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Dates for By-Elections May Not Be Announced Before End of the Month

Ottawa, July 19.—While the necessary arrangements are being made for the federal by-elections in Colchester and St. John's owing to the entry of Messrs. McCarty and McKeown to the cabinet the dates have not yet been issued and may not be for several days. It is quite possible that the dates may not be announced until after the Nova Scotia provincial elections which occur on July 27.

Besides the premier only a few members of the cabinet are in Ottawa at present, several of the ministers being absent on holidays or official trips. Hon. J. A. Calder expects to go to Europe in a few weeks and will devote himself while there to a reorganization of the immigration service. Since the war little has been done on the other side except to inspect imperial soldiers proposing to settle on the land in Canada and also the organization of parties of domestic servants. There is a new immigration act which prescribes new standards and makes for a more careful selection of immigrants in future. During the war no propaganda was carried on because it was felt that the Allies needed all their man power while, since the armistice, the principle concern has been over the problem of repatriation. Now that conditions are getting back to

normal, efforts will be made to stimulate immigration within the provisions of the act, and particularly to induce the coming of settlers with the means and knowledge for farming and also to serve as farm or domestic help. The new regulations make it necessary that any immigrant shall be possessed of sufficient money to tide him over any period of stringency. It is believed, also, that coming years will see the immigration to Canada of thousands of people of moderate fixed incomes which are not sufficient to maintain the social scale they were formerly accustomed to. This condition is said to obtain extensively not only in England and Scotland but also in France and Belgium. Many of these classes, it is expected, will come to Canada along with army officers. The minister of immigration will investigate the situation generally and also reorganize the various immigration offices.

LEGISLATION FOR THE CONTROL OF FISH PACKING

New Regulations Come Into Effect on the Atlantic Coast, April 1, 1921.—Powers of Inspectors.

Ottawa, July 18.—Legislation passed at the recent session of parliament in the form of amendments to the Fish Inspection Act, making it compulsory to pack, grade and mark fish according to standard, is expected to result in considerable benefit to the trade. Such legislation had been sought in many quarters of the fishing industry for many years. Its urgency is brought home by the fact that Canadian pickled fish is not of as high a standard as the product of other countries less fortunately equipped and this has adversely affected the industry.

The new act becomes operative on the Pacific coast, on November 1, next while on the Atlantic coast it will be April 1, 1921, before it becomes effective. Following these details, an inspecting officer will have power to enter any premises, vessel, or boat where he has reason to believe there are containers, or fish, subject to the provisions of the act, packing and curing houses will also be subject to inspection. Containers packed with fish which do not meet with requirements, it is provided, shall be held by the inspector until the name of the maker is ascertained and properly affixed; and at the same time, the maker is held liable to a penalty.

The outstanding feature of the new law is that it makes compulsory the putting up of pickled herring, alewives, mackerel and salmon, other than mild-cured, according to provisions laid down as to packing, grading, standard of container and inspection. The original act of 1914 made such provisions optional.

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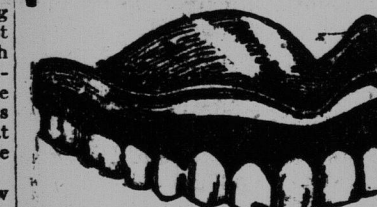
CANADA'S TRADE SHOWS BETTER THAN LAST YEAR

Ottawa, July 18.—A betterment of approximately \$136,000,000 in the trade of the Dominion for the first three months of the fiscal year as compared with the same period last year is shown in the first monthly trade statement authorized by Hon. R. W. Wignmore, the newly installed minister of customs. The statement which is for the month of June shows a total trade up to June 30, of \$291,087,460. For June alone the trade total reached \$28,197,288, or over \$77,000,000 in excess of June 1919.

Despite the big increase there was a falling off in exports of domestic goods for the three months, these representing a value of \$207,286,759. From April to June, last year goods sent out of the

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CROP REPORTS FROM CALGARY ARE FAVORABLE

Calgary, July 18.—The Fifth Alberta crop report, of the Calgary Herald, describing conditions existing today says in part:

"Reports received from special correspondents in a large number of centers in Alberta all point to continued satisfactory crop prospects. In some cases, it is said, that the present appearance of wheat and oats, as well as other cereals and grasses, is the best for years."

"There is not at the present time any dearth of labor, but there is prospect of a shortage at harvest time."

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BANK OF ENGLAND COULD BREW AND SELL BEER

London, July 18.—The Bank of England, which there is talk of rebuilding, counts among its distinctions the rather strange one of being the only unlicensed premises in London with the right to brew and sell beer. This privilege was allowed the bank by the charter of incorporation in 1694, presumably with a view to the needs of the staff, but if they wished the directors could open a public bar on their premises now.

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