

Vital Questions!!!

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first; that war is being forced upon them and that they are being hunted to death, although the parliament of Ottawa knows that they have been wronged. In conclusion he says:—As death by the public executioner or in battle must be theirs, they must die fighting. This document, together with the bill of rights of September and a new bill of rights, will be sent to General Middleton Gabriel Dumon, whose brother was killed at Duck Lake, is said to be the most active man in the rebel ranks, and is compelling many of his followers by threats of death to stand out. He denies having incited the Indians and says they are rising to avenge their own sufferings, and to show the government that they will not submit to Mr. Dewdney any longer. The rebel leaders are reported as saying that if they are driven out of the Saskatchewan country they will go to the Peace River and form a territory of their own, and that they will not submit until honest officials are appointed to deal with them.

OTTAWA, April 19.—The Minister of Militia received a telegram this morning from Lt.-Col. Hughes, commanding the 65th Battalion of Montreal. CALGARY, 19th April.—I assumed command of the 65th on Sunday last. We are all ready for action. The physique, health, endurance and soldierly bearing of the men are excellent. Their drill has improved wonderfully. Target practice is going on with good result. The men are well equipped and I consider the battalion is now in as good condition as any. We march on Edmonton on Monday.

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nothing on but his undershirt and drawers. The charges against the 65th and Col. O'Brien are so monstrous that people here cannot credit them, and it is hoped for the sake of all concerned that the matter will not be allowed to rest.

OTTAWA, April 20.—Private intelligence received in the city to-day confirms the press despatches denying the story of the Frog Lake massacre. Fathers Falard and MacLeod are both declared not to have been murdered, and there seems good ground for hope that neither have the other persons whose names were mentioned in the reports of the affair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN PARLIAMENT. Mr. Casgrain said:—I desire to call attention to a resolution concerning Col. Ouimet of the 65th Battalion. I was told the other day by the minister, in answer to my enquiry, that Col. Ouimet had returned to his post at Calgary. I am credibly informed that he is now in Montreal, and I think it would be proper under the circumstances that we should know why he has left his post. At the same time I desire to say that I do not put this question from any desire to obstruct the government, or interfere in its military affairs; but I think that, under the circumstances, the public mind should be relieved on this subject.

Hon. Mr. Caron replied: I may state that when I answered the question which the hon. gentleman put me on Friday, I stated I had reason to believe from a telegram I had received that Lieut.-Colonel Ouimet had returned to his command. My reason for so stating was that in the telegram he addressed me he asked me to give instructions to himself, General Strange and Colonel Osborne Smith. General Strange was at that moment at Calgary, and Lieutenant Colonel Smith was just leaving for Calgary. I took it for granted that if Lt. Col. Ouimet wished me to send instructions to him at Calgary he must have returned to his command there. That is the answer to the first part of the question. So far as Lt. Col. Ouimet is concerned I can state that this morning at 6:20 he called at my house. He stated to me that he came down to Ottawa en route for Montreal on pressing and most important personal business and under leave from Major General Strange. Lt. Col. Ouimet stated that he was going to Montreal by the eight o'clock train and that he would leave Montreal to-night or to-morrow night at the latest to rejoin his command at Calgary. (Applause.)

FALL OF FORT PITT. Two Police-men Killed and those in the Fort fly to Battleford, which is also threatened. WINNIPEG, April 21.—The news from the West is most serious this morning. A telegram from Battleford states that scouts from Fort Pitt report finding it abandoned and badly wrecked. An Indian told them there had been a fight and two police were killed, and that the police and others in the fort had taken to the boats in the hope of reaching Battleford. They have been on five days and should have been there long ago. It looks as if the whole party had been captured or killed from the river banks. Besides the police, under Inspector Dickens, were D. McLean, Hudson Bay Co., and family of eight, James Simpson, Stanley Simpson, W. B. Cameron and Dupresnes employes, Rev. C. Quinn and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Mann and three children. Fears are entertained that few, if any, have escaped, and with this news but little hope can be held out for the truth of the denial of the massacre at Frog Lake. The Indians, now that Fort Pitt has fallen, promising giving spatch reports no sign of the Fort Pitt party on the North Saskatchewan river. Col. Morris has begun to sink trenches around the barracks at Battleford in expectation of an Indian attack.

The following despatches were received last night by Chief Commissioner Wrigley, from Battleford: A messenger sent from here on Friday last for Fort Pitt has just returned and reports Fort Pitt has been taken by the Indians. Two police were killed, but McLean and others escaped by the river and started by boat for Battleford. A later telegram confirms the report, stating that the event occurred five days ago. The trip from Fort Pitt to Battleford should be made in at least three days, and the fate of the fugitives, therefore, causes much anxiety. It is thought that the Indians, finding very little provisions at the fort, set out after the boats and attacked them, either capturing them and making the whites prisoners, or forcing them to take shelter in a bush on the opposite bank. Fuller particulars may be expected shortly as the Indians will probably descend there immediately on their return. There are about forty women and children in the place. It was also supposed that the settlers from Onion and Cold Lake creeks had gone in. There were about thirty-five families of these.

A band of 12 Sioux Indians from the reserve near Moose Jaw raided Capelan's store at Saskatoon this morning. They demanded arms and ammunition in the store and on his refusing they drew their knives and threatened to kill him. Word has just been brought in to the General, who has ordered out scouts to bring them in. The ferry is in running order, and the left division will cross to-day. Forty teams with supplies came in to-day, but no oats. The General says that the advance must be made on Wednesday. How long the teams can work without oats and a little hay is now the question. The Government objects to correspondents accompanying the troops, but the General has asked for them to be allowed to go on. The General does not believe that either the news from Frog Lake or Fort Pitt is true and says he has good reasons for believing so. The order for scouts to go to Saskatoon was countermanded, the general not wishing more prisoners in camp. Molloy, the agent, has just received a message from Battleford from the operator there: "Messenger just returned from Fort Pitt with the news that Fort Pitt has fallen. The messenger saw two police bodies lying outside the fort. He found the whole party gone. An Indian told the messenger that the Indians had gone down the river in boats to Battleford a few days ago."

A despatch from Saskatchewan Landing, via Swift Current, reports C. J. O'Brien's troops in camp 35 miles north of Saskatchewan on the trail to Battleford last night.

Mrs. E. H. Perkins, Creek Centre, Warren Co., N. Y., writes: She has been troubled with asthma for four years, had to sit up night after night with it. She has taken two bottles of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and is perfectly cured. She strongly recommends it, and wishes to act as agent among her neighbors.

THE QUEEN AND IRELAND. DUBLIN, April 20.—It is stated that the Queen will visit Ireland next autumn.

Consumptives should try Allen's Lung Balsam; it can be had of any Druggist.—See Ad.

FINANCE.

The New York stock market opened weaker and remained so up to noon. Canadian Pacific closed yesterday in New York at 37. In London consols sold at 95 1/2 money and account bonds at 115, Erie 17 1/2, Canadian Pacific 37 1/2, New York Central 40, 20's do 203 1/2, 15 do 204, 5 Merchants 113, 10 do 112 1/2, 100 Montreal 169 (ex dividend) 27 Toronto 184, 100 Commerce 122, 125 do 123, 25 do 123 1/2, 100 Gas, 177, 25 C. P. K. Co 117, 100 Richelleu & Ontario 56 1/2, 25 do 57, 10 City Passenger 71 1/2 (ex dividend).

The local stock market closed strong with sales as follows: Montreal 203, 10 do 203 1/2, 60 do 202 1/2, 80 do 202, 10 do ex-div. 188, 110 Toronto 184, 135 Merchants 113 1/2, 55 Peoples 55, 25 Commerce 123 1/2, 50 do 122 1/2, 50 Richelleu 57, 25 do 57 1/2, 300 Gas 178, 125 do 178 1/2, 25 do 178 1/2.

DRIFT OF DOMESTIC TRADE.

Weekly Review of Wholesale Markets.

The state of trade is much the same as previously reported. A little better feeling has imparted since the improvement of the weather. The local rail freights are lower, and this will make a brisker movement when country roads get into good shape for wheeled vehicles.

LEATHER.—No large sales have been reported this week, and before a little black leather was shipped, but sale keeps quiet. Boots and shoes. There has been no important change in the boot and shoe business lately. But few new orders are coming in. A better trade is expected when the roads and river get clear. An order for 3,000 pairs of regulation military shoes has just been placed.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.—A fair trade has been done in butter. Western was placed at 10c to 11c and inferior at 6c to 8c. Transactions have taken place in the new make at 17c to 21c, and we quote Townships new at 17c to 21c, and Brookville and Morburg ditto at 17c to 20c. Old butter may be said to range from 6c to 14c. The cheese market is unchanged. The egg market is easy, fresh are quoted at 18c. In provisions business has been quiet and only small jobbing orders were received. Prices remain steady.

FISH AND SALT.—The demand for fish is light and of a jobbing order. Business is very slow in salt and not expected to increase till navigation opens. Sales of eel and herring twelves ex cart, at 50c to 52 1/2.

GREEN FRUITS, MAPLE PRODUCTS, ETC.—A good business has been done, and fruit ruled steady. Oranges sold at \$7 to \$7.50 per case and were firm; lemons in boxes are quoted at \$3 to \$4. Pine apples changed hands at \$3 to \$4 per dozen as to size, and bananas realized \$2 to \$3.50 per bunch. Apples \$2.50 to \$3.50 per brl., evaporated in boxes 8c, dried 5c. Figs \$3 to 10c as to quality; dates 5 1/2 to 6c. New maple syrup sold at 7c to 8c in small cans; large cans \$1; new maple sugar is scarce, at 11c per lb.

HAY, STRAW AND FEED.—The offerings of loose hay and straw were light, the former sold at \$9 to \$12.50 per 100 bundles as to quality. Straw \$5 to \$6. Pressed hay was quoted at \$14.50 per ton for No. 1, and \$13 for No. 2, straw in bales \$9 to \$9 per ton. Shreds selling at \$22 per ton, extra quality, bran \$22, molasses \$24 to \$26 as to quality. The market is very active.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—City hides cured and inspected, butchers selling \$1 per 100 lbs less than to dealers. The tallow market is quiet. Tallow is sold at 7 1/2c spot cash, the price now quoted is 7 1/2 to 7 3/4 for rendered, and about 4 to 4 1/2 for rough.

HORS.—The market has been quite dull, and quotations nominally run from 6c to 11c. In New York new are still quoted at 14 to 15c for best.

FURS.—The fur trade in Europe has been very unsatisfactory. The decline in value has averaged 40 per cent, silver fox 30 p. c., silver fox 20 p. c., red fox 20 to 25 p. c., skunk 25 p. c., mink 40 p. c., martin 30 p. c., muskrat 15 p. c., and lynx 85 p. c. Fine skins realized their full prices. The prices current for Persian lamb are rather higher than last year. The following are our city quotations for prime skins:—Beaver per lb, fall 22c, winter \$2.50, spring \$3; bear, per skin, \$7 to \$10; caribou, per skin, \$5 to \$7.50; fisher, per skin, \$2 to \$5; fox, red, \$3 to \$5; lynx, per skin, \$1 to \$2; marten, per skin, 50c to 80c; mink, per skin, large dark, 50c; small 25c; muskrat, per skin, fall 5c, winter 8c, spring 12c; otter, per skin, fall 5c, winter 8c, spring 12c; skunk, per skin 15c, 25c and 40c. Skins not prime 25 to 30 per cent less.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The war news as usual has an important bearing on values. Flour has advanced 75c to 90c per barrel on the week and is looked upon by sellers as cheap at the present prices. Country dealers have asked as high as \$1 for wheat, and oats for May delivery at 42 1/2c. Some round lots of oats sold earlier in the week at a lower rate.

DRY GOODS.—The trade has been enlivened somewhat, a little more has been done than previously by the wholesale people. Bad roads is a standard plea for want of business, and also holds good for delayed remittances. Stocks generally are in moderate compass and well selected. Prices which ruled during the winter and for the past two years or so are steady. Woollens are quiet but steady, and at present prices are considered low. Stocks of cotton are not large. Travellers were not doing well.

GROCERIES.—There has been no change to speak of; but an increased activity is looked for in the near future. Teas are moderately active at firm prices. Only a few orders were received from Toronto. The demand is chiefly for teas running from 10 to 22c. Fruit is unchanged and dull. Rice—Mill prices were advanced 10c per 100 lbs for 1,000 bag lots. Mocha is being again weak and prices are exceptionally low. The market is dull and easier. There is a quiet movement in all kinds of spices. Barberries are said to have sold as low as 28c and 29c in lots on this market. Canned fish are expected to rule higher.