CANADA'S OPEN DOOR

The Second of the Series of Articles on Reciprocity Republished from the Canadian Century to Which Reference was made in our Issue of Last Week

CANADIAN FRUIT FARMERS IN GREAT PERIL.

(From The Canadian Century.)

The largest deputation of farmers that ever waited on any Canadian Government was that of the fruit growers of Western Ontario, who went to Ottawa on February 10 to protest against the Reciprocity Agreement. The case they presented to the Government was a strong one. They showed that if the Reciprocity Agreement was endorsed by the Canadian Parliament and the United States Congress it would reduce the value of every orchard in Ontario and ruin thousands of small fruit farmers who had paid high prices for their little farms and spent time and money in planting trees. They showed that many large farms had been subdivided for fruit-growing purposes, and that new subdivisions were constantly being made. They said that a farm of one hundred acres which formerly supported only one family, being cut into ten small fruit farms, supported ten families. Among other memorials presented by this deputation was the following:

"We, the undersigned, the president and executive committee of the Old Country Association, composed entirely of men born and bred in the British Isles, and the great majority of whom are engaged in the fruit industry, respectfully and earnestly beg to draw the attention of the Dominion Government to the peculiar hardship which will be imposed upon us should this proposed tariff legislation come into effect.

"We have been induced to leave Great Britain and to come to this peninsula, and to invest our capital in the purchase, planting and general improvement of fruit lands in a large measure owing to the very wide distribution of official pamphlets and other literature emanating from Canada, and distributed throughout the British Isles, positively stating that 'the Ontario grower is protected in the home market by a high tariff against foreign-grown fruit and vegetables and thus enjoys that market without serious competition from outside sources.'

"The amount of customs tariffs on the various fruits is specifically stated in these pamphlets and literature; and in order that this particular advantage to the Canadian grower may be clearly understood by the Britisher this tariff scale is not only set forth in Canadian money but is also set forth in the coinage of Great Britain. Under the belief that these conditions would be stable we have not only sunk our own capital, but have been instrumental in bringing many of our countrymen here to invest in this growing industry, which, owing to the steady rise of recent years in the values of land, now requires a large amount of capital to purchase and equip even the small farms the majority of us own, and to provide for the maintenance of our families during the years it takes to bring an orchard into bearing."

Four days after these Ontario fruit farmers presented their case to the Government Mr. Martin Burrell, member of Parliament for Yale-Cariboo, gave the House of Commons a remarkably clear and comprehensive statement of the position of the fruit growers in all the provinces of Canada, giving special attention, of course, to his own province of British Columbia, which has made wonderful progress in the planting of orchards during the last ten years. Mr. Burrell has devoted twenty-eight years of his life to the practical work of fruit growing. No man in Canada has a better knowledge of the question.

In 1901 there were 567,000 fruit trees in British Columbia, according to the Dominion census. Now there are estimated to be five million fruit trees in that province, and the area devoted to fruit is rapidly increasing.

The grain grower of the prairie gets his big farm at low cost, sometimes as a free grant; the land is ready for cultivation; the Government subsidizes a railway to take the grain to market. The British Columbia fruit farm must first be cleared of enormous trees; the people of the east and of the prairie provinces can scarcely realize the immense size of British Columbia timber. After the land has been cleared at great expense and fruit trees planted the farmer must wait for years for his trees to grow and bear fruit. In many parts of the province he must pay his share of the cost of constructing irrigation works. In the Okanagan Valley alone the amount of $1,500,000 has been expended already in irrigation works for orchard purposes and vast outlays of the same kind are going on all over the province.

According to the Dominion census of 1901 there were in the whole of Canada 15,053,875 apple trees, 1,301,775 peach trees, 962,101 pear trees, 2,415,695 plum trees, 1,288,368 cheery trees and 179,425 other fruit trees; a total of over twenty-one million fruit trees, besides 2,783,596 grape vines and large acreages of small fruits. Since 1901 there has been a very great increase in the number of trees, British Columbia farmers alone having planted about 4,500,000 trees within the ten years. Mr. Burrell estimates that there cannot be less than thirty million fruit trees in Canada now, and he thinks that $150,000,000 is a low valuation to place on the orchards of Canada to-day. THE CANADIAN CENTURY some weeks ago published an article on the value of a tree. It was pointed out that a German railway company had been forced to pay six hundred dollars for one cherry tree which it destroyed, and the principle upon which the court decided the value of a fruit tree was explained. Mr. Burrell's estimate only allows five dollars as the average value of a Canadian fruit tree when he values the orchards of the Dominion at $150,000,000. We believe that the real value is very much greater.

Now what would be said if the Government suddenly took away the tariff protection of a group of manufacturing industries in which $150,000,000 of capital was invested?

We hear a great deal from the politicians about vested rights. Why should there be any more consideration for the vested rights of manufacturers than for the vested rights of farmers. Has not the small farmer a vested right in the fruit tree that has cost him money, labor, time and anxiety?

We do not believe that the prosperous grain growers of the prairie provinces of Canada will vote against their brothers in British Columbia and Ontario when they know the real facts. We appeal to those farmers of Canada who are not fruit growers to stand by their brother farmers in this time of peril.

WORLD COMPETITION FOR CANADIAN FARMERS.

"Why should Canadian farmers lose every vestige of protection for their products while the tariff on manufactured goods remains almost untouched? If farm products from the United States, the Argentine Republic, Russia, Austria-Hungary, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Spain, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and other countries are to come into free competition with Canadian farm products in our own home market why should not manufactured products come in free from the same countries?"

These are the questions which farmers throughout Canada are asking each other now, and they will ask the politicians the same questions a little later on. Free trade in farm products and protection for manufactured products is a condition of things that cannot be permanent.

WHAT WILL AMERICAN FARMERS SAY?

When the farmers of the United States learn that the same Reciprocity Compact that gives them free entrance to the Canadian market gives exactly the same privilege to almost every food-exporting country in the world they will be enraged. They will say: "With Russians, Japanese, Austrians, Argentines, Danes, Swedes, Norwegians, Spaniards, Australians, New Zealanders and a host of other food producers dumping their surplus products into the Canadian market what will there be left for us?" They will complain that Canadians will try to relieve their glutted markets by shipping some of this foreign stuff into the United States, and indeed it will be very difficult for the United States Government to prevent them doing so. How will United States customs officials be able to distinguish between Canadian farm products and the foreign food that will be dumped on the Canadian market? Dishonest men in both Canada and the United States will take advantage of the situation. On the other hand honest Canadian exporters will often be suspected of fraud. American customs officials will sometimes charge that good, honest, Canadian eggs, butter, cheese, etc., come from Argentina, Siberia, or some other outlandish place that has been given the right to send its farm products freely into Canada. Bitter controversies will arise. The pleasant kindly feelings that have so long existed between Canadians and Americans will be replaced by a spirit of suspicion and antagonism that may have serious consequences.

HOCKEY IN KINMOUNT

TWO GOOD TEAMS IN THE NORTHERN VILLAGE

Kinmount, Feb. 27—Mrs. Mark accompanied by Miss Gertrude are paying friends in Toronto a visit.

Mr. Tom MacEachern, of the L.C.I., spent the week end with his parents here.

Mr. Victor Soward took in the Midland-Whitby hockey game at Midland last week.

Our senior hockey team visited Bobcaygeon last Tuesday to play the return match. They report a good time, and a score of 7 to 4 in favor of Kinmount team.

Mr. Mark, of Hopkins Bros., and Mark, spent Monday and Tuesday this week in Lindsay.

Mr and Mrs. George visited friends in Lindsay over the week end. George leaves for Marksville, St. Joseph's Island, to work in a mill up there. If it suits him he will move his family later. We wish him the best of success.

Mrs. E. A. Wellstood and Mrs. Jno. Wilson visited in Minden yesterday.

Our junior hockey team lined up against the Coboconk juniors last Saturday night and won out by a score of 9 to 1. They play a return match at Coboconk to-night.

Mr. Wm. Craig leaves for Gowganda to-morrow after a stay of some weeks with his family here.

Mrs. S. Henry, accompanied by Miss Eva, goes to Toronto in the morning. They will be away a few days.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Eileen took place last week to the Kinmount cemetery. She lived with her son, in Snowdon township, and was in her 74th year.

CAMERON

Cameron, Feb. 28—The monthly meeting of the Woman's Institute will be held on Thursday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. D. Smith, at 2 o'clock. All welcome.

VALENTIA

Valentia, Feb. 20. — Miss C. Dan of Norland, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Arthur Swain.

Miss B. Cowson, of Cambray, is visiting her cousin, Miss L. Sharpe.

Messrs. Melville and Boyd Sharpe have returned home after spending a few days with Cambray friends.

Miss Downie, our South Valentia school teacher spent Sunday with her parents at Peterboro.

A number of the farmers of this locality are busy moving to their new homes.

MINDEN

Minden, Feb. 25—Mrs. Dougal McGibben, of Lyle, returned to her home on Monday last, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Martha Harrison.

Mr. John Hazard, of Mona Mills, and Mr. Andrew Snell, of Toronto, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Harrison, which took place last week.

Miss E. R. Mackey of Allsaw, is visiting at Mrs. Small's this week.

Mr. John Snell was at Lindsay this week.

Mrs. Wellstood, of Kinmount, accompanied by her sister-in-law, Miss Wellstood, are visiting at Mr. E. A. Stinson's.

Miss Dott Macey is renewing old acquaintances in town before returning to the city.

The Bachelors of town held a ball on Friday evening in the town hall, which turned out all right, only their Haliburton guests didn't arrive.

Mr. Dagg, sr., is very seriously ill.

KIRKFIELD

Kirkfield, Feb. 27—A jolly bunsh of hockey players drove here from Beaverton on Friday night last, arriving about 6 p. m. The score was 6-5 in favor of Kirkfield.

Miss Lizzie Smith returned home from Coboconk on Monday morning of this week, after spending a week with relatives there.

The junior team from Victoria Road played agame with our junior team on Wednesday of last week, the score being 8 to 16 in favor of our team. Hurrah for Kirkfield.

Mrs. James Daniel is visiting her mother, Mrs. Moffatt, of Victoria Road.

A number of our residents are suffering from la grippe.

Mr. A. Spence spent last week the guest of his brother, Mr. Spence, of Victoria Road.

Kirkfield team drove to Woodville last week with the intention of playing Sunderland there. However, the latter did not appear, so our boys played the return match with Woodville. Some dispute arose over putting a Woodville man on the fence. However, the referee, Mr. Jas. Daniel, settled the dispute and it ended in a score of 9-0 in favor of Kirkfield.

The home team intend playing a return match with the C.P.R. surveyors of Brechin this week.

Mr. G. Ryckman spent Sunday at his home in Victoria Road.

Dental—One of the firm of Neelands & Irvine, dentists, Lindsay, will be at McRea's Hotel, Woodville, on Tuesday, March 7th, and Gusty's, Kirkfield, Wednesday, 8th.

WOODVILLE

Woodville, Feb. 27—Mr. Frank McPherson, of Blythe, visited here with friends last week.

Mrs. Angus McEachern, nee Carrie Maybe, is visiting at Mrs. M. J. Stoddart's.

Mr. V. D. McPherson attended the hardware merchants' association meeting at Peterboro last week.

On Tuesday of last week, our hockey team played a friendly game with the Glenarm team, which ended in favor of Woodville.

Mr. Malcolm and family moved to Beaverton last week where they will reside in the future.

On Thursday evening of last week, the Kirkfield hockey team played here with the Woodville team. Near the end of the last half, when the score stood 3-2 in favor of Woodville a dispute arose over a decision of the referee and the game was called off.

Miss Bell McFadden left on Friday of last week for Chicago. Miss Bell has a host of friends here who will miss her.

The good and the faithful who attended the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening, received a great treat in the duet sung by Mrs. A. D. Carmichael. Mrs. Carmichael, who with her husband is visiting friends here, has a wonderful sweet and mellow voice of great range and shows artistic culture, which coold not be easily excelled by professional soprano singers and Miss Dora's wonderful ability as an alto singer is so well known to Woodville and vicinity that she needs no introduction or words of praise from us.

Mrs. G. B. Rennie, of Oakwood, is visiting friends here.

The general store of J. Murchison has been taken over by Mr. B. Grennan and the latter gentleman will carry on the business.

Mr. C. H. Caverley will transact business in Toronto this week.

Mrs. Chirpaw, of Victoria Road, is visiting at Dr. Galloway's.

Mrs. Dr. McKay visited friends in Toronto last week.

Messrs. Will McLachlan, J. J. Ruan Alex. Murchison, R. Thomas, W. Whetter and F. Goard went to Lindsay on Monday to attend the I.O.O.F. meeting in that place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Carmichael left last Monday for their home in Edmonton, Alta.

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PARODY ON "MAN WAS MADE TO MOURN."

When chill November's surly blast
Made fields and forests bare,
One evening as I wandered forth,
Not knowing hardly where,
I met a man of forty years
Upon his homeward way.
His eyes were bright, his hair was dark,
But sprinkled thro' with gray.

"Whither wanderest thou?" said I,
As questioning began
And when he raised his eyes, I saw
A sorrow-laden man.
"Hast business cares too heavy grown,
Increased the weight of years,
Or loss of loved ones from thy home
Made plentiful the tears?"

"Ny business flourishes the best
Of any one's in town,
My loved ones cheerfully await
My step at evendown.
I mourn to see my brothers mourn
Their business and its size,
And all because they can not learn
That men should advertise.

"A few seem favorites of fate
And need but load their store,
And place a flaming sign outside,
When thousands come, and more,
But oh! What crowds in every land,
The foolish and the wise,
By sad experience learn the law
That men should advertise.

"Many and sharp the num'rous ills
Which competition brings,
And the man who does not advertise
Will get the scorpion stings,
And if your business would go right
You needless must arise,
For competition, man to man,
Makes millions advertise.

"See yonder keeper of a store,
His children beg for food,
While he behind the counter, says:
'I wish my trade was good,'
But see you people in the street,
Unmindful cast their eyes,
Upon the merchant, while they say,
'That man should advertise.'

"And this is why I mourn, my lad,
Too many share the fate,
And plod along thro' life until
They learn the law too late,
I've seen yon weary winter's sun
Twice twenty times arise,
And every time has added proof
That men should advertise.

NO APPLICATIONS

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—No appointments have been made and no applications received yet for the position of public executioner, which was made vacant by the death yesterday of John Radclive. It is expected that the department will not appoint another but will leave such duties to the sheriffs or such persons as the sheriffs can secure for the position.

PLOWING IN THE NORTHWEST

Winnipeg, Feb. 28—Plowing began in many parts throughout the provinces. Spring is general. Many birds are returning a month earlier than usual. There will be a large increased acreage sown this year as a result of the American emigration.

RADCLIVE IS DEAD

Toronto, Feb. 28—John R. Radclive, the former hangman, died Sunday at his home,, 54 Fern avenue. He had been ill for a long time.

The Hamilton Bowling Club threatens to hold its boxing bouts, despite the embargo of the police, and a clash may take place.

Patrick Barrett was caught in the machin?ry of a mill at Hamilton and killed.

This Sale is Still Breaking Records

A Genuine Sacrifice of Quality Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Caps and Furs

This is a genuine sale and a genuine sacrifice of high-grade quality Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Caps and Furs. We have only one idea in mind, and that is to turn this season's stock into cash and make room for our New Spring Goods.

There is no other reason for the reductions, and while you will benefit most by this, still we are satisfied that this should be the case.

The following prices tell the story of great savings, and the same story is told throughout the entire store but space will not permit us to tell the complete tale

MEN'S FURNISHINGS

40c Boy's Fleece Lined Underwear	25c
75 Penmans " " "	45c
50c Wool Underwear	39c
75c Negligee Shirts	49c
20c Wool Hose, 2 pairs for	25c
15c " "	10c
75c Boy's Sweater Coats	50c
50c " Sweaters	39c
Heavy Ribbed Boys Stockings, all sizes	25c
90c Men's Blue and Black Heavy Shirts	75c
75c " Heavy Rib Underwear	60c
75c K. Buck Mitts for	50c
50c Lined Mitts "	35c
35c " One finger for	25c
40c Boy's Lined Mitts for	30c
50c Boy's Caps for	25c
50c Men's Pull Down Caps	25c
Men's Black bib Overalls, Elastic in braces	75c

MEN'S ODD GARMENTS

We have several odd garments which we intend to clear out at any price, the price really is of small consideration.

6.00 Beaver Pea Jacket for	2.90
4.75 Mackenaw " for	2.90
2.50 Rubberized " for	1 99
5.00 Odd Coats for	1.99
1.50 " Pants for	1.19
2.50 and 2.75 Pants for	1.99
3.00 Odd Pants for	2.25
3.50 " " "	2.50
4.50 " " "	2.99

BOY'S OVERCOATS

An endless variety to choose from and in qualities and colors not to be had in other stores. All these coats will be sold at cost or less than cost, they must be turned into money.

Your Opportunity

BOY'S SUITS

We are making a record price reduction in this department. One hundred boy's three piece suits, also the same in two piece suits will be sold at less than cost.

Suits that were 3.00 and 3.50, for	1.75
" " " 3.50 and 4.50, for	2.50
" " " 4.00 and 5.00, for	2.90
" " " 5.00 and 6.00, for	3.90

MEN'S SUITS

Never before have we made such remarkable reductions in our Men's Suit Department. We are actually selling many lines at less than Wholesale Cost.

Men's Tweed and Worsted Suits, reg. $10 and $12, for	5 95
Men's D.B. Suits regular 10.50 for	6.90
" Fancy Worsted Suits, reg. $12 for	9.90
" " " " " $15 "	10.90
" " " " " $16 "	12.90
Blue and Black Worsted Suits $12 "	9.90

MEN'S OVERCOATS

We are not going to carry over one Overcoat this season, and you may expect bargains. They must go.

Men's Ulster Coats, good heavy freize, were 6.50 to 8.00, for	3 90
Men's Short Overcoats, reg. $8 and $10	4.95
Men's College Collar Overcoats regular 10.00 and 12.00, for	6.90
Men's Convertable Collar Overcoats, reg. $14 and $15, for	10.90
Men's Convertable Collar Overcoats, reg. $16 and $18, for	12.90
Men's Black Melton Dress Overcoats, reg. $12 for	9 90

B. J. GOUGH

WHERE THE GOOD CLOTHES COME FROM, LINDSAY

YOU WILL WANT

Good Straight Seed

This Spring. We have Choice selected

Red Clover Alsike
Timothy Grain

Let us have your order at once

SPRATT & KILLEN

Shiloh's Cure

quickly stops coughs, cures colds, heals the throat and lungs. . . . 25 cents.

CEMENT SHOW. MARCH 6-11

It is a mistake to think that cement is of interest only to the architect and builder. It is of vital interest to every home-builder, who wants better construction at less cost, to every tenant who wants the most for his rental, in house comfort and protection against fire, to every citizen who has the country's welfare at heart in sanitary buildings, more beautiful architecture and safer construction. No man abreast of the times can afford to remain unacquainted with the modern uses and wonderful forms of concrete. The Canadian Cement and Concrete Association are providing at the Toronto Cement show between the above dates a remarkable opportunity for everyone to see the various ways in which cement may be used in its manufacture and mixing, etc.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

Tremendous Demand for Hair Tonic

PARISIAN SAGE IS GUARANTEED TO GROW HAIR.

Since its introduction into Canada Parisian Sage has been so honestly advertised that its tremendous sales have surprised and even astonished dealers everywhere.

The idea that advertising copy must exaggerate the merits of the goods it aims to sell, is false, and the sales of Parisian Sage prove it.

Parisian Sage won't grow hair on bald heads; it isn't guaranteed to grow hair on bald heads.

But if your hair is thin; if it is fallig out or splitting at the ends, if your scalp itches and you are bothered with dandruff then E. Gregory and the makers of Parisian Sage do guarantee it to put an end to these troubles or money back.

Parisian Sage makes hair grow if used before the hair root is dead. It kills the dandruff germs and stops itching scalp. It nourishes the hair roots and falling hair ceases. It puts vitality into the hair and gives it a radiant luster.

Sold for only 50 cents a large bottle at E. Gregory's and druggists everywhere. The girl with the Auburn hair is on every package. Mail orders filled, charges prepaid, by Giroux Mfg. Co., Fort Erie, Ont.

Sold and guaranteed by J. A. Wylie, Omemee.