

British Dyes Capital

GOVERNMENT TO DISPOSE OF ITS HOLDINGS.

The Government has decided to dispose of its holdings in the British Dyes Corporation to the corporation itself. These holdings amount to £2,000,000 in preference and a similar amount in ordinary shares. They were acquired at about one-third of their par value.

When the Government became a shareholder in the corporation had practically a monopoly in this business, but now it is one of several concerns. The withdrawal of the Government will mean the withdrawal of control and restrictions which have hampered the business.

Board's Long Meeting.
A special meeting of the directors of the British Dyes Corporation was held at the offices at Imperial House, Kingsway on Nov. 10, and lasted about two hours.

Lord Ashfield, chairman of the directors, presided, and among those present was Sir Alfred Mond, one of the Government directors.

At the close of the meeting Lord Ashfield stated that the meeting was private.

"It is true," he added, "that we have come to a decision, but for obvious reasons that cannot be communicated to the public at present."

"We have decided, first of all, to regularise the shareholders, and we hope our circular will reach them by Saturday."

The report that the Government was prepared to sell their holding, amounting roughly to about £2,000,000, for £600,000, was brought to the attention of Lord Ashfield. In reply he said: "I know nothing about that."

Reconstruction Scheme.
In our issue of Tuesday last we published an official statement to the effect that meetings of shareholders would be held probably towards the end of the month, when an agreement with the Government and a scheme of capital reconstruction would be placed before them.

The Government is represented on the board by Sir Henry Birchenough and Sir Alfred Mond.

The company has never paid a dividend on its deferred ordinary shares, and the dividend on its preference has been in arrears since 1920. The issued capital of the corporation amounts to £9,197,108, comprising £4,117,120 of 7 per cent. non-cumulative preference shares, £4,085,796 of preferred ordinary shares, and £994,192 of deferred ordinary shares, all of £1 denomination.

The last accounts were made up to October 31, 1923, and showed a profit of £251,422 for the year; but owing to previous losses there was still a debit balance of £449,276 to be carried forward on profit and loss account.—Financial Times.

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THREE FLOWERS FACE POWDER
The Face Powder that is Different
Having the Particularly Desirable Quality of being non-comedogenic and being tinted with the Distinctive and Appealing color of Three Flowers in All Popular Shades

The H. B. Railroad

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 4.—An expenditure of \$13,000,000 would not only complete the Hudson Bay railway, but would also place the port of Nelson in working order and equip the bay and straits with every aid to navigation necessary to the development of the new route, in the opinion of W. A. Johnson, a director of the Farmers' Union, who recently visited Port Nelson.

Expenditure on the scheme up to the present amounts to \$21,000,000, made up of \$15,000,000 for work on the line itself and \$6,000,000 on the port. In addition to this certain sums have been spent on maintenance.

Mr. Johnson summarizes the expenditure still required as follows:

"In order to put the road bed all the way to Nelson into running order, \$4,000,000 is needed. This would include 70 miles of steel, 800,000 tyres and ballast, together with the necessary water tanks, section houses, etc."

"This would suffice to bring loaded trains into Port Nelson. Here, however, the port is not completed. The artificial island which completes the docking accommodation is not yet finished, and in order to do so, excavation of a 600-foot channel two and a half miles long and varying in depth from eight to twenty feet, will be required. This calls for the dredging of 6,000,000 cubic yards at an estimated cost of \$8,000,000."

Additional expenses here are estimated by Mr. Johnson as follows: boats, \$300,000; light houses in straits, \$1,000,000; wireless stations, \$100,000; lighthouse tenders, \$500,000; buoys, etc., \$200,000; aeroplanes and facilities, \$500,000; floating dry dock, \$200,000.

"I have not attempted to underestimate the cost, and am fully convinced that the project can be fully completed within that amount," Mr. Johnson concluded.

Buy your Christmas Presents at the Child Welfare Sale in the Presbyterian Hall, on Thursday, Dec. 10th.—Dec. 21

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Christmas is Rapidly Approaching
Only 14 more Shopping Days remain, and the last of them will be of such activity that this store will be taxed to its capacity.

We Take This Opportunity
to urge everyone to consider this condition and make full use of the advantages the present time affords for satisfaction and comfortable Christmas shopping.

Many Practical Gift Suggestions
will be found in this **Tuesday and Wednesday** **Avail Yourself of these opportunities Now**
Bargain List for



Victor Flour
Choice Manitoba, in 14 pound cotton sacks. Special for Friday and Saturday, each **70c**
STONE.

Heinz's Fig Pudding.
A rich steamed pudding, containing chopped figs in generous proportions. Light, wholesome, delicious in flavour; 15-ounce tins. Regular 65c. each. **55c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

"My Own" Evaporated Milk
Sterilized and contains no preservative or adulterant; 1-lb. tins. Reg. 15c. each. **13c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Gold Seal Baking Powder.
Composed of phosphate bi-carbonate of soda and corn starch. One pound tins. Regular 35c. each. **28c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

ROBERTSON'S JAMS—Strawberry & Black Currant, 1 lb. crocks. Reg. 60c. 44c. Tuesday and Wednesday

MARMALADE—Ginger and Pineapple, 1 lb. crocks. Reg. 40c. each. Tuesday and Wednesday 30c.

MOIR'S SULTANA CAKE—In one pound sealed packages or cut, as required. Reg. 60c. 1b. Tuesday and Wednesday 55c.

WHITE'S PICKLES—10 ounce size. Reg. 30c. bottle. Tuesday and Wednesday 25c.

LIBBY'S MOIST MINCED MEAT—Excellent quality. Very palatable & nutritious. 23 ounce bottles. Reg. 65c. each. Tuesday and Wednesday 58c.

BLUE BIRD TEA—Choice blended Blue Bird Tea. Very fine flavor, half pound packages. Reg. 45c. each. Tuesday and Wednesday 42c.

SHAVING BRUSHES— Best quality, strongly bound with twine the bristles. Reg. 80c. each. **65c.** Tuesday and Wednesday



Toys and Smallwares
Furred Monkeys— 30c.
Dressed Dolls. Reg. 75c. for 62c.
Jack-in-Boxes. Reg. 25c. for 20c.
Toy Guns. Reg. 20c. for 16c.
Horses. Reg. 30c. for 25c.
Rattles. Reg. 10c. for 8c.
Metal Tarys. Reg. 30c. for 28c.
Writing Pads, letter and note size. Reg. 20c. each for 16c.
Rustproof Safety Pins— 5c.
Reg. 8c. card for 5c.
White Wove Envelopes— 5c.
Reg. 8c. pkg. for 5c.
Self-Filling Fountain Pens— 16c.
The ideal gift for school children. Reg. 55c. ea. for 45c.
Infants' Mitts— Pink, Pale Blue, Red, Fawn & White. Reg. 27c. pair for 22c.
Tin Trumpets. Reg. 20c. for 16c.
Spin Tops. Reg. 25c. for 20c.
Extension Cradles— 16c.
Reg. 20c. each for 16c.
Climbing Mice, each 6c.

Gifts That Will Please HIM
at **Bargain Prices**

Men's Tan Kid Gloves.
They are always acceptable as gifts. The line we offer here is of very durable quality, with warm lining and strongly sewn seams; a full range of sizes. Reg. \$2.50 pair. **\$2.10** Tuesday and Wednesday

Oiled Leggings.
Shaped at the shoe to cover the lace holes in boots. These are very serviceable for wet or snowy weather and would make very useful gifts; Black only. Regular \$1.75 pair. **\$1.56** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs.
Size 18 x 18 inches, with wide hemstitched hem. Regular 85c. each. **70c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Brown Leather Slippers.
Very reasonably priced at their regular price of \$2.20; strong uppers and durable soles and heels; sizes 6 to 9. Special for **\$1.89** Tuesday and Wednesday

White Handkerchiefs.
A large size and fine soft quality, made with wide hemstitched hem. Reg. 25c. each. **2 for 25c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Umbrellas.
Steelrod and strong seven rib serviceable covering. Regular \$2.75 each. **\$2.20** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Silk Ties.
A very nice assortment of the newest color combinations and designs; your choice from over a hundred different patterns. Reg. \$1.10 each. **88c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Brown Plaid House Slippers.
Just the kind you would like to give as Xmas gifts. They are strong, warm and very comfortable to wear, and are likely to be sold-out very soon at this low price; sizes 6, 7 and 8. Regular \$2.10 pair. **\$1.89** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Wool Gloves.
Rich Heather mixtures, made in Scotland from good Scotch yarn; they are heavy and warm and have comfortable long wrists. Regular 65c. pair. **50c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Grey Flannel Shirts.
In a good, roomy, English make and fine quality; strongly stitched and well made throughout; turned down collar attached; all sizes. Reg. \$2.30 each. **\$2.27** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Brown Leather Romeos.
Solid leather throughout; made with elastic sides and soft rubber heels; sizes 8 to 9. Regular \$3.25 pair. **\$2.92** Tuesday and Wednesday

Linen Collars.
Good shapes, that are very much in demand at the present time, for boys' fine wear; sizes 13, 13½, 14 and 14½ only. Special for Tuesday and Wednesday **2 for 27c.**

We have a small quantity of **HIGH GRADE, SILK COVERED Down Quilts**
These Quilts were bought at considerably less than their regular prices. They are of exceptionally good quality and would make most exceptional Xmas gifts. The prices are: **\$22, \$32, \$90** each

High Grade Pink Coufil Corsets
Goddess low bust Corsets that are up to the highest standard of quality and style; made with elastic inset front lacing, medium long hip with elastic at back to adjust itself to the exact style of figure; finished with four strong hose supports of fine silk elastic; sizes 22 to 30. Reg. \$3.60 pair. **\$2.88** Tuesday and Wednesday
Also a cheaper line, made with elastic top and sides and no lacing; finished with four strong hose supporters. Reg. \$1.80 pair. **\$1.44** Tuesday and Wednesday

Boys' Tweed Suits
Very stylishly cut and well made from all wool Tweed Sutting in a nice Grey shade; sizes for boys of 6, 7 and 8 years. Regular to \$8.00 suit. Special for Tuesday and Wednesday, **Each - - \$7.10**

Gifts that are sure to Please HER at **Reduced Prices**

Silk Poplin Shirtwaists.
High or low neck styles, with long cuffed sleeves, trimmed with fancy buttons; Black and Navy only. **\$3.25** Sale Price, each

Lawn Handkerchiefs.
Very fine quality with plain hemstitched hem and nicely embroidered corners. Reg. 12c. each. **3 for 27c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Perfumes.
Sardou's English Perfumes in delightful odors. Reg. 30c. 1/2. **23c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Wool Gloves.
Gaugetextyle in Buff, Grey and Heather shades, with stripes or block designs at wrist. Reg. \$1.10 pair. **89c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Children's Hats.
Jade, Saxe, Navy & Fawn Felt, turned up shapes, neatly trimmed with fancy stitching around the brim and crown. Reg. \$1.00 each. **79c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Cushion Covers.
Cream Lace with wide trim of same material; sizes 22 x 24 ins. Reg. 70c. each. **54c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Nail Brushes.
Stiff bristles in solid wood back. Regular 5c. each. **3 for 11c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Colored Crayons.
12 bright colors to box. Reg. 13c. box. **10c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Women's Dressing Gowns.
Of Wool Ripple Cloth in Rose, Grey, Purple, Saxe and Cardinal; made in full sizes with roll collars, long sleeves, pockets, giraffe at waist and nicely trimmed collar and cuffs with fine pin tucks. Reg. \$6.40 each. **\$5.10** Tuesday and Wednesday

WOMEN'S SILK AND WOOL HOSE—The season's newest shades, in plain and ribbed knit. Reg. 90c. pair. **72c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

GIRLS' GREY HOSE—Wide elastic rib and fine quality; sizes to fit 8 to 15 years. Reg. to 45c. pair. **35c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

BUNGALOW APRONS—Plain Zephyrs in Rose, Saxe Blue and Navy, with fancy floral Zephyr panels. Reg. \$1.95 each. **\$1.68** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's "Paris" Garters
Single grip style in Tan, Black, Navy and Mauve. Regular 60c. pair. **48c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Men's Cotton Shirts.
In very neat pin stripes, and serviceable quality; will launder well and prove good wearers; sizes 14½ to 16½; collars attached. Reg. \$1.75 each. **\$1.39** Tuesday and Wednesday

Women's Suede Slippers.
Very comfortable and warm Suede Slippers that would make very useful gifts; sizes 3 to 6. Reg. \$2.50 pair. **\$2.21** Tuesday and Wednesday

Gift Stationery.
In Holly and Mistletoe designs, especially prepared for Xmas gifts. Regular 75c. box. **57c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

White Ivory Dressing Combs.
Fine and coarse teeth; large size. Reg. 50c. each. **39c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Women's Silk Jersey Vests and Knickers.
Pink and White, nicely trimmed with Silk Torchon Lace and Merve Silk Ribbon Straps; Knickers are finished with lace all around the legs; elastic waistband. Reg. \$2.65 garment. **\$2.10** Tuesday and Wednesday

Women's Silk Umbrellas.
The very newest styles and most appropriate for gift giving; new style handles, amber tipped ends and covering of fine silk, in shades of Navy, Purple, Brown, Green and Black. Regular \$6.10 each. **\$5.35** Tuesday and Wednesday



Women's Underwear

Fleece Lined, in sizes 34 to 38; high neck, long sleeve vests, ankle length pants. Reg. 45c. each. **63c.** Tuesday and Wednesday
Regular \$1.35 garment. **\$1.21** Tuesday and Wednesday

Infants' Bands
Of cream flannel, neatly taped. Regular 45c. each. **35c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Children's and Misses' Overknickers
Pearl Grey Fleece Jersey. Sizes 5 to 14 years. Regular 95c. **75c.** pair. Tuesday and Wednesday

Mottled Flannel
Assorted stripes, 28 inches wide. Regular 30c. yard. **27c.** Friday and Saturday

Flannelette
Fancy stripes, 29 inches wide. Regular 27c. yard. **24c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Window Muslin
Scotch Tartans, in big variety; 31 inches wide. Regular 32c. **29c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Rope Door Mats
Fancy designs in Green and Fawn; size 14 x 24 inches. Regular \$1.10 each. **92c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Cocoonat Fibre Door Mats
Good strong quality; size 14 x 24 inches. Regular 90c. each. **72c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Boys' Black Wool Hose
7 to 12 years. Regular to \$1.05 pair. **83c.** Tuesday and Wednesday

Boys' Wool Sweaters
Heavy winter weight; sizes 24 and 26 inches. Regular \$1.50 ea. **\$1.20** Tuesday and Wednesday

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Moose Flourishing in New Zealand

VICTORIA, B.C., Nov. 30.—British Columbia moose introduced to the wilds of New Zealand twenty years ago are thriving and rapidly growing in numbers, according to advices received here by sportmen.

The moose were transhipped from their original habitat in the plateau of Central British Columbia to the Antipodes by the late Colonel Theodor Roosevelt, who contended that the climate of the southern Dominion was admirably suited to the living requirements of the North American moose and made the experiment as a zoological adventure and as a contribution to the big game resources of New Zealand.

The moose were taken far inland and set free and for years were left undisturbed. For a while it was thought that the animals had died off, as no trace of them was seen. Then, natives brought out reports of strange creature, much greater than the species of deer common to New Zealand. Experienced hunters went in to make an investigation and found that there was truth in the natives' frantic stories, and that the animals reported were nothing else than Col. Roosevelt's moose and their successors. The moose have multiplied and in a few years should form an important game animal, although the government is exercising strict supervision with a view to maintaining protection of the species until such time as the danger of extermination is past.



Snatching Victims From the Reds

A HERO PAYS THE PENALTY.
By A BRITISH INVESTIGATOR.

There are still a few brave men who carry on anti-Communist propaganda in Russia.

Incidentally they are able, at considerable risk to themselves, to snatch long-suffering women and old men from the jaws of torture and maybe a horrible death. This is the story of one such hero.

Periodically he smuggled himself across the Russian frontier, laden with monarchist literature for the people, and a few copies of the Russian newspapers issued in the various capitals of Europe. He also carried, in his memory, the name and address of some poor wretch on whom the Cheka (secret police department) had been overdoing its "provocation." It was his job to bring this man or woman out of the land of State capitalism.

On his last visit to Russia he met his death. Some member of the Soviet spying system must have tracked him. He had penetrated only a few hundred yards on Soviet soil when he was surrounded by Chekist troops—Not Red soldiers, who could not be trusted for such work.

His head cut off. They had evidently received orders from headquarters to take him alive. Otherwise he would hardly have been able to shoot six of them before himself being shot down. Naturally he resisted; death is preferable to torture.

He was wounded badly, and no time was lost in transferring him to Petrograd, where the remnants of the once famous Russian surgical and medical talent were hurriedly mobilized to save him, or at least bring him back to consciousness.

His luck was in. In spite of all their efforts he never regained consciousness. And the Chief of the Cheka raged and fumed at being cheated of his prey. Inspiration came—he would make use of him, dead or alive. One of those idiots who are ordered to cut his head off.

A Terrible Ordeal.
That night the black motors of the Cheka were busy making a round up of those lingering in prison were scanned, and about sixty were finally selected to go through the horrible ordeal.

The head had been placed on a pedestal in a room into which the suspects were pushed.

Those who showed any signs of weakness were marked down for further torturing cross-examinations and persecution. Those whose nerves betrayed them into hysterics or into behavior that might be interpreted as proving they recognized the face were relieved of the worries of this life by a bullet lodged in the back of their head. The tonic is generally administered while the victim is descending stairs.

Visiting Labour deputations are not furnished with particulars of experiments like this. Instead they are shown the summer rest houses of the sweated workmen, where carries ever sink by degree of the Central Committee.—Daily Mail.

No salad should be mixed with the dressing until you are ready to serve it.