EXPRESS MEN HURT BY PROHIBITION LAW

Higher Rates Hearing Told Provinces Going Dry Retards Business.

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—(By Can. Press.)—Although no effort will be made to bring the express rates before the railway board, to act on Friday, there is a prospect that it will not be concluded before Saturday. When the board adjourned at 5 o'clock this afternoon there still remained to be called as a witness Lockhart Gordon, a Toronto accountant, who will be examined by G. R. Geary, corporation counsel for the city of Toronto. Mr. Geary, with this witness, will endeavor to demolish some of the statistical computations presented today on behalf of the Dominion Express Company by General Manager McDonnell. Argument by counsel is expected to commence before the noon adjournment, and is expected to occupy several hours.

Effect of Dry Provinces.

During the course of his examination today, General Manager McDonnell predicted a deficit of over $1,600,000 for the Dominion Express Company, and told the board that, in order to break even during 1921, increases in rates amounting to 33 per cent. are necessary. He maintained that the going dry of the four provinces which voted for prohibition on Oct. 25 will seriously affect the express business.

Should Ontario go bone dry in April next, it would mean another large decline in liquor shipments by express.

Debate Liquor Shipments.

General Manager McDonnell of the Dominion Express Company maintained that there were certain to be some decreases in business. There would be a falling off in the amount of gold and liquor carried. Mr. Carvell reminded the witness that it was within the powers of the provinces to decide to handle liquor themselves, in which case transportation would continue. Further, there would be no hindrance to shipments of liquor from Quebec to British Columbia.

Carvell Matter of Fact.

Mr. McDonnell remarked that previous to prohibition the express companies did not handle much liquor. It was moved by freight. Should there be unexpected resources, Mr. McDonnell thought these should go to the companies to offset the losses they had undergone within the last few years. Mr. Carvell said the board was concerned with present and future conditions and earnings, and not with losses in the past.

REDUCE PRICES AND INCREASE DEMAND

(Continued From Page 1).

will undoubtedly depend the commerce of the province," remarked the premier, who went on to say that any student of economics realized that only deflation could follow the unwonted inflation of the past five and six years. The same factor of deflation had followed the Napoleonic wars, when hundreds in Great Britain were beggared, others had been forced to sell out, and others again had come over to Canada. The present period of deflation had already set in, marked by unemployment and business failures. A large portion of the world was unable to buy, its credit having been destroyed. The farmers, as everyone else, had been struck with this factor of deflation. Neither was there any doubt that wages would come down, but not out of proportion to the decrease in the cost of living. That country which within the next three years assumed a readjustment of values by means of lowering prices would finally prevail, when others which had maintained an impossible inflation of values faced ruin.

Get to Rock Bottom.

"Let me assure you," said the premier, "that if you hang on to your present high-priced products now in anticipation of better values, you will finally have to sell them at any old price offering. I sincerely hope that the commercial world will not attempt to unload its losses upon other communities. I firmly believe that the salvation of the world lies in a pronounced effort of business men to lower prices and thus get down to rock bottom. We all made well during the war by very properly taking advantage of privileges offering to profit. I take it that well-governed enterprises have saved up considerable means. This being the situation, we can all venture safely to lower prices, thus increasing demand and making for greater employment. We are a safe and sane people. The balloon of inflation is now about to be either gradually deflated or disastrously exploded. Common sense tells us to gradually deflate this balloon rather than risk ruin by explosion."

Mr. Blain, in proposing a vote of thanks to the premier, expressed pleasure at the size of the gathering, which was present to take instructions from the premier. While one might not agree with all he had said, most of it was true in his own experience. "If we follow the advice he has given us, I do not apprehend any financial or economic trouble," said Mr. Blain. "I may say I believe there never was a time when co-operation was more to be desired than at this moment. I feel there has been a new order of things in Ontario since the advent of the new government, an order punctuated with sound advice and cautious administration."

Ask Second Large Sum In Brantford Schools

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 2.—(Special).—At a special meeting of the board of education here tonight it was decided to ask the city council to submit a second school bylaw at the January elections to raise $125,000 for a new school on Terrace Hill. This will be in addition to the $185,000 for collegiate extension, the submission of which bylaw is also requested. This makes a total of $310,000 required for school purposes next year. It was decided to lay over for another year the rebuilding of the West Brantford School.

HUNGARIAN CABINET RESIGNS.

Budapest, Hungary, Dec. 2.—The cabinet, headed by Count Paul Teleky as premier, resigned today. The ministry was formed on July 20 last.

LAST TWO DAYS OF BIG SALE

THINK OF THE SAVINGS IF YOU GET HERE IN TIME

Greatest Selling Event in the History of Toronto Has Only 2 DAYS MORE

No Wholesaler's Profits

No Manufacturer's Profits

No Retailer's Profits

Not a Penny More Than Cost of Labor and Material

CHOICE OF ALL FUR TRIMMED COATS $33.50

This includes exclusive models, trimmed with deep Beaver, Sealine and Opossum Collars, also Shawl and Convertible Collars. Every coat full lined with "Florishua" or fancy silk. Materials in All Wool, Silver Tipped Bolivia, Velours and Polarine.

REGULAR RETAIL VALUES UP TO $100.00.

CHOICE OF ALL MODEL COATS AND WRAPS $29.50

SELF COLLAR COATS, full silk lined in Silver Tipped Bolivia, Velours and English Mixtures. This assortment represents 75% of our entire stock. All at one price.

REGULAR RETAIL VALUES UP TO $87.50.

ANY DRESS IN THE STOCK, REGULAR RETAIL VALUES UP TO $45.00, GOES AT - - - - - - - - - - - - $14.50

ALL COAT VALUES UP TO $50.00, CLEARING FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT - - - - - - - - - - - - $18.75

You Will Never Have Such an Opportunity Again to Buy Materials at "Mill Prices" by the Yard.

8164 yards all-wool Botany Serge in Black, Navy, Brown, Sand, Taupe, Green, Reindeer, Sphinx, Tea Blue, 52-54 inches wide, good weight.
Regular price $7.50, on sale, yard **$4.55**

1155 yards all-wool Gabardine, in all shades, 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $8.50, on sale, yard **$5.20**

3991 yards of Fancy Silk Linings, beautiful colorings and designs, in great variety, 36 inches wide. Regular price $2.50 to $5.00, on sale, yard **$1.95**

882 yards Salt's Esquimette Plush.
Regular price $12.50, on sale, yard **$8.50**

2296 yards Chincilla Coating and English Witney exceptional quality, 52-54 inches wide. Colors Navy, Grey, Brown.
Regular price $5.25, on sale, yard **$3.25**

4785 yards wonderful all-wool Velour Coating, in all the beautifully new shades—winter weight, 52-54 inches wide..
Regular price $6.00, on sale, yard **$3.90**

200 yards Black Broadcloth, all-wool, 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $8.50, on sale, yard **$4.95**

1153 yards Mixture Coatings, all-wool, 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $4.75, on sale, yard **$3.25**

698 yards of Silver Tipped Bolivia Coating, all-wool, exceptional quality, in Taupe, Green, French Blue, Henna and Grape. Good weight. 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $6.75, on sale, yard **$4.75**

1536 yards Pure Wool English Heather Mixtures and Tweeds, winter weight. 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $6.50, on sale, yard **$3.95**

2462 yards beautiful pure wool Tricotine in all the latest shades, 52-54 inches wide.
Regular price $9.50, on sale, yard **$5.75**

329 yards of beautiful all-wool Velour Suitings in Brown, Beaver and Green, 52-54 inches wide. Winter weight.
Regular price $11.50, on sale, yard **$6.50**

EVERY YARD THOROUGHLY MILL SHRUNK AND SPONGED

MANUFACTURER'S CLEARANCE SALE

POSITIVELY ONLY TWO DAYS MORE!

JOHN KAY STORE, 36-38 King St. W. Open 9 a.m. Closes 6 p.m.