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The Coal Question

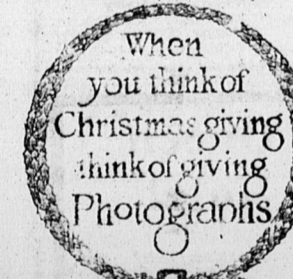
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MISLEADING FIGURES

The King government and its candidates are exceedingly anxious to minimize as far as possible the industrial depression of the past four years, a depression which everyone knows has existed and still exists; a depression also which is attributed to the fiscal policy of the King government. To prove that there has been no such depression and that the "Golden Era" foretold by the King prophets before the last election, has actually been with us during the Liberal regime, they give us the export and import trade returns for the past year. These returns show a favorable balance. Here are the figures quoted night after night by the King candidates. For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1925 our exports exceeded our imports by \$272,134,816.

Those figures are probably correct. What do they show? We imported less than we exported and that is as it ought to be. But our Liberal friends do not attempt to show what the figures actually mean. If these figures meant that during the year ending March 31, 1925 we manufactured instead of importing our goods, if they meant that our factories were busier than in former years and that our farm products brought a better return, it would be an excellent showing for Canada. But unfortunately they do not show this. On the contrary an analysis of the figures shows that our exports consisted very largely of raw material and natural products, commodities with the production of which the King government had nothing whatever to do; commodities, also, the export of which impoverished rather than enriched Canada. The export of articles fully or chiefly manufactured fell from \$610,223,190 in 1920 to \$364,215,681. In 1923 a decrease of nearly \$250,000,000. Our Liberal exponents of the Golden Liberal Era do not mention this very important fact.

As to our decreased imports they are also significantly silent. Because our factories were either closed or working on short time we imported much less raw material for manufacturing purposes than formerly. This accounts for a considerable part of the decrease in our imports. It will be recalled that a very considerable reduction had been made by the King government in Customs duties, thus encouraging foreign competition and the importation of foreign goods. In the face of this the importation of foreign goods fell off very materially. Why? Simply because, through the general depression prevailing in Canada, the purchasing power of our people was reduced and we were unable to buy as generously as we formerly were. Neither in the falling off in our imports nor in the expansion of our exports can the King government claim any credit. We exported our raw material to be manufactured in foreign countries by foreign labor or by the labour of exiled Canadians. We imported less than formerly because we were less able to buy than formerly.

Hereafter when Liberal candidates claim credit for the apparent favorable trade balance let them be asked to explain both the expansion and the reduction in our export and import trade. The farmer who sells off the lumber on his farm does not increase the value of his farm nor does he claim to have had a more than ordinarily successful year. He has simply impoverished his farm by the amount of lumber he sold. This was what Canada did in 1923.

WE WANT THE TRUTH "What sadder spectacle could

there be," asked a university professor of his students, "than to see an eloquent man use his powers of persuasion to deceive his hearers?" This sad spectacle is a commonplace during political campaigns. With such eloquence as they possess, be it persuasive or otherwise, politicians naturally and very properly make the best of their case for themselves and for their party. It is only the little man, the man with a bad case, who descends to subterfuge, to falsehood, to misrepresentation in order to deceive and to mislead.

People today are looking for candour and honesty in our public men. They want to know the truth, to know the actual financial and prospective position of Canada for they realize that all is not well with the country, that a burden of debt and taxation hangs like a millstone around the neck of industrial and commercial Canada. Knowing this, honest, earnest men and women are astounded night after night when they hear a cabinet minister, the Hon. John E. Sinclair, declare with apparent solemnity that the King government has reduced the national debt. Mr. Sinclair knows that the national debt instead of being reduced is increasing at the rate of approximately fifty millions dollars a year and he knows the King government has done nothing to reduce it, whatever it may have done to increase it.

What is Mr. Sinclair's purpose in repeating this statement night after night? Is it not to deceive and to mislead? Something more than deliberate misleading is expected of our public men, something more than quibbling and prevarication. Mr. Sinclair is not alone in this misleading propaganda. His prime minister and his colleagues are equally guilty, all out in the open to publicly misstate the actual position of the country in order to, if possible, win a temporary triumph.

The people are not to be thus misled. They know the facts; they know the yearly deficits on the Canadian National Railway and they know these deficits are being added yearly to the public debt, no matter what account the amounts are carried in; they know the crippling burden of taxation the country is staggering under, notwithstanding the reiterated statements of Liberal candidates that the burden is being reduced; and they know also, all Liberal declarations to the contrary notwithstanding, that the financial and industrial situation in Canada today is worse than ever before in the history of the country. To try to persuade them otherwise is to be false to the people whose support they are soliciting. We want the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth from our public men.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Politics is getting into some people's heads these days; it will be in their heels after the 29th.

The weather man is kept busy these days trying to keep the winter back but it is slowly gaining on him.

What is the difference between a Liberal candidate and a hen looking for a nest? A box of chocolates for the best answer.

It is too unkind of The Patriot to be advertising for TWO "nice" boards at this particular juncture.

The King government policy brings the farmers' competitors in to Canada. The Meighen policy will bring the farmers' customers in. Which of the two do our farmers prefer?

Notes By The Way

Why destroy the manufacturing industries of Canada? We cannot build a nation with no other industries than farming and lumbering. In forty of the leading industries of Canada over two and a half billions of capital are invested. Hundreds of thousands of workers are employed and a much larger number are dependent upon them. These industries are largely the result of the National Policy of Protection inaugurated by Sir John Macdonald in 1878.

That policy was in its main features continued under successive governments until the King Government came into power at the close of 1921. This is a fact that our Liberal friends conceal as far as possible in their speeches and newspaper articles. The Laurier-Fielding tariff was higher than that which was in force in 1896 when Sir Wilfrid gained power and so remained until he was defeated in 1911, with the single exception of the preferential duty on British goods, which the Government of Sir Robert Borden and Mr. Meighen continued while the Conservative party remained in power.

It is under the King Government that for the first time the protective policy has even been attacked by any Government in power. It is true that the Liberal party fought against it while they were in Opposition in the elections of 1882, 1887 and 1891 and again in 1911 in all of which elections they were defeated, but when in power from 1896 till 1911 they continued the policy of protection. The King Government at the bidding of the Western free traders, especially since Mr. Fielding was disabled, have "sounded the death-knell of protection," and have promised that what they have done is "only an instalment" of what they intend to do in lowering the tariff.

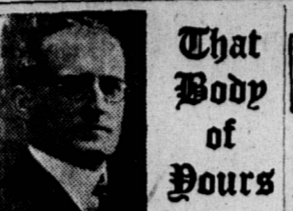
This action and threatening have alarmed the country and that alarm has been loudly expressed during the election campaign in every province of the Dominion. The farming industry, the woolen industry and the boot and shoe industry afford examples of this. How the home markets of our farmers have been opened wide to the Americans as a slaughter market for their farm products has been again and again pointed out by Conservative speakers and in the columns of The Guardian. Today we give a few samples of the effect of tariff-tinkering on the boot and shoe industry.

Here the farmer is interested. He produces the hides and skins from which foot-wear is made. He will remember how quickly the prices of these products dropped from high to low in recent years. The low tariff and the cheap labor of Britain and European countries nearly killed the manufacture of boots and shoes in Canada as Mr. Patenaude was telling to a vast assembly in Montreal the other day. Here are a few of the facts:

In 1922-3 Canada imported from Great Britain 170,000 pairs of boots. This was not a very serious competition, but in 1923-4 there were 465,000 pairs came in and in 1924-5 the number of pairs imported was 967,000 pairs and 40 Canadian boot and shoe factories were closed down, and added to 60 that had been closed before making a round 100. Even worse was the record among the woolen factories. And here again the farmer was hit hard. Farmers produce wool.

Was it good for the farmer that he lost the chance to supply the Canadian wool and the supply of Canadian tanneries with his hides and the supply of foodstuffs for the thousands of workers and their families, that had been employed in those factories? A very little thought will show that it was not a good thing but a bad thing for the farmers. And it was a worse thing for the workers as the factories went on short time at first and later closed down entirely and they and their families were left to starve or leave the country. And surely it was not a good thing for the men of enterprise and capital who had risked their money and lost it in their effort to supply work and wages for honest workers.

Such has been the effect of tariff tinkering upon one or two lines of industry out of 40 or 50 that might be mentioned. The policy of the King Government that gives away the Canadian farmers' market to Americans and Australians for a song, is not a policy that will build up Canada. The policy that makes war upon the factories of Canada, many of them struggling for existence, and puts them out of existence, is not rational or reasonable but ruinous. And every factory closed down strikes a blow at the farmer.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Yours

A NOVEL EXPERIMENT. An interesting experiment was tried out at one of New York's largest hospital clinics. Some ordinary dyes, charcoal or indigo carmine, was given to the patients by mouth. In normal cases either substance was found to pass through the intestine and outside the body in twenty-four hours, or at the outside within thirty-six hours. Where marked constipation existed, however, the dye persisted for as long as two weeks.

In some cases the dye would appear one day, skip a day, to appear again the next day, and so forth. These would indicate that at certain points in the intestine the movement practically stopped for certain periods; or that only certain portions of the material moved along with the contraction of the intestine. Now in our text books of former years, we were taught that the food remained in the stomach about six hours, in the small intestine twelve to eighteen hours, and in the large intestine twenty-four to forty-eight hours. This may all happen in some individuals but it really means forty-eight hours at least, whereas these later experiments teach us that four hours in the stomach, six hours in small intestine, and twelve hours in the large intestine, are more nearly correct in a normal, healthy individual.

Men doing intestinal research work state that there may be individuals in whom the intestinal tract seems to do all its work just a little slower than the above mentioned times, and yet these people seem to enjoy good health. It would seem that they attain a certain rate of digestion of the foods, absorption by the small intestine, and then gradual collection of the waste into large intestine for disposal from the body. These people are not sick, but they are not of the strong vigorous or athletic type. Where food or waste matter travels along the intestine slowly, or sometimes very fast and sometimes very slowly, instead of in a regular manner, there is some reason.

The Public Forum

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

GRASPING AT STRAWS.

Sir,—Under the cognomen "Volter" another Liberal grasps at the proverbial "straw" to save his sinking party. His subject is Export to Great Britain and he finishes up with the remark, "The season for egg exports is only now opening up."

He speaks the truth but note those exports are not to the United States. He asks, "What have the Tory speakers and writers to say about the above enormous exports?" We say first that 500,000 dozen eggs cannot be called enormous in comparison with 8,000,000 dozen in those months which are not "The season for egg exports." It is only a drop in the bucket.

We say second that if Yankee eggs had been kept out of our markets by an eight cent duty they would be worth more and been in more demand at home and we wouldn't need to export them to England.

HARD FACTS.

THAT JOKER AGAIN.

Sir,—The embryo humorist of the Sinclair-Jenkins publicity bureau is again attempting to get funny. It is most annoying for his bosses to have such tricks played on them behind their backs while they are wearily trying to stem the tide of bitter fate against an aroused electorate in the country. It's just really too bad and downright mean in the bargain. Now look what they would be joking says this time. He says it in big black type at the bottom of the page. "The Liberals Reduced the Debt of the Dominion Over Thirty-Five Millions of Dollars in One Year." Well let us see. In 1921 (The last year of the Meighen Government) the net debt of Canada was \$2,340,878,984. In 1924 the same debt stood at \$2,417,783,275. This actual increase of \$76,904,291, as shown in the Dominion Government.



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Sir,—A railway man—a Liberal or about half a century—approached a prominent Conservative platform speaker yesterday with a request that he see the rotten treatment handed out to them since the King party came in power. He pointed out that the late Government had increased the working man's pay in keeping with the high cost of living. Under the King Government his was reduced by about 18 per cent on the labor class while the High Paid Officials from Sir Henry Thornton down to the \$2,000 overseer had substantial pay increases all around the board.

He further added that while high officials were increased in number there were many thousands of the working class employees dismissed and sent to join the big throng of unemployed created by the loss of trade and depressed business of the country under Liberal misrule. I am, Sir, etc., FAIR PLAY.

APPEAL TO WORKINGMEN.

Sir,—I note our friend, "Mr. Real Farmer" has attempted a some back. After reading his letter over carefully, I came to the conclusion that it would be both a waste of time and valuable space to answer such nonsense. I have decided to leave his utterance to the perusal of the people.

There is just one or two things I would like to say, Sir, with your permission. If Mr. John A. Messervey says anything or tells you anything you can rely on it. He is not the slippery tongue politician type who will tell you anything that comes to his mind just to catch a few votes. No, Mr. Messervey is a real man and means what he says, and, moreover, if that gentleman goes after anything he is going to get it, and that is the kind of a man we want at Ottawa. In closing I appeal to every voter in Queen's County, male and female, "Mr. Real Farmer" included, to mark their ballot for McKinnon and Messervey and bring back to this little Island the prosperity to which we are justly entitled.

Fellow workingmen, let us stand together, let us out this King Government. We have stood around in idleness, clapping our hands, and kicking our feet to keep them warm long enough. We want employment and we want it every working day in the year, not two or three months in summer, but every month. We must live. Our families must be protected, and we want a little of this world's pleasure. Also, we want plenty of work with respectable wages, and I ask you, did we have that in the past four years? The answer is easy.

Let us do our bit then, and send McKinnon and Messervey to Ottawa. I am quite confident times will change. They are the right men, so let us put them in the right place. I am, Sir, etc., WORKINGMAN.

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DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. Lights and costumes I thought pretty. Mean so little in real life. Jealously I guard my fancies. Let I waken from this day. Might I rest beside the panes in this world I here portray! Daily Selections FOR Guardian Readers. October 14, 1925. A SUN AND SHIELD.—The Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will be withheld from them that walk uprightly. Psalm 84: 11. PRAYER.—May we, O Thou Giver of every good and perfect gift, ever seek to possess Christ in our hearts, and with Him Thou wilt freely give us all things. OUT WHERE LIFE BEGINS. Oh my heart is filled with glory. On awakening in the morn, When the roosters blend their story Heralding a day, new-born. As I sleepily attire, Don a hat and hunt a shoe— Brings a joy, this day-break choir, And a gladness message, too. As I step into the morning I meet with added cheer: Thrifty songsters, well adorned Bush and tree, afar and near. Comes a wait, caressing, fragrant, From a rose bedecked with dew. Or, a meadow breeze—a vagrant— Mellowed zephyrs kiss the blue. There's the moaning of the cattle: There's the neighing of a horse: And the "coo"—a pigeon's prattle— Saying "morning" ere she soars. Oh, to slip the sparkling spring drops, In their freshness from the well! Even the washing of the tree-tops, Wear a rose into the spell. Far behind I've left the city With its turmoil-troubled strife;