

FARMERS MAKE POOR SHOW AT TARIFF BOARD

Alberta Men Could Not Produce Evidence That They Were Victims of Customs.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 6.—The Alberta Farmers have placed their case before the Tariff Commission. It has turned out to be more of a protest against crop failures than against fiscal protection. Promises made by the government that a reduction of the manufacturers' statements would be made at Calgary remain unfulfilled.

After all the protests against the tariff and denunciation of such form of taxation, it was a peculiar spectacle to witness H. W. Wood, president of the United Farmers of Alberta, admit that he could not show that the duty had increased the cost. For years he had been talking of parasitical industries, but he now admits that he can not name one. He claimed that the combination existed in the United States and in Canada that raised the price of implements to the farmers. Asked if free trade would remove such combinations, he could not give a decision. When asked if a mower at \$34, the present selling price, was too high, he said it was. When asked what was the cost of producing such a mower, he admitted he did not know.

Came From States.

It might be well to explain who Mr. Wood is. Fifteen years ago he was in Missouri, his native state, and is a product of the Bryan School.

H. W. Wood is a powerful influence in Alberta and more powerful among the grain growers of three provinces than Hon. T. A. Grenier. He is an excellent speaker, has no personal political ambitions, but has not developed any strong national or imperial sentiment during his fifteen years residence here. In his statement, which followed very closely the memorandum presented at Winnipeg, his chief complaint was that in Canada our national development had been retarded by neglect of agriculture and too great fostering care of industries not indigenous to the country.

His Own Case.

Mr. Wood bought a farm in 1905 for \$15 per acre, which he admits is now worth \$50 an acre. He spoke of the abandoned farms of Canada, and of others being sold for less than the value of their improvements. When asked in what part of Alberta these were to be found he said he was referring to the Maritime Provinces, and while he knew of those in Eastern Canada, he had not studied the abandoned farm tragedy of the New England States.

Implement makers, textile manufacturers, lumbermen, fruit growers, who have been all attacked for years by Mr. Wood and his associates, as profiteering and parasitical, have all filed statements showing cost and profit volume of business at home and abroad. They have proven, or at least their figures have not been challenged, that cost to the purchaser is as cheap if not cheaper in Canada than in the United States and that they have not made exorbitant profits, and any abnormal profits have been made on foreign business during the war.

A New Grievance.

But the Western farmers have discovered a new grievance. In Winnipeg the secretary of the council of agriculture complained that enough money was not being raised from income taxation and at least it should be the source of two hundred million dollars in annual federal revenue. At Calgary the farmers want the tax collected on an average for three years, not annual returns. They claim that one year they have a big crop and pay a large tax, but probably the next two years are failures and they neither have a living nor a profit. If the average for three years was taken under these conditions, Mr. Henry Dawson pointed out that they would escape income

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WEDDINGS.

Anderson-Young

A very pretty wedding was solemnized yesterday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Young, 63 Mecklenburg street, St. John, when their daughter, Gladys Evelyn, was united in marriage to Mr. George Wesley Anderson, of Sussex, the Rev. D. J. MacPherson, of Sussex, officiating.

The bride was becomingly dressed in a traveling suit of wood brown broadcloth, and carried a bunch of asters. The home was decorated with autumn leaves, asters and ferns. The groom's gift to the bride was taxation entirely and that method of raising more by this system they would raise less. He asked if they were willing to apply the three year period to industry, but to this they would not consent. Their claim was based on the precarious nature of returns from agriculture in a district where the rainfall is scant and erratic.

set of furs. After a dainty luncheon, the bridal party left for Sussex, where they will reside.

Peterson-Moore

One of the social events of the season took place yesterday afternoon in Trinity church, when Miss Alice Marion Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Moore, 211 Germain street, and Graeme Melville Peterson, of Brook & Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Peterson, 88 Wentworth street, were united in marriage by Rev. Canon H. A. Armstrong. The bride entered the church on the arm of her father to the strains of "The Veil That Breathed O'er Eden." She was attended by her cousin, Miss Gertrude Fleming, maid of honor, and her cousin, Miss Louise Holly, and Miss Margaret Peterson, sister of the groom, bridesmaids.

The groom was supported by Dr. Otto Nasse. The ushers were John H. Peterson, brother of the bride; Balfour Peterson, brother of the groom; Geo.

Miller and Leslie Peters. After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents. The drawing-rooms were beautifully decorated with cut flowers and ferns. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson left on a trip to Boston, New York and Bridgefield, Connecticut. The gifts were numerous and beautiful. On their return to the city, Mr. and Mrs. Peterson will reside at 173 Germain street.

Scott-Dunham

At six o'clock yesterday morning in St. Jude's church, St. John West, Miss Margaret Ponsford, daughter of W. O. Dunham, 9 Dufferin row, West Side, became the bride of Francis Arthur Scott, Ballynagare, Ire. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. P. Dunham, Church of the Good Shepherd, Fairville, a cousin of the bride. The bride, who was unattended, was given in marriage by her father, Mrs. Percy Sudbury, Moncton, presided at the organ. The church interior was taste-

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fully decorated with hydrangeas by girl friends of the bride. Following the ceremony, breakfast

was served at the home of the bride's father. Mr. and Mrs. Scott left at 8.30 Governor Dingley on their honeymoon to Boston and other New England cities. On their return they will reside at Dufferin row.

Gilbert-Burke

At St. Peter's church, North End, at six o'clock yesterday morning, Miss Sadie Beatrice Burke, of 121 Sherbrooke street, became the bride of James Leo Gilbert of 7 Pokok Road. Rev. E. A. Scully, C.S.B., performed the ceremony with Nuptial mass. Miss Ella Gertrude Gray was bridesmaid. The bride was given away by her brother, William. The groom was supported by Louis O. Collins. Breakfast was served at the home of the bride, 121 Sherbrooke street. The bride received many beautiful gifts, including a leather rocker and a bronze statuette from the staff of the Corona Co., where she had been formerly. They will reside at 277 Main street.

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