WATER POWER OF QUEBEC PROVINCE

St. Lawrence, Ottawa and Numerous Small Streams Assist Development.

For its modern industrial development the province of Quebec is indebted to two main determining factors—firstly, its natural transportation advantages—direct ocean connection with the outside world, and direct water connection with the interior of the Dominion—which have resulted in its becoming the heart of the great railroad arteries of the country, and secondly, tho not less important, its magnificent endowment of water powers which have rendered possible the commercial development of wood pulp and paper industry, its electro-chemical industry, its lumber and textile mills, its rubber factories, cement works, all the numerous industries that supply the demands of its population, and which are the backbone of its domestic and foreign trade, and modern light and power needs of the civilization of its great cities, and the development of its mining regions of asbestos and metalliferous ores.

The high table lands of the interior, which are the source of the numerous rivers draining the water sheds of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Rivers, and the somewhat abrupt descent from these high interior lands to the great river valleys, have resulted in a natural concentration of water powers, thruout the most densely populated areas of the province. The rapids run off of these rivers due to the steep gradients of their beds is controlled by the natural storage afforded by the inland lakes from which many of the rivers rise. The provincial government, fully alive to the value of these resources, has made very complete studies of the discharge of the rivers and streams, and their power potentialities, and the regulation of flow by the construction of dams and storage works, work largely carried out by the Quebec Streams Commission, indeed it is doubtful if any other province has done more in this connection.

The industries above mentioned and especially the pulp and paper industry have done much to develop these water powers, but rates are still high and if more power were available for public use at lower rates, industrial expansion would rapidly follow. Other provinces have in the past allowed their power to be exported thru transmission lines of the country to the great and permanent loss of Canadian industries, and there is today a strong feeling that all future development should be controlled for Canadian use, and not exploited for private interests or exportation to turn the wheels of foreign factories and that power not immediately required shall be strictly reserved for future Canadian enterprises. A certain great man is quoted to have once said: "Whoever dominates power, dominates all industries."

So numerous are the water power sites of the province that it is impossible to detail them all within the limits of a short article. Dealing only with that part of the province served by transportation lines, we may very briefly survey the power sites of Quebec, as including the Ottawa River and tributaries, the St. Lawrence River, the south shore tributaries, and north shore tributaries.

On the Ottawa River there are ten principal potential power sites, between Quinze Lake, and Lake Timiskaming. On its tributaries principal sites are Gigaul River one, North River nine, Cambrai River one, Rouge River eleven, Petite Nation River one, Lievre River four, Gatineau River twenty-two, Kiawa River one. Along the north shore of the St. Lawrence, including such tributaries as Riviere du Loup, Maskinonge River, St. Maurice River, Montmorency River, Saguenay River, Chicoutimi River, Outarde River, and numerous other streams are eighty-three potential sites, the most important being on the St. Maurice River including Shawinigan Falls (135 foot head, 130,000 available h.p.), and numerous rapids from 5,000 to 85,000 estimated h.p.. Montmorency Falls (268 foot head, 5,000 available h.p.); Chicoutimi Falls (150 foot head, 3,000 available h.p.); Saguenay Rapids (2,000 h.p. and 153,000 available h.p.); Outarde Falls (181 foot head, 59,000 available h.p.)

The south shore of the St. Lawrence includes 37 tributaries and sixty-one potential power sites, the largest of which is on the Richelieu River at Chambly with (20,000 available h.p.) developed by the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Co.

In the St. Lawrence River the Coteau, Cedar and Cascade Rapids have a maximum estimated 24 hours low water potential development of 1,000,000 h.p., and the Lachine Rapids 300,000 to 450,000 h.p.

Restrictions of space do not permit detailed description of the extent to which these powers have been developed. The total available low water energy as placed by the commission of conservation of Canada at 5,598,000 h.p., and the total h.p. developed has been estimated at 875,000 h.p., 100,000 of which is been derived from the Cedar Rapids.

AN AUSTRALIAN DROUGHT.

Unless one has seen for himself the effects of a drought in Australia, any written description of it is almost unbelievable. The Darling Downs of Queensland is probably one of the best fertile stretches of land under the Southern Cross, and when favored with sun and rain, supplies fodder and grain to millions of cattle and sheep. A drought turns them into a desert of death. Carcasses of the fancy fortune to squatters lie in thousands along the steel tracks. Skeletons of cattle are interspersed. A drop of water is a treasure. And when the sun high in the heavens reclaims no sign of rain, at a time that decides the fate of crops, the farmers and their families leave their farms to the mysterious ravages of drought. The present drought has turned out the aboriginies in several districts. And yet there are small compensations. Sandstorms are frequent, and they generally drive rabbits into their holes, where they are imprisoned till death puts an end to them. And that is a gain, for the rabbit pest in Australia is responsible for millions of dollars of loss every year.

PAT IN THE HOLY LAND.

In a small village in Ireland the father of a soldier met the village priest, who asked her if she had any word from Pat recently.

"That I have," she said. "Pat has been killed."

"I am very sorry," said the priest. "Did you receive word from the war office?"

"No; from Pat himself," she said.

The priest looked perplexed. "But how is that?" he asked.

"Shure," she said, "here is the letter. I read it for yourself."

The letter said: "Dear Mother—I am now in the Holy Land."—The American.

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LOOKS FOR BOOM IN GOLD MINING

F. W. Schumacher Confident of Adoption of Tax to Aid Producers.

F. W. Schumacher, president of the Schumacher Gold Mine of Porcupine, is in the city. Mr. Schumacher's home is in the State of Ohio. He reports a great interest across the line in the proposed tax of $10 per ounce on all gold employed in the arts or for any purpose except money, the tax to go as a bonus to all producers of the royal metal.

The tax is no burden on the resources of the government. It is, in fact, a compulsory law not affecting any of the necessaries of life, and Mr. Schumacher is convicted that the tax will soon be in force in the United States and that a great boom in gold mining must follow. He predicts that the Canadian government will be forced to give the same advantage to the gold miners, otherwise all our gold will go to our neighbors.

This tax is sponsored by the American Bankers' Association. It is likely to have an important bearing on the future of the industry in Ontario.

COBALT MISSES T. & N. O. GRANT

On Receipt of Word From Hon. H. Mills, Some Town Councillors Talk Reprisal.

Cobalt, April 2.—Hon. Harry Mills, provincial minister of mines, has notified the town of Cobalt that the annual grant of $1200 paid by the T. & N. O., in lieu of taxes up to 1918, will not be given the town for last year, despite representations made to the government by the town council. The minister states, in a letter sent here, that the payment in 1918 was made by the then minister of lands, forests and mines on his own responsibility and under a misapprehension, and that it cannot now be continued. On receipt of this information last evening, the members of the town council assumed a belligerent mood, and suggestions that police and fire protection be withdrawn from the T. & N. O. property here were made, but the matter, after Mayor McEachren had declared "this government exemption is becoming ridiculous," was referred to the finance committee for consideration.

BRITISH AMALGAMATION OF DEPARTMENT STORES

Washington, April 2.—Amalgamation of department stores in England is noted in official trade reports received here as the latest development of a tendency toward combination in each branch of England's national industries. Big stores, especially those in the more important cities, are combining thru purchase or consolidation and already it has become apparent to some observers that the business soon will be concentrated in the control of a few big interests.

The American Chamber of Commerce in London reports that one of the largest department stores of that city recently absorbed three competitors and has branched out in South America thru the opening of a large establishment in Buenos Aires.

"The value of advertising as a selling force is becoming more realized in England," the report said. "This movement towards amalgamation is not expected to destroy competition, tho it may tend to narrow its scope."

CAPTAIN OF CUNARDER RECEIVES DECORATION

New York, April 2.—The title of knight commander, order of the British Empire, has been conferred upon Captain J. T. W. Charles, commanding officer of the Aquitania during the war, according to cable advices received by the Cunard Line today.

The Cunard liner Aquitania was launched in 1914 at Glasgow, and was chartered by the British government for service as hospital ship, shortly after the outbreak of the war. She plied between Southampton and the Mediterranean ports, transporting casualties to Great Britain from the Salonica front, and was once reported sunk.

After the conclusion of hostilities the Aquitania was converted into an army transport, and repatriated many thousands of members of the Canadian overseas military forces to their homeland.

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WHOLESALE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Potatoes are mostly quoted firm at $5 per bag, a few still offered at $4.85 and $4.90.

McWilliam & Everist, Limited, had a car of Texas cabbage selling at $7 per bbl; a car of Florida grapefruit at $4.50 to $5.50 per case; Florida tomatoes at $6.50 to $7 per crate; California celery at $11 per case; Iceberg lettuce at $4.50 per case; onions at 8c per lb.; rhubarb at $1.25 to $1.40 per dozen; leaf lettuce at 30c to 40c per dozen; apples at $5 to $7.50 per bbl.; Spys at $3.50 to $4 per box; oranges at $4.50 to $8.50; grapefruit at $4.50 to $5.75, and lemons at $4.50 per case.

A. A. McKinnon had a car of California onions selling at $11.50 to $12 per 112 lb. sack; a car of potatoes at $4.90 per bag; turnips at $1.10 to $1.25; carrots at $2; beets at $2.50, and parsnips at $2.65 per bag; apples at $6.50 to $7 per bbl.

D. Spence had potatoes selling at $4.85 per bag; turnips at $1; carrots at $1.50 to $1.75; beets at $2.50 and parsnips at $2.75 per bag; oranges at $7 to $8.50 per case; grapefruit at $4.75 to $6, and lemons at $4.50 per case; apples at 50c to $1.25 per 11 quarts.

The Ontario Produce Co. had a car of oranges selling at $5 to $7.50 per case; blood oranges at $8.50 per case, and $4.25 per half case; a car of Texas cabbage at $6.50 per bbl.; potatoes at $5 per bag; turnips at $1; carrots at $1.75; parsnips at $2.50 per bag; onions at $7.50 per 75 lb. bag.

Peters, Duncan, Ltd., had a car of California cabbage, selling at $5.50 to $6 per case; cauliflower at $3.50 to $3.75 per pony, and $6.50 per standard crate; Florida tomatoes at $6.50 per six-basket crate; Spanish onions at $6.50 per case; cranberries at $6 per half-bbl. box; Cal. celery at $12 per case; oranges at $4.50 to $8.50; lemons at $4, and grapefruit at $5 per case; Winesap apples at $4.50 per box.

W. J. McCart Co., Limited, had a car of Sunkist navel oranges, selling at $5 to $8.75 per case; grapefruit at $5 to $5.50 per case; sweet potatoes at $3.75 per hamper; cauliflower at $3.75 per pony crate; onions at $9 per sack; green onions at 50c per doz.

White & Co., Limited, had a car of Iceberg lettuce and asparagus, selling at $4.25 to $4.50 and $12 to $15 per case, respectively; a car of Florida tomatoes at $7 to $7.50 per six-basket crate; rhubarb at $1.35 to $1.50 per dozen; green onions at 60c to 65c per dozen; onions at 8½c per lb.; watercress at 75c to $1.25 per dozen; sweet potatoes at $3.50 per hamper; carrots at $1.25 to $1.50 per dozen; cranberries at $5.50 to $6 per box, and $11.50 per bbl.; Winesap apples at $4.50 per box.

Jos. Bamford & Sons had a car of potatoes selling at $5 per bag; carrots at $1.75 and turnips at $1 per bag; Sunkist oranges at $5 to $8 per case; grapefruit at $5 to $6 per case; rhubarb at $1 to $1.50 per dozen; small size at 80c per dozen.

The Union Fruit and Produce Limited had potatoes selling at $5; carrots at $2 and turnips at $1 per bag; onions at $10 per sack; Spanish at $2.25 per small and $7 per large case; Florida tomatoes at $6 to $6.50 per case; cabbage at $7 per bbl.; cranberries at $6 per box; apples at $3 to $4.50 per box.

Manger-Webb had Florida tomatoes at $6 to $7 per crate; sweet potatoes at $3 to $3.50 per hamper; new cabbage at $7 per bbl., and $7.50 per case; cauliflower at $3.50 to $4 per pony crate; carrots at $1.75 to $2; parsnips at $2.50 to $2.75 per bag; apples at $3.50 to $4.50 per box.

The Longo Fruit Co. had oranges selling at $4 to $6.50 per case; lemons at $4 to $4.50, and grapefruit at $4 to $5 per case; Florida tomatoes at $5 per crate; new cabbage at $7 per bbl.; Iceberg lettuce at $4 and cauliflower at $5.50 per crate; sweet potatoes at $3.25 per hamper.

Stronach & Sons had shipments of leaf lettuce at 30c to 35c; rhubarb at $1.40 per dozen; new cabbage at $7 per bbl.; oranges at $5 to $8.50 per case; grapefruit at $5 to $6.25 and lemons at $5 per case; apples at $4.75 to $5 per box; potatoes at $5 per bag; onions at 10c per lb.

Chas. S. Simpson had a car of California cauliflower selling at $3 to $3.50 per pony crate; a car Florida celery at $7 per case; a car Florida tomatoes at $7 to $7.50 per six-basket crate; a car California lemons at $4.50 per case; cucumbers at $4.75 per doben; French artichokes at $2.50 per dozen.

Dawson-Elliott had oranges selling at $5.50 to $8.50 per case; Messina lemons at $5 and grapefruit at $5 to $6 per case; apples at $3.75 to $4.25 per box, and $6 to $10 per bbl.; new cabbage at $7 per bbl.; cauliflower at $6.50; Iceberg lettuce at $4.50 per case; potatoes at $5 per bag.

H. J. Ash had a car of extra fine Cuban grapefruit selling at $4.50 per case; a car of navel oranges at $5 to $8.50 per case; Messina lemons at $4.50 per case; cauliflower at $7 per crate; new cabbage at $7 per bbl.; green onions at 50c per dozen; sweet potatoes at $3.50 per hamper; potatoes at $5 per bag.

Wholesale Fruits.

Apples—Western boxes, $3.50 to $5 per box; Ontario, $8 to $12 per bbl., 60c to 85c per 11-quart basket, and $3 to $4 per box; Nova Scotias, $3 to $7 per bbl.

Bananas—8½c per lb.

Cranberries—$5.50 to $6 per half bbl. box; $10 to $11 per bbl.

Grapes—Spanish Malagas, $15 to $22.50 per keg.

Grapefruit—Florida, $4.50 to $6.50 per case; Cuban, $4 to $5.50 per case.

Lemons—Cal., $4 to $5 per case; Messinas, $4 to $5 per case.

Oranges—California navels, $4 to $8.50 per case; late Valencias, $5 to $8.50 per case; Floridas, $7 to $9 per case; blood oranges, $4.50 per half, and $8.50 per case.

Pineapples—None in.

Rhubarb—Hot-house, $1 to $1.50 per dozen bunches; very small, 80c per doz.

Tomatoes—Florida, $6 to $7.50 per six-basket crate; hothouse, No. 2's, 30c per pound.

Strawberries—90c to $1 per box.

Wholesale Vegetables.

Artichokes—75c per 11-quart basket; French, $2.50 per doz.

Asparagus—Cal., $12 to $15 per case.

Beans — Dried, white, hand-picked, $5 to $5.25 per bushel, 8½c to 9c per lb.

Beets—$2.25 to $2.50 per bag; new, $1 per dozen bunches; $11.50 to $12 per bbl.

Brussels sprouts—None in.

Cabbage—Texas, $6.50 to $7 per bbl.; California, $5.50 to $6 per case; Florida, $7.50 to $8.50 per case.

Carrots—$1.50 to $2 per bag; new, $12 per bbl., $3 per hamper; $1.25 per doz. bunches.

Cauliflower—California, $6.50 to $7 per standard, and $3 to $3.75 per pony crate.

Celery—Florida, $6 to $7 per case; Cal. $10 to $13 per case.

Cucumbers—Hothouse, $4.50 to $5 per dozen.

Endive—$7 to $8 per bbl.

Lettuce—California Iceberg, $4.25 to $4.50 per case; leaf, 30c to 50c per dozen bunches; large, 85c per dozen.

Mushrooms—Imported, $3 to $3.50 per basket.

Onions—$7 to $10 per cwt.; $11.50 to $12 per 112 lb. sack; Spanish, $6.50 to $7.50 per case; green, 40c to 60c per dozen bunches.

Peas—Green, Telephone, $15 per case of 60 lbs.

Parsley—$1.25 per dozen bunches.

Parsnips—$2.50 to $2.75 per bag.

Potatoes—$4.85 to $5 per bag; Irish Cobbler seed, $5 to $5.25 per bag.

Peppers—None in.

Radishes—60c per dozen bunches, $3.25 to $3.50 per hamper.

Shallots—$1.25 per dozen bunches.

Spinach—$3.75 per hamper.

Sweet potatoes — $3 to $3.50 per hamper.

Turnips—90c to $1.25 per bag; new, white, $1 per dozen bunches.

EAST BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo, N.Y., April 2.—Cattle—Receipts, 900; slow; 25c to 50c lower.

Calves—Receipts, 1700; active; $1.50 higher; $6 to $12.

Hogs—Receipts, 4800; active; 25c to 50c higher; heavy, $16 to $16.25; mixed, $16.75 to $16.85; yorkers, $16.75 to $17; light do., $16 to $16.75; pigs, $15; roughs, $13 to $13.50; stags, $8 to $10.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5000; active; yearlings 50c higher; lambs, $13 to $21.50; yearlings, $12 to $19; wethers, $15.50 to $16; ewes, $6 to $14; mixed sheep, $14.50 to $15.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, April 2.—Hogs—Receipts, 6000; estimated tomorrow, 8000; slow; 50c to 75c higher than Monday's average; bulk, $15.25 to $15.85; top, $16.15; heavy, $14.75 to $15.75; medium, $15.35 to $16.15; light, $15.75 to $16.15; light light, $15.35 to $16; heavy packing sows, smooth, $13.50 to $14.35; packing sows, rough, $13 to $13.65; pigs, $14 to $15.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 5500; estimated tomorrow, 2000; strong. Beef steers: Medium and heavyweight, choice and prime, $13.65 to $15.25; medium and good, $11.50 to $13.65; common, $10.25 to $11.50. Lightweight: Good and choice, $12.40 to $14.75; common and medium, $10 to $12.40. Butcher cattle: Heifers, $7.75 to $13.50; cows, $7.75 to $12; canners and cutters, $5 to $7.65. Veal calves, $16.50 to $18; feeder steers, $9 to $11.85; stocker steers, $7.65 to $11.25.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 9000; estimated tomorrow, 3000; steady. Lambs, $17.75 to $20.50; culls and common, $14.50 to $17.50. Ewes: Medium, good and choice, $11 to $15; culls and common, $6 to $10.75.

Announce Stocks of Grain In Store in the Dominion

Ottawa, April 2.—Stocks of grain in store, receipts during the week and shipments during the past week, as compiled by the Dominion bureau of statistics, were:

Stocks in store: Wheat, 15,442,021 bushels; oats, 59,903,077; barley, 2,196,469; flax, 215,579; rye, 517,175.

Receipts during the week: Wheat, 1,436,021; oats, 760,977; barley, 252,600; flax, 15,030; rye, 19,582.

Shipments during the week: Wheat, 633,635; oats, 811,466; barley, 256,553; flax, 2,624; rye, 1,357.

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On the 13th inst. The Engineering and Mining Journal of New York had a leading article on "Canada's Undeveloped Mineral Empire."

After referring to the fact that mining propositions are exceedingly scarce in the United States, and that the zenith of its mineral boom has been reached, The Journal goes on to say that it is not so to the same degree with the rest of North America. Above all, perhaps, Canada has a vast territory in which, by all the laws of probabilities, important mineral deposits remain to be uncovered. The vastness of it promises an aggregate of great ultimate importance.

Transportation, The Journal continues, will be the great problem for exploitation, and it has been the great obstacle to prospecting. To overcome this, the use of the airplane is recommended. "The evident and immediate practicability of this help to prospecting and development seems to us beyond question, and we predict that the airplane will prove of great utility in bring to knowledge mineral deposits of the waste places of the earth, and that soon."

INDUSTRIES IN CANADA ON SATISFACTORY BASIS

Apprehension Shown in United States is Not Reflected Here.

The April commercial letter issued by the Royal Bank says:

A striking succession of Canadian company reports have ben made public in the course of the last few months and have given tangible evidence of the general prosperity which exists. In the United States where the situation is much the same, a wave of depression recently spread over financial affairs tho it did not touch actual business operations to any degree. Prompted by the utterances of high authorities, by the bad credit and exchange situation and a feeling that the halcyon years of the United States world trade are past, the view is held that an interval of readjustment must be expected. As a result average prices of securities have since the beginning of the year undergone a setback.

The main avenue for loss to industrial companies lies of course in their inventories of raw materials, which would be badly affected by reductions in the general price level. In this country where a cautious disposition has in most cases been made of profits and a generally conservative policy pursued, the future can be looked forward to without great apprehension.

PROVE UP BIG VEIN ON CROWN RESERVE

Hamilton B. Wills in this week's market letter says:

Results attending recent developments at depth in Crown Reserve have exercised expectations, according to my engineer at Cobalt, and its importance as all the greater when such ore is carried on at great depth. My engineer advises me that the downward extension of one of the biggest veins now being developed by Crown Reserve, has been opened up at the 700-foot level, and shows a width of about 30 inches of high-grade ore. I also understand this vein is proven on the 500-foot level and reliable judges claim it is very likely to extend downward to around 1,000 feet.

HAMILTON CLEARINGS.

Hamilton, April 2.—Bank clearings for the week ended yesterday amounted to $7,203,000 as compared with $5,544,000 for the corresponding week last year and $4,662,000 in 1918.

BUSINESS GOOD THRUOUT CANADA

Credit Men's Association Issues an Optimistic Report.

Winnipeg, April 2.—The weekly report of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association indicates good business conditions thruout Canada. In the east, representatives state that the activity is somewhat curtailed in drygoods by the shortage in merchandise; hardware, better than at this period of last year, and boots, shoes and groceries, good.

The prairie provinces, thru such large centres as Winnipeg, Calgary, Saskatoon and Edmonton, report business good, practically all the wholesale houses finding business ahead the same period of 1919. Difficulty in procuring goods, however, is also a factor, as in the east, this being particularly marked in hardware and drygoods.

West's Coldest Easter.

Retail trade in the large centres is very fair, but in the smaller towns not very active. This is somewhat due to weather conditions, this being the coldest Easter experienced in the west for some years, and continued snowstorms making communication difficult.

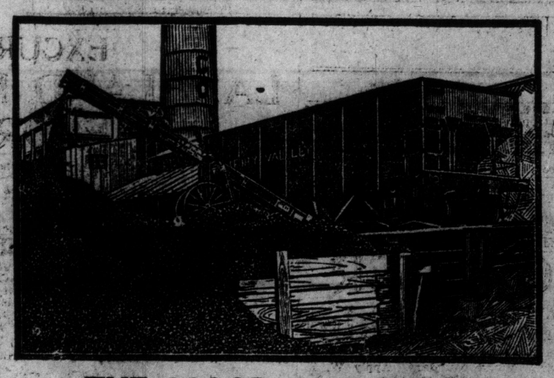
Conditions for the 1920 crop are reported as favorable. Indeed, more favorable than for several years past, provided, of course, that cold and stormy weather is not prolonged. This latter is also having its effect on collections, which are not up to the usual average.

Spectacular Fire in Westmount Destroys Three-Storey Building

Montreal, April 2.—The worst conflagration which has occurred in Westmount since the burning of the arena took place early this morning when a three-storey brick building situated at the corner of St. Catherine and Gladstone streets, occupied on the ground floor by Ryan's dry cleaning works and the other two floors being used as apartments by Mrs. A. Shaw and H. Hayter, was totally destroyed. The loss to the building and contents is estimated to be between $75,000 and $100,000.

EXCHANGE ROLLING STOCK FOR PORK AND CEREALS

Paris, April 2.—An agreement has just been signed by the Jugo-Slav and Hungarian governments, by which Hungary undertakes to deliver a large number of railway cars and locomotives, in return for which Jugo-Slavia will supply Hungary with 30,000 hogs, 70 carloads of bacon and 500 carloads of maize and wheat.



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Ottawa City Council and Business Men Would Remove Grand Trunk Tracks.

Ottawa, April 2.—A meeting of the city council in conjunction with delegates from most of the business organizations of the capital was unanimous last night in favor of having the cross-town line of the Grand Trunk removed. It separates the north and central portions of the city from the southern parts, cutting the city into two almost equal portions. A large committee was selected to start petitions and meet the government regarding the removal. One proposal is for the Grand Trunk trains going west to leave the city over the C.N.R. lines, and another that all trains cross the city thru a tunnel.

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Cincinnati, April 2.—A million dollar whiskey deal was consummated here today when a Cincinnati drug firm purchased from a Lexington, Ky., distillery, for medicinal purposes, warehouse certificates for 5,000 barrels or 250,000 gallons of the liquor. The sale price was $1.30 a gallon, the government tax was $2.20 and the state tax fifty cents, making the total cost per gallon $4.

CANCEL NINE COMPANIES

Calgary, April 2.—An echo of the oil boom days in Alberta is the cancellation of nine registered oil companies that were organized before the war. These companies were all floated in Calgary. None of them, however, had ever got to the point of selling stock, having only been organized in the last month or two preceding the outbreak of the war.

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