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The Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY APRIL 13, 1888 ANOTHER IGNOMINIOUS BACK-DOWN,

Sir John Macdonald has been forced into another back-down, more ignominious than that into which he has been driven by the people of Manitoba.

towards reciprocity. The Americans did it. There were a number of pairs. place a number of articles on the free list. but no notice of their action was taken by the Dominion government. Just before the Easter recess Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Peter Mitchell and others called the premier's attention to the matter and were the statute. The minister of justice was idea, and the ministerial supporters heartily applauded. The opposition were, of course, denounced as disloyal. They were called annexationists. The idea was ridiculed as a "fad." The tory organs reechoed these sentiments with characteristic vigor. Poor deluded organs! They were never so badly sold! The Montreal Gazette even went so far as to ask in a magnificent burst of frenzy: "Has the "spirit of manhood deserted the Canadian "people? Are we such cravens," enquired "the Gazette, "so lost to every instinct of "national honor and self-dependence that "we must lick the dust before the United. "States and tamely submit to every in-"dignity they may put upon us, every "threat they may venture to fulminate? 'Is every roaring demagogue in a public "position in the neighboring republic to "interpret the laws of Canada to the "detriment of this country, and is our " parliament cringingly and fawningly to "acquiesce? Recall the circumstances. "The congress of the United States to suit "its own purpose, in the interest of its "own people, placed certain articles on the "free list, which happen, quite by the "accident of chance, to be included in the "articles embraced in the standing offer of "reciprocity on our statute book. Con-"gress did this without the slightest re-"gard to the action or overture of the "parliament of Canada; but wholly from regard for American welfare, and because "the Canadian government have not sub. "mitted to the dictation of Washington "and allowed congress to shape and deter-"mine the regulation of the Canadian

"from Canada into that country." organ; and on the day after it was printed a tory cabinet minister, to wit Sir Chas. John Campbell, jr., of North Mariposa ad-Tupper, stood up in the house and anhad denounced; and what the premier and letter in reply to Mr. Minthorne but it the minister of justice had declared to be must have miscarried as it did not reach before the United States, to have to sub- be handed in as early as possible. the premier's bitter humiliation.

"tariff, a few hotheads and anglophobists

"tariff against any and all importations

Sackville West to Lord Salisbury calling effectively deals,

attention to the free list matter the government had reversed their policy in the question. In the course of the debate Sir Charles read the following telegram :-

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OTTAWA, April 2.—Sir Lionel Sackville West, Washington: Immediately on receipt of copy of your despatches to Lord Salisbury inclosing memorandum from the Department of State of the United States ealling attention to the admission of certain articles free of duty by the United States, an order-in-council was passed admitting all the articles mentioned, when imported into Canada, free of duty. Proclamation will issue in next Gazette. The Canadian government await further legislation by congress in the same direction.

The government displayed good sense in

The government displayed good sense in retreating from an untenable position. The policy announced by the premier before Easter, if adhered to, would have provoked vexatious if not disastrous retaliatory legislation at Washington and the country would have suffered great injury in many ways. But it is quite clear that obstinate adhesion to that policy would not have been allowed by the imperial government without precipitating a ministerial crisis.

If the Dominion government had been honest in its desire to obtain even limited reciprocity it would have taken action long ago, and would have improved the good feeling that should obtain between two friendly neighboring nations. But a querulous old man chose needlessly to embitter our relations with the States; as he needlessly forced Manitoba to the verge of rebellion. Happily the danger in each case has been averted; but no thanks to Sir CENERAL INSURANCE AGENCY. John Macdonald.

> The new policy is open to the grave objection that it has been dictated from Washington and Downing-street. The despatches, it is true, had not reached Lord Sansbury, but Sir Charles Tupper quickly saw what was coming, and no of party." doubt Lord Lansdowne made his influence felt in this case as in settling the Manitoba difficulty. The sovereign or the sovereign's representative finds in cases of this kind a proper occasion for an exercise of influence. It is unfortunate that such exercise of inflence should be necessary; but, on the other hand, it is fortunate for Canada that there is a cool-headed and sagacious representative of the sovereign to make his influence felt. This is a phase of the situation to which but little attention has been paid. The Mail did dwell upon the "dictation of Downing-street," basing its opinions on what proved to be an error in telegraphic transmission which made it appear that the despatches referred to by Sir Charles Tupper were from Lord Salisbury and not to him. The error is not of much im- Mr. Lewhite needs blanc-washing. portance. The Dominion government have escaped imperial censure by a quick about face. They knew what would come at once from Lord Salisbury. They knew he would have no nonsense and would permit no triffing with international obligations. It was not a case of dealing with Mr. Norquay or Mr Greenway.

THE RECIPROCITY DIVISION.

The great debate on reciprocity was brought to a close about four o'clock Saturday morning; and the divisions took place The premier has always claimed no little about day-break. The resolutions of Hon. eredit for having put in the statutes a Mr. Jones and Sir Richard Cartwright Here is a tory paper in London (old Engstanding offer to the United States to place were negatived by a majority of 57, the on our free list any articles that they vote being 67 to 124. Mr. Barron voted for judicious emigration to Canada because might place on their free list-as a step reciprocity and Mr. Hudspeth voted against

The rejection of reciprocity was to be expected as a matter of course in the present house when the government took so decided a stand against it. It is now for the country to decide the question, and to the country it is relegated on appeal. told by Sir John that the statute was There can be little doubt as to what will permissive, not compulsory, and that it be the verdict of the great majority of the would be injurious to the interests of people. They will decide, we are confi-Canada to take the step contemplated by dent, in favor of reciprocity, for the widest measure of reciprocity that can be especially vigorous in condemning the obtained. The people know from experience the innumerable benefits of reciprocity; and they know reciprocity will not sap or undermine attachment to the mother country. On the contrary it is the strongest antidote that can be administered to any annexation feeling. It cured the tory leaders of annexation when first tried.

THE EGG COMBINE.

We print elsewhere from the Mail an important contribution to the literature of the great egg combine that is now believed to be at work in Ontario. The Mail's article is to us an unexpected revelation as to the Toronto agency in the scheme. The Empire has been from day to day in its produce reports commenting on the combine, and giving prices which proved that the combine was trying to work out the described plan of operations, that is, to sell low in Toronto in order (1) to crowd off the small local competing buyer or country shop-keeper; and (2) to establish a low Toronto price which could be quoted in the country and help materially to keep down the price paid to the farmer for his eggs.

The combine if carried out as suspected would affect every farm household in this province. It would reduce materially the 'pin money" or extras made by the farmer's wives and daughters from the eggs, generally considered their perquisites. Any farmer can figure up the enormous

sums the members of the combine would make out of it. Two or three cents a dozen would amount to how much?

SOME INTERESTING LETTERS.

The interest taken by the farmers in the "in the United States threaten to erect a discussion of leading questions of the day is very gratifying. We print another batch of letters on our third and seventh This is a terrible indictment from a tory pages. Mr. Geo. Johnson of Mariposa discusses Mr. Glendinning's letter; and Mr. ministers a "socdologer' to "Mrs. Partingnounced that the Dominion government | ton" Beall. We have a note from Mr. were going to do exactly what the Gazette Glendinning stating that he had mailed a wrongful and ruinous to Canada. It was us until yesterday at noon, too late for bad enough to have to back-down to the this issue. It will be printed next week Manitobans, but to have to "lick the dust" with pleasure. Letters of this class should

mit to "every indignity" any "roaring We print a timely letter from Mr. demagogue" in the neighboring republic Ledyard of Toronto about the development may put upon us, to have the shape and of our iron mines. It is as clear as noonregulation of our tariff "dictated from day sun that nothing in the world will lead Washington,"-all this must have been to the full or even partial development of gall and wormwood to the ministers- our magnificent iron mines but free access to except Sir Chas Tupper-and to the min. the markets of the continent. It is equally isterial supporters. Sir Chas. Tupper seems plain that such development would be an to have enjoyed the situation; and probably he did not mourn very deeply over | immense benefit to this district, a grand thing for Lindsay and Victoria county. It became Sir Charles Tupper's duty to But those who advocate this policy are announce that in consequence of the re- branded as "disloyal" by a heedless set, ceipt of a copy of a despatch from Sir with some of whom Mr. Ledyard most

WITH THYENT TO DECEIVE.

The Warder last week indulged in another glaring bit of misrepresentation in a laborious effort to show that reciprocity would be injurious to the cattle trade.

The Warder's misrepresentation, as farmers will see at a glance, consists in trying to pass off the Toronto and Rast Buffalo quotations as being for cattle of 'the same grades." The facts are that the Toronto prices are for prime Easter fat cattle or cattle for export to the old country, always first-class animals. The East Buffalo figures on the other hand are for 'stockers," or second, third and fourth class animals, - more even of the third and fourth class than of the second. Farmers know this very well and will not be misled or deceived by the Warder's misrepre sentation.

The Warder endeavors to show that it would be ruinous to Canada to permit "an invasion of Yankee cattle-sellers." But other tory organs and speakers argue that Mr. Foster's resolution is for "limited reci. procity" in natural products; and ere two weeks have passed by the Warder will have to take "a sharp curve" and maintain that the very thing it is now condemning as ruinous and disloyal is the quintessence of statesmanship and loyalty. "Some persons will say or do anything for the sake

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Sir Chas. Tupper has introduced a bill to ratify the Washington treaty, and supported it in an able speech.

The Newfoundland house of assembly has rejected by 20 to 7 the proposal to send delegates to Ottawa relative to confedera-

The British war office has decided to purchase cavalry remounts in Canada, and Col. Goldie of Halifax is on his way to Ontario for that purpose.

Mr. Leblanc, the tory M.P.P. for Laval, has been unseated for bribery and corruption. He narrowly escaped corruption.

The London Advertiser's poet suggests the following chorus for the ministerial supporters at Ottawa:-

We will not trade with Yankees
But, by Jingo, if we do,
We'll take back all we said last week
And swear it wasn't true.

The rumor that Hon. Thos. White of the ernment "cringingly and fawningly acquiesced" in the free list "dictated from Washington" is not quite correct.

The beef-eaters should be called out!

The price to be paid to the C. P. R. for the abandonment of the monopoly clause in Manitoba and the North-west appears to be a Dominion guarantee of \$15,000,000 of land bonds. This guarantee will enable the C. P. R. to float a 3 per cent. instead of a 5 per cent. bond, at or near par instead of a considerable discount. The minister-ial organs are declaring it is a splendid bargain; and the country must feel relieved that it is no worse.

The Irish Canadian says: "The government at Ottawa has been challenged to battle by Sir Richard Cartwright and the reform members on the question of unrestricted reciprocity between the United States and Canada; and the conservatives have nailed their colors to the mast against what appears to us the best interests of the farmers and the whole communitysave and except the extortionate members of the combines. * * * Now that the farmer has taken the bit between his teeth, we may look for many such victories as those in Prince Edward and Missisquoi. Partyism to the farmer may sound well enough; but the substantial well-being of himself and household should claim his support impropertive of former political support, irrespective of former political

The Thorah conservative association the other day after an address from Mr. F. Madill, M.P., unanimously resolved that "unrestricted reciprocity would be of no benefit financially or otherwise, but injurious to the farmer and our manufacturing interests." Those who voted "yea" to this singular resolution must have short memories. They must forget how Sir John Macdonald himself painted in glowing terms the benefits of reciprocity, how the farmers would get so much more for their barley, their horses, their cattle, their their barley, their horses, their cattle, their wool and many other articles. Now it pleases Sir John to play another tune. Mr. Madill echoes it; and the conservative farmers of Thorah vote accordingly. It is a rare spectacle! They will get over that ere many weeks have passed by, and when the time comes we have no doubt more than enough will vote for reciprocity to place North Ontario in the ranks with Prince Edward, Missisquoi and L'Assomption. But perhaps they will be satisfied with lower prices.

BOATE-FORD.-On March 21st, at the bride's residence, by the Rev. C W. Watch, Mr. James R. Boate to Miss Lizzie Ford, all of Emily.

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April 10, 1888.-92-26. NOTICE.

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Monday, May 28, 1888, Montreal Gazette is going to resign his seat in the government because the government "cringingly and fawningly ac-J. O'LEARY.

Lindsay, April 12, 1888.-92

Lindsay, April 10, 1883. -92-4. FENELON FARM AND CAMBRAY land) declaring that it is useless to direct judicious emigration to Canada because the emigrants will be of no use to the emigrants will be of no use to the empire "when the States have absorbed the "Dominion, as they are bound to do some day."

Mr. John Ransford of Clinton writes: "I have worked for and supported the conservative party for twenty years, but I begin to find they bear a striking resemblance to 'that bruised reed Egypt.' Can anybody wonder that we want and are working for commercial union? To us it means, so far as sa't manufacture is concerned, life or death."

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