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EVERY CHANCE OF PASSING.
The Reciprocity Agreement Increasing in Favor.
Washington, Feb. 10.—The turnover in sentiment in favor of the reciprocity bill since the announcement just two weeks ago yesterday, has been remarkable. Two weeks ago to-day it would have been hard to find many people in this city who saw much chance of the agreement getting the sanction of either house. A few thought that with luck it might edge through the house, but scarcely one would have dared to say openly that it had a ghost of a chance in the senate. To-day it is admitted on all sides that the bill will pass the house with flying colors, and it has a little more than a good fighting chance in the second chamber.

Will Not Take Action.
London, Feb. 10.—Superintendent Bowker, of the Grand Trunk R.R., states that no further action will be taken by the railway authorities regarding the wreck near Paris, and prosecutions, if any, must be undertaken by crown. He says Earitt is not being detained and Meacham's whereabouts is still unknown.

Private John R. Hardy, of the United States Marines, died in the marine hospital in the Brooklyn navy yard from a fractured skull, received after he had quarrelled on Thursday with a man in a cafe in Navy street.

"Beef, Iron and Wine," 50c. Gibson's.
Fifteen were killed in an accidental discharge of blasting powder at the Cascade mine, Trinidad, Col.
Only a bachelor knows what kind of a woman would make a satisfactory wife. That is why he's a bachelor.
"Beef, Iron and Wine," 50c. Gibson's.

BROUSE NOT TO PLAY

WITH FRONTENAC AGAINST PETERBORO THIS EVENING.

The Peterboros Arrived at Noon—McGill Protest Against Queen's to Be Heard in Montreal on Saturday.

The hope which the supporters of the junior Frontenacs have been fostering that Brouse would be able to play tonight, was dashed to the ground, at noon, to-day, when the announcement was made by James T. Sutherland that he would not be on the team. It was thought, up till noon, that he would play, but his eye was examined, at noon, by a specialist, and he was advised not to play. It would certainly be foolish to allow him to play in such a condition, when he is of such value to the team. He might easily receive another job, which would put his eye out of commission for the next game, and will be able to play much better after the rest. Williams will figure on the line to-night, but it has not been decided just where he will play. There will be an enormous crowd present, and the reserved seats, at noon, to-day, were nearly all gone. The weather will be mild and will induce a good attendance.

Everything is ready for to-night's match. The visitors arrived at noon and are a husky looking bunch. They expect to make Frontenacs step lively. As the champions will be weakened by the loss of Brouse, it will equalize the teams and a great game should result.

The McGill Protest.
The McGill-Queen's protest will be brought up in Montreal to-morrow. Manager Marshall and Referee J. T. Sutherland leave on the midnight to give their views. It seems ridiculous for McGill to protest after their fellow student awarded the goal to Queen's.

All Aboard for Oshawa.
Frontenacs next game, providing they win out to-night, will be at Oshawa on Tuesday. The locals will probably run a special train on the G.T.R. leaving about one o'clock and returning after the game. In such event a big crowd would surely go up.

Goal Judge Displaced.
McKee, goal judge for Granites, last night, at the Palace rink, was put out of the box for counting a goal when the puck was shot across in front of it. He was replaced by McCommon, who judged to the satisfaction of all.

Will Referee To-night.
Edward Wittlanfer, Berlin, the square of the square referee, will hand out penalties at the Peterboro-Frontenac game to-night. Edward is one of the best in the game, and is always enthusiastically received here.

Senior Granites Won.
The senior Granites just managed to win out from the Regiopolls team last night by the score of 3 to 2. The game was close, snappy and kept the spectators on their feet all the time. Granites—Goal, Richards; point, Page; cover, Nicholson; centre, Stansbury; rover, Anisley; right wing, Hughes; left wing, Weicker. Regiopolls—Goal, Kennedy; point, Casterton; cover, Yellowley; centre, R. Miller; rover, Ferguson; right wing, Somerville; left wing, Ryan. Oscar Cherry refereed.

Liquor Seizure Near Cochrane.
Cobalt, Feb. 10.—The biggest single seizure of liquor ever made in northern Ontario was made by the provincial police near Cochrane this morning. It consisted of a carload of forbidden goods, 150 cases of whiskey and the rest beer. The shipment was obviously intended for distribution among "blind piggers" in the district.

Some Class
To the operative hits on sale, at Kingston News Co.
Canon C. P. Almon, Halifax, N.S., aged eighty-four years, died on Thursday. He spent fifty years as an Anglican priest.
There is quite an evident swinging over of United States senators in favor of accepting reciprocity with Canada.
William Gilchrist, Belleville, died on Thursday, aged seventy-five years.

J. J. HILL DENIES RUMOR.

Never Put Any Money Up to Push Agreement Through.
St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 10.—James J. Hill, in an address delivered here yesterday, admitted that he had boosted reciprocity with Canada, but denied that he had put any money to push the agreement through. "Now is the only time to get the measure through," said Mr. Hill. "As imperial federation will forestall any future move. If action is taken now," he continued, "it will mean a terrific expansion of the entire western portion of America."

MEXICANS DEFEATED

By the Insurrectionists—The Battle Viewed by U.S. Soldiers.
El Paso, Texas, Feb. 10.—Within plain sight of United States soldiers patrolling the boundary lines, and hundreds of refugees, the Mexican troops sustained severe defeat at the hands of insurrectionists, near here, to-day. The federal troops in retreat fired shells into the United States soldiers and refugees. Infantry, cavalry and artillery were engaged, and both sides left many dead and dying in ditches. The federal troops expect reinforcements, and will make stand.

SCARED PASSENGERS.

Belleville, Feb. 10.—Four Frenchmen named Xavier Servais, Maurice Dubois, Augustus and Albert Motte, all young men, boarded the eastbound G.T.R. express at Trenton at 12.10 o'clock this morning, and between that town and this city terrorized the passengers by their actions. This morning the parties had to contribute \$15 each for their episode.

INDIAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Kicked Over Stove in Walpole Island Lock-up.
Chatham, Feb. 10.—W. H. Whitelock, a Mohawk Indian, from the reservation at Cleveland, was burned to death in the lock-up at Walpole Island, last night. Whitelock, who came to Walpole Island recently, got drunk on Wednesday, and was placed in the lock-up. Shortly afterwards he managed to upset the stove, setting fire to the building, which was burned to death before help could reach him. Only the charred trunk was found, burned beyond recognition. The lock-up and post office upstairs were practically destroyed. An inquest will open at Port Lambton, to-day.

PLAGUE REACHES EUROPE.

Man Suffering From Scourge Found on Train.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 10.—The dread of the pneumonic plague, which prevails in Manchuria, reaching Europe seems to have been realized. A report from Penza states that a man from the maritime province of the far east, was found sick on a train there, apparently suffering from the plague. His car and five others, containing 124 passengers, have been isolated and surrounded by a military guard.

The Bride's Dowry.

Syracuse Standard.
Miss Vivien Gould, a girl of eighteen, became yesterday the bride of Col. John Graham Hope de la Poer Horsley Bessford, Baron Decies, a middle-aged Englishman. The name is sufficiently impressive to appeal to a school girl imagination, and Decies, according to all reports, respectable and likable. He will take with his bride to England a bundle of American railway securities, which will yield a return ample to guarantee to the couple the luxurious life to which she has been accustomed and to which he will easily and happily become accustomed.

There is need in America for all that is earned in America. Nowhere is the need more of the expenditure of money than upon the railroads. The managers of the roads know full well how great the expenditure should be for the increase in business. Absentee ownership is not, as a rule, progressive. Alienated ownership is always a drain upon prosperity. There is an economic loss whenever an American heiress marries abroad.

Tidings From Selby.

Selby, Feb. 9.—Quarterly meeting was held in the Methodist church on Sunday last. A young daughter has arrived at C. Joyce's. The young people of St. John's church are practicing for a concert. Mrs. F. Amey spent last week at Murvale. Mrs. Murphy is very ill and there are not much hopes of recovery. C. Carter intends moving to Camden East. Mrs. Hawley spent a week at G. Vallant's. Wood reached here on Saturday of the death of Mrs. Osborne, who left here in January to visit her daughter at Steco.

Extravagance of the Whitney Govt.
Stratford Beacon.
The Ross government was recklessly extravagant, in the opinion of Col. Matheson, the present provincial treasurer, when it increased the annual expenditure by \$10,000 a year. The Whitney government which has increased the expenditure by \$1,000,000 a year, is in the gallant colonel's estimation, economical. It seems to make all the difference who spends the money.

A Very Serious Rebuke.
Ottawa Citizen.
The Montreal Star has gone into hysterics against reciprocity. All of us are to go to the demotion bow-wow, and Canada is to be wiped out. Which it seems to us that if Canada can be wiped out by a common-sense policy of removal of barriers to the sale and transportation of food for people, there cannot be much good reason for Canada's existence.
Independent nationalists scored a triumph at Dublin when Timothy Healy, surnamed Ishmael, won the nearest to nullify the election of Richard Haston.

THE DAY'S EPISODES

LOCAL NOTES AND THINGS IN GENERAL.

Occurrences In The City And Vicinity—Other Brief Items of Interest—Easily Read And Remembered.
"Buy talcum powder," Gibson's.
Dr. Platt is in Picton on a visit to friends.
Mr. Harvey sings at Bijou, to-day and evening.
Elmer Davis is able to be out again, after a few days' illness.
Miss Minnie Rutlan, Belleville, spent a few days in Kingston.
Do you suffer from bunions? See Bunyon Bites, at Gibson's.
Do not read a borrowed paper. Buy the Whig and be independent.
William Swaine, piano tuner, Orders received at McAuley's. Phone 778.
Commissioner Rees, of the Salvation Army, will visit Kingston shortly.
J. Goodridge, Markland street, ill at the general hospital, is doing nicely.
Pleasure trips to Kingston are numerous, says the Cape Vincent Eagle. Miss Hannah Caldwell, Albert street, is visiting at Odessa and Ernesttown. "See the talcum powder window," Gibson's.
James Nicholson, of the Grand Seminary, Montreal, is in the city for a few days.
Regular 25c. bottles boracic witch-hazel cream, 10c. to-morrow, at Best's.
A court-martial over a deserter took place at Tete de Pont barracks, this morning.
H. Cunningham, piano tuner, 21 King street. Leave orders at McAuley's bookstore.
Fresh farmers' butter, 22c. per lb. at Valleur's grocery, 308 Montreal street. Phone 697.
Capt. and Mrs. Turner have returned from Montreal, after attending a very successful conference.
John Elliott, of the outer station, was able to leave his room, yesterday, after being laid up for the past four weeks.
Miss E. Curragh, Stuart street, has returned home, after spending some time with Mrs. A. Callaghan, Harrowsmith.
Mrs. J. Murphy and Mrs. C. Barclay have returned to Montreal after spending a week with Mrs. A. O'Gorman, Montreal street.

"Good books," cancelled Tabard Inn library ones. 25c. only, at Gibson's.
The staff at Rockwood asylum has issued invitations for their annual "At Home," which will be held on Wednesday evening next.
Bismarck nose glasses, gold-filled, finger fronts, fitted regular \$4, for \$1.50 at Best's.
The Great North-Western Telegraph company maintains a day and night service the year around at their branch office, Hauley's ticket office.
E. H. Pense, Ottawa, is in the city for a short stay. He is accompanied by Mr. Chapleau, of the public works department.
Fresh farmers' butter, 22c. per lb. at Valleur's grocery, 308 Montreal street. Phone 697.
The men on the coronation contingent will wear the uniforms of their respective corps. Kingston will have ten or twelve men on the force.
There was to have been a meeting of the Portmanteau school board, last night, but owing to the fact that there was no quorum, the meeting had to be called off.
Two hundred 25c. bottles of soothing whitehazel cream at Best's to-morrow, 10c. a bottle.

Magistrate Farrell had a clean sheet at the police court, Friday. There were no cases. Three men for protection were the only occupants of the police cells, during the night.
"Cancelled Tabard Inn library books," 25c. Gibson's.
W. F. Kelly, seriously injured some weeks ago by falling off a car near Sharbot Lake, is able to be around again, and has almost completely recovered from his illness.
Isaac Allen and wife, Mrs. W. R. Allen, and Miss M. Allan, of Mississippi, are visitors in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Clarke, 115 Gore street.
Lord Roberts unveils monument. At Bijou to-day.
There are no less than six dominion public works department engineers in Kingston at present. Four are here in connection with harbor improvements and two regarding Royal Military College new buildings.
"The invalids' tonic," Beef, Iron and Wine, 50c. Gibson's.
The civic deputation to Ottawa last week was said to have made a mistake in going to the capital. Yet within a week no less than four marine engineers are sent to Kingston by Hon. William Pugsley and Hon. G. P. Graham.
"The invalids' tonic," Beef, Iron and Wine, 50c. Gibson's.
W. B. Cooper, the general agent of the Bible Society, who will give an address at the annual meeting of the local society, to be held in Chalmers' church, will be the guest of Prof. Jordan during his stay in this city.
Fresh farmers' butter, 22c. per lb. at Valleur's grocery, 308 Montreal street. Phone 697.
Mrs. A. E. Lewis, Odessa, and her sister, Miss Ross, leave, to-morrow, for the west. Mrs. Lewis will visit her daughter, Mrs. T. G. Henderson, of 83 Terrace Hill avenue, Brantford, Ont., while Miss Ross intends to attend the military openings in Toronto and will return early in March.
London anarchists at Bijou to-day and evening.
Free tooth paste and talcum powder at Best's to-morrow. One hundred packages given away.
"Prof. — is unable to meet his classes this morning" was a bulletin put on the board at Queen's. Ten minutes later it read: "Prof. — is unable to meet his classes" etc.
When the students finally wended their way from the class room they were astonished to read: "Prof. — is unable to meet his classes," etc.
"Physicians" recommend Beef, Iron and Wine tonic, 50c. Gibson's.
James Barnes' novel, "Unexplained," is the feature of the Smart Set. For March. This novel presents a picture of New York society. The hero is a young man who, the part of good friend to all his acquaintances — the

sort of person to whom everyone turns in time of trouble and who finds himself left in the lurch while his friends go carelessly on to enjoy the freedom from worry secured through his efforts. There are many such "friends in need."

BUTGET DEBATE STILL ON.

Government Members Wearied and Left the Chamber.
Toronto, Feb. 10.—Less than thirty members, lounging about in attitudes of weariness, remained in the legislative chamber last night, when the debate on the budget, after dragging on all afternoon, reached the adjourning point again. The government, impatient at the way the debate was taking up the time of the house, had decided upon a night session to clear the way for the leaders on Tuesday. But it was not to be. Not one of the speakers took up less than an hour and at 10:30 the house adjourned.

At one stage of the debate the members on the government side particularly—became so tired that the chamber held scarcely a score, and the Hon. A. G. MacKay, for the first time perhaps since conservative government came into power, had a majority. While Valentine Stock was speaking, the government forces dwindled to ten, while eleven liberals remained in their seats.
During the day seven speakers took part in the debate. R. J. McCormick, of Lambton, began, being followed by J. Ranson Howitt, of South Wellington, who made his maiden speech. The others were: Messrs. Daniel Reed, of South Westworth; J. A. Ross, of Monck; J. C. Elliott, of West Middlesex; W. D. McPherson, of West Toronto, and Valentine Stock, of South Perth. Mr. Stock moved the adjournment of the debate.
There are still several members desirous of being heard, which means that Hon. A. G. MacKay and Sir James Whitney will hardly speak before Wednesday, unless the debate is gone on with Monday.
W. F. Nickle, of Kingston, has given notice of a bill to amend the assessment act. The bill proposes to do away with all exemptions on property owned by charitable institutions which is tenanted and revenue-producing.

Fighting Shy of the Trouble.

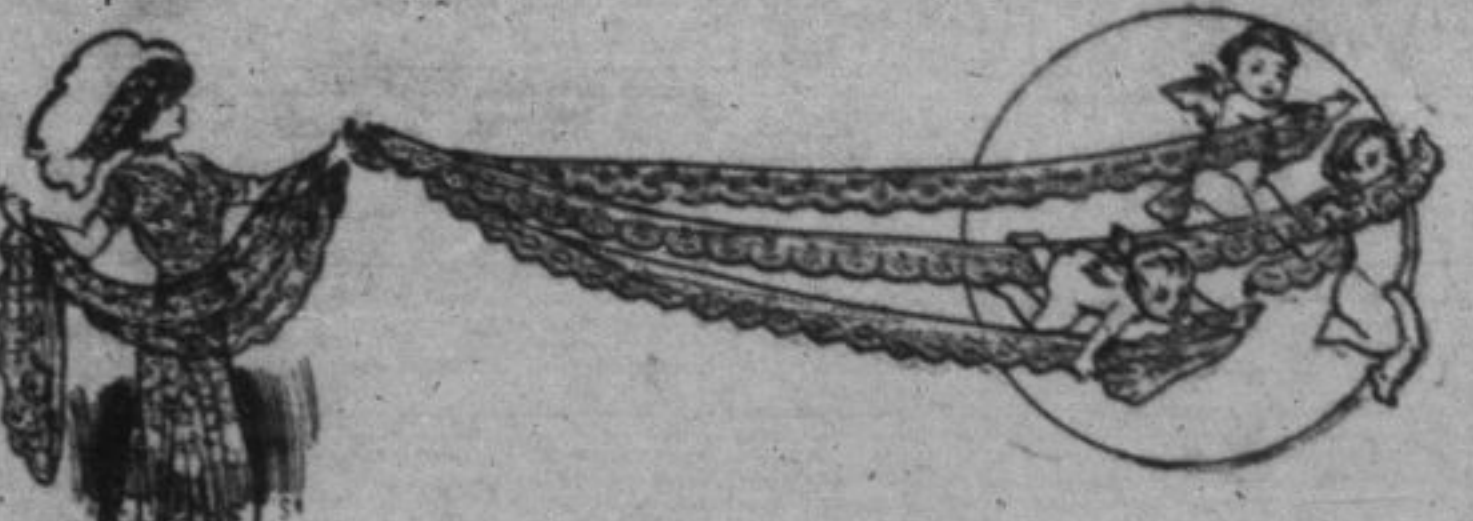
Montreal Witness.
The conservatives in parliament have very reasonably asked for time to consult their constituents before committing themselves for or against the reciprocity measure. This does not look like the solid front of which we have been assured. They, no doubt, hope to be greatly aided in their opposition work, by getting strong protests from those—interests in their favor by the change which impends. By the way, what has become of that deputation of fruit men, a thousand strong, that was going to invade Ottawa? Have the fruit men been thinking it over? Have they been hearing how frightened the fruit men across the line are of the big business they are going to do in the United States? There is no doubt that all privileged and vested interests will be excitedly and will lose no means of forming the convictions of their representatives. But members of parliament are not representatives only of privileged and interests. They represent also the people who pay tribute to the privileges and interests. It is for these to see to it that their members shall be under no misgiving as to where they stand in the matter.

Conservatives in a Quandary.

Montreal Gazette.
The announcement from Quebec that the legislature is to enact a measure standardizing the weight of bread, recalls that the Ontario legislature, last year, passed a similar measure, which has been the source of much trouble. Two standards were established, one a loaf of three pounds and another a loaf of a pound and a half. Small bread was defined as bread weighing twelve ounces or under. The bakers began making a loaf divided by a line which fell short of the standard loaf in weight, but which, when broken, permitted of a claim being made that it was "small" bread. The police court declared this a violation of the law and fined the bakers. The bakers appealed and the case, after many months, is still pending. Apparently there is no crying need of legislation of this kind in the province. The larger cities have by-laws giving them what protection they require. The same course is open to other municipalities which suspect their bakers of deception. The establishing of a system of inspection will entail a cost probably out of proportion to the benefits conferred.

Another Conservative Speaks.

Kincardine Review.
There is much in the new tariff arrangement between Canada and the United States to commend it, and we do not believe the interests which are said to be "hard hit" will suffer much. Large business concerns are sometimes very timid and prone to cry before of the new schedule will, of course, make many changes and may temporarily disarrange business, but conditions will adjust themselves, and then commerce will readily adjust itself to the new conditions. Some business men who are now most alarmed may find themselves greatly benefited.
Razor-Edge Theology.
Pittsburg Gazette-Times.
Little Elsie, the joy and pride of a North Side family, looked up from her Sunday-school paper one morning recently sorely puzzled.
Then she looked at her papa, and then at her mamma.
"Say, mamma," she said, glancing in the direction of her papa, "do men ever go to heaven?"
The mother recovered from her surprise quickly.
"Why, of course, my dear, what makes you ask?"
"Why, mamma, I never saw any pictures of angels with whiskers."
"Well," said the mother thought-morosely, "he paid \$5 for the privilege they get there by a close shave."
There is a scarcity of teachers in Toronto.



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