

LONDON TRADE IS QUITE SATISFACTORY

Business in All Lines Fairly Satisfactory and Country Sales Improve.

CONDITIONS IN CANADA

According to the Reports There is an Improvement All Along the Line.

R. G. Dun's report says: The trade report in the London district is very satisfactory in prospect. The men report orders much in advance of last year, and the indications are brighter for the building trade than they looked a little while ago. The wholesale dry goods houses have got their stocks pretty well down, and with the advent of fine weather retail spring trade is expected to follow. Prices of all commodities continue to be firm, with no immediate prospect of reduction, except in some lines of farm products. Payments continue to be met with the same promptness as formerly reported.

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Toronto reports to Bradstreet's say prospects for fall trade continue bright in all directions. Large shipments to all parts of Canada are still going forward, and those to the West are particularly heavy. In dry goods excellent orders for fall are coming forward, and supplies are being ordered for spring goods as a good feature of the general movement. Prices generally hold steady to firm. Manufacturers' deliveries of prints, etc., are improving. The season in millinery promises to be exceptionally active, as orders for the new spring lines have been heavy. Hardware trade is opening out well, and there is already an excellent demand for building materials. The market for structural iron is reported fairly well. Sugars are particularly firm and an excellent demand is reported for canned goods. Leather is about steady, and the demand for building materials is improving. Hides are firm for best stock. Other grades are easier. Dressed hogs and provisions are firm at recent advances. A good business is moving in general provisions and prices are steady to firm. Country trade is reported good with collections satisfactory.

Winnipeg reports say all lines of wholesale trade are moving briskly. Dry goods houses report excellent sorting orders. An unusually large number of visitors attended the millinery openings, and many of them left good orders for general dry goods. A big business in farm implements is reported here, and the general hardware trade is active. The farmers are well situated financially, and as a result the area of land put to seed this season will be considerably increased. A good business is moving in staple groceries and general lines are firm. Collections are satisfactory.

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Sleep Was Impossible

ALMOST DRIVEN TO DESPAIR UNTIL CURED WITH USE OF Dr. Chase's Nerve Food

No symptoms of nervous prostration is more to be dreaded than the inability to sleep. Man can exist for considerable time without food, but without sleep, the restoration which it brings, he soon becomes a mental and physical wreck.

When you cannot sleep and rest look to the nervous system and remember that lasting cure can only be obtained from such treatment as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, which naturally and gradually restores the exhausted nerves to health and vigor.

Mr. Wm. Graham, Atwood, Ont., writes: "My wife, Mrs. B. B. Graham, some time with nervous prostration and we had two of the best doctors here, but neither of them did her any good. She gradually became worse and worse, could not sleep and lost energy and interest in life. She was almost giving up in despair when a friend advised the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

"From the first box my wife used we noticed an improvement and after using six boxes she is completely cured and as well as she ever was, eats well, sleeps well and feels fully restored. I cannot say too much in praise of this valuable medicine, for I believe my wife owes her life to its use."

Every dose of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food goes to the formation of a much richer, red blood and is therefore certain to do you good.

Fifty cents a box, 6 for \$2.50. All dealers or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto. Write for free copy of Dr. Chase's Recipes.

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C. P. R. TO EXTEND IN EAST ONTARIO

Double-Tracking Talked Of and a Change in Districts.

Smith's Falls, March 12.—A railway rumor current in Smith's Falls is to the effect that the Chalk River division of the C. P. R. and the Smith's Falls and Montreal division are to be put under one superintendent, who will live at Smith's Falls. The superintendent named in the rumor is Mr. H. B. Spencer, with Mr. R. McCord, of Ottawa, as his assistant, the latter taking the place, it is said, of Mr. Collins, the present assistant, who will be given charge of some important construction work west of Smith's Falls. Another rumor has it that the C. P. R. will double-track the line from Smith's Falls to Bathurst, a distance of about 14 miles, and will build a new line from Bathurst to Victoria Harbor. This would be the company's great grain route, and if this were done the benefit to Smith's Falls would be incalculable.

Color is lent to the rumor from the fact that an engineer with a large staff of assistants have been surveying the route for the past few weeks.

A HAMILTON EGG RECORD

Dr. H. G. Annett Has an Industrious Bevy of Bipedes.

Dr. H. G. Annett, of Hamilton, Ont., writes, The Advertiser as follows: "I do not believe you feed your hens in London very well, or perhaps it is, which, since Christmas Day, to March 11, laid 200 eggs."

MR. BORDEN "PEEVED"

Got No Report of Inquiry as His Friends Did Not Attend.

Ottawa, March 12.—In the Commons today Mr. Borden charged irregularity in the Lumsden investigation in connection with the reporting daily in the House of the proceedings. He said a motion had been made by Haughton Lumsden, and agreed to, that the proceedings of the committee should be printed and "reported to the House from day to day." In the printed report the words "reported to the House" had been omitted. Mr. Borden declared that the proceedings had not been reported to the committee, and nobody objected. Mr. Borden declared that the proceedings had not been reported to the committee, and nobody objected. Mr. Borden declared that the proceedings had not been reported to the committee, and nobody objected.

N. T. R. CONSTRUCTION

Govt. Figures of Progress Made Up to the End of Last Year.

Ottawa, March 12.—In the Commons today on the vote for the expenditure for the next fiscal year being taken up by the Minister of Railways gave some statistics as to the progress of construction, etc., up to the end of 1909. The total expenditure up to that date, he said, had been \$7,890,697. The estimated cost per mile still remains at the figures given in the House in 1905, viz., \$63,500. The number of miles girded with 1,000, and the number of miles of tracks laid was 727. Of the track mileage 621 miles were the main line and 106 on sidings.

The estimated cost of the construction of the prairie section stood at \$2,200,000. The estimated cost of the mountain section per mile had not been arrived at yet. Mr. Graham said that the estimates were not so close as they should be, still it was difficult to make accurate estimates from surface indications. The same sort of thing occurred on all railways, but the public did not hear of them.

He said the National Transcontinental Railway was making good progress.

ANOTHER FINE FLIGHT BY AVIATOR M'CURDY

Baddeck, N. S., March 11.—Excellent aerodrome flights were made today. J. A. D. McCurdy, in Baddeck No. 2, flew over the lake on Baddeck Bay at a height of from 50 to 70 feet, circled the bay three or four times. Everything worked beautifully, and the machine could not have been steadier. As usual the landing was easy.

Lieutenant-Governor Fraser and friends from Halifax arrived this evening to witness the flights tomorrow.

OVER TILL NEXT SESSION

Ottawa, March 12.—The special committee of the House named early in the session to consider Mr. Monk's bill in respect to proportional representation met yesterday morning, and decided to defer consideration of the bill until next session. This decision was due principally to the fact that the commission named by the Imperial House to inquire into the matter of proportional representation has not yet made a report.

A BURSTING DAM SWAMPS WELSH HAMLET

Half a Dozen Persons Perish by Disaster in the Rhonddda Valley.

London, March 12.—A dam confining water from a disused colliery on a mountainside, in the Rhonddda Valley, Wales, burst yesterday afternoon. The torrent swept without warning on the village of Blenchlydach below, wrecking some of the houses and swamping others. About half a dozen persons are known to have been drowned. Several others are missing, and it is feared that they perished. Many were injured.

A number of miners employed on night shifts narrowly escaped. The schoolhouse was full of children when the water rushed into the building. All but two of them, who were drowned, escaped.

RIVEN OVER COLOR

All the Members of the Sandwich Fire Department May Resign.

Windsor, March 12.—The entire fire department of Sandwich may resign as a body as a result of the appointment of William Montgomery, a negro, as a member of the department. Montgomery was appointed by the Sandwich Town Council some time ago, and trouble has now reached an acute stage. The members of the fire department declare that if the council persists in its determination to make the negro firemen, they will immediately resign and leave the town without fire protection. The Underwriters' Association of Toronto will be notified that the town will be unprotected, unless the council rescinds its decision. The whole cause of the trouble is that the Sandwich fire department is more of a social organization than anything else, holding annual banquets, card parties, etc. Interesting developments are expected.

SAYS MOTORISTS SHOULD BE SHOT

Is the Way One Legislator Describes the Reckless Auto Drivers.

Toronto, March 12.—Mr. Valentine Stock's bill to further harness the automobile owners did not get by the municipal committee of the Legislature this morning. It was dropped after a few minutes' discussion. Mr. R. H. McElroy called the chauffeurs scoundrels, and said they ought to be shot.

The committee concluded all its work for the session before adjournment.

For the Autoists.

T. A. Russell, representing the Motor League, said the league was willing to share half the expense with the province of sending out detectives to catch those who break the law. Hon. Mr. Hanna said the province would have to be policed, and the auto owners would have to pay for it. Resulting, Mr. Russell said experience had proved to him that the strong lamp was more reassuring to the horse than the old oil lamp that has long been discarded. He was brought up to a farm, and understood horses, and he said that it was impossible to make a regulation covering the nature of every horse. He said it was somewhat better for the horse to have a lamp than to stop immediately in front of the horse. He did not think the onus should be placed on the motorists.

The play is written around Miss Grace La Rue. It was designed for the purpose of demonstrating the abilities of this young lady, and it certainly filled the bill. Not that the poor character was neglected—they were all in excellent hands.

Miss La Rue scored. She can dance and she can sing—a combination that is apparently rare on the stage. A graceful dancer, she has a beautiful street plan troubled with household's knees. They sure do limp. However, Miss La Rue is quite the most graceful body seen here in many moons, and she danced with rare grace and abandon. She sings extremely well, and had many very pretty songs. A column could be written about this young lady and her gifts, and he has no more than simple justice. She should come again.

The supporting cast is excellent. Miss Eva Fallon, a very little woman, with a good voice and graceful ways, and if some day she is not a star, somebody is a bad guesser. Sidney Grant, a former vaudeville star, is decidedly H. G. Wells in his part, and James E. Sullivan, Kate Rella and Frances Keenan are some of the real artists in the play, and they are good.

The music is very pretty, and at least half a dozen of the songs are hits. "Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly?" made the gallery boys sit up.

It is a regular show, and if it ever returns it should be given a big house.

A Rare Treat.

Local music-lovers will be afforded the treat of the season on Tuesday evening next, when Mr. Cyril Dwight Edwards, the eminent English baritone, of this city, will give a concert, and will be assisted by Miss Jeanette Durnot as pianist. Miss Durnot is an artist of great power, and is a thorough artist. She has a wonderful touch and a musical conception rarely possessed. She has learned the secrets of the pianist's art, and not the least among them is the fine tone production—the ability to make the instrument sing. Her interpretations are characterized throughout by the qualities of temperament and enthusiasm which make a perfect performance. A number of French songs will be rendered by Mr. Edwards, and these will appear on the programme in English.

DEAD IN HIS BARN. Smith's Falls, Ont., March 11.—Peter Healy, a farmer and stock dealer, who lived near Smith's Falls, was found dead this morning in his barn. Heart disease was the cause of death. Mr. Healy was 55 years old, and leaves a widow and nine children.

SIX MONTHS' SENTENCE FOR LLOYD GEORGE FAKE

The Telegram Telling of Hostile Demonstration for Chancellor Was Forged.

London, March 12.—In the Old Bailey court here today, John Horner, convicted of forging a telegram sent to the Daily Mail during the recent campaign, and was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

The dispatch received by the Mail over the name of its famous correspondent told of a hostile demonstration against David Lloyd George. The latter impugned the accuracy of the report, and inquiry showed that it had been sent by Horner, who had formerly brought a libel suit against the Mail.

THREE WEEKS BATTLE WITH ARCTIC STORM

Sailors Rescued Off Alaskan Coast Tell Tale of Terrible Hardship.

[Associated Press.] Seward, Alaska, March 12.—Worn and exhausted by almost incredible hardships, and bearing the marks of weeks of battling with icy gales, four of six men, on Jan. 7, left the wreck of the Farallon, in Cook Inlet, and in a small rowboat undertook the desperate task of rowing to procure relief for their companions, who were brought into Seward just before midnight last night on the revenue cutter Tahoma, which for almost three weeks has been searching for them. The Tahoma also brings word that the other two men are alive and safe.

The four men on the Tahoma are: Gus Swanson, second mate of the wrecked Farallon; Charles Peterson, seaman; Otto Nelson, seaman; Albert Bailey, passenger. A route to Kodiak, the other two are Charles Bourne, resident of Afognak, who is now at Kodiak Bay, and Capt. Wedding, of the launch Seawolf, who was left at Kodiak.

From the men brought to Kodiak a story of hardship and suffering, together with dogged courage, almost beyond belief, is gathered. The part of six left the wreck of the Farallon on Jan. 7 with a light wind blowing north by west. This increased during the night, the gale that compelled the men to beach their rowboat at Cape Crow, where they camped until morning.

At daylight, amid an east wind and a heavy snowstorm, they left Ursus Cove, only to have the wind suddenly veer around to the northwest, and reach the proportions of a gale.

At every interval that could be snatched from the toil at the oars the men were compelled to keep bailing out the boat. With the heavy sea that was running the little craft was fast becoming a mass of ice and sinking under the weight.

All six men were drenched with the spray, which in turn froze upon their faces and clothing. At sundown the boat reached a little shelter off Cape Douglas, but at the same time ran into a heavy pack of ice, which soon had the boat in a sinking condition.

CONCERT IN AID OF THE SANATORIUM

Londoners should keep the date of Saturday, March 19, open. On that evening a concert will be given in the Auditorium under the auspices and for the aid of the schemes of the London Health Association.

No care is being spared to make this concert an unique success, and it is confidently expected that the concert will be one of the most enjoyable of the musical season in London.

Among those who will take part are Miss Edith McBride, soprano; Mr. W. A. Bleuthner, pianist and accompanist; Mr. John Patterson, who is popularly known as "London's Harry Lauder," while a local minstrel organization will also give a performance. Artists have offered their assistance gratuitously.

The programme will be supplemented by selections on the autoharp, the highest and grandest of the talking machine art. Grand piano records by Caruso, Farrar and Journet will undoubtedly create a great enthusiasm among music lovers in London.

The concert will be under the patronage of the ladies of the "Made-in-London" committee.

A LACK OF LABOR.

Hamilton, March 12.—A labor famine is threatened in Hamilton this year as a result of the wave of prosperity that is sweeping over the country. Manufacturers are complaining about the difficulty of getting skilled labor and are already finding it difficult to keep up with the west.

Shooting Pains in Side, Arms, Back

PROVE THE PRESENCE OF RHEUMATIC VIRUS, WHICH IS CURED QUICKEST BY NERVINE—RUB IT IN.

Pains in the muscles, in the sides, the back, the neck or the chest—they always carry with them great discomfort. If the inflammation is severe the pain will be intense. If allowed to continue they are dangerous. Nothing so quickly cures local inflammation and drives away pain as Nervine. Nervine does this because it penetrates so deeply. Nervine is not only powerful, but soothing. By relieving congestion it cures pain. It does this always. It cannot fail because it is a true antidote for pain. You can scarcely find anybody that will not tell you of the wonders of Nervine, the pain-curing power of Nervine. Remember, that there is not an ache or pain that Nervine will not cure immediately.

Refuse anything that may be offered you instead of Nervine, which is guaranteed for rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, lumbago, and all muscular aches and pains.

Large bottles 50 cents, trial size 25 cents. At all dealers, or The Cattaraugus Company, Kingston, Ont.

WINSTON CHURCHILL VICTIM OF A HOAX

Practical Joker Sends Twenty Cart Loads of Coal to His Residence.

[Associated Press.] London, March 12.—A practical joker is abroad in London, and it probably will not be well for him if either Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary for home affairs, or several other members of Parliament and the house of the home secretary, they stopped, turned and backed up to the curb, with the intention of dumping their loads. Despite the protests of servants that no coal had been ordered, the drivers insisted upon dumping their cargoes, and it was only after repeated telephone calls that the dealers came to the conclusion that they had been hoaxed, and ordered their men to return to the coal yards.

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THE LUMBER COMBINE

Mr. Thomas Baker Says It Will Not Affect London.

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Objects to Being the Target for Fool Letter Writers.

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"I'm getting tired of these anonymous letters," said his worship. "If a man cannot sign his name he has no business to write to me. I will pay absolutely no attention to an anonymous letter."

He then took up a very laborious contribution on the state of civic affairs, and it will be consumed in the furnace.

TEMPERANCE WORK IN WINGHAM DISTRICT

Encouraging Results of Campaign Carried on by Methodist Ministers.

As the result of a timely suggestion made by the Rev. J. E. Ford, chairman of the Wingham district, a meeting was arranged to be held in Wingham, Monday, Jan. 21, 1910, to give the pastors and representatives from the different churches an opportunity to confer with Rev. H. H. Magee, district secretary of the temperance prohibition and moral reform department of the Methodist Church. The conference issued in a plan to observe Sunday, March 6, throughout the district, in presenting to the congregations the importance of this branch of Christian work.

Ministers and laymen readily fell in with this plan, and Rev. Mr. Magee rendered most valuable service as well. Meetings were addressed by him in Wingham on the date mentioned, and in Kincardine, Ripley, Brussels, Wroxeter and Fordwich on subsequent evenings of the week, where a large and attentive audience.

The topics discussed were the Christian Church's relation to and responsibility for the proper observance of the Sabbath, and the influences making for its desecration; the present law in relation to race-track and other forms of gambling, political corruption, the white slave traffic, and kindred subjects.

The result of this effort throughout the district promises to be far-reaching, in awakening an interest in these matters, and in creating a desire for further light upon such important subjects.

For Edison and Columbia machines and records, call at Williams' Piano Company, 261 Dundas street, 291-2.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DANDRUFF.

Reduced One-Way Rates to California, Mexico, British Columbia, Oregon, Washington, Etc.

In effect, via Grand Trunk Railway System, daily, until April 15. Secure tickets at further information from Grand Trunk agents, or address J. D. McDonald, D. P. A., G. T. R., Toronto, Ont. 25u.

RESERVIST EMIGRATION.

London, March 12.—In the House of Commons Sir Edward Grey stated that the emigration of reservists could only be permitted to a limited extent. Respecting time-expired soldiers the army council would be glad if employment could be guaranteed for a limited period with overseas dominions' forces for, say, two years.

New Telephone Directory

THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF CANADA is about to publish a new issue of the OFFICIAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

For the District of Western Ontario including London

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