

and telephones. No land within this Federal district will be deeded in fee simple. Long term leases will be made, with the condition that all buildings must be on lines approved by the Government.

THE Federal district idea is not new to the people of Ottawa. When presented to the electorate on a previous occasion, however, the chief consideration seemed to be the securing of better financial terms with the Government. Not so at the present time. Those interested in the movement chose to bring on a vote at the last municipal election because of a recent epoch of civic mismanagement. Psychologically they were right. Many people in Ottawa were already turning their eyes and thoughts towards commission government.

It can fairly be said, therefore, that the people of the Capital are not seeking relief from present civic burdens by interesting the Federal authorities in their civic government.

Ottawa is growing rapidly. Population is flowing out beyond its boundaries and filling up the vacant spaces at a surprising rate. Surrounding the city is a chain of real estate "subdivisions." They are each laid out to suit the ideas of their respective owners. The streets of one sub-division may not jibe with those of its neighbour. The Greater Ottawa is being planned in real estate offices. The city has no control.

Canada's Egg Production

EVEN a hasty glance over the figures representing Canada's egg production and her egg consumption brings one to the conclusion that the people in suburban and country dis-

to-day, over territory which is now in the making, and which to-morrow will have to be taken in for sanitary and other reasons.

A Federal district would include the country for several miles around. It would place under the authority of the governing commission enough land to provide for growth for an indefinite number of years to come.

OTTAWA people sincerely believe that the destiny of their city is securely wrapped up in the growth and development of the whole country. They are convinced that it should keep pace, in its up-building and embellishment, with the steady expansion of the country's legislative and executive functions. They believe in the necessity for broader lines of development from municipal and government standpoints.

In their own interest? Yes; but in the interest of the whole people as well. And they believe that only through a joint form of domestic government can that harmony between the city and the federal authorities be secured which will be necessary for future development.

It will cost money to keep the building and improvement of the Capital in pace with the country's material progress. Ottawa people aren't trying to get out of it cheap. They are ready to pay as much as they have been paying. But they expect the national exchequer to pay its share.



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tricts should produce more eggs. And no doubt the extremely high price of eggs this winter and the difficulty of obtaining really fresh eggs at any price have made many a Canadian determined to go in more largely for producing eggs.

Per head of population, the egg production in the United States is almost three times what it is in Canada. Some startling facts in connection with this matter were brought out in an address delivered at a Farmers' Institute meeting by Mr. Peter White, of Pembroke, one of Canada's leading authorities concerning poultry and eggs.

"One would naturally imagine," said Mr. White, "that the United States, having a much larger population than we have, would be importing large quantities of eggs from us, but such is not the case. In fact, they are exporting eggs to Canada, and not only are they exporting them into Canada, but also in much larger quantities than we imagine."

"Let us look at the figures for eggs. In 1902 the Dominion exported \$1,733,242. A few years later these figures dropped to a little more than half a million, as compared with \$1,733,242—in other words a drop of more than ten times. In 1904, we were exporting ten times the poultry to Great Britain that we are doing to-day. What is the reason for this falling off? Simply

the Canadian farmer is not producing more than enough eggs to supply our own market. He does not realize the possibilities of the egg market.

"Let me quote you the March prices, which may be taken as a criterion for several years: 1901, 13 cents per dozen; 1903, 16 1-2 cents per dozen; 1904, 26 1-2 cents per dozen; (that year there was an egg famine); 1905, 17 1-2 cents per dozen; 1906, 23 cents per dozen; 1907, 26 cents per dozen; 1908, 26 cents per dozen—slow, steady and gradual advance in the price of eggs.

"In addition to that it is only necessary for me to point out to you that we are on the eve of great developments, and that our population is increasing and will continue to increase rapidly; that we have the great and growing West to cater to in the supply of poultry and eggs. We have a big market there to supply. We have towns springing up which must be supplied with poultry. We have embryo poultry men in every village and hamlet and farm in the great West, and they must be supplied with hatching eggs, and parent stock, and with that as a fact, surely to goodness, we should be producing, and must produce within five years, ten times the poultry that is being produced in Canada to-day. In other



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