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SIR JOHN AND RECIPROCITY

That the Conservative party were favorable to reciprocity under the leadership of Sir John A. Macdonald and his successors, Sir John Abbott and Sir John Thompson, is a matter of record.

Reciprocity was part of the "National Policy" which Conservative orators take such pride in dwelling upon and is still a part of it, although the present leader of the party, a bitter opponent of Sir John A. Macdonald, has seen fit to repudiate it. The following was the clause referred to, a policy which Sir John A. Macdonald was devoted to up to the very hour of death, for it must be remembered the veteran statesman "died in the harness."

"Any or all of the following articles, that is to say: animals of all kinds, green fruit, hay, straw, bran, seeds of all kinds, vegetables, including potatoes and other roots, plants, trees, and shrubs, coal and coke, salt, hops, wheat, peas and beans, barley, rye, oats, Indian corn, buckwheat, and all flour of rye, Indian meal, and oat, other grains, flour of wheat and meal, and flour meal of any other grain, butter, tallow, meats, fresh, salt or smoked, and lumber, may be imported into Canada free of or at a less rate of duty than is provided by this Act upon proclamation of the Governor-in-Council, which may be issued whenever it appears to his satisfaction that similar articles from Canada may be imported into the United States free of duty not exceeding that payable and the same under such proclamation when imported into Canada."

If anything, that is a wider policy of reciprocity than the Fielding pact and it looks as if Sir John A. Macdonald was not afraid of annexation. The only man who is really afraid of annexation is the tariff fed trust magnate who is afraid that with a competing bidder the farmer will annex more of the money now going into the pockets of the high tariff gentry. That's about all the annexation there will be under reciprocity.

NOTES DUE

At Guelph, Mr. Henry Arkell, one of the largest breeders of sheep in Canada, said: "Remove the tariff against Canadian sheep and watch the Canadian sheep industry grow. I have voted Conservative for years, but I am for the reciprocity trade agreement."

At Halifax, Mr. Howard Smith, head of N. & M. Smith, Limited, the largest exporters of dried fish in the world, declared that reciprocity meant a new era of prosperity for Canada. Nova Scotia would come into her own, and her fishing fleet be doubled in from three to five years. Although hitherto a Conservative, Mr. Smith is supporting Laurier and larger markets.

At Napanee, Mr. Charles Anderson, a prominent Conservative farmer, stated that reciprocity was of far more importance to Canadian farmers than abject party allegiance. He declared he was not a traitor to his party, but that the party was traitor to the old policy for which Sir John Macdonald and all other Conservative leaders had stood up to the time it became possible through the Fielding-Taft agreement.

At Brockville, Mr. John Gill, President and General Manager of one of the large hardware and edged-tool manufacturers in Eastern Ontario, said that the reciprocity agreement "is purely a sound business one, and Canadians will do well to avail themselves of its advantages altogether apart from politics. I am glad, as a manufacturer, to have this opportunity of heartily approving of the sound business-like agreement secured by Mr. Fielding."

At Brockville, also, Mr. William C. MacLaren, General Manager of Halls, Limited, manufacturers of gloves, suspenders, etc., said: "I have given the matter of this agreement a great deal of thought, and I have found nothing in it except benefit to the people of Canada. I cannot understand how manufacturers can take any other position. This agreement in no sense injures any of us, and cannot fail to be a big thing to the farmers and artisans. I desire to put myself on record as a manufacturer in complete accord with the reciprocity agreement, and am glad indeed that the farmers are to have this opportunity to secure better returns for their labors."

"A very common criticism on the part of the gentlemen who have not viewed this matter as favorably as we would have wished has been: 'If the United States want to make a tariff arrangement with you, let them come down to your rates of duty.' It seemed to be taken for granted that that was what the United States would not do. But that is exactly what we asked them to do, and what they have agreed to do respecting a large number of articles. They have not only come down to our rates, but in some cases they have come below

them, and in those cases, in order to reach that common rate, we have had to make reductions. But as our tariff is a modest one, while theirs, in the main, is a high tariff, the result has been that, in order to arrive at a common rate, we have had to make only moderate reductions, while they, in many cases, have had to make quite large reductions."—From Hon. W. S. Fielding's introduction to the tariff agreement.

WHAT RECIPROCITY WILL DO

In addition to reducing the cost of living, opening up great markets for our lumber, our fish and our minerals, reciprocity will double the present population of Prince Rupert. This statement is made on the authority of J. P. Todd of Seattle, whom the Seattle Daily Times declares is "the best posted man on fishing matters in the Northwest."

Not that J. P. Todd is a friend of reciprocity. J. P. Todd is allied to those "interests" who prosper under a tariff. His men have been accustomed to go in their boats out to the Canadian halibut banks and load up. The Canadian fishermen could not come into the market. There was a duty of a cent a pound on the fish caught by a Canadian fisherman. This corralled the market for J. P. Todd and the Seattle fishermen, leaving the Canadian fishermen out in the cold.

This is what J. P. Todd says in an interview in the Seattle Daily Times:

"Under the reciprocity bill fish are admitted free of duty. If this measure carries, the halibut fleet that makes Seattle its headquarters will move to Prince Rupert as soon as the Grand Trunk Pacific is completed to the Coast."
"The loss to Seattle will be whatever money or business 6,000 fishermen involve."

What money and business do six thousand fishermen involve? In the first place there are the wives and families of the married fishermen. Six thousand fishermen will have at least six thousand dependents; probably twice that amount.

Six thousand fishermen will need between them several thousand homes. Those homes will have to be built by Prince Rupert carpenters. They will have to be built on lots at present held by lot owners in this city.

Six thousand fishermen and their families will need food, they will need clothes, they will bring abundant wants with them, all of which the merchants of Prince Rupert will have to satisfy.

Six thousand fishermen will need boats and repairs. The trade of a fleet of six thousand fishermen in Prince Rupert will keep a shipyard and several engine works busy.

J. P. Todd "the best posted man on fishing matters in the Northwest" states that if reciprocity carries six thousand fishermen and all the money and business involved with them will move from Seattle to Prince Rupert.

Every voter in Prince Rupert without regard to the usual considerations of party should vote for the reciprocity candidate when the time comes.

Six thousand fishermen with all the money and business they involve is just what Prince Rupert needs.

ON MAIDEN VOYAGE HERE

Steel Steamer "Hans B." is a New Boat Finely Fitted—There was a Birth on Board to Mascot the Trip.

The S.S. Hans B. which arrived here Sunday night, left Sydney on May 31st coming here by way of Cape Horn and her master, Captain Christiansen, says she had a splendid trip. Incidentally this is her maiden voyage. She is a Norwegian boat built in Great Britain and is an up to date cargo boat in every way.

Dr. Tremayne, as quarantine officer for this port went out to

the steamer as soon as she entered the harbor and found everything aboard O. K. There had been, however, one birth on the voyage in the shape of one ewe lamb which made her debut when the vessel was several days out from Sydney.

The Hans B. carries thirty-three of a crew. She is unloading her cargo near the Foley, Welch & Stewart dock.

100 Went South

About one hundred passengers went south on the S.S. Prince George yesterday, sixty-three of whom were first class. Premier McBride's party returned to Victoria after a very interesting visit to here and Stewart.

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