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SOUTH AFRICAN MENACE.

Dutch Delegate from the Cape says the Problem Must be Carefully Handled.

The Chicago Record correspondent in London cables that L. F. Zietsman, a Dutch member of the Cape Legislative Assembly, and president of the delegation sent by the loyalists of Cape Colony to enlighten Mr. Chamberlain respecting the administrative needs of South Africa says: "The native question is now the only one really fraught with danger to the supremacy of the British Empire south of the Zambesi river. Unless we handle the native problem with extreme caution and skill we shall shortly witness the rise of a South African Mahdi who will defeat and defy us. Within our present dominions there are 6,000,000 black people embracing 1,000,000 unsurpassed warriors, brimful of martial spirit, stalwart, daring and discipline.

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"Their most powerful leader is the paramount chief of Basutoland, who lives among the mountain fastnesses and surrounded by hosts eager to obey his commands. If once this man were estranged from the Empress-Queen we should face a native rebellion unparalleled in the history of colonial enterprise. We in South Africa have experienced the greatest difficulty in preventing the Basutos and other martial tribes from attacking the Boers. They said to us: 'Why may we not fight? Why may we not defy the great Queen's authority? Are we but barking dogs who must not bite?'

"It was a delicate task to keep them neutral. We could not tell them that they were barbarians. This would have driven them into a frenzy against the British. We could only say: 'The great Queen appreciates the loyal fervor of her native subjects, and will avail herself of their services later on, but now she desires nothing so much as that they shall reserve their strength.'

"We have thoroughly advised Mr Chamberlain, touching the gravity of the native question, suggesting that Sir Alfred Milner be given supreme control over the affairs of the black population. These people cannot understand legislative assemblies or democratic politics. Alternative leadership puzzles their minds and fills them with suspicion of those who assume control. They can understand one central final, fixed source of authority, and will yield obedience to it as long as it means to them power, sympathy and justice.

"Mr. Chamberlain promises that nothing shall be done in connection with the readjustment in South Africa calculated to alienate the native allegiance. Of course the natives can never become the political equals of white men; that would mean black South Africa."

The Rev. Father Lacombe, the well-known Roman Catholic missionary of the North West, recently returned from a visit to Rome. He there noted with regret the greatly increased failure of the Pope's physical powers, from which he reluctantly concluded that Leo the thirteenth's remaining span of life is very short indeed. The reverend gentleman evidently doubts if the aged Pope will live much longer than perhaps a sufficient time to witness the law of the new

MANITOBA DAIRYING.

(Farming World.)

Since our remarks of a couple of weeks ago upon the serious condition of the cheese industry in Manitoba, a report of a meeting of the Cheese and Butter Makers' Union of Manitoba, held on November 8 and 9, has come to hand. About the whole time of this meeting was taken up in discussing ways and means for remedying matters in connection with the cheese and butter industries of the Province. both of which appear to be in very bad shape. The president of the union, Mr. S. M. Barre, in his opening address, gave some figures bearing on the situation, which show that things are in a far worse condition than we pictured them a short time ago.

It is fifteen years since the cheese and butter factory system was first introduced into Manitoba. Eighty-six cheese factories have been operated in Manitoba at one time or another, 61 of which have ceased to exist, leaving only 25 factories in operation today. The total number of creameries that have been operated is 36, divided into what are known as local and central. Out of 32 local creameries organized during the past fifteen years, 16 are idle today or have gone out of existence. Some of them have been transformed into cheese factories. To sum up, the total number of butter and cheese factories organized is 122. Total number of failures, 77, or over 60 per cent., leaving only 45 butter and cheese factories in the province today.

In dealing with the deterioration in quality, the president referred to a period of thirteen years ago, when Manitoba butter beat Ontario butter at her own shows, which may be correct so far as we know. At the World's Fair Manitoba cheese stood up well on the lists. He showed that today the quality of both the cheese and butter is away below what it ought to be. The bulk of Manitoba butter, especially that made during the hot weather, only graded No. 2 in Montreal, while the cheese is spoken of as being a disgrace to the trade.

In discussing ways and means to remedy matters, a number of resolutions were passed by the meeting dealing with the whole situation pretty fully. The chief ones are set forth in the following: that there is a large decrease in exports of cheese; that some of the butter made is of very poor quality; that the worst defects found in butter and cheese are due to faulty, tainted milk and cream; that hardly any practical instruction has recently been given to factorymen and to patrons; that the free use of instructors, whose duties would be to inspect the sanitary conditions of factories, is necessary; that the plan followed in Ontario be adopted by making a grant to the association to employ instructors; and that the present dairy school system should be suspended and in preference the funds devoted to the employment of at least two skilled cheese instructors who should also be well skilled in butter-making, and, one or more creamery instructors, and as may be afterwards arranged; a travelling dairy school for the province at large.



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