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IS RECIPROCIDY DESIRABLE? IS IT COMING?

In moving the resolution in favor of reciprocity in the great Liberal Convention at Ottawa in 1893, Hon. L. H. Davies (now Sir Louis) among other things said:

"Some eleven years ago I had the honor of being elected a representative in the Dominion Parliament. I had the further honor on my election of being entrusted by my then leader with an important resolution favoring reciprocity with the United States. Today after eleven years service I have the distinguished honor of being selected by my leader here to move that resolution in another form."

"The resolution expresses the idea that the period of the reciprocity treaty extending from 1854 to 1866 was one of marked prosperity. I cannot speak with the same assurance of other parts of the Dominion as I am in regard to that part from which I come, but I say this that since the Maritime Provinces were peopled there never was a decade when prosperity was so marked among all classes, when land rose in value so quickly, when the wharves were so lined with shipping, when the workmen had such steady employment, when the farmers had as good a market, as between 1854 and 1866, when we had reciprocal trade with the United States. We look back with longing eyes to that period of free trade with our neighbors, and we look forward with hope that the Liberal party, coming to their own again shall bring back the prosperity of that period to us."

Now the above brief but historic extracts make clear that the Liberal party in Canada was and is wholly committed to secure a renewal of reciprocal trade relations with the United States and that the Liberals of Prince Edward Island were among the foremost in promoting that object. A favorite and eloquent son of this Province was twice chosen to be the spokesman of the party upon the subject on as many important occasions.

It is true that many things have happened since 1893, but is there anything in all that has occurred which would make reciprocity a less desirable thing for Prince Edward Island than Sir Louis Davies declared and

we all believed it to be seventeen years ago? We are of those who believe a fair reciprocity treaty with our neighbors would be an excellent thing for our Island farmers, merchants and ship-pers. And we see many indications that it is coming, in part, or in some form or other.

The west demands it, and the farming and producing classes alike in the central and eastern Provinces would welcome it. Our United States neighbors who repealed the old treaty forty odd years ago, and several times since rejected the Canadian proposals for a renewal of reciprocity, are now asking for a reconsideration of the subject and a meeting is to take place shortly between the representatives of the two countries which may probably have important results. And reciprocity would serve to break the stress of high protection, of which Americans and Canadians alike are growing very tired.

How will the change come and when? A private letter to the writer of this article from an eminent Canadian, who knows both the Dominion and the United States well, says:

"Within three years we shall see free entry of many Canadian products into the United States, because they are feeling the pinch of famine, and we shall have free entry of many things which we require into Canada, not by open treaty of reciprocity perhaps, but by one of those 'understandings' which diplomacy understands so well."

Two facts stand out clear as the sunlight. One of these is that high protection has been only a blight upon Eastern Canada, the main cause of the continued exodus of our people, our consequent slow growth in population, and of the decay of our merchant marine. The other fact is that New England is the natural market for the Maritime Provinces. The New Englanders want our products, and it is idle to say that we do not want their market if we can get it on fair terms. But the terms must be fair. A free exchange of natural products, or a mutual reduction of duties thereon would, we believe be mutually profitable and would lighten the burdens of consumers on both sides of the boundary line.

THE HELPING HAND.

A western Liberal paper blames Sir James Whitney for having "made a present of the Province's (Ontario's) rights in the new (school) readers to Prince Edward Island." "The editing, copy-right privileges, typesetting, plate-casting, illustrating of these Readers—a good deal more than half the expense of most illustrated books—have all been paid or are to be paid by the Province." It goes on to intimate that the Conservative leader in Ontario is very generous with other people's money, and intimates that Sir James has been moved to this generous mood in order that he may be able to boast that Prince Edward Island has adopted the Ontario books.

Here the general feeling seems to be that the Ontario Premier has indeed acted generously, but without entailing any cost upon Ontario on our account. This view is sustained by the Liberal St. John Globe, which says: "It is true that Ontario must prepare the work, and pay for its preparation, which it would have to do in any case, and apparently it gives Prince Edward Island the benefit of its preparation. Prince Edward Island is, therefore, saved the preliminary

cost of preparation, but Ontario loses nothing thereby and helps a sister Province. While Prince Edward Island is not at the expense of preparation she will have to pay for the books that are purchased. But if this be not an exact statement of the matter it is quite clear, whatever may be, that Sir James Whitney has done a kind act for a sister Province, whose financial position is such that assistance given her in this way is really a benefit.

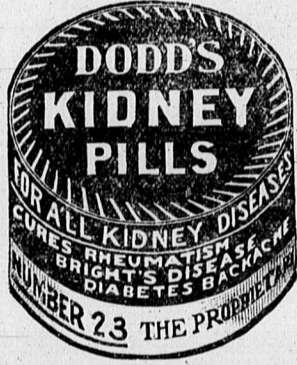
"It appears to us that the Conservative Premier deserves a thankful word for what he and his colleagues have done, the more particularly as he does not appear to have limited his kindness by the fact that Prince Edward Island has a Liberal leader and Government."

Henry T. Ross, writing from Ottawa to the Maritime Baptist on the subject of Non conformist representation in the British Cabinet, mentions that Premier Asquith is a Congregationalist, Lloyd George Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Haldane the War Secretary, and Mr. Birrell Secretary for Ireland are Baptists, and Mr. Runciman a Methodist.

Cholera is reaping an awful harvest in Russia these days, the deaths numbering thousands each week for a month past. As there is direct immigration from Russia to Canada going on, there would seem to be some danger of the disease being brought to his country in that way. Immigration from Russia, or at least from any one of the twenty-two Provinces in which the disease is prevalent, should be suspended until the danger is past.

We print another letter from Joseph Auld this morning, in which he deals in rather censorious language with some of our hotels and the automobile law. In another letter to follow he deals quite as plainly with our railway and steam transportation services. Mr. Auld as a native of the Island, a newspaper man and a tourist traveller claims a freer hand in discussion of these matters than most of our readers are accustomed to. But while we differ strongly from some of his expressed opinions, it is better for all concerned that these censures should be published here than abroad. And a good deal of the same sort has been printed abroad from time to time.

Canadian labor is organized largely under United States control. Our railway employees and miners, for instance, affiliated with associations from across the border and directed from there, have from time to time been ordered on strike, to their great detriment. Sydney and Springhill furnish examples. We know what happened at Sydney. We see what is going on at Springhill. Under hundreds of red flags the miners there were recently celebrating "fifty-two weeks of idleness." Strikes on the Grand Trunk have followed strikes on the C. P. R. Canadian workers, Canadian trade and transport have suffered, but where a Canadian railway is tied up a rival American road gets new business, and the same where a Canadian mine or other industry is put out of business, as has been the case at Springhill. Canada should have its own independent labor organizations. The present system is inimical to Canadian interests.



THE HOME-COMING.

The violet dusk creeps to the arms of night. The stars thro' out the yearnings of the sky; The noisy street blinks at the twinkling dome, And up my steps—an open door—and home; A woman's kiss—a glad, contented sigh— Such little things to set the world a-right! —Edith Livingston Smith, in Munsey's Magazine.

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