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countries. That is the Tory point of view, to create more walls, create more taxation everywhere. We claim it is for England to say whether they shall tax their own people in this way or not. The people of England don't want taxes. We do not believe the British Empire can be brought together by one part dictating to another; nor do we believe it can be kept together by setting up walls against each other. We are being drawn closer to each other as one great family under the British flag. (Applause).

What did that policy do further? It helped to stimulate trade back and forth, and the parts of the country it helps most are the Maritime Provinces.

**Maritime Rights.**

We hear a good deal about Maritime Rights. What are these rights they call Maritime Rights? If someone will tell me what is a Maritime right then I can get out and see whether I can defend it. I know it should be possible for the Maritime Provinces to have the right to as wide a market as they can get. Another Maritime right is that they should have as much trade through their home ports as is possible to get. The whole Liberal policy is a policy that aims at getting for the people of different parts of the country the rights to which they are entitled. In trade Maritime Rights are the rights of the

people to have these wider markets, and they have got the same right as people in all other parts of the country to be taxed as little as possible. That is why I don't believe in high protection. High protection is high taxation.

Under Sir Wilfrid Laurier there was introduced, the lowering of the duties in some cases, of establishing the British Preference, and a third thing which was all important, viz: that relating to the matter of wider markets.  
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