

TORONTO MERCHANTS WANT SALE OF BAD EGGS STOPPED

Minister of Justice Has Been Asked to
Take Action---Sale of Bad Eggs a
Factor in Increasing the Cost of Living
---A Practice Widely Extended.

(Toronto Globe)

"We, the undersigned of the produce section of the Toronto Board of Trade, respectfully ask your assistance in procuring the necessary legislation to have the sale of rotten eggs prohibited. We would be pleased to have an opportunity to meet you in conjunction with the members of the Montreal Board of Trade and explain our views on this question."

SENT ON TO OTTAWA

The foregoing petition to the Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, was forwarded to him at Ottawa last night. It is signed by the following: The McLean Produce Co.; Willard & Co., Limited; J. J. Fee; Gunns, Limited; Wm. Ryan & Co.; Fisher Produce Co.; Morley & Ewing; W. T. McDonald & Co.; White & Co.; Park-Blackwell Co.; Wm. Davies Co.

The petition is an interesting outcome of an evil which has been undermining the wholesale trade in eggs for a number of years. After weeks of investigation, Mr. Wm. Madden, Secretary of the produce section of the local Board of Trade, has secured evidence from many parts of Ontario to support the representation of grievances which has been sent to the Minister of Agriculture.

SUPPORT FROM OTHER CITIES

Besides the names of the Toronto firms attached to the petition, expressions of sympathy with the movement, accompanied by statements of actual losses, have been received from outside dealers who have suffered from the very large proportion of rotten eggs in the deliveries from the farmer and country merchant.

In the presentation of their case to Hon. Sydney Fisher the Toronto wholesale men will also be supported by the Montreal Board of Trade with

which Mr. Madden has been co-operating, and by Professor Elford of Macdonald College, Montreal, and by Professor Graham of Guelph, both of whom have been active in promoting the cause of purer food production on the farms of this Province.

OF INTEREST TO THE CONSUMER

Important as the results of this investigation into the delivery of bad eggs will be to the wholesale trade, more vital still will any reform that may be effected be to the average consumer in the towns and cities. Amongst the data collected by Mr. Madden one letter showed a loss to the writer during the past season of \$2,500 and another of over 60,000 dozen eggs through the carelessness of the persons who delivered them. Such a heavy "shrinkage" in receipts means a loss to the wholesale house, where all eggs are graded into "delects," "splits," "stale" eggs and "black rats." If, as has been often the case during the past summer, there is a "shrinkage" of twenty-five per cent. in a shipment of eggs to the wholesaler, leaving only seventy-five per cent. to return him a profit on his investment, the ultimate price to the consumer must be sufficiently high to secure the different agents in the trade against loss. This means that the householder is paying for rotten eggs, which are not even put at his disposal.

BAD PRACTICE WIDELY EXTENDED

It is more or less impossible to prevent a certain proportion of a shipment of eggs from turning bad, especially in hot weather, but it is against the deliberate sale of diseased produce from the country that the efforts of the wholesale dealers are being directed. The bad practice has always been in operation to a

greater or less degree, but so widely has it extended during the season that has just ended that the Ontario egg trade is generally indignant and is determined to find a remedy in a more rigid enforcement of the pure food law, which now relates mainly to manufactured goods, and not to natural products. The successful operation of a pure food law in several of the States across the border is cited as a good example for this country. In Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, and other eastern States it is made a criminal offence to circulate on the market such impure food products as rotten eggs.

THE PRICE OF EGGS

With the season for fresh produce practically at an end, and with the returning thought of cold-storage supplies for the next six months, the agitation taken up by the local Board of Trade comes as a sort of revival that phantom, the high cost of living, which was chased to death a few months ago by financiers, politicians and economists' the world over. A glance at the daily market quotations will show that prices of eggs in Toronto are already on the way upward to those lofty heights which have been reached in the last couple of winters. A year ago, when restless portions of the consuming public organized anti-meat leagues in a vain endeavor to depress prices, it was found that eggs as a substitute from three cents in five each were about the dearest morsel in the entire list of provisions.

THEORY AND FACT

In searching about for causes of this high market many reasons were attributed. Some said that grain was so expensive that farmers would not feed it, while others explained that because meats were so costly it was more profitable to sell poultry than to keep hens for laying eggs. Another lot of economists accused packers and cold-storage operators of cornering the egg market and exacting a monopolist's prices. All of these theories are interesting now in the light which shall be thrown upon the subject by the investigation into the alleged wholesale delivery of rotten eggs. Whether or not the regulation by law of egg deliveries would exercise more care in the inspection of their consignments. There is no justified reason why eggs in Toronto at the present time should be from ten cents to twelve cents per dozen dearer than in country towns not a hundred miles distant.

If a child's hair will not lie straight do not wet the brush. Rather put a few drops of some hair oil on the hair and brush it well.

"HIGHER UPS" IN SMUGGLING SCHEME UNDER ARREST

Bisbee, Ariz., Oct. 8.—Mexican officers at Cananum made wholesale arrests of merchants at that place yesterday, charging them with being the "higher-ups" in a gigantic smuggling scheme. The arrests are the result of the capture of N. D. Mavacette, a Mexican residing in Mace, who was kidnapped from his home last Saturday night and hustled across the border. His detention is now being investigated by the state department. The Cananea merchants, according to the Mexicans employed a crew of men to smuggle merchandise from the United States into Mexico. The defendants are among the town's wealthiest and most prominent residents.

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MARY DOLAN AND McNULTY TO ESCAPE GALLOWS

Toronto, Oct. 7.—It is understood that it is not the intention of the Crown to press for the carrying out of the death penalty in the cases of Mary Dolan and Thomas McNulty, sentenced at Barrie to be hanged on December 14 for the murder of their illegitimate child.

Mr. George Tate Blackstock, K. C. Crown counsel at the trial, was at the Parliament Buildings yesterday afternoon in conference with Sir James Whitney and Hon. J. F. Joy, the Attorney-General. While Mr. Blackstock, when interviewed by the Globe declined to discuss the character or object of his mission, he intimated in response to a query, that the death penalty on the two prisoners would probably be commuted.

"The matter," said he, "is now solely in the hands of the Minister of Justice, who recommends executive clemency or otherwise. The unfortunate pair have been convicted following fair trial.

"It is unlikely, however that the Crown will urge the carrying out of the death penalty in either case. In the case of the unfortunate girl, his Lordship, in passing sentence, expressed his intention of joining in the jury's recommendation of mercy. In the case of the man while conviction was to be desired in the interests of justice, and however much we may believe the evidence which convicted it is perhaps a dangerous precedent to impose capital punishment in a case where conviction was obtained on the unsupported evidence of an accomplice. The man was convicted on the girl's absolute statement that he had written her a letter, unfortunately destroyed, urging her to do the murder.

"While the Crown concurs in the finding of the jury that the letter was written and received, it would be without precedent to impose the death penalty on the unsupported evidence of an accomplice."

Mr. Blackstock declined to make any statement as to whether the Attorney-General or Minister of Justice was taking action in the matter.

McNulty's case is unique in many respects. In it, for the first time on record, a father of an illegitimate child was convicted of counselling the death of his offspring. Moreover, it is peculiar that McNulty never saw the infant he is convicted of murdering.

If water is to be used for cooking purposes always start with a fresh supply of cold water when you are about to set the kettle on the stove.

Dress goods and laces should not be measured with a tape line as it stretches the material. A yard stick is indispensable in every sewing room.

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No. 317—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 6.15.
No. 321—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 11.15.
No. 323—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 16.20.
No. 301—Express for Loggieville, Chatham, Campbellton, Quebec, Montreal, etc., 18.30.
No. 327—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 18.40.
No. 329—Suburban for Gibson and Marysville, 22.00.

ARRIVALS

No. 306—Suburban from Marysville 7.45.
No. 302—Express from Loggieville, Chatham Junction 11.25.
No. 308—Suburban from Marysville 13.30.
No. 304—Mixed from Loggieville and Chatham Junction, 16.00.
No. 310—Suburban from Marysville 19.15.
No. 316—Suburban from Marysville 21.55.

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6:20 a. m.—Express for St. John, Portland, Boston, Woodstock, etc.
8:15 a. m.—Mixed for Woodstock and points North. Leaves St. Marys at 8:35.
9:45 a. m.—Express for St. John and points east.
4:30 p. m.—Mixed for Woodstock, via Gibson branch. (Daily.)
5:45 p. m.—Express for Montreal, and Boston, Woodstock, St. Stephen, etc.
9:00 p. m.—Express for St. John and points east.

ARRIVALS.

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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Public Building, St. John Harbour, N. B." will be received at this office until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 1910 for the construction of Warehouse No. 7 and the extension of Warehouse No. 6.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department, on application to Mr. J. K. Scammell, Esq., District Engineer, St. John, N.B., and Geoffrey Stead, Esq., District Engineer Chatham, N.B.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works for the sum of three thousand (\$3,000.00), dollars which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, September 23, 1910.
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The hen returned to her nest only to find it empty. "Very funny," she said, "I can never find things where I lay them."

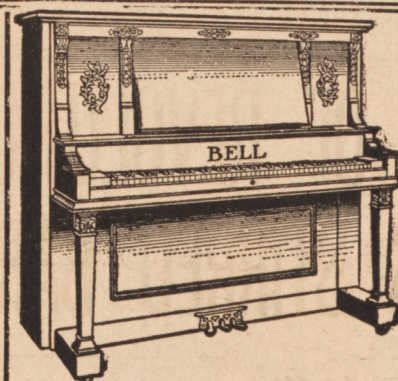
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Plans, specifications and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department, on application to Mr. D. H. Waterbury, Supt. of Public Buildings, Public Works Department, St. John, N. B., and at the Post Office at Hartland.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

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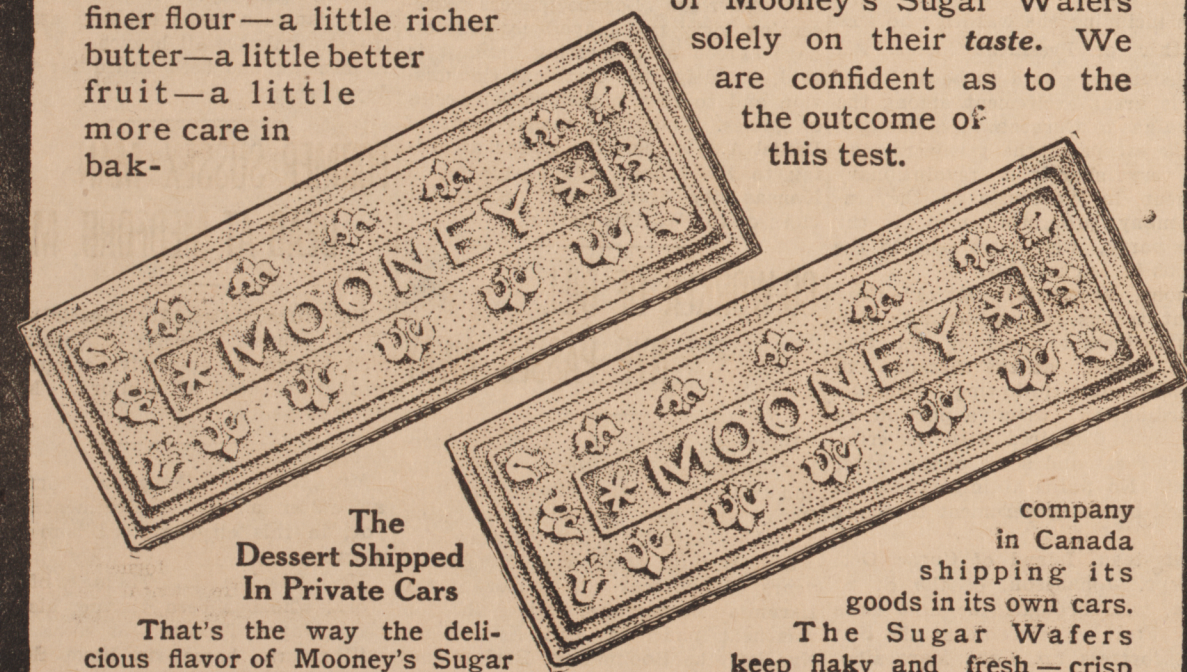
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