

TENDERS ASKED FOR BY THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT

Firms desirous of tendering for any Government Supplies should apply to the War Purchasing Commission, Booth Building, Ottawa, giving particulars of the business in which they are engaged and a list of the articles they wish to supply.

Tenders are constantly being invited by the different departments of the Government, tender forms and specifications being distributed by mail to all individuals or firms concerned, known to the Commission.

The War Purchasing Commission keeps a register of the different firms and lines of business they are interested in, and it is, therefore, advisable that those wishing to have tender forms sent them should register their names, addresses, catalogues, etc., with the War Purchasing Commission, which co-operates with all other departments.

Tenders have been invited by the different departments of the Dominion Government between May 3 and May 9, as follows:—

| Articles. | Point of Delivery. | Date due. |
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| DEPARTMENT OF SOLDIERS' CIVIL RE-ESTABLISHMENT— | | |
| Furniture | Ottawa | May 10 |
| Leather, black calf | Toronto | " 8 |
| Boots | Montreal | " 10 |
| Leather, shoulder | Toronto | " 9 |
| Coal | Guelph | " 12 |
| Wool | Toronto | " 10 |
| Shoe findings | Halifax | " 15 |
| Reed | Regina | " 15 |
| Vulcanizer | Ottawa | " 13 |
| Aluminum trays | " | " 16 |
| Mixer, complete | Montreal | " 14 |
| Leather, tan calf | Toronto | " 15 |
| PUBLIC PRINTING AND STATIONERY (STATIONERY BRANCH)— | | |
| Coloured bond | Ottawa | May 12 |
| Cover paper | " | " 15 |
| Toilet paper | " | " 15 |
| Kraft envelopes | " | " 15 |
| Manila envelopes | " | " 19 |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (PENITENTIARIES BRANCH)— | | |
| Flour | Stony Mountain | May 12 |
| DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (INTERNET OPERATIONS)— | | |
| Creamery butter | Amherst | May 9 |
| Oleomargarine | " | " 9 |
| Flour | Kapuskasing | " 13 |
| Cheese | " | " 13 |
| Coal oil | " | " 15 |
| DEPARTMENT OF MARINE— | | |
| Air tanks | Sorel | May 20 |
| Wire rope | Dartmouth, N.S. | " 15 |
| DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS— | | |
| Iron and wire nails | Cap St. Ignace | May 17 |
| DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE— | | |
| Beds, air | Quebec | May 8 |
| Tablets | Ottawa | " 12 |
| Surgical instruments | " | " 15 |
| Lint, borated | " | " 13 |
| Enamelware | " | " 13 |
| Paper, photographic | " | " 13 |
| Tablets | " | " 14 |
| Electric toasters | " | " 9 |
| Kitchen food conveyers | Toronto | " 9 |
| Acid and soda | Lindsay | " 14 |
| Wipers | " | " 14 |
| Aluminum wire | " | " 15 |
| Tool steel | " | " 15 |
| Trays, developing, porcelain | Ottawa | " 15 |
| Rubber goods | " | " 15 |
| Laboratory supplies | " | " 15 |
| Beef, butter, forage and straw | London | " 14 |
| Special meats, special groceries | " | " 14 |
| Eggs | Toronto | " 15 |
| Laundry | St. Catharines | " 13 |
| Milk, etc. | Hamilton, Ont. | " 14 |
| Beef, onions | Toronto | " 16 |
| Potatoes and vegetables | Kingston | " 14 |
| Butter, sugar, vegetables | Montreal | " 15 |
| Eggs | " | " 15 |
| Beef, sugar (white) | Quebec | " 16 |
| Fresh fruits, etc. | " | " 16 |
| Beef, potatoes, vegetables | Halifax | " 20 |
| Fresh fruits, etc. | " | " 20 |
| Special meats | Sydney, N.S. | " 20 |
| Potatoes and vegetables | " | " 20 |
| Cheese | St. John, N.B. | " 20 |
| Beef | Brandon, Man. | " 22 |
| Butter | Port Arthur, Ont. | " 22 |
| Fish | Regina, Sask. | " 22 |
| Laundry | Saskatoon | " 13 |
| Beef, butter, cheese, sugar, fish, potatoes and vegetables | Edmonton, Alta. | " 19 |
| Beef, butter, cheese | Victoria, B.C. | " 21 |
| Beef, cheese, butter, potatoes | Vancouver, B.C. | " 21 |
| Vegetables | " | " 21 |
| Bacon, beef, butter, sugar | Winnipeg | " 22 |
| Beef | Montreal | " 10 |
| Laundry | Saskatoon | " 18 |
| Bacon | " | " 20 |
| Beef, butter, sugar, cheese | Medicine Hat | " 23 |

SUPREME COURT

In the Supreme Court the case of Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited, v. Wellington Colliery Company was taken up on May 8. It is an appeal from a judgment of the Court of Appeal for British Columbia affirming a judgment of the Supreme Court and condemning the appellant to pay \$64,097.70 to the respondents. The latter allege that the appellant trespassed into their coal mines, which adjoined its own, and knowingly and wrongfully took and abstracted coal from those mines without the knowledge or consent of the respondents.

The court dismissed the appeal with costs without hearing argument from respondents' counsel.

W. C. McKeown, K.C., for the appellant; H. B. Robertson for the respondents.

The next case heard was McFadden v. McFadden. It is an appeal from a judgment of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Alberta affirming the judgment of the trial court and allowing the cross-appeal of the respondent, whereby the judgment in favour of the respondent was increased from \$1,150 to \$2,894.60. The respondent's action claimed \$1,920 for the support and maintenance of the appellant's son, and a further sum of \$3,590.73 as value of one-half of a crop sold by the appellant, but alleged to be the property of both parties.

F. W. Tweedie, K.C., for the appellant; A. M. Sinclair, K.C., for the respondent.

In the Supreme Court on May 13 the case heard this morning was Mitchell v. The Mortgage Company of Canada. It is an appeal from a judgment of the Court of Appeal for Saskatchewan reversing a judgment of the trial court in an action for specific performance of an agreement of lease or in the alternative for damages. There is no dispute about the facts, but the question in issue is whether according to the correspondence between the parties the Statute of Frauds had been complied with.

Judgment was reserved. Eug. Lafleur, K.C., for the appellant; F. H. Chrysler, K.C., for the respondent.

The next case heard was Robb v. The Merchants Casualty Company. It is an appeal from the Court of Appeal for Manitoba, which reversed the judgment of the trial court and dismissed the appellant's action. The appellant held an accident insurance policy in the respondent company which embraced a clause whereby the beneficiary was insured against accidental death for the benefit of the insured. The beneficiary entered an elevator on the ground floor in the Marshall Field Annex building, in the city of Chicago. Through an accident to the elevator, the beneficiary was killed. The question to be decided is whether the elevator was "a public passenger conveyance" within the meaning of the policy.

David Campbell for the appellant; R. B. Graham for the respondent.

Homestead Entries.

During the period ending 29th April, 195 homesteads were entered in the Prairie Provinces as against last year, 141. This year's entries included 56 soldier grants.

CROP SITUATION IN WESTERN PROVINCES

Seeding Nearly 10 per cent Completed—Labour Scarce

The crop situation in the Western Provinces is described as follows by the Winnipeg office of the Department of Immigration and Colonization:—

Manitoba.—During the week ending May 3 the weather has been cool with fairly heavy frosts at nights. High winds have caused some soil blowing on light lands, but, beyond delaying seeding, no damage has been done. To date 5 per cent to 10 per cent of seeding throughout the province has been done, the soil being in first-class condition, with moisture ample for successful germination. Farmers in many quarters are experiencing great difficulty in securing help—experienced or otherwise—and the Provincial Labour Bureau at Winnipeg reports that 500 men could be placed immediately on Manitoba farms if they were available.

IN SASKATCHEWAN.

Saskatchewan.—On the whole, weather has been unfavourable with heavy winds and frosty nights. Seeding, however, has progressed rapidly, 25 per cent of the wheat being in the ground, with oat seeding commencing this week. The soil is in the very best condition for cultivation and there is moisture sufficient for present needs in all parts of the province. Wheat in the Swift Current district is reported to be above ground. Labour conditions are somewhat serious, farmers being unable to get help, despite the fact that attractive wages are being offered. Grass is coming along well and cattle everywhere are out on pasture.

Alberta.—The weather has been favourable. Seeding has made rapid progress, and to date 60 per cent of wheat is in the ground. There is no grain up yet. The soil is in excellent condition except at some points in the Crownstest section of the C.P.R., and also at some points on the Cardston branch, where the soil is very light and rain is needed. The labour situation is apparently satisfactory.

Grain in store at Government interior elevators: Moosejaw, 1,302,541 bushels; Saskatoon, 1,419,231 bushels; Calgary, 1,337,073 bushels.

In store C.P. interior elevators, 7,736,119 bushels; 1917, 4,702,342 bushels. Inspected since September 1, 1918:—

| Wheat. | Other grains. | Total. |
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| 1918—110,562,000 | 37,357,250 | 147,919,250 |
| 1917—142,026,000 | 68,979,700 | 211,005,700 |

Provinces' Crime Records.

The criminality of each province, according to the estimated population for 1917, as stated in the Canadian Criminal Statistics for the year ending September 30, 1917, stands as follows: Yukon, one conviction in every 384 persons; Ontario, one in 396; British Columbia, one in 499; Manitoba, one in 525; Alberta, one in 579; Saskatchewan, one in 633; Quebec, one in 663; Nova Scotia, one in 879; New Brunswick, one in 1,097; Prince Edward Island, one in 2,840; Canada, one in 537.

25 cents buys a Thrift Stamp.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE—Concluded.

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| Bread, beef, bacon | Charlottetown | " 21 |
| Fresh vegetables | London | " 14 |
| Bacon | Ottawa | " 15 |
| Beef | Sydney, N.S. | " 20 |
| Bacon and butter | Brandon | " 22 |
| Fresh vegetables | Regina | " 22 |
| Fresh vegetables | Saskatoon | " 22 |
| Currants, macaroni, prunes, bacon | Calgary | " 23 |
| Prunes, bacon, currants, macaroni | Edmonton | " 23 |
| Fish | Vancouver | " 24 |
| Eggs | " | " 24 |
| Butter, bacon | Toronto | " 16 |
| Bacon | Hamilton | " 14 |
| Beef, bacon | Port Arthur | " 22 |
| Fresh vegetables | Calgary | " 23 |
| Straw | Edmonton | " 23 |
| Bacon | Medicine Hat | " 23 |
| Fresh vegetables | Quebec | " 16 |