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## DOMINION DAY.

Just seventy years ago next Monday the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were united into one Dominion under the name of Canada. Many people are living who can well recollect and remember the inauguration of this great Confederation. It does not seem possible that within the life of a human being as great a work as the Confederation of Canada should have taken place. But it is true, nevertheless.

It may not be amiss to deal briefly with the history of this great movement and trace the growth and development from that time until the present. Prior to 1867 there existed in a Union Parliament (possessed with powers of Responsible Government) the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. When the Confederation took place the names of "Upper and Lower Canada" were changed to Ontario and Quebec. The Constitution of this Confederation is known as the British North America Act and was passed by the Imperial Parliament in March of that year. It made provisions for the union of the Provinces and the terms, powers, etc. It must ever be borne in mind that the Act made Confederation and not the Confederation the act. Under this Confederation the Sovereign was to be represented in the Dominion by a Governor General—the appointment of which rested with the Crown. To advise the Governor General there was a Cabinet or Executive Council responsible to the people's representatives in Parliament. The Dominion Parliament was to include two bodies—the Senate and the House of Commons. The Senators were not elected, but appointed by the Governor General in Council—the Governor acting upon the advice of the Council. The House of Commons was to be elected by the people for a term of five years. The provinces were represented according to their population. The representation of Quebec was to remain fixed at sixty-five and each of the other provinces were to bear the same relation to sixty-five as its population bore to that of Quebec.

From these four little Provinces there has developed the Canada of today. Following the course of the prophesy, "Westward the course of Empire takes its way," one of the first things the new Parliament did was to reach out and take in that vast tract called Prince Rupert's Land and at that time under the control of the Hudson's Bay Company. Then Manitoba was formed into a Province closely followed by the admission of that sturdy young giant to the west British Columbia. Now we have the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan—two of the lustiest and proudest youngsters of the whole bunch. With Prince Edward Island and vast tract of territory yet unsettled—we have the Canada of today—A CANADA WITH WHICH WE MAY WELL BE PROUD. As a dependency of the Mother Country, Canada has made greater strides than any of her colonial cotems.

Space will not permit a detailed account of the wonderful resources and rich and expansive areas of this country. On this the anniversary of our "three score and ten" we merely wish to say, "God bless Canada; the fathers of Confederation; the leaders of today; and all the people who dwell within her happy and well governed land."

## NEVER FELT THE CHRIST-LIFE.

Mrs. Emma Goldman, a most popular anarchist and prominent lecturer of the principles of socialism and infidelity, has been delivering a series of talks in

western Canada. In Winnipeg she spoke in most bitter terms of the work of the churches and arraigned religion as a curse. Among other things she said: "There is no god or devil that can forgive any sin you may commit against yourself or your brother. Religion takes it for granted that you believe in something you know nothing at all about. Religion does not make people good. Self-denial has brought sorrow to thousands and the result has been that the human race are today nothing more than moral cripples." If there was any need to question the right of this woman to speak on the subjects she professes to know, the answer is found in her woeful ignorance of religion. She certainly talks about something she knows positively nothing at all. The Christ-life has never entered her life—the love of God has never impressed her soul—the great mission of the Redeemer has never seized her thought or had a place in her considerations. Her words are the empty breathings of a wilful blatant. What right has such a one to stand on that which is nearest and dearest to the hearts of human beings? Aman's religion is his better nature and a man is better for his religion—that which teaches him his utter dependency upon God the Father and acquaints him with the wonderful love and redemption of the Savior. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work," and a nation devoid of religion would be the greatest curse that could be visited upon its miserable inhabitants. God forbid that the time will ever come when the Christian Religion shall be laughed to scorn and those holy teachings and precepts of the Master no longer wield the potent influence which characterizes them to-day. Religion is the life and strength of the Nation—the greatest civilizing influence that is at work. Mrs. Goldman may rant and rave but her words will fall short for too many people have actually felt and really know the love of God—the Christ life has entered their lives and is daily influencing them to noble deeds and upright conduct.

Referring to the report of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church and the Star's comments upon the same, Rev. Whiteman, the local representative of the Macleod Presbytery called upon us last Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Whiteman stated very emphatically that the alleged report of the Assembly with regard to the resolution from the Alberta Synod was erroneous and did not represent the Synod in any measure. The Macleod Presbytery brought the resolution before the Alberta Synod by which body it was taken to the General Assembly. The question of Mormon or non Mormon was not mentioned at all. What the Macleod Presbytery asked for in their resolution was an undenominational school or college expressly for the purpose of giving students lessons in music. It was felt by the Presbytery that there was need for such a school at Cardston. Mr. Whiteman stated that there were at the present time about 40 pupils ready to take the course. The report quoted by the Star was not true so far as Mr. Whiteman could say. The local communicants of the Presbyterian Church feel very badly about this report, and, as Mr. Whiteman stated, "feel worse than the Mormons do."

The Star is not to blame for the Press Reports which have been circulated far and wide. We believe that the comments made last week were in touch with the local pulse, feebly expressing the feelings of a people who are continually misrepresented. If no other good thing can be said of the writer when he may shuffle off this mortal coil, we hope that it can be said that he has been broad-minded and willing to respect and defend every man in his religious belief. We failed to express a deserving compliment to the teachers that we have had, for they have been of the highest and best type.

Locally, we believe that we have a friendly and good feeling with the non-Mormons. The main trouble, and in fact the only trouble, comes from the outside—from those farthest removed from the Mormon settlements. Mr. Whiteman speaks in words of commendation of the Mormons as citizens and neighbors and deprecates the overture of the London Synod. It is not the intention of the Star to stir up strife. We want to live at peace with our neighbors and our friends. From what Mr. Whiteman has said we are convinced that the Alberta Synod

did not make mention of the need for a college on the grounds that it was impossible to get non-Mormon teachers in the Public School. They had nothing to do with the overture from the London Synod, either the Press Despatches or the General Assembly have misinterpreted their resolution. This being the case we have not the least doubt but what the matter can be easily chased to its original source which we hope may be the case. The Star will be the first in its day and generation to correct any false statements that may have been made through a general erroneous rumor.

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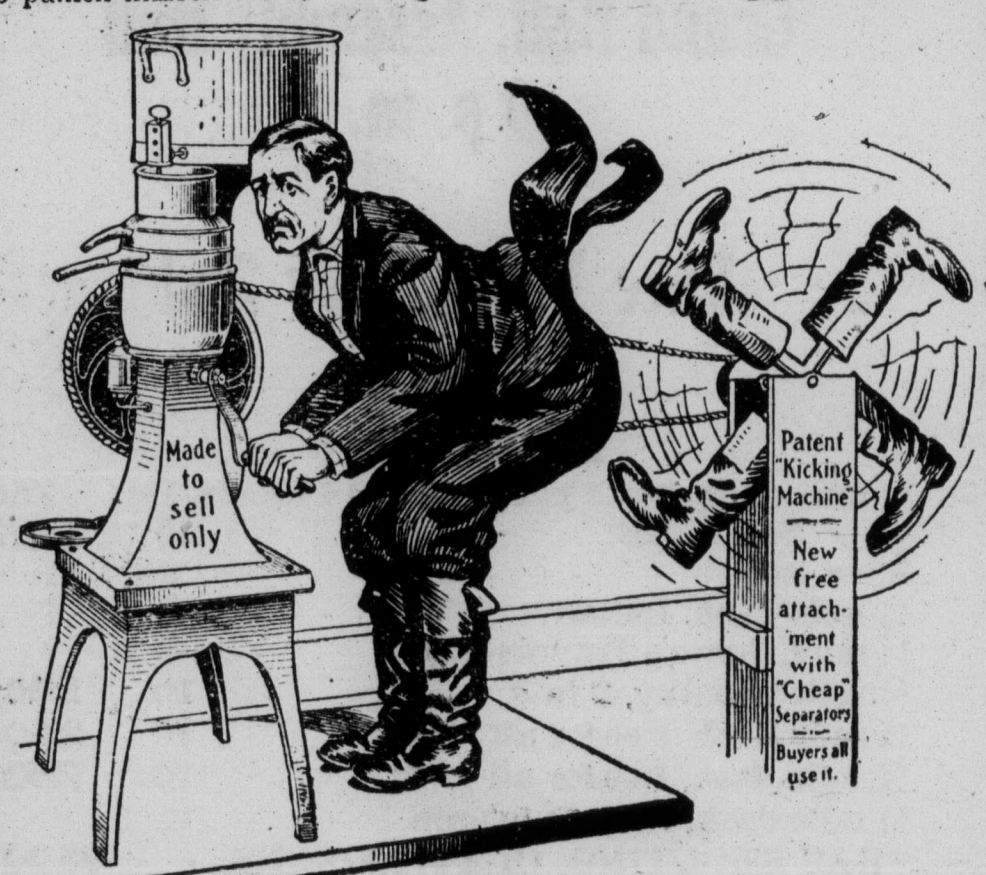
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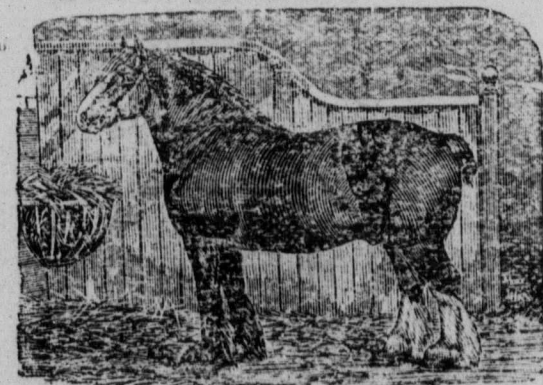
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