

HOGS HOLDING FIRM ON MARKET, \$15.50

Live hogs in today's shipment brought \$15.50. This has been the prevailing price locally during the past three weeks, although the Toronto market has gone through many fluctuations during that time. The market in this city has been weak lately, but is a bit stronger today. Only \$15 a cwt. was being paid in Dorchester and other surrounding towns yesterday. Yesterday local dealers thought that today's shipment would be very heavy, it being the last shipment before Christmas, but many farmers refused to bring their hogs in on account of the cold weather. The offering is light all over the country for the same reason. Twelve loads of hogs and one load of pigs were sold on the local market this morning. Hay is firm at \$25 a ton. The oats brought \$2.50 a cwt.

JUDGMENT RESERVED IN NON-JURY CASE

Judgment was reserved by Judge Talbot Macbeth at the county court yesterday in the non-jury case of the London Hosiery Mills Limited, vs. Pease, dated at the conclusion of the presentation of arguments by counsel. The hearing occupied practically two whole days of the court. This morning the hearing began of the non-jury case, Butler vs. Left, a claim for damages for breach of contract for the purchase by the defendant of a quantity of scrap iron from the plaintiff. J. B. McKillop appeared for the plaintiff and W. K. Meredith for Meredith & Meredith for the defendant. ALL GROOMED UP, BUT NOWHERE TO GO John Birmingham, who was in court some time ago on a charge of vagrancy,

Municipal Elections

A LIVE SUGGESTION

The practicability and sound sense of the proposal contained in the mayoralty platform of Ald. E. S. Little, that London can now move to secure a new union depot and track elevation, were established yesterday in an interview given out here by W. D. Robb, vice-president of the Grand Trunk Railway.

Mr. Little, who has given the subject much thought, and who has maintained close touch with the situation since the summer of 1916, is advised that the nationalization of the Grand Trunk has furnished London with her long-awaited opportunity.

His plan, which he intends to put into effect in the event of his election, is to proceed to secure action not through the railway authorities, but through the Dominion Government. In the past the Grand Trunk has been a bankrupt private company, but it is now the property of the people of Canada, and the people of London are accordingly in a position to go direct to the capital with a demand for the improvements, in the interests of public service and safety.

Vice-President Robb of the Grand Trunk, in his interview here yesterday gave the weight of his authoritative opinion that the matter is now one for Ottawa to deal with.

London should therefore proceed as quickly as possible to give effect to Ald. Little's suggestion, and inasmuch as he is the man who has developed this phase of a most important issue, it is fitting and logical that he, as mayor, should be deputized to see the scheme carried through to successful fruition.

Though it is true that London's interests could be advanced in many ways, there is perhaps no avenue of endeavor which will have a more important bearing on the city's future than the campaign for a union depot and track elevation. The horrible loss of life and great suffering caused by the frequent level crossing accidents are but a phase of the grade-crossing nuisance. Workers are constantly subjected to irritating and often costly delays by shunting trains; street railway service is disrupted and property values beyond the crossings are adversely influenced. With a series of viaducts separating grades at every street in London from the Thames River through to Egerton street, London would be rid of the crossing menace, annoying and inconvenient delays would be eliminated, and property values in the whole southern area of the city would be stimulated.

The passing of the old Grand Trunk depot, and its replacement by a union station for Grand Trunk, C. P. R., London and Port Stanley and hydro radial trains would be a real boon, and with Ald. Little in the office of chief magistrate there appears every reason to believe that this can be accomplished in the near future.

Ald. Little has quite obviously given thoughtful study to the city's problems, and the view is generally held that the best interests of all of the people will be served if he is given the support at the polls to which his platform and policies entitle him.

His twelve planks can scarcely be countered by the most zealous of adversaries, for he has concentrated upon the needs of London for the reconstruction period and for every requirement he proposes a sound, sensible, practical solution.

His scheme to secure for every ambitious boy and girl the advantages of free university training will bring within the reach of the workman's children the bright opportunities of life, from which they are now unfairly barred.

His ingenious and definite scheme to provide a "safety valve" against unemployment in periods of stress will make London a more attractive and comfortable place to live.

In fact, Ald. Little's proposals, while leading the van of progress, are solid, sure and stable, and that is the sort of municipal government that will prove in the best interests of all the people in the difficult and uncertain times that he ahead.

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CANADA WILL HOLD GREAT EXHIBITION IN ENGLAND NEXT JUNE

Representatives of This Great Project in City.

LONDON TO SEND GOODS And Dozens of Industries Will Take Space For the Occasion.

O. C. Pease, sole Canadian representative of the Canadian Industries Exhibition, is in the city today. In an interview with The Advertiser he outlined the project which he represents. The exhibition is to be held next year from June 2 to 17 in the Royal Agricultural Hall, London, England.

"This is a purely Canadian project," said Mr. Pease, "and for this reason it is a notable exhibition. It is the first complete exhibition which Canada has planned outside of her own borders, and it is the first exhibition to be conducted in England entirely by a British dominion. The dominions have participated in other exhibitions, but this is the first one which will be entirely conducted by one London firm to exhibit."

Mr. Pease came to London for the purpose of learning whether any London manufacturers wish to be represented. One London piano firm has already contracted for space. Mr. Pease states that practically every Canadian industry will be represented, and a big effort will be made to show that Canada is a progressive manufacturing country, as well as being agricultural. More than 27,000 feet of space in the main hall have been contracted for by Canadian companies, representing everything from steel products to chocolates. Pulp manufacturers will likely occupy a complete hall by themselves. In addition, the King Edward and King George halls are beginning to fill up.

The exhibition was evolved by Lloyd Harris, the Canadian trade commissioner, who is in London on his tour. He is assisted by Mr. Grenville Montgomery, ex-M.P., who took up the matter with the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Montgomery has been a well-known British journalist for 25 years and has had much experience with large fairs. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association heartily endorsed the plan, and it also has the endorsement of the Canadian trade commission, and the Canadian mission in London.

Mr. Pease is making his headquarters at the chamber of commerce, and will leave all day Thursday. His headquarters are at 41 Victoria street, Toronto.

Refusal to grant closing of street might cause loss.

G. T. R. Perhaps Would Move Carshops.

RECLAMATION YARDS These Are Needed and Must Join Shops, Says the Company.

The Grand Trunk carshops, together with the proposed reclamation yards, may be moved from London next year if the city council does not take prompt action to close Wilton avenue and turn it over to the Grand Trunk. This would mean that at least two hundred workmen would be lost to the city.

A request to close this street has been filed by this year's council.

The street parallels the Grand Trunk tracks between Egerton street and Highbury avenue, and the railway London and Port Stanley line. The company wants the street closed so that it can use the whole property as reclamation yards. It claims that this cannot be done if the property is cut up by the street.

Must Adjourn Carshops. The Grand Trunk carshops are immediately east of Egerton street, and the city blocks this street. The company claims that its reclamation yards must adjoin the carshops, and that if the city blocks this street, the carshops, it may become necessary to move both the carshops and the reclamation yards out of the city. About 200 men are employed in the carshops. It is claimed that about 150 more would be employed in the reclamation yards, and that London would therefore lose about 400 men if the move was made.

It is claimed that when a railroad owns property on both sides of a street, as in this case, that it can have it closed by making application to a county judge. It is asserted that the company thought this course would unnecessarily antagonize the city council, and therefore made application as a matter of courtesy, to that body to close the street.

Committee Investigated. The application was received by the board of works, which is a committee of the council.

Protests Against Infirm Old Men Being Inmates.

Advent of another aged man at the county jail, on remand from the city police court on a charge of vagrancy, today brought a protest from Governor Carter against the jail being made a "home of refuge" for such cases.

The man sent to the jail today has a mop of hair which even the hardened jail barber was shy of tackling, not knowing what wild animals he might encounter during the removal of the ancient growth of his face.

The owner objects strongly to the removal of the excess of hair, but whether on the grounds that it will make him less amenable to the kindly care of the civil and county authorities, or because, like the far-famed Alsatian, he has taken the oath of the "Redhead" to his locks, has not been ascertained.

There is already in the jail an aged vagrant whose care is a source of worry to the governor. This old man is unable to care for himself. He cannot even make his bed, and has to be assisted by one of the other prisoners to the dining hall at meal times. "Such a man as this should be in a house of refuge, rather than in jail," remarked the governor.

WAR SAVINGS STAMPS ARE NO LONGER TO BE SOLD

George M. Reid, chairman of the national war savings committee in London, was notified by wire from Ottawa today that the sale of war savings stamps will be discontinued.

To replace them will be issued certificates in \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations, to mature in three years and the sale of thrift stamps will be discontinued, to enable anyone to save up enough to buy the certificates. All business in connection with this now will be handled direct from Ottawa.

BOMB EXPLODES. Barcelona, Dec. 15.—A bomb exploded near the stock exchange here today. A man riding a bicycle, who was believed to have been carrying the bomb, was severely injured. He was placed under arrest.

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Then the Little Fir Tree said good-bye to the mountain-top, and its friends and relatives, and started out on its wonderful adventure in life. The Road to Fame led through a big Man-u-fac-tur-ing Plant of 21 factories, and no less, which wasn't so very pleasant.

But At Last after all its training, and polishing, the Little Fir Tree made its bow to the big world as a wonderful singing throat and horn, with nothing to do but live in a beautiful Starr Phonograph Palace, and make everybody happy who heard it.

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CANADA'S HOPE RESTS ON SIR LOMER GOVIN, DECLARES PROFESSOR

Sir Andrew McPhail Says Canada Could Not Be Governed Without Quebec.

TRIBUTE TO WOMEN

Pronounces French-Canadian Farmers As Best in Dominion.

Quebec, Dec. 17.—Addressing the Quebec Canadian Club here yesterday, Sir Andrew McPhail of McGill University, editor of the McGill University Magazine, said that without the Province of Quebec, Canada could not be governed, and affirmed that if the spirit of Quebec be maintained, this province will be the last refuge of civilization on the continent.

Quebec, he said, was fundamentally conservative. It was in the very nature of the French-Canadians. They inherited it from their family and religious traditions. Quebecers were referred to as Canadians, and there was nothing more true. It was very significant that the spirit of Quebec governed Canada, and without that spirit Canada could not be governed. If there was a lack of enterprise between the Province of Quebec and the Province of Ontario, it was due to the different systems of education. The French-Canadians looked upon Ontario with compassion, because they did not understand the people of that province, while in Ontario the people of Quebec were looked upon as people who contained exaggeration and misinterpretations of what he had said.

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CLEMENCEAU ORDERED BY PHYSICIANS TO REMAIN HOME FOR SOME DAYS

Paris, Dec. 17.—The condition of Premier Clemenceau was reported to be satisfactory this morning. His physicians, however, ordered him to remain at home for several days.

The morning bulletin issued by the doctors reads: "The premier's condition is very satisfactory, but he must still take rest."

The bulletin was signed by Drs. Tuffier and Laubry.

RECOMMENDS DEFINITE POLICY FOR DEVELOPING BRITISH MILK SUPPLY

London, Dec. 17.—In an important report on milk supply a parliamentary committee recommends a definite policy for organizing and developing milk production. It is pointed out that in the dominions dairy farmers have received much greater assistance from the state than here, and with best results. Compulsory enrolment of dairy farmers in milk recording societies is also recommended on results of the system in Canada, where it has done wonders in increasing the yield.

EXCHANGE RATES SHOW UPWARD TREND; POUND QUOTED AT \$3.82 1/4

New York, Dec. 17.—Exchange rates on pound sterling continued today their upward course. Demand bills were quoted at \$3.82 1/4, or 3/4 to 4 cents above yesterday's close and 1/2 above the record low. New York funds on Canada were quoted today at 7 1/2 per cent premium. Life checks were up 34 cents, being quoted at the rate of 12 1/2 for the American dollar, while franc checks were 10 centimes lower, at 10.30.

PRUSSIAN MINISTRY IS PREPARED TO DEAL WITH UPRISINGS THIS WINTER

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Dr. Karl W. Heine, Prussian minister of the interior, declared in the Prussian National Assembly today: "We must reckon with the possibility of revolutionary risings this winter. You know how to deal with them."

Native Pastors Responsible For Korean Disturbances

Zeoul, Korea, Dec. 17.—Baron Saito, governor-general of Korea, today expressed regret that in a recent interview the Asahi of Tokyo quoted him as saying that Christian missionaries were behind the disturbances in Korea, contained exaggeration and misinterpretations of what he had said.

The governor-general declared that he did not say that missionaries, together with non-resident malcontents, were responsible for the trouble, but that it was the native pastors, some of whom had been arrested and tried.

THE TORONTO FAT STOCK SHOW.

The Toronto Fat Stock Show scored a notable success when new high records for practically all classes of the stock were made at the Union Yards.

The greatest interest, of course, centred around the sale of "Black Hectors," the grand champion, sold under the hammer to the H. P. Kennedy Limited, at 75c per live weight, and realizing nearly \$1,000 in hard cash.

Mr. Kennedy stated that this splendid animal will go forward overseas with a big shipment of high-class cattle, three or four loads of them prize-winners. The champion steer will be used as an object-lesson and shown in various parts of Great Britain and later turned over to the company's representative here and sold at the rate of \$50 per cwt.

First prize hogs sold at 50c per cwt., winning the United Farmers' Co-Operative Company, Limited, special prize. The exhibit was fine and big prizes were obtained all around.

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