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An Ontario Member Declares Removal of Cattle Embargo Would Not Benefit Canada

Would Have Canadian Cattle Slaughtered at Halifax and Then Shipped in Form of Chilled Beef—Mr. Fielding Thought Naging of British Government Undignified

(Special dispatch to The Daily Gleaner.) Ottawa, March 10.—The attention of the House yesterday was directed almost entirely on one subject, about which there has been a great deal heard in the past few months—the cattle embargo. The discussion arose over a resolution introduced by one of the oldest members of the House, "Uncle Billy" Smith, of Ontario South, a man of substance and frequently mentioned in connection with cabinet reconstruction. As one largely interested in the cattle business, he was listened to with attention, the more so, perhaps, as he had a somewhat unusual view to take of the cattle embargo. Mr. Smith holds the opinion that over the cattle embargo has been much ado about nothing, and that it would not be to the advantage of Canada if the embargo were removed. His view of the future of the Canadian trade is, not shipment of live stock to the British Isles, but the finishing of them in Canada, the erection of a large abattoir at Halifax, where the "finished" or fattened cattle could be slaughtered and shipped abroad in the form of chilled beef. More than a dozen members took a hand in the discussion, which soon soured away altogether in the hands of some of them, from the actual question of the embargo, and began to veer around to the provincial politics of Ontario. Some of the speakers were interested in the purely constitutional aspect of the case, others in the political and a few in the practical.

Those who did not know much about the soundness or otherwise of the idea back of Mr. Smith's resolution, nevertheless hotly resented the "stigma" (which was the word commonly employed), put upon the harmless necessary Canadian cow. Dr. Clark saw in it another chance to inveigh against the diabolical doctrine of protection, and incidentally took a crack at his fellow Agraria, Mr. Manning Doherty, for interfering in the domestic concerns of Great Britain. Mr. Fielding thought further naging undignified. The British Government knew the state of Canadian sentiment on the matter, there was no longer any doubt in the minds of unprejudiced persons about the health of Canadian stock. The British government was wrong, but they had the right to be wrong if they so desired, and he would favor dropping the matter.

The view from the ministerial benches, as expressed by the Premier and Dr. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, was that from an economic standpoint the matter was of great importance, perhaps, but they rather PRODUCTION OF PLATINUM IN B. C. Victoria, B. C., March 9.—That production of platinum in British Columbia is on the point of becoming an important industry is the opinion of S. J. Marsh, prominent mining man, who says that investigations which he has conducted for many years have disclosed that one of the principal platinum deposits in the world is the Fraser river and three of its tributaries—the Quesnel, the Willow and the Cottonwood rivers. A plant is being built and it is expected that reduction work will be begun this spring, stated Mr. Marsh. He believes that for 250 miles on the Fraser and 150 miles on tributary streams 75 per cent. of the black sand deposits can be dredged and concentrates to the extent of from 8 to 40 pounds per cubic yard of dirt obtained.

SHOT GIRL TO END HER SUFFERINGS

Belgian Acquitted by Court From Charge of Murder Preferred

(Associated Press by Leased Wire.) Brussels, March 9.—The question whether one person is guilty of a crime in hastening the death of another who is suffering from a mortal wound has been decided in the negative here in the case of a married man who shot and killed a girl who had attempted to commit suicide. His plea was that she was dying and that he killed her rather than watch her suffer. He was arrested, but acquitted of the charge of murder by the Brabant Court of Assizes. The man in the case was Jerome Hermans, 32 years old, and the girl was Coline Vandryk, age 18. They had a love affair and the attempt at suicide resulted. The shooting occurred in the Bois de Cambre, Brussels' largest public park. "Coline ran from the path into a thicket," said Hermans. "I heard a shot and ran after her. She had shot herself in the temple but was still alive. I could not see her suffer and I took her revolver and shot her in the neck. Then she was still, and I shot myself."

Farmers Warned to Prepare For Direct Road Taxation

(Continued from page 2) long distance layer of Canada, a bird producing 194 eggs in 194 days. Hon. P. J. Veniot's Address.

Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works, was the next speaker. He applied the interest of the Farmers and Dairyman's Convention, stating that it was one of the bodies which was broad minded and liberal enough to allow the French speaking people of the province equal privileges with the English speaking. While he was not a farmer, there was a question of interest which he felt should be raised. The municipalities as the cultivation of the soil, this was the road work of the province. Farming without good roads was difficult, and no one realized this better than the farmer, for he was unable to get his produce to market with poor roads. He asked the farmers to cooperate with the Department of Public Works, as it was from opinions of the farmers of the country that the legislators of the province know what to base their legislation. In the past two weeks the north of the province had been practically cut off from the remainder as far as rail road facilities were concerned, and he asked the present to unite in the restoration of transportation service there had been. He hoped the convention would pass a resolution dealing with this matter. In the matter of roads he declared he knew no politics. He could not obtain the results which should come unless he had the cooperation of all the farmers in the farming districts of the province. New Brunswick was the only province in Canada where the Government maintained the roads out of the Government revenue outside of the road tax. The municipalities as such did not contribute one cent of road tax. Of the \$224,000 in taxes last year, \$81,000 remained unpaid, \$36,000 had been received, but the balance for which not \$20,000 worth of roads had been provided. As a result of the situation which was springing up the province would have to resort to direct taxation for road purposes within the next ten years if conditions did not improve. One-quarter of a million of dollars of unpaid taxes had amounted up in the best three or four years. "Were I to have my own way with sufficient backing in the Legislature," Hon. Mr. Veniot stated, "I would wipe out statute labor. Unfortunately I cannot do it, but if you bring it up in your meetings and give me something to work on it will be my ammunition."

Pres. Magee remarked that the agricultural societies generally were against statute labor and that those outside of the societies were for it. Hon. Mr. Veniot said that in 1918 a law had been passed by which the taxes could be paid in cash or statute labor and that out of 664 road districts only 55 had voted to pay cash and the rest statute labor. He also asked the cooperation of the farmers in the question of protecting the roads after improvements had been made. There was no greater menace to people traveling on the highways than allowing cattle to run at large on the highways when one considered that this year there were over 11,000 motor vehicles in the province. In 1915 there had been 2,386 automobiles, 95 per cent. of which were in cities and towns; in 1917 this number increased to 4,888, of which 50 per cent. were in the cities and towns; in 1919, 6,259 cars and 254 trucks, of which 75 per cent. were in the cities and towns, and in 1920 10,442 cars, 649 trucks and 93 motorcycles, of which 51 per cent. were in the country. He asked the delegates to impress upon their County Councils the danger of cattle running at large, stating that this year there would be over 14,000 motor vehicles, one for every 25 inhabitants of the province. It was time for the farmers to co-operate with the public Works Department in getting a safer condition of affairs. He urged upon them to get their best men as road commissioners, stating that he understood there had been a good deal too much individuality about the work of some of these to suit the various parishes, but he could only work on a tangible report, and let this be given him then he could get after some of the road commissioners hot foot. After dealing with the distinction between the trunk and secondary roads of the province, he went on to say that last year the automobile receipts had amounted to \$198,000 and that this year they would amount to \$275,000 or \$300,000. The money, he explained, was funded and sufficient was borrowed to pay the annual interest on

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WED AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 10.—The marriage took place at 7 o'clock last night at the First Baptist church of Miss Lydia Graham Rice, daughter of the late Joseph Rice, and the late Mrs. Rice, of Cape Breton, to Edward Holgate, of Sherbrooke. Rev. D. W. Perry, of Sherbrooke, officiated, assisted by Rev. M. F. McCutcheon. Mr. and Mrs. Holgate left for Toronto and Niagara Falls. On their return they will reside in Sherbrooke.

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