

RECIPROcity DOGE LAST HOPE OF LIBERAL PARTY

LOCAL VIEWS ON TARIFF AGREEMENT

W. F. Hatheway Predicts that Result Will be Severance of Close Relations with Mother Country--Lime Burning Industry Does Not Profit While Many Suffer--Millers Hit Hard.

That the new tariff arrangements which Mr. Fielding announced in the House on Thursday...

When the tariff negotiations of last year and the present year were talked of, the lime burners of the city, according to Charles Miller...

Naturally after this promise, when Mr. Miller opened his paper yesterday morning and read of the tariff changes he expected that some attention would have been paid to the request.

"Lime was not mentioned in the tariff schedule, and I can say that they have handed it to us," is the way Mr. Miller expressed himself to the Standard yesterday when asked his opinion of the tariff.

"I hoped and expected that something would have been done to restore what was an important industry here, but I was disappointed. As long as lime is subject to a duty going into the United States, there is no chance of the business being restored, and the government apparently has no desire to make it possible for us to do business there."

Among the passengers sailing on the steamer Hesperian last evening for Liverpool, was Andrew Motherwell, a leading flour, feed and hay importer of Glasgow, Scotland...

Mr. Motherwell expressed surprise that the placing of wheat on the free list will enable the American miller to buy his wheat more cheaply and consequently will enable him to quote a lower price in the English market...

NEW CHAMBER FOR THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Conservative Members Approve Suggestion of Minister of Public Works That Members Should Sit in Wing

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—During the discussion of the estimates in the Commons this evening the question of enlarging the parliament buildings was mooted.

3 KILLED IN EXPLOSION AT MICHIPICOTEN

Sault Ste Marie, Ont., Jan. 27.—News reached the Soo today of a premature explosion of dynamite at the Helen Iron Mine, Michipicoten, which cost three lives and fatally injured another workman.

The dead men are, John Thompson, J. J. Mackie and Oscar Mantynen, all of Wawa, Ont. The other man, Constant Nyman, also of Wawa, has a fractured skull and internal injuries and his death is believed to be only a matter of hours.

ALBERT LOSES POSTMASTER

R. C. Atkinson Replaced by Non-Resident of Village—Great Indignation Expressed—Little Hope of Recovery

Albert, Jan. 27.—The residents of the village of Albert without exception were amazed tonight when it was learned for a certainty that Daniel W. Stewart, late of Moncton, but later of Coverdale, had been appointed postmaster for Albert and that his old friend and highly respected citizen, Robert Clifford Atkinson, would have to step down and out and that the new incumbent would take charge on February first.

PROMISING CROP OF CIVIC CANDIDATES

Moncton, Jan. 27.—Nominations for the civic elections which take place on Tuesday next closed tonight. Mayor Reilly is opposed in his re-election by W. D. Martin, clothing merchant.

PAC POLITICAL SCHEME OF LIBERALS AND REPUBLICANS

General Impression at Ottawa is That Agreement Will Never be Carried Into Effect--Strong Protests From All Sources--Gloucester Takes Prompt Action--British Press Comment.



HON. W. S. FIELDING—"Taft says if you set it under a Canada goose it will develop into a real screaming American eagle."

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 27.—With the lapse of 24 hours since Mr. Fielding announced his momentous reciprocity bargain with the United States, the air is beginning to clear. It is becoming abundantly evident, especially on reading the despatches from Washington, is the comment of some, that this is simply a measure just as arranged by Knox and Fielding. If not accepted in total the bargain falls to the ground.

preceptive of the bad effects from the new tariff. President Johnston, of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, in an interview recently, said that the effect of abolition of the duty would be that Ontario growers would lose the profitable early market, which would go to the United States.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 27.—Many Windsor people are inclined to believe that the reciprocity agreement, if it goes through, will affect Windsor industrial growth to a marked degree. There are about fifty branches of the Ontario Manufacturers' Association in Windsor, Walkerville and Sandwich, and it is feared that many of these branches will be some way with the Free admission of farm products to Detroit, however, will be a great boon, it is said, to Essex county farmers.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Neither the Ways and Means Committee of the House, nor the Finance Committee of the Senate took steps today to consider the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement, but it is expected that as soon as there has been sufficient informal discussion to measure the sentiment in the two branches of congress, meetings of the committee will be held.

Canadian Press. Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 27.—It is unlikely that the question of reciprocity will be discussed in the House again until week after next. There are many matters on the order paper for next week, and the special questions will be debated on motions to go into supply. This means that with private members day's intervening, the subject cannot well be reached for a week or ten days.

Optimism as to the outcome of the reciprocity agreement prevails at the White House. The president's congressional callers today were reticent. This was according to their statements, to the fact that they had not time to study the agreement. They all said that it was a matter of such importance that no hasty opinion could be expected as to the probability of the agreement being passed.

\$75,000,000 TO IMPROVE RIVER THAMES

London Plans Extensive Improvements With View Of Regaining Importance As Shipping Port.

London, Jan. 27.—With a view to restoring London's lost importance as a shipping port, the recently constructed "port of London authority" is considering a vast scheme for improvements in the River Thames. Docking facilities involving an expenditure of nearly \$75,000,000 are contemplated, the work to occupy 20 years.

EXPLANATION OF GLADSTONE

Governor General Of South Africa Had Good Reasons For Decision To Commute Sentence On Native.

Cape Town, Jan. 27.—Viscount Gladstone, governor general of United South Africa, in a statement dealing with his recent commutation of the death sentence passed on a native for criminal assault on a white woman, says he fully agrees with the people as to the necessity of dealing firmly with such cases which, however, are not frequent nor increasing in Rhodesia.

REPORT 315 CASES OF TYPHOID IN OTTAWA

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 27.—The medical health officer today made a canvass of the various physicians and reports that there are now 315 cases of typhoid fever in the city. No new deaths have been reported.

STRICKEN WHILE ATTENDING FUNERAL

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—While attending the funeral of the late J. E. Schwitzer today, J. A. Clarke, relieving purchasing agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, of Montreal, was stricken with paralysis and is seriously ill here. He fell just outside of his hotel.