

on this too, he corresponded with Mr. Nosse and other Japanese, as well as with Preston, the Canadian agent, Mr. Lemieux and Sir Claude Macdonald. To Mr. Lemieux, on his Japanese mission with Pope, Grey wrote on October 23, 1907:

I am sending you for your perusal en route to Yokohama, some papers referring to Japan which I think will be of interest both to you and to Mr. Pope.

You will note that I have an offer from one quarter of \$10,000 a year for five years and of \$3,000 a year from another quarter for my Bakery, Tea and Sample Rooms Scheme.

I have at the request of the Govt. marked time in relation to this matter, and I have been encouraged to hope that the business of educating the Orient to desire Canadian food will be undertaken by the Govt. (1)

Grey took a decided interest - largely considering wider imperial interests - in the question of Chinese and Hindu immigration or exclusion, and corresponded with the Colonial Secretary, the Secretary of State for India, and Sir Wilfrid on the subject, as well as taking a personal interest in the visit to India of Mackenzie King, whom he recommended should also look into Chinese matters while attending the Opium Conference at Shanghai.

This personal participation of Earl Grey in the conduct of Canada's external policies largely explains his concern to have the new Department of External Affairs located in the East Block, closely beside his Office, and his extreme annoyance when that arrangement failed and the Department was obliged to hive off to another building part way across town. (See chapter on "Premises"). Grey had utilized the valued services of W.H. Walker in his own Office, and expected that on

(1) Grey of Howith. Vol.26. (Doc.006594)