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BEEF PRICES TAKE TUMBLE

Pork, Too, and Other Meats Will Soon Follow

Chicago and New York Dispatches Tell of Gradual Drop in Prices Not Experienced in a Year—Ordinary Quality of Beef Cuts Not Affected

Chicago, Nov. 15.—The prices of beef and pork are falling. Within the last week the price of beef has been reduced between four and five cents a pound by the meat packers.

"Prices of the first grades of beef have been falling for about a week," said Frank A. Frothingham, "they did not go off all at once, but the packing houses have been coming down about half a cent at a time until now the price of prime beef is between four or five lower than it was last week at this time and that of the best grades of pork is from two to three cents lower. This applies of course to the fine roast beef and steaks for the ordinary quality has not fallen off and I do not think it will."

New York, Nov. 15.—Reports from various parts of the country indicating a fall in the price of meats are reflected by similar reports from local dealers. They say the decline has already begun, the wholesale price of beef having gone off on an average of three to four cents a week. This was regarded as significant by them since no such prices had been experienced in the past year.

CUTS DOWN THE EXPENSES OF UNCLE SAM'S NAVY YARDS

Charleston Hopes of Being More Than Torpedo Boat Station—Some to Be Abandoned

Washington, Nov. 15.—Secretary Meyer, who has just returned to Washington after an extensive inspection trip of the navy yards and stations, managed to make his tour highly profitable by cutting off \$500,000 of naval expenditures in the yards.

He is preparing recommendations to congress for the discontinuance of some navy yards and the substantial improvement of others. It is probable that the Charleston yard will continue to be merely a torpedo boat station as reports have estimated that it would cost not less than \$2,000,000 to open up a channel for heavy draught battleships, while appropriations of many thousands annually would be required to remove the silt which finds its way into the channel.

Portsmouth, N. H., has a splendid dry dock capable of taking in the largest battleships, and therefore is not likely to be closed. For the same reason the Boston yard, with its two docks, will certainly be maintained in full operation.

SHORTAGE OF \$10,000

Maryland Bank is Closed by State Commissioner—No Capital Stock

Brunswick, Md., Nov. 15.—A shortage of \$10,000 is revealed by an examination of the books of the Savings Bank of Brunswick, and the bank is ordered closed by the state bank commissioner. The bank was organized in 1892, and has no capital stock. The deposits amount to \$200,000, made up mostly of the savings of railroad men and farmers.

A. G. Horne is president, but the bank seems to have been run almost entirely by the cashier, William Schnauffer.

Increasing west and north winds; unsettled and cool; with local showers of rain or sleet; Wednesday, northwest winds and cooler.

THE WEATHER

PASSING OF ST. JOHN SAILERS

Not a Square Rigged Ship Now Owned in This Port is Shipping Man's Declaration—Another Change

"There is not a square rigged ship with St. John, N. B., across her stern in existence today," said a well known shipping man today, "in spite of the large number built in this vicinity and in this city."

The assertion was supported by other shipping merchants here, and as far as can be ascertained, the ship Hector was the last of the once powerful fleet. The Hector which was formerly a St. John ship, is now registered in Barbados though she is owned here. Nowhere was there a larger fleet of square riggers than sailed out of this port, or was owned here, in years gone by. All of them were either built here or in the vicinity, and the last to be built was the Curlew, launched from the Dunlop yard about twenty years ago.

As shipping commenced to wane, owners began to dispose of their holdings to various foreign shipping people who were only too eager to buy St. John ships, so that they gradually slipped away to sail under the flag of some foreign government, principally the Norwegians and Italians till now the mighty merchant navy is extinct.

TURF MEN IN WAR; MAY SPOIL RACING

Trouble Expected to Follow Announcement of Sixty Day Meet in California

San Francisco, Nov. 15.—The news from Los Angeles that a sixty-day meet will be held at the Santa Anita track this winter is the topic of conversation among the turfmen at the Esplanade track. Many look forward to the meet, as it is known that Tom Williams, head of the Jockey Club, does not intend to let anybody interfere with the success of the meet.

Racing on the coast has been in rather a precarious state for the last two years, and turfmen are expressing concern that it can not be long before the American vessels will replace entirely the vessels built in the lower provinces, as the former are now in a very large majority.

SAYS NATHAN SHOULD LOSE HIS OFFICE

Matter of Speech by Mayor of Rome Comes Up in Italian Chamber of Deputies

Rome, Nov. 15.—Premier Pelloux submitted an interpellation to the government in the chamber of deputies yesterday on Mayor Nathan's speech of September 20, in which the mayor attacked the Pope and the methods of the church. In an interview later, Signor Pelloux said that Mayor Nathan's letter to the Mayor of Montreal, protesting against the action of the common council and Catholics of that city, is a matter outside of politics or religion; that it is an infringement of the law of guarantees, which the most eminent statesmen consider as binding as the constitution. He expressed the opinion that it is the government's duty to remove Nathan from office.

JEWELS IN THE WASH

Missing \$20,000 Gems Found Among the Soiled Linen

Allany, Nov. 15.—A jewel box containing jewelry valued at \$20,000, belonging to Mrs. Charles Pinkerton, daughter of the late Chester A. Arthur, was lost by her on a New York Central train while coming to Albany from New York.

PARIS CASTS OFF THE HOBBLE SKIRT

Paris, Nov. 15.—The "hobble" skirt is dead in Paris. It has been killed by a succession of accidents.

HALIFAX EXHIBITION SHOWS \$14,000 DEFICIT

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 15.—(Special)—The exhibition deficit this year will be about \$14,000. Last year it was \$10,000.

PRIVY COUNCIL WILL NOT HEAR APPEAL IN THE CURREY CASE

DISSOLUTION LIKELY MONDAY

British Elections May be on and Over by December 10—House Today Adjourned Till Friday—Meetings Called and Campaign Stir is on

London, Nov. 15.—The cabinet met today and as a result of the deliberations, it is said the premier will again visit the king. It is officially announced that the House of Commons will be adjourned until Monday.

Mr. Balfour protested against the statement being made on Thursday instead of Wednesday. He urged it be deferred until Monday.

FEARFUL FALL OF 12 STORIES TO DEATH

Carpenter Breaks Cross-Beam and Plunges Down Elevator Shaft

New York, Nov. 15.—Stepping on the cross-beam of a carpenter's horse which broke beneath his weight and pitched him forward into an open elevator shaft twelve stories above the basement, Ivan Jepson, 35 years old, a carpenter, living at 42 Stanhope street, Brooklyn, was instantly killed in the new office building at 114 East Eighty street, Manhattan.

FREDERICTON ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY ANNUAL

A. S. McFarlane President—Burns Statue Will Not Be Back Again Till Spring

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 14.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of St. Andrew's Society last evening, the following were elected:—President, A. S. McFarlane; first vice, F. L. Cooper; second vice, William Minto; chaplain, W. M. Burns; treasurer, J. A. MacKinnon; secretary, E. A. McKay; marshal, James Pringle; piper, Edgar Dewar. James Tennant who has been treasurer for twenty-seven years resigned on account of ill health and a committee was appointed to draw up a resolution expressing appreciation of his services.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HIS FATHER DEAD

Sault Ste Marie, Ont., Nov. 5.—(Special)—Joseph Weigle, aged forty years, a farmer on the Garden River road, two miles from the Soo, is dead as the result of being accidentally shot by his thirteen year old son, Alfred, who was practicing with a new rifle. He leaves six children besides his wife.

BALTIMORE FIGHTS FOR PLACE

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 15.—Attempts by the mayor of this city to gain a recount from the federal census bureau having failed, the police have begun a second census. In asking for another enumeration the mayor represented that the federal census taken last April was incomplete. He believed enough people had been missed to have kept Baltimore in the sixth position in point of population.

CHINESE WRECK THE MISSION PROPERTY; MISSIONARIES SAFE

Hong Kong, Nov. 15.—Word has been received here that the missionaries connected with the American Presbyterian mission, which was recently attacked by Chinese at Lienchow, are safe. The mission which destroyed the school, the church and the residence connected with the mission, is said to have numbered thousands. Troops were hurried from Canton to the scene.

SPORTING MAN DEAD

New York, Nov. 15.—David Tenny Pulsifer, at one time widely known in sporting circles, is dead, aged 80. He at one time owned a fine stable of horses and was a close follower of the turf. He is credited with discovering the late Jake Schaefer, the billiard champion, and in his younger days was an amateur champion himself.

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TEN MINUTES SESSION OF CIRCUIT COURT IN HAMPTON TODAY

Hampton, N. B., Nov. 15.—(Special)—The Kings County Circuit Court opened here this morning with Mr. Justice Barry on the bench. All the petit jurors but two were present. His Honor informed them that the causes down for trial had been withdrawn from the docket by the mutual consent of counsel on both sides, and would be entered anew at the sitting in April, 1911. As no business was to be done he thanked them for their attendance, and told them they would be paid for the day, dismissed them and adjourned the court sine die.

"I over till next April are: William Henderson versus Michael Logan, damages on conversion of a horse. Powell & Jones for plaintiff and D. M. Min, K. C. for defendant; and Melissa God, and versus Alston Godard, a question on boundary lines; Messrs. Fowler & Jones for plaintiff, and J. H. McFarlane associated with Mr. Teed, K. C., for the defendant. The session of the court lasted ten minutes.

Justice McKeown's Judgment Must Stand

A. H. Hanington's Application to Privy Council Dismissed—Dublin Support for Irish-Canadian Steamship Service—Sir Hugh Graham Says He is Not to Succeed Strathcona

London, Nov. 15.—The Privy Council today gave judgment in the New Brunswick case of Eliza Curry, versus Lemuel A. Curry. The point was whether the petitioner was entitled or not to a divorce on the ground of alleged cruelty by the husband. The petition for special leave to appeal was dismissed.

This case first developed in a suit for divorce brought by Mrs. L. A. Curry of St. John against her husband, and was followed by an action for divorce brought by him against her. The cases were tried before Mr. Justice McKeown, and after a great deal of evidence had been heard he delivered a lengthy judgment, dismissing both cases.

There was talk of an appeal being taken to the privy council, but latterly little was heard about it. It is known that A. H. Hanington, K. C. counsel for Mrs. Curry, left for London some little time ago, and it is stated that he expected to make application before the privy council last Tuesday for leave to appeal the case. This is the application which their Lordships have refused.

The effect of this decision is that the original judgment of His Honor Mr. Justice McKeown stands and the marriage tie is not dissolved.

Glasgow, Nov. 15.—Sir Hugh Graham, speaking to a representative of the Canadian Associated Press, said yesterday that the report that he will succeed Lord Strathcona as ambassador in London, is not correct. He pointed out that there was no vacancy in the commission and said that Canadians hoping Strathcona would remain in London yesterday passed unanimously a resolution approving the proposed parliamentary bill to facilitate establishment of an Irish-Canadian service with Galway as the Irish port.

Glasgow, Nov. 15.—(Special)—Edward Watson & Ritchie report 245 cattle export quotations; top cattle, 14 cents; secondary, 12 to 12½ cents; bulls showing badly and worse trade, top, 11½ to 12 cents; secondary, cheaper owing to ranch cattle on offer at 11 cents a pound. The Parthenon is not yet reported.

Washington, Nov. 15.—The Standard says that private advices received in London in regard to the reciprocity negotiations between Canada and the United States show that the only agreement reached has been for a certain amount of reciprocity in coal and other minerals. Negotiations have been more or less abortive.

At a dinner of the Liberal Unionist Club last evening, Donald Macmaster presiding, said, regarding a trade treaty between Canada and United States, that he was convinced after two recent visits to Canada and close study of the question that such a treaty would not become final.

Feeling reference was made to the Montreal Herald and Montreal Witness on speeches by Sir Knight Douglas and Grantham, the Chronicle says it is curious that any newspaper in Canada should suppose that anyone in this country pays the slightest attention to these two gallant knights may say.

THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER

A MURDER WORKER

A gentleman who had a remarkable gift of language said the Times new reporter this morning if he would join a movement to abolish poverty and wretchedness from the world.

"How do you propose to do it?" queried the new reporter.

"I know a case," said the reformer, "where a woman who has three children is compelled to support them and a drunken husband."

"Thank you, you sir, are no good."

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Asserts Innocence as He Looks on Dead Child

Asbury Park, N. J., Nov. 15.—Thomas Williams, the negro, whose arrest followed the discovery of little Marie Smith's mutilated body, in a clump of woods yesterday, was not even removed from his cell for court procedure, so fearful are the police of mob violence. A crowd surrounded the jail all yesterday, and had not dispersed late last night. It seemed to lack a leader, however, and as there was a strong police guard, inside the building, no attempt to seize Williams was made.

To carry out the requirements of the law, the negro was informally arraigned as he stood in his cell. A magistrate, speaking through the bars, told him that he was accused of causing the death of Marie Smith, and held him without bail for further examination. No request over the child's body has been held yet.

William H. Smith, chief of police of Asbury Park, held the negro as a prisoner, and announced afterwards that Williams apparently retained a good job. Many are inclined to think the man innocent and a victim of circumstances, but this does not seem to soften the high feeling in the city. The child's mother, who fainted when she viewed the body in a serious condition from grief and shock.

A Fearful Test

In an attempt to write a confession from the prisoner, the latter's body, John in his mutilation and still clothed in the blood-stained garments, was brought into the jail corridors last evening. The black was led forth and halted beside it. Stepping close to the shrunken figure, Williams gazed at it a moment, and then said firmly: "I swear to God, I did not harm the girl. I had nothing to do with it."

"Get down and look into her eyes, and say that," he was commanded.

Williams leaned forward, until he was gazing straight into the dead eyes. His gaze did not waver and he exclaimed: "God is my witness, that I did not kill this girl. I did not touch her. I did not harm her. I do not know who did."

Again and again he repeated this while his hand lay on the body, then he added: "I thank God I can say I did not do it. I am sorry for her and sorry for her family, but I had nothing to do with it. The prisoner, trembling with fear and on the verge of collapse, was quietly removed early today from the local jail and whisked away in an automobile to the county jail in Freehold. The mob had been scattered and the streets were comparatively clear so that the officers in charge of the prisoner had little difficulty in getting him out of town.

Williams, whimpering and covering, presented a pitiful spectacle as he was brought from the jail which a short time before had been surrounded by a howling mob. The police had been able to drive the crowd back with their clubs, capturing a sledge hammer and several crowbars.

Freehold, N. J., Nov. 15.—Thomas Williams, the negro suspect, was brought from Asbury Park, New Jersey, and held in a cell in the county jail here. Loud threats had been made that he would never enter the jail alive, but the use of the automobile foiled the mob.

DOZEN TYPHOID CASES

Naval Hospital Authorities are Troubled as They Can Not Explain Infection in Hospital

Annapolis, Md., Nov. 15.—Although another midshipman was removed to the naval hospital yesterday with typhoid fever, although there are now a dozen cases at the academy, the medical officials reiterate their statement that there need be no fear of an epidemic. The cases now under treatment came one by one, instead of developing in a group.

The authorities are completely at sea as to the causes of infection, for all food served, particularly milk, and water, was subjected to careful examination and found to be entirely free of any germs.

LIKELY TO REDUCE UPPER BERTH PRICE

Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—Better times are in sight for the man who sits the upper berth in the sleeping car. He will get a reduction in price as compensation for climbing a ladder to bed and sleeping in close association with his wearing apparel and baggage.

According to advices received by the commission the Pullman Company will revise the rates in practically all its territories. The company now leases rail cars to the railroads. A few roads own their own cars. Reductions are contemplated in the charge upon the railroads for an upper as against \$2 for a lower berth.

Man Who Found Rich Mine

Houghton, Mich., Nov. 15.—Edwin H. Hilbert, discoverer of the Calumet and Hecla mine, one of the most profitable copper producers in the world, is dead in Rome, Italy, according to advices received here. He was 81 years old.