

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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TO BE SPECIFIC.

It would simplify matters if our free trade friends would be more specific in their demands for the removal of duties. "Free agricultural implements" has become a sort of slogan over which they weep in sympathy with the farmers. What implements do they wish to admit free? We are importing now from the United States something like \$25,000,000 worth of these farm implements upon which a duty is collected amounting to about a million and a half dollars, or six per cent average duty. This, it may be remarked, consists of dutiable and undutiable implements. On which of these do they consider the duty is harsh or oppressive? It is no use beating the wind. Talking in general terms on matters upon which the average citizen has but a vague idea, will get us nowhere.

Of course it makes a beautiful political story to tell the farmer that he is being oppressed by the bloated monopolists who are making millions at his expense in the manufacture of agricultural implements but the story teller invariably omits to tell the farmer the advantages he derives from the protection afforded him by the duties which keep his southern neighbor from flooding our market with his farm produce.

The farmers who have listened for over some forty years to this sympathetic free trade story are beginning to wonder if there is any more in it today than there was when the accredited free trade party refused to touch it; they know it is only a political story intended to bewilder and to win votes. Now they are beginning to ask questions; they want to know where the axe can be applied to the duty without injury to Canada and the free traders refuse to be specific.

CATTLE PROSPECTS.

Western cattlemen are at present anxious over the possibility of the United States putting a duty on the import of stockers and feeders from Canada. The exportation of this class of cattle from Canada has grown rapidly as is indicated by the fact that in 1910 we sent 158,000 cattle over the line. In 1919 the total had risen to 342,000 and for the fiscal year ending March 31 last the figure was 516,000 valued at, in round numbers, \$50,000,000.

This is a large trade and, with the political pot in the United States continually boiling, there is always danger of interruption by tariff manipulations. The only safeguard against any danger of this kind is to improve the quality of our cattle. This applies equally to eastern as to western Canada. It has been demonstrated over and over again that we can produce as good cattle as Argentina and Australia whose cattle are our great competitors in the world's markets and which we have not yet been able to meet successfully not because we cannot raise as good cattle but because we do not raise enough of the right kind.

Figures have been published showing that of 698,849 cattle marketed at Canadian stockyards in 1919 for home consumption 359,418 graded "good" and 339,431 graded common, that is 48.5 per cent were "common". With this proportion we cannot hope to cope with the high class beef from the world's great cattle countries. With fifty two per cent of our animals we can defy competition but, hampered by the forty eight per cent of "common" we are at a disadvantage.

We can do better than 52 per cent. By selecting proper sires, by caring for the herd as it ought to be cared for, by paying proper attention to breeding and feeding we can hold our own in any market.

There is no excuse or reason for the scrub cow. It is an expensive piece of property in any case and the fewer we have of them the better. One good cow can produce more in milk and in progeny than half a dozen and costs very much less to keep than the half dozen, indeed the half dozen may be more of a liability than an asset, may be boarders that do not pay their board.

In this province too few of our farmers have specialized in cattle but those who have know that it is the most profitable on the farm. With our railway facilities today we are not as far from the beaten path of commerce as we were when we were isolated during four or five months of the year; we are now on the main line summer and winter and the markets are as open to us and as accessible as they are to any of the other provinces. All we need to get in is quality; with that we can get into any market and realize the best price the market can give.

IMPORTANT!

Come to the lecture and meeting in connection with the Navy League of Canada to be held in each of the undermentioned places. A wonderful lecture by a pleasing speaker; sixty Graphic Lantern Slides. No charge. Hear all about Britain's mighty navy and learn why the farmer's prosperity depends on the Mercantile Marine.

Souris, Wednesday, October 27.
Kingsboro, Thursday, October 28.
St. Columbia, Friday, October 29.

COME EARLY AND AVOID THE RUSH.

CURRENT COMMENT

There was a splendid spirit of thanksgiving throughout the province on the annual day set apart for acknowledging our obligations. From the pulpit, through the press and from the family altar gratitude for the benefactions of the year were more abundant than usual, and fully proportioned to the increase of mercy and blessing. From no corner of the province however have we had report of any thanks being offered in one of the most important instances wherein, if the Patriot has not misinforming us, our sincerest acknowledgment was surely due. We refer to the beneficence of our present local government rule, and that spirit of jubilant satisfaction and undying contentment which, according to the evening organ, has so wonderfully possessed the people of this province. It seems remarkable that a people so specially well pleased with the new TAXATION Act, the bungled up school system, the magnificent mud roads, the enormously increased number of officials, the MILLION DOLLAR OVERDRAFT at the bank, the shameful occurrences and conditions at Falconwood should be so slow in making audible and visible expressions of thanks and appreciation.

Perchance there is some lingering doubt to the public mind as to the stability of the foundations of all the Patriot's laudations. One isolated writer, whether from within or without the precincts of their office deponent knoweth not, is accused in its post-thanksgiving issue of speaking kindly of their road improvement. Whether the utterance was in sarcasm or charity is not quite plain. It was noticeable however that he was most careful to especially extend his visionary description beyond a safe radius of six miles from Charlottetown. Two conditions might influence this. First, the risk of too many contradictory witnessings so near to a populous metropolis, and second, the old axiom that distance lends enchantment to the view. But, assuming the Patriot to be telling the truth, why this cutting out of road improvement within six miles of the business centre and Capitol of the province? Have Messrs Higgs and Duffy been billeted for punishment and sacrifice for any wrong committed to the inside aggregation? Have they been mixed up with the Brodie-McLean-Irving-Dewar recalcitrants, requiring them to be disciplined?

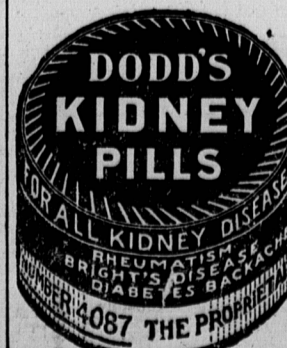
But even so, should the city, and to a great extent the whole country, be included in this punishment? Sensible men in charge of public convenience, usually commence important operations at the end of greatest use and most urgent necessity. There is no school of engineering genius in the regions of civilization, apart from those confined in Insane Hospitals which approves the construction of branches and terminals precedent to main trunk lines and heaviest traffic centres. Possessed of the smallest grain of common sense, a govern-

Daily Selections
Guardian Readers
Furnished by W. S. Louison.

Our own are our own forever—
God taketh not back His gift,
They may pass beyond our vision,
But our souls shall find them out.
When the waiting is all accomplished,
And the heavy shadows lift,
Where grief is given for grieving,
And the surety of God for doubt.

We say find the waiting bitter,
And count the silence long,
God knoweth we are dust,
And He iteth our pain.
But when faith has grown to fullness,
And the silence changed to song,
We shall eat the fruit of patience,
And shall hunger not again.

To scrawling hearts who dumberly
In darkness and all alone,
Sit missing a dear lost presence,
And the joy of a vanished day,
Be comforted with this message,
That our own are forever our own,
For God who giveth the precious gift,
Will take it never away.



ment would give first attention to the large business and shipping points, then carrying their works outward to the less important terminals. But with its characteristic stupidity our Bell Government just lighted like a flock of plovers, wherever a ploughed field was in sight, and commenced its costly road work in patches and shreds, without regard to either continuity or public utility, and practically no present service to the country. By this process, by their own admission, the roads within six miles of Charlottetown, that portion in which the biggest fall trade and public traffic exists, and which should have received first attention, they steered clear of as if it was, and to them perhaps it is, the possessions of the damned.

Who amongst the stoutest of us have not in our weaker or perhaps younger days felt the chill of horror creeping down our backs as some artist in romance revealed his blood curdling story of the mid-

night pranks and antics of the sheeted dead. It seems from the readings in the Liberal press that ghost-walks are creating this old-time chill amongst older and supposedly stronger people. As in old time the parent sought to soothe the frightened child with the assurance that there are no ghosts, so in this more enlightened day the Liberal politicians, chased and haunted by the spirit of the murdered and mutilated Trade protege of the party's primeval days, is working at over time trying to assure the rank and file that there is no ghost, and that free trade is too dead to again walk in the public avenues of Canada, either in real or in sheeted form. The Recorder, reproduced by the Patriot, declares that, "The Liberal (Continued on Page Five.)"

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Charlottetown Branch J. R. Dier, Manager

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Black Serge, 54 in. wide for ..\$4.50 per yd.
Black Serge, 56 in. wide for ..\$4.75 per yd.
Black Serge, 54 in. wide for ..\$6.50 per yd.
Black Serge, 56 in. wide for ..\$7.25 per yd.

Black Cheviot, 54 in. wide for \$3.89 per yd.
Black Cheviot, 56 in. wide for \$6.00 per yd.
Black Cheviot, 56 in. wide for \$9.00 per yd.

HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE DRESS GOODS OFFERINGS.

Navy Blue Serge, 54 in. wide for ...\$3.75
Navy Blue Serge, 54 in. wide for ...\$4.75
Navy Blue Serge, 54 in. wide for ...\$6.50
Navy Blue Serge, 56 in. wide for ...\$7.50
Navy Blue Serge, 56 in. wide for ...\$9.25
Navy Serge, 44 in. wide\$3.00 per yd.
Navy Serge, 44 in. wide\$3.25 per yd.
Navy Serge, 50 in. wide\$4.49 per yd.

HERE ARE DRESS GOOD PRICES THAT WILL MAKE A BIG NOISE

Brown Serge, 44 in. wide for\$3.25
Navy Cheviots, 54 in. wide for\$3.89
Brown Serge, 54 in. wide for\$3.75
Brown Serge, 54 in. wide for\$4.25
Brown Serge, 54 in. wide for\$4.75
Navy Cheviots, 54 in. wide for\$4.75
Navy Cheviots, 56 in. wide for\$5.25
Navy Cheviots, 56 in. wide for\$6.25

Patons Ltd.

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Best quality white sugar, former price 25 cents, now 17 cents per lb.
Extra Fancy Barbadoes Molasses, former price \$1.75, now \$1.48 per gallon.
Ceylon Pekoe Black Tea, former price 50 cents now 39 cents per lb.
High grade Rolled Oats, former price 7 1-2 cents, now 6 cents per lb.
P. E. I. Pure Fine Oatmeal, former price 7 1-2 cents now 6 cents per lb.
Pot Barley, new stock, former price 9 cents, now 6 cents per lb.
Currants, Cleaned, from Greece, former price 30 cents, now 25 cents per lb.
Extra quality Auto oil, former price \$1.75 now 99 cents per gallon.
We reserve the right to limit a quantity of any of the above articles.
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- 1—The main factor in the cost of Fox Wire is WEIGHT, and weight in the same way is an important factor in its value to the user. This, therefore, is the first point to which a buyer should direct his attention, and we ask you to compare carefully the approximate weights of our Netting, with any Netting offered by our competitors.
- 2—Just as in the case of a chain the strength is that of its weakest link, so in the case of Fox Wire one thin or faulty wire may destroy the value of the roll. UNIFORMITY OF GAUGE is, therefore, of great importance. All the wire used in the manufacture of this Netting is drawn by a SPECIAL PROCESS, insuring the highest degree of accuracy and regularity, both in size and temper.
- 3—REGULARITY OF MESH contributes much to the good appearance of Netting, and this is insured by the uniformity in gauge and temper of wire used in making this netting.
- 4—For ease in erection it is of great importance that Netting should run out STRAIGHT AND FLAT, and to this point the manufacturers have devoted particular attention. They have lately adapted IMPROVED PATENT MACHINERY, and their netting now is STRAIGHT and AS FLAT AS A CARPET.
- 5—In GALVANIZING, only the finest metal is used, and their long experience of galvanizing insures that in this respect this Netting is as perfect as possible.

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