What of Wembley?

LONDON. Oct. 20—(By Canadian Press)—The time must come when the curtain is drawn finally on Wembley as it stands to-day. What is to happen next? The question is full of interesting suggestions, for these vast halls and spacious grounds are not like a theatre, from which the players may withdraw without leaving the public more than mildly interested in the problem of what is to happen next. The Times comments on the possibilities of the situation in a special Wembley number.

In large sections of the Brtiish Empire Exhibition grounds there is the permanence of a city. It holds buildings that have been built not for a season, but for ages. It has an elaborate tansportation system, and gas, water and electricity "laid on." It is not to be supposed that when the last exhibitor has gone with his packing case and the lights are turned out and the gates closed, that this highly equipped town of steel and concrete

will be left to rot in idleness. The question of the evacuation of Wembley is worthy of some consideration before that of what purposes the buildings and grounds might be put when the Exhibition is over. Months of time and labor were expended in transporting the exhibits to their places at Wembley, but the problem of moving out, in this case, is a more complicated one than that of moving in. The task will be one of enormous magnitude, and will occupy

three months at the least. British efficiency is shown in the plans which have been mapped out for the moving. First will go the entrances to the big buildings. or rather, the steps, which were laid over the railway lines which run through the Palaces of Engineering and Industry. Then the big cranes now on show will have their work to do in slinging the heavy engines and other machines onto the lines. English locomotives can run right out under their own power, but the South African one will have to be dismantled, because it is built on too wide a gauge for English rails. A great deal of material elsewhere will be moved by motor lorry, and road transport will be able to ply in and out of the buildings at will as the steps are removed and the railed inclines are uncovered. So thoroughly have the plans been worked out that in the storage sheds at Neasden there is a crate or box for every

portable exhibit at Wembley. Then, when the Neasden sheds are empty and the Wembley that Londoners and countless visitors have known for so many months is no more, what next? Will the lake be filled in, and the coal mine filled up? Will the Amusement Park-probably the most modern in existence-be silent? Will the Stadium be thronged only on the day of the Association Football Cup

But already there is a demand for petition of the Empire Pageant, and nowhere is there so suitable a place to give it as the Wembley Stadium. There are a great number of uses, too, to which the pavilions might be

Buildings like the home of the British Government exhibit and the Palaces of Engineering and Industry are sturdy and strong enough to be used as workshops, and there is power right on the spot. In any case the leasing of them for that or for storage purposes would produce sound revenue, because they are so handy to rail and road transport. No doubt some of the smaller build-

ings will be quickly dismantledthat is the natural destiny of the less permanently constructed buildingsbut at a time when every industry is house-hunting and when questions of swift and adequate transport are becoming more and more pressing the utility of these structures must impress itself on all who are inter-

It would appear that the grouping ce the buildings has made it possible for those of a permanent nature to be transformed into workshops or facteries without such activities as would go on inside them interfering with the amenities of the park and pleasure grounds adjoining.

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correspondent. The difficulties which hindered the appointment two or three months ago have now been removed by the Tasmanian Government, who are prepared to make such arrangements as will enable the Governor to live on the

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,000ft. up and—speaking as a per who likes comfort-my only was leaving the translucent fresh tudes and coming down into irning air of the desert plain.

"If people had my experience ould go out as I did, if only ne Tigris from the air. It

rilling experience. one with means, and such a io means." Lord Thomson said the In the old days, he said, this ; vas a prosperous town of 20.00 habitants, and was on the care outes. Owing to the troubles occurred at the beginning of this most of the population fled, and months ago only 700 inhabitants we

left. Turbulent tribes in the neigh ourhood had made things too he "I arrived in the early morn aid Lord Thomson. "Perhaps

hey ran wildly to see us land. "For three-quarters of an hour nade a circuit of the town, and procession was so long that at end we caught up our own tail. "I met three delegations-one Arab sheikhs from the country aro one of notables of the town, and o

of merchants. The tenor of all th remarks was gratitude to the Briti whose presence had given them fr dom from robbers." It will be a blow to impressional oung women afflicted with "cine

mania" to learn from Lord Thoms that the sheikhs of Arabia (or Araby are so unromantic as to drive mot cars over the desert.

Bombing Charges. "You have," added Lord Thomson seen a great many attacks on Air Force for bombing towns. should be borne in mind that t bombing has been an absolute min mum and the casualties have been e

traordinarily light. "A great deal too much of a so as been made about it. There is Our only object is to keep law and or-

der and to let the people live. "The swift, prompt action that ha been taken by the Air Force in these districts has saved many lives among the combatants and still more among the civilians, who, but for this action, would have been driven into the

Lord Thomson spoke with admiration of the masterly organization and splendid personnel of the R.A.F. in he Near East, and referred enthusiastically to the future possibilities of air transport there.

OUT OF SEASON.



days are growing raw. the north wind has a nip and sting. and still I wear my ancient straw, the old straw hat I bought last spring. The sun has made it rusty red. the rains WALT MASON through and

hrough, but it feels comfy on my head, as no new modern hat could do. But everywhere and all the time men taunt me as I carry on; they say a straw hat is a crime, when mid-Sepember days are gone. At morning, when I leave the flat, my aunts suround me and implore that I will buy decent hat at some smooth haberlasher's store. And jesters on the public street attack my hat with ager paws, they kick it roundly with heir feet, and look around them for applause. There is a stern, unwritten law that holds all mankind in its thrall; no gent shall wear a hat of straw beyond a day in early fall. And I might like my rabbit friends the path of least resistance take, and join he caitiff soul who wends to buy a cap or wide-awake. Like Hampden with a dauntless breast I dare this fool nwritten law; men can't by violence jest make me forsake my trusty traw. It has been slugged by ribald nen, it has been trampled in the loam; and still I pick it up again, and ondly place it on my dome. I do not

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