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PORK AND EGGS

In their attempt to persuade our people, on the eve of an election, that the importation of our twenty million dollars worth of American pork and nearly three million dollars worth of American eggs into Canada does not injure the Canadian farmer, the Patriot and its camouflaged "farmer" and "dealer" correspondents are not only trying to fool their readers but are assuming that they are addressing people who know nothing. One of these argues that we only get heavy mess pork from the United States and that it is being sold to our lumbermen and fishermen! Another argues that American eggs are being bought only in our border cities! Our farmers and farmers' wives know too much to believe such arrant rot as this and it is an insult to their intelligence to ask them to believe it.

The Patriot or any of its readers can find the official reports of our imports and exports from and to the United States in the Canadian Year Book. The Patriot has these books year by year in its office and could give the information to its readers if it suited its political purpose, which is the only purpose of its existence. It however prefers to treat its readers as if they were a lot of know-nothings ready to swallow anything it dishes out to them.

We have from day to day quoted figures to show the ruinous effects upon our markets of American importation in the face of a duty and have asked our readers to think for themselves how much more ruinous these importations would be if the duty were removed as the Liberals and Progressives are pledged to do if they are returned to power. Any man or woman capable of thinking can see the force of this.

Take this for example from the Canadian Year Book of 1920: In that year the United States shipped into Canada 74,237,554 pounds of pork valued at $21,140,852. In the same year the Americans shipped into our market 5,900,279 dozen eggs valued at $2,814,484. Is it not clear to any one not hopelessly blinded by political partizanship that if the Americans had not sold these is our markets it would have left that much more room for our own pork and eggs? This surely requires no argument.

It is well known that American eggs are bought up in the spring and summer months and placed in cold storage ready to be dumped into Canada when prices are favorable. Why could not these eggs be purchased from our own farmers and placed in our own cold storage warehouses to supply our own needs? What will happen if the American eggs are brought in free of duty as proposed by the Liberals and Progressives?

They tell us we are selling large quantities of pork and eggs in the British market. Quite true, but would we not have these millions of dollars worth more to sell if the American stuff was kept out?

There is no argument in favor of importing American agricultural products into Canada free of duty and nothing could possibly come of it but serious injury to Canadian farmers. Anyone who argues differently is arguing for political purposes, arguing to deceive the public, arguing against the best interests of Canadian farmers.

Our farmers are wide enough awake to know this and this is why Liberal farmers are turning in hundreds away from the party that has tried to deceive them to the Conservative party whose policy is Canada for the Canadians and the Canadian market for Canadian farmers.

ANOTHER PATRIOT SENSATION

The Patriot has been "credibly" informed—it always is—that "infamous tactics" are being used by some "persons unknown" and even by ladies who are known, in Montague with a view to securing support for the Conservatives. According to the Patriot's "credible" information some fiends in Conservative shape, male and female, are persuading women who lost their husbands or sons in the war that they—the bereft women—will have their pensions discontinued if they vote for the Liberal candidates!

This, to use a word used by the Patriot when deeply moved, is "damnable." Might we suggest by way of stopping this "infamous" conduct, that some one of the dear ladies of Montague whose credulity and bereavement have been so shamefully and cruelly imposed upon, send her name and address and the name and address of the inhuman fiend in Conservative shape, male or female, who made the assault upon the credulity and bereavement aforesaid, to either the Patriot or the Guardian. We promise if provided with the name of the villian, male or female, that we shall publish it and take such other steps as may be necessary to have him or her hanged or otherwise disposed of and we have no doubt the Patriot will, in the interests of clean politics, do the same.

PROTECTING THEIR OWN

We are indebted to Mr. Samuel Kennedy of this city for a copy of the "Canadian Implement Trade," published in Toronto, from which we clip the following extract showing how Australia is following the lead of all other progressive countries in protecting its industries, while in Canada, with more natural resources and larger possibilities for development than any other country in the world, is barboring a party or parties whose policy is to throw our doors wide open to foreign competition by tearing down our tariff walls. The article speaks for itself:

"The Massey-Harris Company reopened their plant on October 10th, but were only able to offer employment to about half of their staff of operatives.

The company has an Australian order which will keep the plant going for a few weeks, but it is uncertain what will happen after that.

An official of the Massey-Harris Company is quoted as follows:

Toronto's payroll owed much to the Australian demand for Toronto-made implements. The Massey-Harris factories produced $6,000,000 worth of products for the Australian market in 1920. The Australian tariff bill has closed the ports of the Commonwealth against agricultural implements other than those produced in Australia. The Massey-Harris leaders have decided to build tractors in Australia to take care of their Australian customers.

The Australian market for Massey-Harris implements has been built up in 40 years of dealing with the needs of Australian agriculture. The Massey-Harris works are not going to be squeezed out of the Australian markets. The leadership of the Australian and of the Massey-Harris works will be Canadian. The labor will be Australian.

"The new Australian tariff, which went into effect last year, imposes a duty on harvesting machinery from other countries of 44 per cent. In addition to this, 10 per cent. is added to the fair market value in the country of origin in computing valuation for duty purposes."

Current Comment

Your vote is going to count for something on election day. You cannot use it without its having some effect, in some way or another, for good or bad. It may be polled for the Crerar or so-called labor candidate in this province, and though in such a case it will be lost to any useful purpose, it will have done a negative work. It will not benefit any of these candidates, who will be so far behind in the running that it will only count as an addition to the few votes they will get, and it will do them neither good nor harm. None of them have the ghost of a chance of election, and the vote cast for them will be like the proverbial "chip in porridge," neither doing them good or harm. But by polling it for Wright, Mullins, Jones or Brown, it will be lost to any usefulness, and the benefits it might confer upon the interests of the country will be a total loss. If you record your vote for the Meighen Government it will count for the stability of our institutions and the continuance of our national prosperity. If your record it for the MacKenzie King combine it will show at least your appreciation of policital gyration and variety in the matter of policies, but if you mark your ballot for the independent and hopeless candidates, it will be lost in oblivion, and will not count at all.

It is not estimated that in this province any of the outside factions are in the running. Mr. Jones, the Crerar candidate, candidly admits that he does not expect a victory and is only in the contest as a forerunner of elections yet to come. Whether they admit it or not the same is no doubt true of the other side wing candidates. The contest in its real essence is between the Conservative and Libral parties. It is from these two parties that the electors of this province will make their final choice. With this prospect before us the Conservative citizen or farmer can see how seriously his vote will injure his own party and play into the hands of the MacKenzie King party. IF HE DIVERTS IT FROM THE CAUSE OF GOOD GOVERNMENT TO POLL IT FOR CANDIDATES WHO WILL NOT BE IN THE RUNNING. Every Conservative vote cast for the Crerar or independent candidates will be a vote lost to the supporters of good government, and dumped into a whirlpool of lost votes where it will never accomplish anything of any benefit to any person. Are any of the ladies or gentlemen of this province disposed to so waste their franchise? Safety first should prevail by marking all ballots for the Meighen candidates.

"Who is going to win?" is the question often asked. We answer, no one knows, and only by the signs of the times or by evident fruits can we be safe in guessing. We have only to talk with those around us to know that so far as this province is concerned it will not be amongst any of the inde-

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Daily Selections for Guardian Readers

From the collection of the late Mr. W. S. Louson

INFLUENCES

There is nothing more subtle than influence, and nothing more persistent or unconscious. We sometimes deliberately plan to bring certain influences to bear upon a person, with a view of moving him in certain directions, but for the most part our influence is unconsciously exerted, and unconscious influence outweighs in power, we venture to think, any influence we can exert as the result of deliberation. Such unconscious influence all men exert, even though they may never give it a moment's thought, and to his influence there is no cessation.

The subtle power is seen working on every hand. It is easily recognized and clearly felt when we come under the spell of a truly happy person. Happiness is one of the by-products of life, that accrue to those who live in a certain way, and yet though a by-product, it exerts one of the most potent of influences. thought the happy person may be unconscious of it. A snatch of song flung off by a gay heart will affect every one who hears it, and the power exerted will be seemingly out of all proportion to the purpose of the person singing. This receives wonderful illustration in Browning's "Pippa Passes", in which the poet tells us of the subtle influence of the light-hearted song of the working girl on holiday bent. A company of school girls can set a whole car full of people smiling, if not actually laughing, by their rippling mirth as they chatter over some little thing, insignificant in itself, which has moved them to peals of laughter."

Episcopal Recorder

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

Hon. G. E. Hughes Replies

Sir,—In reading a letter in today's Guardian signed George Wheatley, I was greatly surprised to find the following in reference to Falconwood cattle:

"I spoke to Honorable G. E. Hughes with respect to the purchase, his answer was: 'We have to take them from the skipper. We bought them for $200.00 each.'"

This statement is absolutely false as I never had any conversation with Mr. Wheatley respecting the purchase of said cattle.

I am, Sir, etc.

G. E. HUGHES.

THE HOG QUEST ON

Sir,—I see in the Patriot a letter saying that the large quantity of pork imported from the United States are heavy hogs used in the lumber camps. There is some truth in this. I find when I go to sell my heavy hogs that I can only get a very small price for them and the dealer tells me it is because Chicago heavy mess pork is sent in large quantities into Canada, and sold very cheap. My last big hog I had to sell at five and a half cents per pound, and if the 2 cents duty were taken off I would only have got three and a half cents.

There is one thing in this Island that cannot be done away with entirely, and that is hog raising. We may reduce our output to some extent, but the hog is our only way for disposing of waste farm products, roughage and unsalable material. This will be more so now than ever before since the Fordney bill has shut us out of the Yankee markets, and our hog industry must be protected. Instead of removing the small duties, as required by the Liberal and Progressive Platforms, we should have a much higher duty than we now have. I trust, Sir, that your valuable paper will use its great influence towards higher duties on at least pork and eggs.

I am Sir, etc.

FARMER

Indignant Woman Voter

Sir,—Please grant me space to give a little outline of my opinion as regards our Brother Representatives and electors. Since our campaign has begun I have been getting my both eyes open, also my ears too. I find it is worth viewing every side of the game being we woman folks were given the authority to take our side of politics with the men. Thanks to the Borden Government for the privilege given us. Surely every mother, wife and sister who had their kin across in France, defending Canada, will not forget who it was entitled them to still another privilege on the 6th of Dec. 1921. I have been listening to a lot of talk on both sides and will say what amazes me most is how patient and silent are returned men in general. When these few old soldiers, some who never smelled smoke or even left Canada, will have gall enough to smirch them selves by giving utterance to statements which only lead people to be curious of the affair. If some of the Boys, voted for non-union in 1917, why did they do so? Were they strong and forcible enough to make the conquest without being reinforced. Then again we have the fellow, a soldier or two to simulate as one; who says he was so dyed-in-the wool that he hadn't the will of power to stick by his own guns. This poor, unfortunate fellow though harmless in a manner is very busy making mischief. Our boys, the boys who stood by their principals and fought to save Canada, should still stand by their guns and retain Canada to grow and flourish by her own resources.

They fought to save him from the iron hand of Germany, yet little do they think that Reciprocital trade with the United States means Germany having the strongest fingers in the hand of Free Trade, England and Canada were not prepared for war when it came. No fear, Germany was all fixed up when she slipped into Belgium. If our Canadians, those who have lived in U. S. and those who have not would study up and rummage Wall street in New York and several other big cities through the U. S. not forgetting some brokers in Chicago. They will find many Gwartzes Motts Heinze's etc. All German machines ready to aim with their pointer in which she can make an easy road for the Mother country to rule the world. If our boys who have done so well to save a nation will they now let go the tethers, for the sake of getting some machinery and a few other surplus sundries which U. S. can easily let them have at a cheaper margin than Canada can let them have it. Which of course, for a few years would work and easily be digested bait for us Canadian fish.

This simulating soldier needs close watching by our overseas men, for I feel confident they are not the genuine man and not dependable and are like a weather sign easily moved from one side to the other. These kind of fellows well along in their easily picked few days ago I heard a smart-liberal say, "Oh, no, we won't have Free Trade if we do get in." Well, well, they must be trying it on some other plan.

Trusting our boys will be true to their principles when they poll their votes on the 6th Dec. I will say no more this time but hope our trusting truthful returned men will each keep their both eyes open for this easily led mischievous semblance of a soldier who shows his own dissabilities mentally as well the cunning of the fox who use him as a two edged tool to build their platform.

Sincerly trusting all our loyal ladies who voted union in 1917 will with the support of the women who vote in this election unfurl the banner of victory for Hon Arthur Meighen through the able support of our able representative James Mcisaac.

I am, sir etc.,

A VOICE FROM GEORGETOWN.

Happenings Of The Week

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK
WINTER

Now Winter sweeps upon the northern blast,
The earth is trembling 'neath his mighty power.
All things own him in this desolate hour.
When the face of Heaven with storms is o'ercast;
Though seeming stern he hath a kindly heart.
For he comes to give Mother Nature rest,
As a father folding her to his breast.
And for long days and months will not depart.
Till she renewed in health and vigor blooms.
Beautiful! in the glorious smile of Spring.
When flowers scent the air and warblers sing.
Agin, dispelling melachonly's glooms.
Then welcome Winter; in thy majesty.
To reign o'er earth, all Nature sues for thee.

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Princess Mary and her fiance Viscount Lascelles, were given a tremendous popular ovation when they attended a charity performance at the Hippodrome in London this week. King George and Queen Mary and other royalties, including the Queen of Norway, were in the Royal box with the engaged couple. The entire audience stood and sang the national anthem as the Royal party was seated. Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles also were wildly cheered by masses of the people while going to and coming from the performance.

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Those who knew Viscount Lascelles when an aide-de-camp to Earl Grey at government house raised a surprised eyebrow at the announcement of his engagement to Princess Mary. Lord Lascelles was one of the gayest aides that ever came to Rideau Hall, Ottawa, and one of the most popular. In those days he was not so wealthy and it is said that his inheritance of two million ponds from his uncle, Lord Clanricarde, was a great surprise to him. Previously money had sometimes proven a trouble to the young peer who is said to have been a generous spender, particularly where there was anything at stake.

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Fond of any kind of bet, unconvenional, and fun-loving, Lord Lascelles was quite to the fore in Canadian life during his stay at Government House. He was very much in demand socially, thoroughly well liked, a favorite with both men and women. In person he was tall, very slim and very fair, almost effeminate-looking, but there was nothing effeminate in his big game shooting and he had many a moose and deer to his credit when he left Rideau Hall for a holiday in the wilds. Oddly enough, his great private hobby was ecclesiastical architecture, and he was regarded as an authority on the subject.

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Those who frequented the Rideau Club and were guests at Rideau Hall from 1907 to 1911, remember him for his geniality, his liking for fun, and his fine qualities as a sportsman. At the same time, they wonder how he won the hand of Princess Mary, trained to regard the convention as highly as her fiance used to regard them lightly, and trained also to frown upon all but the most harmless trivolity.

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Mrs. Charles Hyndman is having a delightful visit with her son Mr. A. W. and Mrs. Hyndman, Ingles Street, Halifax.

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The Pastime Club held one of the nicest whist tournaments of the season last evening and the large number in attendance greatly enjoyed the affair.

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Miss Constance Warburton has arrived home from Jamaica Plains, Mass., on a visit to her parents Hon. A. B. and Mrs. Warburton.

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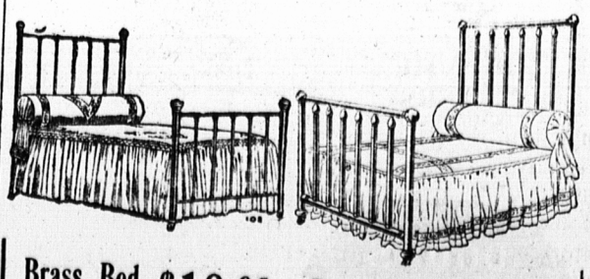

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