

# J. H. FORTIER SPEAKS FOR CO-OPERATION OF ALL PROVINCES

## HEAD OF C. M. A. SHOWS CHANCES OF MARITIMES

Lauds Provinces By Sea and Sees Bright Future

PROTECTION URGED AT CANADIAN CLUB

Tariff to Insure Stability Wanted, Says Speaker in Saint John

CO-OPERATION and stability was the keynote of an eloquent address delivered by J. H. Fortier, of Quebec, president of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, at the Canadian Club dinner in the Admiral Beatty last evening.

Mr. Fortier stated emphatically that Quebec and Ontario were not asking for a high tariff, and explained that these provinces were willing and anxious that the east and west should have the benefit of low freight rates. But, he pointed out, this must be paid for by some one, and the burden would fall heaviest upon the manufacturing provinces. Therefore a tariff sufficient to insure stability was a necessity and all parts of the country should co-operate with each other for their mutual benefit.

In closing, Mr. Fortier said that Nova Scotia and New Brunswick had wonderful opportunities and the time would come when they would be mentioned only for the industrial advantages they possessed over their sister provinces.

Mr. Fortier said in part: "The president of the Canadian manufacturers is very glad indeed and your humble servant is quite honored to have the opportunity of meeting and addressing such a representative assembly of good Canadians and to do so especially in a day of national celebration like the one commemorating the patriotic and heroic deeds of the 150 years ago. Coming from the province of Quebec and French origin, I feel highly gratified to be with you on this 18th of May. Men of English and French origin, I am sure, will all agree that we have in common and let us look back to the past to appreciate better the honor of being Canadians. Our two races have made history together, time and if fortune has kept them in a constant duel for a hundred years, we are deeply moved and elated to recall that their children have endowed their children with mutual respect."

**QUEBEC WANTS UNION**

Continuing after a reference to the ideals of English-speaking and French-speaking Canada, Mr. Fortier said: "In the province of Quebec we want union. We are prepared to accept a policy of give and take as long as others will agree to do the same. But above all, we do not want to change the solid foundation of the confederation. We are satisfied with the federal union of 1867 and we have the way for the wonderful progress attained by the Canadian nation until today. We have enjoyed a long period of prosperity, but we have found trying the days of economical readjustment. Still we have the greatest confidence in a young and rich country like ours, and in the light of what our common ancestors have done in the past, I do not hesitate to say that we shall also conquer our share of prosperity."

**TELLS SITUATION**

"If you will kindly allow me to open my causerie by a personal remark, I should tell you what I have found out in observing commercial and industrial conditions in Canada. Although we have met with a severe crisis in the second half of the last century, although there is no doubt we are over-governed and over-taxed, although we have not yet acquired a fair measure of stability, I claim there are no reasons for us to fear the future. The actual advantages and the possibilities of this country are such that I would consider it a loss of time to grumble or feel pessimistic."

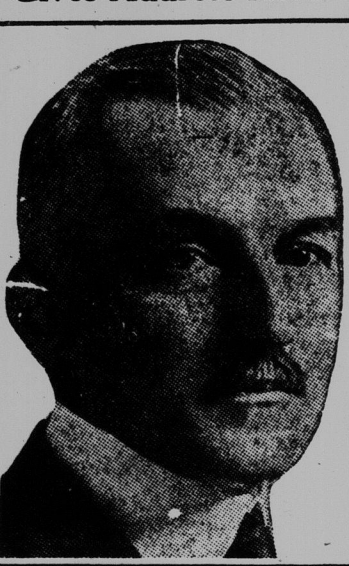
**ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.**

"To summarize the favorable and unfavorable conditions of today let me remind you first of our public liabilities and national assets. Adding together all what we owe I believe the financial burden carried by the people of this country is not far from the huge sum of seven billion dollars. The visible and invisible debt of the Federal government is responsible at least for half that amount. The provincial, municipal and school debts formed another billion dollars and two billion we owe to foreign capital invested in this country. Thus we have to pay approximately \$300,000,000 in annual interest on our debt. Against that we have liquid assets representing at least \$3,000,000,000, industrial, agricultural and commercial capital for more than \$4,000,000,000 and natural wealth that American experts appraise at \$22,000,000,000. The public utilities and public works of the country are some of the excess of the actual requirements and, therefore, cost us more than they should for the time being. Our railways, canals and harbors should be operated with more co-ordination. In other words they should be worked to the full advantage of the Canadian people with a view of binding every province and every section of the country in strong commercial ties."

**AGRICULTURE BETTER.**

"The agricultural situation is good in the western provinces and improving everywhere else. In the last two

### Gives Address Here



J. H. FORTIER, Of Quebec, president of Canadian Manufacturers' Association, who spoke at Saint John Canadian Club yesterday.

best type available are not worth to Canada on account of New Brunswick or Nova Scotia.

### DISPOSAL OF MONEY.

"It has been advocated that a part of the money spent by Ottawa on immigration should be given the old provinces to offer special advantages to those sons of the soil who do not want to spend their best days in stagnation. New Brunswick and Nova Scotia should be given a chance to settle their children in preference within their own territory, and if there is an overflow of population in the Maritime Provinces, Canada should endeavor to give those young Canadians first choice and special privileges to settle in the new provinces."

### POWER DEVELOPMENT.

"The present and proposed power development will mean a great deal in the form of increased prosperity to the Maritime Provinces. It is authoritatively estimated that for every dollar invested in power development seven dollars are expended in the application or utilization of the power in manufacturing establishments and for every person employed by the power companies, 45 persons find their livelihood in plants using the power. This gives us an idea of what Eastern Canada will do in a few years hence. In connection with your hydro development let me remind you of a source of greater profit that you can divert from your forests. Americans import a great deal of Canadian poplar wood which they buy at practically the same price as ordinary pulp wood. They manufacture that poplar wood into a superior quality of paper to new pulp. If there are better returns in poplar wood, why not take full advantage of it in the provinces where it grows? There is an enormous supply of poplar in our forests and it is one of the best for reforestation and quick returns."

### QUESTION OF TARIFF.

"When New Brunswick and Nova Scotia claim 'Maritime Rights' they recognize the necessity of all sections to organize the national life in the interest of all. Your industrial life is due to you is a sure sign that you also feel your obligations towards Canada. The economic protection and get it when they obtain special railway rates on their wheat, coal and other commodities."

### INFLUENCES THAT RETARD.

"Outside of these strictly economic reasons, there are other influences which tend to delay general progress. There is a lack of understanding between different sections of Canada. Instead of considering economical laws as a general manoeuvre to be adopted against foreign competition, some of us have been inclined to look at them as a paramount effort of a few selfish interests to acquire more wealth at the expense of the people. But class movement is on the decline in Canada."

"As far as natural beauty, picturesque, balmy air, opportunity for sports are concerned, this part of Canada is a real paradise. The tourist industry must always be a source of revenue to your producers and traders. There is a great future for you in that business. The tourist industry already in Canada, Canadian railways receive freight on the coal, iron ore, furs, game, automobile, cattle, goat, mules, brick and various supplies carried to the Canadian steel plant. They also get the freight on the finished steel from the plant to its destination in Canada."

### STEEL PROFITS.

"If a ton of steel is imported into Canada from the United States the Canadian railway transporting it receives the freight on that single ton of steel. When the ton of steel is made in Canada, Canadian railways receive freight on the coal, iron ore, furs, game, automobile, cattle, goat, mules, brick and various supplies carried to the Canadian steel plant. They also get the freight on the finished steel from the plant to its destination in Canada."

### BENEFITS OF HOME TRADE.

"If the steel imported from the United States in 1923 had been made in Canada, the Canadian railways would have received a haul on \$212,364 tons of raw materials, on which their earnings would have been approximately \$4,571,927.14."

### SUCCESS ACHIEVED

"Thus it is most clearly shown that where Maritime producers put earnest modern effort behind their production and selling campaigns they achieve deserved success and an enviable fame throughout the Dominion."

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## C. N. FAST FREIGHT IS DITCHED NEAR LONDONDERRY, N. S.

Twelve Cars Rock Cut On

LONDONDERRY, N. S., May 18—Twelve cars crushed to pieces, great quantities of freight and railway material were damaged by a rock cut on the main line of the Maritime Railway this morning. The freight cars were being transferred around the blockades.

### MONCTON DRIVER.

MONCTON, May 18—Twelve cars of freight train in charge of Fred Fowle, Truro, and Clark, of this city, "rock cut two and a half" ononderry about 10 miles from Moncton.

### COLLISION.

Street car No. 92, in charge of Motorist Thomas O'Rourke, and automobile No. 12,947, owned and driven by William Pine, of East Saint John, collided at Haymarket Square about 8.40 o'clock last night. The automobile was quite badly damaged. In addition to Mr. Pine, two women and two children were in the car at the time of the accident and fortunately escaped injury.

### ONE MILE SOUTH OF THIS PLACE.

None of the crew suffered injury. The wreck was believed caused by a broken wheel on one of the cars. Auxiliary trains were working to clear the track tonight but did not expect to have the road open before tomorrow morning. In the meantime passengers are being transferred around the blockades.

### RUNAWAY UPSETS IN CHATHAM STREET

Lighting Fixtures and Gas Pumps Smashed and Cart Damaged

CHATHAM, May 18—A runaway horse caused considerable excitement on Water street this morning, when an electric light fixture was knocked off a lamp post and G. A. Messer's gasoline pump was badly smashed.

The horse had been tied to a post some distance down the street. Frightened by a passing auto it dashed up street with its loaded cart of potatoes. The first object it struck was the lamp post and then it continued its mad race until the cart

### Kills Himself On Grave of Wife

NEW YORK, May 18—William Hendler, 52 years old, visited St. Michael's cemetery in Astoria, L. I., to kneel at the grave of his wife, Lena, who died on November 6, last, of apoplexy and was buried two days later. After displaying extreme evidence of grief, as he had done daily since his wife's death, Hendler shot and killed himself, falling across the grave.

He left several letters, which the police mailed for him. He lived in Brooklyn. Hendler was a brewer and was out of work.

### Use the Want Ad. Way

Stores open 8.30 a.m. Close 6

## We Give!

What bride wouldn't be delighted with a gift of furniture and we have just about everything that any young couple could possibly want to furnish the home. Here are a few suggestions—

- A 3-Piece Chesterfield—Upholstered in mohair for the living-room. Price... \$170 up
- A Chesterfield Table, \$28 up
- Davenos in leatherette, tapestry and mohair.
- 3-Piece Parlor Suite, in mahogany finish... \$51
- A beautiful 8-Piece Dining Suite in walnut finish. Price \$112 up
- A Walnut Tea Wagon, \$31.50 up.
- Other Tea Wagons in sea grass... \$13.75
- Other Tea Wagons in Brown Rattan... \$25
- Serving Trays from \$2.50 up
- Curates in Sea Grass... \$2.75
- Mahogany Curates... \$12.75
- Then there are Tables of all kinds.
- The Davenport or Chair is more comfortable which has a table placed beside it whereon to set books, bon bon dish, ash tray. Prices... \$12.25 up
- The Handy Gate-Leg Table—Many are its uses, from \$25 up
- Library Tables—Priced at \$19.50 and up

(Furniture Store—Market Square.)

## Wilton Rugs In New Attractive Designs

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(Carpet Dept.—Germain street entrance.)

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 19.

## This Week Novelty Wash Goods For Summer Frocks

Novelty Wash Goods more bewitchingly beautiful than ever. Rayon Silk and Cotton Fabric that are new and different in design. Futuristic and geometric motifs give their modern touch to some beautiful fabrics.

- Bordered Dress Lengths come in imported Voiles and Silk and Cotton Crepes from which very attractive frocks may be easily made.
- Shantung Foulards in modernistic and polka dot designs, smart new colorings.
- Broadcloth in Roman stripe designs.
- English Broadcloth—Futuristic designs on white grounds.
- Dainty Voiles—A wonderful array of floral, geometrical and conventional designs.

(Wash Goods Dept.—Ground Floor.)

## THIS IS RAINCOAT TIME

And we are ready to serve you with Ladies' and Misses' wet weather togs.

- Oiled Silk Rain Coats in all the popular colors, including red, purple, amber, blue and green. The ideal summer raincoat, being light in weight and dressy in appearance.
- Oiled Cotton Slickers in yellow, red and purple.
- Rubber Surface Coats in blue, red and green.

Prepare for summer showers.

(Costume Dept.—Second Floor.)

## Has Little Daughter a Rain Cape?

She would be sure to like one of these Raincoats with a lined hood. They come in sizes 6, 8, 10, 12 years and are priced at... \$5

Then there are the Slickers, too, in sizes 8 to 12 years at... \$3.95

A new Pullover Sweater—Grey trimmed with blue; red trimmed with grey, other colors. Sizes from 4 to 12 years. Price... \$1.25 to \$1.60

Silk Princess Slips—12 and 14 year sizes only. Price to clear \$1

Children's White Princess Slips, trimmed with lace. 2 to 6 years... 29c. each

Children's Rompers in pretty colors for 1 and 2 years. Price 29c.

(Children's Dept.—Ground Floor.)

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(Curtain Dept.—Germain street entrance.)

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