

1916
February 2, 1916
THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE
(183) 43
SS
being re-
on of cal-
ring from
that Deaf-
en Drums,
aring and
erforated
Destroyed
Ears, etc.
Drums
require no
lacking or
are simple
the ears
infortable
on DEAF-
timonials
rated
LE KY.
ces,
hip-
reds
1904
RY
DPS
of back
office
td.
OWN
at you
area of
Canada
t, rang-
is with
in \$35.
e with-
ts, loan
10, also
only 6
to in-
ing ad-
ns as
ticulars
C.P.R.
CARS
re ex-
er and
th and
h and
wenger
railway
Tourist
rer on
in on
secting
Regina
15th,
rs will
16th,
ion no
those
r this
travel-
ar has
aveling
by the
ig the
is type
g and
ion to
Tourist
ipped
lastern
to con-
gent
West-
all the
Car at
sent.

Our Ottawa Letter

Graft in Shell Contracts Discussed in the Commons—Investigation Refused by the Government.
(By The Guide Special Correspondent)

Ottawa, Jan. 28.—The parliamentary week-end finds the House of Commons still laboring with the debate on the address. The Senate, which never has a great deal to do—and nothing at all until the House passes some legislation—has temporarily given up the ghost and adjourned until March 8. It must be stated, however, that parliament's preliminary canter has been more interesting than usual. During the week the so-called political truce has been forgotten, and guns, both big and little, have limbered up with resultant explosions from both sides of the House. One government supporter has complained that the opposition, despite the supposed armistice, had used the "poisoned gas of misrepresentation." Undoubtedly the week has seen a good deal of "shell" fire. The opposition, more particularly F. B. Carvell, poured in a great many facts and figures of more or less reliability, no doubt to establish the necessity of an inquiry into that famous body over which General Bertram—now a knight—presided. On the other hand the government has just as persistently refused to act. The ministers stand firmly behind the assumption that the shell committee was an imperial body and therefore beyond the purview of the Dominion parliament.

Hughes and Shell Committee

Nevertheless General Sir Sam Hughes proudly announced that it was his "baby," and that he was going to "stick to it." He defended the committee along the usual lines adopted by him, declaring that it had done its work well, and that as a matter of fact Canada had even Great Britain beaten in the game of producing shells. In view of the criticisms levelled at the committee, the minister undoubtedly made a wise and judicious speech. He handed out a "jolly" for everybody in sight. Liberals who complained that there had been partisanship in connection with the organization of the overseas forces were assured that the majority of the officers at the front were of their political faith. Sir Sam had something nice to say about everybody in any way concerned with the war, and altho he said but little that was new, he managed to say it in such a way as to disarm criticism.

Carvell's Serious Charges

Mr. Carvell, while dealing more particularly with the details of the work of the shell committee in connection with which he charged private and political profiteering as well as connivance at inordinate profits, told a story of how the farmers of New Brunswick had been fleeced by a middleman, which does not reflect much credit on those concerned. After reviewing the details of the transaction, Mr. Carvell said: "I publicly accuse the department of agriculture of having during the year 1915 deliberately, and with the knowledge of the minister of marine and fisheries, so manipulated the contracts for hay in New Brunswick that his political friends were placed in a position to flock \$45,000 either out of the money which the government is handling as a sacred trust on behalf of the British government or from the pockets of the farmers of New Brunswick. I go further; I here publicly accuse the minister of agriculture of allowing the contracts to be manipulated so that the Atlantic Hay Company fleeced \$35,000." Mr. Carvell said he was not disposed to blame Mr. Burrell as much as Hon. J. D. Harve, who had betrayed him into this position in the interests of his political friends.

The Hay Deal

Mr. Carvell's story of how this was done was a long one, but the essential facts can be summarized. The Atlantic Hay Company was formed with D. F. Smith, a former Conservative candidate, at the head to buy hay thru the medium of the agricultural department for the Imperial government. They succeeded

in getting a contract at \$23 per ton. After the contract was let an embargo was placed upon the export of hay from New Brunswick. As a result the farmers had no recourse but to sell to the Atlantic Hay Company. To the farmers the company gave from \$11 to \$13 per ton, while from the government it got \$23 per ton. At the same time the farmers of Quebec province were receiving \$15 per ton for hay sold to the government. Mr. Carvell came to Ottawa and protested, but without result.

An independent hay company wrote stating to the government that if given a contract it would pay the farmers \$15 per ton. An evasive answer came back. When the House opened Mr. Carvell said he went to Mr. Burrell, who had said: "For God's sake do not bring the matter up in the House." "Mr. Burrell," he added, "went to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Liberal whip and asked them to pull me off and not allow me to tell this dirty, miserable stealing story. My farmers were bled for \$50,000 for the benefit of the political friends of the minister of marine and fisheries. That's what they call saving the Empire. It's on a par with the way Foster and Garland saved it." Hon. Martin Burrell was exceedingly wrothy with the member for Carleton for his observations in regard to the hay contracts. While admitting that it had been suggested to the opposition

that it might not be desirable in the interests of the war office and the public to have a discussion, he had never asked him "for God's sake" not to have a discussion in the House. He declared that apart from the reason mentioned above he had no fear of the matter being debated. Going into the details of the contract with the Atlantic Hay Company, the minister stated that no complaints had been received from the farmers of New Brunswick as to the prices they had received for their hay. The department was not infallible and might possibly have made the mistake of paying a little too much to the Atlantic Hay Company, but a change had been made in the arrangement. As the result of the new agreement the company would accept a profit of one dollar per ton, an adjustment of the accounts to be made later. The minister, much to the delight of

Fairweather's Mid-Winter Sale

This year you may take full advantage of this great purchasing event of the season. If you are coming to Winnipeg during Bonspiel Week, visit the store personally. If not write for a copy of our Fur Sale Bulletin

FAIRWEATHER'S FURS At Greatly Reduced Prices

Without doubt the finest assortments that Fairweathers have ever had at this period of the Fur Selling Season—made up when skins and other materials were at lowest market prices, and on which present selling prices were based. Another season you may have to pay 25 per cent. to 100 per cent. more for equal quality.

WE PAY EXPRESS CHARGES And Guarantee to Satisfy

When remittance accompanies your order, goods are shipped the same day, express prepaid. If same are unsatisfactory on arrival you may return them at our expense, and your money will be cheerfully refunded. Surely this is the guarantee of satisfaction. Be well advised and secure best choice when the stocks are complete.

Write for our Fur Sale Bulletin

We have prepared, in catalogue form, a list of the very special values we are offering—the same bargains from which our Winnipeg customers select who buy personally at our store. Secure this and take full advantage of the sale. A postal request will bring it to you.



RUSSIAN MUSKRAT COAT

Ladies' Russian Muskrat Coat, beautifully matched skins, lined with guaranteed satin. Regular \$125.00. **\$97.50**

SABLE MARMOT COAT

Ladies' Sable Marmot Coats, Clearing 12 cold garments, length ranging from 24 to 52 inches, shawl and notch collars, all newly lined with brown silk satins. Sizes 32 to 38 only. Regular \$75.00. **\$39.50**

MUSKRAT LINED COATS

Special Driving Coats of heavy black beaver cloth shells, best Muskrat linings, collar and lapels of fine Canadian Mink. Specially priced at \$75.00. **\$56.50**

BEAVER COATS

Men's plucked and unplucked Beaver Coats, very dark natural color. Absolutely undyed, exceptionally well made and lined with best satin. Regular \$300.00. **\$150.00**

RACCOON COATS

Men's Raccoon Coats, made from very fine carefully matched skins, very uniform natural color, high storm collar. Regular \$85.00. **\$68.00**

RED FOX SET

Large Two-Skin Skide, trimmed with heads, paws and natural brush; large two-skin Princess Muff. Regular \$70.00. **\$46.50**

BLUE WOLF SETS

With Two-Skin Shaped Skide, trimmed with tails and paws. Fancy pillow Muff to match. Regular \$33.00. **\$17.50**

BLACK LYNX SET

Very Attractive Skide in animal effect, trimmed with heads, tails and paws. Large pillow Muff to match. Regular \$140.00. **\$70.00**

FUR-LINED COATS

Men's Marmot Lined Coats, Sable Marmot shawl collars, durable beaver cloth shell. Regular \$35.00. **\$25.00**

MUSKRAT LINED COATS

Black Beaver Shell, One Persian Lamb collar, strictly tailor made garments. Regular \$100.00. **\$66.50**

BE SURE TO VISIT OUR STORE IF IN WINNIPEG DURING BONSPIEL WEEK

Fairweather & Co. Limited

297-299 Portage Avenue
WINNIPEG

WISCONSIN INCUBATOR AND BROODER

BOTH FOR \$13.90

130 Egg INCUBATOR
130 Chick Brooder
BOTH FOR \$13.90
Freight and Duty PAID

If ordered together we send both machines for only \$13.90 and we pay all freight and duty charges to any R. R. station in Canada. We have branch warehouses in Winnipeg, Minn., and Toronto, Ont. Orders shipped from nearest warehouse to your R. R. station. Hot water, double walls, dead air space between, double glass doors, support tanks and bases, self-regulating. Nursery under egg tray. Especially adapted to Canadian climate. Incubator and Brooder shipped complete with thermometers, lamps, egg baskets—ready to use when you get them. Two year guarantee—30 days trial. Incubators finished in natural colors showing the high grade California Redwood lumber used—not painted to cover inferior material. If you will compare our machines with others, we feel (as of your order, don't buy until you do this—you'll agree sooner—it pays to investigate before you buy. Recommended price of \$13.90 is for both Incubator and Brooder and freight and duty charges. Send for 25c Catalogue today, or send in your order and save time.

WISCONSIN INCUBATOR CO. Box 238, RACINE, WISCONSIN, U. S. A.

Freight and Duty PAID

Write Us Today—Don't Delay