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**MARITIME PROBLEMS WERE DISCUSSED AT THE WINNIPEG BOARD OF TRADE CONFERENCE**

Winnipeg, Nov. 17—A demand for "common justice," a fair share in the benefits as well as the partnership of Confederation and a serious consideration of their problems as a national obligation, was the dominant keynote of frank presentation of the difficulties confronting the Maritime Provinces by the leading delegates from the Maritimes at today's session of the National Economic Conference here.

Many matters were brought to the attention of the conference and despite a congestion of scheduled business, it was unanimously agreed to afford every opportunity to the Maritime representatives to fully recite their cases.

**Serious Danger.**

Secession of the Maritime Provinces was ridiculed as a idea which at the present would not find support of "consequence."

A. M. Belding, of the Telegraph-Journal and Times-Star, Saint John, N. B., who recently toured the Dominion in the interest of the Maritimes, declared that there was a serious danger, however, in adopting an attitude of unconcern toward the Maritime Provinces.

"We are proud people," he declared "and would rather cut loose into the storms of uncharted seas than be considered as mendicants at the doors of this Dominion."

**Held Bill of Rights.**

Resolutions passed at the Charlotte-town conference early this month, embodying the attitude of the Maritimes with respect to immigration, freight rates, port equipment and other important questions were regarded as the Maritime's "Bill of rights." "Do not send us home feeling that we have failed in our mission," he said. Utilization of the Maritime ports, according to D. R. Turnbull, President of the Halifax Board of Trade, was the key to national safety.

"Unless Canada takes full advantage of these ports, they will dry up, and we will cease to be a nation, and would constitute a 'blight' on the memory of those statesmen who were instrumental in bringing about Confederation."

**Staggering Under Load.**

"We are staggering under as great a load as we can bear," Mr. Turnbull said. "I would suggest that further expenditures on new railways and waterways, unless as feeders to main lines, should be discontinued, and that no further outlays be made in establishing ocean ports at unnatural and ungeographical points, until such a time as Canada can afford these luxuries. Let us carry our own exports over our own railways to our own seaports." He believed that a new thought would be born as the result of the conference, which would make the Maritime Provinces a prosperous, happy and united portion of the Empire.

**Unity Held Watchword.**

"Unity was the watchword in time of confederation, in peace time and during the war period. We are asking for unity now," declared R. K. Smith of Amherst, N. S. "We are not appealing for unity of patriotism but unity on economic matters," he said. The Maritimes could not find markets for their produce as the result of high freight rates and lack of ocean facilities. The once prosperous settlements of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island were held in the stranglehold of depression.

"We are asking for a solution of the Maritime problems as a national obligation."

A. McLean, Bathurst, N. B., urged the conference to pledge its support to the Maritimes delegation so that they could appear before the parliament backed up by the leaders of industrial Canada. "Heretofore the cards have been stacked against us and they are stacked against us today. We ask for nothing that will prove injurious to the rest of the Dominion; all we seek is a chance of working out our own destiny," Mr. McLean asserted.

**Emphasizes Danger.**

A. D. Gaoung, of St. Stephen, N. B., emphasized the danger of isolating the Maritimes and development of sentiment favorable to the New England States. Such a development, he believed, was fraught with serious consequences.

Senator McArthur, Summerside, P. E. I., and L. W. Shum, Saint John, wound up the appeal and joined in the combined plea for sympathetic consideration of the Maritime position.

**McKenna Speaks.**

The Maritime delegation had not ventured forth to recite their picaresque troubles or inflict local difficulties

upon the conference, declared J. D. McKenna, president of the New Brunswick Publishing Company and member of the Saint John Board of Trade, in presenting the problems of the Maritime Provinces to the Associated Boards of Trade of Canada here today. "We are here to state frankly and honestly those matters which we consider the people of Canada should know and accord sympathetic assistance in solving," he declared.

**Promises Unfulfilled.**

At the time of Confederation promises were made by the leading men of Upper and Lower Canada of good things to come for the Maritimes when federated.

"That rosy future has not materialized," the speaker maintained. "We have been told by certain persons in other parts of the Dominion that the Maritimes were mere appendages to the rest of Canada; that our attitude was one of beggars, seeking charity. It is not true; we in the Maritimes have seen our factories closing up. We have contributed generously to the tax burdens of the country and in carrying the huge deficit on the Canadian National system. This was our sacrifice to Confederation."

**No Chance of Secession.**

"There is no possibility of secession," Mr. McKenna emphasized. "But some day if the Confederation egg were unscrambled—a move which the Maritimes would strongly oppose—we are often asked where we would go. Well, we would go back where we were before and you fellows would pay us about fifty million dollars."

Mr. McKenna made a strong plea for the diversion of Canadian freight from United States to Canadian ports. "We say that it is not right that 250,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat should be shipped through Buffalo, while millions of tons of other produce is sent through New York. Such an institution as the Canadian National Railways in which more than two billions of the people's money has been invested, should have a management sufficiently capable of solving the problem of getting Canadian trade through Canadian channels. It is not essential that the Maritimes be the sole benefactors. If we can't do it any other way, divert the traffic through Vancouver, but keep it in Canada and let us not continue to build up the States to the south at the expense of legitimate business in Canada."

**C. N. R. Attitude.**

"It is natural that we should feel indignant," Mr. McKenna continued. "We have the public assurance of Sir Henry Thornton that the National Railways wish to see the ports of Halifax and Saint John as much as possible, but except for a little election money in the recent campaign not a cent has been spent in their development. The railways say: 'Give us business and we will provide the facilities.' That sounds like public ownership; a good business man would reply: 'Give us the facilities and we will give you the business.'"

"The day has come when there must arise men who can face sectional problems and who will evolve a reasonable and sane national policy to bring the people of Canada together. Our object should be to bring about the consummation of those ideas which inspired the fathers of Confederation. We should adopt a new national slogan—Canada for all the Canadians and all Canadians for Canada."

**TRAIN CHANGES ON THE VALLEY RAILWAY**

Effective Nov. 23rd, there will be changes in train service on the Valley Railway between Fredericton and Centreville.

Train No. 53, now leaving Fredericton for Centreville on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5.30 P. M., will be cancelled and also train No. 54, now leaving Centreville at 8.00 a. m., on the same days.

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Chatham, Nov. 18—Serious apprehension was felt at Bay Du Vin for the fate of five residents of that place who left there yesterday morning by motor boat on a goose hunting trip. The party composed of Wathen Williston, Harold Williston, Edward Williston, Roy Williston and Dougald Johnston were bound for Fox Island when engine trouble developed. The boat when last seen was drifting seawards and there was a forty mile wind blowing at the time.

Because of the fact that most of the boats were hauled up for the season it was some time before one could be launched to go to their assistance. The search was kept up for several hours but no trace was discovered of the missing party. The search was continued today without success. It was not until John McMaster of Hardwick, who set out to look for them yesterday afternoon returned tonight reporting the party on Fox Island that anxiety was relieved.

Hamburg, Nev. 17—The victim of a greedy attempt to devour itself, a gigantic boa constrictor the pride of the Municipal Zoo was found dead of suffocation in its cage today.

The big snake had swallowed nearly a yard of its own body when its tail apparently became caught in its scales and unable to breathe in consequence it was slowly smothered to death.

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