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**WANTS BRITISH PREFERENCE INCREASED**

The party of British manufacturers, more than fifty in number, who are touring Canada from coast to coast, were entertained by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C.P.R., at a complimentary dinner on board the Empress of Ireland before they reached the Canadian shore.

Sir Thomas' speech of welcome to the Dominion was marked by his advocacy of an increase in the British preference. Referring to last year's trade returns, he wondered why millions of dollars' worth of materials might not be imported from Great Britain, rather than from the United States.

"Take cottons, for instance," said Sir Thomas. "Although we endeavor to manufacture in Canada as much of our cotton as is required, we import great quantities. Now, with our population, and with the great variety of cotton goods required in our country, there are many lines that we cannot possibly afford to manufacture. That is, the consumption and demand is not sufficient to warrant cotton manufacturers in providing the machinery necessary for making them.

"Why not, while you are in Canada, discuss with Mr. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, the question of obtaining some rather larger concessions than the present differential duty that will enable you to send these cotton goods in? This would apply to many other trades than cotton.

"To my mind, at any rate, it is essential for the well-being of our country that we should continue as far as we can to pursue the policy we have followed for the last 30 to 35 years, but if there be an opportunity to direct a portion of our trade to another channel nearer our hearts, I think the Canadian people, as a whole, would be delighted, and, speaking for myself, I go a little further. I am not an absolute believer in the theory that we should ask a consideration for any concession of that description. I am very sure that if that sort of relationship once be established between Great Britain and Canada such concessions as Great Britain can grant and as we may want, will readily be rendered."

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy also stated that he had no doubt the visiting British manufacturers would find many opportunities to establish profitable branch factories, particularly in the West, at such centres as Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina, Vancouver and other cities.

**ARMY WILL SPEND \$300,000 IN CALGARY**

The Salvation Army's programme for the next two years in Calgary will include the extension of corps and officers and the inauguration of organized charities at the cost of approximately \$300,000.

A metropole for men, costing about \$20,000, an industrial home for women, costing about \$50,000, a hospital similar to Grace hospital, in Winnipeg, costing over \$100,000 and a servants' retaining home are among the institutions which are proposed.

**Army's Work Expanding**

The work of the army throughout the west is expanding very rapidly. Citadels are being built in Edmonton at a cost of \$20,000; in Strathcona, at a cost of \$12,000; in Saskatoon at a cost of \$20,000; in Regina at a cost of \$20,000, and in Moose Jaw at a cost of \$20,000. A home for domestics is also being built at Saskatoon, and a detention home is under consideration for Regina.

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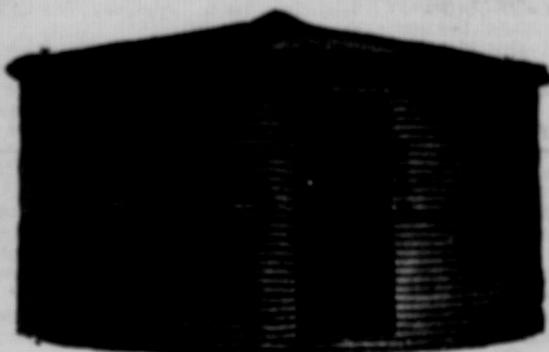
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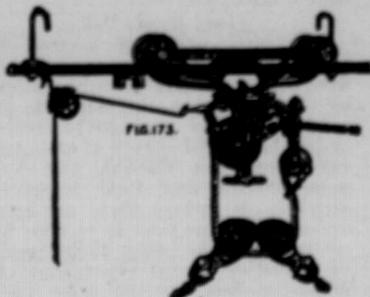
## WALL PLASTER

The "EMPIRE" BRANDS of WOOD FIBER, CEMENT WALL AND FINISH PLASTERS

Should interest you if you are looking for the best plaster results

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by using a BT Sling Unloader and saving yourself one of the hardest jobs on the farm. You can cut in half the work required to harvest your crops and also the time required by the old methods, by letting your horses do the work with a BT Unloader.

### The BT Sling Car Works Right

It is simple in construction and heavily built all through. There are no springs to get out of order; the rope grip is sure and never injures the draft rope. Any sized rope up to one inch in diameter may be used with our car—most cars will not use anything larger than 3/4 inch rope, which is altogether too light for sling work.

### THE BT SLINGS

are made from the best soft-laid manila rope. The slats are of selected Maple, well oiled and finished. The trips are all malleable and cannot be broken or tramped apart. They will lock easily in any position and trip easily no matter how the bundle twists.

### THE BT SINGLE RAIL TRACK

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We also make Steel Stalls and Stanchions, Feed and Litter Carriers, Iron Horse Stable Fittings, and Extension Ladders

**TELEPHONE COMMISSION REPORT**

The Royal Commission appointed to investigate the condition and administration of the Manitoba Government Telephone system, and particularly to find out whether the increased rates put in force last winter by the Government were justified, made public its findings last week.

The report, which is very long and detailed, is signed by Judge Corbet Locke, of Morden, chairman; G. R. Crowe, of Winnipeg, and R. L. Barry, of Minneapolis. The most interesting feature is their finding against the increase in rates.

The commissioners sum up their report in the following brief conclusion:

"These, then, are our findings, and before closing our report we wish to say that as a result of our investigation we have found that the Manitoba Government Telephone property is well built and well equipped; that good service has been provided to the public; that the system has generally been administered extravagantly and that very large saving could be made by economical management; that there has not been a proper system of accounting and of keeping records in the various departments; that the proposed increase in rates and the introduction of the measured service is not required to put the system on a sound basis, and that the automatic system demands close investigation and earnest consideration."

**THE RIOTS IN BELGIUM**

The riots in Belgium are due to a belief by those taking part in them, that, under the present constitution, a minority of the people have a perpetual grip on the government of the country. Belgium is unique in the possession of a plural franchise system. Every Belgian citizen over twenty-five years of age has a vote. If he is the owner of real estate to the value of 2,000 francs, or possesses a corresponding income from land or funds, he is entitled to a supplementary vote. If he has graduated from an institution of higher instruction, or holds one of the higher posts in the civil service, or is a member of one of the learned professions, he has two supplementary votes. Thus in the last legislative elections there were 986,499 single voters, 388,224 electors with two votes, and nearly 300,000 electors with three votes.

A very simple calculation shows that the second and third classes, though in an actual minority of over 300,000 people can out-vote the first class, made up chiefly of workmen of nearly 800,000 votes. It is the classes with the plural votes to which the clerical party looks chiefly for support, while the workmen are mostly Socialists and Liberals. With proportional representation giving each vote its exact political value the radical forces have interpreted the late election as meaning that, under the existing conditions, they can never oust the Clericals from power. Hence the riots and other symptoms of revolution which are planned to force an amendment to the constitution giving equal value to each vote. The attempt to perpetuate minority rule in Belgium by devices designed to minimize the power of the majority, is apparently about to fail.—Free Press.

**NOT REPEALING RECIPROCITY PACT**

Washington, June 17.—The House voted by 144 to 101, not to accept the senate amendment to the metal tariff revision bill which would repeal the Canadian reciprocity pact, and fix a universal duty of \$2 a ton on print paper.

The house accepted two senate amendments reducing the duty on pig iron and on certain alloys. The bill will again go to conference.