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TELLS PARLIAMENT WHAT FARMERS ARE UP AGAINST

R. S. Lake Punctures Government's Property bubble -- Demands for Farmers Better Than Protection

In the House of Commons a few days ago, R. S. Lake, M.P. for Qu'Appelle, put aside other issues to make a plea to parliament on behalf of the farmers of this province, who are not only suffering from a poor crop this year, but also from inadequate transportation facilities. Mr. Lake said in part:
Mr. Speaker, the speeches of the members of the government who have spoken during the present debate have been a great disappointment to the country at large. Instead of taking up important subjects which were brought to our notice in the speech from the throne, they have delivered speeches which one might rather have expected to have heard on the hustings during the heat of a contested election. There is one subject, which was mentioned in the speech from the throne, which I believe is at the present time occupying more attention amongst the people of the country than any other, and which is perhaps the most important subject dealt with in their remarks during the present debate that question has not been touched upon by members of the government. I refer, of course, to the financial stringency which exists at the present moment throughout the Dominion of Canada. We might have very well expected that some light would have been thrown on this subject, and we might also well have expected to hear what measures the government proposed to take in the emergency. There have been various reports in the public press of interviews with the minister of finance on the one hand, in which he is reported to have stated that he had made arrangements with the bankers of the country for facilitating the purchase and transport to the markets of the world of the crops of the northwest, while on the other hand we have had reports that his interview with the bankers was productive only of failure. At any rate whatever may have been the outcome in his mind of these interviews, I can tell him that the crop of the Northwest is not being moved as it should be at the present moment, and that conditions that country are far from what we would wish them to be. The farmer who cannot sell his produce except at a ruinous figure in any case, and the merchant who cannot collect the debts due to him on the one hand, while on the other he finds that his credit is curtailed. And the man who is hard up does not know where to find the money to provide him with the necessities of life or to find the work in order to obtain that money, will not consider the speeches which we have heard from the government in this debate to be in any degree satisfactory. I wish to call the attention of the government to the state of affairs which exists in many parts of the northwest. The hon. member for Portage la Prairie (Mr. Crawford), in speaking the other day gave us a story of prosperity which existed in his own immediate district. We have, of course, similar prosperity in other portions of the Northwest, but I regret to say that the prosperity is not universal. Unfortunately the impression which was conveyed by the speech of the hon. member for Portage la Prairie was to the effect that the whole of the new provinces in the northwest, and that the last crop had been more satisfactory to the producers of that crop than the crop of last year.

We have even seen interviews during the last few days with the premier of Saskatchewan in which the same impression is conveyed. There never was a better promise of a heavy crop throughout certain portions of the country at any rate, than during the present year. But the actual luxuriance of the crops was their undoing. The season was late there, as in many other parts of the world, and unfortunately frost came before the crops were in a condition to be immune from danger. The consequence has been that in some districts you may go out and see some of the finest crops, hundreds and thousands of acres still standing, absolutely uncut, which will never be cut, which have nothing in them. There are many other portions where the crops have been cut, and the farmers feel they would be better off if they never had cut them. But I am speaking more of the grain that is in the farmer's hands at the present, and which they desire to market. There is an extreme amount of difficulty in selling the feed wheat at any price. I had a letter only this morning in which I was told that the price offered for feed wheat at a large centre on the main line of the

company, they let the time for appeal to the Privy Council expire, and the matter was dropped. Mr. Scott in speaking in parliament of the C.P.R. exemption urged that the people of the Northwest Territories would be "crazy" to assume provincial responsibilities till this matter was disposed of. Notwithstanding his former statements and regardless of the manner in which Mr. Haultain has been prodding the government up in the matter only now have they decided that it is time to be up and doing.
The way the case will be taken is a matter of general interest, but the result will be eagerly awaited.

Borden Didn't Know

Montreal, Dec. 15.—The Gazette will tomorrow publish the following letter: "In order to prevent waste of newspaper space which is at present taking place and further speculation, I would like to make the following statement: First, late Hon. A. G. Blair did not know of the purchase of La Presse until five days after that event was consummated and was therefore in no way connected with the deal. Second: I gave a non-political banquet to Hon. Wm. Pugsley at Caladonia Springs, on account of my personal friendship for that gentleman, and in order to advertise property and affect a sale, which I was successful in doing. Third: R. L. Borden did not know of the purchase of La Presse until I accidentally encountered him at the ladies' entrance of the Windsor hotel and informed him. I am in

duty bound to state that Mr. Borden did not appear enthusiastic on this matter and did not even congratulate me. (Signed) David Russell."

PAUL M. BREDT IS PRESIDENT

Regina Exhibition Company Holds Annual Meeting and Elects Officers—Provincial Fair Next Season.

At the annual meeting of the Regina Agricultural and Exhibition Co. held on Monday, President A. T. Hunter retired and the vice-president P. M. Bredt, was elected to the presidential chair by acclamation. It is the object of the exhibition board to hold a provincial fair next season. There was a good attendance at the meeting when President Hunter called order and presented his annual report. Mr. Hunter, referring to last year's fair said that it was undoubtedly the best exhibition ever held here. The exhibits in horses and cattle were particularly good and in many ways the fair was conducted on provincial lines. Regarding the finances it appeared that there was a deficit this year of \$3,000, but it is unfortunate that owing to the exhibition to show a deficit before the city will make a donation. Over one thousand dollars of the deficit was

capital expenditure which can be charged against the company. Mr. Hunter suggested regarding the dates of the fair next year, that they should be arranged so as to get the exhibits enroute to the Dominion fair at Calgary. Referring to his work as president for the last two years, Mr. Hunter said that he felt that he owed it to himself to retire from the presidential chair. He had given the best service he was capable of to the promotion of the Regina exhibition.

Discussing Mr. Hunter's report P. M. Bredt said that regarding the fair dates he might cite his attitude at the recent convention of agricultural society delegates. He was there representing Regina, but when the Regina dates came up for discussion he could not agree to any arrangement for he wanted to be sure of not conflicting with the Dominion fair dates at Calgary, and while dates are well in view, no doubt, they are not announced. It was decided after Mr. Bredt's statement to leave the fixing of the dates to the executive.

The election of officers was then taken up with the following results: President—P. M. Bredt. (Acclamation.)

Vice Pres.—J. C. Pope. (Acclamation.)

Secretary-Treasurer—E. Meadows. (Acclamation.)

Executive—The foregoing officers and A. T. Hunter, H. F. Mytton, P. Cooper, W. M. Williamson, R. H. Tauber, W. G. Pettigall, H. C. Lawson, J. K. Hunter, R. Bourne, J. Kinon, G. Spring-Rice, J. A. Wetmore, A. E. Whitmore, A. B. Cook, S. Beech, S. Loverock, A. Hammond, J. M. Young and F. H. O. Harrison.

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Sedley Organizes

Sedley, Dec. 12.—A Conservative association was organized here yesterday. S. R. Moore of Regina came down to address the party on the issues of the election and organization. The following officers were elected: Hon. Pres.—R. S. Lake, M.P. President—R. W. Stayner. Vice Pres.—Oscar Edwards. Sec. Treas.—H. J. Martin. Executive committee—J. O. Scott, J. A. Becker, J. Monney, J. A. Finell and J. Schlosser together with a vice president for each township. This organization will give a good account of themselves on election day.

TAKES ACTION AT LAST

Government Moves in Matter of C.P.R. Exemption After Being Prodded up by Mr. Haultain

At last, as is announced by the government organ, the Scott administration has decided to take action in the matter of C.P.R. taxation, and if the company refuses to pay taxes on their lands a case will be taken to the courts in 1908. Mr. Haultain has urged the government time and again to take this matter to the courts, but at last after waiting from Sept. 1905 to 1908 they have concluded to do something. It will be remembered that the Dominion government played with this question in the way of a test case before the courts, and when the supreme court of Canada decided in favor of

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THE ECONOMY HOUSE

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**Tells Parliament What
Farmers Are Up Against**

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grades of wheat and the reluctance of grain buyers to pay even those low prices; but there is one reason, which has a considerable bearing on the question, and which it is in the power of the government to remedy. I refer to the lack of transportation facilities. The hon. member for Portage la Prairie (Mr. Crawford) made a complaint regarding the transportation facilities throughout the portion of Manitoba from which he comes. But I can tell him that in Manitoba he can have no conception whatever of what we have to put up with in the provinces further west especially the province of Saskatchewan. The prime minister himself said the other day that he was aware there were complaints that the railways in the new provinces were not properly discharging their duties and he believed that some of the complaints were well founded, and the remedy he suggested was in their control by government and parliament. I hope that the right hon. gentleman will exercise that control. For years past we have had a constant shortage of cars and motive power throughout the northwest. The climax was reached last winter when for months scarcely any part of the crop was moved. Certainly excuses then were to be found in the extreme rigour of that winter, and I for one and other gentlemen, did not deem it a prudent time to take the strenuous action we would have done otherwise. We brought the question before the House and I myself had the assurance as well as others, that the companies were doing everything possible. But while last year there was ground for excuse, there can be none this year. This year the crop is very much smaller and the weather since the harvest has been simply ideal for railway purposes. Yet we find that the condition is nearly as bad in certain parts of the country as it was last year. The condition is such that no one can reckon on getting a car for months after he has ordered it. Consequently there is a great spread between the street price and the car price. If you cannot get your grain into a car you have to take whatever is offered for it by the wagon load or by the car in the street.

The Manitoba Grain Act provides in very considerable detail for the distribution of cars amongst the people who desire to ship wheat but it does not insist—and there is the great matter in which it falls short—on a reasonable number of cars being supplied to meet the demand for transportation facilities; so that today if a grain dealer buys a car load of wheat he cannot be certain of shipping it within six or eight months. With the uncertain market the purchase of wheat then becomes speculative that the dealer naturally does not wish to touch the proposition at all. I found that the spread in the price between the track and car quotations depends to a great extent upon the prospect of getting cars at a certain point. I noticed that where cars were coming in pretty freely the spread between track and street prices was only 12 cents. At the same point two or three weeks earlier, when no cars could be obtained, one of the grain dealers told me that he would not give within 24 cents of the track price for street wheat.

During the last month or two before coming to Ottawa I made a very large number of enquiries regarding this transportation question at many different points and I found that the usual answer I received as to the spread in price between track and street wheat was 20 cents a bushel, and that was entirely due to the fact that the railway companies are not supplying the transportation facilities which they should. At one point where I happened to be on Nov. 7th, I was told there were one hundred and twenty-two applications for cars on the order book and that from the time the first car was supplied on October 17, to the day of my visit, November 7, only some five cars had been supplied by the railway company at that point. I could multiply cases in proof of this, but do not propose to do so. I shall, however, give one specific case which occurred last year which was told me by a gentleman whose name would carry weight in any part of Saskatchewan.

(House took recess 5.30 o'clock.)
After Recess
Mr. Lake.—I was giving the case of a gentleman in the province of Saskatchewan who is well known and whose reputation stands extremely high, and his statement can be accepted as thoroughly reliable. That gentleman told me that last year he had raised a crop of 11,000 bushels and had put that into an elevator on the 15th of September last year. He was unable to ship the whole of the wheat until the 15th of August this year, so it took him eleven months to ship eleven thousand bushels of wheat, although throughout the whole time he was using every endeavor to get the railway companies to carry that wheat for him. He told me further that he only got three cars provided for him in six months and a half, that is to say, although he was anxious to ship his wheat, in six months and a half, all the facilities the railway company could supply him with were only sufficient to ship 3,000 bushels. I stated a little while ago that I did not wish to go into this whole question of transportation at the present time, but later on I wish

to do so. I think I have said enough today to show the government that a very serious condition exists at the present time, and I would urge them in the strongest way to take this question up and see whether something cannot be done to relieve the situation which exists in considerable portions of the new provinces. Navigation has been closed at Fort William, and therefore any wheat which is not shipped out at the present moment and which it is intended to bring down to the east, will have to go by the all rail route.

I am informed that in the province of Ontario there is a great shortage of feed and the farmers have to dispose of their cattle at prices which are absolutely ridiculous, otherwise they would have to allow them to starve for lack of feed. Now I would suggest to the government that they bring these two parties together, bring the man in the northwest who has cheap feed wheat to sell into communication with and in contact with the Ontario farmer who is most anxious to obtain such feed for his cattle. I think this could be done by entering into an agreement with the railway companies which are operating west of Port William and getting them to supply sufficient cars to take feed grain which is offering there and transport that grain by the all rail route, at a reasonably cheap figure. I think the present rates could be cut in two. It would be greatly in the interests of the whole country if this suggestion was adopted. Then the Canadian Pacific railway and other transportation companies could be approached with a view to getting them to transport this feed grain of cheap grades to the eastern provinces. I do not think we need go far to find a precedent for the government taking such action as this. It will be remembered by this house that at a time not long passed when the farmers of Nova Scotia were in straits for want of food, the government stepped in and granted them transportation for hay, I believe practically free. Immediate action is called for, and I trust the government will not let this opportunity go by. I notice the statement has been definitely made that the government is assisting the banks with money to do business in the Northwest. If that is true, though we have not had it so stated in the House, the government should certainly go one step further and make arrangements with the railway companies in the manner I have suggested.

There is another question affecting the Northwest that I wish to impress upon the members of the government, and that is the absolute necessity of looking after some of the newly arrived settlers in that country. The government is under some special responsibility with regard to the large number of immigrants who have recently come into that country. The government control the whole of the public domain, they control immigration, they are responsible for all the regulations under which these immigrants are permitted to take up land; they have encouraged the immigrants to come in and settle on homesteads, they are also responsible for the pamphlets which have been spread broadcast encouraging them to come into this country; therefore I say that the government are under a special responsibility in regard to these immigrants. In the past the custom has been that the merchants and business men have practically carried the newcomer through the first year or two of settlement. I do not suppose one man in six who comes into that country to settle, has enough money to build his house, buy his implements and stock, and secure the necessities of life for the first two or three years, and to enable him to produce sufficient to keep his wife and family. In the past the merchants have been able to give credit to those who they believed were likely to succeed in that country. At the present time the condition is changed. The merchants themselves have to rely upon the credit which they have from the banks of the east, and if that credit is very largely closed down by the banks and business men of the east, they will no longer be able to give credit to the new settlers. I very much fear that many of the new settlers who have not been long enough in the country to get themselves fairly established may be up against a very difficult proposition during the present winter. Many of them may be short of food and fuel for themselves and seed to put in their crop in the spring. In the past the local merchants have generally seen to that part of it, and if the credit of the local merchants were such at the present time that they were able to take charge of the newer settlements I feel quite sure that they could safely be left in their hands. But I think it would be the part of good statesmanship for the government to see that the merchants of the Northwest are put in as good a position, as they have been in the past to look after the new settlers who have come into the country. I believe that if it had not been for the way in which the merchants of the Northwest have carried the newer settlers when they came into that country we should have had very few people in the west at the present time. They could not have stayed there and the conditions yet are very much as they were in the old days when we had so many difficulties to contend with in the way of early frosts and drought.

Now, Sir, in my opinion, it would have been more commendable if the members of the government had gone

into these financial questions more closely in speaking during this debate rather than to have branched out into political campaign speeches and an eloquent glorification of the prosperity of the country and of the share which they stated they had in bringing about that condition. I have been very much struck by the way in which members of the government as well as their followers, have arrogated to themselves the whole credit for the prosperity which undoubtedly this country has been enjoying during the last few years. The hon. Postmaster General (Mr. Lemieux) distributed to the members of this House copies of a speech which he had delivered, I think, in the town of Aurora not very long ago, and I was very much struck by the language he used in regard to the present prosperity of the country. This is what he said in one particular part of his speech:

"Much as we owe to Divine Providence, one must realize, however, that the general policy of the reform government, which was entrusted with the affairs of this country in 1896, has added not a little to that happy state of things. While it is unnecessary for me to dwell at length on the cause of this prosperity, yet it is but fair to remind you that the fiscal policy of the Liberal administration has given the farming community of Canada the good times which it is your happy lot to enjoy."

It will be noted that the Postmaster General did allow that a certain amount of credit was due to Providence for the good times which this country has been enjoying in the past but it remained for a follower of his the hon. member for Portage la Prairie (Mr. Crawford) to take quite an opposite view, to refuse to give any credit at all to Providence for these good times, and to ascribe the whole of it to the way the Liberal administration has been carrying on the affairs of the country. This is what the hon. member for Portage la Prairie says:

"The hon. gentlemen think that Providence has more to do with our success than anything else, but in my experience I have found that Providence was of very little use to me or the people I have had to deal with. Providence is, of course, all right in a way, but my experience is that where success and prosperity exist, it is to be found among the people who help themselves, and use energy and effort. Providence, I think, plays a very little part."

Machinery Ordered

Saskatoon, Dec. 15.—Preparations are being made to start work at the new coal mine in the Eagle Lake district. The outfit is already. J. J. Davies, superintendent of mines, Regina, who examined the mine, states the prospect is excellent and the deposit will supply the country for a large radius. Fifteen teams with material leave today. It is expected the first coal will be mined about February 1st. Two carloads of machinery have been ordered for the mine, about a hundred miles west.

Protests to Government

At a recent meeting of the council of L.L.D. 11-B-2, Llewellyn, Sask., the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas the population of Canada has outgrown her commercial opportunities, therefore many of our people are suffering from lack of money, transportation facilities, coal, etc.; be it resolved that we ask the Dominion government to quit for the present expending money anywhere except in Great Britain and the United States of America."

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Statement of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Year Ending 30th November, 1917

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, brought forward from last year.....	\$108,568.43
Net profit for the year ending 30th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts.....	1,759,349.67
	\$1,867,918.10
Which has been appropriated as follows:	
Dividends Nos. 20, 21, 22 and 23, at eight per cent. per annum.....	360,000.00
Written off Bank Premises.....	350,000.00
Transferred to Pension Fund (annual contribution).....	30,000.00
Balance carried forward.....	677,918.10
	\$1,867,918.10

ASSETS	
Notes of the Bank in circulation.....	\$9,283,769.68
Deposits not bearing interest.....	\$80,951,271.85
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date.....	60,089,786.15
	\$7,044,827.68
Deposits due to other Banks in Canada.....	155,489.78
Deposits due to other Banks in foreign countries.....	1,878,791.12
Dividends unpaid.....	1,208.44
Capital paid up.....	\$10,000,000.00
Reserve.....	5,000,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward.....	677,918.10
	\$118,688,528.63

LIABILITIES	
Notes of the Bank in circulation.....	\$9,283,769.68
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Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date.....	60,089,786.15
	\$7,044,827.68
Deposits due to other Banks in Canada.....	155,489.78
Deposits due to other Banks in foreign countries.....	1,878,791.12
Dividends unpaid.....	1,208.44
Capital paid up.....	\$10,000,000.00
Reserve.....	5,000,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward.....	677,918.10
	\$118,688,528.63

Wheat Tests
Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The following is the full report of the seed commissioner G. H. Clark in regard to the germination tests of 1917 crop of wheat, oats and barley for the provinces of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. "Directly following the severe autumn frosts in the latter part of August and early in September, which occurred in districts in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the officers of the seed branch of the Dominion department of agriculture, who are located at Winnipeg, Regina and Calgary, visited most of the districts where frost had been reported for the purpose of ascertaining the extent of the damage done. In many districts only a portion of the grain had been cut, but the evidence of the damage by frost made clear the necessity for a more thorough investigation of its effects on the vitality of the seed grain, particularly of the seed oats and barley, in those districts where frost had been known to occur."

"As the work of threshing proceeded samples were collected from time to time and many letters were sent to representative farmers in the various districts requesting that samples of their best grain be sent to Ottawa seed laboratory for germination test. Farmers in Alberta were requested to send samples to the seed laboratory at Calgary which was established there about a year ago. The statement herewith includes only a summary report of the percentage vitality of those samples that have been received at Ottawa seed laboratory up to Dec. 9th."

Manitoba Wheat
"Sixteen samples of wheat were received from the southern portion of the province of Manitoba. Although many of them show evidence of being slightly frosted, the germination test was on the whole fairly satisfactory. Only three of the samples show a

germinating test of less than seventy per cent. in four days, two of which samples were from Minnedosa, and one from Morden. Samples of wheat are now being received at the seed laboratory from the more northern districts of Manitoba.

Saskatchewan Wheat
"One hundred and three samples of wheat were tested from the province of Saskatchewan. Forty of the 103 samples gave a germination test of less than 70 per cent. in four days. These forty samples came from the Battleford and Lloydminster districts from Langenburg, Churebridge and other points on the Yorkton line, and from the district ranging between Broadview on the east and Regina on the west, and north of Abernethy on the Pheasant Hills branch. On the whole it would appear from the germination tests of seed wheat that both the provinces of Manitoba and Saskatchewan will have an abundant supply for next year's seeding, and in a few districts only will it be necessary for the farmers to bring in seed from a distance. Any wheat that has remained in store from the crop of 1916 will be preferable for seed to the 1917 crop, provided that it is equally clean."

QUEEN CAROLA DYING

Dresden, Dec. 18.—The condition of Queen Carola, widow of King Albert of Saxony, who is suffering from nephritis, is hopeless. The last sacraments have been administered.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Carlyle, Sask., Dec. 13.—John McVain, who was struck by a freight engine last week, passed away at the age of 73. He had been conscious since the accident, but at times was delirious and never rallied from the shock.

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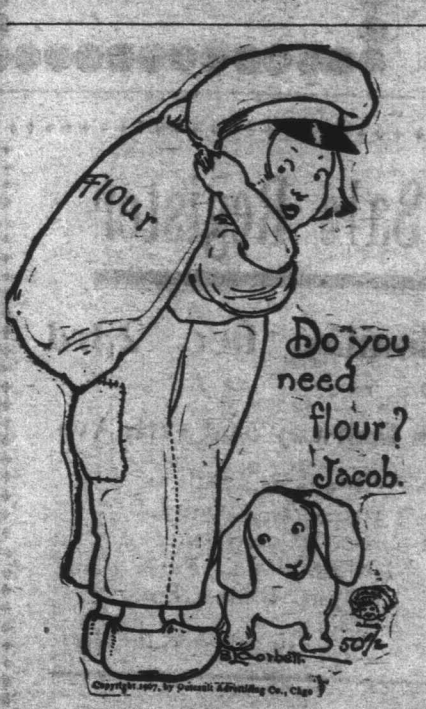
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FARMERS THE National Association Against High

The annual convention cultural societies of Saskatchewan in Trades Hall here day last. Mr. Bracken, president of fairs and institutions, the object of the convention was to make more effective of the agricultural societies in arranging a series of events satisfactory both to the public and the department.

In reviewing the work of the year, Mr. Bracken cited the beginning of the year the societies and now there were 25 live stock judges. Another branch of work operative experiments, which had not yet been a number of seed experiments been carried out was as wheat 28; clovers 25; corn 28; rape 15; alfalfa 8; eight societies had taken 28 in fields of standing wheat. Two societies had 44 and 44 were held in the societies. On the who had been very satisfied department. Mr. Bracken closing suggestions were: (1) purely agricultural feature exhibition prominent, letting attraction of any character of them; (2) develop the department.

The reports of the various societies were taken up at the respective societies. The showed that the societies prosperous condition and charging their functions in a satisfactory manner.

Evening Sitting
At the evening session Mr. Smith tendered an address. His address was on the importance of farmers among important gatherings of the expenditure made by the exhibition buildings.

Ald. Sinton, president of the Saskatchewan Stock Breeding Society, dealt with the relation of the live stock societies and the live stock. The speaker advocated more societies should be organized and he thought that the societies should take up the live stock factor in the past in breeding and the co-operation of two branches of agriculture to have successful mutual interests.

T. N. Willing of the de agriculture took up the and illustrated with the Hessian fly had been parts of the country—Manitoba boundary and Gophers are becoming districts, but in the call are gradually being exterminated. One of the gr is the common house-fly, responsible for much of the country. They breed in and in manure. One letter was found to contain maggots of this fly. T. N. Willing advocated common hawks exist, as much vermin. One English sparrow which in this country within the years and is increasing fast becoming a pest and necessary to take steps to exterminate them. Mr. Willing the farmers to co-operate in their work. In its work this there would be better diversified farming.

Mr. Motherwell addressed the convention on diversified farming did not mean mixed farming to grain and stock. He believes that only cereals are adapted to stock raising in the north of the province. However, the coarse grain can be more successfully than and year out. Farm play out for it is found in Regina district is better after twenty-five years can be grown successfully line he has seen some

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FARMERS WILL EXTEND THEIR ORGANIZATION

National Association Their Next Move—Protest Against Higher Tariff—Important Conventions Resolutions

The annual convention of the agricultural societies of Saskatchewan met in Trades Hall here on Wednesday last. Mr. Braeken, superintendent of fairs and institutes spoke on the object of the convention which was to make more effective the work of the agricultural societies and co-operation in arranging a program of events satisfactory both to the people and the department of agriculture.

In reviewing the work of organization, Mr. Braeken cited that at the beginning of the year there were 48 societies and now there were 59. Fifty-one exhibitions were held last season. 25 live stock judging competitions were held.

Another branch of work was the co-operative experiments, reports of which had not yet been received. The number of seed experiments that had been carried out was as follows: fall wheat 26; clovers 25; grasses 26; corn 28; rape 15; alfalfa 26. Twenty-eight societies had taken up competitions in fields of standing grain, and there were 238 entries in respect of wheat. Two societies had competitions in oats, with eight entries. Perhaps the most important matter undertaken by societies concerned the seed fairs, 21 having been held last winter and before the present winter is over 41 will have taken place. Last year approximately \$33,000 was paid in prizes by agricultural societies, excluding the sums devoted to sports. Up to the present time the farmers' institute work had not been as satisfactory as it might have been, but he believed that with more co-operation between officers of agricultural societies and the officers of the department it could be made a very much more valuable feature than it had been. Of about 185 farmers' institute meetings held in the province, the department supplied speakers for 88, 41 and 44 were held independent of the societies. On the whole the work had been very satisfactory to the department. Mr. Braeken's two concluding suggestions were: (1) keep the purely agricultural features of the exhibition prominent, letting no other attraction of any character overshadow them; (2) develop the institute department.

The reports of the various associations were taken up and the delegates covered the operations of their respective societies. These reports showed that the societies are in a prosperous condition and are discharging their functions in a very satisfactory manner.

Evening Sitting
At the evening session, Mayor Smith tendered an address of welcome. His worship regarded the convention of farmers amongst the most important gatherings of the province. He called attention to the generous expenditure made by the city in exhibition buildings.

Ald. Sinton, president of the Saskatchewan Stock Breeders association dealt with the relations of the societies and the live stock interests. The speaker advocated mixed farming and he thought that the agricultural societies should take up the question of the most suitable breeds of cattle. The associations have been a big factor in the past in aiding stock breeding and the co-operation of the two branches of agriculture is bound to have successful mutual results.

Insects
T. N. Willing of the department of agriculture took up the insect pests and illustrated with lanterns. The Hessian fly had been working in parts of the country between the Manitoba boundary and Moose Jaw. Gophers are becoming plentiful in districts, but in the cultivated areas are gradually being exterminated. The poison process in the spring is the best means to deal with their destruction. One of the greatest pests is the common house-fly which is responsible for much of the typhoid in the country. They breed around closets and in manure. One pound of the latter was found to contain 1,200 maggots of this fly. Turning to birds Mr. Willing advocated letting the common hawks exist, as they destroy much vermin. One nuisance is the English sparrow which has come into this country within the last fifty years and is increasing rapidly, and fast becoming a pest and it may be necessary to take steps to exterminate them. Mr. Willing appealed to the farmers to co-operate with the department in its work. In doing this there would be better results.

Diversified Farming
Mr. Motherwell addressed the convention on diversified farming. He did not mean mixed farming as applied to grain and stock raising. He believes that only certain districts are adapted to stock raising, such as the country in the northern part of the province. However, on the prairie coarse grain can be grown much more successfully than wheat year in and year out. Farm land will not play out for it is found that the land in Regina district is better than ever after twenty-five years' use. It can be grown successfully on the Soo line he has seen some splendid record

tion at a point central to this province, at which farmers may have their seed tested free of charge.

Terminal Elevators
Moved by Mr. Kidd, seconded by Mr. Jaxon, that:

"In the opinion of this meeting the conditions of the grain trade in western Canada demand that the elevators, both terminal and local, should be under direct public control and operation, that the producer may be enabled to reap the just reward of his labor, and to the great good of the community."

An amendment was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that owing to the importance of this matter the question be left over for the present. The amendment carried.

Seed Grain
In resuming in the afternoon, the resolutions prepared by the resolution committee not previously dealt with were taken up, the first being one bearing on the question of seed grain, which was as follows:

Moved by Mr. Jaxon, seconded by Mr. Mitchell and carried:
"Whereas, it is highly desirable as a means towards maintaining the high reputation which has justly been attained by our province for the quality of the cereals that our farmers use the best possible seed and should therefore be assisted to this end in cases where the farmer absolutely needs such assistance in good faith and through temporary inability to otherwise obtain sufficient seed of a desirable quality."

"And whereas it would be extremely difficult for the provincial agricultural department to acquire in all cases that detailed information which would protect the public treasury from mis-use of the assistance tendered; and whereas it is also evident that such protection can be provided by legislation which shall place the responsibility of recommendation upon the agricultural society (where such a body exists) and the burden of possible financial loss upon the taxing district (where such a body exists) in which is located the land for which the seed grain is required, and which shall provide that the price of the grain be a charge upon the land for which the grain is obtained, the same to be collected as a tax during a suitable term of years."

"Be it therefore resolved that this convention hereby recommend to the government of the province that at the coming session of the provincial legislature, legislation be introduced for the effecting of the above specified end within the limitations suggested."

Government Subsidy
Moved by Mr. Dynes, seconded by Mr. Craig, and carried:

"Whereas it is the desire of many agricultural societies connected with this convention to hold seed grain fairs early in the coming year; and whereas it will in many such cases work hardship or embarrassment if the payment of the government subsidy toward such fairs shall be delayed until after the return of next year's annual crop;

"Be it therefore resolved that this convention hereby requests the government of the province of Saskatchewan to arrange for the payment of subsidies referred to immediately upon the filing with the department of agriculture of the usual declaration regarding such fairs by the secretary of the society holding the same."

Institute Meetings
Moved by A. W. Thompson, seconded by Jas. Ritchie, and carried:
"Whereas, the holding of farmers' institute meetings is a very efficient and important means toward the spread of exact and scientific knowledge of agriculture, and towards keeping farmers in active touch with those progressive methods which are being developed by modern investigation and which must not be neglected if our province is to be held in that prominent position, which with proper management, should result from the natural richness of the soil;

"Be it therefore resolved that this convention recommend to the government of the province of Saskatchewan that the maximum number of institute meetings subsidized by the provincial government shall be increased from two to four annually."

Provincial Fair
The matter of a provincial fair was brought up on resolution, but was left over for the present, the opinion being that the government should not promote a provincial fair.

For Low Tariff
Moved by Mr. Jaxon, seconded by Mr. Nichols, and carried:

"Whereas it is notorious that the manufacturing interests of Eastern Canada are taking steps to secure legislation whereby they will be enabled to increase the already exorbitant prices which those interests are exacting from the consuming community, especially the farmers of the west;

"Be it therefore resolved that this convention places on record its severe condemnation of any such special legislation as that which is reported as about to be introduced."

Transportation
Moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Osler, and carried:

"That as great financial loss has been experienced year by year, by the farmers of this province on account of the failure of the railway transportation to meet the public needs, especially in grain, coal and cattle;

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of the enormous public assistance given to railways, the parliament of Canada take active steps to exercise some more direct public control of railway transportation than has hitherto been the case."

Farmers' National Association
One of the most important steps taken by the convention was the adoption of the resolution moved by Mr. Nichol, seconded by Mr. Mitchell. "Whereas farmers are producers of the necessities of life and deserve a suitable reward for their labors, and whereas they have no control over the prices they receive for their produce, or the prices they pay for what they purchase;

"And whereas, under present conditions, the middlemen and transportation companies obtain an undue share of the wealth produced by the farmer;

"And whereas, the agricultural community have not that influence and power in the public life of the country that its importance demands and that the best interests of the country require;

"Therefore be it resolved that it is essential in the best interests to the farmers of Canada that a national farmers association embracing the whole country be organized at the earliest possible moment so as to protect and advance the interests of agriculture on all legitimate lines and this convention of agricultural societies strongly recommends the formation of such organization, and would impress upon the attention of all local and provincial agricultural associations the necessity of at once taking definite steps to accomplish such an object."

The mover stated that the association would be to the farmers what the Canadian Manufacturers' association was to the capitalists of Canada.

"Mr. Jaxon supported this warmly, and urged the farmers to organize along their own lines for mutual protection.

Hudson's Bay Port
A very important resolution regarding the extension of Manitoba's boundaries to the Hudson's Bay was moved by Mr. Jaxon, but was unfortunately defeated. It was as follows: "Whereas the boundaries of Manitoba will be so extended as to invest that province with a monopoly of the shore and seaports of Hudson's Bay and of the routes of access thereto, with the result that the producers residing in Manitoba's sister provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan and Athabasca will be shut out from exercising their rightful share of influence and control over what is conceded to be the most direct and economical channel of communication and transport between these provinces and the outside world, therefore, this convention of representatives of the province of Saskatchewan places itself on record as being distinctly opposed to any legislation which shall shut out any of these sister provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Athabasca and Manitoba from their rightful share of control and influence over the chief national highway of commerce for the products of the northwest at large."

Mr. Nichol opposed the motion and Mr. Ketchen thought that it favored of politics. Mr. Green considered that the provincial government should deal with this matter, and he was of the impression that they have taken it up at Ottawa. The motion lost by 20 votes to 11.

Other Motions
Resolved that the act regarding agricultural societies be amended to permit of the payment of a grant of money paid out in prizes by agricultural societies for a seed judging competition.

"Resolved that this convention places on record its deep sense of appreciation of the courtesy and conscientious care which has been displayed and exercised in connection with this meeting of the agricultural societies of the province by the officers and members of the provincial department of agriculture, and that the same recognition be hereby extended to the citizens of Regina, and its public spirited mayor, J. W. Smith."

Mr. Miller's Address
John Miller, secretary of the Grain Growers' association, gave an address on "How the Agricultural Society may Assist the Grain Grower." He advocated the establishment of a farmers' library in each district. The farmer needs education. The country

should be well protected against noxious weeds. On the subject of agricultural fairs, Mr. Miller thought that the greatest care should be exercised in attractions at exhibitions. The moral tone of these fairs should be maintained. Mr. Miller advocated the reduction of the through rate on feed grain, he thought the railway companies should do this.

Other Speakers
Mr. Mitchell of Grenfell spoke on the successful conduct of country fairs, and George Harcourt, deputy minister of agriculture in Alberta addressed the gathering on "How to make the farmers' institute successful in western Canada." Principal Black of Manitoba agricultural college extended greetings from that province. At the evening meeting Geo. Harcourt again spoke on several features of farm life. When he concluded it was too late for Mr. Ketchen's address, and after passing resolutions of thanks to the government and the city the convention adjourned.

The Delegates
Abernethy—John Steuck.
Alameda—E. Johnston.
Bladworth—R. L. Ramsay.
Broadview—F. Dash.
Chilwood—Honore J. Jaxon.
Creelman—W. H. Black.
Crak—A. J. Allman.
Cardwell—A. E. Well.
Dobne—C. Cart.
Buck Lake—Norman Craig.
Davidson—D. B. Keeler, A. J. Robertson.

Fort Qu'Appelle—Jas. Armistron.
Francis—Wm. Dynes.
Fairmeade—R. L. Kidd.
Central Sask.—R. W. Caswell.
Grenfell—J. Mitchell and Jno. Nichols.
Gainsboro—Wm. Taylor.
Hanley—D. Campbell.
Indian Head—Andrew Dickson, and S. H. Edwards.
Lloydminster—H. Hill.
Langham—Thos. Sales.
Lashburn—B. Harding, and F. W. T. Smith.

Lipton—C. F. Wood.
Mortlach—Robt. Arnold.
Milestone—Jas. Ritchie.
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Raddisson—G. A. Oles.
Salcoats—Jas. K. Millar.
Saskatoon—J. M. Caswell.
Santaluta—A. J. Quigley, and Jas. Ewart.
South Qu'Appelle—Wm. Hanley.
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Discovery of Father's Body
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Wapella, Sask., Dec. 12.—The remains of Mr. Alex. Calder, who wandered away from his home on July 30th, last year, were found three miles west of the homestead on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd, by Mr. Thomas Jones, who accidentally came upon the body while deer hunting. The remains were identified by parts of the clothing and Coroner Bird, of Whitewood, after visiting the scene decided that an inquest was not necessary. A very sad feature in connection with the affair was that Miss Calder, a daughter, was lying close to death's door when the body was found, and her illness, together with the shock upon receiving the news, proved too much for her and she passed away early Thursday morning. The remains of the father and daughter were interred in the Wapella cemetery on Saturday, a large number of sorrowing friends following the funeral cortege to the grave.

Mr. Dagger, of Regina, government telephone expert, was in town last week looking up the telephone situation with a view to taking over the local line and establishing the first government telephone system in the province. The Wapella company is the only local concern operating in Saskatchewan and if negotiations, as outlined by Mr. Dagger, are completed, the system will be taken over and a rural system established connecting Wapella with all districts surrounding it. The plans of the surrounding townships are now being gone over by the government expert and we hope to see the scheme carried through.

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Mistaken Policy

We believe it to be a mistaken policy for the Convention of Agricultural Society delegates in this province to regard the question of a national port on Hudson's Bay as a matter outside their jurisdiction to discuss.

The convention of agricultural society delegates is a provincial institution; the transportation interests of this province affects the farmers more closely than perhaps any other interests in the country and it will be a decided detriment to the producers of this province if in the legislation providing for the extension of Manitoba's boundaries there is no provision to secure the same transportation rights for this province to tide water on the Bay as is assured to any other province or provinces.

Mr. Green submitted in opposing Mr. Jaxon's resolution that the government has gone on record with regard to a Hudson's Bay port. The provincial government, however, has not taken the people of this province into their confidence in regard to their policy on this question, and the leader of the government is absent at a time when the people of Saskatchewan would like to know that when the legislation comes before parliament our interests will not suffer. Knowing how our provincial rights have been abandoned on other occasions by its professed friends, we are disposed to disagree with the majority of the delegates of the convention as to the wisdom of leaving this question to the politicians, when the matter of transportation is so urgent.

Port Churchill is a natural outlet for our products and at least that port should be nationalised, and with regard to this matter the farmers of Saskatchewan in convention should have expressed an opinion.

General Hail Tax

A general tax of one cent an acre over the whole province to cover disbursements for hail losses is the policy advocated by one adventurous local improvement district, known as 8-H-2. That council would have the scheme worked out conjointly with the cent an acre tax for under the supplementary revenue act, and would tax every acre of land in the province.

The policy is not only bad in principle, but it will not attain the object aimed at without bearing equally on the just and unjust, and in that respect would be on a par with Mr. Calder's tax bill. In the first place, the whole province should not be taxed to pay hail insurance on a small area of the province which happens to be in the path of a hail storm. The people who were hailed out this year and were insured received far more money out of their crop than hundreds of farmers who missed the hail, but who were caught by the frost against which there is

no insurance. It would be manifestly unfair for the farmers who lost their crop through frost and who are without recourse for damages to have to pay one cent an acre to the farmers in another district who lost their crop through hail and who could take the precaution of avoiding a total loss by insuring.

In the second place the speculators would not pay any more than the resident farmers, and the ranching districts could not be expected to pay hail tax which they could not get any benefit from. The scheme is very unsound and will never work out. We can, however, account for a proposition of this kind coming from a community of farmers who swallowed Mr. Calder's cent an acre tax scheme, and doing so without reasoning the matter out, excuses to some extent the rash step taken with regard to the hail tax.

Standing Together

That the farmers of Saskatchewan through their delegates at the annual convention of last week passed a resolution co-operating with the farmers of the east in protesting to parliament against granting the requests of the Canadian Manufacturers Association for increased protection, is a matter of some note.

This is one of the years when the farmers begin to realise what a burden it is to pay heavy indirect taxation. The people of Canada are paying in customs taxes today three times what they did eleven years ago, while the population has increased only one-fifth. Some \$40.00 per family each year is too much to take out of the farmer, and yet the manufacturers are not satisfied. The western Conservatives brought in a tariff amendment last year to reduce the rate on agricultural implements to ten per cent, but the Liberals voted it down. We are glad that the farmers have taken a stand against the demands of the manufacturers who had the government sufficiently under their thumb to compel their support to defeat the resolution of the western Conservatives.

The farmers convention should have been just as emphatic with regard to the Hudson's Bay port.

Temperance Reform

There is plenty of room to differ with the decision arrived at by the moral and social reform and temperance conference which met here last week and resolved to go all the way regarding prohibition of the liquor traffic. We believe that the policy of the Presbyterian body was not only sound principle, but good policy. The step is so great between present conditions and that aimed at by the reform workers that it is absolutely impossible for them to make good. The government regulates the liquor traffic today but does not control it

and if they were to assume control many of the evils surrounding the traffic would be eliminated. The temperance conference sat in the city at the same time as the liquor men of the province were in session, and there is no doubt that the latter were satisfied with the verdict of the conference to fight for prohibition instead of the control of the liquor traffic by the government. We do not think that the cause of temperance has been advanced by reason of the decision of the conference. As far as local option goes that is one of the worst features of the temperance movement. The stuff that is always available in prohibition towns is nothing short of poison, and while there may not be as much drinking apparent as there is under the bar system there will not be prohibition. The temperance movement, like any other reform, must be accomplished a step at a time and the labor delegates who were at the conference realise that. They are in closer touch with the conditions of life than the ministers are, for the latter look on from afar, and prohibition will always be in the distance as long as its advocates insist on reaching the goal in one lone stride.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The farmers are to be commended for taking a forward step with regard to a national organisation. The move should have been made before, and the agricultural societies, the grain growers and the stock breeders associations should all be auxiliary organisations. The conditions are such that the farmers must get together. If, however, they unite as other industries do, they will be the strongest organisation in Canada.

The local government organ endeavors to show the western farmers that Mr. Borden is a high protectionist, and the government wishes the manufacturing interests to know that Mr. Borden is a low tariff advocate. It is very difficult to please some people. Here is what Mr. Fielding said, in parliament a few days ago:

"These gentlemen opposite abandoned adequate protection and accepted the tariff policy of this government. Never was there a more complete surrender to the government in regard to the fiscal policy than that which took place when the last revised tariff was brought down. Hon. gentlemen opposite had no desire to continue the discussion; they were ready to close the debate and go on with other business, and if there was a tariff debate at all it was because some hon. gentlemen on this side thought they would like to avail themselves of the opportunity to speak on the question. But it is not only in parliament that hon. gentlemen opposite have abandoned the tariff question; it is not only here that they have flung adequate protection to the winds."

PRESS COMMENTS

(From Weyburn Herald)
 Halbrite, May 18, 1907.
 Fred Richards
 Sir:—I have been informed you are finding fault with the Government Re the Small Pok cases I want to inform you if we hear any more of your foolish talk we are going to get yourself in trouble for we will not stand such foolish talk from you. Smart Alex like you Mr. Hanson told me there is five hundred at coal at his place for you. Ordered this weather you take it or not else you want to keep quiet or you will find the government no play thing. Some of you Americans want to know that and you will know it dearly some of these times we will charge you for this coal and you will pay it also.
 Yours truly,
 W. S. White,
 Justice of the peace.

In a previous issue we endorsed a certain appointment made by the Scott government. The above letter is the work of another appointee. W. S. White received the appointment of Justice of the Peace as a reward for political services and it seems from the tone of this remarkable communication that the government could not have clearly defined his duties to him. As the Toronto News remarked he seemed to attempt to inculcate a love of British institutions in all his commercial transactions, keeping before the American settlers of Halbrite the mighty power of the government wielded through him. White's literary compositions are not models of clearness, but we should judge from the letter that he should judge from the letter that he wishes to impress upon our American settlers that he is the Scott government's Czar of the Halbrite district. They must not express any views except those furnished by the govern-

ment through their Halbrite representative. Could Mr. White, J.P., possibly be a great Canadian patriot seeking to impress upon the American settlers the majesty of the Canadian law and the integrity and disinterestedness of its officials? He must be, for he even uses his official position in his private business. He will permit no treason in the Halbrite district and points out the awful penalty of the crime of "talking against the government."

Mr. White, Justice of the Peace, is an appointee of the Scott government. Does the government assume the responsibility for his acts? If they continue him in his position we are justified in assuming that they endorse his insulting methods toward a greater portion of the people, of not only the Halbrite district, but of many other parts of Saskatchewan.

Are our American settlers to be harassed and insulted by ignorant officials of the government? Are they to be classed with the ignorant foreigners of Southern Europe? The retention of Mr. White in his position will justify us in assuming that this is the attitude of the Scott government.

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AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE

Canada to Withdraw the Subsidy—Helping "All Red Route" Scheme

Vancouver, Dec. 13.—The action of the Dominion government in deciding not to renew the subsidy of the Canadian-Australian mail service when it expires next August, is looked on by the business men here as a step to force Australia to a recognition of the rights of Canada to preferential treatment, or, at least equal treatment with other countries.

It is believed here by well informed people, that unless an arrangement is made to re-subsidize the Vancouver-Sydney service, that a line of steamships will again be established between San Francisco and Sydney. It is known that powerful interests in Sydney are at work to bring it about and it is recognised, that without a subsidy the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, at present operating the service would not continue. Interested persons express the opinion that the present move in Ottawa, is intended to aid Lord Strathcona and Hon. Clifford Sifton in promoting their "All Red" scheme in England, as well as bringing the Australian government to time.

PITCH IN RESULTED

Carlton Place, Ont. Dec. 13.—A pitch in occurred on the C.P.R. yesterday afternoon when the first section of the eastbound Winnipeg express crashed into a freight standing on the main line half a mile from here. The signal against the express was not seen until too late. The freight was badly wrecked and took fire, the town brigade being called out. The passengers were thrown about and cut and bruised. In the dining car two waiters were shot over a table and cut with broken glass. Conductor Cameron and Engineer Dwyer were in charge of the express.

ROBLIN ON TIGHT MONEY

Manitoba Premier Says Balance of Trade Against Canada is an Injury—Should not have to Import Farm Produce

Portage la Prairie, Dec. 13.—The first annual meeting of the industrial exhibition this evening, proved a very successful affair. At a banquet held the principal speakers were Premier Roblin and Edward Brown, the leader of the Opposition, who was defeated at the last election. Mr. Roblin said that the country suffered, not from hard times, but from a surplus of prosperity. The balance of trade was so heavily against us that a restriction must result, and Canada, both great and small, had been spending more than its financial basis warranted.

Coming to the local causes he pointed out that Manitoba, as an agricultural country imported vegetables from the south, also butter and other things, and in view of these conditions, and the large area yet to be cultivated, if there was a stringency in Manitoba, it was because of the neglect to produce all we consume,

and there should be an organised effort made to combat this.

Mayor Brown among other things, said that the association must be run on sound lines financially. He dwelt on the educational value of the work to the country at large. Speaking of the money stringency, he thought that the policy of the banks was the essence of wisdom and was disappointed that they had not grasped the pruning knife then. There was nothing in the situation to feel bad about, and he would not be surprised that in a few years the present stringency was not spoken of as a blessing in disguise.

A Third Party

Calgary, Dec. 15.—After a lively discussion occupying nearly the entire session on Saturday afternoon, the delegates to the Alberta labor unions and the farmers' society decided to adopt the name and platform of the Socialist party of Canada by a vote of 37 to 9. The opinion of many delegates was that the platform should be adopted, but under another name, but when it came to voting they switched with the above result. The Socialists expect to have two candidates in southern Alberta and probably two in northern. The officers elected were: Executive council A. Henderson, president; G. Howell, secretary; W. J. Brown and J. Harrison, all of Calgary, McCormick of Lethbridge; C. W. Springfield, Edmonton, and J. Leheny of Coleman, organizer.

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Local and General

Mr. and Mrs. Legrow of Lajord were in the city Thursday last.

D. H. Donaldson of Bethune was in the city over Sunday.

Geo. Ens, M.L.A. was in the city last week.

H. M. Cherry, of Calgary, was in the city this week renewing acquaintances.

W. T. Hawker, the popular C.P.R. yardmaster has gone east to spend Christmas with his family.

Hon. A. Turgeon returned last evening from Prince Albert where he spent a few days with his family.

E. L. Olson of Kinistino, travelling salesman for the J. I. Case Co., was in the city Tuesday.

J. M. Young who has been confined to his home through illness is able to be around again.

The federal parliament when it adjourns tomorrow will stand adjourned till Jan. 8th.

Mr. MacGlashen, of the Hutchinson-MacGlashen Co., has returned from the south and has entered upon his architectural work here.

E. M. Tracksell has returned from the coast where he left Mrs. Tracksell for the winter. He has gone east on business for their new firm.

The board of trade will hold a general meeting tomorrow evening when the report of the tariff committee will be received dealing with the new railway tariff schedule.

Ald. Thos. Wilkinson and wife have gone to Grand Rapids, Mich., being called there by the death of her father, W. B. Holman, a well known capitalist of that city.

Engineer Hinchey, charged with manslaughter, has been admitted to bail himself in \$5,000, and two sureties at \$2,500 each. The case will come up at the next sitting of the supreme court.

In order that the Regina Relief Society may send Christmas cheer this year they call on the generous public to send donations to St. Paul's church school room on Tuesday morning, December 24th, where hampers will be made up and distributed.

The Regina Relief Society are in need of a quantity of children's clothing which will be thankfully acknowledged if sent to 2163 McIntyre Street.

Ed. Morris, the C.N.R. fireman who was picked up in the yards here Thursday evening died in the hospital Friday. Deceased was struck by the westbound local. His wife and family live in Winnipeg.

The National Manufacturing Co., dealing in cream separators, steel ranges, weigh scales, etc., have located in the new Smith block on Rose street. W. H. Scott is the local manager.

The 16th Mounted Rifles will give an elaborate ball in the King's hotel on Friday evening next. Those who wish to procure tickets may do so from any member of the committee.

Thos. Sales of Langham who was a delegate to the convention of agricultural society delegates gave The West a call on Friday. Mr. Sales returned home Saturday.

The concert in Rae street Methodist Church Monday evening was most successful. Mayor Smith occupied the chair. The program was as follows: Chairman's address, orchestra, solo, Miss Connoley, reading, Mrs. A. D. Wright, piano duet, Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, address, Rev. C.W. Brown, solo, Mr. Flowers, violin solo, Mr. Stockins, address, Rev. Van Tilton, cornet solo, Mr. Sheppard, accompanied by orchestra, reading, Mrs. Wright, solo, Miss Connoley, selection, orchestra.

G. H. Wright of Girvin was in the city today en route to his old home at Mount Forest, Ont., where he will spend the winter.

Mrs. M. Little has gone east for a visit with her parents.

Although we are so near Christmas the farmers are still at work on the land. Discing seems to be their chief industry at present and if this weather continues, they will all have their land in good shape for seeding, as soon as spring comes.—Estevan Observer.

J. Brooks, blacksmith of Bethune, was thrown from an automobile last week and was badly shaken up. The car hit a stone a few miles from the town.

The hotel Kaiser in Germantown was given a license at the sitting of the commissioners here last Friday. There are now ten licensed hotels and five wholesale liquor stores in this city.

Mrs. Thos. Sanderson, wife of the member for Kinistino, left here last Thursday for the coast, where she will make an extended visit. Mr. Sanderson accompanied her as far as the city.

E. L. Elwood and D. Mundell returned from Arcola last Thursday where they had been attending court. They left for their homes at Moosomin on Saturday. T. D. Brown of this city was also at Arcola for a couple of days.

E. A. McLorg was yesterday sworn in as a district court judge, the oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Wetmore. Mr. McLorg declined the appointment when his name was first announced, but afterwards accepted.

Judge Johnstone was thrown from an auto car at Arcola last Thursday and was so badly used up that he has been confined to his bed with an injured leg. He was not able to finish the court work at Arcola, and the election court at Prince Albert has been postponed two weeks from the 17th inst.

R. J. Mackenzie, superintendent of construction on the C.N.R. was in the city last Thursday over the Regina-Brandon line and went north to Prince Albert. He will undertake the laying of steel this winter for thirty miles on the Hudson's Bay line which branches off the Prince Albert line at Elomamm. The company has ninety miles of the line graded.

W. J. Wells, travelling passenger agent for the C.P.R. was in the city last Wednesday evening having come in over the Arcola line. Mr. Wells has his headquarters now at Brandon. He stated to The West that the excursion traffic this winter has reached record figures notwithstanding the scarcity of money. More people went East this year to spend Christmas than ever before.

For Christmas and New Year holidays the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. announce a rate of a fare and one-third for the round trip. Tickets on sale for Christmas, December 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25; for New Years December 28, 29, 30, 31 and January 1. Final return limits in both cases January 3rd.

Without doubt one of the most attractive grocery stores in the Canadian west was opened on Saturday last in the Darke block, 11th avenue, when to the first strains of Laubach's orchestra the doors of the Star Provision Co., Ltd., were thrown open to the public. The store contains three departments, bakery and confectionary, meats of all kinds and groceries. The grocery department is equipped with Walker bin fixtures and the handsome show cases are both useful and ornamental. The stock in this department is the best and is well displayed. The bakery and confectionery department is a new feature and while their product was not on the market a few days ago they have a good assortment and a very tasty display. In meats and fish a replete stock is carried. Messrs

Carrothers and Wakefield are to be congratulated on their business enterprise. They are still continuing their south Railway street branch store.

W. Galloway of Lajord and his brother, J. W., of Waterloo, Iowa, were in the city last Thursday on business. The former is one of the largest farmers in the province, and the latter is a manufacturer. J. W. sold over 3,000 bushels of oats grown on their farm at Lajord to Minnesota farmers for seed purposes at \$1.20 a bushel. The seed was brought from that state a couple of years ago and it so improved on our land that the Minnesota farmers gladly paid a big price for the Saskatchewan product.

The city council held the last meeting of the year on Tuesday evening. They have amended the arrangements regarding the city debtore sale. The paper will now be put on the market at five per cent and will not be redeemed in installments but on maturity. A sinking fund will be created for the purpose of retiring the debentures at maturity. The change will have to be endorsed by the people.

Geo. Hamilton, a farmer of Lumsden whose mind has become deranged and who was in the custody of the police in the valley town, booted from the law officer as the passenger train drew under the wheels with the result that he is now in the general hospital here and will not recover. Both his legs and his left arm are almost cut off and his head is seriously injured. Dr. Martin met the train here and took the man in charge. He is in care of Constable Jarvis, R.N.W.M.P.

A Washington dispatch says that Sir Cecil A. Spring-Rice, K.C.M.G., now Great Britain's envoy extraordinary to Persia, is to be the next British Ambassador to the United States. James Bryce, now holding that important diplomatic post, is soon to be recalled. The foreign officials at Washington believe that Mr. Bryce is to return to England in no way discredited, but simply because the British government desires to be represented in Washington by a personal friend to Mr. Roosevelt, and because Mr. Bryce has no heart for his American diplomatic work. Sir C. A. Spring-Rice is a brother of G. Spring Rice of this district.

The almost sudden death of John Stratton of Brat's Lake occurred at his residence Friday last. Mr. Stratton had been confined to his bed only a few days and was in Regina a week before. While in the city he called at The West office and appeared to be in bright spirits and good health. On his return home, however, the effect of an abscess on the brain compelled him to go to bed, and he lived only a few days. Deceased was an old resident of the Regina district and a brother of Mrs. T. J. Little and E. Carrothers of this city. He was in his 39th year and leaves a wife and five children. The funeral took place on Sunday to the Regina cemetery from the home of T. J. Little, Hamilton street.

An interesting legal case was decided in the attorney general's department here last week by Hon. J. D. Cameron, Winnipeg, Wm. Martin, Regina and W. A. D. Lees, Fort Saskatchewan, arbitrators. The case was pertaining to the cost of a C.N.R. bridge over the river at Fort Saskatchewan. Under the Territorial government, Mr. Haultain and Mr. Bulyea agreed with the C.N.R. that if they built a double structure bridge at that point, they would receive the sum of \$47,000 from the territorial government. This money was not claimed until after the passage of the autonomy bills, and the Alberta government was billed with the amount, but they claimed that the two provinces were responsible because of the clause in the autonomy bill dividing equally the assets and liabilities of the old territories. Both Mr. Haultain and Mr. Bulyea were called to give evidence. The Alberta side of the case was looked after by Attorney

General Cross of Alberta, while Frank Ford deputy attorney general appeared for this province, and Mr. Francis looked on for the C.N.R., but he had no part in the case. The arbitrators decided that the provinces were jointly liable for the amount.

Several thousand bushels of potatoes have been shipped from Caron the past two weeks. Most of them have gone to Regina. H. E. Clausen, John Wilson, Lou Nesbitt and Thos. Gwin are among the heaviest shippers.—The Caron Enterprise.

John Reid of Fort Francis is in the city accompanied by his daughter on a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. Kinnon.

Rev. C. R. Littler, of St. Chad's hotel, addressed the Canadian Labor party on Sunday afternoon on social problems.

His Worship, Mayor Smith drove the last spike on Wednesday last connecting the C.N.R. through line with the C.P.R. Arcola junction. The line will be formally opened in the spring.

F. Hunter has sold his livery and horses to Millan Bros. of Ottawa, and has leased them his barn. Mr. Hunter will go east and bring a car of cattle west.

The Anglican church people north of the track are negotiating for the little Albert street school to be used for church purposes. St. Chad's Hotel having become too small owing to the growth of the congregation.

The 16th Mounted Rifles hall will be under the patronage of Lieut. Gov. and Madame Forget, while Mrs. (Major) Whitmore, Mrs. (Lieut.) Tott, and Mrs. (Commissioner) Perry will be patronesses.

In Van Valenburg's drug store on 11th avenue may be seen interesting curios from the Philippines and Borneo. These things are the property of Dr. Morrell who was for some time in these countries, serving in the Philippine wars.

Notwithstanding that the temperance and reform conference repudiated government control of the liquor traffic at their meeting here last week, Rev. E. A. Henry adheres to this policy as the best means of dealing with the restriction of intemperance at present.

The fourteen year old son of R. Rowe of "The Bluffs" was brought here last Thursday by Inspector Heferman to be sent to the Brandon asylum, the young fellow being insane. The little girl whom he forced outside some time ago has not yet been found.

At the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Licensed Victuallers Association held here last week Clayton Peterson of this city was elected president, E. C. Matthews, of Moose Jaw, vice president, and F. G. Arnold was re-elected secretary. A smoking concert was held by the association in the Wascana hotel.

Francis Dagger returned to the city Saturday from Saskatoon to spend Sunday with his family here. Mr. Dagger states in connection with the telephone policy of the government that they will not operate local exchanges but will bring the rural lines in so that local private or municipal concerns will be organized. Where the Bell Co. is at present operating, the government lines will no doubt be connected with their exchanges. This scheme explains the statement of Mr. Motherwell at Caron recently when he said he did not believe in the government competing with private interests in these matters.

Commissioner Perry of the R.N.W.M.P., visited Battleford on his trip through the province visiting barracks and deciding what improvement is necessary. He states that very few extensive improvements will be made to the Battleford barracks during the coming summer.—Saskatchewan Herald.

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