TO TAKE HIS HORSES AIL OVER CANADA, SO THAT THE RAILWAYS SHALL GET THE FREIGHT. YOU CAN'T AFFORD IT! NEITHER CAN THE FARMER. DO THE DOMINION TEXTILE COMPANY OF MONTREAL BUY THEIR RAW MATERIAL FROM THEIR FELLOW BRITISH SUBJECTS IN INDIA? NO. IF THEY BUY THEIR RAW COTTON FROM THE SOUTHERN STATES, WHY CAN'T YOU BRING YOUR POTATOES TO THE NORTHERN STATES?"—Hon. George P. Graham at London.

SIR WILLIAM'S GOSLINGS

The keynote of last night's Conservative meeting is found in Sir William Van Horne's question: "Shall we play golf to the American fox?"

The chairman began by stating in effect that American trusts were providing the Liberals with bribery funds. The aim of the trusts was, of course, to gobble up all the business of Canada. By whom are we waged against those terrible American trusts? By the Canadian west of course. The latter are afraid their exorbitant profits may be reduced. But the American trusts fought against reciprocity in their own country. Would they support it here?

Then Sir William Van Horne spoke. His expressions of ardent love for St. John and fear for its future, and his assurance that whenever trade came the facilities to handle it would be provided, must have recalled to his hearers the famous denunciation of the C. P. R. by a leading Conservative, when a year or so ago he classed the company as of close kin to the fraternity of thieves and liars. Sir William repeated the absurd statement that reciprocity would destroy our fiscal independence, when it is in fact an assertion of that independence, and a trade agreement which may be terminated at will. He pictured Canada at the mercy of the United States, talked about the dismemberment of the Empire, and drew a harrowing picture of the injury to be done to this country if it should accept a large free market for its natural products.

Mr. Fleming also spoke, and as he is likely soon to make his own last political appearance a degree of tolerance may fairly be extended to his somewhat extravagant remarks. Mr. Fleming waved the flag, and seems to have performed that duty with a certain degree of impressiveness.

It is doubtful, however, if all the speeches of all the speakers, including those of Dr. Daniel and Mr. Powell, expressed the feelings of the party as effectively as Sir William Van Horne's remark yesterday that they must "hold the damn thing." But it is only millionaires who can afford to go on "a bust." The plain people must go on finding markets for their products and keeping an eye on the trusts and middlemen. There will be a degree of sympathy for Sir William's goings, to the rearing of which he has devoted himself so assiduously, but as there is a pretty high fence around them they are really in no immediate danger.

EMPIRE SAVING

"Remember that this is not a matter of party politics, but a question of the Union Jack or the Stars and Stripes."

With these impassioned words of warning the President of the Borden Club closes a written appeal to that Empire-saving organization to close up their ranks and sweep the traitors from the ensanguined field.

This, mark you, is not the self-centered appeal of a candidate who seeks the votes of the people. It is disinterested. It is patriotic. It is the rallying cry of a noble

whom true patriotism is but a hissing and a by-word. There have been many such appeals, in the chequered course of human history; and we can picture the President of the Borden Club mentally calling the roll of the world's heroes, as he set his pen to paper to catch the winged words that were to stamp indelibly upon the minds of the Borden Club the profound gravity of the present crisis. Doubtless the words of the poet flashed before his clarified vision:

"Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of Truth with Falsehood,
For the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
Offering each the bloom or blight,
Partis the goats upon the left hand and the sheep upon the right,
And the choice goes by forever, 'twixt that darkness and that light."

The choice must be made by the Borden Club. Not that there was any doubt as to what the choice would be, for the President reminds them that their "record is good," and their service "has been great," but once more duty calls them, "to the forefront of the battle." In burning words he tells them of the "inefficiency, scandal and corruption," which have made the government "a disgrace to all decent Canadians," and how by its attitude in relation to the navy, the imperial conference and reciprocity it has struck heavy blows at "imperial connection, east and west trade, and our very existence as a nation."

History will doubtless record the President's thrilling description of the threatened reduction in the price of farm produce, the destruction of the winter port, and the drawing away of Canada from Great Britain, as well as the soul-stirring denunciation of "our greatest foe and rival," the United States, which rudely thrusts itself at this vital moment between us and "the glorious vision of an Imperial Empire." At all events we may assume that history will record it all, along with the sublime appeals to the patriotism of all ages; and therefore we may proceed to remark that its chief value lies in the disclosure of the fact that there are so many

who share the views of the President of the Borden Club as discovered them. He sees them on every hand. They are not decent Canadians. They are disloyal. They ought to be regarded as a terror to the neighbors. How grateful Canada should be that the Borden Club is in St. John, and Mr. Bourassa in Quebec to uphold the Union Jack and sweep down like a resistless torrent on the ranks of the enemies of British connection. Borden and Bourassa—let us to the post again.

"Hast thou chosen, O my people, on whose party thou shalt stand,
"Ere the Doom from thy worn sandals
shakes the dust against our land?"

Vexed, we know not, but Mr. Bourassa expects to hold the balance of power in the next parliament, and the Borden Club are cheering him to the goal.

And now the Standard tells us that it was Sir William Van Horne "who more than any other, has made this city the winter port of Canada." We must have a statue of Sir William on King Square. Why has it been so long overlooked?

It is explained that a clerk was responsible for the advertisement in the window of the C. P. R. land office at Seattle, predicting a rise in Canada lands as a result of reciprocity. He was a truthful clerk, at all events, for that is what will happen.

It is said that Sir William Van Horne's favorite game, ever since he was a little American boy at school, has been "fox and goose," and his favorite nursery rhyme the one that begins:

"Goosey, goosey gander,
"Whither do you wander?"

The speakers at a Liberal meeting in Havelock last evening were three former Conservatives. One of the speakers at Milford last evening, Ald. Keirstead, though independent in politics, voted against the government in 1908. He votes this time for reciprocity. There are very many others.

Mr. Fleming denies the statement of Mr. Clements, and part of the statement of Dr. Curtis. It appears to be the word of two private citizens. But Mr. Fleming should not be ashamed of having approved of the trade agreement. All the Tories approved until "the dope" was passed around.

The Shareholder, an influential commercial journal, is strongly in favor of reciprocity. Speaking of the paper industry it says: "The future of the paper making industry in Canada is exceedingly bright. Canada has the water power and the raw pulp wood lying close to another. This means she can manufacture paper much cheaper than her American neighbors who are forced to draw their pulp wood hundreds of miles. The time will soon come to pass when American paper mills will be forced to go out of business or move over to Canada and establish plants in this country. Canada controls or will shortly control the paper making industry on this continent."

TRULY IRISH.

Mrs. Casey (sitting up in bed)—Moike, did yer put out the cat?
Mr. Casey—Oh did.
Mrs. Casey—Oh don't believe it!
Mr. Casey—Well, if yer think O'm a liar, get up and put 'er out yerself.—The Standard.



THE MOON AND THE MOON

The Moth was by the river's breast,
Born in the sun with soft, brown wings,
But the sun remembered the ardent west
And sank where the last lark sings.
Shyly the Moon her face unveiled,
Fain for the passion and power of night.
And the brave little Moth unsteadily sailed,
So strangely fair was the sight.
But the pale, proud river, whispering, told,
Of a Moon deep down in her lucid tide.
And the trembling Moth grew blithe and bold,
Plunged in for a kiss—and died.
Then the Moon forsook her spacious lower,
Dethroned her stately stars, and wept
On earth they said "Tis an evening shower."
But the listening river laughed, and crept
By meadows and rushes, until it found
The place where the poor, frail Moth lay drowned.
Then laughed again, and slept.
—London Academy.

IN LIGHTER VEIN



HARMLESS.
He—'I'd just like to know what you mean by being exposed to both George and me at once!
She—Why, there's no harm in it. Neither one of you can afford to marry me, you know.

THE LAWYER'S CHARGE
Defendant's Wife—"Don't worry, dear. The judge's charge was certainly in your favor."
Defendant (moodily)—"I know that. It's the lawyer's charge that I'm thinking about."—Boston Transcript.

FOSTER FOR AND
AGAINST RECIPROCITY

Hon. George E. Foster is now speaking against reciprocity with the United States in natural products. Here is what the same Foster said in the House of Commons, not so long ago:

"I say to hon. gentlemen opposite: Suppose the United States had put a clause in their tariff Act saying the very moment Canada makes natural products free the United States will make them free, would we not have a pressure which it would be totally impossible for us to resist?"

WINNERS IN CASH MATCH

The 3rd Regt. Rifle Association held a cash match on Saturday afternoon on the rifle range. The following were the winners:

Class	Name	Score
Class A:	Gr. A. L. McIntosh	23 31
	Sgt. I. P. Archibald	21 32
Class B:	Sgt. G. H. Brown	22 30
	Gr. H. Leckhart	21 30
Class C:	Gr. G. A. Gamble	22 21
	Gr. W. Gamble	21 22
Class D:	Gr. M. S. Dixon	20 21
	Corp. W. C. Pearson	20 18

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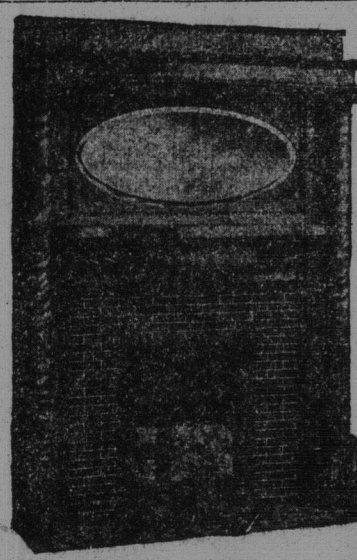


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