TODAYS MARKET A BRISK ONE

LOCAL MARKET.

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London, Monday, March 12.

The roads are in a muddy state, and in many places there is no snow, while in other spots there is too much snow, therefore, there will not be any great improvement for a few days. Considering the state of the roads there was quite a large attendance of farmers, and the buyers were out in force and were in a buying mood, consequently the market was a brisk one.

Grain—Oats sold quite readily at $1 55 and $1 58 per cwt. Wheat, 92c per bushel.

Hay and Straw—About a dozen loads of hay was offered and the demand was brisk, and those who had the hay were compelled to pay from 50c to $1 per ton over yesterday's prices. Sales were made at $16 50 and $17 per ton. No straw was offered.

Butter and Eggs—Butter was again a scarce commodity and prices were firm at 30c to 32c for pound rolls. Crocks sold at 30c. Eggs were cheaper at 23c and 24c per dozen wholesale.

Vegetables and Roots — Potatoes were exceedingly scarce at 95c to $1 per bag wholesale, and it will not be a surprise if prices do not go higher. Rhubarb was scarce at $1 per dozen. Lettuce, radishes and green onions, 40c dozen.

There was no change in prices of poultry, the supply was light.

Dressed Hogs — Nearly 100 carcasses offered. Sales were made in nearly every instance at $7 per cwt.

Veal was 50c per cwt lower, and sold at $7 50 and $8 50 per cwt. There was no other change in butchers' meat.

Apples were dull and prices were steady.

OIL MARKETS.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., March 11.—Credit balances, $1 78.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 12.—Oil opened and closed at $1 78.

COTTON MARKET.

New York, March 12.—Cotton—Futures opened steady; March, 10.55c; May, 10.67c; July, 10.43c; August, 10.22c bid; October, 9.90c; December, 9.92c to 9.93c.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 11.—Cotton—Futures closed steady. Closing bids: March, 10.51c; April, 10.54c; May, 10.61c; June, 10.48c; July, 10.38c; August, 10.19c; October, 9.86c; December, 9.88c.

Spot closed quiet, 10 points lower; middling uplands, 11.40c; middling gulf, 11.65c; no sales.

SUGAR MARKET.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 11.—Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 3.55c; centrifugal, 96° test, 4.05c; molasses sugar, 3.30c; refined steady. Molasses—Quiet.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 11.—Sugar—Firm; Montreal granulated, in barrels, $4 70; yellow, $4 30; in bags, 5c less; Acadia, in barrels or bags, $4 60.

DAIRY MARKET

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 11.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 22c to 28c; dairies, 20c to 26c. Cheese—Steady, 13c to 14c.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 11.—Butter—Firm; receipts, 3,890 packages; creamery specials, 29c.

Cheese—Firm; receipts, 250 boxes; full cream, specials, 16¼c; state full cream, small white, fancy, 16c; large and small, colored, fancy, 15¾c; large white, fancy, 15¾c; good to prime, 14½c to 15¼c; late October and early November made, 13½c to 14½c; winter made, 12c to 13c; common to fair, 10c to 11½c; skims, 1c to 11c.

BEAN MARKETS.

DETROIT.

Detroit, March 11.—Beans—Spot, $2 15; May, $2 15; both nominal.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 12.—Barley is very weak and was offered on the exchange at 70c. Quotations on oats are rather lower than they are in Winnipeg. The demand, however, is fairly good, but the trade is not large. Bran prices are higher than ever, as $25 25 was bid for a car lot at North Bay, which was offered at $16. Prices are:

Wheat—Manitoba No. 1 northern, $1 21½; No. 2 northern, $1 18½; No. 3, $1 13; feed wheat, 67½c; No. 2 feed, 61½c; Ontario No. 2 white, 94½c to 95c outside; No. 2 red, 94c to 94½c; No. 2 mixed, 93½c; goose, 91c to 92c.

Corn—Firm; No. 3 yellow American, 70c to 71c, Toronto freights; No. 3 mixed, ½c less.

Barley—No. 2, 70c.

Rye—No. 2, 83c to 84c.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 67c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 51c outside, 53c on track at Toronto; No. 2 mixed, 49c outside.

Flour—Manitoba patents, special brand, $6; seconds, $5 40; strong bakers, $5 30; winter wheat patents, $3 50.

Bran—Full cars, $25 to $26, bags included, outside.

Shorts—Scarce, $23 to $24.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; steady; beeves, $4 25 to $6 30; cows and heifers, $2 to $5 20; Texans, $4 to $5 80; calves, $5 to $6 75; westerns, $4 to $5; stockers and feeders, $3 to $4 90.

Hogs—Receipts, 28,000; steady; light, $4 35 to $4 65; mixed, $4 40 to $4 65; heavy, $4 40 to $4 70; roughs, $4 40 to $4 50; pigs, $3 75 to $4 40; bulk of sales at $4 55 to $4 65.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; strong; natives, $3 75 to $6 35; westerns, $4 to $6 35; yearlings, $5 50 to $6 50; lambs, $5 60 to $7 10; westerns, $5 90 to $7 15.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 12.—Trade slow, prices weaker; 92 loads in today, including 1,342 cattle, 616 sheep and lambs, 1,150 hogs and 233 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt.	$4 75	@	$5 00
Export cattle, medium	4 65	@	4 75
Export bulls	4 00	@	4 25
Export bulls, light	3 25	@	3 50
Export cows	4 00	@	4 25
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 50	@	4 75
Butchers' cattle, medium	3 75	@	4 00
Butchers' cattle, common	3 00	@	3 25
Butchers' cows	3 00	@	3 25
Butchers' bulls	3 00	@	3 50
Stockers, choice	3 25	@	3 50
Stockers, medium	2 75	@	3 00
Stockers, common	2 25	@	2 50
Stock bulls	2 00	@	2 50
Feeders, heavy	4 00	@	4 25
Feeders, short-keeps	4 50	@	4 65
Milch cows, choice, each	40 00	@	50 00
Milch cows, common, each	25 00	@	35 00
Springers, each	25 00	@	45 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 25	@	4 75
Export bucks	3 00	@	4 00
Lambs, grain-fed	6 50	@	7 25
Lambs, common	5 00	@	6 00
Calves, cwt	3 00	@	6 00
Hogs, selects, cwt, off cars	5 15	@	5 15
Hogs, fats and lights	4 90	@	4 90

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, March 12.—Cattle—Good demand and strong; prime steers, $5 65 to $6. Veals—Receipts, 250 head; active and 25c higher, $5 to $9 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,500 head; fairly active; heavy 5c to 10c higher, others steady; heavy, mixed and Yorkers, $5 to $5 05; roughs, $4 25 to $4 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2,400 head; active and higher; lambs, $5 to $7 85, a few at $7 90; yearlings, $6 50 to $7; ewes, $5 25 to $6; sheep, mixed, $2 to $6.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 11.—Canadian cattle are steady, at 10½c to 13c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 9c to 9¼c per lb.

STOCK MARKETS.

MONTREAL.

Afternoon Sales: Nipissing, 100 at 6⅞; Penmans, 10 at 35; Soo, common, 25 at 103, 50 at 102¾; Power, 50 at 89¾, 25 at 89⅞, 125 at 90, 1 at 89; Textile, preferred, 11 at 80¼; Rio, 50 at 33; Scotia, common, 5 at 59½; Iron, bonds, 1,000 at 75¾, 1,000 at 76, 2,000 at 76; Textile, bonds, 250 at 90; Merchants' Bank, 4 at 156½; Iron, preferred, 25 at 55⅝; Woods, common, 25 at 77¾.

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Afternoon Sales. Rio, 25 at 33¼, 25 and 25 at 33; do, bonds, 10,000 at 74½, 2,000 and 3,000 at 74¾; Twin City, common, 10 at 83⅞; N. S. Steel, 5 at 59¾; Dominion Steel, preferred, 5 at 55½; Sao Paulo, 2 at 120, 25 at 120, 20 at 121, 25 at 121, 25 at 121⅞, 25 at 122⅛, 25, 25, 25, 25, 25 and 50 at 122¼, 25 at 122¾, 25 at 122⅞, 25 at 122; Mexican L. & P., 5 at 52; do, bonds, 500 at 81; Mackay, common, 50 at 52; Dominion Bank, 7 at 224½; North Star, 2,000 at 7, 2,000 at 8; General Electric, 10, 5, 10 and 40 at 90; Dominion Coal, 10 at 40.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 11.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	51¾	53½	51⅝	52⅞
Amer. Locomotive	36⅝	37	36⅝	37
American Sugar	118	120¼	118	119¼
American Smelting	63	65¼	63	64¼
Anaconda	32¾	33⅝	32¾	33⅝
Atchison, com.	70¾	72¾	71½	72
Atchison, pfd.	85	..	..	..
Baltimore & Ohio	81⅜	82¾	81⅜	82¾
Brooklyn Transit	42¼	43¾	42¼	42½
Canadian Pacific	145	146⅝	141¼	145¾
Col. Fuel & Iron	18	18½	18	18¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	28¼	29	28¼	29
Chicago & G. W.	4	4⅝	4	4⅝
St. Paul	115½	118⅜	115⅜	117
Rock Island	12½	13	12½	13
Rock Island, pfd.	24¾	24¾	24¼	24¾
Distillers	30¼	30⅝	30¼	30⅝
Erie, com.	13½	13⅞	13¼	13¾
Erie, 1st pfd.	27¼	27¾	27¼	27¾
Erie, 2nd pfd.	18¼	..	..	..
Illinois Central	125⅞	128½	125⅞	128½
Louisville & Nash.	94½	96¼	94½	96
National Lead	49	50¼	49	49
Great Northern	120½	122½	120¼	121⅞
Northern Pacific	124¾	127	124½	125¾
Mexican Central	17⅞	18	17⅞	18
Missouri Pacific	32½	35½	32⅛	34¾
Kansas & Texas	20⅝	21½	20f	20¾
Kansas & Tex., pfd.	53½	53½	52⅝	52⅝
New York Central	98	99½	98	98½
Ontario & Western	32	32⅝	32	32⅝
Pennsylvania	115⅞	118	115⅞	117⅛
Pacific Mail	27½	27¾	27½	27¾
People's Gas	87⅞	88¼	87⅞	88¼
Pressed Steel Car	21½	..	..	..
Reading	102	104¾	101¾	103½
Republic Steel	17¼	17⅞	17¼	17⅝
Southern Pacific	71⅝	74	71½	73
Southern Railway	10½	11	10½	10⅞
Texas Pacific	15	15½	15	15½
U. S. Steel	32⅛	33¾	31⅞	32⅝
U. S. Steel, pfd.	95⅞	96¾	95¾	96
U. S. Steel, bonds	90	90¾	89¾	90¼
Union Pacific	119	123⅝	118¾	122
Wabash, com.	7½	7⅞	7½	7⅞
Western Union Tel.	48	49½	48	49½

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 11.—Baled Straw—$9 to $10 per ton on track here.

Baled Hay—Timothy is quoted at $16 to $17 in car lots on track here.

ENGLISH MARKET.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, March 12.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 4d. Futures steady; March, 6s 11⅝d; May, 7s; July, 7s 1½d.

Corn—Spot steady; prime mixed American, new, 5s 2d; do, old, 5s 6d. Futures quiet; March, 5s 1¾d; May, 5s 4½d.

Flour—Winter patents dull, 29s 6d.

Peas—Canadian, no stock.

Hops (at London)—Pacific coast dull, £1 10s to £2 10s.

Beef—Extra India mess quiet, 85s.

Pork—Prime mess western easy, 68s 9d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, quiet, 37s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, firm, 35s 5d; short ribs, 15 to 24 lbs, quiet, 34s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, dull, 35s 6d; do, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, dull, 35s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 25s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 34s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, dull, 30s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, steady, 38s; American refined, in pails, steady, 39s 9d.

Butter—Good United States easy, £4 10s to £5.

Cheese—American finest white firm, 61s; do, colored, firm, 63s; Canadian finest white, steady, 63s 6d; do, colored, steady, 64s 6d.

Tallow—Prime city weak, 21s 6d; Australian (in London) weak, 29s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 37s.

Linseed Oil—Dull, 23s 6d.

Petroleum—Quiet, 6¾d.

Rosin—Common steady, 9s 4½d.

Cottonseed Oil (Hull refined)—Spot

BARS DEATH PENALTY

Ohio Senate Passes Bill Providing for Life Imprisonmen Only.

Columbus, Ohio, March 11. — The Senate today, by a vote of 22 to 9, passed the bill by Senator Schmidt, of Cuyahoga county, abolishing capital punishment. The bill contains no restrictions or qualifications, simply providing that all persons convicted of murder in the first degree shall be sentenced to imprisonment for life.

A similar bill passed the Senate two years ago, but was defeated in the House. That bill made an exception of prisoners killing guards or officers, the death penalty being reserved for that crime alone.

KILLED BY FALLING TREE.

Tillsonburg, March 11. — William Holmes, of Toronto, while working in the woods near here was killed by a falling tree.

CENTRALIA.

Centralia, March 11.—An exceptionally fine concert was given in the Methodist Church last night, when a choir of 40 voices furnished a number of grand choruses. Mr. Nelson Hicks, the choirmaster, who is an able and efficient leader, has had his choir in training for several months, and the results justified his course and speak volumes of praise for his ability and service. The Imperial Quartet, of London, also rendered much appreciated service, being encored every time they appeared on the programme.

Many are the regrets expressed at the failure of one of our business men. It is hoped that arrangements will be made with his creditors by which he may be able to continue the business.

A series of very interesting sermons are being delivered by the Rev. W. H. Butt on "The Life of Christ," in the Methodist Church on Sunday mornings.

The Women's Missionary Society hold their anniversary next Sunday and Monday.

PRODUCER GAS AT HALF.

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successfully, with water produced power.

A Proposition.

"I would like to furnish you with a definite proposition for your street lighting and civic lighting. That is on a ten-hour basis, and a definite offer can be made you that will be considerably cheaper than Niagara power. I can furnish you with lights for your streets for $30 a year and probably less.

"I might give you many reasons why you should keep clear of the proposition to sell power.

"You are promised power for lighting at 5 cents a Kilowatt hour. I am prepared to build a plant of any horsepower, over 250 horsepower, and give you power at the switchboard, including cost, sinking fund, depreciation, and everything else, at 1 cent a Kilowatt hour."

Comparative Figures.

Mr. Reid then went into a comparative estimate of the cost of Niagara power and producer gas.

If the city contracts for 5,000 horsepower, it becomes liable for 75 per cent of this, or 3,750 horsepower.

At $23 per horsepower this would amount to $86,250.

The operating expenses of this power would be at least $15,000.

There would also be the interest and sinking fund on the $235,000 plant at 4½ per cent, amounting to $14,500.

The plant would depreciate. Estimate that at $11,750.

In addition there would be losses by storms, etc., amounting to 1½ per cent, or $3,500 per annum.

This would total $131,000 for 3,750 horsepower, or $35 per horsepower, all on a 24-hour basis, and with every bit of power sold.

Cost to Consumer.

The consumer must figure on a 25 per cent loss, getting this power on the motor. He must buy 125 horsepower to get the 100 horsepower he needs.

That would increase the cost 25 per cent, or make it $43 75 a horsepower to the consumer.

Mr. Read then figured the cost of 5,000 horsepower. At $23 per horsepower, it would cost $115,000.

The same incidental expenses added to it, as in the former case, would bring the total expenditure up to $159,750, or $32 per horsepower.

The highest load factor of this will not exceed 60 per cent. Adding 40 per cent to this would bring the price to $45 per horsepower.

The consumer again has to figure on a 25 per cent loss, and that would make power cost him $56 per horsepower.

The Peak Load.

"Now, that is what the consumer will have to pay, make no mistake about that," declared Mr. Reid. "You must buy your power at a flat rate for the peak load, and you will have to pay for it whether you use it or not. All the consumers figure on a ten-hour basis, and there will be few firms, if any, run at night to get power cheap.

"In plants such as these the equipment must be for the maximum, and the consumer must pay for the extra equipment. That is what brings the cost of power so high.

Half the Cost.

"Now, I will guaratnee to furnish the city of London power for half the cost of Niagara power. I figured it out to cost you $45 per horsepower, and I stand prepared to give the power at half that cost.

"We can put in a plant that will supply users of power such as is contemplated by the hydro-electric commission, and it will be much more easily operated and maintained. It would be constructed in units, and as the peak load of power was reduced these units would be cut off, saving operating expenses and such."

Burn Garbage.

"In our plants we can consume your garbage, and develop power from that. If you have not a garbage system now, you soon will have to install one and that will cost you considerable money to maintain.

"The garbage is consumed in our gas engines in many large cities. And, of course, this will cheapen the cost of power. My figures are based on the best coal at $7 a ton, and not on the cheaper fuels."

"What would a plant cost for street and civic lighting?" asked Mayor Stevely.

Civic Plant.

"I think a plant sufficient for your needs could be installed for $50,000, and power could be generated for $20 to $22 per horsepower on a 50 per cent load factor. A plant of 750 horsepower capacity would be sufficient."

Mr. Reid asked for the opportunity of laying a proposition before the council, and a communication from him will probably come up at the next meeting of the council.

He further declared that the city could light its streets for $30 per lamp per annum, and burn anthracite pea coal at $6 a ton.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Boy Instantly Killed in an Accident Near Sarnia Yesterday.

Sarnia, March 11.—The boiler of a portable sawmill, owned by Wm. Johnston, of Sarnia, exploded this afternoon while in us on the farm of Charles Wilson, on the Murphy sideline, about three miles from Sarnia. The force of the explosion was etrific.

A 16-year-old lad named James Harkins, son of John Harkins, of the ninth concession, was hurled nearly 200 feet, and instantly killed.

James Kemsley was badly cut about the face, and Charles Kemsley was painfully scalded, but their injuries are not serious.

The boiler was in charge of a man named Brown, of Sarnia.

Drs. Logie and Newell, of Sarnia, were notified, and went to the scene of the accident. An inquest will be held tomorrow.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

March 11.	Reported at.	From.
Caledonian	Boston	Manchester
Saxonia	Queenstown	Boston
L. Manitoba	Liverpool	St. John
Arabic	Plymouth	New York
Mongolian	Glasgow	Boston
Turcoman	Bristol	Portland

PRINGLE TO SUE

Objects to Attack Made on His Speech by the Financial Post.

Ottawa, March 11.—In the House today, Mr. Pringle (Ottawa) rose on a question of privilege to protest against an article in the Financial Post referring to his recent speech on banking, which was stated to be "a malicious attack."

He said that he had instituted a civil action against the Financial Post for the latter statement, and that he was now considering a resolution which would call for an investigation of the Bank of Commerce's speculations mentioned in the insurance commission's report.

TOSSES BABY OUT WINDOW

Fireman's Bundle Caught by Policeman on Sidewalk Below.

New York, March 11.—John MacNabb's tenement on the third floor of a brick building in Summit avenue was burned out today. MacNabb and his wife got out all right, but a fireman found in bed in a room where the wallsl were on fire something which he hastily wrapped all the bedclothes about and tossed out of the window.

Policeman Smith, on the sidewalk, saw the bundle coming his way and caught it. The bundle began to howl, and Smith, peeling the blankets away, found that the core was a baby. It was the youngest MacNabb, 14 months old. He was not harmed.

WAS TIRED OF LIFE

Winnipeg Woman in Ill-Health Commits Suicide.

Winnipeg, March 11.—Mrs. James McLeod, wife of a well-known contractor, committed suicide in her home at 325 Florence avenue, Fort Rouge, last night. The body was discovered by a domestic, sitting upright in a chair. Ill-health was the cause.

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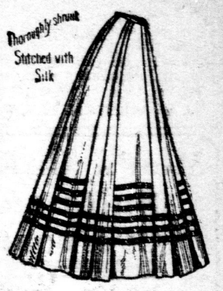
Fine French Lusters, 40c Qualities
Week-End sale price, per yard 29c
Three colors only—Black, cream and tan brown; 40 inches wide.

Swell New Voile Skirts
Made of fine crisp French Voiles. Colors, brown, navy and black. Box-pleated, with three rows of taffeta silk braid around bottom. Extra special for Friday and Saturday, each $8.50



A Special Shantung or Natural Pongee Silk, 59c Yd
This is a 27-inch splendid quality Pongee, in natural shade only. About enough in stock for two days' brisk selling. Will compare favorably with regular 70c qualities generally shown.

Corset Embroideries, 25c Quality for 19c a Yard.
Two cartons, Cambric Corset Embroideries. Splendidly worked and good edges. All have beading at edge.

Torchon Laces and Insertions
The greatest bargains to be found in the trade. All new season's patterns, in widths and qualities that would sell regularly at from 5c to 10c a yard. Special sale price, per yard ..... 3½¢ Three dozen on a card, for, dozen..... 35¢

A Carton of Embroideries, Insertions and Beadings at, special, per yard, 5c
Only one carton of these, widths ranging from 2 to 6 inch, and worth from 5c to 10c yard.

Leather Handbags
Tans, brown, grays and black; assorted leathers, new shapes. Regular 50c, and a few 75c in the lot. Choose from these at ..... 39¢

Japanese Leatherette Handbags, Tan, Brown and Black
These give equally as good wear as leather at twice the price. Good assortment of shapes. Regular 25c and 35c each. Special sale price ..... 15¢

These are only a few of the special inducements to shop here Friday and Saturday. All special sale goods are plainly ticketed.
Pictorial Review Patterns are now in stock and will be on sale Friday morning. Ask for April Fashion Sheets when in the store.

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LORDS AGAIN DEFY COMMONS THROW OUT SCOTTISH MEASURE

Action May Inaugurate Threatened Move To Do Away With the British House of Peers.

London, March 11.—Undismayed by threats of penalties to follow the second rejection of the Government's Scottish small holdings bill, the House of Lords this evening, after a debate which lasted for two days, refused to give the measure a second reading, by a vote of 153 to 33.

The Scottish clans have not risen in support of the bill since it was rejected by the House of Lords at the last session.

During the recess the ministerial spokesmen threatened freely that if the Upper House again threw out the measure the Government would promtly introduce the necessary legislation to restrict the powers of the hereditary chamber. Since these threats were made, however, there have been a number of bye-elections disastrous to Government, and considerable differences of opinion have developed among the rank and file. As a result of these circumstances the silence of the ministers today on this subject leads to the belief that the cabinet is not yet prepared to inaugurate its threatened active campaign against the House of Lords.

Campbell Bannerman at Death's Door?

London, March 11.—The health of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the prime minister, has caused renewed anxiety. During the past week there has been a weakening of his vitality, which is regarded as a serious symptom.

The premier has practically isolated himself for the past three weeks, and has given no attention whatever to political affairs.

It is expected that the return of the King from the continent will be forced almost immediately by a change in the premiership.

CHINA NOT SCARED BY JAP HOLDS OWN IN DIPLOMACY FIGHT

Sticks To Contention That Had Right To Seize the Tatsu Maru.

Pekin, March 11.—The negotiations between China and Japan regarding the Tatsu Maru, the Japanese steamer seized by China on the ground that she was conveying arms and ammunition to Chinese revolutionists, are proceeding on the basis of China's effort to compromise on condition that Japan put a stop to the importation of arms and ammunition from Japan into Chinese territory.

China seems to be holding her own in the proceedings, for her claim to the right to consider the Portuguese side of the question separately from the controversy with Japan has been accepted by Japan, and she has been able to sustain her claim of justification in making the seizure on the ground that the Tatsu Maru discharged her cargo in Chinese waters. China also has sustained her contention that the cargo of the Japanese vessel was liable to confiscation. She admits in substance that she was wrong in hauling down the Japanese flag on the Tatsu Maru, and for this error she has apologized, but she has not retired from her argument that she had the right to confiscate the ship and its cargo, nor from the principle of equitable adjustment of the difficulty. The weight of foreign opinion in Pekin is with China.

It is understood in Hong Kong that the consignees of the cargo of the Tatsu Maru have repudiated their obligations on the ground that the vessel digressed from the course she was charged to follow.

Southampton, Ont., Bank Manager Found Dead on Railway Track

Southampton, Ont., March 11.—H. L. Pratt, manager of the branches of the Farmers' Bank at Southampton and Allenford since Feb. 1, 1907, was found dead on the railroad track about three-quarters of a mile from Allenford last night. He was shot through the roof of the mouth, and his revolver was found beside him.

The Allenford branch of the bank is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, and Mr. Pratt left Southampton on Tuesday morning and had dinner at Bebee's hotel, where he stayed when at Allenford. He was seen at the hotel shortly after 9 o'clock, and later on the road to the station. The body was still warm when found.

Mr. Pratt was a quiet, clean-living young man, was doing well in business, and was popular around town.

A coroner's inquest is in progress. It looks like suicide, but no motive can be ascribed for the deed.

Deceased formerly worked for a Toronto bank. He is reported to have come from a good English family. He had a fine horse and rig, and lived pretty well, but it is not known that he was short in his accounts.

TORONTO APPLIES FOR 10,000 H.P. DONE WITH ELECTRIC COMPANY

Toronto, March 11. — Negotiations between the city of Toronto and the Toronto Electric Light Company for the acquiring by the former of the plant of the latter are practically off. Mayor Oliver stated this morning that he did not propose to bother with the electric light company any more. A communication will be at once sen to the hydro-electric commission applying for a mximum of 10,000 and a minimum of 6,000-horsepower. Before this, however, a legal opinion will be sought as to whether or not the city will be bound to take the power once it applies for it.

WARNOCK NOT POISONED

Jury Decides Ottawa Horseman Died From Heart Disease.

Brockville, March 11.—"I find no poison in the Warnock viscera," was the announcement of Prof. W. H. Ellis, who analyzed the contents of the stomach of the late J. G. Warnock, and with this Coroner Jackson's jury, empaneled at the instigation of the Attorney-General to determine the cause of the death of the late Ottawa horseman, returned an open verdict tonight, that the cause of death was heart disease, brought on by oxer-exertion. Dr. Horton and Dr. W. E. Harding, who made the post-mortem, presented a signed statement to this effect, and were the only witnesses examined.

KIPLING ON CANADA

Author Commences a Series of Articles in a London Paper.

London, March 11.—Rudyard Kipling opens a series of articles in the Morning Post as a result of his recent trip to Canada. "Our Elder Sister," having intimated that he went to the Dominion to escape the blight of the present Government for a few weeks, he points out that Canada has to deal in the lump with most problems which affect other parts of the empire separately, but it is tacitly conceded that she takes the lead in the imperial game. Having seen the goal more than a decade ago, she has been working the ball towards it ever since.

Kipling outlines the conversation between himself and Canadians in mid-Atlantic, wherein it was discussed whether England would "cut the painter," to save expense, remarking: "It was an experience to move in the midst of a new continent. If it sounds a little mad, remembers the mother country throughout is considered as a lady in violent hysterics."

ALFONSO WAS IN PERIL

Bomb Was Placed Under Pavilion Where Spanish King Embarked.

London, March 12.—A dispatch to the Telegraph from Barcelona gives the following version of the bomb incident.

At 4 o'clock in the morning a loud explosion was heard all over the town. Everybody believed it was a gun on one of the warships, and therefore little importance was attached to it. An inquiry showed, however, that a bomb had been placed under a pavilion erected at the landing stage where King Alfonso was to embark in his launch to visit the Austrian squadron. The bomb was loaded with a powerful explosive and pieces of iron. Had a crowd of people been on the spot when it exploded undoubtedly many lives would have been lost.

The correspondent indulges in much pathos in telling the story, and ingeniously intimates that the only damage done was to a drain pipe in which the bomb was concealed.

NOT SO ANXIOUS

Japanese Public Clamor for Action Against China Is Subsiding.

Tokio, March 12. — The demand of the press and the public of Japan for aggressive action against China in connection with the Tatsu affair is subsiding. The Asahi, one of the most influential newspapers, urges the Government to consider seriously the moral side of the case and not to press China to extremes. It thinks that Japan should exercise greater vigilance concerning the export of arms destined for the use of insurgents against a friendly Government. This view is gaining ground, and it is understood that the minister of war, Saito, minister of marine, are opposed to aggressive tactics. The British minister, Sir Claude Macdonald, held a lengthy conference with Foreign Minister Hayashi yesterday. The sentiment gathered from the foreign office supports the suggestion that Great Britain is urging an amicable settlement, and dwelling upon the moral obligation of Japan towards China. The foreign office asserts that no ultimatum has been issued in the matter, but the belief is expressed that the negotiations may be protracted.

In well-informed circles, it is asserted that China will eventually agree to the demands of Japan in consideration of a pledge upon the part of Japan that a closer watch will be kept upon exportation of arms.

CUBAN STRIKE ENDS

Cigar Factory Hands and Employer Settle Their Strike.

Havana, March 12.—The strike in four cigar factories, which was begun in January in consequence of protests made by the Cigarmakers' Union against the reduction in the number of operatives employed has been settled and hundreds of workmen are now applying for and receiving employment. Two other factories are expected to resume today. In consequence of the reports of widespread distress among the field laborers in the western part of Pinar del Rio, who are without employment at the end of the tobacco harvest, Governor Magoon has ordered the extension of roadbuilding for the purpose of affording relief. From the sugar districts throughout the island come general complaints of the scarcity of laborers, as a consequence of which it is predicted thousands of acres of cane will remain uncut, resulting in a great reduction in the sugar crop.

JURY DISAGREED.

Montreal, March 11. — The trial of an Italian named Fatzari, on a charge of the attempted murder of one of his compatriots, was concluded in the court of King's bench this morning, with a disagreement of the jury. Only one of the jurymen held out for not guilty on the ground that the evidence of the man whom the prisoner attempted to murder was unsupported by other evidence than his own.

Women sometimes can eventually tame brutes of men, but they get badly bitten while they do it.