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F. B. EDGECOMBE, Queen Street, Fredericton, August 19, 1880.

Maritime Farmer.

FREDERICTON, N. B., September 2, 1880.

Our Second Volume.

With this number we commence the second volume of the MARITIME FARMER. We are happy to state that the farmers of the province are giving us more and more of their support, and are more fully recognizing the importance of having a paper especially devoted to their interests.

The position of the farmer in the province, makes the publication of a paper in their interests an urgent necessity. The farmer as a rule have, we may say, been slow to realize the importance of their position in the commonwealth, but they have now risen out of their state of apathy; they are making efforts for self-improvement, and are taking in their time-honored avocation, a "proper" pride.

The prospects of self-improvement, and are taking in their time-honored avocation, a "proper" pride. Year by year, agriculture, one of the great interests of the province, is advancing. The prospects of lumbering may be uncertain, and its basis, in the forest lands, may be continually diminishing in breadth, but agriculture has in mother-earth the surest of all foundations, and there is no fear that too active cultivation will exhaust its fertility, or overstep the food market. But it is imperatively necessary that the farmer should be imbued with the improving spirit of the time, should bring knowledge to direct their labor, and should continually aim at introducing the most improved methods of culture, and at raising the standard of the excellence of their products, and of their stock.

A paper that supplies the farmer with the best agricultural information, that affords them a medium through which they can seek advice, or impart their experience to their brethren; and through which they can become acquainted with what is being done in different parts of the province, must be a great aid in their efforts for improvement, and must help to establish among them a community of feeling. While devoting much attention to agricultural matters, we endeavor to make the MARITIME FARMER acceptable to all classes, and are pleased to think that our efforts are appreciated.

In conclusion, we beg to remind merchants and business men generally, that our columns offer a valuable and continually improving medium for advertising, and that advertising, in these days, is the first necessity of all who, in any calling, expect to secure the favor of the public.

Sir John in England.

The report, given in the English papers, of the interview which the gentleman representing the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and others, (all members of Parliament,) had with Sir John A. McDonald, in London, is rather interesting reading. The interview took place in a hotel in Dover Street, off the grand thoroughfare Piccadilly, and the principal spokesman were Sir John and Mr. Armitage, President of the M. C. C. Sir Alex. Galt, his second spokesman, appeared to be well qualified to speak on the subject discussed, and though it would have been quite in place, if the Canada's commissioner, had taken the lead, it only so to England the high trust that Canada's Premier placed in his ability and judgement, he preserved silence, or rather broke his silence, to make one solitary observation, rather in the form of a remark, than of a grave matter of fact. However, Sir John showed himself perfectly competent to bear the onus of the interview; and it may be doubted, if Sir Alexander could have told the Manchester gentlemen so many ungracious facts, so boldly, and yet pleasantly and with the same authoritative effect as Sir John did. It did, we imagine, require considerable coolness and composure, to avoid giving offence to his interviewers who came to him seemingly under the impression that, Canada owed so much to England, that it was the duty of its government in framing a tariff, to consult the interests of the manufacturers and exporters of Lancashire, as much as, if not before, those of the people of Canada.

Sir John did in fact very plainly, say that Canada assumed as its perfect right, the power to construct its own tariff to suit its wants, and that its government had no intention to alter the present tariff to meet Manchester free trade views. If his interviewers were offended at his plain speaking, they kept their feelings well to themselves. There is little doubt, though, that if not angry and offended, the Manchester gentlemen must have been rather painfully surprised at the blunt and matter of fact way in which Sir John disposed of the question of a commercial treaty between England and Canada. The chief difficulty in the way he said, was that England having given everything away already, had nothing to give in the way of reciprocity. Is that the view Canada is going to take, though it might be to her own advantage, asked Mr. Armitage in surprise. What we have thrown everything away, and have nothing to give, is no feeling of regret that we have nothing to offer; plaintively exclaimed, Mr. Agnew. These Manchester gentlemen, hard headed been traders as they are, either had not got rid of the superstition that blood is thicker than water, or that France should bestow to friends, and that in framing the Canadian tariff, consideration should have been given to the relationship between the two countries, or they were under the delusion that by pleading kinship, they could induce St. John to go back upon the National Policy. It is rather difficult to believe, to be sure, that these Manchester gentlemen were at all under the influence of sentiment. It is more easy to think that in seeking an interview with St. John, to dispute with him the propriety of Canada's enforcing a high tariff, and if possible to convert him to their free trade principles, they were merely actuated by strong trade selfishness, which could only see the side of the question which hurt themselves. Having no

other ally whatever with protection, denou-

ing the doctrine, promulgated by John Stuart Mill, and adopted by Sir John, that it is quite justifiable for a young nation, with infant industries, to resort to temporary protection, until they arrive at some degree of maturity, as "monstrous" and feeling to the loss that owing to high tariffs their once considerable trade with Canada, had much diminished, they could only from their point of view, exclaim against the present high Canadian tariff as subversive of true principles of political economy, and both harmful to their own interests, and those of the Gentlemen themselves. There was something truly doleful in the plain of one of the gentleman, Mr. Leak. "In Lancashire we make no everything except our fortunes. In sympathy for their distressed condition, we had intended to think that it was ill-timed in Sir Alex. Galt, (who then opened his mouth for the first and last time during the interview), to remark, "You made them long ago."

Sir John certainly, offered the Manchester gentlemen some comfort, but he placed it so far off their present reach, that it must have appeared to them much as a distant vision. In ten years he told them that North West grew a surplus of wheat to supply the British deficiency Canada, will be in a position to enter into a Zollverein with England, and make a difference of 10 per cent. between the products of the rest of the world if it obtains a countervailing advantage in the English market, but not before. Ten years is a long time for middle aged gentlemen who are anxious to make their fortunes at once to look forward to, and we are not surprised that one of them Mr. Birly exclaimed, on hearing Sir John's prospective proposition, with a touch of contempt. "And for that we sit here, to wait ten years!" Sir John certainly led the interview with great address. He held firm to the doctrine, that Canada had the absolute right to conduct its financial affairs, so as best to meet its own wants, and to develop its national strength. In defending its present high tariff, he dwelt more on the revenue, than on the protective argument, stating that it was chiefly imposed in order to raise money to enable the country to pay its debts, and meet its obligations, and that the protection it gave was incidental, though the tariff was deliberately adopted; but he insisted that the tariff had been framed, and framed successfully to favor the British manufacturers, before those of the United States, and that in keeping that and in view, the Dominion government had shown that they were not mindful of the obligations of Canada to the Mother Country. Altogether he got through the interview with a coolness, to be envied, and ready statements, might have been embarrassing very smoothly. That, he did not satisfy his interviewers, was only to be expected; but it cannot be said that he did not place the position that Canada holds, and intends to hold firmly and fairly before the British public, or that he has damaged Canadian credit in Great Britain thereby.

Electors in Ontario. The contest in West Toronto, for the seat vacated by the Hon. Beverley Robinson, on his elevation to the rank of Senator, was between Dr. Beatty, Mayor of Toronto, Conservative, and Ald. Ryan, Liberal, elected more interest than by-elections ordinarily do. Beatty and Ryan are both fairly popular and able men; the latter was chosen by his party, as their candidate, both on account of his being a trader and importer, and an opponent to protected home industries, and of his having been expected to draw the full Roman Catholic vote to his side. Besides these two regular candidates, two independents, Mr. Wright a conservative, but soft on the soft money question, though apart from his cause, accounted the ablest man in the field, and Mr. Capreol who offered himself on the strength of his persistent advocacy of the Huron and Ontario ship canal, appeared, but neither did anything worth speaking about to divert votes from either Beatty or Ryan. In attempting to wrest West Toronto, a conservative stronghold, from the government, the liberal party undertook an uphill struggle. Headed and incited by the Globe, they went at it with a will. In the very heat of the contest, Blake with his powerful oratory, and McKensie with his caustic remarks, succeeded to denounce the government, and raise up old scandals, but though they were well neutralized by Sir Leonard Tilley. On election day, 28th ult., Ryan was thoroughly beaten. The vote was Beatty, 2,008, Ryan, 1,886, majority 202. Wright had 45, and Capreol 19 votes. On the same day, Mr. Whelan, who had been unseated by the Courts, ran in West Toronto, against Dr. Gibbs, and was elected by a majority of 187 votes. Very little interest was taken in this contest.

Russia and China. A war between Russia and China has been one of the changeable rumors of the time. Threatening reports have been followed by reports more pacific, and these again have changed to statements of a military armistice, and so on, so that it has been difficult to decide whether the chances for war were stronger than those for peace. The latest despatch points to a pacific station of the quarrel. The Chinese are a very old military nation, long past all illusions of military glory, and it would be in accordance with their policy if they gave way in order to avoid a bloody and costly war. Chung How, the Chinese ambassador to Russia, who was accused of having favored Russia, and who was thrown into prison by the Chinese Government from which, it was supposed, he never would have emerged, has been released. The Russian papers say: "His release is regarded here as a somewhat singular act of grace on the part of the Government, in view of the strained relations between China and Russia and the evident determination of the latter power to force China into a war, and there seems to be a choice between attributing the act to fear of Russia, which advocated Chung How's cause, or to his influence on the more humane policy which Prince Kung is trying to engrain upon the Government of his country."

A company to be called Cincinnati by steam is now in process of organization with a capital of \$200,000. The directors are engaged in the venture and express full confidence in its success. The plan is to place, as a trial, 12 immense steel boilers either on the river bank or on the canal, from which pipes, arranged to retain the heat, will lead underground through the streets from a steam engine, to the engine which will run on the house on the same principle precisely as gas and water are now served, and the heat will be regulated accordingly. The degree of heat and amount of steam required for each house will be determined by this system, and the gas regulated accordingly. The projectors of the scheme entertain no doubt about the feasibility of the plan and the utility of the system, and believe that a large number of houses will be built in the city, with sufficient force and regularity to accomplish all that fire on the premises is required to do. As this experiment will be the first of the sort undertaken in a really large city its progress will be noted with special interest. The Cincinnati company expects by the middle of November next to have two miles of pipe laid in readiness for furnishing gas to such as desire the same along the line of supply.

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