

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

BRITISH NAVY WANTS MEN;
BERESFORD SECONDS ALARMSays It Is Useless to Build Ships
When They Cannot Be
Manned.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Aug. 1.—London cable says: The article printed in the London Daily Express yesterday, affirming that Germany is secretly building nine new battleships is regarded seriously by Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, as is evidenced by a letter to the editor of that paper, printed this morning. He says: "Our position is much more serious than the First Lord of the Admiralty (Winston Churchill) dare confess. He cannot find crews for eight additional battleships. There are not enough men now for active service in the fleet alone. The first Lord's statements on the subject are inconsistent with one another."

LOCAL ITEMS

Subscribers to The Advertiser who want their paper sent out of town for the holidays can notify office by card, or phone 3670, in asking to have changed, giving the name of the new address, if possible state when you want paper returned to city address. Subscribers not on our office delivery service, wishing to have their paper delivered, are requested to call at the circulation department.

—Mrs. John Wright, of Whalen, underwent a serious operation in St. Joseph's Hospital today. At the present time she is progressing favorably. Civic Holiday.

Monday, Aug. 6, is Civic Holiday in London.

A Church Picnic.
The A. Y. P. A. of St. Matthew's Church are picnicking this afternoon at Springfield Park.

—A woman appeared at the police court this morning on a charge of shop-lifting in a local store. She was fined \$5.00 and costs.

—The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Matthew's Church. The interment will be in the cemetery.

—A woman who had been charged with the theft of a silver watch, was released from custody this morning.

—The board of trade, anticipating that a party of about 100 persons, who are expected to arrive in the city this morning, will take in the excursion to Cochrane and Intermediate points, now being organized by the Associated Boards of Trade.

—Among those who are expected to be present at the annual meeting of the Gorman and Eckert, held at the Hotel Hamilton, are: Mr. Gorman, Mr. Eckert, and Mr. McLean.

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WILL PROBE WRECK
OF THE HELVETIAInquiry Into Recent Collision
of Empress of Britain
Starts at Quebec.

[Canadian Press.]

Quebec, Aug. 1.—An investigation into the cause of the collision between the steamers Empress of Britain and Helvetia in the Gulf of St. Lawrence on July 22, will be opened in court today. The court was composed of Capt. Lindsay, commissioner of wrecks, with Capt. Cliff and Nash as assessors. Mr. Pentland is representing Capt. Murray and the officers of the Empress of Britain, and Mr. H. J. Holden, of Montreal, is representing the officers of the Helvetia.

The first witness called was Capt. James A. Murray, of the Empress of Britain, who was master and commanded the vessel.

They left Quebec about 7:30 p.m. on July 22 and proceeded full speed down the river to Father Point, the weather being fine. They left Rimouski at 8:20 a.m. on July 23, the weather being fine.

At 3:15 it became clear again, and the speed was put full on. At 4:02 the haze came on again, and the speed was reduced and the lookouts stationed at the stern, head, and in the crow's nest.

The first and third officers were on the bridge. The whistle was kept going regularly. At 4:37 p.m. the lookouts reported someone on the starboard side. It was nothing.

Shortly afterwards the fog got thicker and suddenly they saw a steamer on the starboard side. The other vessel was the Empress of Britain.

He could not say how long it would take to go astern. They had been doing 12 knots an hour when they saw the vessel immediately ahead.

The vessel was at right angles with them. About half a minute after they saw her they struck her. The other vessel was the Empress of Britain.

After the collision the calls to all hands to quarters, and to swing out the boats were given. The Helvetia was struck about the engine room.

The captain said the engine was damaged, to keep her from sinking. When all were saved he backed off, and the Helvetia sank rapidly. He held her up 45 minutes.

The captain said he only received a frown once before the collision. He thought the Helvetia was on a port helm some time before the collision.

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East End (Rochester Street)
E. C. BOWKER, Manager.

PECULIAR TANGLE IN
MUNICIPAL COUNCILAldermen Resign and Now
Want to Go Back—Others
Will Resist.

[Canadian Press.]

Drummondville, Que., Aug. 1.—A peculiar situation has developed in the municipal council, which, however, may be a serious outcome on account of the bad spirit it is endangering.

Some weeks ago Mayor Garneau and four councillors resigned because the townspeople voted down a bylaw to bonus a factory. The rest of the council refused to resign, not having a quorum, appointed citizens as councillors to the vacant places.

Now the mayor and councillors who resigned have withdrawn their resignations and will attempt to take their old places in the council chambers. The newly-appointed councillors stand ready to resist an assault on their position, and have instructed the town constable to assist them.

The old councillor state that without a quorum that no business, such as appointing councillors, could have been done. They intend to sue, and threaten legal proceedings if the new council continues to do business.

A BAND CONCERT
IN QUEEN'S PARKSeventh Regiment Band Will Render
the Program This Evening.

By permission of Lieut.-Col. A. A. Campbell, commanding, and the officers, the Seventh Regiment Band will play in Queen's Park this (Thursday) evening from 8:15 to 10:15 o'clock.

The program is as follows:
March—Punjab Payne
Overture—Rosamunde Schubert
Barn Dance—Cuddle Up a Little The Maple Leaf
Close—Le Sang Romain Ivanoff
Selection—The Office Boy Becker
Grand March—Coronation Douglas
Solo—Alice, Where Art Thou? Asher
Horn Solo—The Swan Hayman
Fantasia—Ould Ireland Hare
Solo Drag—Italian Rag Penland
British Grenadiers, and God Save the King.

F. H. Dawson, Conductor.

MR. BORDEN URGES
IMPERIAL UNIONWas Guest of Honor at Canada Club
Luncheon in London.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Aug. 1.—Today to the Canadian Premier, Hon. Robert B. Borden, and to the other Canadian ministers, who now are on a visit to the United Kingdom, the high commissioner for Canada, presided over the gathering, which included many persons prominent in British public life.

Mr. Borden spoke of the progress made in the Dominion, and advocated a closer imperial union.

Hon. J. Douglas Hazen, the Canadian minister of marine and fisheries, paid a tribute to Lord Strathcona.

MONTREAL ATHLETES
COMPLAIN OF KNOXSay Canadian Coach Was Too Strict
With Training.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Aug. 1.—The Montreal athletes who composed the Canadian Olympic team, complained today that Coach Walter Knox kept in force from the moment the team gathered in Montreal until the Stockholm games were over.

They say that Fabre, the marathon runner, was forced to train on the hard deck of the Teutonic going to England, and that his feet were all blisters.

So exacting was the work imposed on him that he was "all in" long before the marathon, and ran in the race against the doctor's orders.

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POTATOES WERE
PLENTIFUL TODAYAll Other Vegetables Were Also
Offered in Large Quantities
on the Square.

BERRIES WERE SCARCE

Butter and Eggs Were Firmer—The
Day's Quotations on the Local
Square.

The attendance on the local market square today was rather slim and the sales were dull.

The prices of hay, straw and grains were unchanged. The offerings were not very large.

Vegetables were very plentiful, particularly potatoes, tomatoes, carrots and cabbages. Lettuce was cheaper today, the prices being from 15 to 20 cents per bushel.

Cabbages were slightly higher today than on Tuesday. New potatoes were considerably lower today than before this season, the prices being from \$1.15 to \$1.25 per bushel.

Raspberries were not so plentiful today as they have been for the past two weeks, and although there were changes in the prices there was a firmer feeling to the market.

Other small fruits were also scarce today. Butter and egg prices also had a firmer feeling today, the wholesale price of dairy butter being 26 and 27 cents per pound, and the wholesale price of eggs was 22 cents.

The prices were:

Wheat, per cwt. \$1.67 to \$1.75
Oats, per cwt. \$1.50 to \$1.55
Grain, per bushel. 1.05 to 1.10
Hay, per ton. 11.50 to 12.00
Straw, per ton. 9.50 to 10.25

Dairy Produce:

Butter, dairy, whole salt. 26 to 27
Butter, fancy, retail. 27 to 28
Butter, store lots. 27 to 28
Butter, creamery. 27 to 28
Butter, fancy, retail. 27 to 28
Eggs, fresh, per doz. 25 to 26
Eggs, dairy, per doz. 25 to 26
Eggs, crato, wholesale. 22 to 23

Poultry, Dressed:

Chickens, lb. wholesale. 13 to 19
Chickens, lb. retail. 20 to 21
Old fowl, per lb. 11 to 12
Poultry, Alive:

Ducks, per pair. 1.00 to 1.20
Chickens, per pair. 8 to 9
Old fowl per lb. 11 to 12

This year's butchers' meat:

Select hogs, cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Fat hogs, cwt. 7.50 to 8.00
Dressed hogs, choice. 11.00 to 11.50
Veal, per cwt. 9.50 to 10.00
Pork, per cwt. 10.00 to 10.50
Mutton, per cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Heavy hogs, cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Stags, per cwt. 8.00 to 8.50

Live Stock:

Select hogs, cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Fat hogs, cwt. 7.50 to 8.00
Dressed hogs, choice. 11.00 to 11.50
Veal, per cwt. 9.50 to 10.00
Pork, per cwt. 10.00 to 10.50
Mutton, per cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Heavy hogs, cwt. 8.00 to 8.50
Stags, per cwt. 8.00 to 8.50

Onions, green, doz. 20 to 25
Lettuce, per doz. 40 to 75
Cauliflower, per doz. 40 to 75
Cabbage, per doz. 20 to 25
Beets, per doz. 20 to 25
Radishes, doz. 20 to 25
Cucumbers, per doz. 10 to 15
Carrots, doz. bunches. 10 to 15
Green peas, doz. 10 to 15
New potatoes, per doz. 10 to 15
Tomatoes, per doz. 10 to 15
White turnips, doz. 20 to 25
White radish, bunch. 20 to 25
Rhubarb, per doz. 40 to 75
Celery, per doz. 40 to 75
Marrows, per doz. 1.00 to 1.50

Gooseberries, retail. 9 to 10
Gooseberries, wholesale. 8 to 9
Raspberries, wholesale. 12 to 14
Black currants, quart. 15 to 18
Red currants, box. 1.15 to 1.16
Cherries, per quart. 10 to 15
Cherries, per bushel. 9 to 10
Peaches, per basket. 1.25 to 1.26
Peaches, per bushel. 2.00 to 2.00

Wool, unwashed, lb. 12 to 13
Wool, washed, lb. 25 to 26
Lambkins, each. 25 to 35

CATTLE PRICES AT
TORONTO MARKET

TORONTO, Aug. 1.—The cattle market started out this morning with a very fair feeling. The receipts show 62 cars, containing 744 cattle, 1,109 sheep, 550 hogs and 220 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, \$7.40 to \$7.75;
do, medium, \$7.25 to \$7.50; do, butts, \$5.50 to \$5.80; butcher cattle, choice, \$5.50 to \$5.80; do, medium, \$5.25 to \$5.50; do, butts, \$4.50 to \$4.80; feeders, \$4.50 to \$4.80; sheep, choice, \$5.00 to \$5.25; do, light, \$4.50 to \$4.80; do, medium, \$4.25 to \$4.50; do, butts, \$3.50 to \$3.80; hogs, \$6.00 to \$6.50; do, light, \$5.50 to \$6.00; do, medium, \$5.25 to \$5.50; do, butts, \$4.50 to \$4.80; calves, \$8.00 to \$8.50.

EAST BUFFALO, Aug. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 150 head; slow and steady. Veals—Receipts, 200 head; active and steady. \$4.10 to \$4.15. Receipts, 5,000 head; active and steady. \$4.10 to \$4.15. Receipts, 5,000 head; active and steady. \$4.10 to \$4.15.

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