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THE MANUFACTURERS WANT TO "STAND PAT."

The manufacturers came down upon Ottawa, on Friday last—we will not say "like the wolf on the fold,"—though no doubt "their cohorts were gleaming with purple and gold," as Byron sang of the Assyrians. In Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto there are one hundred and fifty millionaires and twice as many half millionaires—all within five hours' journey of the capital and most of them with large investments in the protected industries of the country. They have money enough to buy anything in sight from a newspaper to a Parliament, if such things were for sale. They came to Ottawa, as they had a perfect right to do, and stated their carefully prepared case.

They claim to represent one billion two hundred millions of invested capital and they do—such capital as it is—but if it is like the capital of a certain Canadian manufacturing combine which was officially investigated not long ago the capital may be nine parts water to one part cash. Probably only the big ones are as bad as that, but from what is known it is quite safe to discount very largely not only their capital account, but also the figures regarding their annual production and the wages they are paying. And, of course, they claimed to have made all hope of further increase in tariff rates is swallowed up in the fear of a swift reduction. But the country is in no mood to stand pat, and if a reduction of the tariff is not made before another election comes round it will then be enforced in emphatic fashion at the ballot box.

VALUE OF PRODUCTION EAST AND WEST.

An interested reader of The Guardian referring to a recent article in these columns on the relative value of crops east and west, expressed a desire for further information along the same lines. It so happens that the Statistical Year Book of Canada for 1904 contains tables of the value of production in different lines by Provinces. At that time the Provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta were not organized although the two together contained a population approximately equal to that of Manitoba. For the purposes of comparison we group the three Provinces together and the three Maritime Provinces together.

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market aforesaid. Sir Wilfrid, who understands these things quite well, listened to them patiently and replied in amiable and courteous fashion. He was far too diplomatic to refer to the water in their stock, or to challenge their figures. But he did express his regret—no doubt very sincerely—that they had not come to Ottawa along with the farmers' delegation of two weeks ago. It would have been such fun to have played them off one against the other! As it was he smoothed down the manufacturers' delegates with the intimation that no radical changes are impending and that he hoped reciprocity could be arranged in such fashion as would not hurt them very much. His reply was about as colorless as that he had before given to the farmers.

There is just one hopeful feature about this latest delegation of manufacturers to Ottawa. Hitherto when they came to Ottawa every man of them had a jack screw with him to force up the duty on some particular article he was making or was interested in. This time they all came as "stand-patters." They are for the tariff just as it is! That is a confession that they are already beaten to a standstill. They know a little of the rising temper of the country and all hope of further increase in tariff rates is swallowed up in the fear of a swift reduction. But the country is in no mood to stand pat, and if a reduction of the tariff is not made before another election comes round it will then be enforced in emphatic fashion at the ballot box.

At that time the production per head of population from farms, fisheries, forests and mines was in the Prairie Provinces, \$89.61 and in the Maritime Provinces \$73.021, Prince Edward Island alone standing at \$77.51. Omitting the production of forests and mines, of which our Province has little, and including only the products of the farms and fisheries the production of the Prairie Provinces per head was \$65.03 while in Prince Edward Island it was \$74.59 and in the three Maritime Provinces \$69.35 per head.

It will be seen from these figures that the eastern Provinces and especially our own Province, need fear no comparison with the much-vaunted west. Since 1904 there has been a great influx of population into the Northwest, while the crops, especially those of last year, have not increased in like proportion. In our

own Province last year's crop was a good one, and as we have little growth in population, the production per head is high. We have little doubt therefore that the production of farm stuff per head last year in this Province far exceeds that of the Prairie country.

It is well that any who may be tempted to sell an Island farm and remove to the western prairies should ponder these facts. Many such sales are made at a loss. Then there is the cost of removal, which is no trifle, the buying of a new outfit in the west at top prices, the hardships of pioneer life, perhaps with alien immigration for next neighbors, the intense cold of the prairie winter, the bad water of many sections, the scarcity of fuel in others, and the absence of many social privileges here enjoyed. Is it worth while to make such a change when man for man the Prince Edward Island farmer is producing as much value yearly as the prairie farmer? Think it over.

Here then is the average value of the yield of field crops during two years past in the east and in the west. The best average in the east was \$23.88 per acre and the worst \$17.65 per acre. The best average in the west was \$14.05 per acre and the worst \$11.57 per acre. Why should the Maritime farmer move two thousand miles to the west to till land that yields less by \$6 to \$9 per acre than his own farm at home?

THE YIELD PER ACRE.

In another article we have dealt with the value of production per head of population as shown by the Year Book of 1904. Since that article was put in type the Census Statistics Monthly has come to hand giving some particulars of the field crops of 1909 and 1910. Included in these tables is the value of the yield of field crops per acre in different Provinces. This is a very different thing from the value of crop production per head of population, but it serves to show what the farmer, east or west, gets for cultivating an acre of ground. Last year, 1910 was not an average year in the Northwest, but the previous year 1909 was a good one. In 1910 the potato and root crop was short in the Eastern Provinces. We therefore quote the figures for the two years as below.

Provinces named,	1909	1910	Aver.
Nova Scotia.....	\$24.89	\$22.78	\$23.88
New Brunswick....	18.95	17.31	17.68
P. E. Island.....	17.79	18.89	18.34
Manitoba.....	14.79	10.38	12.54
Saskatchewan.....	16.80	11.31	14.05
Alberta.....	13.98	9.17	11.57

THE WINTER SERVICE.

It was announced last year that the policy of the Marine Department was to keep the two winter steamers on the one route. This winter the Minto has twice run away to Georgetown and is there now leaving the Grey on the Charlottetown route. The Grey crossed Saturday in three hours and twenty minutes, being in less time than the summer boats take to make the trip.

Obviously the Minto is shirking any fair share of the work. As far as possible passengers and freight alike come and go by the Charlottetown route, saving the cost and delay of the railway trip of 46 miles. Captain Finlayson is allowed to do this—break the departmental rule above referred to, nearly doubling the cost of the passage and freight charges on the little he carries, and making the patrons of his steamer angry and indignant,—why? Simply because, as The Patriot puts it, "he prefers Georgetown to Charlottetown as a winter port—ice or no ice."

And we quote again from the Government organ; if some change is not made "the Minto might as well be a birch bark canoe!" This is the best that the Government's own organ can say for the service now being given by a Government steamer supplying connection between two Government Railways, and connecting this Province with the mainland.

MANY KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 14.—Despatch from Vyerny, the capital of Semirychensk, Asiatic Russia, says:—A violent earthquake occurred at Kebery, in the Fishpek District, and that the bodies of 294 Kirghiz have been dug from the ruins of the fallen buildings.

DARING ROBBERY AT THE CAPITAL.

OTTAWA, Jan. 14.—With the possible exception of the McMillan robbery eighteen months ago, the most daring burglary in the police annals of the city was perpetrated last night, when the store of Alderman Gaulin, Dalhousie Street, was broken into, and rings and other valuables to the amount of \$3,000 were stolen.

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