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### Seed Growers' Convention

The second annual meeting of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association will be held in the Imperial Building, 138 Queen street, Ottawa, June 27-29, 1905. All members are urgently requested to attend as important business will be transacted. A creditable program of addresses and papers is being prepared, and a most profitable time for everyone interested in improved and pure seed is expected. For program and further particulars write G. H. Clark, secretary, Ottawa.

### How England Got the Suez Canal Shares

At a recent dinner in his honor in London, Mr. Frederick Greenwood, the veteran journalist, and founder and first editor of the "Pall Mall Gazette" and the "St. James Gazette," told the story of how England acquired the Suez Canal shares, which gives her control of that highway to the East. The story runs as follows, and has never before been so fully told.

The shares which cost \$22,500,000 are now worth \$145,000,000, and yield the British Treasury a cash profit of \$1,000,000 a year, besides the incalculable strategical advantage. The transaction has also benefited a multitude of people, the peasantry of Egypt, who, as a consequence of England's purchase of these shares, enjoy more freedom, more liberty, and more personal comfort than they have even enjoyed for 1,000 or probably for 5,000 years.

The purchase was made at a time of grave danger to the British Empire and the peace of the world. It was hard to accomplish, as, at first, Lord Derby, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Sir Stafford Northcote, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, did not like it. But Lord Derby was won over to the idea. Some feared the French would rebel, in fact, the late M. Blowitz, then Paris correspondent of the London Times, had a story to the effect that when the news of the purchase was given to the French Foreign Minister, that great French gentleman broke a billiard cue across his knee and promptly left the room, muttering threats of the most alarming nature, but nothing came of that. Lord Derby said that England did not wait \$30,000,000 worth of Suez Canal shares on his hands, that would not pay a dividend for 17 years. Lord Rowton was sent down a day or two after to Baron Rothschild, who was rather staggered at the idea of finding \$20,000,000 in a few days without any security. But he did supply the money, and right on time, too.

The whole transaction occupied eight or ten days, not a whisper got out, nobody heard a word of it, and there came a Friday when England was filled with hats thrown joyfully into the air. All through England there was an acclaiming of this great achievement, which would redound for ever to the honor of Mr. Disraeli (Lord Beaconsfield). The Times and papers giving the news were received with a roar of approbation.

The control of this great world waterway has been a tower of strength to Great Britain ever since, and always will be, even when the assured American Panama Canal is open.—Walter J. Ballard, in "Financial News."

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