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THE LIBERAL POLICY.

We are told by the friends of the combines that unrestricted reciprocity would be treason to Great Britain.

Is anything treasonable that the Queen approves of?

Let it not be forgotten that no reciprocity treaty with the United States can be agreed upon unless Her Majesty the Queen is a consenting party and signs the instrument.

The "disloyalty" booby had better be taken in. It is too ridiculous.

THE STANDING OF THE FEARFUL ONES.

It really is a wonder how much more your high tax advocates know about the independent manufacturers' interests than they do themselves.

The Campbells, the Leonards, the Hymans, the Clarks, the Stevenses, the Patersons, the Waterhouses, the Masseys, the Watsons, the Truxaves, the Frosts, the Wards, the Parks, the Woods, and hundreds of other manufacturers in Canada know all about manufacturing. They know all about the withering effects of the N.P. They know all about what a restricted market and dear raw material means. They know all about the good that unrestricted trade would do the farmers and the workmen who consume their products. They know how much their markets would be extended.

Stubbins and perverse generation that they are! These manufacturers, who were growing up with the country and extending their business years before the blighting effects of the high tax policy was felt, decline to believe the gloomy prognostications of the newspapers that champion the cause of the combines. But independent manufacturers are disinterested. These newspapers are not.

They argue for a Government that is under the thumb of the sugar, cotton, binder twine, barbed wire, rubber, farm implement and other combines, and who are to-day conducting their campaign with funds supplied by these men. What right have such newspapers to speak for the manufacturers and the artisans of Canada, and to tell to the world that the country is so poor and so unenterprising and inefficient that the taxes they cannot make a living in a fair fight, with no favor!

No doctrine is more fatal to the future welfare of Canada. What foreign capitalist would seek to invest his money in such a country and among such a people?

Fortunately, the majority of the electors of Canada do not believe the statements of these detractors, and before another month is over will place our country in its proper light of an independent, self-respecting, determined-to-progress nation.

INCOME AND SAVINGS.

A banker writes to the London Free Press to say that the greater portion of the savings bank deposits in London belong to farmers. At a recent Conservative meeting one of the speakers told another tale. It was represented that the workmen of the city owned the money. The banker and every other citizen knows better. The mass of the workmen of this city are so highly taxed that they find it hard to make ends meet when they have plenty to do, and under the beneficent N.P. they have too many shut-down and short time to save anything. How the high tax policy affects their interests was ably shown by large employers of labor at the Hamilton road public meeting last night.

THE NEW DEAL.

A few days ago, millions of campaign documents, intended to show that reciprocity of any kind was highly detrimental to Canadian interests, were burned at Ottawa. Now it is announced that 2,000,000 sheets of campaign literature is about to be issued by the high tax party, on an entirely different basis. An attempt will be made to show that reciprocity in one kind of articles is treason and disloyalty, and that reciprocity in another description of products is highly meritorious. The combines have said so, and what they say goes while the present Administration holds sway at Ottawa.

—Mr. Musgrove, who was put up by the high tax party to oppose Dr. Macdonald, the able ex-M.P. for East Huron, has seemed it prudent to withdraw from the contest.

THE RAILWAY MEN.

The railway men cannot do wrong to vote for unrestricted reciprocity. It means more business for their roads, bigger profits to the shareholders, more employment, and opportunities to get increased pay.

The restrictionist policy means less traffic, probably a suspension of the enormous traffic to and from the Western States, continuance of the duties on coal and other necessities, decreased employment, and no chance of higher wages.

There is not a railway man in the country who does not know this.

PREMIER MOWAT AND THE ELECTIONS.

Though Mr. Meredith approved of the adjournment of the Legislature until after the elections, the high tax journals are berating Premier Mowat for letting the House go till the turmoil unnecessarily forced upon the country is over. There was no necessity for holding the Dominion elections now. The decree that the elections should take place was issued after the Legislature was summoned. Why should Mr. Mowat be blamed for the clash? Why should he and his fellow-members in the Legislature be silent now, as the high tax advocates plead? They are independent of the Ottawa authorities, yet are vitally interested as citizens of Canada in the great issue before the people. There is no indecency in their fighting for the ascendancy of principles so vitally affecting the prosperity of this fair Province. The Ontario Ministers will be welcomed into the arena by every intelligent Canadian outside the Combines and those who favor them. They have a far better right to actively interest themselves in the elections than has Sir Charles Tupper, an Ottawa civil servant, whose salary of \$15,000 a year, house, taxes and whisky glasses are paid for by the whole people of Canada.

THE RASCALLY VOTERS' LISTS.

Some idea of the injustice done to a large section of the community by taking the vote on a 3-year-old list can be gleaned from the following statement of the errors in one division of No. 4 ward in this city, which has been canvassed:

Qualified voters left off the list..... 70
Dead men's names on the list..... 11
Not allowed to vote because names on the list..... 48

Total..... 129
This, too, under a voters' list that cost over \$300,000 to revise, and notwithstanding that Mr. Carling and his associates, who decreed this wholesale disfranchisement of young men and others, have given no valid excuse for going to the country upon a grossly inaccurate and unfair list. The hurry was not for nothing. By and bye, we shall know the true inwardness of the scheme that causes the panic-stricken friends of the combines to face the country rather than a Parliamentary session. Meanwhile, independent electors must draw their own conclusions. They cannot be favorable to the continuance of the patrons of the combines.

SHIVERING DR. ROOME.

The most laughable episode of the campaign, so far, is the declaration of Dr. Roome, the Tory candidate for West Middlesex, that he is now prepared to support the platform of the Patrons!

Wonders will never cease.
Surely this Dr. Roome is not the Dr. Roome who in Parliament has always voted in favor of the combines?

Surely this Dr. Roome is not the Dr. Roome who voted in favor of retaining the inequitable taxes on necessities of life?

Surely this Dr. Roome is not the Dr. Roome who in last session of Parliament aided the trade restrictionists to vote down a motion declaring that the taxes then imposed were oppressive, and that instead of increased taxation (as proposed by the Government) there should be a reduction?

Surely this Dr. Roome is not the Dr. Roome who voted against unrestricted trade with our neighbors in the States, which is a plank in the platform of the Patrons?

If he is the same Dr. Roome, then indeed must he be sitting on the catty stool, a repentant apostate, but how is it possible to believe that a man with a record so opposed to his present professions can be trusted?

West Middlesex electors can read and think. They cannot be hoodwinked by eleventh-hour professions, founded on fear.

"WILL FOR EVER DEFEAT AN-EXINATION."

The New York Press says:
"Arguing to the electors of Canada against unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, Sir John A. Macdonald, the Canadian Premier, declares that it would 'inevitably result in the annexation of this Dominion to the United States.'"

And the same journal declares:
"It is a curious commentary on the operations of the human mind that on this side of the Canada line there is serious objection among leading statesmen to reciprocity with that country for the reason that it will postpone and possibly for ever defeat annexation."

The advice of the New York protectionist journal, under the circumstances, is contained in this concluding paragraph:
"So far as the United States is concerned in this discussion the greatest question is whether or not we want to bring Canada into the Union by annexation. If we do, the surest course is to keep up the tariff barriers to shut her out from all privileges of trade and commerce, until she comes to us in sheer desperation."

If the Canadian high tax people have their way, and the Yankee trade restrictionist wish, this threat may be carried out; but we much mistake intelligent public opinion on both sides of the line if it falls to effect freedom of trade which is in the interest of both peoples. The combines kick hard against the proposition, but they are not the people.

—The Hamilton Times asserts that the policy of high taxation has killed six sewing machine factories in that city.

WOULD NOT BE TOLERATED.

The Liberal chieftain says that in the Motherland the wholesale disfranchisement of the young men of the land, to suit the exigencies of a political party, rightly estimated the chivalrous spirit of the English, Scotch and Irish. They are earnest politicians over the water, but neither a Salisbury nor a Gladstone dare steal the rights of many thousands of free men, as Mr. Carling and his associates have done, rather than await the exposure of another session of Parliament and a revision of the lists of three years ago.

Let us exhibit a kindred spirit in Canada, and no political party will ever again deprive 100,000 young men of their right to vote, as established by law.

MAY TRY OLD TRICKS.

The Toronto Telegram (Independent) apparently believes that the dying Dominion Government will be beaten in the coming elections at Ottawa. It says that in that case Sir John Macdonald will not give up; he will simply set to work "to purchase supporters with the nation's money." The best way to prevent such a contingency is for the electors to give such a majority against the combine-run Government as will defeat it beyond hope of being able to seduce enough needy M.P.s from their allegiance to the party of the majority. The country needs a change.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

—Reciprocity and revived trade go together.

—In St. John, N.B., the trade restrictionists have put up three lawyers as their candidates.

—If we buy from our neighbors we will sell to them. Why should we be afraid? Have we not a glorious country to develop?

—In Albert county, N.B., the Albert Manufacturing Company, formerly Consensus, now support the Liberals. The cause of legitimate reciprocity becomes stronger daily.

—The many friends of Dr. Samson, of Blenheim, the stalwart Liberal of the west, who was recently seriously ill, will be glad to hear that he has so far recovered as to be able to participate in the contest now in progress.

—The Canada Baptist urges every good man to make his work felt in the present political campaign. The best way to put down Bossism and class legislation and make Rykerts and McGreerys very small men is for good citizens to combine against them.

It is certain that Winnipeg will return a man pledged to work for free trade. Mr. Scarth, the late Tory member, was only elected by a majority of 10, and he is afraid to again face the music; because he opposed the Liberal policy of intelligent trade extension throughout his term. As goes Winnipeg, so goes Manitoba.

—The Liberals are putting strong candidates in the field in Manitoba. The nomination of Attorney-General Martin Selkirk is equivalent to election, and Mr. Watson will be again returned for Marquette. Mr. A. W. Ross was hoping he would not be opposed in Lisgar, but a good man will be put in the field against him.

—Mr. Ballantyne, M.P.P. for South Perth, is to be congratulated on attaining to the high position of Speaker in the Ontario Legislature. No better choice could have been made. Mr. Ballantyne is one of our representative Western farmers. He has done much for the Province, and is always in the front ranks of those who are moving for improved, economical, money-making methods of agriculture. As Speaker, his fair and judicial mind will stand him in good stead.

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BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

Baccarat Games and the Balfour-Zetland Fund.

London, Feb. 14.—In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Henry Matthews, Secretary of State for the Home Department, replying to questions as to the legality of the baccarat games played by Mr. Arthur Wilson's house, Trinity Croft, at the time of the Doncaster race meeting last autumn, and where the scandal which disgraced Sir William Gordon Cumming occurred, said that he had been informed that the playing referred to was not a contravention of the laws against gambling.

Mr. Timothy M. Healy renewed his question of Chief Secretary Balfour in regard to the Zetland-Balfour fund. Mr. Healy asked the Chief Secretary if the fund referred to was an effort of private benevolence and when, if such was the case, it would be administered by magistrates and police and poor law officials.

Mr. Balfour replied that the Earl of Zetland and himself did not consider themselves precluded from being officials to distribute the fund. If others, he said, volunteered to assist in the work they would be employed.

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NOTHING LIKE IT.

MR. JOAB SCALES, of Toronto, writes: "A short time ago I was suffering from Kidney Complaint and Dyspepsia, Sour Stomach and Lame Back; in fact, I was completely prostrated and suffering intense pain. While in this state a friend recommended me to try a bottle of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery. I used one bottle, and the permanent manner in which it has cured and made a new man out of me is such that I cannot withhold from the proprietors this expression of my gratitude."

WONDERFUL CURES.

FOR THIRTY YEARS.—Mrs. L. Squire, Ontario Steam Dye Works, Toronto, says: "For about thirty years I have doctored for Liver Complaint and Dyspepsia without getting any cure. I then tried Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery, and the benefits I have received from this medicine are such that I cannot withhold this expression of my gratitude. It acts immediately upon the Liver, and its good effects are noticed at once. As a Dyspepsia remedy I don't think it can be equalled."

INDISPUTABLE EVIDENCE.

HARDENED AND ENLARGED LIVER.—Mrs. H. Hall, Navarro, N.Y., writes: "For years I have been troubled with Liver Complaint. The doctors said my Liver was hardened and enlarged. I was troubled with Dizziness, Pain in my Right Shoulder, Constipation, and gradually losing flesh all the time. All food soured on my stomach, even with the closest attention to diet. I was under the care of three physicians, but did not get any relief. A friend sent me a bottle of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery, and it affords me much pleasure to inform you that the benefit I have received from it is far beyond my expectation. I feel better now than I have done for years."

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BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

FEMALE DISEASES

(SO-CALLED.)

Also for woman, she has an organization peculiar to herself, and in modern times four grandmothers never heard the like of her aches and pains, weaknesses and dependencies are attributed by the medical specialists to that peculiar organization! She is sick and suffers, in her estimation, simply because she happened to be born a woman.

Dr. J. Eugene Jordan is a man and sends her to the same physician, and the same aches, pains, etc., would be attributed to derangements of the stomach, liver or kidneys; the pains in the back if not traceable to kidney troubles, might be christened lumbago. But unfortunately, woman in the estimation of a modern specialist has no organs to become diseased, save those, and these only, of her peculiar organization. Next to this strange conclusion, if she expects to regain her wonted health, she is told she must submit to examinations. These prove to be not only annoying and disgusting but often very painful, but they ALWAYS go to confirm the preconceived notion of the specialist, and nearly all doctors now make "female diseases a specialty." The treatment which follows, should the poor sufferer decide to take treatment, proves equally annoying and tiresome, not to say often cruel and inefficient! She l