

REAL ESTATE DEAL IS OF TREMENDOUS IMPORT IN HEART OF LONDON

Covent Garden Market Sold by the Duke of Bedford--Values of Property in all of London May Be Affected--Perpetual Market Charter is Held

[Canadian Press Despatch] NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A cable to The Tribune from London says: Naturally London is still excited over the huge deal transferring the Covent Garden estate, which for 350 years has been in the Bedford family, into the hands of a man unknown to nine out of ten persons. Many questions are being publicly asked, and notably as to who is back of the deal. Will the section be transferred into another Alwyck and Kingsway? Will other noble houses sell their vast estates, and if so, what effect would such transactions have on property values in the London area are among the questions asked. It is wondered whether Mr. Mallaby Deeley is not being backed by the insurance companies, the chief of which invest largely in London real estate. The name of the Norwich is mentioned in this connection. Insurance companies need office ground just west of the city proper, and there middle priced hotels are desired in the Strand. Has Mr. Lloyd George's tax policy brought about the prospective sale of all of the Duke of Bedford's properties in London, and what was the price really paid, are two other questions frequently asked. All the papers deal editorially with this topic of street discussion. Although Mr. Mallaby Deeley flatly denies that any syndicate backs him, and says that the deal represents a private investment, no part of which is going into the hands of a company, this is much doubted, especially as he said the same thing when he bought the Piccadilly Hotel, and now

the Piccadilly is, as a matter of fact, owned by a limited liability company. The automobile industry situated in Long Acre needs expansion. Mr. Mallaby Deeley said he considered Mr. Lloyd George's proposals very carefully, and has not the slightest fear of the effect of the same on either rural or urban land, "so long as it is not downright confiscation," but others not so sanguine point out that the Duke of Bedford holds now only 41,196 acres in England, against 87,000 in 1904. Real estate feels that the keen business heads of such men as Lord Northbrook, Lord St. Germain, the Duke of Westminster, Lord Howard De Waldon, Lord Portman and Lord Dartmouth, may prompt them to unload and thus produce serious results to land values in London. Covent Garden merchants are afraid the new owner will not be so sentimental as was the Duke of Bedford in his business relations, even though the market lots are now considered high enough, but Mr. Mallaby Deeley declares that all traditions will be preserved and promises even greater security of tenure than at present. Under the Bedford regime merchants, tenancies in the market were only monthly and thus a good will could never be sold. Not only on the site and on half acres of the actual market, but in the adjoining streets the duke charged a toll on every street cart and wagon. Also dealers were allowed to sell their produce in the neighboring streets paid as if inside the market. (Continued on Page 4)

MANUFACTURED MILK IS SOLD AND IS PROVING A SUCCESS IN THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

[Canadian Press Despatch] INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—When the inspectors for the city health board here found a large number of bottles of milk yesterday in which the cream settled upon the bottom of the bottle instead of on the top, it uncovered the fact that for a month or longer many Indianapolis people have been using a manufactured milk which was being sold for the real product. The manufactured milk is made by mixing a powder with water and adding enough cream to give the proper amount of butter fat. This fluid stands all the tests required of real milk.

During the street car and teamster's strikes here, the city health board made arrangements to have milk delivered and also to secure milk for babies and invalids. The plans were unnecessary because the milk supply in Indianapolis apparently did not diminish. At that time though, the usual shipments of milk into the city from the country on the interurban lines were practically stopped. With no milk being shipped into the city and the supply apparently normal, the health board sent out inspectors and great numbers of samples of milk were analyzed. The samples were up to the required

standards, but the search for the source of the milk supply was continued. The discovery of the manufactured milk was brought about when one company put too much butter fat in its newly made supply. This caused the cream to settle to the bottom of the bottles. The company is one of the largest in the city and admitted to city officials that it had been selling the manufactured milk for some time. When it was found the manufacturer fulfilled all requirements as to the various standards the board ordered that commencing on Friday, all manufactured milk must be so labelled.

CITY COUNCIL INSTRUCTS SOLICITOR TO SECURE AN INJUNCTION AGAINST CO'Y

In the Meantime The Company will be Prosecuted in Police Court Saturday--Council Unanimous That Present Nuisance Must Cease.

The Brantford City Council last night took action as far as the city could take it, re the sulphur supply which has been pouring into the city from the gas mains for the past week. A resolution calling for the application by the City Solicitor for an interim injunction to stop the present Tilbury supply from entering the city was passed with unanimity. The resolution is as follows: The Resolution. Moved by Ald. Charlton, seconded by Ald. Minshall, that as the Brantford Gas Company have turned into the mains of the said Gas Company, situated in the City of Brantford, from what is known as the Tilbury field without a moment's warning, and said gas is highly charged with sulphuretted hydrogen, which throws off a highly obnoxious and poisonous vapour detrimental to the health of the citizens of Brantford using same for domestic as well as manufacturing purposes, and as the gas mains and pipes of the said Gas Company situated in the streets of the City of Brantford are in a poor state of repair, allowing this obnoxious gas to escape into the air and thus become a menace to the health of all citizens, as well as trees and all plant life, he therefore resolved that this council instruct the City Solicitor to take immediate steps to apply for an interim injunction before the County Judge to restrain the said Brantford Gas Company from allowing the said gas to come into their service pipes in the City of Brantford, and follow the same up through the proper legal channels to obtain a permanent injunction, and that he be empowered

to use every legal means to bring this matter to a speedy settlement forthwith. Ald. Broadbent also had a resolution put through calling for the appointment of a competent inspector by the Dominion Government, such being provided for under the act. This was also unanimous. In fact there was no one around the council board who by any stretch of the imagination could be called a defender of the gas company. It seemed to be felt as if there would be great peril of losing an aldermanic seat next January if anyone were bold or presumptuous enough to defend any company which had offended the olfactory nerves of the community in such outrageous fashion as the gas interests had in the few days just past. Nor was this all the health of people, their goods and chattels, plant and tree life in the city were considered by the aldermen to be in jeopardy and in this they were backed up by the opinion of Medical Health Officer Pearson, who announced that he had entered prosecution in the police court against the company and that the case would be heard on Saturday. Acting Mayor Spence presided at the meeting, and proceeded to inform the aldermen why they were called together on an especial occasion. He prefaced his remarks by stating that it was hardly necessary to go into details because there was scarcely a citizen in Brantford who was not thoroughly familiar with things re gas. Moreover they were up in arms. The Tilbury gas was loaded with sulphur and there were (Continued on Page Three)

Chocolate advertisement with text: 'Everybody likes it. Why, Chocolates, of course. We have the swellest you can FIND ANY-ome and see them. You even if you are book. THE GOODS) HE CANDY MAN'.

Wooling his flock from the tango advertisement with text: 'Wooling his flock FROM THE TANGO'.

Man! advertisement with text: 'Man! until you have looked will be satisfied that our'.

Johnson advertisement with text: 'Johnson STREET Open Evenings Till 9.30'.

Bowl advertisement with text: 'Bowl MONERY STORE'.

COUNTY COUNCIL IS ASKED TO JOIN

Prison Farm Project Again Brought To Notice

City Representatives Ask for Co-operation of County.

The prison farm question was again dealt with by the County Councilors at the afternoon session yesterday. The council met yesterday and in meeting to-day for the last time this year. At the meeting held recently in Woodstock to deal with this question, Ald. Pitcher and Ald. Charlton were appointed to meet the Brant County Council and ask them if they could not see their way clear to come in with a group of other cities and counties. Accordingly they addressed the council in the afternoon. And after some discussion the Warden, County Clerk, Warden and Councillor Milmine were appointed a committee to attend all meetings and gather information and report to the 1914 council at its first meeting. Alderman Pitcher. Ald. Pitcher was first to address the council. After stating why he and Ald. Charlton were addressing the council, he stated although the date had not been set the next meeting of the representatives would be held in Brantford and urged that a deputation from the council attend being the largest city in the group of cities and counties considering the question, an effort would be made to have the farm established in Brant County. To do this the assistance of the County Council was required. He, therefore, urged for the council to assist.

ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE NEW YORK CENTRAL



Alfred H. Smith, a Vice president of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, was elected president of the New York Central lines. He succeeds William C. Brown, who resigned a month ago to devote himself to agricultural problems.

HOW BRANTFORD COULD SECURE RELIEF

Mr. W. J. Aikens in an Interview With Courier To-day

Plenty of Pure Gas at Dunnville Which Could be Turned on.

Mr. W. J. Aikens, who is considered the pioneer in the development of the big gas fields in Haldimand and who understands the gas situation in Ontario thoroughly, was asked by the Courier to-day if he could suggest any immediate remedy to the present situation in Brantford. "Yes, I can," said Mr. Aikens, "I would suggest that the Dominion Gas Company divert their present gas supply for the town of Dunnville to Brantford. This together with the supply previously secured, would be ample for all Brantford needs. The Independent Company could supply Dunnville. This company controls 10,000 acres, having 50 wells complete with an output of 10 million of gas daily. This gas is there locked up now. Of this quantity only 400,000 feet goes to St. Catharines. The field supplied St. Catharines last year. This remedy would only relieve Brantford and not Paris or Galt. It could be done immediately however." "Would it prove a permanent remedy?" "Well it could be applied" said Mr. Aikens, "until the Dominion Company piped the Tilbury gas into Hamilton and used that gas for manufacturing purposes in that city. At present one smelter there uses two million feet of pure gas a day. This gas is more than required by the city. It is pure gas however." One of the reasons why Brantford is getting its dose of Tilbury gas and Hamilton is being so well served, is because of competition starting in the latter city soon by the franchise granted to the National Company, separate from the Doherty interests. Hamilton as a result is getting the best of it, and Brantford the worst of it, because Brantford is not getting its share of competition. Moreover every foot of pure gas is being given to Hamilton while Brantford is getting the sulphur article. If the supply from Dunnville could be secured, it would be immediate as the Dominion company's mains between Haldimand and Brantford are the same as those through which the former supply of pure gas was received in Brantford.

WILL CROSS OCEAN SOON IN AN AIRSHIP

[Canadian Press Despatch] NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—That more must be accomplished on land with flying machines before an attempt is made to cross the sea is the statement made by Orville Wright at the Aero Club of America last night, where a reception was tendered him on the tenth anniversary of the first power flight made by him and his

late brother, Wilbur. He added that he would not venture to predict that the Atlantic would be crossed in a flying machine within the next few years. "What is needed now are more experienced aviators," Mr. Wright said, "Fully 95 per cent of accidents occur because the aviator has not been sufficiently trained."

WOOLING HIS FLOCK FROM THE TANGO

[Canadian Press Despatch] NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—To woo the young men and women away from the tango and the turkey trot, the Vestry and Aid Society of Christ Church in Brooklyn of which Canon William S. Chase is rector, have engaged a dancing teacher to instruct classes in the newest dances approved by the vestry. The question of dancing came to the attention of Canon Chase and of the vestry with the opening of the

new parish hall in connection with the church. The problem presented to the churchmen was to have the hall utilized for the young men and women for whom it was built and not permit or encourage the tango and other dances to which exception was taken. The engagement of a dancing teacher was the solution. A list of the dances to be taught has not been issued, but Canon Chase said that the tango and turkey trot would not be included in it.

CLAIMED THAT HE WAS ROBBED IN CITY

A Stranger From Galt Declined to See Things Here Yesterday.

The police have got a little job to do during the next few days, if the statement of Joe. Hagen, a resident of Galt, is true. Hagen, whose face looked battered, but honest, said he arrived in the town from Galt early yesterday morning and proceeded to have a few drinks. In the course of the afternoon he met two or three men, supposed to be locals, and soon he lost recollection of time and whereabouts. He remembered, however, that the men took him into an alleyway and demanded 10 dollars which they thought he had. This amount he did not possess, having only carried a few dollars with him. When the men discovered this, they took his watch, chain, pocket-book and cash and decamped and then Hagen fell into the hands of the police. He was quite sure that he had been robbed when questioned by Magistrate Livingston and was positive that he came with a Waltham watch in his possession. On the charge of being drunk he was discharged and the police are now busy getting at the facts of the story, which, if true, means that someone might soon be up on a serious charge.

GRAIN SHIPPED.

CALGARY, Dec. 18.—Between harvest and the close of navigation 15,833 cars of grain were moved east from the Alberta division of the Canadian Pacific Railway compared with 10,900 for the same period last year. It is estimated that 75 per cent of the crop has been marketed and ten per cent of the balance is required for

SCANT PROGRESS WITH HOME RULE

Sir Edward Grey Says Door for Settlement Remains Open.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, addressing the constituents in Northumberland yesterday, acknowledged that no progress had been made as yet in the direction of achieving a settlement of the Home Rule question by consent. The government, he said, acted by a spirit of conciliation, had opened the door, but instead of entering in and discussing terms, the Opposition persisted in staying outside and shouting in things at the window. Still, the door would continue to be open, and it would not be the fault of the Liberal party if a peaceful settlement was not reached.

GOOD ROADS WAS DEBATED

Dominion Grange Has Grouch Against the Autoists

[Canadian Press Despatch] TORONTO, Dec. 18.—There was a warm debate at this morning's session of the Dominion Grange on the question of good roads. The present policy of the government does not suit the grangers and a special committee was appointed to draft a report conveying the attitude of the association on this important question. In the course of the discussion the automobilists came in for scathing denunciation. One delegate strongly favored a special tax on motor cars to make good the damage done country roads by the autoists. Tax reform was also freely discussed, but James McEwing, former member for West Wellington in the local house declared there was no hope of tax reform so long as Sir James Whitney was in power.

NEW RULE OF CATHOLIC CHURCH TO RESTRICT MIXED MARRIAGES

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PRAYERS FOR SETTLEMENT.

Will Be Offered in all Anglican Churches on Sunday, Dec. 28.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Bishop of London has received from 453 clergymen of this diocese a request to be authorized to have public prayer in their churches for a peaceful settlement of the issue between part of Ulster and the rest of Ireland over the Home Rule question. It is expected that the Bishop will consent and that the last Sunday of the year will be chosen.

GETTING READY FOR A FIGHT IN SASK.

Temperance and Prohibition Forces on a Plebiscite

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 18.—The terms of the prohibition plebiscite are not yet decided. The licensed victuallers demand that the minimum affirmative vote necessary for the passage of the bill to provide for the abolition of the bar should be not less than sixty thousand and that compensation for license holders should be provided in the event of the bill passing or a period of several years to elapse before bringing the bill into effect. The anti-liquor say that if the minimum affirmative vote be placed at thirty thousand they would agree to poll a ten per cent. larger vote than the supporters of the liquor interests. Their alternative proposition was to secure a bare majority and place the minimum affirmative vote at forty thousand. The government has suggested fifty thousand as the minimum vote required to carry the bill. Fewer of proclamation to prohibit the importation of liquor into the settlements of the northern hinterland will be vested in the lieutenant-governor in council under the terms of an amendment to the liquor license act carried in committee. The restriction will not apply to the north country as a whole, but it will be left to the discretion of the government wherever prohibition is considered necessary in the interest of the community, to issue a proclamation defining the exact limits within which the new clause shall be operative.

LORDS CAN PREVENT HOME RULE PASSING

That is if Unionist Lawyer's Contentions Proves Correct.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—William Joynson-Hicks, a Unionist member of the House of Commons, believes he has discovered a flaw in the Parliament Act which will enable the House of Lords to prevent the Home Rule bill from being made law. He holds that his discovery will give the Upper Chamber full power to prevent the passing into law of any legislation distasteful to the Lords. The gist of the contention of Mr. Joynson-Hicks, who is a lawyer, is that the Lords can defeat any measure by simply adjourning consideration of the bill from month to month. In this way the Parliament Act, which ruled that any bill which is passed by the Commons in three successive sessions becomes law, with the Royal assent, automatically without the consent of the Upper House, would be of no avail, because it provides that the bill must be rejected three times by the Lords.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 18.—It has been decided that during the coming session of parliament the marine and fisheries committee will be asked to take evidence and inquire into the recent disaster on the great lakes. It is said that Major Leonard, chairman of the Transcontinental railway commission, will be knighted at New Year's. Legislation to be passed at the approaching session of parliament is almost certain to include a Dominion mines act. At the present time mining in all the provinces with the exception of the three prairie provinces is under the jurisdiction of the provincial governments.

CITY TAKES ACTION SECURING EVIDENCE

For Case Against Gas Co.—Directors Meeting Called.

The city to-day, following the action of the city council last night, appointed a man to secure evidence against the Brantford Gas Company for the injunction proceedings which will be launched to prevent the use of the present supply. The Gas Company directors have been called together for consultation to-night, and as the city holds stock in the company, also a director's seat on the board. Acting Mayor Spence received notice to attend.

MAYOR IS TOUCHY.

WAINWRIGHT, Alta., Dec. 18.—Mayor Lally of Wainwright has resigned office rather than sign a cheque in payment for a pool table for the local fire brigade. The feeling of the Woodstock meeting seemed to be that improved land

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GET GOLD PIECES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Christmas presents in the subway this year will be \$5 gold pieces. The board of directors of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company has authorized distribution of the coins among employees earning \$115 a month, who have been with the company since January 1, 1913. It was said that 14,000 subway employees would receive the gifts. Employees of the overhead surface lines will also receive gifts in money.

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