

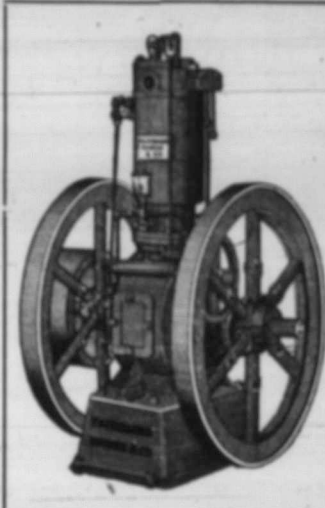
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ing fat cattle for the spring market. The idea is experimental and we believe will result in the introduction of some competition for these particular cattle at least. At all events it can do no harm. If the Guide can give any assistance to farmers in the marketing of their fat stock, it will be carrying out part of the work for which it was created.

We would like to hear from all those who are interested in this subject.

### THE LATEST MOVE

The latest move on the part of the elevator interests in their attempt to stem the tide of the popular movement in favor of Government ownership of elevators, is to circulate reports through their operators at country points that they are going to abolish the spread between street and track wheat. The report may be circulated with the hope that it may prevent some from signing the petitions that are being circulated for government ownership of elevators. There is, however, a possibility that they may remove the spread that now exists, for, as the Grain Exchange is now dominated by the elevator and speculative interests, they can make any old price they see fit for our wheat, and we venture to predict that if the spread is removed it will be track prices that will be eliminated and street prices or their equivalent will remain.

We hope that no friend of government ownership of elevators will be influenced by this last move.

The elevator and speculative interest, fostered by the Clearing House, has been the evil genius of the Grain Exchange. Their extortions were the immediate cause of the combat between that body and the Grain Growers, which has been going on for some years, and peace and mutual confidence will not be restored until the people take their sources of power—the storage facilities, both interior and terminal, out of their hands and place them under government control, where they may be available for anyone who desires to traffic in grain.

Once these two elements are stripped of their powers to dominate the trade, the Grain Exchange may be made

to discharge a useful function and fill the place in the grain trade that it was originally intended to occupy.

### OWN THE ELEVATORS

(The Sentiments of Souris)

The Council Chamber was filled on Saturday afternoon for the meeting of the Grain Growers' Association. President Thos. Perdue occupied the chair. Mr. J. G. Moffat, who is taking a prominent part in the work of the Association, explained at length the various benefits to be derived from Government ownership of interior elevators. It was not proposed to buy all elevators, but to buy or build at each shipping point such facilities as would enable farmers to send their wheat from initial shipping points cleaned ready for export. The subject, which is a most complex one, was threshed out at length, after which the following resolutions were passed embodying their demands:

(1) That the government provide by purchase or construction or both at each railway point where any considerable quantity of grain is marketed, elevator facilities with up-to-date equipment for cleaning, weighing and loading grain; that these facilities for the most part be sub-divided into bins of 1,000 bushels capacity, and that the system be operated by the government direct, or through a commission appointed for that purpose.

(2) That the minimum capacity required at each shipping point will be approximately one-third of the quantity annually exported there. This whole amount need not, however, be provided at the outset, but the storage structure should be so arranged as to admit easily of additions and extension as necessity demands.

(3) That the charges for handling and storing grain be such as to provide interest on amount invested, cost of maintenance and provision for gradual payment of initial cost.

(4) That a certain per cent. of the storage (not to exceed 25 per cent.), should be at the disposal of buyers of street grain.

(5) That two or more farmers be granted the privilege of jointly occupying a bin.