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THE QUEBEC CONFERENCE.

When the Provincial Premiers' Conference was held in 1887 all the Provinces were represented at the sitting. Sir Oliver Mowat presided. Twenty-one fundamental resolutions were adopted, among them one recommending a new basis for the financial relations between the Dominion and the several Provinces with an increase of subsidies, and another in favor of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States. These resolutions were given to the public as the Conference proceeded and at its close.

The recent Conference of Premiers was of a different complexion, and its course of procedure was different. The Maritime Provinces and Quebec were represented but Ontario and the western Provinces held aloof. Premier Paré of Quebec was the presiding officer. The meetings were held with closed doors and so far we do not know except partially what subjects were considered or what resolutions were adopted.

It is not likely that the Conference recently held made any pronouncement on the question of continental free trade. Reciprocity in some form may have received attention, but probably no member of the Conference would now be prepared to go as far as the Liberal party were committed to go in 1887, when they staked everything on obtaining free trade relations between the United States and Canada.

But there is little doubt that the Conference decided to make further demands upon the Ottawa Government in the way of increased provincial subsidies. Such a demand might be made and ought to be granted, if only on the ground of the greatly increased federal taxation since 1867 when the financial terms between the Dominion and Provinces were settled. The federal revenues are now \$2 millions instead of 13 millions as at the first, and the Provinces from whom this revenue is raised are entitled to a much larger return in subsidies than they now receive. And all of them, with the possible exception of Ontario need it sadly.

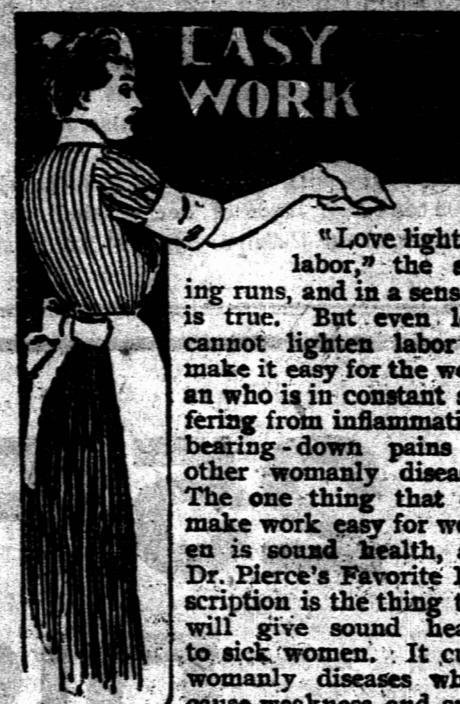
And we think the prospects of obtaining a general increase of subsidies ought to be good. The Conference of 1887 which first formulated the demand may be said to have been representative of the entire Liberal party in Canada, and so far binding upon the party leaders at Ottawa. Then they were in opposition in federal affairs. Now they are in power. Moreover Messrs Fielding and Blair, now prominent in the federal Cabinet were members of the Quebec Conference of 1887, and they know, as former provincial Premiers how inadequate the financial receipts of the Provinces then were for their needs. Since 1887 those needs have increased, while the federal treasury is now full to overflowing.

Another matter which no doubt came before the recent Conference is one in which the Maritime Provinces especially have a deep interest. By the last census and the hard lines of the British North America Act they each stand to lose a portion of their representation in the federal Parliament. The Maritime people are universally desirous to retain at least the full representation which they were granted at the union. P. E. Island is in danger of having her membership in the Commons reduced to four instead of the six we had at the beginning, unless some concession can be secured before the redistribution bill is passed at the coming session of Parliament.

We do not know at this writing what pronouncement was made by the Conference upon this matter. Quebec has been understood to be somewhat opposed to conceding the demands of the eastern Provinces, and it is tolerably certain that a like feeling prevails in Ontario and the west. No other Provinces except the three in the extreme east are in any danger of having their representation reduced below the original numbers, and all are naturally somewhat reluctant to disturb the balance of representation by population. No doubt we can make out a strong case, but we are wholly in the power of the populous and dominant West. We conclude that the chance of increased subsidies all round is much better than is the prospect of the eastern Provinces being permitted to hold their original representation while steadily falling behind in their proportion of the population.

The announcement is made of the birth of a son to the Prince and Princess of Wales on the 26th December. This is the fourth son, the previous members of the heir Apparent's family being, Edward, born June 23, 1894; Albert, born December 14, 1895; Victoria, born April 25, 1897 and Henry, born March 31, 1900. Both mother and child are reported doing well.

One by one new points of law are being raised by the lawyers and settled by judicial decision. A point of great and adhesive interest has just been settled by a Boston court. Patrick Tierney sat down obliviously on a large and juicy sheet of fly paper which had been placed on a chair in a restaurant. Patrick's lawyer laid the damages at \$300 for injury to the plaintiff's clothes, and for the humiliation and pain to which he was subjected. It was alleged also that there was no contributory negligence on his part. Patrick gave earnest testimony on his own behalf. The defense was a general denial and a special denial of the allegation that Patrick had exercised due care in his down sitting. Judge Adams after time for consideration gave judgment for the defense. To the many who have suffered after the manner of Patrick it will be disheartening to learn that there is no remedy at law. When a man is thus trampled like a fly, whether by design or carelessness, according to a posteriori reasoning he should be entitled to redress. But the decision stands until it shall be reversed that any man who sits down upon fly paper shall bear the consequences.



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