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## TO FURTHER EXTEND CANADIAN TRADE

Trade Commission Will Have Headquarters in Ottawa and Will Co-operate With Canadian Mission in London With a View to Securing Share of French and Belgium Trade.

(Special to the Guardian)  
OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—A further important step towards securing for Canada substantial expansion of its export trade is announced by the trade commission. The board will have its headquarters at Ottawa and will co-operate closely with the Canadian Mission in London with a view to securing for Canadian producers a share of the trade in France and Belgium and other war devastated parts of Europe. The Commission will consist of three members, Sir Chas. Gordon of Montreal who will be chairman, Mr. Charles B. McNaught of Toronto and H. B. Thomson of Victoria.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The largest immediate opening for Canadian trade and industry is in relation to the reconstruction of devastated areas in Belgium, France and Serbia. This is in the general charge of the committee Internationale De Revitallement which is a reconstitution of the International War Purchasing Commission. Canada is to be represented on this by Mr. Lloyd Harris.

## RESCUING THE LOOT FROM THE GERMANS

French and British Pickets Removing from German Banks Chests Containing Securities Taken from French Towns and Valued at Thousands of Millions of Francs

(Special to the Guardian)  
LONDON, Dec. 11.—French and British pickets under the direction of the Paymaster General of the French Army and in the presence of German officers in civilian clothes, have been sent to the various banks of Brussels, notably the Comptor National Descompte de Paris, and the Credit Licentia, in the last two days and have removed large numbers of chests which were placed there by the

Germans about the middle of October. These chests, says the Reuter correspondent at Brussels, contain strong boxes and securities taken from towns in Northern France including Little Rubaix Toucering Valenciennes and Cambrai. Other cases placed by the enemy in the banks at Leige are said to contain securities to the value of thousands of millions of Francs.

## TO RE-ESTABLISH PERMANENT FORCE

The Permanent Military Force of Canada May be Increased to 8,000 Men.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—The Government has under consideration the future of the Canadian military force. Before the war there was a permanent force of some 3,000 consisting of garrisons at Halifax, Quebec, Kingston, Toronto, Winnipeg and it is proposed that this should be increased to 8,000 men but later it may be again reduced to the pre war basis. It is not expected that there will be any difficulty in securing the men as there will be many overseas men who will be anxious for some time to continue soldiering. Enlisting will be entirely voluntary.

## Hungarian Count Attempts Suicide

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Count Michael Yarolyi, who took a prominent part in the proclamation of a Hungarian Republic, attempted suicide in despair of the success of his efforts to reconquer Hungary, says a central news despatch from Amsterdam. The Count's attempt to take his life was frustrated. The Government, the despatch adds, appears to be unable to prevent the partition of the country into small republics.

## Another Delegate For Peace Conference

LONDON, Dec. 11.—John Ribbert, Clynas former Food Controller for Great Britain will be one of the British representatives at the peace conference according to an announcement made today.

## Spain Wants To Be In League of Nations

PARIS, Dec. 11.—It is learned from Madrid that King Alfonso of Spain has signed a decree designating a committee of fourteen members to study all measures the which should be taken to insure Spain's entry into the proposed league of nations.

## French Commission Investigating Outrages

PARIS, Dec. 11.—A French Commission has arrived at Berlin to arrange the return of French released prisoners from Germany. The Commission also will investigate the affair in the prison Camp at Algers, Prussian Saxony, in which nine prisoners were shot by the Germans and fifteen wounded seriously.

## Royal Family's Return

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The King was enthusiastically greeted this evening upon his return from France with Queen Mary the Queen's mother and the Prince of Wales. The whole record of the royal family under the stress of war has strengthened the affection of the people for their King and Queen.

## ELOQUENT TRIBUTE TO GREAT BRITAIN

Rev. Patterson Smith, Montreal, Praises Part Played by Britain in the War.

Sublimely the bells of St. Georges rang in the National Thanksgiving. The church was richly decked with banners and the choir carried in the procession the Union Jack, followed by the flags of the Allied Nations. The church was crowded and the congregation was very large.

Dr. Paterson-Smythe preached the morning service. First he briefly called the people to penitence for neglect in the past for faithless hearts which asked if God be God why does He not stop this war? Then he struck the note of praise, "Praise God for the victory of the Right, for the end of slaughter, for the boys coming home, for the crushing of the evil thing that had risen in the earth. Praise for the new ideals inspired in the nations; that the old tricks of diplomacy lying and secret treaties shall be flung to the moles and the bats; that nations shall behave frankly as honorable gentlemen with each other; that the world shall brand war as a disgrace to humanity, that a tribunal of nations shall judge national quarrels with power to enforce its decisions.

"Praise God for the help of our holy spirit in our hearts, for the fearless chivalry of Canada, for the sacrifice of our sons and of the mothers who bore them, who with agony in their hearts offered them for the battle of the Lord.

"Praise God for the dear old Motherland who risked her existence to lead the world to victory. Forever more she will stand proudly forth her champion of Right and Liberty. And praise her for she will not praise herself. She does not talk much, that grim silent old land. She impoverished and nearly starved her people. For no quarrel of her own she raised five million men. Her silent fleet kept the oceans of the world safe. She gave the lives of her bravest and best till there was scarcely a house where there is not one dead.

"And she said no word about it. That is what touches some of us most of all. Her despatches are glowing with pride for Canada, for America. Her generous praise was spent on France and Belgium. Scarce a word for the British men who bore the brunt. No word of herself, the heart and brain of it all.

"God bless her, that dear old Motherland. She needs God's blessing. God purify her. She needs purifying. God grant her the grace that through much tribulation she may wash her robes and make them white in the blood of the lamb."

## No Decline Yet At New York Fur Sales

(Special to the Guardian)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Declines in the prices of furs will be slow despite the ending of the war according to the December report of the New York Fur Auction Sales Corporation. Not only is it apparent, the report says, that the readjusting of value of all commodities will be gradual, but the strong financial condition of the country guarantees the continuance of the conditions in all lines of peace.

In addition to this it maintains that there are several factories which will tend to maintain prices of most furs. Stocks in this country are the smallest in the history of the trade. Supplies in furs in such neutral countries as Holland, Sweden, Denmark and Norway are entirely exhausted and the revival of shipping will result in an increased demand for export to all foreign countries. With so many in demand at present all signs point to the maintenance of current prices at the winter auctions here.

The report further says that Beaver, Fisher, Kolinsky, both pale and dark, Martin, Muskrat, Nutria, Australian Opposums, racoon and squirrels and clear silver fox are yielding to the demand. All the other furs, excepting the Leopard, Civette Cat, Cross Fox and Wolf, are selling well, the dullness of wolf being due to prevailing high prices. Skunk is universally in demand.

## LABORITES FEARING THEIR OWN SUCCESS

A Bolshevist Ex-Consul Released from Jail by Personal Intervention of His Opponent May Defeat the Latter. Situation Disturbs Even the Laborites.

(Special to the Guardian)  
LONDON, Dec. 11.—The progress of the election campaign is giving reason to believe that the Laborites are beginning to be frightened of their own success and dreading the results of extremists capturing control of the party. Hon. G. N. Barnes of the War Cabinet by personal intervention,

procured the relief from jail of his socialist opponent, the Bolshevist ex-Consul MacLean and is now in considerable danger that MacLean may capture his seat. Probably the same laborites from the ship yards will remain unaffected and prevent MacLean's return but the situation is threatening.

## Five Points of Lloyd George's Policy

(Special to the Guardian)  
LONDON, Dec. 11.—Coalition Government headquarters states that the five points of the Premier's program are: (1) punish the Kaiser; (2) make Germany pay; (3) let the soldiers come home as soon as possible; (4) fair treatment for ex-soldiers and ex-servants and better housing and better social conditions.

## Extradition of Turkish Rulers

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 11.—Turkey has demanded the extradition of Talaat Pasha, former Grand Vizier, an Enver Pasha, the former War Minister, as well as other members of the former Turkish Government who the semi-official News Agency at Berlin says that Enver Pasha and Talaat Pasha will not be extradited but that others charged with ordinary political crimes will be extradited. Recent despatches reported that both Enver Pasha and Talaat Pasha have been arrested in Berlin at the request of the Turkish Government.

## FOX COMPANY TO WIND UP BUSINESS

This Decision Made at Meeting of Shareholders of the Dalton Company Yesterday

A special meeting of the shareholders of the Charles Dalton Silver Black Fox Company, Ltd., was held in the Board of Trade Rooms yesterday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting was to take into consideration the sale of the Company's property and the winding up of the business.

There was a large attendance with Sir Charles Dalton in the chair. The Secretary Mr. A. B. Warburton read a report setting forth the financial condition of the Company and also the condition of the foxes and property. This report showed a financial liability of over \$10,000. It was as follows:

To the Shareholders,  
Charles Dalton Silver-Black Fox Company, Limited.  
Ladies and Gentlemen:—Your directors have called this special meeting of the Shareholders to take into consideration the sale of the Company's property, and the winding up of its business. Your directors decided upon taking this course with the utmost regret, but in their opinion it has become absolutely necessary to do so.

1 For five seasons the mother foxes have destroyed their young very few being saved, and despite every effort the management have been unable to find any means of preventing them from doing so. In consequence there have not been young foxes to sell or to replace those that were pelted.

2 Your directors have pelted all the old foxes which, they considered, were incurably addicted to the habit of killing their young, replacing them as far as possible with young ones either purchased or raised, so that the foxes owned by the Company have become reduced in numbers, the Company now owning 28 foxes or 14 pairs whereas it originally owned 40 individuals or 20 pairs.

3 For the last five years the Company has been obliged to "carry on"

with borrowed funds, upon which the annual interest charge has been considerable. This liability has from time to time been reduced by the proceeds of pelts sold, and by a two per cent. payment of a call made on the shareholders some three years ago to which there was only a limited response.

4 The present liability of the Company for money borrowed, now stands roughly as follows:

(a) Due to the Royal Bank on 1st November, 1918,	\$4,816.00
(b) Due Mr. Dalton on 30th November, 1917, as per Mr. L. B. Miller's audit	2,297.00
To this must be added one year's interest to 30th Nov., 1918	175.40
(c) Amount due Shareholders on 2 per cent. call, with interest to 30th Nov., 1917, as per same audit	2,924.00
To 1 year's interest to 30th Nov., 1918	175.40

making a rough total of \$10,551.77 Since 1st November, a payment of \$379.75 has been made to the Royal Bank, being net proceeds of one pelt sold.

Against this, however, must be set off payments of outstanding and running accounts, which are continually coming in, as well as some not yet paid or presented.

There is still one pelt from last season's output, for which returns have not yet been received, from which the net receipts will be about \$100.00.

The directors have no funds on hand or within sight to carry on the business. They have personally guaranteed the Bank payment up to the \$4800, but as the overdraft is increasing and going beyond that amount, they have felt constrained to give the Bank security on the Company's property for the said amount, which is now due, and for any further advances that may be made by it, which can only be some few hundred dollars.

Our stock of food purchased in the spring is now nearly exhausted, and it will be necessary to make a considerable expenditure for feeding the foxes during the coming year.

Unless a number of the remaining foxes, which are already too few in number, are pelted during the pelting season now at hand, there will be no funds to pay the indebtedness of the Company on the business. Unless this is done, there is no source from which funds can be derived for another year that is until the pelting season of 1919-20, except from the sale of young foxes which may or may not be pupped and saved during the coming pupping season. Experience has shown this to be a very problematic and unreliable resource.

The directors have made every effort, even pledging their own personal credit, to carry on the business, and do not feel like adding further to their personal liability. In this connection we may say that the late Dr. Conroy was one of the guarantors, and his executors desire that his estate shall be relieved from liability.

The assets of the Company consist of the ranch property, of about \$0 (Continued on page two)

## MARITIME WINTER SEED FAIR OPENS

Formal Opening Takes Place Today. Large Number of Visitors Present from Outside of Province. Interesting Meetings Held Yesterday.

The Maritime Winter Seed Fair opened in the Agricultural Hall, Summerside yesterday morning. The formal opening takes place at noon today by Hon. Murdoch McKinnon, Commissioner of Agriculture.

A large number of exhibits had been entered and the judging will commence this afternoon. It has been learned with great disappointment that the President, Rev. Father Gauthier, who always takes a prominent part in agricultural fairs, is unable to attend owing to the outbreak of influenza in his parish.

Among the visitors from outside the province are Mr. Arthur Hawkes, who is here representing the United Farmers of Ontario and sent here to talk over Farmers Problems; Mr. F. L. Fuller, Manager of the Amherst Winter Fair, Nova Scotia; Mr. S. G. Logan, of the Wool Growers Association, Amherst; Mr. T. E. Munn, District Agricultural Representative of Inverness Co., N. S.; Messrs H. S. Cunningham and S. J. Moore, both of the Department of Agriculture, Truro N. S.; G. B. Sanders, of the Agricultural Department, N. S.; E. M. Taylor and O. C. Hicks, Dept. of Agriculture Fredericton, N. B.; James Thompson, Live Stock Branch, Ottawa and a number of exhibitors from the neighboring provinces as well as from different parts of the province.

Yesterday afternoon the first farmers meeting in connection with the fair was held at which Mr. W. H. McGregor of Lot 16 presided, giving a short address in which he regretted the absence of the President. He introduced the speakers, Messrs G. E. Sanders and Arthur Hawke.

Mr. Sanders gave a very interesting talk on potato sprays and spraying and Mr. Hawke, representing the Farmers Publishing Co., Ontario spoke of the desirability of establishing a daily farmers' paper. Such papers are being published in Ontario and are of great benefit to the farmers.

The meetings for today will be as follows:  
10.30 a.m. Wool Growers of P.E.I.  
2 p.m. Canadian Seed Growers Association.  
3 p.m. Mr. W. J. Kerr, Manager Canadian Farm Products Ltd., will give an address.  
8 p.m. Public meeting.—L.

## LUXEMBURG GOVERNOR ARRESTED BY FRENCH

(Special to the Guardian)  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION, Dec. 11.—Gen. Von Tesma who, for four years was the German military Governor of Luxembourg, has been arrested and turned over to the French authorities in Metz.

## New Socialist Army Organized in Germany

(Special to the Guardian)  
BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Chancellor Ebert has decided to form a Socialist army to offset the forces of the Spartacus group.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

\*\*Come to the fancy work sale Thursday afternoon and evening in Hearts Memorial Hall in aid of Mission Circle. Admission 5 cents. 2624-12-12M11p.

## U. S. BREWERS GOING TO CHINA

(Special to the Guardian)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 11.—A general exodus of brewing capital from the United States to the Orient was presented in a statement by Ralph Samet President of the California State Brewers Association and which today ended its annual meeting. "We are looking to China as the best place to go" said Mr. Samet, "I am leaving in a few days for that country to arrange for the construction of a two million dollar plant for the Rainier Brewing Company. Others Breweries are making similar arrangement.

## THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—East and south-east winds, probably increasing to gales, with snow or rain.  
The tide will be high this afternoon at 5.05 and tomorrow at 5.57; tomorrow morning at 5.56 and Saturday at 7.12.  
Sun sets this afternoon and tomorrow at 4.42; rises tomorrow morning at 7.42 and Saturday at 7.43.  
Moon sets tomorrow morning at 2.45.  
First quarter of moon on Tuesday Dec. 10th at 9.21 p. m.  
Full moon Tuesday, Dec. 17th 2.18  
Length of today night hours 58 minutes.



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