

OUR APPLES ARE WANTED IN ENGLAND

Fruit Trade Commissioner Tells of Demand For Ontario Fruit.

LOOKS COUNT

Gives Advice On the Packing of the Fruit in Boxes.

Toronto, Aug. 1.—The fruit industry is the only single Canadian industry that is honored by having a special trade commissioner appointed to look after its export interests, and J. Forsyth Smith, Fruit Trade Commissioner, who has been established at Liverpool, England, for the past five years for the purpose of forwarding the interests of the Canadian growers and shippers of fruit, especially apples, is now visiting Ontario points as part of a tour of British Columbia, Ontario and Nova Scotia, in which his object is to inform the fruit men of these provinces of conditions of supply and demand, and the special requirements in the way of package and shipment of apples to the English and European markets.

Speaking yesterday of the apple demand situation in the Old Country, Mr. Smith, stated that the best Ontario packs hold a very high place in the esteem of the fruit trade, and that the Ontario apple is the most popular barrel apple on the British market, despite the fact that some short-sighted growers persist in neglecting the grading of their crop, to their own loss and against the good reputation of the province.

With regard to varieties, the Commissioner pointed out that Ontario Kings, Golden Russets and Spies are especially appreciated in Great Britain, and he deplored, on account of the export trade, that the local and Western Canada demand for Spies had so reduced the supply reaching the Old Country that consumers and dealers there are much disappointed in the shortage of supply of apples of that variety. Baldwins, Stark Greenings and Ben Davis, he said, are other popular varieties, the last-named being favored on account of its attractive qualities. Ben Davis apples arriving late in the season, were often preferred to varieties having better flavor and texture merely on account of their superior condition a feature that is of first importance in price-making on the British market.

In preparation for his visit to Canada, Mr. Smith, at the order of his Department, visited Norway, Sweden, Holland, Belgium and Denmark with a view to ascertaining their preferences as regards apple supply. He found that these countries promised only a small market as compared with that of the United Kingdom, but one worth considering. The importers showed a strong preference for the box pack, but would be glad to accept barrel packs of late varieties of high-colored apples such as Baldwins and Ben Davis. The method of doing business in these countries is through a resident agent who acts as exclusive agent for the shipper, quoting prices to the importer and wiring acceptances. The transaction is thus completed as a cash deal.

Considering this year's world supply of apples affecting the British market, Mr. Smith said that the crop in England is almost a failure. Kent, the principal producing county of dessert apples, having only 10 per cent. of the crop it had last year. The Washington and Oregon, U.S.A., crop of box apples is short, and British Columbia will have only from 60 to 65 per cent. of the crop harvested there last year. American barrel apples will be a fair supply, but will be handicapped by the adverse exchange rate. Although the Nova Scotia will be of good quality and fair amount, it will be less than that of last season. So taken all in all, the demand for apples in Great Britain this coming fall and winter should be quite satisfactory, so far as Canadian producers are concerned.

Canadian exporters of apples will be interested to learn that the apple price control order in Great Britain has been suspended until Nov. 15th, giving a free market for fruit sales to that date. On and after Nov. 15th price control will be resumed, when the maximum price for a barrel of apples will be 78 shillings, as compared with 67 shillings 8 pence last year. The new price for a box of apples weighing 40 pounds net will be 23 shillings 6 pence, as compared with 20 shillings 10 pence last year, while boxes weighing 27 pounds net will sell for 21 shillings 6 pence.

The Fruit Trade Commissioner is not unqualifiedly in favor of box-packing Ontario apples. He points out that the varieties of American and British Columbia apples that bring the highest prices when boxed are particularly attractive and highly colored, such as the Winesap, Jonathan, Rome Beauty and Arkansas Black, and some favorite varieties such as Newton and Cox's Orange, which specially commend themselves to the British consumer. "When the West," said Mr. Smith, "box-packs Ben Davis, Greening, Stark, etc., these varieties frequently bring lower prices than the same varieties in barrels." He also called attention to the fact that when boxes and barrels are packed out of the same orchard, the election of the best apples for boxing would tend to depreciate the standard of the barrel pack, and therefore, when highest prices were received for the

boxed fruit, the average for the crop could not be much greater than if a first-class barrel pack of the whole lot were put up. Furthermore, he said, the Eastern box-packed apple would be handicapped on the export market by the preference of the trade for established brands of western boxed apples. "Nevertheless," he declared, "there is a future for the box-pack trade in Ontario apples, as the mere fact of the grower taking the trouble that he is showing regard for the demand for evenness in size of fruit and for quality." In order to obtain top prices for boxed apples on the British market it is advisable to use medium-sized fruit rather than the biggest, as the retailers, in selling the product by weight, have to weigh close so as to ensure a profit and at the same time give satisfaction to their customers.

Box-packing in itself is not a guarantee of high price, however, said the commissioner, in conclusion. Absolute maintenance of high quality must be given first consideration if Canadian growers are to hold first place in the British apple market, he pointed out. "Poor grading of the fruit had been found anything but a paying business in the past and would be increasingly profitless in the future."



J. G. McTavish Christie, of Winnipeg, who has retired from the Hudson's Bay Company after 48 years' service. His father and grandfather both served the company all their lifetime.

GETS WIFE BACK AFTER 20 YEARS

Victim of Aphasia Had Wandered Far.

Wife Had Married, Become a Widow.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—"Come—Annie." Within forty minutes after he had received this laconic message from the wife he had left in Cripple Creek, Colo., twenty years ago, William Zeiseneanne, almost a modern Enoch Arden, was speeding over the rails to Denver. In 1900 Zeiseneanne was running a butcher shop with his brother in Chicago, perfectly happy with his bride of a year and their baby, George. But the little snoot was not making money as fast as he wanted it to be, and in May he went to Cripple Creek to work in a gold mine. His wife followed him in a few weeks.

Since their cabin was many miles from the mine where he was working, William saw his wife only on pay days. One day an accident occurred in the mine. William was struck on the head by a piece of timber, and was sent to the hospital with a wound that left a long scar.

He regained consciousness in a few days, but suffered from a complete lapse of memory. For many years he wandered about Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico, just where he does not remember. His memory returned to him by degrees, but it was only recently that there came to him a full realization of the fact that he had once been married and that he had a mother living in Chicago.

Friday he returned to the home of his mother. His first questions were regarding his wife. Yes, she was still living in Cripple Creek, and another son had been born shortly after his unaccountable disappearance. She had waited years for her husband to return, and after he became "legally dead" she had remarried. But she had written his brother only last month that her husband had died almost a year ago. William took the shortest route to the nearest telegraph office. To-day he received the one-word message from his former wife. And now the only thing troubling him is whether he must go through a second marriage ceremony when he "returns to life."

CLAIMS PONZI ADMITS IDENTITY

Boston, Aug. 1.—An associate of Charles Ponzi, from the home of the latter, at Lexington, to-day, telephoned the Associated Press that Ponzi admitted he was the Charles Ponzi, formerly of Montreal. He added that the spectacular financier was in conference with his lawyers and would issue a statement later. Bank Commissioner Allen to-day took charge of the Hanover Trust Company. This is the institution in which the account of Charles Ponzi, the financier, was shown recently to have been overdrawn.

DEBT IS OVER \$2,300,000,000

Though Canada Shows An Apparent Decrease

Chance For Reduction to Start Soon.

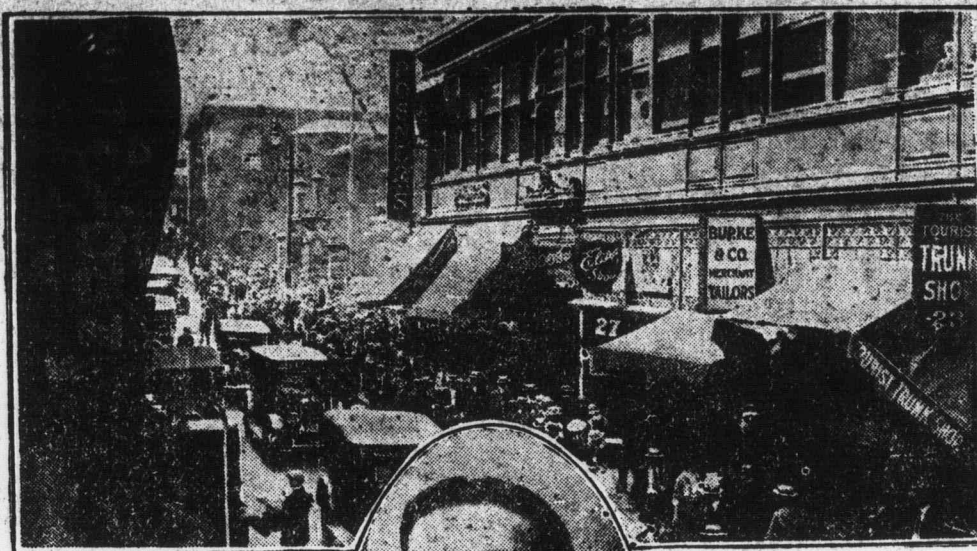
Ottawa, Ont., despatch: An apparent decrease of no less than \$65,622,114 in the debt of the Dominion which, at the end of July, stood at \$2,300,119,030, is shown in the financial statement for the month of July issued to-day by the Department of Finance. The figures are, however, more apparent than real, this exceptionally good showing being due in a large measure to transference from the consolidated funds to "investments" of forty million dollars covering loans to soldier settlers by the Land Settlement Board.

Deduction of the forty millions still leaves the debt smaller than it was at the end of June by twenty-five million dollars, but this again is in a measure due to a change in the Government's interest paying period, which was largely responsible for a drop in expenses for July to \$22,789,304 as compared with \$40,054,940 during July, 1919. Expenditure for the four months' period to July 31st was \$104,909,936 on consolidated fund as against \$76,515,862 in 1919. Expenditures on the capital account side of the ledger make a splendid showing and this is almost entirely due to the practical disappearance of the item of "war expenditure," which has contributed more than anything else to the growth of the debt. The figures demonstrating this statement show a total war expenditure for the first four months of the fiscal year 1919 as \$117,276,824 as against only \$2,078,074 for the same period this year.

The revenues side of the financial statement indicates such buoyancy that there is reason to hope that the time is not far distant when some of the revenue may be available for purposes of debt reduction. For the four months, collections by the customs and other revenue-producing department totalled \$145,509,588, as compared with \$99,621,720 for the similar period in 1919. For July alone the collections were \$46,220,491, whereas in July, 1919, they amounted only to \$26,554,066. A jump in customs collections from \$49,154,602 to \$69,773,477 contributed the largest percentage of the increase, while the war tax revenues were higher than those collected in 1919 by several millions.

GERMAN WARSHIPS

New York despatch: Five captive German warships came into New York Harbor to-day. Their arrival marked the beginning of their last 12 months of existence, for as soon as they have served their purposes as exhibits they are to be sunk. They were the dreadnought Ostfriesland, the cruiser Frankfurt, and three destroyers, the V-43, G-102 and S-132. They were allocated to the United States in the division of captured vessels.



GETTING RICH QUICKLY.

The picture shows Charles Ponzi, Boston's wizard of finance, who is said to have "made" \$16,000,000 in a few months by dealing on foreign exchange, and a crowd in front of his office in School street, Boston, where thousands stand in line daily to press their money on him for investment or to draw their 50 per cent. dividends.

CANADA'S WHEAT 250,000,000 BU.

Winnipeg, Aug. 1.—Canada's wheat fields will yield from 226,000,000 to 250,000,000 bushels. This estimate was made to-day by W. A. Black, vice-president and managing director of the Ogilvie Milling Company, and is based upon crop reports received from its agents. Compared with last year's yield this is an increase of 50,000,000 to 75,000,000 bushels.

BILLY SUNDAY EXCELS HIMSELF

Lincoln, Neb., report: The League of Nations was addressed before the Epworth Assembly.

"I am not in favor of allowing a bunch of mutts, mollycoddles and curmudgeons to sit around a table and decide when we are to declare our wars," he said. "I am not for a league without reservations, and if Jim Cox and the Democratic party stand by the kind of league Wilson brought home with him, they will go to digging graves so deep they will never hear Gabriel's trumpet on judgment day."

SMALL BOAT'S TRIP

Cowes, Isle of Wight, cable: What is being to be a record passage across the Atlantic for a 35-foot yawl was made by the Typhoon, which arrived this morning after making a non-stop run, it is claimed, from Cape Race, Newfoundland, to Bishop's Rock, Scilly Islands, a distance of 100 miles, in 15 days and 9 hours.

Passengers on the boat were Frederick Baldwin, of Toronto; James Dorsett, of Washington, and William Duttling, of New York. They said they encountered heavy seas, and they encountered a record passage in their effort to reach Cowes in time for the international motor races which begin here to-morrow.

FORTY MILLION FOR HIGHWAYS

Ottawa Approves Scheme Under Federal Act.

Roads For Ontario and Quebec Named.

Ottawa report: Plans that provide for the expenditure of \$40,000,000 to improve the highways of Ontario and Quebec are among those which have just been approved by the Government under the operation of the Federal Highway Act.

The total outlay contemplated in Ontario is \$22,200,000, of which the Dominion Government will contribute \$5,800,000, the Province \$12,000,000, and the municipalities \$4,400,000. Quebec's projected outlay is \$17,300,000, of which the Dominion Government will put up \$5,000,000 and the Province and municipalities the balance.

In Quebec three standard highways, including the King Edward highway, Montreal to House Point; the Quebec and Montreal North Shore road, and the road from Lévis to Jackman, Maine, are already finished, or practically so. The plans submitted all conform to the standard prescribed by the act, and when the system is completed vehicular traffic will be revolutionized. The roads that are planned are all trunk or main highways, as distinguished from country or township roads.

The Ontario plan provides for the following main highways: Windsor to the Quebec boundary at Coteau, via Chatham, London, Brantford, Hamilton, Toronto, Belleville and Kingston, with branches from Hamilton to Niagara Falls, and from Prescott to Ottawa.

Fort Erie, through Simcoe and St. Thomas to Windsor. Toronto to Sarnia, via Brantford, Guelph and Stratford. Toronto to Muskoka. Ottawa to Pembroke. Ottawa to Point Fortune, connecting with the road to Montreal. Ottawa to Kingston, via Perth and the Rideau Lakes.

The plans of Quebec which have been approved are for first-class highways: Hull to Montreal. Montreal to Lévis. Lévis to Rimouski. Rivière du Loup to Edmundston, connecting with the St. John Valley highway. Montreal to Sherbrooke, via Granby and Magog. Montreal to Malone, N.Y., via Chateaugay and Huntingdon. Montreal through the Laurentians to Mont. Laurier.

The present year will see work well advanced on many of these roads.

The boycott instituted against Hungary several weeks ago by transport workers of surrounding countries has ended. Communications with all countries have been resumed. The boycott was inaugurated as a protest against the alleged persecution of Hungarian workers by their Government.

Two soldiers were shot dead at Cionakilly, County Cork, Monday night.

MARKET REPORTS

TORONTO MARKETS

FARMERS' MARKET.

Dairy Produce—		
Butter, choice dairy	.. 30.55	\$0.00
Do., creamery	.. 29.55	0.00
Margarine, lb.	.. 27.00	0.00
Eggs, new laid, doz.	.. 0.65	0.00
Cheese, lb.	.. 0.40	0.00
Dressed Poultry—		
Chickens, Spring, lb.	.. 0.50	0.00
Do., lb.	.. 0.35	0.00
Chickens, roasting, lb.	.. 0.45	0.00
Ducks, Spring, lb.	.. 0.40	0.00
Turkeys, lb.	.. 0.55	0.00
Live Poultry—		
Chickens, Spring	.. 0.40	0.00
Chickens, lb.	.. 0.30	0.00
Roasters, lb.	.. 0.25	0.00
Fowl, lb.	.. 0.20	0.00
Ducks, Spring lb.	.. 0.30	0.00
Fruits—		
Apples, basket	.. 0.60	1.00
Cantaloupes, each	.. 0.15	1.00
Cherries, basket	.. 0.20	1.00
Blueberries, basket	.. 0.20	1.00
Currants, basket, red	.. 1.00	1.00
Do., black, basket	.. 1.00	1.00
Gooseberries, basket	.. 1.25	1.00
Plums, basket	.. 0.60	1.00
Do., 6-qts.	.. 1.10	1.00
Peaches, Can., 11-qts.	.. 0.65	0.85
Do., 6-qts.	.. 1.10	1.00
Raspberries, box	.. 0.25	0.30
Rhubarb, doz.	.. 0.35	0.25
Watermelons, each	.. 0.75	1.00
Vegetables—		
Beans, basket	.. 0.40	0.75
Beets, new, 6 for	.. 0.15	0.15
Carrots, new, 6 for	.. 0.15	0.15
Corn, doz.	.. 0.50	0.10
Cabbage, each	.. 0.05	0.30
Cauliflower, each	.. 0.15	0.15
Cucumbers, each	.. 0.05	0.15
Lettuce, leaf, doz.	.. 0.25	0.30
Lettuce, head, each	.. 0.10	0.10
Onions, Bermuda, each	.. 0.25	0.00
Do., green, bch.	.. 0.05	0.10
Potatoes, bag.	.. 0.10	0.05
Do., peak.	.. 0.40	0.05
Parsley, bunch	.. 0.10	0.10
Peas, basket	.. 0.75	1.00
Radishes, bunch	.. 0.10	0.10
Spinach, bunch	.. 0.25	0.10
Tomatoes, 11-qts. bkt.	.. 1.00	1.25
Do., 6-qts.	.. 0.75	0.85
Squash	.. 0.25	0.35
Vegetable Marrow	.. 0.10	0.15

DRESSED MEATS—WHOLESALE

To the trade wholesalers are making the following quotations:		
Beef, forequarters	.. \$16.00	to \$18.00
do hindquarters	.. 28.00	to 32.00
Carcasses, choice	.. 20.00	to 22.00
do medium	.. 20.00	to 22.00
do common	.. 20.00	to 22.00
Veal, choice	.. 22.00	to 26.00
do common	.. 18.00	to 20.00
Heavy hogs	.. 20.00	to 24.00
Shop hogs	.. 20.00	to 24.00
Abattoir hogs	.. 20.00	to 24.00
Mutton, light	.. 15.00	to 20.00
Lamb, spring, lb.	.. 25	to 30

SUGAR—WHOLESALE

The wholesale quotations to the retail trade on Canadian refined sugar, Toronto delivery, are now as follows:		
Acadia, granulated, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 1 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 2 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Atlantic granulated, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 1 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 2 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Redpath granulated, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 1 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 2 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 3 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 4 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
St. Lawrence gran., 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 1 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 2 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 3 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	
Do., No. 4 yellow, 100-lb. bags	.. 23.21	

OTHER MARKETS

WINNIPEG FUTURES.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Oats—				
Oct.	84 1/2	84 1/2	83 1/2	84 1/2
Dec.	79 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	79 1/2
Flax—				
Oct.	3.53	3.57	3.53	3.57
Barley—				
Oct.	1.25	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2	1.25 1/2
Dec.	1.16 1/2	1.16 1/2	1.16	1.16 1/2

MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis—Flour—Unchanged to 30c higher; in carload lots, family patents quoted at \$13.25. 84-bbl. to 26-lb. cotton sacks, shipments, 408,685 bbls. Bran—42. Wheat—Cash, No. 1 Northern, \$2.75 to \$2.85. Corn—No. 3 yellow, \$1.45 to \$1.48. Oats—No. 3 white, 72 1/2 to 74 1/2.

PUTTING DOWN REBEL COURTS

Stern Measures Against Sinn Fein Aides.

Member of Viceroy's Council Resigns.

Dublin, Aug. 11.—Sir Thomas Stafford has resigned his membership in the Viceroy's Advisory Council because, he says, the Premier "has refused to take the only step giving a chance for peace, namely, the firm and immediate offer of a form of dominion government."

Next to Frank Brooks, who was assassinated on July 30th by three men in a railway directors' room in Dublin, Sir Thomas Stafford has been the closest personal friend of Viscount French, the Lord Lieutenant.

The military is taking stern measures against persons concerned in holding Sinn Fein criminal courts. Three men have been convicted and sentenced to two years at hard labor by court-martial for "carrying off two men for unlawful purposes." Several buildings used as "republican" courts have been occupied by the military.

In some cases bloodhounds are being employed by the police in hunting suspected persons.

Yesterday morning's street fighting here, in which one civilian was killed and another wounded, was caused by the refusal of a group of civilians to disperse when called upon to do so by an armed patrol, says an official statement on the incident, issued here late last night.

Manitoba farmers will present evidence before the tariff commission, which will hold sittings in Winnipeg, Sept. 15, according to an announcement made by W. R. Wood, secretary of the United Farmers of Manitoba.

M. V. McKinnis, Canadian Government agent, forwarded one hundred and seven settlers from Michigan to Western Canada on Monday.

GRENADE GUARDS CHEER DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

Photo shows the Grenadier Guards cheering the Duke of Connaught, former Governor-General of Canada, after he had inspected them on Wimbledon Commons, Eng.