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### Harding's Election Would Make Canadian Free Traders Sit Up.

The Farmers' Advocate is a free trade paper, but its leading editorial this week marches to the music of Protection. The Advocate tells us that if the Republicans carry the presidential and congressional elections on Tuesday next we must look for a high tariff against the importation of wheat, cattle and wool from Canada. The Advocate is not afraid of the duty on wheat, but says it would spell ruin for the Canadian producer if a tariff duty prevented the free importation of wool from freely entering the American market. In this connection The Advocate says that Great Britain still maintains her embargo against Canadian cattle as a measure of Protection for the cattle growers of Ireland. It quotes from The "American Sheep Breeder and Wool Grower" which advises every wool grower in the United States to vote for Harding and the Republican candidate for congress in his particular district because Harding and the Republican party are pledged to restore the duty on wool.

Now all this goes to show that the Canadian producer will be more and more up against hostile tariffs all over the world, and he must, therefore, be assured of a permanent and profitable home market. It is idle to whine about Great Britain or the United States looking out for themselves. We cannot make or change the laws passed at Westminster or Washington, but we are supreme at Ottawa. We must use the tariff as a shield for our producers and our industries just as other nations are using the tariff as a shield for their producers and industries. If some nation unfairly uses the tariff against us as a sword let us have a sword ready in our tariff arsenal to strike back. For Canada at this time to divert herself of the tariff sword and shield when every other nation commercially is armed to the teeth, would be as foolish as for a man to throw away his gun and ammunition upon entering a forest filled with wild animals.

The Canadian millers in their convention at the King Edward Hotel yesterday morning showed a better grasp of the situation. They want to see our Canadian wheat exported in the form of flour so that Canadians may make the profit on the grinding and have plenty of offtal for our farmers and stockmen. We are shipping too much raw material out of the country, whether it be wheat, nickel, pulpwood or asbestos. We want this country to be as nearly self-contained as possible. We intend to make a tariff solely for the benefit of ourselves without the slightest regard to the feelings of any foreigner. We would be soft indeed if we expected any foreign country to make its tariff in any different spirit. This is a business world and Canada must make her tariff from the standpoint of the counting house, not from the standpoint of the philanthropic professor. Mr. Harding's election will give a jolt to the free trade fanatics of the farmers of the west.

#### Atrocities in Hayti.

There is probably some foundation for the report of American atrocities in Hayti. Atrocities often do occur, or at least are reported, whenever white men come into contact with other races. The British have had less trouble than any other colonizing nation in this respect, largely because they have followed the Roman practice of dealing gently with submissive people. Like the Romans, however, they have had to deal sternly with the unruly. Hence an army of occupation has a hard problem when surrounded by vast hordes of semi-civilized people. General Dyer was in a much better position to judge of what had to be done at Amritsar than could a committee of arm chair philosophers in London. Our American neighbors are almost helpless in dealing with semi-civilized people because of their intense prejudice on the color question, and also because of their traditional dealings with the North American Indian. It was said of the Pilgrim Fathers that upon leaving the Mayflower they first fell upon their knees and then fell upon the aborigines. For centuries at least the policy of the white settlers in the United States toward the red man was one of extermination, yet the white pioneer, in his forest home with a wife and family to protect, knew his way about better than we give him credit for. The Indian he had to deal with was a stealthy, cruel, desperate, inhuman enemy. He was more dangerous because more silent than the rattlesnake. If the settler did not get the Indian with his rifle the Indian would get the settler and his family with the tomahawk. The outdoor sports of the noble red man made him more picturesque than popular. Tearing an infant from its mother's arms, cracking its skull against a tree trunk and spilling its brains on the ground while he burned the woman's husband at the stake, and chopped her into small bits with his tomahawk, were diversions that may have exhilarated the perpetrator, but caused the average American to agree with General Sherman when he said that the only good Indian was a dead Indian.

Of course, what the Indians did will not justify the United States expeditionary force in shooting up or hanging up the unfortunate blacks of Hayti. The trouble in Hayti, moreover, prompts the suggestion that the committee of one hundred should visit that locality before proceeding to Ireland. Charges and counter-charges of atrocities have been the verbal brickbats hurled back and forth for a century, between English and American newspapers, and, no doubt, many of them might be subject to discount. The moral for the United States many people believe to be the counsel of seclusion. The more strictly the United States attends to her own business the less likely will she be to get into trouble.

Mr. Harding, the Republican publican candidate in the coming election, although often inconsistent, is quite consistent in saying that he will never approach the British government on the complaint of Ireland, nor will he, as president, permit the British government to approach him on the complaint of the Filipinos or any other American citizens. Canada is probably unique among the nations in never having been charged with atrocities. We did nothing more severe to the Indian than to put him on the "Indian list." Of that he can no longer complain because we have placed ourselves upon the list with him. Members of the legislature, and even members of parliament, often murder the King's English, but these are bloodless atrocities. High court judges go from one sliver town to another finding nobody so try to the assizes, and county sheriffs complain bitterly of the ever-increasing cost of white gloves.

#### Help Them Out!

Everybody knows now that there must be a readjustment of prices; also that the sooner it is over and apportioned the sooner will business start again on normal and profitable lines. It will start to expand the moment inflation is let out.

To trifle, say with the sugar adjustment, and that is the most serious, the longer will uncertainty prevail and buyers withhold orders.

And there is the building supplies trade; until the prices come down quite a bit no one will start to build houses on a large scale.

And the paper men, like the sugar men, must adjust to the real situation and lower prices.

The profiteers, or let us say the high-prices men, are the ones who are keeping things back. Toronto wants to grow, industries are anxious to get busy again, but all inflated prices and vain hopes of unrealistic prices to come back, these put off the day of a new activity. The men who do not want to take their foolish losses must take them.

Certainly the public who have to buy sugar need not be expected to help out the profiteer who rushed in to buy raw or refined sugars in the hope of selling four pounds for a dollar! The man or concern who will make money from now on will be those who adjusted themselves and their holdings to after-the-war conditions.

Those who found the money for the sugar profiteers ought to help them to unload, and help business to recover from their foolishness.

How Uncle Sam Can Help! What about wheat? The American farmer's surprise at the fall in the price of wheat has made him generous to the broken allies of Europe who cannot buy wheat at three dollars, or two dollars for that matter. So the American farmer has begun to say to Uncle Sam: Look here, old chap, you know you didn't take your share of the war and you made the most of the profits out of it. We are willing that you buy our wheat at three dollars and sell it on credit or really give it free to the broken people of the countries of Europe and help them on their feet again. And while this is generous on the part of the farmer, it is the only way out for himself and the European sufferers. Put them on their feet again and they'll start in to work and become buyers of goods and supplies again. But they've got to be helped first; and Uncle Sam seems to be the only one fit and capable of the task.

This is the great undischarged mission of the States!

#### Remarked in Passing.

An I.O.G.E. leader in Winnipeg issues a call for more modest dressing for Canadian women, and just as she speaks along comes winter to give point to her remarks.

Demopsey is to receive \$300,000 for fighting Carpentier. This is more than many a minister gets for fighting the devil, and he has a harder job of it.

The lumber business may be a little quiet just now, but Sam McBride has a sideline that will be humming very



CONDUCTOR FLEMING: "I'll have to give you my note for the change."

### SPEECH BY CRERAR COMING NEXT WEEK

Federal Leader of Farmers' Party to Answer Meighen and King.

Winnipeg, Oct. 29.—Hon. T. A. Crerar, federal leader of the Farmers' political party, is to deliver next week his first political speech in some months, it was learned today. He is due to address the Prince Albert unit of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association annual meeting, which will be held at Prince Albert, Nov. 2 and 4, and it is stated that he will deal with the questions of the day and with the issues raised during the present tour of Premier Meighen and Hon. Mackenzie King.

It is said to be probable that following the Prince Albert meeting, Mr. Crerar will proceed to East Elgin, to take part in the by-election contest on behalf of the Farmers' candidate.

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### BURNHAM CERTAIN ALBANIA SUFFERS

Declares Serbians Devastate Neighboring Country With Fire and Sword.

Montreal, Oct. 29.—(Can. Press).—Letters from Col. Fred E. Burnham, of Winnipeg, who went out to Serbia with a Red Cross mission, continue to be received by friends of his here and reveal a desperate state of affairs in Montenegro and Albania. In a communication, dated Sept. 30 last, from Scutari, Albania, where he had been forced to fly from Montenegro because of his efforts to help the Montenegrins, he says of that country: "The state into which our loyal little ally has fallen by reason of the neglect of those for whom she has endured five years of warfare should excite the sympathy of the civilized world. Only those who visit the homes can know the depth of misery to which the population has been reduced. Hunger, poverty and distress are everywhere. And reports to the contrary are a tissue of falsehoods and misrepresentations. Day by day they hope and pray for the word that their country shall be free."

In another letter from Scutari, dated Oct. 8, Col. Burnham says: "Montenegrins imprisoned. Albanians and Montenegrins are imprisoned, terrorized, or are refugees, if nothing worse has befallen them. The enemy threatened their independence; our allies (Serbia) have destroyed it. Let there be no misgivings on this point. The people of Albania see an ally of the entente devastating their homeland with fire and sword."

They stated that their action was taken "owing to their dissatisfaction with the attitude of the president towards the company, and the manner in which he has been transacting the affairs of the company." They refuse to accept responsibility for any liabilities incurred by the president.

The records of the secretary of state, with whose office the company was registered, show the president of the Northern Canada Traders Limited to be Captain E. L. Janney.

High Mass in Montreal. Over Death of MacSwiney.

Montreal, Oct. 29.—(A. P.).—Solemn high requiem mass, attended by over one thousand Montreal citizens, was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church this morning for the repose of the soul of Terence MacSwiney. The St. Patrick's Society, of Montreal, afterwards sent cablegrams of condolence to Mrs. MacSwiney.

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### STOP LIQUOR CARGO DESTINED FOR STATES

Canadian Officials Seize Whiskey Being Loaded Into Rowboats From Motor Cars.

Brockville, Oct. 29.—Customs and police officers seized two automobiles belonging to Ogdensburg people at McCarthy's wharf, east of here, as the men were unloading a cargo of whiskey, champagne and alcohol into rowboats, destined for the American side. The men escaped, but the cars are being held by the customs authorities for having been used for commercial purposes, while operating in Canada under New York State licenses. The seizure is said to have broken up the activities of an organized band of liquor runners, who have been reported to be shipping liquor from Quebec to a point east of here, whence it was taken across the river.

Complete Evidence in Dominion Iron Case.

Ottawa, Oct. 29.—(By Canadian Press).—The evidence in the case of Dominion Iron and Steel Company against the Dominion government and the Canadian railways was completed this afternoon. The arguments of counsel for the company, the government and the railway companies will commence when court resumes on Wednesday morning at 10.10.

Two Brothers Asphyxiated in Sherbrooke Lunch Cart.

Sherbrooke, Que., Oct. 29.—Asphyxiated in their place of business in a lunch cart, two brothers, Emil and Ernest Boutin, were found dead by passersby this morning. It appears that the two men had started to prepare their breakfast, and had put a pot of coffee on a gas burner to boil. It is assumed that they fell asleep and the contents of the pot boiled over, putting out the flames, and allowing the gas to escape.

Action of French Socialists Against Russian Intervention.

Paris, Oct. 29.—Decision has been reached by the administrative commissions of the Socialist party and the general confederation of labor to cement relations and demand that the league of the rights of man join with them in order to take action against intervention in Russia and to establish definitive peace among the peoples. Meetings with this purpose in view are planned in all sections of France.

## THE HOUSE 'ROUND THE CORNER

By GORDON HOLMES

CHAPTER XIII. (Continued.)

He felt now that another crisis had arisen, yet the past yielded no ray of guidance. He glared at the poor laborer, who, all unconsciously, was fate's herald in this new adversity, for he was instantly aware, without other spoken word, that Marguerite Ogilvie had fled. The man's troubled face showed that he feared he had done wrong.

"I'm main sorry, sir," said he, "if I've said ow to vex ye, but, hearin' the talk of Miss Meg, I thought—"

Armathwaite's drawn features relaxed, and he placed a friendly hand on the villager's shoulder.

"You've done right," he said. "I am very much obliged to you. I have a stupid habit of allowing my mind to wander. Just then I was thinking of something wholly unconnected with Miss Garth's disappearance, which will arouse Mrs. Jackson's wrath because of bacon and eggs frizzled to a cinder. I must go and console with her."

He was turning to re-enter the house, mainly to set at rest any suspicion that Marguerite's absence arose from other cause than sheer forgetfulness, when the clang of the gate stayed him. A youth had dismounted from a bicycle, and was hastening up the path with an air of brisk importance.

"Telegrams for Garth and Whittaker," he said. "Any answer, sir?"

Armathwaite took the two buff envelopes which he had produced from a leather pouch.

"Have you come from Bellerby?" he inquired.

"Yes, sir."

"Well, wait a few minutes. There may be some reply."

He went into the dining room. So sure was he that Marguerite had gone away that he had not the slightest hesitation about opening the telegram addressed to "Garth, The Grange, Elm-dale." As he anticipated, it was from Mrs. Ogilvie. It had been dispatched at seven o'clock from Tavistock, and read:

"Arriving tonight if possible. Don't take any action until I am with you—Mother."

The early hour at which it had been sent off—from a town, too, which he rightly estimated as a good many miles distant from Waregan, showed that Mrs. Suarez had contrived to get a telegram thru to Cornwall the previous night, so Percy Whittaker's mischievous interference had proved quite successful.

Then, with lightning clarity came the belief that Percy Whittaker was responsible for Marguerite's flight. Armathwaite scouted the notion that she had such a thing in her mind when she came to him in the garden. Her nature was incapable of guile. Had she formed some fantastic scheme during the watches of the night she would never have put her troubles aside to share in his light-hearted planning of a new and glorified garden. In fact, he recalled her sudden dismay because of her seeming neglect

of the invalid, and now he knew that he had not seen her since she went upstairs, whereas Whittaker himself had sent more than one urgent summons for her subsequently.

Stiffing his fury as best he might, Armathwaite hurried to Whittaker's room.

"A telegram has just come for you," he said, and watched the younger man's face as he read. It was a long screed, and evidently bored its recipient.

"Oh, it's only from my sister," came the languid explanation. "By the way, where's Miss Garth?"

"Gone, I think."

"Gone!" Whittaker rose on an elbow and glowered at Armathwaite.

"What the devil do you mean by 'gone'? Where has she gone to?" he cried.

"I want you to answer that question," and Armathwaite's voice was strangely harsh and threatening. "She came to you half an hour ago. Did you say anything likely to distress her? Tell me the truth or I'll pour your face to a jelly."

His aspect had suddenly become so menacing that Whittaker wilted; his head sank back to the pillow, and his eyelids twitched with fright.