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THE WORLD'S POVERTY IN GREAT MEN.

A writer in the Christian World explores the dearth of great men in the world at the present time. It is true that in literature, oratory, art, perhaps too in statesmanship and warfare, we look to past generations for the great names. In mechanical invention and achievement there were never, perhaps, greater men than the inventors, the engineers, the builders, the industrial captains of the age in which we live. And perhaps it should be admitted that in other lines it is harder to achieve such elevation as constitutes greatness in these days than it formerly was. Is it that the general level of intelligence, character and performance has been lifted upwards so that the mountains, dwarfed by the rising table lands, may still stand as high as before above sea level?

Of course, if the choice were between a high average of ability and well-doing, without the one or two immortals to equal those of past ages, we should not hesitate in our choice. Better the elevation of the race than the creation of modern giants. But the world still needs great men, because, as this writer aptly puts it, "Your great man doubles the value of all the others he is in contact with. He sets the pace. He opens the way. Breathing his atmosphere men draw into themselves, insensibly, something of the secret of his life, the vast vitality of his soul. It was said the presence of Napoleon on the battlefield was worth an army corps. Under his eye each soldier was double himself. In religion it is the same. One Wesley is worth a dozen Conferencees."

The dearth is evident over the whole world. Germany is making money but where are its Goethes, its Schillers, its Kants, its Beethovens? Italy has freed herself and is spinning and weaving and speculating. But where shall we look for a new Dante, a new Raphael, or Angelo, or Da Vinci, where for a Savonarola? France is without a name to put beside its Fascal, its Racine, its Fene-

lon, its Voltaire; even its Chateaubriand or its Victor Hugo. Our colonies are prosperous; but when will Canada or Australia produce their Shakespeares, produce a man to stand with the Elizabethan giants?"

This touches us closely and gives reason for some searchings of heart. Great Britain, with a population of four to five millions, in twenty-one years, 1553-1574, gave birth to Spenser, Shakespeare, Raleigh, Bacon and Ben Jonson. In twenty-four years, 1608 to 1632 she produced Milton, Butler, Bunyan, Dryden and Locke. Well may the question be asked, when will Canada or Australia give to literature, to philosophy, or to poetry such names as these? We are producing minerals and metals, lumber, grain and cattle, manufacturing many things, and building great works and growing rich, but are we producing men and women at their best? Is it not true that in Canada, the United States and Great Britain while vastly more is being written and printed than ever before, there is little of it all that even the next generation will read? And is not the commercial greed for gain, the prime cause of the prevalent intellectual barrenness?

Thucydides says that while other Grecian States were noted for their production of corn, wine and oil, Attica was renowned for its produce of men. And Attica still lives and breathes in history. Just now the most notable product of North America is its crop of millionaires, among the thousands of whom a saving remnant, perhaps one per cent. of the whole, are devoting their wealth to the uplifting and betterment of their fellowmen. Still the case is not hopeless; the mad race for wealth may be but an eddy in the life current of the nation, and we may have a crop of intellectuals, sages, seers, philosophers, poets, and other "immortal lights" later on! Canada is yet young, and may yet give attention to the things that are worth while and that make for enduring fame.

LEADERS COMING HERE.

Charlottetown is to be especially favored during the next few weeks with the privilege of seeing and hearing three men of more than ordinary eminence in North American state affairs. First we are to have Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier of Canada and leader of the Liberal party in Canada. He may be said also to be the foremost public man of the Dominion, and divides with the late Sir John Macdonald the foremost honors of Canadian statesmanship since the union of 1867. He will be here on September 1. This will be his first visit to the Province since 1891. Robert Laird Borden, the leader of the Opposition in Canada, will address a public meeting two weeks after Sir Wilfrid Laurier's visit. He has led the Conservative party for ten years past, and was first elected to

the House of Commons in 1896. Both Sir Wilfrid and Mr. Borden come to us to speak upon the political questions of the day, of which reciprocity is the foremost, and which they view from opposite political standpoints. Mr. Borden has visited the Province several times.

Very shortly after Mr. Borden, on September 13, Hon. William Jennings Bryan will address a mass meeting here on a subject not yet announced. Mr. Bryan is famous as a past Democratic leader in the United States, several times a candidate for the Presidency of that country, and is also a noted orator and journalist. It is not expected, perhaps hardly desirable, that Mr. Bryan shall speak directly upon our political affairs. He is, however, well known as the earnest advocate of friendly and cordial relations between the Republic and the Dominion. Mr. Bryan has been a somewhat frequent visitor to Canada and has been heard with pleasure by many Canadian audiences.

It will afford our people genuine satisfaction to see and hear these leaders of political opinion, each of whom has both a national and international reputation, as they discuss important matters of public concern on broad lines. Many will want to hear them all and every one who can possibly do so should avail themselves of the opportunity.

NOTES.

It is hardly an effective argument for reciprocity that certain newspapers, like The Examiner of this city and The Citizen of Ottawa, both Conservative, at first spoke favorably of the trade agreement and have since changed their attitude. There have been many changes of opinion both ways since February last, and many have had difficulty in making up their minds upon a question which is admittedly complicated and far-reaching. But so far as our information goes there have been of late more changes of attitude toward than against reciprocity.

Something has been said about the trade agreement being made "in secret" and behind "the backs of the people." The objection seems to be a captious one. That is the way all tariff changes are made, and all international agreements as well. If Sir John Macdonald has succeeded in making a reciprocity treaty with the States when he sought to do so, it would have been quite as much a "secret compact" as that entered into by Messrs. Fielding and Paterson.

By all means let us have a pure election. In the election of 1908 the

four candidates for Queen's County entered into an agreement to discontinue and suppress as far as they could the use of money and liquor during the campaign. We are glad to find the Liberal candidates for Queen's in their manifesto making the statement, "We will refuse to be responsible for, or to pay any bill for liquors, or other illegal or undesirable purposes." We presume the Conservative candidates will be equally adverse to all corrupting agencies.

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Dominion Election

Political Meetings in Queen's County

The Liberal Candidates for Queen's County will meet the electors to discuss the political questions of the day at the following places and dates. Each meeting will be held at 7 p. m. Belle River, Wednesday, Aug 23rd, Belle River School House. Wood Islands, Thursday, Aug 24th, at Hall. Grandview, Friday, Aug 25th, at Hall Clifton, Monday, Aug 28th, at Hall. Irishtown, Tuesday, Aug 29th, at Irish town Hall. Bradalbane, Wednesday, Aug 30th at Hall. Kelly's Cross, Thursday, Aug 31st at hall. Crapaud, Friday, Sept 1st, at Hall. West River, Monday, Sept. 4th, at Afon Hall. Boushaw, Tuesday, Sept. 5th, at Court House. Kingston, Wednesday, Sept 6th, in Hall. North Wilshire, Thursday, Sept. 7th, in Hall. Hunter River, Friday, Sept. 8th in Hall. Stanhope Monday, Sept. 11th, Hall. Brackley Point, Tuesday, Sept. 12th, in Harrington Hall. Rustico, Wednesday, Sept. 13th at Bank. Charlottetown, Thursday, Sept. 14th in Market Hall. North River, Friday, Sept 15th, in Hall. Meetings will be held at other places to be announced later. The Opposition Candidates are invited to attend.

NELSON RATTENBURY, President. GEORGE W. MCPHEE, Secretary. Queen's County Liberal Association 8-18fmwdrft

token of the feelings of respect and love we bear to you Rev. and Dear father. In conclusion we sincerely hope and pray that God may shower down upon you his choicest blessings and that you may be left with us to guide us along the path that leads to Eternal Bliss. L. McDonald Daniel Campbell Niel McPhee Archibald McPhee Colin J. Campbell Plus J. Campbell A. F. Campbell Chas. McDonald M. J. Campbell Lewis McDonald in behalf of the Parishioners of St. Columba.



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WHERE THE FISHERMEN WILL GAIN BY RECIPROcity

Table with columns for Fish, U.S. Duty, Quantity, Value, and Proposed Reciprocal. Includes comparative prices of fish per pound in Halifax and Boston for the last five and a half years.

These figures will convey to the fishermen some idea of the Fisheries of Canada. They will realize what it will mean to have the United States markets thrown open to them. Do not forget that the market of Porto Rico is also thrown open to Canadian fish under the Reciprocity agreement. This is one of the best markets in the West Indies for dried fish. It came under the operation of the American tariff after that country annexed Reciprocity opens this market to us again. The dried fish industry has great potentialities in Prince Edward Island. For lack of a profitable market it has not been developed. Reciprocity gives us just what we have been asking for since 1836, a market for our dried fish. Think of it! Ships loaded at Charlottetown with dried fish for Porto Rico and bringing back cargoes of molasses. It means to the fishermen high prices for dried fish and cheap molasses. On the 21st of September, fishermen will be found in the Liberal ranks, following Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Honorable W. S. Fielding the champions of Reciprocity. WHERE IT MEANS HIGH PRICES FOR YOUR FISH, WHICH WILL MEAN GOLD AND SILVER COIN.

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We see to it in our buying that only the teeth-saving kind of tooth brushes are in our stock. It costs but little more to carry such brushes than it does to have a stock composed of the inefficient kind. We have the brushes of the most reliable makers. You won't have to pay a fancy price for a tooth brush here. We have good ones as low as 10c and from that up to 50c. It will pay you to select your next brush from our stock.

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House and Lot for Sale at Public Auction.

The undersigned are instructed by Mrs James Connolly to offer her house and lot for sale at Public Auction on Wednesday the 27th day of August, A.D. 1911 at twelve o'clock noon. The property is pleasantly situated on the north side of Fitzroy Street and comprises the Eastern half of Town Lot No. 29 in the fifth hundred. Good title and immediate possession. For further particulars apply to the undersigned. Charlottetown August 23, 1911 8-9dwiml

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IF WE GET RECIPROcity. The essence of the reciprocity agreement is free trade in a large number of natural products. This is simply greater freedom to sell and to buy than we have hitherto enjoyed. Thus stated, it seems hard to believe that it can be other than a good thing. We shall be under no manner of constraint to sell our farm, or fishery products in the United States more than we have hitherto been. We shall be in no way limited more than we were before in regard to our liberty to sell in the British market or any other market. And the same in regard to our buying. We shall be under no compulsion to buy in the United States any more than before, and under no inducement to do so unless we can buy there to better advantage than elsewhere. We shall still be quite as free as before to buy what we want in the British market or in any other market abroad of the things which we need and which we do not produce, or do not produce in sufficient quantity at home. So that the very essence of the agreement is simply greater freedom of both selling and buying than we have enjoyed heretofore. When one comes to think of it, why have we been all these years seeking new or larger markets in Mexico, the West Indies, Australia, South Africa and France? Why have we subsidised steamers, paying two million of dollars a year for subsidies, mainly to carry our products to distant lands and bring the products of those lands to Canada? All this has been done to make trade easier and in order that we might trade more extensively. All the while our people have found it profitable to trade with the people of the United States in spite of heavy duties on both sides. Almost half our trade in recent years has been with our big next neighbor, chiefly because they wanted so many things that we want, and we produce many things that they want, because our borders are in touch for three thousand miles and because there are fifty railway or steamer routes over which products may pass from one country to the other. It has never been found necessary to subsidise the carriers for this trade. There are no natural barriers between us. The only barriers that have found their way to reciprocity agreement simply proposes to take down the tariff barriers and allow this most natural and profitable trade to flow more freely than it has hitherto. Does anybody really believe that this can hurt Prince Edward Island or Canada? "We offer the balance of our straw and panamas at one-third off to clear. If you need another this is your chance. D. A. Bruce. 8-8dtf