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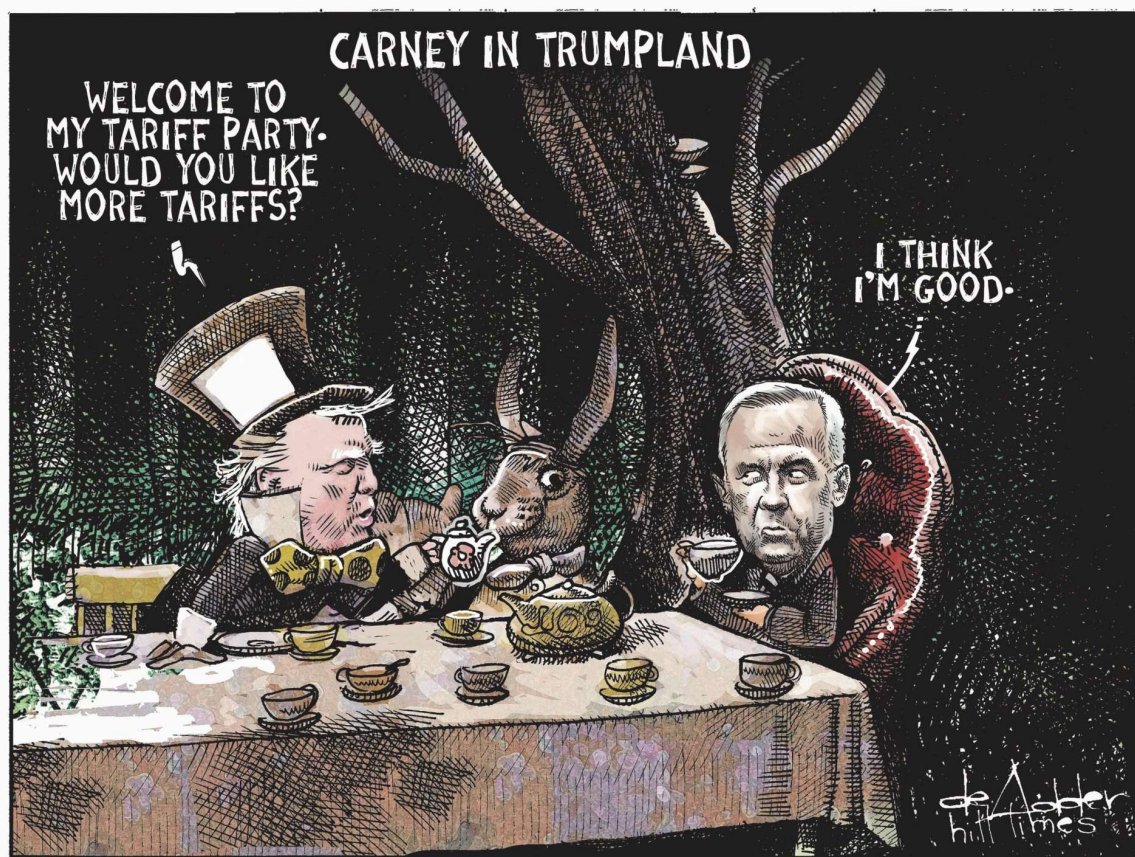
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Michael de Adder's Oct. 13, 2025, cartoon in *The Hill Times* was inspired by a meeting in the Oval Office the week before between U.S. President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Mark Carney. De Adder uses the rich imagery pulled from *Alice in Wonderland*, drawing Trump as the Mad Hatter dining across a table from "Carney in Trumpland."

De Adder adeptly uses the classic novel to dissect bilateral relations and the president's erratic approach to tariffs for a political audience that closely watches that dynamic, often for its direct impact on their clients or constituents.

"It's such a beautiful book, and has such classic scenes that any number of them [can work] on any number of political issues, especially in the United States right now," he [told *The Hill Times*](#).

This non-syndicated cartoon was crafted specifically for *The Hill Times* and its readers.



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