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## THE DAILY EXAMINER

DECEMBER 15, 1899.

### TIMELY WORDS.

To judge by the outcry they raised over an occasional little reverse or delay and the loss of a few troops during the progress of the campaign, a good many persons imagined that the war in South Africa would be a small matter. This was not the opinion of the British Government. In the course of a recent speech Mr. Chamberlain said:

It is a great war upon which we are entered. We are told the Transvaal is a weak power, but weakness in war depends not on wealth nor numbers, and the Transvaal at the time of the "unwarranted and extraordinary and insolent attack upon Her Majesty's territories was by far the greatest military power in South Africa." (Hear, hear.) For years the Boers had armed and prepared for this contingency, and when it is remembered we are over 6000 miles from South Africa, and even on landing 1,500 miles from our ultimate objective, it is not surprising that the Boers thought they would defeat us, and had already toasted the driving of the British red jackets into the sea. We owe it to the magnificent defence made by a handful of troops who held forts in Natal and on the colony border that we did not find all South Africa under the Boer flag. We shall continue to watch anxiously this great struggle, with minds prepared, if need be, for reverses, not too exultant of victories, and waiting in entire and absolute confidence as to what that end will be.

Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said he wondered what would have become of the Duke of Wellington in that great campaign which ended in thrusting across the Spanish border the legions of Napoleon, what would have been said of him when he lay for months inactive behind his lines at Torres Vedras, when he allowed the country which he had come to save to be ravaged by the enemy; what would have become of him if his plan of campaign had been subjected twice a day to the acute and sometimes impetuous criticism of hundreds of skillful writers—(laughter)—and of thousands of amateur strategists? (Laughter)

Whatever may be the incidents of the exceptional campaign in which we are engaged, we should have trust in our own countrymen—(cheers)—believing that in the long run, as has always happened before in our Island story, British skill and British valour and British resolution will carry the matter through to a successful issue. (Cheers.)

We have seen, for instance, that it has been impossible to perform a feat which has never been performed before, and which no other nation in the civilized world has ever attempted to accomplish—(cheers)—that is, to place a great force of 50,000 men—soon, he hoped to be increased to 80,000—(Cheers)—or it may be to 90,000 men—(renewed cheers) to place this force almost without an accident, without confusion, almost without a hitch, in a country distant nearly 7,000 miles from British shores. (Cheers.)

Who among us is there, to whatever class he belongs, from the richest to the poorest, from the highest to the lowest, who is not proud of what is being done every day by his relations, his friends, his acquaintances, in this great struggle? (Cheers.)

Our soldiers have shown that they have lost none of the qualities which have gained for them their splendid reputation. (Hear, hear.) They are no longer taken, as perhaps at one time to a large extent they were, from the dregs of the population. They are better educated now, they are more refined, but they are not less brave. (Cheers.) They are not less daring, they are not less resourceful than those forefathers of theirs who fought at Dettingen or climbed the heights of Badajoz, who conquered at Waterloo and Inkerman; and side by side with them, shoulder to shoulder, their equals in gallantry, the colonial forces are fighting. (Cheers.)

By their own acts, and not by ours, the

Boers have created an entirely new situation. (Cheers.) They and not we have brought us out of the region of concessions and compromise. They have made for us a clean slate—(hear, hear) upon which we can write what we please. (Great and prolonged cheering.)

They have torn up the conventions to which they owe their independence; they have scattered them to the winds.

We look back upon the past eighteen years—those troubled years in which we have always been on the verge of a crisis—we see what terrible sacrifices we have to bear now that the crisis has actually come; we see that the favoured position which we owe to our grace—(hear, hear)—has been abused, and has proved capable of becoming a serious danger to the Empire, to our possessions in Africa, to our means of expressing our fellow subjects and any Government—I don't care to what party it belongs—any Government which in the light of this experience, ignored these facts, and placed it once more in the power of the two Republics who have so abused their opportunities to renew their intrigues against the paramount power, to threaten again the peace of South Africa, to continue the attempt to place one white race under the subjugation of and under the heels of another—any Government which did this would betray the interests of the Empire, would deserve the scorn and condemnation of all right-thinking people. (Cheers.)

The other day my predecessor in office, Lord Ripon, asked that full consideration should be given to the opinion of our self-governing colonies in South Africa.

I hope that I understand him correctly, and if all he means by that is that we should have rank consultation with the full knowledge of, the opinion of our loyal—(cheers)—fellow-subjects in the Cape Colony, and in Natal, whether they be Dutch or whether they be English, I entirely agree with him. (Cheers.) But I venture to predict that these loyal fellow-subjects of ours will not regard any solution as tolerable or any settlement entire, which does not provide without a shadow of doubt for the supremacy of the British flag—(prolonged cheers)—as the only guarantee for settled peace, the only security for just treatment of all races in South Africa. (Cheers.)

The timely publication of this speech on this side of the water ought to tend to equanimity of spirit and determination. "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."

### MANITOBA SCHOOL QUESTION

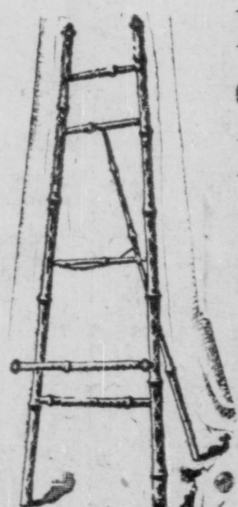
As to the Manitoba School question, The Guardian says:

"The EXAMINER'S position is quite irreconcilable with that taken three years ago, but it clearly shows an expectation that the Conservative party will re-open the question in the Province of Manitoba."

The Guardian is entirely wrong. We have no expectation that the Conservative party will re-open the Manitoba School question. The Conservative party never opened it, and never will re-open it unless after a full trial of existing conditions, it shall be found necessary to do so. In 1892, it was unsettled and opened by the intrigues of Mr. Greenway and other Liberal leaders. Having accomplished their purpose of dividing the Conservative vote, these same gentlemen settled and closed it again, practically restoring the right to teach the Roman Catholic religion in the public schools, at the public expense, and giving a preference to the French language in public schools attended by the children of French speaking people. The Protestants of Manitoba have punished the Greenway Government for its trickery and deception. And it is yet to be seen why the Protestants throughout Canada will do with the gay deceivers of the Laurier administration. But the case is closed; the question settled. We have neither expectation or desire to see it re-opened.

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