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WING AND FIRE HALL FOR LONDON ASYLUM IN GOVT. ESTIMATES

$10,660 for Epileptic Hospital at Woodstock — Agricultural Representatives of the District Receive a Boost in Salary — Perth County Alone Not Represented.

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—While the Legislature was in committee of supply, Dr. Forbes Godfrey today made the consideration of an item of $75,000 for the erection of two new buildings at the Mimico Asylum the occasion for an attack on the present method of dealing with those afflicted with mental disorder, which he characterized as "utterly unscientific and inhumane." The establishment by the province of a properly-equipped reception hospital as a preventative measure would, from the mere standpoint of economy, obviate a continued annual demand for new buildings. The city of Toronto had provided such a hospital, but it was utterly unsuitable. The matter should be dealt with by the province. It was unfair, unpatriotic and not decent that the poor fellow from the back woods should have to be certified insane and sent direct to an asylum, while the man from the city had some chance.

Not Feasible, Says Hearst.

The premier said it would not be feasible to have a reception hospital in every town. Men were being cured in the asylums.

Thomas Hook (Southeast Toronto) said what was wanted was a reception hospital in each insane asylum, and Dr. Godfrey added that a reception hospital only required 75 beds. Hon. W. D. McPherson thought there was nothing in a name. The work was being done in the hospitals.

Supplementary estimates totalling over $1,200,000, mainly for education, agriculture and public institutions, were approved in committee.

In connection with the item of $10,660 for the hospital for epileptics at Woodstock, Hon. W. D. MacPherson said provision was being made for increased accommodation, which was badly needed. There were some 150 patients at the institution.

The estimates passed for the London Insane Asylum included $20,000 for a new wing to accommodate twenty patients, and $4,000 for a fire hall. The committee approved $25,000 for reconstruction of the main building of the Belleville School for the Deaf.

Field Crop Competitions.

When the House was considering estimates of the agricultural department, Sir William Hearst stated that over 7,000 farmers had entered the field crop competitions last year. Special inducements were being held out this year to stimulate competition in raising spring wheat. In connection with the additional vote of $39,400 for district representatives, he stated that it was hard to hold good men, and the maximum salary had to be increased from $1,500 to $2,000. With the requests in from Prescott, Russell and Huron, every county, except Perth, would have a representative.

"In connection with the item of $4,000 for administering the teachers' pension act, Hon. Dr. Pyne stated that twelve or fourteen teachers were already on the fund.

An additional grant of $500 to the Ottawa Association for the Blind, which passed the committee, was explained as being in connection with work for the adult blind.

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British Casualties Lowest for Months

LONDON, Feb. 18.—British casualties reported in the week just ended reached the lowest total reached in many months, namely, 4,106, divided as follows:

Killed or died of wounds—Officers, 38; men, 1,005.

Wounded or missing—Officers, 119; men, 2,944.

Former Londoner May Have Drowned Crossing on Ice

C. B. Smith Has Been Missing Ten Days at Sarnia.

SARNIA, Feb. 18.—C. B. Smith, aged 76, who came from near London a year ago, has been missing since a week ago Saturday night, and it is feared that he was drowned while trying to cross to Sarnia on the ice from Port Huron. On February 9 he went to Port Huron in search of work, and enrolled at the employment bureau of the Chamber of Commerce. He was told to return in a day or so, but has not been seen since.

Immigration officers state that an aged man answering Mr. Smith's description missed the last boat on the night of February 9. He declared that he must return to Sarnia that night, left the ferry office, and was not seen again.

E. C. Slater, U. S. consul here, and a personal friend of Mr. Smith, has asked the Port Huron police to search. He states that Mr. Smith was very active for his age, and would pass for a man of fifty. Nothing but an accident would have prevented him from returning to Sarnia, Mr. Slater says. Mr. Smith came from near London, and engaged in a baking business here with a friend, and it is stated that he may have lost most of his money in the venture.

NEW AIR RAID DID NOT REACH LONDON'S HEART

Defence System of Capital Is Excellent—British Bomb Treves

London, Feb. 19.—The attempted raid of German aviators last night was a failure.

"There were no casualties or damage in last night's air raid," says an official announcement.

London, Feb. 19.—German fliers took advantage of another clear moonlight night to attempt to drop bombs on London. Their attack was a failure, as far as the metropolis was concerned. Reports from outside towns have not yet been received. The fire of barrage guns on the outskirts of London was heavy for two hours.

DEFENCE IS EXCELLENT.

London, Feb. 19.—First reports from outlying parts of London say that the gun defence never was more effective than Monday night when it prevented German aerial raiders from reaching London.

The Germans were hotly engaged by the guns, which maintained an incessant fire for 40 minutes, filling the sky with bursting shells, fragments of which fell to the ground in greater quantities than ever before. Eventually the raiders made off toward the east coast.

GOOD RAIDS BY BRITISH.

London, Feb. 19.—Ten German airplanes were brought down and six more were disabled by British airmen Sunday, according to an official statement on aerial activities issued last night. Hundreds of bombs have been dropped on various targets and Monday British aviators raided Treves and Thionville.

GERMAN TROOPS OVER RIVER IN NEW OFFENSIVE

Immediate Object Is to Seize Esthonia and Livonia Provinces.

GOING AFTER REVAL

Lawlessness Given as Excuse for New Drive Against Russia.

BERLIN, Feb. 18, via London.—Operations have been resumed on the Russian front. The Germans have crossed the Dvina. This announcement was made by general headquarters tonight.

The text of the statement reads:

"On the Great Russian front hostilities began at noon with an advance on Dvinsk. The Dvina has been crossed without fighting.

"Called upon by Ukraine to help in their heavy struggle against Great Russia, our troops have commenced their advance from the direction of Kovel."

BERLIN'S ALIBI FOR ATTACK.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 18.—Berlin continues to send reports throughout Germany and neutral countries depicting the non-occupied parts of the Russian Baltic provinces as having been delivered up to anarchy, murder and robbery, and declaring that German settlers and others are beseeching the German troops to advance to their rescue.

The Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung says the imperial German chancellor has received a telegram from a representative of the Livonian nobility and people, asserting that conditions in Livonia are as desperate as in Esthonia, and reporting innumerable arrests, exhausted supplies and robberies, and adding:

"Only the immediate occupation of the country, with a simultaneous threat of the sharpest reprisals, can save the men, women and children who are still alive."

Austria-Hungary's Part.

An agreement has been reached between Germany and Austria-Hungary, whereby, in the event of military action being necessary, the German troops will be confined to the frontier of Great Russia, and the Austrians to Ukraine only. This announcement is made in a Vienna dispatch.

A Budapest dispatch to the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin says that the Russians have evacuated the last section of Hungarian territory which they occupied, in the east corner of Transylvania.

Germania learns from Ukraine that Bolsheviki guerillas are setting fire to the wheat stocks in many sections, and are also systematically destroying growing crops by plowing them out.

YOUTH WITH FORGED PASS SENT UNDER GUARD TO LONDON

WINDSOR, Feb. 18.—Discovery of forged passports and a system of exchange which permitted Windsor youths to cross the river to Detroit on a genuine permit to change, has resulted in the tightening up of regulations at the ferry dock.

United States immigration officials brought the evasions of the order to the attention of the military police. A Windsor youth who had successfully passed the military police stationed at the dock on the Windsor side, was held up in Detroit this morning.

A demand was made upon him for his passport. He produced one, but the photograph it bore was not the likeness of the holder. On examination he admitted that he had not been before a medical board in Windsor, and had failed to comply with the military service act. He was sent back to Windsor, escorted to the armories and immediately sent under guard to London.

The local, military and civil authorities are now endeavoring to ascertain what action can be taken against the man whose passport the draft evader held. The man arrested declared he found it, but the rightful owner will be questioned.

Young men have been known to get by officers at the dock and then mail their passports back to friends there.

With the idea of catching several of those believed to have permits to leave taken out by others, extra policemen were posted at the ferries today. All passports were opened and the photograph carefully compared with that of the holder.

Practically all passports now outstanding expire at the end of the present month. Those who have not passports made out on the new form, which is much smaller than the original issue, may have trouble getting them.

MAJOR BOWIE PROMOTED TO SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—Major H. W. Bowie, who for many years has been deputy sergeant-at-arms of the House of Commons, is returning from overseas to become sergeant-at-arms in place of the late Col. H. R. Smith. The appointment is officially announced, and is in the nature of a promotion.

Major Bowie went over with the 77th Ottawa Battalion, and saw service in France. More recently he has been in England. Major Bowie is a native of Ottawa.

BOLSHEVIKI SENDING CALL TO SOCIALISTS

PETROGRAD, Tuesday, Feb. 12.—The central executive committee of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates has decided to send a mission abroad to call a general conference of international Socialists. Among those already named on the mission is Madame Kollontay, Bolsheviki minister of public welfare. The mission will first go to Stockholm, then to Paris and London.

TENSION RELAXED IN THE ROBERTSON CASE

London, Feb. 18.—Tension in the political world in connection with military affairs has relaxed considerably. This is due largely to the acceptance by Gen. Robertson, former chief of the imperial general staff, of the eastern command, which removed anxiety lest his services be lost to the country. The eastern is a first class command with all the highest emoluments, and is especially important, as it would likely be the first to be affected by any attempted German invasion.

Opinion is now general that criticisms of the Government will not be pressed to the extreme points in today's debate in the House, and that the Versailles policy will be accepted. Talk of displacing the Government virtually has disappeared, and it is said also that the Earl of Derby is certain to remain minister of war.

BUSY CUTTING WOOD.

CARGILL, Feb. 18.—Farmers of this district are doing their share in attempting to relieve the fuel shortage by providing wood. In spite of the scarcity of labor, they have been busy in their bushes. One farmer has almost 300 cords of fine wood ready for hauling.

The 170-acre farm of George Scharbach has been sold to Mr. Berberick of Mildmay, who takes possession March 1

GRAIN ELEVATOR DESTROYED.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 18.—The Lake of the Woods elevator at Rosenfald, Man., with 8,000 bushels of wheat and 1,000 bushels of barley, was destroyed by fire Sunday evening. The loss is $30,000.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

THE LOCAL MARKET

The market this morning was a blank owing to the wet weather making it impossible for the farmers to come to market. Only a few market gardeners ventured in, their vegetables being in great demand, but the prices remained the same.

Twenty-six loads of hay reached the market Monday. This is the largest amount for some weeks back. Most of it was of the highest quality, and sold for $15.50 a ton.

Oats remained at $2.80 per cwt. Eleven loads were brought to the market Monday.

Butter and eggs were firm. Dressed hogs remained at $23 cwt. Hides and wool were unchanged.

Grain, Cwt.—			
Oats, per cwt.	$2 70	to	$2 80
Grain, Bushel—			
Wheat, per bu	2 10	to	2 12
Oats, per bu.	91 4-5	to	95 1-5
Vegetables—			
Celery, per doz.	50	to	80
Cabbage, doz	1 00	to	1 80
Home-grown potatoes, per bag	2 15	to	2 25
Rhubarb, dozen	1 00	to	1 00
Carrots, bu.	40	to	50
Parsnips, bu.	60	to	75
Radishes, doz bunches	60	to	70
Hay and Straw—			
Hay, ton	13 50	to	15 50
Straw, per ton	7 50	to	8 50
Dairy Products, Retail—			
Butter, creamery, lb.	52	to	52
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	45	to	45
Butter, crocks, lb.	45	to	45
Eggs, per doz	55	to	60
Dairy Produce, Wholesale—			
Butter, creamery, lb.	48	to	49
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	43	to	44
Butter, crocks, lb.	43	to	43
Eggs, crate lots, doz.	50	to	50
Eggs, basket lots, doz.	50	to	52
Poultry, dressed, Retail—			
Chicken, lb.	33	to	35
Ducks, pound	25	to	28
Geese, pound	24	to	28
Turkeys, pound	33	to	35
Live Stock—			
Hogs, per cwt.	17 50	to	17 50
Small pigs, pair	12 00	to	16 00
Butchers' Meats—			
Dressed hogs, cwt.	23 50	to	24 00
Fat sows, cwt	15 00	to	15 50
Beef, per cwt.	16 00	to	20 00
Veal, per cwt.	20 00	to	23 00
Heifer beef, cwt.	20 00	to	20 00
Lambs, per cwt.	26 00	to	28 00
Hides and Wool—			
Wool, unwashed, lb.	50	to	50
Wool, washed, lb.	60	to	62
Calfskins, per lb.	15	to	19
Cow hides, No. 1	13	to	13
Cow hides, No. 2	12	to	12
Cow hides, No. 3	11	to	11

LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Feb. 19.—The trade at the Union stockyards was steady this morning. Trade good in all lines except in sheep, which were very slow. Prices a little lower. Receipts, 232 cars, containing 482 cattle, 15 calves, 736 hogs and 55 sheep. Quotations:

Cattle—Exporters, choice, per cwt, $12@13 50; do, bulls, $9@11; butchers, choice, $10 50@11 50; do, medium, $9@10 25; do, common, $7 75@8 50; do, cows, choice, $9@10 50; do, medium, $7 50@8 50; do, canners, $5 85@6; do, bulls, $7 75@8 75; feeding steers, $8 50@9 50; stockers, choice, $8@8 75; do, light, $6 25@8; milkers, choice, each, $90@140; springers each, $90@140; calves, $14@16.

Sheep—Ewes, cwt, $12@14; bucks and culs, $6@10; lambs, $18@18 25.

Hogs—Fed and watered, per cwt, $19; f. o. b., $18.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 17,000; market steady; beeves, $8 50@13 85; stockers and feeders, $7 35@10 60; cows and heifers, $6 40@11 65; calves, $8 25@13 50.

Hogs—Receipts, 64,000; market dull; light, $16 30@16 85; mixed, $16 25@16 85; heavy, $16 15@16 80; rough, $16 15@16 30; pigs, $12 75@15 75; bulk of sales at $16 55@16 75.

Sheep—Receipts, 16,000; market weak; lambs, native, $13 50@16 50; sheep, $9 75@13 15.

East Buffalo, N.Y., Feb. 19.—Cattle—Receipts, 500 head; steady.

Calves—Receipts, 200 head; strong, at $7@17 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,700 head; steady; heavy, $17 25@17 50; mixed, $17 40@17 50; yorkers, $17 50; light yorkers, $16@16 25; pigs, $15 75@16; roughs, $15 50@15 75; stags, $13 50@14 25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 5,000; slow; lambs, $13@17 50; yearlings, $12@14 50; wethers, $13@13 50; ewes, $7@12 50; mixed sheep, $12 50@13.

HIGH FUTURE PRICES MAKES INDIFFERENT CASH OATS DEMAND

Offerings Light, But, With Exception of Oats, Demand Brisk.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—For cash oats there was a somewhat indifferent demand today owing to the very high prices in the future markets. Offerings were very light and cash barley was in steady demand, with prices firmer on the high grades. There was a continued good demand for cash flax, with offerings light.

May oats closed ¾c up at 91c, and July ⅞c higher at 89c. May barley finished ¼c up at $1.66½. Flax closed 4⅞c more expensive for May at $3.49⅞.

Futures opened and closed as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Oats—(Old contract)—				
May	..	..	..	91
Oats—(New contract)—				
May	90½	..	..	91
July	88⅝	..	..	89
Barley—				
May	1 66¼	..	..	1 66½
Flax—				
May	3 46	..	..	3 49⅞

Cash grain:

Oats—No. 2 C.W., 89½c; No. 3 C.W., 87¼c; extra No. 1 feed, 86¼c; No. 1 feed, 83c; No. 2 feed, 80c.

Barley—No. 3 C.W., $1.62½; No. 4 C.W., $1.51½; rejected, $1.32; feed, $1.31.

Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $3.44⅞c; No. 2 C.W., $3.41¾; No. 3 C.W., $3.23⅞.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Grain quotations are as follows:

Wheat—Ontario, No. 2 winter, $2.20, in store, Montreal; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, $2.23½, in store, Fort William; No. 2 northern, $2.20½; No. 3 northern, $2.17½.

Oats—Canada western, No. 2, 89½c, in store, Fort William; Ontario, No. 2 white, 94@95c, outside; No. 3 white, 93@94c, outside.

Corn—American, No. 3 yellow, kiln-dried, $1.95, on track, Toronto.

Peas—No. 2, $3.70@3.80, outside.

Rye—No. 2, $2@2.02.

Barley—$1.62@1.64, outside for malting.

Buckwheat—$1.68; shipping points, $1.70.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—Oats—Canadian western, No. 3, $1.06½; extra No. 1 feed, $1.06½; No. 2 local white, $1.05½; No. 3 local white, $1.04½; No. 4 local white, $1.03½.

GRAIN.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Opening: Corn—March, $1 27½; May, $1 26⅝.

Oats—March, 86½c; May, 84⅝c.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Unfavorable weather gave some degree of firmness today to the corn market. Excessive moisture and low temperatures made a combination which seemed likely to cause further damage to soft corn. Besides, receipts did not have the volume that would have been pleasing to the bears.

Opening prices, which raned from the same as yesterday's finish to ⅛c off, with March at $1 27½ and May at $1 26⅝, were followed by a slight upturn and then a little reaction.

Oats climbed to new high price records for the season. The chief reason was that at first the market was almost bare of offerings. After opening ¼c to ⅜c to ⅝c up, with May at 84½@84¼c, prices scored a further gain.

FLOUR

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Listed quotations at Toronto are:

Flour—War quality, $11.10, bags; Ontario winter, war quality, $10.60, bags, Toronto.

Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $35 per ton; shorts, $40 per ton, delivered, Montreal.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Flour—New standard grade, $10.70.

Rolled Oats—Bags, 90 lbs., $5.50.

Bran—$35.

Shorts—$40.

Middlings—$48@50.

Moullie—$58@60.

Minneapolis, Feb. 18.—Flour—Unchanged.

Bran—$32.50.

PROVISIONS.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—Beef—Extra India mess, 360s.

Pork—Prime mess western, 330s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 152s; clear bellies, 160s; long clear middles, light, 160s; do, heavy, 159s; short clear backs, 157s; shoulders, square, 128s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, 133s; American refined, in pails, 136s 3d; do, in boxes, 135s.

OILS.

Liverpool, Feb. 19.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 72s.

Turpentine Spirits—128s.

Rosin—Common, 64s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined, 1s 6⅝d.

Linseed Oil—61s 6d.

Cottonseed Oil—68s 6d.

War Kerosene—No. 2, 1s 2¼d.

MONEY.

New York, Feb. 19.—Bar silver, 85⅝c per ounce.

WALL STREET.

New York, Feb. 19—Wall Street, 10:30 a.m.—War shares and kindred specialties bounded forward again at the opening of today's stock market, recording gains extending from large fractions to 3 points in the very active first half hour. Shippings, rails, steels and the usual leaders advanced more moderately at the outset but increased their gains later. The rise prompted further heavy covering of short contracts. Liberty bonus showed slight irregularity.

Noon.—Pools were in control of the forenoon operations, although outside interest was not lacking in representative stocks. The turnover of the morning approximated 500,000 shares, establishing a record for many weeks. Extreme gains of 2 to 5 points were made by New York Air Brake, Pressed Steel Car, Crucible Steel, Bethlehem Steel, Virginia Iron, Chandler Motors, Industrial Alcohol, Colorado Fuel and General Electric. Rails held their early gains, but shippings were reactionary.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Thomson & McKinnon, brokers, Royal Bank Building, report fluctuations in New York stocks for The Advertiser as follows:

New York, Feb. 19.

Trunk Lines and Grangers—	Open.	High.	Low.	1:30.
Baltimore & Ohio	52	53	52¾	53
Erie, com.	15⅛	15⅜	15⅛	15⅜
Erie, 1st pfd.	26	26⅜	26	26⅜
Great Northern	92½	92½	92⅜	92½
New Haven	29¾	30	29⅞	30
New York Central	72¼	73	72¼	73
Rock Island	21¼	..	..	..
St. Paul	43⅞	44	43⅞	44
Pacifics and Southerns—				
Atchison, com.	86¼	..	..	..
Canadian Pacific	148	148½	148	148½
Col. Southern	17½	..	..	..
Missouri Pacific	23¾	23¾	23⅝	23¾
Northern Pacific	86	86¼	86	86¼
Southern Pacific	87	87¾	87	87¼
Southern Railway	24	24	23¾	23¾
Southern Ry., pf.	54½	59	58½	59
Union Pacific	121⅛	121⅝	121⅛	121⅛
Coalers—				
Ches. & Ohio	54¾	54⅞	54¾	54¾
Lehigh Valley	59½	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	45	45	44⅞	44⅞
Reading Railway	78⅝	78⅞	78	78
Industrials—				
Brooklyn Transit	43½	..	..	..
Interboro, com.	8⅝	..	..	..
Industrials—				
Allis-Chalmers	25½	25⅞	25¼	25½
Am. Beet Sugar	81	81	79⅞	79⅞
American Can	43	43¼	42⅝	42⅝
American Car	76¼	77	76¼	76⅝
Am. Locomotive	68	69⅛	67⅛	68⅞
American Sugar	105	..	..	..
Am. Smelters	84¾	86¾	84¾	85½
Am. Tel. & Tel.	[illegible]	..	..	..
American Wool	55¾	55¾	55½	55⅝
Baldwin Loco.	79¾	81½	79	80½
Central Leather	72⅞	73⅛	72⅞	72⅞
Corn Products	35¼	35¼	34¾	34¾
Col. Fuel & Iron	40¼	42⅝	40⅛	41⅞
Crucible	40¼	41⅞	40¼	40¼
General Electric	140½	143½	140½	143½
General Motors	131½	133	131½	133
Goodrich Rubber	47½	47½	47	47
G. Northern Ore	30¼	30¼	29¾	30
Inter. Nickel	28	28⅜	28	28⅛
Maxwell Motor	30½	..	..	..
Marine, com.	28	28	27¼	27⅜
Marine, pfd.	101¼	101¾	99⅞	100½
Pacific Mail	28	..	..	..
Studebaker	53	54½	52