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DESPICABLE DOLLAR DIPLOMACY

No sane person will say that the attitude of the Great Powers towards the youthful Chinese republic does them the least credit. The softest term to use is that it is utterly and shamefully disgraceful, and has reflected on the three great democratic peoples, viz., Great Britain, France and the United States of America. The reasons are—should be so obvious that they need not be rehearsed at all. We seek, in vain, in all this ravelling tangle of "dollar diplomacy" for symptoms of sympathy for the people of China—a nation which could have inspired the muse of Milton by its sudden snapping of the age-rusted chains of a stagnant conservatism, and which has pressed to the front to march abreast with the democratic ideals which lie ahead of the world of the spirit of Mammon has power to obstruct the path of the spirit of righteousness is only too lamentably illustrated in the humiliating cases of Great Britain, the United States and France. What a terrible Triple Alliance those three great and powerful peoples could become!—if they chose. Such must be the natural, and the naturally disheartening, thought of the great patriots who have been the prime movers in the Chinese revolution, not to say to the Chinese people at large, who, as every infant knows, are heart and soul for the young republic; of which, of course, it is the only betterer.

Nor is it less disheartening to Arvan democrats—democrats of the British Empire, the United States of America, and France. It illustrates the moral danger of a republic allying itself with an autocracy—or a virtual autocracy, as Russia still is, yet, despite her Dumas. "Evil communications," says the wise old adage, "corrupt good morals," and it is true, whatever the Opportunists may aver. The key to the tangled and odious history of the Chinese loan negotiations is the determination of Russia to impose upon the Chinese Republic degrading and weakening political conditions. As Russia's ally, France has permitted herself to be made a co-pay of Russia's Chinese policy; and thus the land of 1789 sells her natural birthright for a filthy mess of Muscovite pottage! It is calculated to please M. Clemenceau, the "Le Duc" Orleans, the Royalists, the Clericals, and the other enemies of the new France. Thus France, with her feet entangled in the mud of Russia, may not be taken into account. But nothing save a blush of shame can rise when we reflect on the attitude of Great Britain and the United States. At the birth of the Chinese Republic in 1911, Great Britain, the Mother of Parliaments, and her eldest daughter, the United States, should, in common decency, have been the first to bend over the newly-born, congratulating the Genius of Liberty on the advent of her youngest child.

THE CALGARY MARKET.

With the women, who constitute the purchasing public of Calgary, organizing leagues and committees for the study of domestic economy, on one hand; and the local producers—the farmers and fruit growers of the west—clamoring to get into the Calgary market, on the other, it seems strange that the Calgary public market remains an unsuccessful and unpopular institution.

The reasons exist in the fact that no consideration has been given to local conditions in the location and management of a market building. To be a successful and useful institution, the Calgary market must be designed to compete with wholesalers rather than retailers; it must have spur track connection, some cold storage facilities, and accommodation for supplies in carload lots. It must be under the expert management of a director who understands the conditions in this province. Weekly and semi-weekly shipments from farming communities within a radius of one hundred miles should be organized on a co-operative system.

Calgary needs a public market. There is no question that the establishment of direct relations between the producer and the consumer would result in very considerable benefit to a large class of citizens; while the general competition of a market would have a tendency to reduce the cost of living in every direction.

But if Calgary's market problem is to be satisfactorily solved, the local conditions must be taken into careful consideration. Calgary is situated many miles from the centres of production. There are not half a dozen truck and poultry farms of any size within driving distance of the city, and the geography is such that this condition will prevail for several years.

to come. Calgary must depend on the small towns and cities from 50 to 100 miles distant for dairy produce and farm truck, and on the British Columbia valleys for fruits of all kinds. This necessitates railroad transportation, and this is one of the most important factors for consideration in any market scheme which is evolved.

Mr. Crossland, the town-planning expert, who has been in Calgary for several weeks, has commented on the peculiar fact that nearly all the important trading centres are removed many blocks from the station; he points out that in older communities the station is a very important commercial centre. Close proximity to the station will be desirable here, when the country is so thickly settled that people come and go on comparatively small business, but at present the democrat wagon and the truck car are almost unknown vehicles of transportation—people come and go only when many dollars are involved. The distances are too great and the general scale of things too large for petty barter. For the present the Calgary market must be peculiarly adapted to this condition of things.

Editorial Notes

Though there was much of the information at the meeting of the Board of Trade which was misleading and the conclusions were far from the mark there was some criticism which was not without value. The comment upon the work of the Industrial Bureau, much as we all regret to say it, was not without justification. It is possible that the bureau is working under difficulties at the present time, but it is even more certain that the results are not as great as the citizens had expected and no fraction of what the bureau promised.

Misunderstood. A couple of days ago in this very column The Albertan referred to the gift of prophesy of one of its Conservative weekly contemporaries who guessed the outcome of the election exactly right, but for the good of the party held his peace about it. Last night The Calgary News-Telegram rebuked The Albertan and takes criticism to itself. In the future we shall place a more conspicuous label upon any near tumor.

And now we are told that the charges of Ontario Liberals against the election contributions of contractors to Sir James Whitney's campaign fund are very trifling, because the contribution only amounted to \$500. They say that it couldn't have been a real contract which yielded only that sum for election purposes.

INLAND REVENUE RETURNS. The inland revenue returns for the month of April, as given out yesterday, are incomplete, but they show that during that month the revenue of the department was in the neighborhood of \$65,000. During the month of April, 1912, the revenue for the same department was \$50,000, so that in year's time the revenues for the district of Calgary have increased by the huge amount of 30 per cent.

Traducer of Lloyd George Resigns. London, May 2.—Mr. Kelly Fletcher, the close challenge to Lloyd George and the latter's transactions in Marconi shares has hitherto been ignored, has resigned from parliament on account of the condition of his health.

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City's Credit Better Than Other Western Cities

Mayor Insists That Difficulty is Due Entirely to Attitude of Bank

"The city's credit is good. There is really no cause for all the criticism which is being made just now," said Mayor Simmet yesterday, when he was asked how the resolution passed by the board of trade had appealed to his judgment.

"As I have said before, there is absolutely no doubt of the city's position nor of the ability of our fiscal agent to raise the money we need. It is purely a matter of willingness. The Bank of Montreal adopts a paternal attitude toward us, and it is this rather than any real financial stringency which has caused the present conditions. The bank assumes that it has the right to investigate our proposed extensions of sewers and water mains and street railway, and to say whether we shall or shall not have these things this year. That is what it amounts to."

"The mayor advised against the re-consolidation of the 4-1-2 bond issue into 5 per cent bonds, when the matter came up in committee, and the City Solicitor found that this recommendation was illegal did not affect the situation, in his opinion.

"Four and a half per cent sell as readily on the Canadian market as five," said the mayor. "The fact is that the Canadian market is made up of big American insurance companies who are compelled to make a big deposit before doing business on this side. The government will accept bonds at 4 1/2 per cent, and the rate of interest they are preferred to cash deposits at 3 per cent.

"We are in a better position to do business than Edmonton or Vancouver or other western cities. Until Edmonton placed its recent issue it owed money to contractors and had enormous local debts outstanding on school buildings, etc. Outside of our bonds and treasury notes, we have a clear slate."

At the special meeting of the council yesterday morning the resolution of the finance committee for the consolidation of the 1913 bylaws, including those ratified May 7, at 5 per cent, was ratified. The remainder of the 1912 issue will not be included, as the city solicitor advised that the change in rate would not be legal unless validated by the legislature.

YESTERDAY'S BUILDING PERMITS Building permits yesterday were slack and the few taken out were but small matters and the sum reached considerably less than \$5,000. Alterations will be made in the Lyric Theatre which will mean a greater degree of comfort and beauty in the auditorium and hall. The other permits were mostly for houses and sheds. It is hoped that within the next few weeks more permits will be taken out so as to make the building trade more brisk in this city.

Yesterday's permits were as follows:—E. M. Baughman, Opera house, 1212 17th ave. west, stable, \$500; John Bennet, dwelling, \$1,500; H. M. Jenkin, 1219 9th ave. east, foundations, \$200; G. Ellison, Tuxedo Park, dwelling, \$1,000; Senator Louched, Lyric Theatre, alterations, \$1,000; C. McKenzie, Sunnyside, dwelling, \$200; R. W. Stapley, 109 11th ave. N.E., dwelling, \$200; L. A. Goulding, 6th ave. west, dwelling, \$2,500.

Regular values \$2.00 a pair. On sale Saturday \$1.25

SALE OF MEN'S SUITS

2 Day Sale



"243 Years Ago Yesterday"

On May 2nd, 1870, two hundred and forty three years ago today, the famous Hudson's Bay Charter was granted by King, Charles II of England, to a number of prominent English gentlemen, with Prince Rupert at their head, enabling them to carry out their plans in opening up new channels of trade across the Atlantic with more safety. This notable charter, an important page in the Empire's history, states that the incorporators deserve the privileges granted because they "have at their own great cost and charges undertaken an expedition for Hudson Bay, in the North-West parts of America, for the discovery of a new passage into the South Sea, and for finding of some trade for furs, minerals and other considerable commodities, and by such their undertakings have already made such discoveries as to encourage them to proceed further in pursuit of their said design, by means whereof there may probably arise great advantages to us and our Kingdoms." Hence the full name of the company given in the Charter reads "The Governor and Company of Adventurers of England, Trading into Hudson Bay."

But since the time of its inception it became known as "The Hudson's Bay Company," as it is today a household word, the width and breadth of the Dominion, and beyond its boundaries.

A Sale of Misses', Girl's and Child's Shoes

There is no telling how long these quantities will last. The gathering involves three lines each, coming in small quantities only. There is another case where price is a secondary consideration, when we require the room.

Twelve pairs only of Misses' Kid Oxford, in neat styles and good makes. Sizes 11 to 2.

Twenty-six pairs only of Girls' Vici Kid Patent Toe Blucher shoes, in sensible shapes and neat styles. Sizes 8 to 10 1/2.

Thirty-three pairs only of Children's Vici Kid patent tie, one strap slippers. Ideal little shoes for this season of the year. Sizes 5 to 10 1/2.

Regular values \$2.00 a pair. On sale Saturday \$1.25

Gloves That Are The Picture Of Real Chamois At Half The Price

Ladies who keep abreast with the fashions are sure to appreciate these neat colored chamoisette gloves. They come in the famous Kayser make. Two-dome fasteners and wash and wear splendidly. They represent so closely the genuine chamois that it will take a second glance to tell that they are anything else. Splendid value, per pair, for 50c



Last Day Of Linoleum Sale

ONE of the most important bits of economy news announced from this store in months, comes from the popular Housefurnishing section of a sale of 15,000 yards of English Floor Cloths and Linoleums. Housekeepers and others who have planned new floor coverings can count this to their great good fortune, for floor cloths and linoleums of such splendid make were never sold for so little.

It's a "Special Purchase," the result of the vigilance of our London office in ever keeping an open eye for just such opportunities as this. A most liberal price-concession was given us. These Floor Cloths and Linoleums are perfect in every detail and the patterns most desirable.

Good, sound Floor Cloths, heavily printed and fully matured, assuring splendid wear. Standard value 35c square yard. Sale Price 25c

With this lot comes a range of about 20 rolls of extra heavy Printed Floor Cloth, with a block printed surface and very heavily backed, will wear like leather, and outlive many linoleums which sell at 55c and 60c a yard. Sale Price 32c

Linoleums that are remarkably well seasoned, being made up from last year's patterns, discontinued by the makers, and hence, with greater wear-resisting qualities. Linoleums that would sell regularly at 50c a square yard. Sale Price 40c

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY

Ladies' Suits, the Best Value of the Season at \$10.00 and \$15.00

Regular \$15.00 and \$17.50 and \$23.00 to \$35.00

If you will make it a point to see the window display today it will lead to quick realization that this is an opportunity that will be welcomed by hundreds of ladies. It could not come more opportunely. We are pretty well crowded in this section, hence these remarkable reductions, the like of which are not likely to occur again in months. Now to the suits themselves:

AT \$10.00—15 only at this price. Ladies' Stylish Suits of good quality Worsteds Serge; coat 26 inches long; three-button fastening, cut with rounded front corners; navy satin lined. Skirt made high waist, panel back with one-piece front. This suit made on strictly tailored lines and is one of this season's newest models. Both Misses' and Ladies' sizes. Reg. \$15.00 and \$17.50. Sale Price \$10.00

AT \$15.00—Man-tailored Suits; thirty-one only in the lot, which warrants prompt and early shopping. All up-to-the-hour styles, in a large variety of choice. Materials are varied, and consist of grey chevron Tweeds, fancy-mixed Tweeds, diagonal Tweeds, brown and navy Bedouin, navy halftone stripe Worsteds, mole hair-line stripe Worsteds, grey homespun, navy blue Serge and Worsteds diagonals, navy cardinal, male and navy white stripe corduroy velvets, etc. Mostly smart, strictly tailored styles with just a suggestion of trimming in a few cases. Principally from New York makers, having good lines, excellent style and cut. Come in both Misses' and Ladies' sizes. Regular prices range from \$23.00 to \$35.00, the majority of values being \$29.00 and \$33.75. Sale Price \$15.00

Week End Grocery News of Interest

We wish to call particular attention to the excellency of Hudson's Bay Company Teas. They are decidedly superior to any tea we know of in purity and flavor, are bought and blended under our own supervision and sold under the "Seal of Quality" of the Hudson's Bay Company. And when we make such claims you may be sure we will back them up with qualities that do credit to such.

To those of fastidious taste these will appeal in particular. Test their goodness at the demonstration booth.

H. B. Co.'s No. 2 Blend—A choice tea of fine aroma, and smooth drinking qualities. Per 1-lb. tin 50c
3-lb. tin \$1.40
H. B. Co.'s No. 3 Blend—Fine hill grown Ceylon and Indian. A blend unsurpassed in delicacy and flavor, 1/2-lb. pkg. 25c 1-lb. pkg. 50c
H. B. Co.'s No. 4 Blend—Exceptional value. A tea we can recommend for its fine flavor and aroma. 1/2-lb. pkg. 20c 1-lb. pkg. 40c
H. B. Co.'s No. 5 Blend—A popular blend; flavor and pungent. 1/2-lb. pkg. 15c 1-lb. pkg. 30c
H. B. Co.'s No. 6 Blend—A fine family tea. 3-lb. tin \$3.00 5-lb. tin \$5.00

Up to \$27.50 Men's Suits \$16.85

FORTUNATE men to the number of suits there are in this sale are going to solve the new suit problem quickly and satisfactorily, and at a great saving either today or Saturday. They are going to pay \$16.85 for a stylishly cut, well built suit with surprising willingness, for the very good reason that they will see just as soon as they clap eyes on them that we haven't exaggerated in the least in the above statement, that regular values range up as high as \$27.50.

We bought heavily with the idea of being over in the big new store before this. The consequence is we are far too crowded here and must sacrifice.

500 SUITS AT A FRACTION OF THEIR ORIGINAL VALUE—These are stylishly built suits in the season's best styles and most approved ideas. They come in the very newest patterns and weaves as well as plain mixtures of browns and greys. Beautifully shaped on graceful lines and carefully tailored, both outside and in. The greatest value this popular men's store has announced in a season. A complete range of sizes from 35 to 44. Regular values up to \$27.50. Sale Price \$16.85

Men Will Snap up a Half Dozen of These Dollar Shirts at 65c Each

The desire to eclipse the big shirt business done on the corresponding day of last year, has prompted our shirt buyer to offer in a two-day's sale, values that warrant record shirt selling. And even though men may have a goodly supply of shirts on hand, these are exceptional buys and worth tucking away for future wear.

50 DOZEN MEN'S WELL CUT COLORED NEGLIGEE SHIRTS—In the very best and newest creations of the season in an immense choice and in every size from 14 to 16 1/2. Regular standard values at \$1.00. Sale Price 65c



The Sale of \$1.00 Dress Goods for 65c

We anticipate enthusiastic appreciation of such news, and it is true that there are more ladies than number of yards to supply. In a way, it is strange to reduce these to such proportion, but it happens we need the room that they occupy. Those who are early Saturday morning will reap the benefit.

150 yards only good quality serge in all the best colors, in Tan, Brown, Grey, Olive and Myrtle Green. Fast dyes. Most desirable for dresses or suits. They represent splendid value at their original prices, \$1.00 per yard. On sale Saturday 65c

Sharp Reductions on Hat Pins

We don't expect these pretty Hat Pin Creations could possibly last the day's selling. Not at the remarkable reduction we put on them for a quick clearance. There is a most endless variety in some of the newest creations the season has produced, including Sterling Silver, Gilt and Paste. We have a little too many hat pins in our way of thinking for this particular season of the year, hence this sale tomorrow.

Values range all the way from 50c to \$2.00 each. Sale price 25c

\$9.00 to \$13.50 Boys' Suits in a Record Sale at \$7.65

Our selections of Boys' Suits were never better than they are right now, and regular Hudson's Bay prices never more generous in the giving of value. Calgary mothers and the boys themselves will be more than delighted with such news as this.

These are all-wool imported Tweeds in smart double breasted styles, and in the newest patterns, in shades of brown, green and grey mixtures. Just 65 Suits in the lot, ranging in sizes 28, 29, 30 and 31, for boys of ages 9 to 13 years. Regular \$9.00 to \$13.50. Today and Saturday \$7.65

FRUITS

Oranges—Fancy "Sunkist" Navel, reg. 60c dozen 50c
Lemons—Fancy California, large, reg. 50c dozen 40c
Apples—Fancy "Rome Beauty," 4 lbs 25c
Box 50 lbs \$1.95
Grape Fruit — Fancy Florida, reg. 10c, 12 1/2c, 17c
Cucumbers, Head Lettuce, Leaf Lettuce, Radishes, Spring Onions, Parsley, etc.

Sweet Potatoes—3 lbs 25c
Rhubarb—Fancy, 5 lbs 25c
Strawberries—Fancy, box 25c
Pineapples—Each 25c
Spinach—Fresh stock, 4 lbs 25c
Cauliflower—Large white heads, 25c & 30c
Bananas—Ripe, dozen 30c
Bananas—Spring Onions,