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Continued from last week.

One feature of the show which attracted a good deal of attention was a bunch of 24 range cattle from the Northwest, exhibited by the Territorial Dept. of Agriculture. These cattle were grade Shorthorns, Herefords and Galloways, and will be stabled and fed at the Agricultural College, and at Major Hood's farm at Guelph, Ontario, with a view to ascertain whether a successful business can be done by Ontario farmers in "finishing" Western cattle. Only 15% of the American range cattle are shipped direct to the market. The rest are shipped east and fed grain until they are in condition for slaughter, and that is one reason why American range cattle bring better prices than ours. In shipping our range cattle to England they are so unaccustomed to confinement that they usually reach the Old Country before they begin to eat. As they have to be slaughtered within ten days of their arrival the loss in weight and price is very heavy. It is believed by Western men that if range cattle were shipped East and sold at some central point, such as Toronto, they could be laid down at $35 to $40 per head, leaving a good margin for the Ontario farmer.

In speaking of the outbreak of the foot and mouth disease in the United States and of the necessity of protecting Canadian herds from contagious diseases Hon. Sidney Fisher drew attention to the advantages of having a dressed beef trade in live cattle. Among other things he said:—"The Americans have a dead mea trade. They have all the facilities of immense abattoirs and they can turn the stream from the live cattle to the dead meat trade in a very little time. But if there were to occur a case of contagious disease to-morrow and the markets of the Old Country should be shut against our live stock trade we have no organized dead meat trade, no abattoirs here to slaughter our animals, no facilities for the transportation of that meat if it were prepared for the Old Country market, and that would be an almost fatal blow against the live stock trade of this country. Such a thing might occur in Canada at any moment; it matters not how careful the authorities may be. Such things have occurred in the old land. I believe the day has come in Canada when the ordinary dead meat trade must be organized, must be established, so that if such an incident should occur in this country we should not be put to the enormous loss that we would to-day. We have an example of what can be done in the bacon trade of Canada. The same thing can be done in the dead beef trade. It will require the same business capacity, the same organization, the same capital that was required for the organization of the packing houses, and for the establishment of the bacon trade, the organization of an abattoir system in Canada and a transportation system to carry the meat forward. I want to call the attention of the stockmen and capitalists of this province to the problem. I am quite sure the difficulties which have hindered it up to the present time have largely disappeared One of these was a lack of market for the offal. There will soon be a market here that all the different parts of the animal can be utilized. This being the case I feel the time is now ripe for the establishment of a dead meat trade with the Old Country and that it must be brought about in the interests of the live stock of this country. Unless we take steps we are short sighted and are closing our eyes to a danger with which we are face to face.

Hon. Jno. Dryden emphasized what the Dominion Minister of Agriculture had said and added, "I hope that a year hence I shall be able to make the announcement concerning the establishment of an industry that will relieve us from the danger with which we are now confronted. Influences are even now at work which may bring this about, and it should be brought about." F.W. HODSON, Live Stock Commissioner.

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WM. SAUNDERS,
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