

QUESTIONS

On the 24th of April next you will be asked to vote for an expenditure of \$51,000 for the purpose of purchasing a site for a new cattle market.

On behalf of the cattle dealers we submit a few reasons why the citizens should vote against the purchase of the site.

The present site is the most suitable that can be found, being the central point, the easiest of access to dealers and railways, and possessing splendid natural drainage.

It being "parks and gardens" property the city cannot dispose of it if they would.

It is situated as it is of little value for other purposes, and as it at present yields a large revenue to the city, why not take in the balance and utilize it all? The grounds would then be ample to accommodate all the trade for the next 25 years.

The \$51,000 proposed to be spent will not yield any more revenue and will add to our taxes. The proposed change will not in the least cheapen the price of meat, but will rather tend to increase it.

It is true that the Canadian Pacific Railway are looked out of the present market, but they can obtain a site to its entire by buying a right of way or simply building a platform of their own. If the proposed site is purchased the Grand Trunk Railway will be locked out.

The committee appointed to examine the matter report that the expense they will require \$28,000 to put the present market in repair, but experts who are well acquainted with all such matters estimate that \$10,000 would be sufficient to fully equip the present site for a long term of years.

The proposed site is so located that it cannot well be used for any ordinary purpose, and being low land it will take instead of the estimated \$100 the most of the required \$51,000 to drain it, there being no sewer within a mile; whereas the Garrison creek sewer runs directly through the present market.

The statement that the present market is detrimental to the health of the citizens is all nonsense. If Dr. Caniff's eyes had been properly opened to the surroundings he would have seen that the small complaint of sore throat from the heavy garbage and refuse dumped by the corporation employes opposite the market gates.

The proposed purchase is in violation of a scheme got up for the purpose of favouring a few private parties who have a hand in the sale of the site, and is a most unwise and unbusinesslike proceeding.

The proposed change is not in the interest of the city or the trade. The cattle dealers and butchers are opposed to the removal of the present market will testify.

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I ask you therefore for the foregoing reasons to vote for the site on April 24 and vote against the purchase of the site on the 25th of April.

Money and mias when it is totally unnecessary.

New Cattle Market.

Looking at this question from a small butcher's point of view, I cannot see anything in the argument that the present market is not so advantageous to the retail trade as a new and larger one would be.

Rings and monopolies, it is said, control the present market. What is to prevent them controlling a new market? If retailers cannot buy against the wholesale dealer on a five-acre market, is he going to have any better show on a twenty-acre market? Not a bit of it. Such talk is all moonshine. My business during the last six months has gone three or four times weekly to the present market and has had no difficulty in buying what he wanted and returning at the same time for his goods. Others do the same.

The cry that a large yard will reduce the price of meat is a fallacy. Owing to the greater distance retail buyers could go, as now, but their stock and get back to the city in time for business. In my example, would have to employ an extra man, or perhaps buy second-hand from the wholesale dealer, either of which means extra cost to be met only by advance in price of meat.

A records accommodation, there is ample room on the present site for a pen sufficient to accommodate stock for the city's wants during the next twenty years.

If the C. P. R. want yards to ship and feed cattle in transit, that is another matter. Let the C. P. R. provide them. It concerns them alone, and not those who come right straight along and learn to be a first-class butcher in this city.

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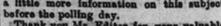
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