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TRADE REVIVAL

Mr. Lloyd Harris, former chairman of the Canadian Trade Mission to London, and who is an authority on trade matters in the Empire as well as in Canada, declared in a recent address, without qualification, that the bottom of the business depression in this country had been reached and that the time was now ripe to place industry upon a solid footing. Mr. Harris is in a position to know. He was speaking of trade generally, including industrial trade, of which in this province fortunately or unfortunately, we have but little. In those lines in which we are interested, however, merchandise and agriculture his remark that the bottom has been reached holds good. That there has been trade depression here will not be denied although we have had less of it than any other province in Canada for the simple reason that we had no large industrial institutions to become demoralized and to throw hundreds or thousands out of employment. In this province business has been practically as usual. There has been a break in prices, it is true, a break both in merchandise and in agricultural products. Prices of both came down in sympathy with demoralization elsewhere but there is every reason to believe that the bottom has been reached and that henceforward the trend will be upward.

It had been anticipated that prices of merchandise would fall below the level of war prices and the anticipation was realized. The merchants reduced their prices to the lowest level consistent with safety. In the meantime buyers buoyed themselves up with the hope of further reductions and as a result there was a temporary slowing up in trade. This, however, was much less serious here than elsewhere and, although profits were reduced, in some cases completely wiped out, trade was maintained on a healthy basis. If profits were reduced or even in some cases more than wiped out, the merchants have guarded against disastrous losses and have reduced their stocks of war priced goods to the level of present day prices upon which business will be renewed on a more solid basis even than before. The general prosperity of the province the accumulations of the past three or four years of exceptional good times has helped to stabilize conditions and it may safely be said that today the province in all its activities is in splendid shape to begin a new era of good, normal, healthy business.

Prices, we are assured, have reached the lowest level to which they can go without serious injury. It would be a disastrous thing for the province if prices fell to a point which would endanger the stability of business and necessitated the discharge of employees. This has not occurred here; business, as already stated, is practically normal and if we realize that it is useless to expect any further reductions in prices and resume our buying and selling as usual the readjustment through which we have passed will be stimulating rather than depressing. Let "business as usual" be our slogan again as it was when it was really dark and the future uncertain. We have safely weathered a storm the intensity of which we did not realize until it was over, now that it is over all that we have to do is to go forward fearlessly.

A PRECEDENT

We are indebted to Mr. Charles Cuming of this city for a copy of the China Press published in Peking. An item of special interest and which may convince us that in at least one particular we are no worse than the Chinese, tells of a threatened strike among the teachers of Peking being averted by a "promise" by the Education Department. We quote "The teachers were promised that they would be paid by noon of December 1st. But subsequently no payment was made. Therefore the teaching body has again held a general meeting in which it was again decided that a strike should be called if no definite payment be forthcoming by the dawn of the 4th instant." To make a long story short, the Education Department came to the rescue with a letter informing the teachers that the necessary grant had been received from the Finance Ministry and the teachers' demands would be met forthwith. Later, however the Ministry of Finance went back on its promise and at the date on which the China Press was published the teachers were still teaching but had not received their promised pay, which reminds us of the Chinaman's justification for a spree in which he had indulged "Alike same as Melican Man".

Appropos of this it may be remarked that the question of teachers' salaries is an old one. Bishop Latimer who flourished about the middle of the Fifteenth Century, is quoted by a historian as having said on one occasion: "And now the only cause why noblemen be not made lord presidents is because they have not been brought up in learning; therefore for the love of God appoint teachers and school masters, you that have the charge of youth and give the teachers stipends worth their pains that they may bring them up in grammar, in logic, in rhetoric, in philosophy, in the civil law and in that which I cannot leave unspoken of, the word of God". It would appear therefore that the vexed question of teachers' salaries did not originate in Prince Edward Island and also that in at least one other country in the world a precedent may be found for broken promises to teachers.

CURRENT COMMENT

To illustrate the grasping character of the Grain Growers Party led by Hon. T. A. Crerar, we refer to a speech delivered by him to an audience, estimated at about six thousand, in Winnipeg. Dealing with the claims of Eastern Provinces to an interest in the Western domain, he said, "Let it be stated definitely ONCE AND FOR ALL that the validity of this claim CAN NOT FOR A MOMENT BE ENTER TAINED. The Eastern Provinces HAVE NO MORE CLAIM TO A SHARE IN THESE RESOURCES than Manitoba has to a share in theirs. This is surely definite enough to convince the most skeptical that so far as Mr. Crerar, the Federal leader of the United Farmers, is concerned, the decision has already been given against our 'Claims,' and if HIS PARTY COMES INTO POWER, HE, AND THE WESTERN INTERESTS WHICH HE REPRESENTS WILL SEE TO IT THAT HE WILL GET NONE OF THESE MILLIONS THAT ARE JUSTLY DUE US. These are statements of fact that cannot be discounted by any of the sophistries of the United Farmers' Guide or by any one speaking on behalf of that party.

But even this refusal of our rights does not satisfy Mr. Crerar and their grasping crowd. He further declared speaking of the Western provinces, "These provinces should be given what remain of the natural resources within their boundaries and in its entirety, AND THEY SHOULD ALSO BE GIVEN COMPENSATION BY WAY OF ANNUAL SUBSIDY FOR THE RESOURCES THAT, UP TO THE PRESENT, HAVE PASSED FROM THE CROWN TO PRIVATE OWNERS, FOR THE GENERAL BENEFIT OF CANADA." This means, if it means anything, that all the land purchased and paid for by Eastern Canada, large tracts of which were sold to private individuals, to large real estate speculators and an immense acreage transferred to the Canadian Pacific Railway on account of construction, must now be counted for to these Western provinces, and that on the capital sum of their value these provinces will receive an annual SUBSIDY FROM THE TAXPAYERS OF CANADA AND FURTHER, THAT THE LANDS STILL HELD BY THE DOMINION, WHICH WERE NEVER GIVEN TO THE NEW PROVINCES, BE NOW HANDED OVER TO THEM. This is the demand that the West are making upon the assets of Eastern Canada.

Let us now answer in Mr. Crerar's own chosen language, THE WEST HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO "EQUITY" IN THESE RESOURCES, and "THEIR CLAIM CAN NOT FOR A MOMENT BE ENTER TAINED," unless it be as a matter of GRACE AND GENEROSITY. The Eastern provinces secured none of their resources by agreement or concession from the Federal authorities. They owned

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A BEAUTIFUL HYMN

When on my day of life the night is falling, And in the winds from unnumbered spheres blown, I hear for voices out of darkness, calling, My feet to paths unknown. Thou, who hast made my home of life so pleasant, Leave not its tenant when its walls decay, O Love Divine, O Helper ever present, Be thou my strength and stay! Be near me when all else is from me drifting, Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine, And kindly faces to my own up lifting, The love which answers mine. I have, but thee, my Father, for thy spirit, Be with me then to comfort and uphold; No gate of pearl, no branch of palm I merit, Nor streets of shining gold. Surfer I fit—my good and ill on reckoned, And both forgiven through thy abounding grace; I find myself by hands familiar—beckoned— Into my fitting place. Some humble door among thy many mansions, Some sheltering shade where sin and striving cease, And flows forever, through heaven's green expansions, The river of thy peace. —Whittier.

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 expressed by its correspondents.

FALSE RUMOURS

Sir:—Since my arrival from Montreal I have heard in ordinary conversation, the names of some well known business firms discussed as being in financial difficulties. These rumors are very serious to start, and pass along, more especially so, when they are untruthful. These are times to boost, not knock. The best is yet to be. Then again, gossip sometimes is very busy associating private individuals, who are only good friends, as being engaged. These rumors in both of the above cited cases, should not be circulated by intelligent and thoughtful citizens, and for the most part I believe are not. I am, Sir, etc.

W. S. LOUSON.

them absolutely and were in full possession before Confederation was dreamed of and when they entered the Union they did not surrender this ownership. But the case was entirely different with the Western provinces. The lands upon which they settled, and were afterwards established as provinces, were by purchase the property of the East. In the act giving them the form of self government, these lands and resources were specifically reserved as the property of Canada, and their rights are limited to what was conceded to them by that Act. And in consideration of the fact that these resources were being withheld they were given what was then considered a substantially larger subsidy than other provinces.

If a private citizen owns a hundred acres of land and sells fifty to another party, the sale of that fifty does not carry with it an equity in the remaining fifty, and so when the Government of Canada created the Western Provinces and apportioned them their territory it did not carry with it an equity of absolute right to the nation's reserves. Yet this is what the West is after, and if it is strong enough it will take it by force. But they realize that without the help of the farmers of the East they will not be strong enough to wrench the plunder from the Dominion. And so their plentiful money bags are opened to send paid propagandists, under the guise of the United Farmers Party, to flood the East with golden dreams of endless wealth and agricultural advantages, if they will only walk into the "Pretty little parlor" of the Grain Growers Combine. Their wooing is like unto the old time ditty, "Said the Spider to the Fly, 'tis the prettiest parlor that ever you did spy." But our farmers are wisely answering,—"No, no, to catch me is in vain, for those who go into your parlor, never come out again." Yet sometimes an unthinking fly gets caught.

Similarly we might liken the western movement to the small boy with his hand in the jar grasping so many nuts that he cannot withdraw his hand. Acting under advice he drops some of the nuts and then is able to pull out, but with a reduced supply. The Crerar party in their original program were after the earth and the richness thereof. They learned during their travels that other competitors were in the field, who also felt that they had some claims to the good things of life and insisted upon getting a share. The largest nut in the fist was the proposal to corner the Western wheat production. The farmers of the East protested, and so for a brief period this nut was dropped, but with insistent threatenings that if it gets its fist out with the remainder, IT WILL LAY ON POKE ITS HAND IN AGAIN AFTER THIS BIG NUT. That is the principal thing they are after, and though balked for the present they will not stop till they get it, if they can.

We have known of political combinations, which while having a keen eye on getting the major portion for themselves, yet, if only for strategic purposes, were willing to give some little portion to the other fellow. But there is none of this principle of generosity in the Western combine. They want the whole hog, leaving nothing for the East but the squeal, and this we will be permitted to exercise to the uttermost. They want their wheat to be held up to an artificial high price, making the rest of Canada pay through the nose for their bread. They want agricultural improvements AND EVERYTHING THEY USE to be admitted free of duty, AND THE REST OF CAN-

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erican pork in our market. Four or five dollars saving on some other commodity, to take the place of the lost market for his butter, beef, poultry, cheese and eggs. Like the monkey dividing the oyster, eating the meat, and giving them the shell.

FARMERS' WEEK, January 24th to 27th

Those who can should endeavor to attend some or all Of the Following Meetings

PROVINCIAL DAIRY ASSOCIATION Meetings Monday Jan. 24th at 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m. and 9:30 a. m. Tuesday, Public Meeting Monday evening. Speakers, Messrs J. A. Ruddick and D'Arcy Scott.

Road Inspector's Convention, Tuesday evening and Wed. morning.

FARMERS' CENTRAL INSTITUTE, Tuesday 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m. and 9:30 a. m. Wednesday, Public Meeting Tuesday Evening "Good Roads"

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Thursday 9:30 a. m. Annual Meeting of P. E. I. SHEEP BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

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