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TUESDAY	6,680
WEDNESDAY	6,625
THURSDAY	6,623
FRIDAY	6,613
SATURDAY	7,029

TOTAL 40,242

Daily Average 6,707

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SOME OF THE RESULTS

The Telegraph's New York correspondent wires that as a result of the Chicago revelations Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture will doubtless be invited to retire, as President Roosevelt charges him with failure to do his duty, and is determined to re-organize the whole department.

A London cable states that as a result of the publication of the Neill-Reynolds report on the conditions and methods in the packing houses, the trade in American canned goods, especially meats, has fallen to almost nothing, and there is a general outcry against these goods.

A cable from Berlin states that one of the German newspapers advocates prohibition of the importation of American prepared foods, and other papers denounce the Chicago meat trade.

It is alleged that the British government in placing contracts for army and navy supplies now stipulates that colonial meats must be furnished.

In the city of Chicago itself, the people have turned largely to a diet of fish, eggs and vegetables.

The packers are naturally alarmed and "have inserted in all of the daily papers of Chicago a full page advertisement, inviting the general public to visit their plants, and by means of a personal inspection obtain satisfaction as to the purity and wholesomeness of the packers' products and as to the cleanliness and sanitary conditions of the buildings."

The invitation comes too late to overcome the prejudice that has been aroused, and it will be a long time before public confidence is restored and the trade regains its former proportions.

It is unfortunate that such a condition of trade should have developed, but publicity was the only remedy, and the packers have themselves to blame. The most unfortunate fact is that the live stock industry must also suffer, and the trade in canned goods generally. But if all this were necessary to ensure a house-cleaning it is better that it should come in a time of general prosperity than during a period of depression.

It is noted that Toronto meat packers are not in favor of inspection. They point to the fact that the Chicago conditions existed under inspection, and assert that their own desire to extend trade is the best guarantee of purity. The man who presents this argument must smile to himself as he goes so. The Chicago packers were as eager as men could be to extend trade, and the government inspection was in no sense thorough.

ENCOURAGING ANARCHY

President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, has attacked the press and changed it with undermining confidence, and being in league with designing politicians bidding for popular support by assailing vested interests. Mr. Cassatt's railroad has lately been under investigation, and some very striking facts have been brought to light in relation to its methods of dealing with the public. The Wall Street Journal replies to the president in language that strikes home. If the heads of all the great corporations are wise they will consider carefully these statements by so influential a newspaper as the Wall Street Journal.

"The corporations, that is to say, many of them, have been guilty of great wrongs in their dealings with the public. Law has been violated and acts of unfairness, dishonesty and oppression have been committed to such an extent that public opinion has at length been aroused to a point where it has demanded, and is compelling, immediate reform. The politicians and the press, true to their mission of interpreting and enforcing public opinion, have put themselves in line with this anti-corruption sentiment. But many of the politicians and many of the newspapers have gone much farther than this and have played upon this anti-corruption sentiment for demagogic and commercial purposes. In a truly anarchistic spirit they have attacked vested interests as represented by the corporations indiscriminately and with vehemence. Without regard to the destructive nature of their criticism, many of the politicians have attacked the corporations simply for the purpose of attaining popularity and power thereby, while many of the newspapers have taken the same course in order to increase their circulation, their profits and their power.

"Of this Mr. Cassatt has certainly good reason to complain. It is, however, natural that as president of a great corporation he should confuse two points of view. It is probably difficult for him to distin-

guish between the politician and the editor, who are truly endeavoring to interpret and enforce a sound public opinion that is moving for reform of real corporation abuses, and the demagogic and socialistic attacks of politicians and newspapers who are endeavoring to feather their own nests by attacking vested interests indiscriminately without regard to truth or consequences. These two things are going on at the same time, and it is exceedingly difficult for the conscientious editor to keep himself free from criticism that is destructive and unfair, and at the same time to keep in line with that criticism which works for better things.

"As between journalism which apologizes for and defends the corporations, whatever they may do, holding, as it were, to 'the divine right' of finance to work out its own pleasure regardless of law and justice, and that journalism which with a reckless disregard to consequences seeks only its own profit and popularity, by attacking the corporations indiscriminately, the latter is probably the less dangerous. Nothing will work more injury to American political and economic institutions than wrong committed by the corporations themselves. Nothing works more surely for socialism than the anarchistic spirit which has prevailed in the administration of many of our great business enterprises. One big corporation working wrong by methods of unfair competition and political corruption does more to aid the socialistic propaganda than all the rabid utterances of yellow journalism, bad as yellow journalism is.

"The true duty of the press is to keep in touch with progress and reform and the higher ethical standards, fearlessly attacking all abuses which may be revealed in the conduct of politics and business, and at the same time standing steadfast for our American institutions, holding to the right of property and of individual liberty and the inviolability of contract, believing that these things are the greatest safeguards for that civilization which has made the world what it is today, so safe and pleasant a place to live in."

In parliament yesterday members on both sides had something to say about a type of Canadian journalism that is not creditable to the country. Mr. Foster, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Borden, Mr. Fielding and others were able to point out that they had been made the subject of unfair attack in the course of party warfare. The fault does not lie wholly with either party. There are journalists on both sides who sometimes go beyond the bounds of legitimate attack and make charges and attribute motives that are not justified. As a matter of fact, however, these attacks do not count for much. The people of Canada are sufficiently intelligent to form their own conclusions.

The more the citizens look into the question of public playgrounds and realize what it means to have thousands of little ones turned loose for the holiday season with only the streets and alleys as a playground, the more willing they will be to assist in a movement that will in time provide supervised playgrounds for all the little ones.

A party of women journalists left Montreal yesterday for a tour of the west, going as far as the Rockies. That is to say, they intend to go as far as the Rockies. But wives are wanted in the west, and we may hear of this party of clever and attractive females being held up on the prairies and invited to marry. In any case they will be able to write very interesting letters to the newspapers.

Hon. Mr. Hyman writes that he recognizes the importance of the work of constructing the new steamship berths at St. John, and expresses the hope that the government may be able to meet the views of the city in connection therewith. This is a hopeful indication and will encourage the city council to deal vigorously with the work in hand.

The presentation to Rev. Dr. Trotter yesterday was a fitting recognition of eminent services to Acadia University, in the forward movements that have so greatly strengthened its financial position and its equipment as an educational institution.

The announcement that the C. P. R. will enlarge its head offices and terminals in Montreal about four-fold is an indication of the rapid and immense growth of railway traffic in Canada, especially in the upper provinces and the west.

If the Liberals and Conservatives of Halifax agree to conduct the provincial campaign without the use of money or undue influence they will set a healthy example to the rest of the country.

Indications suggest that tariff revision will be a factor in the next campaign in quite a number of the American states. Massachusetts will, of course, be one of them.

In taking a large party of citizens over the waterworks extension, Mayor Sears is manifesting a public spirit that will be appreciated.

Considerable space is given in the press to an expression of the views of senators on senate reform. The senators have plenty of time to devote to this subject.

More New Brunswick people are moving westward, but we do not as yet hear of any new settlers to take their places in this province.

This is the season when the confirmed bachelor goes about with an expression of cynical enjoyment on his face.

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HIS PROTEST

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Geel! I wish that I could stay. Somewhere I could run about. Play 'most any kind of play. Kneel an' roll an' wacop an' shout. Fight, turn somersets an' climb—An'th' end of this flat. Some one saying all the time, "Don't do this!" and "Don't do that!"

IN LIGHTER VEIN

HIS TROUBLED IDEA.

"What do you do when trouble strikes you?" "Shout halloo!" "Does that scare him off?" "Yes; he thinks I'm so happy, he takes to the woods!"—Atlanta Constitution.

GOING TO.

"He did not leave her very well provided for." "Then she'll have to husband her resources."

"I guess she's going to; she's been seen out with young Simkins several times."—Houston Post.

THE EASIER COURSE.

"Madam, I must request you to remove your hat," remarked the polite theatre usher. The lady smiled grimly. "Does my hat annoy the little man behind me?" "Yes, madam." "Then you'll find it much easier to remove him."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

NOT QUITE SATISFACTORY.

"Of course I have nothing but a small salary," said the young man, "but if you will marry me I will insure my life for \$25,000, which, in case of my death, if invested in five per cent. securities, will give you enough to live comfortably." "Yes, that's right," rejoined the girl in the case, "but suppose that you don't die right away, then what?"—Chicago News.

JUMPING AT A CONCLUSION.

"Father," asked the small boy, "what is a misanthrope?" "A misanthrope, my son, is one who goes through the world looking upon other men with distrust and as creatures who have no object except to make his life a burden." "I know," answered the small boy. "You mean a street car conductor."—Washington Star.

GREAT SAVING.

"Science tells us," said the son who had been to college, "that man expels a great deal of carbon when he breathes. In other words, he expels over six tons of coal in a lifetime." "Well, I'll be blowed!" replied the practical father in astonishment. "Hereafter I am going to breathe in a coal scuttle. Why, six tons of coal is enough to last me through a whole winter."—Chicago News.

IN THE BEGINNING.

"Yours is certainly an unusual case," said the lawyer, "and will be necessary to consult a number of books." "So?" queried the client. "Yes," answered the legal lion, "and we will begin with your pocket-book."—Columbus Dispatch.

DR. FALCONER IS MODERATOR

Pictou Clergyman the Unanimous Choice of Presbyterian General Assembly.

LONDON, Ont., June 6.—The thirty-second General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada opened tonight. At the opening service Rev. Dr. Armstrong, the retiring moderator, preached on the "Church's Relation to and Duty to Her Children." He dealt with the importance of the Christian parentage from the baptism of the child to the general religious training of the family.

The assembly was then constituted by the preached and the election of a new moderator was taken up. Dr. Scott, editor of the Record, then moved that Dr. A. Falconer, of Pictou, N. S., be elected. He claimed that the old routine of having a man from the east in the chair, once in four years should prevail. It is seven years now since the honor fell to the maritime synod. But he claimed for the honor mainly because of the grand service to the church. It was seconded by President Forest.

Dr. Fraser, of Owen Sound, moved that Dr. Somerville be chosen, seconded by Principal Macdonald, of the Normal School, London. The latter gracefully declined and Dr. Falconer was chosen unanimously.

Revs. Dr. A. A. Graham, D. Macdonald, James Ross, A. H. Foster, L. A. McLean, J. J. McCaskill, W. M. Townsend, and Messrs. Whitaker, Jack, together with Judge Forbes, are here as representatives from cities of New Brunswick and other counties. They were joined by strong forces from Nova Scotia and P. E. Island at Montreal.

TO PUNISH NEWSPAPERMEN

OTTAWA, June 6.—Hon. George E. Foster, in the house tonight, complained of articles in La Presse attacking him, and moved that the author, Mr. Cinq-mars, be called before the bar of the house and disciplined.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier questioned the wisdom of the proceeding, and referred to attacks made against himself.

After some discussion the motion passed.

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