

retain the preference they now have in the English market, they may make their own terms and command their own prices without the need of any treaty or any agreement whatever, (Hear, hear, and cheers.)

Canada in the Lead.

More than that, sir; for the first time in her history, Canada has asserted herself. Canada has become to all intents and purposes a real factor in the British Empire. (Hear, hear.) When before was it heard that in conducting negotiations with the United States, England permitted four Canadian plenipotentiaries to be associated with one representative of England? (Hear, hear.) And here let me say—and it is only justice to Sir Charles Tupper to say that he has frankly admitted the fact—that I think the result of those negotiations have proved to you that although we do desire, as we had a right to desire, to establish the most friendly relations with the great republic beside us; yet, in the hands of the Liberal Government and of the Liberal party you need never be afraid that Canadian interests will be sacrificed or that Canadian honor will be allowed to be set on one side in any negotiations with any power in the world. (Great applause.) Sir, it may be that we have builded better than we knew. I believe for my part that the example which we have set is going to have, and that at no distant day, very great and important results. I, for my part, hold with Mr. Kipling, that when we took the step we did we set an example which will ring from one end of the world to the other:—

“ We have proved our faith in the heritage
By more than the word of the mouth,
Those that are wise may follow
When the world's war-trumpet blows,
But we, we are first in the battle,
Said Our Lady of the Snows.”

(Loud and prolonged cheering, the audience rising and waving handkerchiefs.)

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