

GOOD NEWS FOR
THE HOUSEWIFE

The Price of Meats May
Reach Lower
Level Soon

BEEF HOLDS FIRM

This Year's Fruit Crop Prom-
ises to Be More Plentiful
Than Usual But There Will
be Little Change in Prices.

Although little or no change is predicted in the price of beef—particularly the higher grades; there is some indication that there will be a decline in the figures on other meats. Vegetables will be cheaper, especially potatoes, and fruit will, from present prices, be pretty plentiful.

A local meat dealer said today that real good beef would very likely be high in price, but grass cattle would probably be cheaper. Good beef wholesales at present at from 8 to 10 1/2 cents, and there is little indication of these figures moving downward. Prices differ considerably from those of last year. For instance, beef that in July 1906 could be had alive at 4 1/2 and 5 cents, today commands 6 cents, and stock which sold then at 6 to 7 cents, today brings from 10 to 10 1/2 cents. The same dealer referring to the present high prices on beef, said that cattle should be cheaper, but for one thing there were none in our own province. Veal prices are also stiffer now than last season, and veal brings from 9 to 10 cents by the carcass, where it brought from 6 to 8 last year. Mutton sold from 5 to 7 last year, but commands from 6 to 8 this season.

Potatoes are also high just now, and bring about twenty per cent more than last year. Old potatoes are worth \$1.75 a barrel, and new goods \$1.75 a bushel. A local commission man who has just returned from Woodstock, says that the farmers in Carleton county are putting in large quantities of potatoes this season, many of them having planted all the way from five to forty and fifty acres.

New vegetables are coming in in pretty large quantities and the prices do not vary a great deal from those of last season. Carrots retail at 6 cents a bunch, turnips from 8 to 10; beets, 8 to 10; peas, 50c. a peck. Native squash and beans have not yet been placed on the market.

This year's fruit crop promises to be much more plentiful than usual, and as a result prices will be within reach of almost everybody.

E. A. Goodwin says that in Ontario the preserving fruits, such as grapes, plums and peaches will be very plentiful but no figures are available at the present moment. California fruit will, however, be scarce and high and from present indications the prices will be about 20 per cent in advance of this time last year. Tomatoes will also be more expensive, and oranges of all kinds will cost in the vicinity of 15 cents more than this time last year. The figures on strawberries are much the same now as they were a year ago, but the "cheap week" has passed and some advance may be expected from now until the season closes. The fact that growers are shipping largely to the United States has a tendency to keep the prices high in the local market.

WESTFIELD TO HAVE
MOTOR BOAT RACES

At a meeting of the executive committee of the association held Friday, a cup offered by Canadian Gas Powers and Launches, Ltd., for a series of motor boat races, was accepted, and arrangements made for the races, the first of which is to be held on the I. off Westfield wharf, on Wednesday evening, July 24th, at seven o'clock. These will be handicap races, and as there are eight power boats enrolled with the association, the races should develop much interest.

There are no races today at Westfield the boating community turning out with sweeps and gurneys to assist George Warwick in endeavoring to raise the Lallah Rookh, which sank last Saturday. The next Dunn-Rothwell cup race for salmon boats, takes place on the 27th inst.

The Misses Shannon, St. John, are visiting friends in Halifax.

NO ONE WOULD BLAME HIM
IF HE ALLOWED HER TO GO

MONCTON, N. B., July 20 (Special).—There was an unhappy family reunion at the Moncton depot last night. The party consisted of Jacob Zeitz, his wife, and three children. Zeitz is a tailor, and is an injured husband. He hails from Philadelphia, where he is engaged in the tailoring business. He arrived in Moncton last evening on the St. John express in search of his wife, who he alleges deserted him without cause or reason. Zeitz states that his spouse ran away from her Philadelphia home with another Jew by the name of Horovich, a junk dealer, who is supposed to be at present in Moncton. When Mrs. Zeitz left home she took with her her three young children, the youngest of which is a mere babe. The party put up at the depot last night and the children slept soundly on the floor, oblivious to all the turmoil around them or to paternal squabbles.

Zeitz claimed that Horovich had been visiting at his house in Philadelphia for two or three weeks at a time, and on his departure on the last visit, he was accompanied by Mrs. Zeitz. They were promptly followed by the enraged husband. He overtook the pair, and after some argument, the woman agreed to return home, which she did. All went on happily for

HE BROUGHT IT
ALL ON HIMSELF

This is General Opinion
Regarding Emperor
of Corea

HIS ABDICATION

Is the Best Thing That Could
Have Happened to Corea—
Emperor's Abdication Edict
is Pathetic Document.

LONDON, July 20.—Scarcely a word of sympathy is uttered by the morning papers for the deposed Emperor of Corea, who is regarded as having brought his fate upon himself by futile intriguing against the Japanese and as the Daily Graphic humorously remarks by "having taken the Hague conference too seriously."

The general opinion is that the abdication of Yi Heui is the best thing that could happen to Corea. The Daily Telegraph says: "After all, Corea by the very circumstances of her geographical position, was foredoomed to be a spoil of war and the complete Japanization of Corea can only as a matter of time, provided the dict of the last war remains unaltered." According to a Shanghai despatch Emperor Yi Heui had arranged to fly to the protection of the Russian consulate but was circumvented by the precautions taken by the Japanese.

SEOUL, Corea, July 20.—The abdication edict of the emperor is his first communication to the world since the repudiation of the convention of 1905.

A translation of the text of the edict follows.

"I have been in succession to my ancestors on the throne 44 years and have met many disturbances. I have not reached my own desire. While ministers are frequently improper men and progress is not controlled by me, the times are contrary to natural events. A crisis extremely urgent in the life of the people has arisen and the progress of the state is more than before imperilled."

"Fortunately we have a son endowed by nature with virtue, brilliant and well versed in the duties of government, to whom we transfer our inheritance, sanctioned by the customs of ancient times."

"Therefore be it known, that as soon as it is proper to be done, we will hand the affairs of the state to the crown prince as our representative."

Corea is said to make the meaning of the above an actual abdication.

While insufficient time has elapsed to show the effect of the emperor's action upon the situation, advisory opinion at the Japanese residence-general, regards the abdication as taking away the force of the convention of 1905.

TOKYO, July 20.—Reports from Seoul state that four machine guns are now at the Talian gate. Should the Korean soldiers repeat yesterday's behaviour by firing on the Japanese police, the Japanese troops will not hesitate to retaliate.

It is noteworthy that despite the press news of the abdication of the Korean emperor, the official report confirming the same, has not yet been received here.

CIVIC PAY DAY

Chamblin Sandall disbursed the semi-monthly pay roll this morning, as follows:
Official ... \$1,272.03
Public works ... 157.08
Police ... 1,280.00
Fire ... 912.50
Salvage ... 50.00
Ferry ... 583.81
Market ... 97.80
\$4,662.22

A HUGE BOULDER

The dredge Beaver still shows her ability to negotiate boulders of huge size. Yesterday her dipper raised one which is said to weigh about ninety tons. It was rolled off on the bank and is being drilled at low tide to be blown up by dynamite.

WANTED—HOUSE-KEEPER AND DIN-
HOTEL, King Square. 947-7-23WANTED—NORTH END MAN TO DRIVE
team. Apply THOS. J. PHILLIPS,
Main street. 973-23.

AN EXTRAORDINARY OLD LADY

HEAT VICTIM
IN MONTREAL

George Gauthier Died Last
Night As a Result of Heat
Prostration.

MONTREAL, July 20 (Special).—Arthur Piers, superintendent of the C. P. R. steamship lines, who has just returned from a trip to England, announces that he will leave in two weeks for Liverpool for the purpose of establishing his office. The first victim of the heat, George Gauthier, 45 years old, address unknown, was taken in an ambulance from the Quebec pier to the Notre Dame hospital yesterday, where he died twenty minutes after being admitted. He had been sitting on the wharf opposite the foot of Berri street, when he suddenly complained of feeling ill and asked someone sitting near him to run for a doctor. At the hospital he was semi-conscious, but the doctor in charge was able to make him utter his name and age.

CIVIC AFFAIRS
WARM IN SYDNEY

Sensational Meeting of Rate-
payers Held Last Night
Almost Ends in a Riot.

NORTH SYDNEY, July 20.—(Special).—Adjourned meeting of the ratepayers to vote on the question of borrowing \$25,000 for schools, streets and water, was held in the court house last evening and proved one of the most sensational ever held in this town. Mayor Hackett presided and opened in an address giving his reasons why the money should be voted.

J. A. McDonald cited the fact that the town has an overdraft of \$17,000 in the local banks and claimed that the \$25,000 was required principally to wipe out that indebtedness.

Hon. John N. Armstrong was indignant at the remarks of Mr. McDonald, who virtually accused him of defalcation. At this time the meeting became highly excited and cries for information sprang up on all sides. D. F. Pidgeon sprang a sensation by stating that J. D. Leavitt, one of the rate auditors had declared that the accounts had never been properly audited. There were questions as to why a chartered accountant had not been employed to audit the books. Mr. Hackett put a motion for voting the motion was carried.

A show of hands was demanded but the demand was ignored and the mayor declared adjourned and the room. A number of the ratepayers remained and the resolution was carried unanimously that the money was not voted and that the meeting adjourned until council appointed a chartered accountant to inspect the books. It was decided to hold an indignation meeting on July 25th.

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stone Comes From
A Remarkable
Family

She is 90 Years Old, Her
Father Was 94 and Her
Grandfather in His 100th
Year.



MRS. WM. H. REDSTONE.

The Times presents, herewith, the picture of a very interesting visitor who was in the city this week and who, while here, consented to have her picture taken for publication in this paper.

She is Mrs. William H. Redstone, of Queens-town, Queens county, and her chief claim to distinction lies in the fact that she is a nonagenarian, daughter of another nonagenarian and granddaughter of a centenarian.

It is doubtful if in any family in New Brunswick can be found a similar record of longevity extending through three generations.

Mrs. Redstone was born at Wickham, Queens county, on March 30, 1818. She is the fourth daughter of Andrew Watson, who, himself, reached the wonderful age of 94 years before he died. His wife (mother of the subject of this sketch) was 84 years old when she died, and Mrs. Redstone's grandfather was within a few weeks of the century mark when he passed away.

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A TROLLEY
ACCIDENT

One Killed and Several Hurt in
a Smash-up at Jamestown
Exposition.

NORFOLK, July 20.—In a trolley accident last night on the Ocean View Line to the exposition, just beyond Ocean View, G. Z. Adamson, of Providence, R. I., was instantly killed, Mrs. J. Green, of Norfolk, seriously injured, and several other passengers slightly hurt. The car carrying the passengers en route to Norfolk jumped the track. While the crew was working to get the car back on the rails the trolley was hit and darkness prevailed. When another car suddenly loomed up in the rear, the passengers became panic stricken and several jumped. Mr. Adamson leaped in front of a rapidly approaching car on the opposite track and was horribly mangled. Mrs. Green jumped and fell down a slight embankment. It is feared she was internally injured. Other passengers left the car hurriedly, falling and receiving minor bruises.

HEAT WAVE
IN BOSTON

One Death and a Dozen Pros-
trations Reported Yesterday

BOSTON, Mass., July 19.—The third day of the continuous high temperature and oppressive sultriness was marked today (as on each of the two preceding days) by one death and a dozen prostrations. The victim of the day was the "green-monts" old child of Mr. and Mrs. William Duffney, of Revere.

The temperature was slightly lower than yesterday, reaching but 90 degrees, while the humidity was about 89. During the day many streets in the tenement house districts were flushed by the firemen, bringing some relief.

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JAPAN BUYING
WAR BALLOONS

Ten of Them Have
Been Ordered from
Berlin.

JAPANESE LOAN

Attempt to Float One in Ger-
many Has Not Materialized
--Big Purchase of Guns
and Munitions of War.

NEW YORK, July 20.—A Berlin despatch to the Herald says: The Japanese commission of military experts sent here to order new guns and ammunition worth \$10,000,000, has also ordered ten military balloons. The firm which entered into the contract, Japan has been informed has not acquired patent rights on any of the improvements which proved so successful at the recent trials at Tegal and which the Japanese commission demands shall be utilized in the construction of the balloons ordered. A legal fight may result.

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DISCOUNT RATE
WILL BE HIGHER

Stringency in Money
Market is Cause
of Advance

ST. JOHN AFFECTED

Several Banks Have Already
Advanced Rate to Seven
per Cent and Others Will
Follow--What Managers Say

The stringency in the money market is now affecting St. John as well as the larger business centres throughout the world. Many people who have been reading about the scarcity of money in various countries have no doubt thought that this city would not be affected, but in this they were wrong, for the local banks have almost decided that the rate of discount must be increased from six to seven per cent, and it is possible that it may go even higher.

Thus, many business men who have been discounting notes or borrowing money at 6 per cent, will now be compelled to pay the higher figure. A Times man called on several of the local bank managers regarding this change, and the result was about the same, the cause for the increase being attributed to the scarcity of money; the industrial development being far ahead of the available supply of capital.

One manager said that his bank had not yet increased the rate, but he had heard some talk of it, and understood that several of the banks had already made an advance to 7 per cent. Asked as to the cause for this course being taken, he said that was a stringency in the money market that was world-wide. In Canada, it was a case of the country growing faster than the floating capital. New industries were absorbing a great deal of capital. In another bank it was stated that they had already increased the rate on money lines of business to 7 per cent. Their regular customers, business firms of standing, were still being given the 6 per cent rate, but for casual business, people who were not regular customers, the increased rate was being charged. In reply to a query as to whether there would be a further increase, the response was that it was unlikely unless there was an increase in the rate of interest paid to depositors.

In one of the banks, the newspaper man was informed that they did not discuss business with outsiders. If there was an increase it was a matter between their customers and themselves.

"We haven't increased our deposit rate yet," this gentleman volunteered, as the reporter was leaving.

"Are you likely to?" he was asked.

"Well, it is within the range of possibility and I should not be surprised if it should be done in the near future," he replied.

The next sanctum of the man whose initials on your slip of paper decide whether you are to get your money or not, to which the scribe paid a visit, made him almost gasp, for spread out on both sides