

FOOD CONTROLLER HANNA ISSUES A STATEMENT

Middlemen an Obstacle to the Adoption of a Drastic Policy---Many People Under a Misconception as to the Powers of the Food Controller--The Main Factors Which Govern the Price of Food.

Ottawa, Sept. 25. — An excessive number of middlemen is the greatest obstacle to the reduction of prices and under present conditions the adoption of a drastic policy of arbitrary price cutting would mean "temporary ruin to every city and town in the country" according to a statement tonight by Hon. W. J. Hanna, food controller, in an interview with the Canadian Press Limited. The statement was made following the return of the food controller to Ottawa after a study of the situation extending over a period of several weeks and after a conference with Mr. Hoover at Washington.

"I find," said Mr. Hanna, "and the gentlemen who so ably, earnestly and disinterestedly are assisting me find, that very grave and mischievous misconceptions of the duties and powers of the food controller exist in the minds of a number of Canadians. This number is not large and I had hoped that with the passage of time most of the misconceptions to which I refer might of themselves have been cleared away. Since, however, they persist and appear at times even to be fostered by writers who have perhaps been too busy to give sufficient thought to the problems they discuss, it is my

VICE-REGAL PARTY AT COBALT

Cobalt, Ont., Sept. 25.—His Excellency the Governor General, accompanied by Her Excellency, their three daughters and Lord Charles Cavendish, their son, Lieut. Col. Henderson and two aides, arrived here by special train yesterday. During the afternoon the party visited mining properties. A public reception was given in the town hall last night. Today the party is on its way north to Porcupine and Cochrane.

duty to the public to make the following statement:

"Unless the consumers in the cities of Canada consider their willingness to face a complete disruption of all trades, a total breakdown of real estate values and the utter demoralization of labor conditions in the cities, the food controller cannot possibly accede to the demand made in some quarters to 'cut prices down,' to 'sell food at cost' or, as it is otherwise expressed, to 'do away with the middleman.' Such goals may be partially achieved. How much or how little can be done will be made known to the public from time to time as I find necessary. But, however great may be the hardship of present food prices, however popular would be the movement to have the government sell fish or any other commodity at cost, however overburdened Canada may be with the class known as middlemen—radical measures cannot be promised except upon such terms as I have just indicated.

Why Prices Soar.

"I must remind those Canadians, who perhaps are unaware of the facts, that seven main factors may be said to govern the present prices of food.

First — The disproportion between demand and supply, consumption and production. Food cannot be cheap while there is such a growing disparity between the number of producers and the number of consumers.

Second — Unrestrained competition between great foreign buyers of food-stuffs in our markets.

Third—Unequal distribution of the

KITCHENER'S INDIAN STAFF HAVE ALL GONE

London, Sept. 26.—Brigadier General F. A. Maxwell, V. C., D. S. O., a member of the late Earl Kitchener's Indian staff, has been killed in action, according to a report in the Express. With the exception of Lieut. General W. R. Birdwood, says the Express, it is a remarkable fact that all of Earl Kitchener's Indian staff have lost their lives in this war.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Warroad, Minn., Sept. 25.—Serious forest fires are raging throughout the northern part of Minnesota, and already great damage has been caused.

available supplies, surplus production in one province being unavailable in provinces in which were shortages.

Fourth—The food speculator.
Fifth—The greedy middleman.
Sixth—The supernumerary, unnecessary, and inefficient middleman.
Seventh—The waster.

The Remedies.

"The first of these is a world condition and can scarcely be affected by the efforts of one food controller in a short period of time. The second has been corrected by the creation of central buying offices for the Entente Powers. The third is being overcome by close co-operation with the railway companies. The fourth is vigilantly guarded against, the fifth is being checked as rapidly as our committees and staff can gather correct information as to costs and remedies and penalties. The seventh we are hoping to eliminate by appeal and by educating. But the sixth, the supernumerary, unnecessary and inefficient middleman, whose presence in the community is one of the most serious economic wastes of the day, whose low standards of efficiency set the standards of the whole community — is beyond any but the mildest powers of the food controller. This, one of the most serious aggravations of the high price situation, cannot be removed without precipitating disaster upon the whole country."

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"All those certain lots of land and premises situate and being in the Parish of Kingsclear in the County of York aforesaid and distinguished as lots Number 11 and 12 on the plan of sub-divisions of the tract of land known as the McNally property, which said plan was made by A. E. Hanson, deputy land surveyor, dated the fourth day of January, A. D. 1913, filed in the office of the Registrar of Deeds, in and for the County of York, bearing official number 41 and being a portion of the property deeded by the New Brunswick and British Colonization Company, Limited, to the said J. Frederick Ryan by deed dated May 26th, 1913, recorded in York County records in Book W-6, p. 21. For terms of sale and further particulars apply to solicitors for the plaintiff or the undersigned sheriff.

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ahead was she from the nearest competitor.

Early Dreams, winner of the Hoster Columbus stake last week, repeated today in the Buckeye 2:12 trot, purse \$5,000 and reduced the mark for that stake from 2:05¼ to 2:04¼.

The Savoy, favored to capture the Board of Trade 2:06, \$3,000, dropped the first heat to Colleen before he squared away and won as he pleased.

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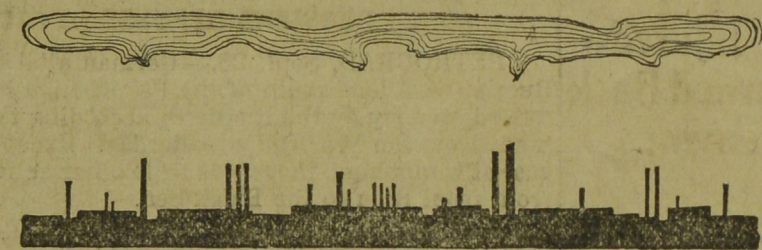
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