

RECIPROCITY TALK.

Western States People are Reviving the Agitation for Better Trade Relations.

Big Convention is to be Held at Chicago Next Month to Discuss Trade With Canada.

Buffalo, July 11.—An effort is being made in the Western States to renew the campaign for a policy of reciprocal trade relations with other countries, notwithstanding that within the past couple of years public sentiment upon that subject was well tested and proved unreliable. A national convention has been called for Aug. 15 and 16 at Chicago.

The promoters of the convention are principally manufacturers who are desirous of wider markets. Their object, probably, is to effect as strong an organization as possible for support of the policy of reciprocity when tariff revision is entered upon by Congress. Tariff revision by Congress may be postponed for one or more sessions, according to the strength of the demand made by the people; but when tariff revision is undertaken, the policy of maximum and minimum schedules will likely be given preference over any other policy proposed.

A SIGH AND A SMILE.

One has only to have passed through the last campaign in the United States for reciprocity to feel assured today that public interest in the subject has weight when the possibilities of freer trade with Canada are suggested, and that indifference reigns when freer trade with any other country is proposed. Therefore, it is to be expected that at the convention in Chicago next month the demand for reciprocity with Canada will be much stronger than will be the demand for reciprocity with any other country. This would be productive of a sigh at Washington and a smile at Ottawa.

Of the numerous difficulties in connection with the management of the last campaign in the United States for reciprocity with Canada, the greatest was in convincing the people that Canada had progressed beyond the need of the markets of the United States. This condition marked so radical a change, and knowledge of it was so limited, that conviction only came with the refusal of Canada to accept the invitation of

the United States to renew negotiations for a reciprocity treaty, followed by the ultimatum from Canada to the effect that freer trade between the two countries could be accomplished only by the United States lowering the tariff to a near equality with the Canadian tariff. Then it was that the campaign for reciprocity became hopeless in the United States.

ALL EYES ARE ON CANADA.

In the past couple of years Canada's rapid progress has been regarded with widespread interest in the United States, and today there are many thousands of Americans who have it in their minds to move into Canada as soon as the growth of the manufacturing industries assures employment and as high wages as are paid in the United States. There are many other thousands of Americans who contemplate settling upon the cheap farm lands in Canada. There are a few American manufacturers who are anxious to sell in the markets of Canada. These are the three classes in the United States that are interested in Canada. It is, therefore, very evident that an appeal to-day to sentiment in favor of freer trade with Canada would result in increasing emigration to Canada rather than in an increased support of an agitation for a reciprocity treaty.

As an alternative of a reciprocity treaty between the United States and Canada the advantages of a minimum and maximum tariff to both countries for improved trade relations and the appointment of international commissions to deal with other matters are being regarded as generally acceptable, and, perhaps, preferable. Furthermore, it is beyond doubt that the great majority of Americans who give any attention to Canadian affairs are well pleased at the extraordinary progress of Canada, and are desirous of maintaining very friendly relations between the two great nations of the North American continent.

BIG LIBERAL PICNIC.

Hon. Mr. Hyman Honored by His London Constituents.

12,000 People Gathered to Enjoy Themselves and Acclaim the Minister of Public Works.

London, Ont., July 9.—A tremendous concourse of people—rivaling in number one of the Western Fair's biggest crowds—gathered in Queen's Park yesterday at the Hyman picnic. The skies had a threatening look and a little rain fell, but black clouds had no terrors for the thousands who wanted to take part in rejoicing over the reelection of London's favorite son and honored representative, Charles S. Hyman, the new Minister of Public Works. From one in the afternoon until late in the evening a steady stream of visitors poured into the fine old park where the Western Fair is held, the carrying capacity of the street cars being tested to the utmost. The affair was a picnic in the ordinary sense of the term. Besides the Minister of Public Works, Mr. A. Johnston, M. P., of Cape Breton, and Mr. Walter Scott, M. P., Assiniboia, were present, but there were no speeches. Some 12,000 tickets for refreshments had been given out, and 12,000 persons were fed in detachments in Horticultural Hall, about 2,000 being waited on at once. The feeding of the crowd was kept up until nearly 8 o'clock, and then the committee started to hand out lunches to those outside. An orchestra played popular airs while luncheon was going on, the bands of the Seventh and Twenty-sixth Regiments and a corps of Highland pipers furnishing music on the grounds and in front of the grand stands.

PROGRAMME OF SPORTS.

A fine programme of sports was given in the afternoon, when 15,000 people packed the grand stands and from five to seven thousand occupied the paddocks and ring. A marked feature of the sports was the fat men's race, in which Hon. C. S. Hyman threw off his coat and hat and made a good run. The Minister of Public Works had the lead, but was passed near the tape by Mr. E. Connor, who is a fast sprinter, and came in first, with Mr. Hyman second and Mr. F. Floyd third. Another feature of the merry-making was the baby show, which had about 200 entries. Ira Butler took first in the colored babies' class. In the class for white twins Myrtle and Leonora Haylock were first, with Thomas and Theodore Crittle second. The other winners were George McCullagh, Fred C. Rowe and Doris Kay.

A GALLANT ACTION.

During the afternoon Mrs. Tibbs of 283 Nelson street was standing in the crowd with some friends watch-

ing the crush at the door of the Horticultural Hall, where refreshments were served, when suddenly someone noticed flames rising up the back of Mrs. Tibbs' dress. Women shouted and screamed, and a panic was threatened, when Mr. William Reid of South street rushed forward, pulled off his coat, and wrapping it around the woman, threw her on the grass, at the same time fighting the fire with his bare hands. In half a minute he had put out the flames, and doubtless saved the woman's life. Mrs. Tibbs' dress was entirely burned from bottom to top. Today she is suffering from severe nervous shock, but is not otherwise injured. Mr. Reid was hurt some time ago while working in the old G. T. R. roundhouse, and has been somewhat crippled ever since, but that did not prevent him from doing an heroic deed. It is thought some mischievous person set a paper bag on fire and dropped it into the crowd.

THE EVENING FEATURES.

Toward the close of the afternoon a section of one of the grand stands settled several inches. The fact was not generally known, but it came to the notice of the managers and Engineer Graydon, so the upper portion of the covered stand was closed during the evening. A varied programme of music, dancing and other features was given at night in the presence of another great crowd, and at 10 o'clock sharp the greatest demonstration of its kind that London has ever witnessed was brought to a successful close. Words of praise are heard on every hand for the efficient way in which Mr. Hyman's committee did their work in handling such an immense crowd, for, with one exception mentioned, no accident of any moment is reported.

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SCANDAL AT WASHINGTON.

Wall Street Operators Got First Look at Crop Reports.

Carefully Prepared Reports Issued by the United States Government Altered to Enable Ring of Speculators to Make Money.

Washington, July 11.—James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, today published a report on the leakage of cotton crop reports in his department, in which is detailed one of the greatest department scandals in recent years.

The scandal lies not in the mere fact that Edwin S. Holmes, Jr., assistant statistician, under the very eyes of his chief sold advance information as to the government report, but that figures of these crop statistics, collected by the government at a cost of more than \$200,000 a year, should have been deliberately altered by Holmes to aid the speculators with whom he was acting to smash or boom the market, and enrich themselves, while gaining hundreds of rival investors in cotton. Holmes has been dismissed, but there is a strong supposition in Washington that he is thus let off lightly to prevent his telling what he knows about other officials.

It goes without saying that these disclosures complete the destruction of public confidence in the department's crop reports.

The story is that Richard Cheatham, secretary of the southern cotton association, laid facts of leakage and of alteration of actual crop figures before the secretary.

The secret service agents discovered that William H. Judd, formerly in the employ of L. C. Van Riper, a broker of New York, admitted that he had received advance information on the cotton market. Becoming convinced later that not only were figures being given out of the department, but that the reports were being distorted in the interests of other

or operators, he had persuaded L. C. Van Riper to sever his connection with the affair.

Mr. Van Riper said that his acquaintance with Mr. Holmes began in New York city in August, 1904. Mr. Holmes said that he could get information before the reports were published. Mr. Holmes did furnish Mr. Van Riper with information from time to time for several months, in advance of the publication of the official figures. The information corresponded exactly with the report afterwards published. According to Mr. Van Riper Mr. Holmes acted as a go-between for Mr. Haas. He was given to understand that Mr. Haas was getting the information from a well known New York operator, Mr. Theodore Price, the report says.

Mr. Van Riper explained that he had been induced to tell what he knew of the action of Mr. Holmes, because he had heard that Mr. Holmes and his associates intended to try to manipulate the June cotton report of 1905.

The report reproduces a certain correspondence that brings in the names of Theodore Price, Haas and Peckham, and reveals on its face a neat conspiracy to manipulate the cotton market by unfair means. One of these letters says:—

"If you have bought any of that stuff sell it out at once. We are going to show very slight declines, and as this is totally unexpected will send things down like fury. Tear this up."

Theodore Price, the cotton operator, absolutely denies that he ever received any information except from the regular channels.

PIERRE AT THE TROUGH.

No Office Hog Ever Had Appetite Like This.

Montreal, July 11.—Gargantuan and Pantagruel, the Rabelais gourmands, were almost outclassed on Friday by a French Canadian longshoreman, named Pierre Dalbre. Pierre had already attained notoriety as one of great capacity at table, which among men who handle ship merchandise is an uncommon accomplishment, but his reputation had stood unchallenged until the proprietor of the Neptune restaurant, one of the many places of refreshment adjacent to the water front, offered to bet two dollars that he could not eat two dozen boiled eggs at one sitting. The challenge was accepted, and the eggs were produced. One by one they began to disappear, and soon a crowd of admiring longshoremen who had assembled to witness the feat, began to count by the dozen. The task was accomplished in twenty minutes, and the last eight eggs were devoured shells and all. Then Pierre's turn to wager came, and he offered to stake the two dollars that he had just won that he could eat two more dozen without rising. No one present, however, cared to run so great a risk.

When asked if he ate much as a rule Pierre said that he always took whatever he wished, and he referred to an occasion at St. Hyacinthe last year when in a single night he ate seven dishes of beans, eight ham omelettes, six beefsteaks, with the usual assortments of accompaniments.

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The judicial authorities have been lately investigating the doings of the syndicate, and the secretary of the syndicate has been arrested. Other members have taken flight.

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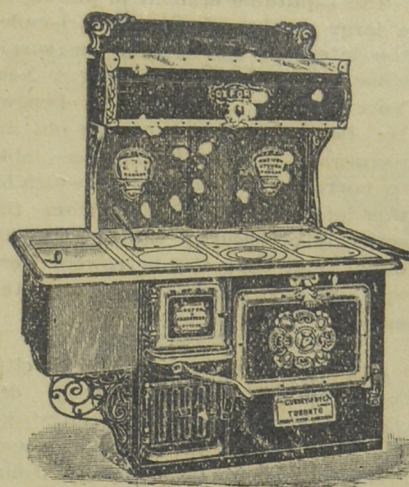
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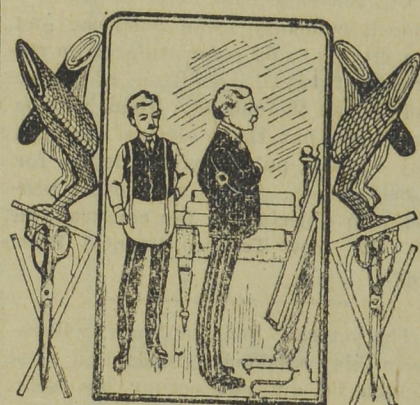
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