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RECIPROCITY PASSED IN UNITED STATES HOUSE

Vote Was 265 to 89—All Amendments Rejected—Republicans Vote Against Measure—Attempt to Add Whole of Democratic Free List Bill to Measure.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—President Taft's Canadian reciprocity agreement, supported by all but a handful of Democrats, and opposed by a majority of the Republicans, passed the house of representatives early this evening by 265 to 89.

The bill seeks to put into effect the formal agreement reached between President Taft and the members of the Canadian cabinet for a reduction of the tariff rates on many articles and free trade in many others across the Canadian border.

The passage of the bill marked the close of a fight that had raged in the house for six days. During that time the safety of the measure was at no time threatened, but the Democratic and Republican leaders working for its passage conceded all the opportunity desired by its opponents for debate.

Ten Democrats voted against the bill on its passage, while 137 Democrats voted for it. At the time the bill passed at the preceding session of congress, a majority of the Republicans were found against it.

The attempt to amend the agreement began with final reading of the bill at 2 o'clock. The threats of Republicans opposed to the measure to make Democrats vote against amendments to free meat, lumber and free agricultural machinery, were carried out, but the party leaders declared that any amendment would defeat the whole trade agreement they cheerfully voted these amendments down.

The Republicans, who taunted them with opposing free admission of these important products, were met with the assertion that the measure would lay the new "farmers' free list bill" before the house next week, and that an opportunity would then be given for free meat, machinery, lumber and a score of other things. This defiance was met by Republican standpatters with the charge that Democrats knew the free list bill could not pass the senate nor secure the president's approval.

Attempts to put free and canned meats on the free list section of the reciprocity bill were made by Representatives Martin of South Dakota, Foster of Vermont, Democrat of Wisconsin and Norris of Nebraska. Representative Lenroot finally proposed the whole Democratic free list bill as an amendment, and although Representative Sherley of Kentucky, who was presiding, ruled that it was in order, the Democrats stolidly voted against it.

The section of the bill relating to free admission of pulp and paper provoked the sharpest attack, drawn up by Representative Mann of Wisconsin, the Republican leader, the statement that it was exactly in the terms agreed upon by the two countries. "Former Speaker Cannon bitterly attacked this section of the bill.

"Let's bring Canada down here and surrender the bill to congress to them," exclaimed Mr. Cannon. Representative Longworth of Ohio pointed out that any reduction of duties proposed in the free list amendments would violate the relations between the U. S. and all other countries, as it would give Canadian goods a special preference in the American markets.

"I challenge the statement that we are going to pass the free list bill later on with the expectation that it will not become law," said Democratic Leader Underwood in reply to statements from Republican opponents of the reciprocity bill. "The free list bill will become law, or the Republican president that kills it or the Republican president that votes it will never be heard from again."

Massacre at Fez

MADRID, April 21.—The government has received a telegram stating that a native has arrived at Teuan, who declares that the Moroccan rebels have stormed Fez and massacred the garrison, and that the sultan has taken refuge in the French consulate.

Mackenzie Now in Control of T. E. L.

Official Notification Given That Two-thirds of the Stock Has Been Deposited.

William Mackenzie and his Electrical Development Co. are now the owners of the Toronto Electric Light Co., so that the remaining shareholders have still two weeks to turn in their holdings.

The following circular was sent to shareholders: Dear Sir or Madam: We beg to inform you that there have been deposited with us stock certificates of the above mentioned company for more than two-thirds of the total issued shares of that company.

FELL INTO BASEMENT WOMAN LIKELY TO DIE

Topped Backwards Thru Window of Osgoode Hall Boiler Room and Fractured Skull.

An unidentified woman, about 24 years of age, fell from the point of death in St. Michael's, following a strange accident in the boiler room of the rear of Osgoode hall, at 433 yesterday afternoon. Her skull is fractured and she has little or no chance of recovery.

TOWN HAD CLOSE CALL

SWAN LAKE, Man., April 21.—The town of Swan Lake had a close call this morning when a bush fire was discovered just south of the town. The bush for two or three miles all round the south and southeast is burning, and with the aid of a bucket brigade, the citizens are keeping the flames back. W. J. Scott's blacksmith shop was scorched and his separator, which stands outside, was slightly burned. A watch will be kept during the night.

Another Liberal Balks

OTTAWA, April 21.—There was another Liberal opponent of the reciprocity agreement to-night. W. O. Sealey of Wentworth opposed the pact, so far as it affects the fruit and vegetable industry. He contended the interference with the tariff on that industry, pointing out that at present the Canadian duty is double that of the United States, and warned the government that as a result of the agreement the American fruit growers would swamp the Canadian growers. He said he still hoped and trusted that the fruit and vegetable industry would receive the consideration of the government.

TOO MANY TIPS FOR MR. TAYLOR

Member for Leeds Denounces Extravagant Expense Accounts of Ministers, Departments and Officials.

OTTAWA, April 21.—(Special.)—Traveling expenses such as cab hire, Pullman cars, hotel bills and gratuities to waiters on the part of ministers, deputy ministers and departmental officials, formed the chief subject of discussion in the house of commons this afternoon. Geo. Taylor (Leeds) took up a return recently tabled and in lacrymose tones inveighed against wanton expenditures.

"By what right," he demanded, "did these officials put their hands into the public chest and give tips to waiters?" Mr. Taylor objected to private cars for the commissioners of the national transcontinental railway. He criticized the expenses of the board of railway commissioners, and hinted at sundry items which might be classified as "incidental."

Taking up the bulky return Mr. Taylor began to read militia department expenses, \$200 just even; not \$20, and out of this tips to waiters \$22.88. "Are the names of the persons tipped given?" he asked Mr. Foster.

"No, no," replied Mr. Taylor, somewhat disconcerted by the interruption. Continuing Mr. Taylor read over the expenses of the governor-general and privy council office, \$308; Hon. Charles Murphy \$500 tips; department of finance, \$53 tips; trade and commerce department, \$183.03; labor department, \$85.20; railway commission, expenses of car Acadia, \$718.40.

The Premier's Pets. The member for Leeds was particularly severe on the commissioners of the national transcontinental railway, "traveling expenses," he snorted, "or \$764." "These men are the pets of my right hon. friend the prime minister."

"Rate & Co. for stocking private car, \$208.2," said Mr. Taylor, "and \$1500 of it for liquor," referring to a particular item as "220 simply for just an official." "I wonder if my right hon. friend the prime minister will justify that to the farmers of the west?"

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Mr. Taylor then turned to the department of the interior, and in a few minutes he was granted a traveling allowance in addition to his salary.

When the speaker of the evening, Hon. Mr. Patterson, who spoke for over an hour, on the reciprocity agreement negotiated by himself and Hon. Mr. Fielding. He claimed that the government needed no mandate to enter into such an agreement. This pact was an agreement, not a treaty, and was now before the representatives of the two nations, and he was confident that both would approve of it.

Both countries would always have the privilege of changing their fiscal policy. He claimed that the Conservatives asked for an appeal to the people when they did not want an appeal to the people. They wanted the house dissolved, or anything to prevent the Liberals from accomplishing this splendid agreement. No matter how many lines Jim Hill might run into the northwest, the Canadian transcontinental lines would always have all the traffic they could handle, because they could handle it as cheaply as anyone else.

SOME LOFTY TUMBLING



THE CLOWN: If I'm to get over that elephant, Philander, you've got to make him kneel.

MANY LIBERALS DECLINED TO ENDORSE RECIPROCITY

Hon. William Paterson's Cornwall Meeting Proved to Be Somewhat of a Frest.

CORNWALL, April 21.—(Special.)—The liberals of Stormont held a meeting in the Mason hall here to-night, to hear the reciprocity agreement discussed by Hon. Wm. Paterson, minister of customs, and others. The attendance was rather slim, less than 40 being present, and many of these declined to endorse the agreement.

It was a quiet easy-going kind of a meeting; James W. McLeod, president of the Stormont Liberal Association, presided. The first speaker was Co. R. Smith, M.P., for Stormont, who explained why a drill hall and other public buildings were not erected here.

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FIFTY YEARS RECTOR

Congregation of St. Stephen's Will Honor Canon Broughall.

Fifty years rector of St. Stephen's Church. This is the record of Rev. Canon Broughall, and in commemoration of the happy event, special services are to be held in the church to-morrow. His lordship, Bishop Sweney, will preach in the morning, and R. V. W. A. Graham, formerly of St. Thomas, in the evening.

CANADIANS AT COLUMBIA

Two Canadians figure in the fellowship awards made for the academic year at Columbia University. New York; S. M. Eastman, Medford, Ont., secures the George William Curtis Fellowship, and J. C. Miller, Calgary, Alberta, is a fellow in the Teachers' College in education.

FREIGHT HANDLERS TO DEMAND HIGHER PAY

Grand Trunk Men Will Revive Organization and C. P. R. Employes Will Join.

Railroad officials have their troubles when they try to keep down salaries. All along the line it looks as if the employes of the Grand Trunk are determined to have an increase proportionate with the "increased cost of living," and better pay on other roads.

The men had a union some time ago but owing to the constant moving of individuals to better positions elsewhere and new men coming on, it was finally dropped. With it dropped all organization and any power to regulate wages, and the men are determined that these must be secured again.

BRITONS BECOME MORMONS

Forty Families Passed Thru Toronto Yesterday for Salt Lake City.

An express train passed thru the Union Station yesterday carrying forty immigrant families to Buffalo, and eventually to Salt Lake City, Utah. This is the first batch of immigrants from the British Isles to leave the old land for the Mormon city.

JOHN CHAMBERS APPOINTED

John Chambers, formerly city park commissioner, was yesterday appointed by the Ontario Government to be gardener at the Central Prison at a salary of \$1600.

Accident to Survey Party? OTTAWA, April 21.—Consuls Commissioner Blue to-night received the following wire from his son, Walter Blue, who is on a government survey in the Timiskaming: "Saved every one and am all right."

PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN ONE COMPACT GROUP

Centralization Scheme Unanimously Favored by Board of Trade—Memorial to Government.

To centralize the government buildings in Toronto was the idea that called for a memorial to those in power at a general meeting of the board of trade yesterday. The idea is not new to the board, as president R. S. Gourlay, in his inaugural address, presented the facts and necessities of the case very strongly.

The memorial was addressed to the prime minister, the minister of public works and the Dominion cabinet as a whole. A change in the bylaws of the board was also made. Formerly the fee of members was \$10 for non-residents and \$12 for resident members for one year, and \$6 and \$5 for the half year.

TO WIRE OTHER PRESBYTERY

Prompt Action Needed in Dealing With Call to Rev. S. H. Gray.

It will be decided on May 2, whether Rev. S. Harper Gray, of Dundas, will become pastor of Old St. Andrew's church. On that date not only does the Toronto presbytery meet to consider the call, but the Hamilton presbytery, to which Rev. Mr. Gray belongs, meets at St. Catharines. If the Toronto body sustains the call it will be transmitted by wire to the Hamilton presbytery.

DEATH BY ACCIDENT

"We, the jury, find that David Fry came to his death thru being struck by an elevator, and we believe that his death was purely misadventure." Thus Coroner Dr. Winnett's jury expressed themselves after hearing the evidence in the case of the unlucky old man who was found under the freight elevator in McKendry's store on Yonge street. No negligence was found in the evidence against the store, and it could not be made clear how the victim a night watchman, had got under the elevator, there was little doubt of its being a case of accident.

FOREIGN INFLUX GRAVE PROBLEM

True National Spirit Endangered, Says A. E. Kemp at Fine Rally of North Riverdale Conservatives.

Danforth Hall was packed last night at the evening concert held by the North Riverdale Liberal-Conservative Association, with an enthusiastic audience of representative electors. Excellent speeches were made by leading Conservatives. President A. J. Smith expressed great pleasure at the large attendance.

On the platform, in addition to the chairman, were: Col. Sam Hughes, M. P., A. E. Kemp, Thos. R. Whiteside, M. L. A., Controller Church, J. A. Macdonald, A. H. Birmingham, and other representative Conservatives. Controller Church warmly congratulated the association on the interest front the electors of East York were showing in this important Canadian crisis. He well remembered speaking in East York many years ago, and he was glad to see that the same spirit continued to be manifested.

Cheered A. E. Kemp. A. E. Kemp was given an ovation. He said he was delighted to be present and to see such a successful meeting. Respecting the reciprocity question he wished to say that Canada had many years ago many very able men, such as Hon. Geo. Brown, Sir Charles Tupper and Sir John A. Macdonald. The country was reproaching itself with which needs again such men as Sir John A. Macdonald, if the Dominion is to be kept from absorption by the United States.

Sir John A. and the other fathers of Confederation had an easy task to bring about the union of the Dominion with the development of our great northwest in view of the great influx into the Dominion of settlers, most of them not British.

Big Foreign Population. The foreign element was in the majority in the Canadian census. In the early days of the United States there was a continuity of interest, of commerce and of population. The Canadian east and west are separated by a wide stretch of unsettled country. The newcomers there regard the northwest as being Canada. We are not safe with so-called "expatriation" going on to Washington to negotiate for tariff agreements.

Annexation in Sight. Confederation is now at the testing point. We are not safe with the reciprocity agreement for the same reason that the American people are favorable to it, namely, Annexation. We can't believe it will lead to annexation. This was shown by the statement in congress by Mr. McCall, who moved for a resolution which likened it to the Louisiana purchase. The Democratic and Republican leaders were united for the pact because they aimed at annexation. The United States were not very friendly to Canada until they found they could not get along without us.

The real feeling of the Americans towards Canada was shown by an incident two weeks ago at Albany, when his own sister-in-law was put off the street car because it becomes law that not accept a Dominion one dollar bill for her fare.

The Dominion Government has got so mixed up with President Taft that it is committed to pass the pact, but we will insist that the people of Canada be allowed to pass upon it at the ballot box before it becomes law. (Prolonged applause.)

President Grier of Ward One Conservative Association declared it was as much a man's duty to take part in politics in times of peace as to be ready to go to the front in time of war.

An Iniquitous Pact. Col. Sam Hughes, M.P., said he feared for the present great prosperity of Toronto if this iniquitous reciprocity pact were ratified. The constitutional basis he declared the arrangement had been made contrary to the constitutional usage of the empire and the basis of responsibility government. On any great new issue an appeal to the people was requisite. This was the case in the case of the pact. The pact is not in Canada's interests; it would be a blow at Canada's industries and place Canada at the mercy of the United States trusts. But for the fool policy of the Conservative party in 1896 in making a dicker with the ecclesiastics for the Manitoba schools, the Liberals would not have achieved power. The Conservative party, however, in and out of office, had stood true to the national policy of fostering Canadian industry. (Applause.)

Brief speeches were made by J. A. Macdonald and A. H. Birmingham and a number of songs included the smoker. The North Riverdale patrol of boy scouts in khaki held a special muster and attended the meeting. No Commission on Epidemic. Sir James Macpherson yesterday afternoon stated that the Ontario government would probably appoint a commission to probe the Ottawa typhoid epidemic, was not correct. THE FASHIONABLE ALPINE. Soft felt hats are ultra stylish for early summer wear. The Dinesen Company is showing some exclusive styles by the best of the American and English manufacturers. There is also included some splendid frocks by Borsari. The stores of the Dinesen Company will be open until ten o'clock Saturday night.