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A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Are the people of the maritime provinces content to go on seeing the west outstrip them in the race? Are they content to see more and more of their own sons and daughters drifting away to the prairie and the Pacific provinces? Have they lost their ambition and their desire to see their provinces share in the general growth?

Reciprocity comes at an opportune time to give a new impulse to the development of natural industries, by opening a wider free market. Must the opportunity be ignored because some gentlemen desire to take the places of some other gentlemen on the treasury benches at Ottawa?

Let the people look to their own interests. The Conservatives are seeking the overthrow of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in order to secure place and patronage for themselves. The people can better afford to keep them in opposition than to lose the greatest chance to bring prosperity to these provinces that has come to them for more than a generation.

There is none so blind as he who will not see; but partisanship cannot blind the people of the maritime provinces to the great opportunity that is theirs.

A WEAK MANIFESTO

The manifesto of Mr. Borden to the people of Canada is a notoriously misleading document. At the outset he says: "It is clear that the late parliament never received any mandate to surrender to the United States the complete fiscal autonomy which Great Britain endowed this Dominion, a consequence which follows from the reciprocity compact."

The government had as clear a mandate to treat with the United States as with France or Germany, and Mr. Borden knows it. Indeed for over forty years all parties have favored such an agreement. But Mr. Borden goes further and asserts that there is a surrender of fiscal autonomy. How can there be such a surrender when Canada can terminate the agreement at any time? In succeeding paragraphs in his manifesto Mr. Borden dwells upon the alleged subordination of Canadian authority to that of the United States. As a matter of fact, the formation of this trade agreement is a beneficial exercise of that autonomy which he pretends to believe is threatened.

Mr. Borden next charges that reciprocity would segregate the provinces and destroy their east and west trade, thus doing great injury to the Atlantic ports. It seems necessary to point out once more that Canadian goods may now go free in bond through American ports, and that last winter more than one-third of the winter export trade through St. John was in United States products sent here because this was the best route. The great railways have no fear that their east and west traffic will be affected. What will happen will be that in addition to a steadily growing east and west trade there will be a profitable north and south trade, adding greatly to the development and prosperity of Canada.

Mr. Borden further says that reciprocity "shatters the ideal and the hope of reciprocity within the Empire." When was there a prospect of such reciprocity? Sir Wilfrid Laurier says that free trade within the Empire is the ideal system, but the tory protectionists would never consent. Moreover, in two general elections the people of the United Kingdom have turned down tariff reform. They are free traders, and will give no preference. They trade where they can buy cheapest and sell to the best advantage, and their loyalty is not lessened. But if imperial reciprocity were offered the Canadian people could at once terminate the American agreement. Therefore Mr. Borden is talking nonsense.

It is unnecessary to follow Mr. Borden through the remarkable series of misleading statements made in his manifesto. In a fine burst of patriotism he concludes with a statement that he believes the popular verdict "will be for the unity and not for disintegration of Canada, and for the strengthening and not the loosening of the ties which bind this Dominion to the British Empire." The disunion which Mr. Borden talks about is much more likely to come if the farmers are refused a wider market at the instigation of the protected interests of the country.

SEEING NEW BRUNSWICK

The British journalists who are welcomed to St. John today have not had a pleasant day on which to cross the Bay of Fundy, and they will not be able to view the harbor and City of St. John under as favorable conditions as the citizens desire. It is also regretted that these representatives of the British press are not to remain with us long enough to make themselves fully acquainted with the attractions, and the industrial and commercial advantages of St. John. They will, however, see something of the city and its surroundings.

Before leaving the province the visitors should be given full information about the splendid agricultural resources of New Brunswick, its great possibilities as an orchard province, its wealth in lumber, its resources in coal and iron and other minerals, in granite and limestone, its beautiful climate, and the opportunities for developing profitable manufacturing industries. But especially should our people point out to the visitors the advantages this province offers to the thrifty farmer with enough capital to give him a fair start. Such settlers find here much that they prize highly, but would not find if they went to the prairie provinces. A very important point, and one which a glance at a late railway map will impress upon the mind, is the fact that nowhere in New Brunswick is a settler far from railway, river or lake communication; while all have the advantage of good schools, churches, and excellent telegraphic, telephone and mail services. Lying on the seaboard, the province is within easy reach of the markets of the world. St. John, which is to be a terminus of three transcontinental railways, will itself become a great city and a large market.

Don't trust the trusts, whether Canadian or American.

Under reciprocity our coasting trade would be revived, to the great benefit of the dwellers along the coasts of these provinces.

It is announced that Hon. Clifford Sifton is coming to New Brunswick. Mr. Sifton is the mouthpiece of the protected interests.

The Standard says that reciprocity is "colored treason." That is rather hard on Sir John Macdonald and the other great leaders of the Conservative party in the past.

The Standard says Sir Wilfrid Laurier sought to ride into power twenty years ago at the sacrifice of British connection. A grosser libel of a statesman is seldom penned. But it is "anything to beat Laurier."

Not wishing to see Col. McLean elected by acclamation, the Conservatives have nominated Mr. Luther B. Smith in Queens-Sunbury. Also it gives the Standard another opportunity to revel in the realms of political romance.

Mr. J. Sutton Clark is a Conservative who will support reciprocity. He ought to know how the agreement will affect the fishing interests of Charlotte county. He does know, and therefore will vote for the larger free market.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier opened the Ontario campaign yesterday with a brilliant speech, that will arouse the enthusiasm of Liberals throughout Canada. They have as their leader one who ranks as an imperial as well as a Canadian statesman. He is not afraid of the anæsthetic bogey.

The latest plan of the patriots is to buy Canada for the Empire with American dollars, supplied by the trusts of the United States. This is no doubt an exalted and sincere act of flag-worship, but still the heathen Liberals rage and cry out for reciprocity.

"A British subject I was born, a British subject I will die." That is all right as to sentiment, but birth and death are small matters. The problem is to live between those events. Living will be much more satisfactory in Canada if we get reciprocity.

The politician who boasts about his yearning to defend the flag when it is in no danger is in the same class with the hen which cackles when there is no egg.

HE KNEW HER

Friend—"What on earth are you doing to that picture?"

Great Artist—"I am rubbing a piece of raw meat over this rabbit in the foreground. Mrs. De Shoddis will be here this afternoon, and when she sees her pet dog smell of that rabbit she'll buy it."

—New York Weekly

"I am inclined to think," said the man who speaks with firmness though with caution, "that our friend Mr. Grafton Smith was created on the Sabbath."

"For what reason?"

"We are told that an honest man is the noblest work of the Creator, and the kind that on the seventh day the Creator rested."

—Washington Star

Isaac Aldrich of Burke, Vt., says he has never been shaved by a barber. He is 97 years old and still shaves himself.

AUGUST

The golden grain glows in the noonday sun;
The languid air floats through the waving field;
The flowers and grass their richest beauty yield;
The luscious which the royal month hath won,
The wealth which in her princely train doth run,
The grandeur of the harvest of the year,
The crown which on her forehead doth appear,
The glory claspeth earth and sky in one!
Then out the earnest sweet of joys begun,
Radiant days of hope and peace and calm;
O perfect days of grace the pledge and sign
Of lovely days which end in song and psalm;
O Eden days, thy restful charms are mine,
O peerless days of bounty and of balm.
—Henry Alexander Lavelly.

TO STUDY NATURE

You cannot read the story of the rose,
And why the snowy lily hangs her head;
Nor why the gentle violet seeks repose
In dewy dell 'midst mossy covered bed.
You cannot tell the song the linnet sings,
—And feel the gladness of yon neighboring brook—
Nor half the joy that from his small soul springs.
To study nature God must be your book.
—Ewyn Bruce MacKinnon.

IN LIGHTER VEIN



HE KNEW
She—It is when a man is in trouble that he realizes the value of a wife.
He—Yes, then he can put all his property in her name.



PROOF OF POPULARITY
Boggs—I am doing about as well as I can.
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STRAINING HIMSELF
Percy—What are you doing about your doctor's advice to take physical exercise, dear boy?

Cholly—I'm cawing a heavier walking stick, and I wear a larger button-hole bouquet.



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Rev. I. N. Thorne was in the city on Monday.

Rev. W. T. Stackhouse, D. D., is at Wolfville for a short vacation.

Rev. W. W. Weeks, D. D., is spending his summer vacation in Europe.

Rev. D. Price was warmly welcomed to his new charge at Middle Sackville, N. B.

Rev. J. B. Daggett, Tracey Mills, N. B., went to Grand Manan last week, visiting his old home.

Rev. J. B. Gagnon has been on a fortnight's vacation at Kawick, N. B. He returned to Havelock today.

Rev. Bruce D. Knott occupied the pulpit of the Windsor, N. S., church last Sunday, and will be there next Sunday also.

Rev. W. Camp, Leinster street, lectures, is back from his vacation and resumed his work on Sunday.

Rev. E. E. Daley last week tendered his resignation of the pastorate of Emmanuel church, Truro, N. S. He has accepted the call of the Fairview church, Halifax.

Rev. F. H. Wentworth, Waterloo street, this city, took up his work again last Sunday after two weeks' vacation.

Rev. D. Hutchinson returned from northern New Brunswick last week, and went to Jacksonville, where he spent last Sunday.

Rev. W. S. Smith of the senior class at Newton has accepted a call to Kemptonville, Yarmouth county, N. S., and will begin work there September 1st.

Rev. A. M. McNeill, of Clark's Harbor, N. S., was called to Victoria, N. B., last week by the critical illness of his father.

Rev. C. K. Morse, pastor of Emmanuel church, Winnipeg, and Mrs. Morse are visiting in the Annapolis Valley and will remain till Sept. 1.

Rev. A. A. Shaw, M. A., of Cleveland, formerly of Winnipeg, is spending his vacation in his native province of Nova Scotia. He is at present in Truro.

Rev. Frank Rideout, of Newton, Mass., having summer vacation home in Hartland, N. B., is now visiting friends in Nova Scotia. While in Halifax he supplied at the west-end church.

Rev. A. A. Rideout, of Newton Theological School, is spending a short holiday at home in Hartland, N. B., last Sunday he preached at Marville, of which church he was formerly pastor.

Rev. J. B. Gagnon, Home Missionary Secretary of the State of Massachusetts, spent last week at Fairville, with his friend Rev. George R. Baker of Leominster, Mass.

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Rev. W. B. Wallace, D. D., of Brooklyn, and son of the veteran home missionary evangelist, the late Rev. Dr. Isaiah Wallace who is spending his holidays in Annapolis county will attend the convention.

Dr. Cullen passed through this city Monday. He and Mrs. Cullen have been enjoying a fortnight's vacation. They went to Boston, via Yarmouth, thence to Toronto and Concluding. At the last named place, where a Y. M. C. A. summer school was in session, Dr. Cullen delivered lectures.

Dr. Edwin Crowell, of Halifax, who for the past year or more has been engaged as field secretary of the annuity board, has resigned from that office and will be open to engagement as pastor after September next.

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