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of those supplies, and probably increase the cost of every bushel sold in Great Britain for many years to come, for the sake of doing a good turn to those who are at present able to supply us only with a fraction of our requirements. (Hear, hear.) That is the first obstacle; let us assume that it has been overcome. There follows an even more formidable assumption, namely, that we have been able to devise a system adjusted so ingeniously as to suit the Mother Country as well as her possessions on this continent, in Australasia, in Africa, and in British India. If you take the trouble to compare the existing tariffs, and if you will remember that these represent the decided preferences of the different communities concerned, you will see what a tremendous assumption that is. But there is worse to come. You have got the whole of the British colonies into line. Are you sure they will stay there? We all know that there is no such thing as finality in these fiscal arrangements. Circumstances alter, new discoveries are made, new trade communications and connections arise, and your Imperial tariff will stand in need of revision and adjustment to circumstances as they alter from time to time. Who is to make this alteration? We must have an Imperial Council, which might in itself be no doubt a very admirable thing. When I look round these tables, I feel inclined to submit a list of Canadian representatives which would take away Lord Rosebery's breath and stagger Lord Dunraven. (Laughter.)

But of this I am convinced, that the public sentiment of the Canadian people would not permit such an assembly to tamper with what would be regarded here as the domestic business of the Canadian Parliament. (Loud applause.) It would be almost possible to draw in our imagination a humorous picture of the return of the Canadian delegates to their own country, after the adjournment of the Imperial Council. They might find themselves in the painful position of having to report that the duties upon some articles in which you were interested here, some carefully reared offspring of the Canadian tariff, had been removed or reduced, and they would add that they deplored the decision greatly themselves, but that there had been some log rolling at Westminster, and that they had been outvoted, perhaps, because the South African and Australian delegates were anxious that ostrich feathers and opossum skins should be admitted duty free into a foreign country. I suspect that before long they would wish themselves safely back in their own legislature again. (Laughter and applause.)

And now, Mr. Mayor, it remains for me to thank you once more for your kindness to us, and for all the kindnesses which we have received at the hands of your citizens. We shall leave you, but nothing can rob us of the memories and associations which have grown

up since we have lived amongst you—memories and associations which we shall preserve amongst the most treasured reminiscences of our lives. (Loud applause.) How many and how pleasant will be the Canadian visions which, in years to come, will float across the field of our imaginations when we are far from hence. Visions of the Canadian spring, and of wood and field, bursting as they are bursting now, into leaf and flower. Visions of summer and of delightful rambles among your mountains and rivers. Visions of autumn, and of hillsides clothed in hues which no eastern splendor could surpass. Visions of winter with its clear skies, its exhilarating sports out of doors, and within the bright fire of Gatineau logs, with our children and friends gathered around us. (Applause.) Visions of all these and many more will come back to us as we roam unconsciously through the past. But, sir, above all and through all there will stand out clearly, as it were, in the foreground of the picture, the recollections of the people with whom, during these years, we have lived in the happiest and most unconstrained relations, a people kindly, hospitable, and generous to a fault.

—The *Laundry Herald* is the title of a new trade journal. As its name implies, it is devoted to the interests of the laundry business, and it contains much entertaining reading matter, with considerable that is wishy washy. —*The Journalist*.

—Owls, which have lately become fashionable in Paris, appear to be coming into favor here once more. Owl-head scarf-pins, in enamel, with either ruby or diamond eyes, are again being shown. —*Jewelers' Weekly*.

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