

### PREFERENTIAL TRADE

Now that the people of Canada are beginning to realize the enormity of the fraud practiced on them in the name of the N. P. the advocates of this wonderful creator of millions of papers are making an effort to place our farmers and the people of our seaport cities, who necessarily have been the greatest sufferers under protection by promising them preferential trade with Great Britain.

This promise depends for fulfillment on the willingness of Great Britain to adopt protection as her basal system.

Great Britain is never likely to return to a system of protection in view of the following self-evident facts—facts that will also explain why she must, as long as she remains free trade, always be shielded between the monopolists of the world and their victims in the colonies.

In the ordinary course of trade merchants are seldom, if ever, forced to buy, but are often forced to sell.

Experience teaches that the merchant who can take advantage of the forced sales going on around him, develops a greater degree of prosperity than his neighbor who is prevented from so doing.

Now, as international sales are in their nature forced sales in the same sense that the farmer, in order to make any use of his surplus products is forced to exchange them for things he cannot or does not produce, it must follow that the people of the country who can take advantage of the sales of other countries are forced to offer market advantages to a greater degree than the people of a country who are prevented from so doing.

Protection being the means that modern governments adopt to prevent their people taking advantage of the forced sales of surplus products which other countries offer to them, it is surprising to find by actual experience that the people of the most highly protected countries suffer the most keenly from the depression (compare Canada and the United States during the last two years), for not only does the high tariff against foreign goods prevent them reaping any advantage from the forced sales of surplus products which other countries offer, but they are forced to sacrifice their own surplus in the only country left open to them, viz: that of Great Britain, all other countries being more or less protected.

This explains why 60 to 60 per cent of all the ships that sail the seas are loading for Great Britain, where all or nearly all the obstacles in the way of her people taking full advantage of the forced sales of surplus products other countries offer have been removed. It is the fact that these obstacles have been removed that enables the people of Great Britain to manufacture more cheaply than the countries to their westward, which deny this advantage to their people. As the only way the people of a nation (like the farmer) can utilize their surplus products is by exchanging them for products they do not produce in their own country as cheaply as can be done in any other country where the exchange takes place, and obtain thereby all countries by means of so-called protective tariffs force these people to sacrifice their surplus products to the benefit of the British manufacturer and a margin to the importer after paying the import duties. This accounts for the protective tariffs which are always followed by a fall in farm land values, and the removal of protective tariffs by an instant recovery of farm land values. Farmers should note this for the farm land is the basis from which the surplus of all countries is produced, no matter in what form it is.

This also explains why Great Britain, as long as she remains free trade must be a shield between the monopolists who can only exist under protection, and the consumers, for no matter how high the protective duties or how close the monopoly, British goods will be forced over the tariff walls, and thus prevent them (the monopolists) realizing the full benefits protection was designed to give them, hence their hatred of the right to free trade.

We have only to follow the speeches of the McKintys, Tappers and Rhodes of the world to discover that the tariff walls are, nominally raised against the world, they are really directed against the people of the world, and it proves the violation of her system of free trade (adopted as an act of justice to her people), that every new effort other countries make to cripple her trade by means of protection and inevitable offering the bonus, must be met by a much higher tariff on the scale of nations, for the more successful other countries are in preventing their people from trading indirectly with one another (the result of not the object of protection), the greater will be their need of the only market left open to them, and the greater the bargains they will be forced to offer in that market on account of the competition amongst themselves, to get rid of their surplus products there.

In view of these facts, can it be loyalty to the Empire that activates a little band of narrow-gauge politicians in trying the mother land to relinquish a trade policy that must, if other countries remain free traders, ultimately force the bulk of the accumulating wealth of the world into her hands, that has already made her the chief creditor of all the nations (what the McKintys, Tappers and Rhodes of the world have been passing out little laws which they cherish, imagine keep the money in their countries, that obliges her enemies to acknowledge she is the greatest civilizing power the world has ever known, that has made her undisputed mistress of the seas, and with her colonies in line with her, instead of being in line with her enemies (as most of them now are), would soon enable the empire to guarantee the peace of the world single-handed.

According to our last census, Canada increased her population 33 per cent more rapidly than she did under the first decade of protection, and, as the aggregate increase of wealth is always or nearly always, in proportion to that of population (for it is the Genua Homo that gives value to all things in earth), we are at a glance able to check to progress which protection entails. This illustrates the progress the Empire would make in population and wealth were the restriction on trade removed from all its parts.

This progress would be all the more pronounced (though not so rapid) if the rest of the world remained protectionist for

the same reasons that now make the relative progress of the United Kingdom so marked.

In addition to the fabulous material advantages that have come to the people of the United Kingdom since she opened her ports to the world (which was simply forcing others as she would have others do to her), the greatest of all blessings that can fall upon the lot of any people has been forced on her as the result of that measure, viz: honest government, the lack of which is the chief cause of the misery and suffering among the people of all countries and times.

Honest Government is an impossibility under protection based as it is on the assumption that the Golden Rule is all nonsense and inapplicable to our business dealings, with our fellow especially foreign (fellows), for it involves injustice to some in the community. Injustice can only be done by corruption, hence we find the most highly protected countries have the most notoriously corrupt governments.

H. Washington, Ottawa, March 30th, 1896. BILANTRAE

Miss Clark, of Scarborough, is a guest of Mrs. W. H. Clark. Miss Shields spent a few days with Mrs. Weaver.

Mrs. Robt. Gray and her son, Edgar, were visiting her mother who is very ill at Schomberg.

Miss McCallum, of Toronto, who is a guest of Miss Minnie Gray, addressed the children of the M. S. S. on Sunday.

Miss Alice Steele, teacher in the P. S. Stouffville, and her mother of Markham, spent Easter at Mrs. Wm. Mallon's.

RINGWOOD Report of Ringwood P. S. for the month of March. Sr. 4th Davis Stouffer Septimus Fooker, Septimus Bennett, Jr. Ed. Nettie Fooker, Zella Johnson, Ida Wilson, Annie Windsor, Mable Davis, Della Baker, Alvin Brownsberger, Stella Davis, Wilbur Burnett, Della Lehman, Stanley Mitchell, W. H. Connor, Jacob Forster, Sr. 2nd Edith Davis, Lisa Fooker, Fanny Hoover, Willie Musselman, Jonas Lewis, Albert Lewis, Harry Forster, Jr. 3rd Blake Gilmore, Willie Reaman, Nellie Pipher, Lucella Pipher, Sr. 2nd Mary Lindsay, Maggie Harper, Oscar Davis, Jr. 2nd Stella Wilson, Myrtle Baker, Clara Brownsberger, Earl Davis, Almer Brownsberger, Ross Gilmore, Alice Reaman, Louisa Harper, Pt. 2nd Charlie Harper, Lettie Davis, Velma Burnett, A. Davis, Pearl Fooker, Edna Pipher, Willie Fooker, Maggie Harper, Pt. 1. Jennie Fooker, Tony Davis, Eddie Fooker.

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The ring of the cutting-box can be heard in our neighborhood these days. The industrious farmers are busy preparing quantity of cut feed for spring. This is business boys.

Five or six of our boys went on Monday of this week to their several places of abode to try their hand at farming for the next seven or eight months. We bespeak for them the best success.

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ALGER LABEL CASE. Geo. E. Alger, of Pickering, who is now in penitentiary for conspiring to defraud the Equitable Life Insurance Co. out of a large sum of money, commenced an action last November against the Toronto World for an injunction to restrain the paper from commenting on the case for conspiracy then pending against him before the Police Magistrate at Whitby, and from making any unfair comments upon any further criminal proceedings against the plaintiff, or his connection therewith. The local judge at Whitby granted an interim injunction which was afterwards dissolved by Mr. Justice Meredith at Toronto and the motion was adjourned to be dealt with at the trial of the action, a statement of claim was delivered shortly before Alger's trial which was moved against by defendant's solicitor for the reasons stated in the judgment of the Master, who suggested to the plaintiff who appeared for plaintiff on the motion that the action should be dismissed without costs. The motion was then enlarged by plaintiff to Monday last to enable plaintiff's agent to communicate with his solicitors as to the Master's suggestion. During the interval plaintiff's solicitors served an amended statement of claim, in which they sought to repair the defects of the original statement of claim—a proceeding, by the way, which the Master characterized as "improper." The motion to strike out the statement of claim and dismiss the action was then urged, and Wednesday of last week at Osgoode Hall Mr. John Winchester, Master in Chambers, in delivering judgment said of the action: "In my opinion this action is a vexatious and frivolous one, and should never have been brought, and it should be dismissed" as the plaintiff is worthless, the defendant did not press for costs and the action was dismissed without costs.

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ALMIRA WOOL MARKET. Rerated by S. B. Lehman: Washed wool..... 12 1/2 to 14, Cottled wool..... 16 1/4 to 17, Merchantable Fleec..... 22 to 23, Southdown wool..... 20 1/4 to 22 1/2

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