
FOOD STUFFS FROM CHINA

From Our Own Correspondent.

London, Nov. 25.

The British Government is importing eggs from China on a large scale. Its object is to supply the consumer with eggs below the exorbitant prices paid for them in this country all last winter. The eggs are bought at a low rate in China, arrive here in good condition, thanks to the refrigerating apparatus on the ships, but owing to the intervention of the Food Controller they are not drifting into the hands of the trader who would be able to make a large profit on them, but are being put directly on the market for the general public to benefit thereby. By this means it is possible to sell them at 3/7 a dozen or 4d. each.

Although food stuffs abound in China and could be bought at comparatively low prices, the Government, except when it is absolutely necessary, are not encouraging their importation at the present time. Rice and tea are being imported from China in small quantities, but as far as is possible tea is being brought from the Dominions. Pork is a commodity of which a certain amount was imported before the war, but this import has not been resumed.

Typhoon Protection

Hongkong, Jan. 10.

The Gazette announces the appointment of two committees, the first to consider and report on the question of making provision for the protection of life and property at the harbour during typhoon weather, and the second to inquire into and report on the question of the development of the economic resources of Hongkong.—Reuter.

Deaths of Old Residents in Japan

From Our Own Correspondent.

Kobe, Jan. 13.

Mr. N. B. Reid, one of the best known shipping men of the East, died at his residence at Dairi, near Shimonoskei, at 10.30 a.m. yesterday.

Mr. Mark Baggallay died at the International Hospital at Yokohama at noon yesterday.

READERS will regret to learn that the Rev. C. E. Darwent has been confined to the house for some days with bronchial catarrh.