"by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while "not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic "and foreign trade, and hasten the return of prosperity "to our people."

"That to that end, the tariff should be reduced "to the needs of honest, economical and efficient governme "ment."

"That it should be so adjusted as to make free,
"or to bear as lightly as possible upon, the necessaries
"of life, and should be so arranged as to promote freer
"trade with the whole world, more particularly with
"Great Britain and the United States."

"We believe that the results of the protective
"system have greviously disappointed thousands of persons
"who honestly supported it, and that the country, in the
"light of experience, is now prepared to declare for a
"sound fiscal policy."

"The issue between the two political parties on this question is now clearly defined."

"The Government themselves admit the failure
"of their fiscal policy, and now confess their willing"ness to make some changes; but they say that such
"changes must be based only on the principle of pro"tection."

"radically unsound, and unjust to the masses of theb "people, and we declare our conviction that any tariff "changes based on that principle must fail to afford any "substantial relief from the burdens under which the "country labors.

"This issue we unhesitatingly accept, and upon "it we await with the fullest confidence the verdict of "the electors of Camada."

It will be noted that this tariff resolution does not advocate "free trade" but comfirms the policy of the Liberal Party to "promote freer trade with the "whole world more particularly with Great Britain and "the United States."

The above resolution was presented to this Dominion

Liberal Convention on the afternoon of June 21st. 1893, and

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