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NOTES OF THE WEEK

For the delay in bringing down many of its measures until within 10 days of prorogation the ministers may have excuses, but it can have none for keeping back its resolution on the all-red line which might as well have been submitted at the opening of the session. At the imperial conference of representatives of the colonies in London, in the summer of last year, a resolution was adopted in favor of connecting Britain with Canada, New Zealand and Australia by a fast line of steamships the C.P.R. co-operating by special trains. With vessels that could go at the rate of 26 miles an hour, the voyage from England to Quebec would be reduced to 5 days, then allowing 4 days for crossing the continent the Pacific would be reached in 9 days. At Vancouver there would be waiting steamships good for 22 miles an hour which would make the voyage to New Zealand in 16 days, and to Sydney, Australia, in 3 days more. As the business offering would never pay to maintain such a service, it was proposed the three colonies interested should combine with Britain to pay a yearly subsidy of 25 million dollars, of which Canada would give over a million and a half. As such a service would supersede the present mail boats and save what is being paid them, the actual outlay to Canada would be a million dollars each year. The question comes, would the service be worth that much to Canada? Such ocean liners would have to charge high freight rates, so high that it is doubtful if farm products, even butter, could bear to pay them, and the probability is they would continue to go by vessels that make the voyage in from 8 to 10 days. In some mysterious way, however to whoop for the all-red line is loyal, and we are told it is unpatriotic to oppose it. Surely Canada has had enough of that sort of loyalty, which has always involved its paying out big sums of money. The building of the Intercolonial was carried under the loyal cry, that of the C.P.R., the Grand Trunk Pacific, and that eminent failure the all-red cable line, which is a dead loss. The farmer is a patient beast, and piling on his back a million more each year is a small matter to the Ottawa auto-crats.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has revealed his plan of readjusting the boundaries of Manitoba, which include also a final definition of those of Quebec and Ontario. In substance, the settlement is making Hudson bay the northern boundary of all three. Quebec is given the vast territory north of the height of land, named Ungava, extending to Cabot straits and including James bay. The only reservation east or north is the strip of Labrador claimed by New Foundland. Ontario gets most of Keewatin, the remainder going to Manitoba, the eastern line bending eastward so as to give it Nelson river, understood to be

the second best port on Hudson bay. Under this arrangement Manitoba will compare in size with its sister provinces. That this northern territory added to Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba is of much, if any value, in an agriculture sense nobody believes, but it is rich in timber and fish, and probably in minerals. The only part of the continent the Dominion keeps under its own jurisdiction is the arctic region named Mackenzie, after its first explorer, which is bounded by the Polar sea. With the only possible port on Hudson bay available for large ships, Fort Churchill, Manitoba could try the experiment of making it an outlet for its wheat but it won't, it expects the Dominion to do that, and there is an item of \$100,000 in the estimates for surveys.

Mr Borden submitted figures to show that the Grand Trunk Pacific was going to entail an expenditure of 191 million dollars of public money, with a contingent liability of 58 millions more from guaranteeing payment of G.T. bonds. On Saturday both Mr Graham and Mr Fielding spoke at length in refutation of Mr Borden's statements. Mr Graham's chief contention was, that Mr Borden had charged interest on money spent during construction which the G.T. would pay. He also objected to charging cost of Quebec bridge to the railway and of terminals. Deducing all these sums, Mr Graham held the country would not have to spend over 150 million dollars, and when the G.T. came to pay its 3 per cent. interest on cost; in rental, the yearly loss to the country would be only \$805,000. Mr Fielding adopted these figures and asserted the country could not possibly be out more than 26 million dollars. It is easy to juggle with figures but it is not with facts and these facts are undeniable—that to build the railway Canada has to borrow 150 million dollars, perhaps more, and guarantee 58 million of G.T. bonds. The 150 millions is added at once to the public debt. If all goes well in course of 7 years after it gets possession, the Grand Trunk will pay 3 per cent. rental on cost. The experience of the government has been, that all railways it has had anything to do with, have not paid, in which case the Grand Trunk would be unable to meet the rent. Another fact, and one which neither of the ministers denied, is, that the road, so far as built, has cost double what the premier and Mr Fielding in 1903 assured the country it would cost. What everybody admits is that the road now under construction between Moncton, N.B., and Winnipeg, 1800 miles, is to cost, at least, 115 million dollars, that every dollar of that amount has to be borrowed in England and added to the public debt, and borrowed at a rate of interest higher than the G.T. is expected to pay. The consent of the country to the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific was obtained under false pretences.

To a deputation that waited on him on Friday the premier fully committed himself to the building of the canal between Montreal and the Georgian bay. It had to be done, he declared, it was the immemorial route for the west, an outlet designed by nature, and when a start was

made in constructing the canal it would be a start for a finish. Railway subsidy hunters are still on top, and can, as before, bleed the country as they please. On Tuesday the government submitted resolutions in favor of granting subsidies to seventy railroads, amounting to over 12 million dollars. Of these 26 are revotes. That is, subsidies at former sessions were allotted 26 roads on certain conditions. These conditions not being fulfilled, the subsidies became forfeited, but are, by these new resolutions, restored, and the companies given another chance to claim them. The biggest grants are to the Grand Trunk, to enable it to build branch roads to connect Montreal and Fort William with the Grand Trunk Pacific, the two lines estimated at 420 miles. The C.P.R. and the Northern get several more grants at the treasury. Few of the lines subsidized have any claim to be considered interprovincial, most of them being purely local projects. Among these is—

To the Quebec, Montreal and Southern railway for a line from Noyan Junction to the international boundary, 8 miles, and for a line from St. Lambert to St. Bonstant, 15 miles.

Authority is given to take over the assets of the Quebec bridge company and arrange for building a new one by the government. When parliament is prorogued on Saturday it will have pledged the credit of the country to pay 150 million dollars. All that will not be paid during the coming financial year, but it is promised, in course of time, little of it will be unclaimed. Eight years ago the expenditure was round 53 millions, twelve years ago it was 44 millions. In a dozen years the expenditure of the Dominion has been trebled. Despite the remarkable increase in revenue, during the late prosperous term, the debt has grown: the amount due, after allowing all the doubtful assets, being 270 millions. This is the situation, one, surely, that calls for a halt in all expenditure that can be avoided. Instead the government proposes pouring millions more into the eastern extension of the Grand Trunk Pacific, the building of a railway to the Hudson bay, of the Georgian bay canal, of a new Welland canal. The universal complaint is the increase of cost of living, that money does not go so far as it did. Actually, commodities are cheaper than they were. The pinch comes from more of the earnings of the people going to pay taxes. It has ceased to be a party question it is one of self-preservation, and were the electors to do their duty there would be such an expression of public sentiment as would stop the spending of another dollar on any project that can be deferred. Why do the people who have to foot the bills not speak out?

Altho time has become precious at Ottawa, three hours were allotted Sir Frederick Borden to abuse the civil service commissioners. On Mr Courtney the burden of his condemnation fell and for him he reserved his choicest epithets. Such conduct is irreconcilable with constitutional practice. The commissioners were chosen not by the house, but by the cabinet of which body Sir Frederick is a member. They were his nominees, and if they did not do their duty, he is jointly accountable with his fellow

ministers for making bad appointments. No member of the Imperial government would think of stultifying himself as our minister of militia has done. The trouble was, the commissioners acted independently, and, instead of sending in a white-washing report, revealed the true condition of the departments over which Sir Frederick Borden and the Hon Mr Brodeur preside. It has been resolved that all Canadians who served in the Boer war are to receive grants of land in the Northwest. It is estimated there are 700 who can lodge claims. Of these the proportion is small who will take up lots to live on them. They will simply accept what they can get from land-sharks for their claims, who will resell the land to the actual settler at a big advance. Practically the act is one for throwing into the hands of speculators over a million acres of the heritage of our people.

In the supplementary estimates \$2000 is set down for a wharf between Woodlands and Bellevue \$1500 for repairs to Dundee custom-house, \$2900 additional for the Valleyfield post-office, and \$1000 for repair of Bort Lewis wharf. On the north shore of lake St. Francis, \$5000 is to be spent on building a wharf at McKie's point and \$6000 for renewal of St. Zotique's wharf.

The government bill to discourage juvenile smoking was amended in the senate by lowering the age from 18 to 16 years. Mr Edwards the lumberman, said he had many in his employ under 18 and all smoked. It is a well-intentioned bill but as there is no public opinion to back it, nobody expects its enforcement. When fathers give up tobacco for the sake of setting an example to their sons, there will be a prospect of saving the boys from the cigarette.

The battlefields fund has proved a failure. Despite the large sums given by Quebec and Ontario not nearly enough has been obtained to buy the desired property. Unless the gentlemen of the seminary, as men who have renounced the world, taken vows of poverty and poverty, give their acres in a gift, the scheme cannot be carried out. There is, however, left the pageants and the ceremonies, and if circus-parades and horse-races can unite two peoples and obliterate race-differences, the cure will be properly applied under the superintendence of our noble governor next week.

The convention of Democrats at Denver nominated Bryan as candidate for the presidency and Kerpis of Indianapolis for the vice presidency. The Democrats go into the fight handicapped by having a candidate who has been beaten twice but he was their only possible nominee. That Mr Bryan has gained in popularity during the past four years is undeniable, and he is today the second strongest personality in the political field to Roosevelt. That he will win is extremely doubtful for all the influence of the manufacturers and of members of rings and combines will be against him. The plank in the platform regarding the tariff reads—

We favor immediate revision of the tariff by the reduction of import duties. Articles entering into competition with trust-controlled products should be placed upon the free list; and material reduction should be made in the

tariff upon the necessities of life especially upon articles competing with such American manufactures as are sold abroad more cheaply than at home; and graduate reductions should be made in such other schedules as may be necessary to restore the tariff to a revenue basis.

and netted over \$50 for the Bible class, by which it was given. This sum will be devoted to increasing the building fund of the Presbyterian church. The programme quite a lengthy one, was contributed to by members of the class and visitors and was presided over by Mr John Ogilvy of Woodlands. Dominion day, which is always a home day in Chateauguay, passed quietly. The only public event was some races by members of the boating club. No. 2, which is the junior war canoe, won the war canoe race over crew No. 1. Other single and double canoe races were contested. The Chateauguay boating club, took part in the St. Lambert regatta on Saturday, July 11th, but brought home no victor's laurels. The council are still fighting out the license trouble. The storm of the 9th, which approached a tornado, did considerable damage to trees and any building which happened to be the least insecure. One terrific flash of lightning killed a man by the name of Gendron, near Bellevue. He was entering a neighbor's barn when the flash struck him. Haying is in progress and the yield is fairly good, despite dry weather.

VALLEYFIELD The fog continued hot and dry weather is damaging crops around this section. The heat is something fierce; in fact, the 7th was one of the warmest days we have ever had, the thermometer went as high in the sun as 110 degrees, with 90 in the shade. A good many of the help at the cotton mills had to give up work about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. In a few rooms the windows have to be kept closed and the heat becomes suffocating. Under the appended liquor by-law, prepared by our city council, hotelkeepers are obliged to keep their window curtains open so that the bar is exposed to the street. Two prominent hotelkeepers rebelled and put up the theory that the council had no right to legislate in this manner. The result was, that last week they were brought before the Recorder, when they pled guilty and were fined \$19 and costs. We understand that other hotels are to be rounded up for selling during prohibited hours. Mayor Robb and Alderman Dr Ostiguy are delegates to the municipal convention, meeting in Montreal this week. A baseball match played in the hot sun in the St. J. Bte. park, between the St. James club of Montreal and the Valleyfields, proved a victory for our local team. A new concrete walk has been laid in front of the court house and adds much to appearances. On Monday last, a man by the name of Alderic Marjeau, was arrested by chief Lemieux, on a charge of having insulted people on the street. He was brought before the recorder and was fined \$20, or 4 months imprisonment. The fine was paid. By the margin of 10 shots, the Valleyfield bowlers defeated five rinks of the M.A.A. club Saturday afternoon on the greens of the latter club. The following pupils of the Gault institute are declared qualified to enter the teachers' classes of Macdonald college—

Grade I, Academy  
E. Anderson  
G. Clark  
W. Haatie  
W. Lawrence  
M. McKerracher  
D. McChery  
J. Moore  
M. Rowe  
A. Scott  
B. Stickler  
A. Sullivan  
J. Wright

Grade II, Academy  
C. Brown  
M. Gardner  
J. Sullivan  
W. Sutherland  
B. Wilson  
G. Wisheart

CHATEAUGUAY A strawberry festival, held on Mr Richardson's lawn, June 30th, was quite a success in every way

HOWICK The effects of scarcity of rain this summer is shown by the light yield of hay now being cut, and the shortness of stalk in the growing grain. Corn is fair, but a day's steady rain is required to soak the ground sufficiently. Wells are becoming empty and the English river is too low to run the mill wheels. As a result of persistent effort on the part of the temperance community, the want of a liquor license at the station hotel, which was purchased far beyond its real value by Mr Houle, and at a time when the parish was under prohibition, is forcing the place to be sold, according to advertisement, in August. The house, it is said, has been fined four times for illicit sale. This is the only property, outside of that owned by a single firm, that abuts the G.T. railway, and it is situated just across the public road from the depot. An energetic hotelkeeper, keeping a good livery, and giving comfortable accommodation to travellers, should be able to make a temperance house profitable. This village has had the reputation for a long time of being a good place not to stay in overnight. If the property is not secured by a reliable temperance man, it will probably get into the hands of parties who will take the first available chance to bring on another contest for a liquor license.

John Duncan of English River had an auction sale last week to dispose of his cows, as, owing to his large business detaining him in Montreal, he finds it impossible to conduct a dairy farm properly by hired help in his absence. R. R. Ness sent a carload of his Ayrshires to the Northwest, having entered them for the Calgary and Winnipeg exhibitions. The former opened on the 9th, and word has been received that he took two championships, 11 firsts 5 seconds, and 3 thirds. A two-year old bull of J. W. Logan's, which was sent in the cap, came first. Albert, who was in charge sold at good prices all the head he was disposed to part with, as he wanted to retain enough for the Winnipeg show. Mr Hunter of Maxville, Ont., was the chief competitor with Ness's stock. George Stewart left on the Athenian for the other side today, Wednesday.

Ste. MARTINE Haying is in progress. It is pretty fair in many places, but the new meadows are a dead loss. Grain keeps a good color in spite of the continued drought. A shower on Monday evening moistened the dust, but did not reach the roots. Early potatoes are willing and we can't buy anything else but old potatoes in the village. Utric Archambault is laying the foundation for a nice cottage on the vacant lot near the river, between the railroad track and Vinct's hotel, formerly the old P. Lapensee place. We had two funerals on the 15th, that of Mrs Narcisse Beaulieu, mother of L. E. Beaulieu, Esq., lawyer, Montreal, who died in Montreal at the residence of her son-in-law, Maurice Couillard, formerly of Beauharis. The second funeral was that of Cleophas Desrosiers, a native of this parish, who died in Fitchburg, U.S. He was a tailor by trade.

KELSO The picnic on the 9th inst. was a success, about \$85 being realized towards the funds of the Elgin church. Speeches were made by the Rev. Mr Hunter, assistant pastor for Elgin and Athelstan, Rev. Mr McNeil of Kensington, and W. H. Walker, M.L.A. Miss M. Rowat contributed the instrumental music. A number of useful articles were given as prizes in the games. James B. Cooper acted as chairman. The retiring school commissioners, Bell and Stark, were re-elected by acclamation.

St. AGNES The storm of the 7th was severe in this locality. The belfry of the Catholic church was struck, the lightning shattering a beam so that the bell could not be used. A barn belonging to Cameron brothers had several rafters splintered, and Henry Rowley had a horse and cow killed in pasture. Many trees were blown down. ROCKBURN At a meeting of the ladies' aid, at the manse, on the 8th, it was decided to found a woman's missionary society in connection with the ladies' aid. The officers elected were: Mrs (Rev) Reid, president; Mrs (Dr) Moore, vice-president; and Mrs Henry Wilson secretary-treasurer. The meeting was the largest yet held, there being between 45 and 50 members and friends present. At the close of the meeting supper was served to all by Mrs Reid.

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CANADA At Montreal, representatives of the hygienic committee waited on Chas. M. Hays, of the G. T., with a request that some improved plan for the transportation of the milk supply to the city of Montreal be devised. The idea of a separate room, properly cooled with ice at the stations, especially in the Montreal station, and the use of cooled cars for shipping in was discussed. Manager Hays promised to take the matter up, and see what he could do in matter of separate rooms for storing milk and also in getting cars properly cooled for transporting it. Montreal, July 8.—Some time ago Hon. W. A. Weir, provincial treasurer, predicted a surplus of \$1,000,000 for this year. The fiscal year ended June 30. After paying all ordinary and extraordinary expenditures for the past year including items that are sometimes charged to capital account, and after paying \$50,000 of \$100,000 voted for the Quebec tercentenary, the whole of which could legitimately have been held over to the following year, and after settling up a number of back obligations, which have been left in suspense from previous years, there still remains a sum of several thousands in excess of the round million with some further collections yet to be made. Guelph, July 8.—Freddie Johnson, an 11-year old lad of this city, performed a most gallant rescue when he saved Diana Wyrnberg, a visitor from Berlin from drowning in the Speed river. They were on their way to Sunday school when the little girl fell into the river, and, being unable to help herself, sank to the bottom. Without hesitating one moment her boy companion heroically plunged in after her and succeeded in catching her by the arm when she arose to the surface. The river is about seven feet deep, and he had great difficulty in getting to shore, being completely exhausted when he eventually succeeded. 'Sure, any of you fellows would have done the same,' said the boy, when asked about his courageous act. In order to meet requests for the services of a referee for butter and cheese, Joseph Burgess has been assigned to duties at Montreal, which will permit him to examine, on request, shipments of butter and cheese over which there is a dispute as to quality. Examinations will be made and certificates given only when the request comes from both buyer and seller. Mr Burgess may be addressed at department of agriculture customs house, Montreal, or telephone main 5154. The nuns of the congregation Montreal, have moved from their old quarters on St. Jean Bte, street to their new convent on Sherbrooke street which has cost half a million dollars. They number 250 nuns and 150 novices. Heavy losses have been caused throughout the province of Quebec by forest fires, which have raged with a fury unknown for many years, destroying property in every direction, wiping out small hamlets, and doing untold damage to the forests. A feature of the fires is that they suspended traffic on the Intercolonial railway for a period of 36 hours, all trains having to be sent around by the Grand Trunk, while

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Orangemen of Montreal Sunday united in celebrating the Twelfth of July by marching in full regalia to Stanley Street Presbyterian church, where divine service was held and a sermon preached by Rev. J. R. Dobson, at the special request of the Orangemen. The Orangemen, about 500 in number, and representing 15 lodges met at Alexandra hall, on St. Catherine street, and marched, headed by the band of the Royal Highlanders, down Phillips square along Dorchester and Stanley streets to the church, where the central blocks of seats were reserved for the brethren. The church was completely filled by the brethren and their friends. Rev. J. R. Dobson, pastor of St. Giles Presbyterian church, in his sermon dwelt upon the duties of patriotism and religion, which he regarded as the basic principles of the Orange order. He chose as his text, "What mean ye by these stones?" (Joshua iv, 6).

Toronto, July 11.—Tis 218 years since the battle of the Boyne, but with flags proudly flying in its honor, nearly 4000 Orangemen formed one of the greatest parades on record in this city. There was the utmost good humor displayed on every side and little of the interference with traffic that has seemed inevitable with monster parades was experienced today. The parade was headed by the Young Britons, 800 strong. Behind these came the Lady True Blues in some fifteen gaily decorated carriages, two of them holding very young Orangemen in their arms, so young that they saw for the first time a 12th of July. And next were the Pr. n. tice Boys, and the more solemn, grown-up Orangemen of the L. O. L.'s. The procession made its way amid cheering crowds from the Queen's park to the Exhibition grounds, when speeches were delivered and there was a series of games. Everything passed off well.

Buckingham, July 14.—For the first time in the history of Buckingham Orange tunes were heard in its streets yesterday, and 4000 Orangemen participated in the walk. But, contrary to the predictions of some, the whole affair passed off in a most peaceful manner. There were about 6000 visitors in the town. The demonstration sprung from what happened during the deplorable events of the strike, and Mayor Kelly's declaring Orangemen would not be allowed to walk. A number of the speakers referred to Mayor Kelly in the severest terms. In this connection Mr Galbraith said the Orangemen were in Buckingham because they were told they couldn't come.

Quebec, July 14.—Five warships of the international fleet of 20 that will anchor in the stream off Quebec during the coming tercentenary celebration arrived in port this evening at 7 o'clock. They are all British.

Utica, N.Y., July 12.—Serious forest fires are reported in the Adirondacks, and along the Mohawk and Malone railroads, and unless rain falls in the next few hours the loss will be enormous. The fires have been raging since last night, and in some places they are beyond control. The territory affected in the greatest degree is between Loon Lake and Mountain View, and between Upper lake and Saranac Inn. The railroad authorities have two special fire trains and are working gangs of men in relays in the hope of overcoming the flames. Additional reinforcements are being rushed to the point of danger.

Naples, Idaho, July 10.—A lone masked highwayman attempted to hold up westbound fast mail train one and a half miles east of here today. Conductor Matthews of the train, and the robber, whose name is Robert Mann, exchanged a fusillade of shots. The conductor was the better marksman and shot the robber through the lungs, breaking one rib. The bandit's wounds are probably fatal. The man left his package of dynamite and other tools and fled down the track to Naples where he attempted to hide under a water tank. The officers and train crew tracked him there and captured him.

STATE-MANAGED ANNUITIES  
The house of commons has passed a measure that means a great deal to the thrifty Canadian who wishes to make a safe provision for old age. The act provides machinery by which the savings of the people may be directed to the purchase of annuities. The funds to be accumulated will be held and guaranteed by the Dominion government, which will add interest at the rate of 3 per cent. The idea is Sir Richard Cartwright's. He does not think the time has come in Canada for old-age pensions taken out of the public treasury, believing that the mass of the Canadian people are still able to provide for old age if assured of the safety of their savings and the reduction under State control of the cost of management to the lowest possible figure. The chief provision of the bill follows: No annuity shall be larger than \$600 to one person, and not more than \$600 to husband and wife jointly. The minimum age at which an annuity may begin is 55 years. A man may arrange to have his annuity begin at a later age if he wishes to, but no man shall receive an annuity until he has reached the age of 55 years. This is subject to a proviso that if disability falls upon a man and he needs the annuity at an earlier age he can receive it, but the amount will in that case be smaller than what he will receive if he carried the transaction to the full 55 years. The annuities will not be transferable, and will not be subject to seizure. In case of death before the age at which the annuity is payable, all the moneys paid in will be returned to the representatives of the annuitant, with interest at 3 per cent compounded yearly. The annuitant may make periodical payments at stated times, or he may make independent payments to suit his own convenience. Assuming that the contributor begins at the age of 20, and continues payment until the age of 55, he can take his annuity at once, or if he chooses he can allow the money to stay a little longer and he will receive a larger annuity. There is a provision for independent payments by which a contributor may make a payment of \$10 or more at any time. By payment at age of 55 immediate annuities may be purchased. The post-office bank depositors may transfer their money to purchase annuities.

London, July 12.—Athletes of 20 countries are gathered in and near London for the Olympic games, which open tomorrow and which, it is believed, will prove the greatest games of modern times. The competitors from the four corners of the globe constitute a small army in themselves, almost every country, following the example of America and Great Britain, having entered in the various events the full quota of men allowed by the rules in most cases, a round dozen. There are 25 events on the program, the number of athletes taking part will total nearly 2000 many of the men, of course, representing their respective countries in more than one event. On the opening day a parade of the athletes before the King, will take place.

Montreal, July 13.—Owing to large supplies prices went lower while the intense heat lessened the demand. There were no choice beaves on the market and the top figures realized for the best were 5.1-2 to 5.3-4c, and for the lower grades sold from them down to 3.1-2 to 3c per lb. A weaker feeling has developed in the market for sheep and prices are half to three-quarters of a cent per lb. lower than a week ago. The outside price is 3.1-2c per lb. The local demand for spring lambs is good, of which supplies are none too plentiful, and prices are maintained at from \$3.50 to \$5 each. Receipts of calves have fallen off very much in late, and the undertone to the market in consequence is stronger, and for the quality of the stock coming forward \$4 to \$7 each is being paid. The market for hogs has ruled much stronger since last Wednesday and prices have more than recovered the decline noted on that day, as they were 25c per 100lb. higher this morning, which was due to a lighter run and the continued encouraging advices from foreign sources for Canadian bacon. The demand was good from packers and dealers and an active trade was done, with sales of selected lots at \$7 to \$7.25 per 100lb. weighed off cars.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES  
Flour—Straight roller in bags \$2.00 @ \$2.10  
Rolled Oats, \$2.50 @ \$2.60 @ bag  
Cornmeal, \$1.85 @ \$1.95 @ bag  
Oats No 2 47 to 48c @ 34lb  
Bran @ ton, Manitoba in bags \$22.00 @ \$23.00; Ontario in bags \$19.50 @ \$20.00  
Hay, No 1, \$11.00 @ \$11.50; No 2 \$9.00 @ \$9.50; ordinary \$8.50 @ \$9.00 @ ton in car lots.  
Cheese, white 11 1/2 to 11 3/4; colored 11 1/4 to 11 3/4  
Butter, 23 to 23 1/2  
Eggs, new laid, 18 to 19c  
Abattoir dressed Hogs are quoted \$10.25 heavy to \$10.50 for light @ 100lb.

organizations can purchase annuities for their members, and employers of labor can make such arrangements as are necessary with their workmen in order that the latter may benefit under the provisions of the act. The two great advantages of the scheme are the security provided by government and the cheapness of administration.—Toronto Globe.

A DUMB OPPOSITION  
The work of extending special favors to special interests continues to go on at Ottawa without interruption. In 1904, payment of a bounty of half a cent a gallon on crude petroleum pumped from Canadian wells was authorized. Mr Fielding has now given notice of a provision intended to make provision for the payment of the same amount on petroleum distilled from shale or other like substances, mined in Canada. This is a small thing in comparison with the millions which have gone and are going into iron bounties. But it is all a part of the same general policy—taking the money paid in taxes by the self-supporting citizens either to bolster up unnatural industries or to unduly enhance the profits of favored corporations. What is most regrettable in all this is that Mr Borden and his opposition following appear to have no protest to utter against what is being done. They can wrangle for weeks over mere partisan issues, but on all these matters involving the taxes of the masses for the benefit of the few they open not their mouths.—Toronto Sun.

ORMSTOWN  
The reappearance of grasshoppers is a serious matter to farmers, seeing the crops are so short. In the lower part of the parish they are already doing serious damage.

ROCKBURN  
The ladies of the Presbyterian church held a lawn social on Tuesday evening, at the home of Mr W. J. Moe, and have reason to feel gratified with the success of the undertaking. The grounds are admirably adapted to an affair of this kind and the tables were spread under rows of Chinese lanterns, making a very pretty effect. A slight shower which came on as supper was finished drove all to shelter for a few minutes, but it was carried out, in which able assistance was rendered by Miss Anderson of Herdman, Miss Henderson and Miss McCready of Lowell, Mass. Short addresses were given by Rev. O. Booth and Rev. E.W. Florence of Huntingdon. The net proceeds amounted to \$68.

BOYD SETTLEMENT  
The social Tuesday evening for the benefit of the S.S. was well patronized and proved most enjoyable. The evening being warm the company entertained themselves while listening to the strains of the Huntingdon orchestra. Mr Crutchfield and family were assiduous in their endeavor to make all feel at home and house and grounds were in beautiful order. It is supposed \$25 net will be available for school purposes.

—On Wednesday evening, D. D. G. M. W. H. Brown, of Valleyfield, assisted by past grands, installed the officers of Excelsior lodge, No 17, I.O.O.F., of this village, for the present term, as follows—  
Jr. P. G., F. D. Shearer  
N. G., Alfred A. Gilmore  
V. G., Chas. W. McClatchie  
Rec. Secy., E. Hastie  
Fin. Secy., Chas. Dewick  
Treas., W. C. Hunter  
Warden, Sid Wells  
Conductor, John A. Brown  
In. G., D. Alex. Boyd  
O. G., Theodore C. Wilde  
R.S.N.G., J. C. Boyd  
L.S.N.G., Andrew Chambers  
L.S.V.G., John Roy  
L.S.V.G., D. M. Houghton  
R.S.S., John A. Lankree  
L.S.S., Ernest E. Rowe  
Chaplain, Hugh Patton  
Frank D. Shearer and John A. Brown were elected representatives to grand lodge which meets at Montreal in August.

MARRIED  
At Springfield, Mass., June 24, by Rev. Thos. A. McGovern, Antonio Louis Vega to Pearl M. Long, youngest daughter of Henry Long, formerly of Fort Covington, N.Y.  
On July 14, at the residence of Mrs Thos. Baird, sister of the bride, Ormstown, by the Rev. D. W. Morison, D.D., John S. Phelps of Stanbridge East to Elizabeth, third daughter of Peter McLaren, M.D.

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At the residence of the bride's parents, Riverfield, on July 8th, by the Rev. J. M. Kellock, M.A., Annie Janet, daughter of Archd. Craig, to Chester Wylie Orr, both of Riverfield, Que.

DIED  
In the parish of St. Anicet, on July 7, Annie, daughter of David Moriarty, aged 16 years and 8 months.

HAVELOCK  
The 12th falling this year on Sunday, the celebration was arranged for Saturday, and took place on the agricultural society's grounds. While the gathering was a good sized one, it was not as large as expected, owing to the brethren of east Hemmingford not coming. Preparing to go to camp at Quebec and the weather being favorable for hay- ing, kept many. In several respects it was an old-time Orange celebration, notably in its music, the Havelock lodge supplying a fife and drum band that played with spirit the tunes that stir the heart. The ladies of the Presbyterian church furnished dinner, and were so well patronized that they cleared \$168. The high wind that was blowing was like to mar the outdoor meeting, but a sheltered nook was found between the buildings. Joseph Waddell, one of the old guard of the Orange society and always on hand when the cause required, was chairman, and introduced in succession five speakers, all clergymen, except Wm. Harrigan of your village. The speeches were good and duly appreciated by an attentive audience. The gathering broke up with the usual round of loyal cheers. For the younger element of the gathering there were games and a tug-of-war. Despite the intense heat in the sun, there were no lack of competitors. Crops in this section are suffering severely from the prolonged drouth, hay not being half a crop.

CARD OF THANKS  
The Ladies of the Elgin Church acknowledge with thanks donations of \$5 each from W. H. Walker, M.L.A., and Dr. Walsh, M.P., towards the funds of their picnic. James Nesbit, Chairman Managing Com.

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PUBLIC MEETING  
A full Meeting of all interested is requested, in the County Building, Huntingdon, on FRIDAY Evening, July 17th, at 8 o'clock, to close up the accounts in connection with the late Academy celebration, and decide what use shall be made of the proceeds. Chas. Dewick, M. T. Robb, Secy.-Treas. Chairman

FOOD SALE will be held on Saturday, at 3 p.m., in St. Andrew's annex. In charge of Mrs (Dr) Elder and Miss Will.  
To be sold by A. Philips, Auctioneer  
On SATURDAY, July 18th, on the farm of John Middlemiss, 3.1-2 miles west of Huntingdon: 35 acres of Standing Hay, 15 acres of Standing Grain, 12 months' credit. To begin at 2 o'clock p.m.

The Ys will meet at Mr Malcolm McNaughton's next Monday. Conveyances will be at Mr Robert Rutherford's, at 7.30 p.m.  
Entertaining Committee: The Misses F. Caldwell and R. Biggar and Messrs P. Biggar, R. Joyce, R. Graham and M. McNaughton.

Owing to absence, Mr McCormick, K.C., will not be able to be in Huntingdon on the last Saturday of July, but will be in attendance on Saturday, 5th of August.

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—While at work in the sash and door factory John Antoine had his right thumb cut by the sawing machine at which he was working.  
—Dr Clouston was surprised to discover a mild type of diphtheria in a French family that lives above the Chinese laundry. Immediate steps were taken to isolate the family, and it is expected the infection will end where it began.  
—To get one's fingers frozen during the dog days of July might seem incredible, yet that is what actually happened to an employee Monday morning at the condensed milk factory. David McFarlane was about to charge the condenser with compressed ammonia gas from a large cylinder, when a leak occurred about a flange allowing a jet of gas to play on three of his fingers, freezing the skin white before he could get the valve closed.  
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—On Saturday Auctioneer Philips sold 65 acres of hay on the farm of John C. Brown, near Athelstan, which realized from \$13 to \$14 an acre. It was good for this season, and would cut from one to one-and-a-half tons per acre. The hay fetched \$600. On the same day he sold 30 acres belonging to Alex. Robidoux. It was not so heavy as Brown's, and went at \$8 to \$9 the acre. Wm. Muir's crop sold well, hay averaging \$10 the acre and 15 acres of oats fetching \$137, the total realized being \$532.  
—The arbitrators on the value of the land needed for the new Trout river road, between W. H. Walker's and the Black sidersod, met on Friday, and, having chosen H. Desrosiers as chairman, viewed the disputed ground. They adjourned to the 10th August.

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