

THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE

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MISGUIDED BENEVOLENCE

IN WINNIPEG, TORONTO, MONTREAL AND OTHER CANADIAN CITIES WELL MEANING RELIGIOUS OR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS ARE APPEALING TO THE PUBLIC FOR MONEY WITH WHICH TO SEND FOOD, CLOTHING AND CHRISTMAS CHEER INTO THE POVERTY STRICKEN HOMES OF THESE CITIES. IN THE MAJORITY OF CASES POVERTY HAUNTS THE DOORS OF THESE HUMBLE HOMES BECAUSE THE BREAD-WINNERS HAVE BEEN FORCED BY ECONOMIC PRESSURE TO ACCEPT LESS THAN A LIVING WAGE. YET MOST OF THESE POOR PEOPLE NEED ONLY A SQUARE DEAL AND NOT CHARITY. THEY ARE THE VICTIMS OF OUR SYSTEM OF LAND SPECULATION, PROTECTION AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGE GENERALLY. IF THE MISGUIDED PHILANTHROPISTS WOULD DEVOTE THEIR MONEY TO IMPROVING CONDITIONS, THESE UNFORTUNATES WOULD HAVE CHRISTMAS CHEER MORE THAN ONE DAY IN THE YEAR AND WOULD NOT BE HUMILIATED BY ACCEPTING AS A GIFT THAT WHICH THE CREATOR INTENDED TO BE THEIR RIGHT.

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