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The Fat Stock Show.

The attendance of citizens and the interest manifested in the fat stock, dairy and poultry show, which closes this afternoon, have not been as great as in certain smaller cities. The same complaint was made when the show was held in Toronto. There are several reasons for this. The occasion was new to London, and the style of advertising that would be suitable to smaller places was not adequate to impress the importance of the event upon a city preoccupied with many interests just previous to the holidays. We venture to say if the show is brought here again, as it ought to be next year, it will attract vastly more attention. It is of great importance to Canada, and the section it visits is highly favored. What should be done next year is to have a strong local committee appointed by the City Council, to make all the arrangements, and the show should be boomed throughout the early fall, instead of leaving everything to the last moment. If this is done we predict that the fat stock show will be as large a success, relatively, as the Western Fair.

Buffalo Vs. Montreal.

The Buffalo Express sagely remarks that the more the Canadians fight among themselves over the Connors syndicate, the better it will suit Buffalo. The attack on the syndicate originates in this country from mere political spite, and shows a flagrant disregard of national interests. If there is not enough public spirit in Montreal to defeat such narrow-mindedness, then so much the worse for Montreal. The Connors syndicate is receiving no special favors. All it gets is the lease of a small portion of the water front, on which to erect warehouses and elevators. There is plenty of room left for others to engage in the same business. The harbor commissioners invite competition. A monopoly is absolutely impossible. And yet the enemies of the Connors syndicate have the childishness to say that Mr. Connors is an enemy in disguise, and has a deep-laid scheme for seizing control of the St. Lawrence route, and the harbor of Montreal, in order to keep the grain trade for the city of Buffalo, where he resides. The best answer to this lunacy is to be found in the Buffalo press, which is daily denouncing Connors as an enemy to Buffalo's interests, and crying out that the syndicate's operations will be ruinous to the local shipping and grain trade by diverting traffic to Montreal. The fact of the matter is that Connors, as a far-sighted and vigilant capitalist, sees that the St. Lawrence route is bound to spring into great importance at once, and he proposes, if possible, to be first on the ground. His willingness to spend seven or eight millions in this country as a starter is pretty good proof of his confidence in the future of the Canadian waterway as a supreme factor in the transportation problem.

Meanwhile Buffalo sincerely hopes that Montreal will be foolish enough to shut the door against Canadian enterprise.

Life of Rev. Dr. Cochrane.

"The Life of William Cochrane," by Rev. R. N. Grant ("Knoxonian") published by William Briggs, Toronto, is a decidedly interesting biography. The relations between Rev. Dr. Cochrane and his biographer were evidently close and kindly, and the materials at the latter's disposal were full. Dr. Grant has made good use of them, and as we read the story of the young Scotchman's early labors, we are led to see that the old proverb was verified in his case, and that the "boy was father to the man." From the very first Dr. Cochrane was a glutton for work, and it cannot be doubted that had his energies been devoted to other lines of effort, in commerce or politics, he would still have been a distinguished man. Several characteristics stand out prominently in this record of his life. He was an indefatigable toiler; exceptionally versatile; truly devout; and exceedingly warm-hearted. The large part that he played in the development of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, especially in regard to its home mission work, is brought before us in this volume as fully as such a busy and useful life may be recorded in printed pages. The many readers who are familiar with Dr. Grant's literary style will not be surprised to find here the caustic sentences with which he punctures pretense of any sort; and in writing the life of Dr. Cochrane this skill is used only when some contrast is made with the sterling qualities and thorough manliness of his friend. To those who knew Dr. Cochrane only in the full tide of his eminently useful and honorable life it will be a surprise to note that as a young man particularly he was evidently much troubled with the demon of despondency, and this fact redounds to his honor; for only to his diary or some very dear friend was any such revelation ever made. Dr. Cochrane was greatly blessed in natural endowments, in providential surroundings, in swift removal when at the very height of his usefulness at Brantford; and now that this worthy life has been reviewed and published, it may be said that he has been blessed, too, in his biographer. Many who knew and loved "the doctor" in life will be glad to have this record of his life and labors in their homes.

Ontario's Premier.

Hon. George W. Ross, as Premier, has already made a distinct impression on the Province. He is full of enthusiasm and creative energy, and infused his own party with a new confidence, besides winning the support of an otherwise neutral element by his vigorous and progressive policy. He has now a clear course before him, and the electors can trust him to work out his ideas, and fulfill his pledges with reasonable celerity.

Tuesday's elections were unique in the sense that both parties seem to be well satisfied.

The standing in the Ontario Legislature is: Liberal seats, 51; Conservative, 41; vacant, 2. The two vacancies are East Middlesex and North Waterloo.

It is estimated that the laboring classes of foreign extraction in the United States have remitted three million dollars to Europe as Christmas cheer for the old folks at home. Most of it is in the form of small postal orders.

Eleven seats in the Manitoba election were carried by majorities under 40. Nine of these belong to the Opposition and two to the Government. In three constituencies of Brandon, Rosefeld and Saskatchewan, the aggregate Opposition majority was 24. Hugh John owes his victory to those two dozen votes. And there will be recounts.

No importance need be attached to the anti-British and pro-Ber speech of Senator Mason, of Illinois. Mason is a laughing-stock in his own country, and has been practically read out of the Republican party because of his violent attacks on the President's war policy. Mason seems to have had a swelled head ever since a Chicago brand of ham was named after him.

The late Sir George Kirkpatrick was an ornament to Canadian public life. His long political career was never blemished by the least suspicion of scandal or inordinate self-seeking. Though a strong party man he never lost the goodwill of his opponents, thanks to his genial, kindly disposition. He was a very popular Lieutenant-Governor, the office giving him scope for his fine social qualities.

Canada seems to have spent a hundred million dollars on canals to provide a channel to the elevators an American syndicate intend to erect at Montreal.—Toronto News.

The same syndicate undertakes to spend six or eight million good American dollars in Canada, including a million and a half in Toronto shipyards. It is no monopoly, either. Why not discuss a business transaction in a business-like way?

The direct cause of the revival of the Ontario lumber industry is the protective policy of the Ontario Government.—Hamilton Herald.

We admit the policy is protective in the sense that it interferes with the principle of free exchange. Still we believe that the free exchange of all forest products between the two countries would be better than their present policies. The trouble is that our neighbors will not agree to it, and Ontario has been compelled to act in self-defense.

The Christmas number of the Toronto Globe is a credit to Canadian art and literature. It contains a wealth of illustration, and, altogether, makes a fine pictorial effect. The literary side is attended to by Kathleen Blake Coleman (Kio), Duncan Campbell Scott, "The Khan," Pauline Johnson, William Wilfrid Campbell, Theodore Roberts, J. S. Willison, John Lewis, Stewart Lyon, and other graceful writers in prose and verse. The number was produced exclusively by Canadian talent.

What Others Say.

Justice Swift and Sure.

[Detroit Journal.]

Canadian justice has a way of getting to the finish that precludes any suspicion of a false start for reversal of form. Murderer Stewart got his deserts in one brief day.

A Puzzled Outsider.

[Boston Herald.]

Manitoba's population has increased threefold in eighteen years, and she was never more prosperous than she is today. And yet the voters have turned down the government.

Alliteration's Artful Aid.

[Toronto Globe.]

"Greenway is a goner" seems to have been more successful than "Mowat must go." It must be the alliteration. We, therefore, beg to suggest "Ross Must Remain;" also "Whitney Will Wait."

The Shock That Failed.

[Ottawa Citizen, Monday.]

Mr. Ross' platform is so broad that both parties can stand on it.—London Advertiser.

Yes, but when the Ross outfit sustains the shock of tomorrow's bye-elections it will be too groggy to stand on a platform as broad as the horizon.

High Praise From Boston.

[Boston Transcript.]

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has now been in power more than three years and is stronger today than when he first took the reins of government. He is a statesman in the highest and best sense of the word, many and independent, of broad and liberal views, a profound and accurate student of political science, a born orator, whose speeches are always clothed with dignity and grace. No colonial premier is more highly esteemed in the mother country, not only on account of his unquestioned ability and unwavering devotion to the crown, but because he wears the white flower of a blameless life.

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Important Discount Sale

According to our usual custom, previous to stock taking, we will hold a Special Discount Sale, commencing tomorrow (in addition to our usual Friday Bargains), and continuing till January 10th, when we take stock. A discount sale like this of new and seasonable goods, and at a time when this class of goods is most needed, will no doubt be appreciated and heartily responded to. This is not an ordinary advertisement, but a special reminder of our usual stock taking discount sale. Cut this ad. out of your paper, bring it with you and see that you get everything as advertised.

Mantles and Furs

All Ladies' and Children's Jackets and Furs, Fur Jackets and Capes, Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Carpets and Curtains

Lace Curtains, Draperies, Cushions and Carpets. Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Staple Department

Wool Blankets, Comforters, Eider Comforters, Wrapperettes, Cotton Shirtings, Loch Lomond Flannels and Tickings. Discount 10 Per Cent.

Hats and Caps

25 per cent off all Men's, Boys' and Youths' Hats—hard or soft—Discount 25 Per Cent.

25 per cent off all Men's and Boys' Fancy Tweed and Corduroy Caps—Discount 25 Per Cent.

10 per cent off all Men's Fur Caps—Discount 10 Per Cent.

10 per cent off all Men's Underclothing—Discount 10 Per Cent.

China & Crochery Dept

Tea Sets, Japanese Ware, Fancy Cups and Saucers, and all China-Ware. Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Shoe Department

10 per cent off all Women's Laced and Button Boots—10 Per Cent Off.

15 per cent off all Women's Oxford Shoes—15 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Misses' and Children's Laced and Button Boots—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Laced and Congress Shoes—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off Boys' and Youths' Shoes—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Rubbers and Overshoes—10 Per Cent Off.

Table Linens

Bleached and Unbleached Table Linens, Tablecloths, Linen Sets, Towel Cloths, Fancy Linens and Towelings.

Special Discount 10 Per Cent.

Ladies' Skirts Made Free ...

Special Sale of New York Tailor-Made Jackets

Every One Up to Date in Style and Finish.

Quantity	Size.	Selling Price.	Reduced Price.
1 Oxford Gray Covert Cloth, velvet collar, fly front and Mercerized Satin lined.....	36	\$ 9.75	\$ 8.00
2 Blue and Black Kersey Cloth, satin lined, fly front.....	36	20.00	15.00
1 Black Kersey, Satin lined, fly front, welted seams.....	36	18.00	15.00
1 Fawn Kersey, silk lined, six pearl buttons.....	36	12.00	10.00
1 Castor Kersey, satin lined, inlaid velvet collar, eight pearl buttons.....	36	18.75	15.00
1 Blue Kersey, silk lined, ten pearl buttons.....	34	15.00	12.50
1 Fawn Kersey, silk lined, velvet collar, six pearl buttons.....	34	15.00	13.50
1 Fawn Kersey, fancy silk lined, fly front.....	36	22.00	17.00
1 Blue Kersey, fancy silk lined, black braided fly front.....	34	35.00	15.00
1 Green Kersey, satin lined, black cloth, fly front, storm collar.....	36	22.50	12.50
1 Electric Blue Kersey, satin lined, applique trimmed fly front.....	34	22.00	15.00
1 Green Kersey, satin lined, black braid pipings, tight fitting, six button.....	34	24.00	16.50
2 Brown Kerses, satin lined, black braid pipings, tight fitting, six buttons, 34 and 36.....	34 and 36	24.00	16.50
2 Blue Kerses, satin lined, black cord pipings, tight fitting, six buttons, 32 and.....	36	24.00	16.50
1 Fawn Kersey, satin lined, inlaid velvet collar, eight pearl buttons.....	36	18.75	15.00

Special Sacrifice Silk Sale.

Lot No. 1.—900 yards Blouse Silks, fancy stripes and plaids, prices 50c, 69c and 75c a yard. ale price.....	44c
Lot No. 2.—About 600 yards Taffeta Stripes and Checks, pure Silk, new goods, price 75c and \$1 a yard. Sale price.....	59c
Lot No. 3.—About 450 yards Taffeta and Satin Stripes and Checks, light and dark colors, price \$1 and \$1.25 a yard. ale price.....	69c
Lot No. 4.—About 300 yards Swiss Taffeta, mostly in exclusive waist patterns, 3½ to 4 yards each, price \$1 50 to \$2 a yard. Sale price.....	98c
Lot No. 5.—About 350 yards stripe and Fancy Blouse Silks, price 35c to 50c a yard. Sale price.....	25c

Ladies' Woolen Underwear

All Ladies' and Children's Vests and Drawers and Combination Suits. Special Discount 10 per Cent.

Dress Goods Dept.

All Black and Colored Dress Goods, Velvets and Silks (except specially-reduced lines.

10 Per Cent Off

Millinery Department

All Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Wings, Fancy Feathers, Plumes and Ribbons.

Special Discount 25 Per Cent.

Clothing Department

25 per cent off all New Frieze Ulsters and Fancy Tweed Overcoats—25 Per Cent Off.

15 per cent off all Men's and Youths' Tweed Suits, also Men's Black Worsted Suits and Coats and Vests—15 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Fine Serge Suits and Men's Dress Overcoats—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Children's Vestee Suits, Boys' Two and Three-Piece Suits—10 Per Cent Off.

10 per cent off all Men's Tweed and Worsted Pants—10 Per Cent Off.

20 per cent off all Boys' Reefers and Overcoats—20 Per Cent Off.

15 per cent off all Men's Water proof Coats—15 Per Cent Off.

Blouses.

Ladies' Silk Blouses, in stripes, plaids or plain colors, lined with fitted lining, were \$3 00 and \$3 50, special, each..... \$2 50 |

Ladies' Striped Silk Blouses, in red, black, blue or mauve, with strong fitted lining and tucked fronts and sleeves, regular \$4 00, Friday, each..... \$3 25 |

Ladies' Silk Blouses, in plain surahs, all colors, made with tucked fronts and sleeves and lined throughout, regular \$5 00, special, Friday, each..... \$4 00 |

Ladies' Silk Blouses—A large assortment in silk and satin, all the new shades and styles, any of our \$5 50, \$6 00 and \$6 50, to sell, special, Friday, each..... \$5 00 |

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