

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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HENRI BOURASSA ON RECIPROCITY.

During some weeks Le Devoir, Henri Bourassa's newspaper, published in Montreal, has discussed the reciprocity agreement from the viewpoint of the Quebec Nationalists, the articles being written by him. These articles have now been collected, translated into English and published in pamphlet form in order that they may be read in all the Provinces and set before the English-speaking electors of the Nationalist attitude toward the great trade question of the day. In a preface Mr. Bourassa makes an appeal to the fair-minded English reader in part as follows:

"Nationalists state frankly what they consider best for Canada. They seek for a common ground of agreement between all true Canadians. They think every British subject, English, French, Irish or foreign descent, is entitled to free speech and national co-operation. They believe that the best way to avoid racial and religious strifes is to give every race and every creed the amplest measure of liberty. Why their own race and creed should not be entitled to the full benefit of that golden rule, they fail to see, and they claim their full right in that respect. * * * The so-called Liberals of today teach to the French-Canadian that, in matters of national import, he must always submit without discussion to the English-speaking majority, in order to keep a French Premier in power."

Coming to the reciprocity agreement, Mr. Bourassa treats it as one of the gravest political problems and holds that it should be most carefully scrutinized, in the light of exclusive care for Canadian interests. In regard to the interests of Canadian agriculture he holds that they are not sacrificed, but on the contrary the agreement will foster our farm interests and thereby benefit the vast majority of the Canadian people. As to the small reduction of duties on agricultural implements he thinks the agreement should have gone further and is inclined to think that Senator Melvin Jones, whom he declares to be a bosom friend of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and a large contributor to Liberal campaign funds, who is also the managing director of the Massey Harris Company, was able to prevent the larger reduction which Messrs. Fielding and Paterson might have been willing to make. After considering other points, such as the effect upon manufactures generally,

erally, the pulp and other industries, Mr. Bourassa concludes that the agreement, "without threatening our industries seems to offer substantial advantages to agriculture in all the Provinces." Also that "the most serious objections to the arrangement bear upon its ultimate consequences: American domination and the sacrifice of imperial interests." Turning the searchlight upon the first of these, the danger of American domination, he finds this is "not supported by any principle of political economy and is formally contradicted by the history of Canada." He points out also that the declared policy of both political parties in Canada has been in favor of reciprocity for a generation past.

Coming to the effect of reciprocity upon British interests, Mr. Bourassa asks, "Are British interests sacrificed by the agreement?" This depends upon a clear understanding of the terms, British interests. So Mr. Bourassa answers, "If interpreted at the light of history and tradition, I say, No; and so much the better. If what is meant by British interests is the conception of the imperialist school, I say, Yes, and so much the better again." He holds that reciprocity is "a good blow to imperialism" and on that ground should be welcome to the Nationalists of Quebec. Later on he asks and answers the question, Does it throw an insuperable object in the way of an imperial customs union? Yes—and this is, in our eyes, the main reason for its adoption."

At various stages in his argument Mr. Bourassa indulges in a fling at Sir Wilfrid Laurier as an opportunist, a man who cannot be trusted, and so on, while Mr. Borden, the Opposition leader, is condemned as an out and out imperialist. Mr. Bourassa affects to believe that reciprocity would avert any possible danger of annexation, to which he and the Nationalists are strongly opposed, but that the policy of imperialism would inevitably lead to the disruption of the Empire. But he queries whether Canada might not have made and might not yet make a better trade arrangement with the neighboring Republic by waiting until our neighbors become more anxious to deal—as they are fast becoming—than they are now.

THE COMING SESSION.

The session of the Legislature opens today and as it develops will no doubt bring about the usual conflict between the two parties so nearly equal in numbers and both of which are under able leadership. The Guardian believes that at no time within fifteen years has either party had at its head a man of greater ability, or knowledge of our public affairs, or men animated by higher motives than those which characterize the two provincial leaders today. The Liberal party has had a long term of power in Prince Edward Island and in its time has brought forward many good measures which have met the approval of the people and have advanced the moral and material well-being of the country. It has also, in common with all other Governments and human institutions, sometimes made mistakes, and done or condoned wrongs. It is not necessary, nor shall we attempt to strike the balance between the merits and demerits of a party so long in power, but we are of opinion that the good considerably outbalances the evil.

The Guardian as an independent exponent of public opinion has never sought to turn out any Government, federal or provincial, or to bring in to power another party either in the Province or the Dominion. We are content to take whatever Government the people may choose, to treat all Government measures, or acts of administration on their merits, to criticize or oppose them when in our judgment it is necessary or desirable so to do, to advocate needed reforms, and by working with whatever party may be in power, to endeavor to secure for the country the best administration of affairs that is attainable.

This attitude has been frequently misunderstood. It has so happened that we have long had Liberal Governments in power both in the Province and in the Dominion. It is Governments that do things, and criticism of things done or proposed is the legitimate and obligatory function of an independent journal. But fair criticism may be, and often is, more useful to a party in power than is wholesale endorsement. We propose to go on in the same course, without fear of or favor to either party, animated solely by a desire to serve the public and secure the best measures in legislation and administration.

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ministration which can be brought about. We shall be sometimes misunderstood no doubt, but the large measure of popular approval which has endorsed our course in the past gives strong hope for approbation of the same course in future.

MAJOR WEEKS' APPOINTMENT.

The appointment of Major Weeks as Deputy Collector of Inland Revenue, a position made vacant by the promotion of Theophilus Moore to the Collectorship, is regarded with general favor, for obvious reasons. Mr. Weeks is personally popular as a man, a lawyer, and a South African veteran, and within his own party as an active supporter of Liberal principles. While we have the party system it is and probably will remain the custom that active men of good character who have been identified with the party in power, shall receive favorable consideration in such cases.

The Examiner has raised a question as to Major Weeks' qualifications under the Civil Service Act, in not having passed the prescribed examination. The Act lays down that "graduates of the Royal Military College or of any university in Canada shall be exempt from the qualifying examination." Major Weeks is, we understand, a graduate in Arts of McGill University in addition to his military educational qualifications. As to the special knowledge required in the Inland Revenue Department, that will be easily and quickly acquired in the active work of the Department by an officer of Major Weeks' ability, intelligence and educational acquirements.

The Guardian cordially congratulates Major Weeks on his appointment and believes he will be a diligent, faithful and popular official who will bring to the discharge of his duties very high qualifications both academic and personal.

The expiring Congress at Washington failed at the last stage to pass upon the reciprocity agreement. Having

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Come Reports of Cures Made by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Magdalen Islands, Quebec, Tell of Mrs. Cormier, a Sufferer for Six Years, Who Was Made a New Woman by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Amherst Island, Havre March 6 (Special)—That suffering women in all corners of Canada are being restored to health by Dodd's Kidney Pills is shown in the press every day, and this island is not without its striking example. Mrs. Peter C. Cormier, a well known and estimable resident tells the following story of her cure.

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ing passed the House of Representatives, it failed to pass the Senate, although could it have been brought to a vote it would probably have found a considerable majority in that body. The President, in his desire to secure the endorsement of the agreement, has called a special session of the new Congress, which will assemble on April 4. There is little doubt that it will then receive legislative sanction by an increased majority in the House and a good majority in the Senate also. It is intimated that when passed the agreement may take effect on 1st July next, or thereabouts.

The handling of our winter mails is a matter of no small difficulty. The iceboats are at this season of the year the most certain means of carrying the mails. They get across almost every day except when there is a snowstorm. The steamers are equally handicapped by snowstorms and bad conditions of the ice and the wind, especially if the ice is heavy and the wind from the north-east or north. But the iceboats cannot carry all the mails, and a part must be left to await the steamers. The iceboats can, however, carry all the more important mails, notably the business letters. These were missed yesterday, owing to being sent by the steamers which failed to get across. It is easy to be wise after the event, and to say that a mistake was made, and possibly a lesson learned at the same time. Inspector Wear has done so well in the management of the winter mails that no one will be disposed to be critical of yesterday's occurrence.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

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ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION

Cardigan Auxiliary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society made their last meeting at the Manse an occasion of farewell to Mrs. F. M. S., who expects soon to make her home in the West. The ladies of the congregation presented Mrs. Gunn with a life membership certificate in the W. F. and H. M. S., and a beautiful gold watch, accompanied by the following address: "Dear Mrs. Gunn—We, the members and scattered helpers of the W. F. M. S., learning with deep regret of your departure from among us after a sojourn of twenty years in this congregation, and wishing to express our appreciation of your lively interest in our little society, beg leave to present you with a life membership in the W. F. M. S., and as a token of loving remembrance, this watch, to remind you of those who always sympathized with you in your joys and sorrows, hoping that as you enter a new life in a distant land, the sorrows of the past will fade from your remembrance, leaving only the scars of a wound healed by the Divine Healer, and may 'God be with you till we meet again,' is the prayer of these thy friends." Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. R. McLaren, Mrs. Vickerson, Mrs. Knight and others. Mrs. D. C. Morson, secretary.

Cardigan, P.E.I., March 1st, 1911. After the presentation dainty refreshments were served by the genial mistress of the Manse, Mrs. Fraser. In reply, Mrs. Gunn expressed heartfelt gratitude to all the kind friends for this and many other expressions of good will during all the happy years spent in Cardigan.

CHINA FEARS AGGRESSION.

PEKIN, Mar. 3.—The fear of Russian aggression is increasing here. The reports published in the Russian newspapers and reprinted in the Pekin papers greatly exaggerate the dangers from the plague. Many of the higher class of Chinese fear that the campaign is designed to alarm Europe and justify the military occupation. Despatches from Harbin state that Russian military circles are advocating the occupation.

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Nitrogenous manures are very expensive to purchase, and advanced farmers who can grow abundance of clover can largely dispense with them—clover and other legumes, such as peas and beans, having the power to extract nitrogen from the air, through bacteria working in nodules on their roots. But the average farmer will find a judicious use of such manure will largely increase his yield. And although we have a general advance all along the line in the teaching of practical agriculture of late years, I have not seen this phase of the manure question touched upon, and I think it a very important one for farmers to consider, because the economical feeding of the soil is evidently the basis of all profitable production. G. A. MUTCH, East Royalty.

BIG REVIVAL IN HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, March 6.—Halifax has been preparing for a "Civic Revival" to bring about conditions like those sought by the Boston 1915 movement. Citizens have gone into the work of preparing and a Sunday Campaign has been opened. Operations will be directed by John L. Sewall of Boston for three days. Sewall has been looking over the city. Yesterday forenoon civic sermons were preached in the churches and in the afternoon Mr. Sewall addresses a meeting, "The Modern City" being his topic.

COMPounding OF COMPLETE FERTILIZERS.

Sir,—This being the farmers' leisure season, when they can take notes of the past, as well as lay plans for the future, I deem it a fitting time to call attention to a very important matter in the compounding of special fertilizers. No stock feeder in the process of fattening an animal, will limit the grain supply to the first few weeks of the fattening period and after that withhold it. But that in reality is what most farmers are thoughtlessly doing, while feeding their farms with special fertilizers. Nor are they perhaps alone at fault, because the fertilizers are sold here, while containing all the elements necessary, do not contain them in the same degree of availability, and while it is absolutely necessary—speaking in a general way—that the plant must have a supply of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash throughout the growing season, the form of nitrogen chiefly sold here being nitrate of soda, is either used up by the crop, or washed out of the soil in a very few weeks, and if the land cannot supply the deficiency for the balance of the growing season, your money paid for potash and phosphoric acid is largely thrown away. It is therefore self-evident that some other form of nitrogen must be used in conjunction with nitrate of soda—which is always best for a starter—to produce the best results, and here dried blood, or tankage, comes in, either of which will linger

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