

TENT CATERPILLARS DAMAGE APPLES REPORTS ON OTHER FRUIT PROSPECTS

The season for apples, according to present indications will be a very satisfactory one. There are certain sections of course where on account of local conditions the crop has been reduced, but these are in the main very small in area.

PEARS. The pear crop in Ontario will be a light one. In the southern counties the crop is reported fair, with Kieffer particularly abundant, but in eastern Ontario trees were badly winter killed and the crop, except in a few instances, will be an entire failure.

PLUMS. Plum trees blossomed well in southern Ontario, but the set was a very light one, and the crop will be below average. In the county of Lincoln, Japanese varieties appear to be almost an entire failure, and even the European sorts are reported light.

PEACHES. So far as Ontario is concerned the reports remain practically the same as those which were published a month ago. With the exception of the Essex Peninsula, and a slight scattering in Lambton County, the peach crop in Ontario is a total failure.

TOMATOES. In Western Ontario the acreage under tomatoes is unquestionably the largest for many years. As a direct consequence of the peach crop failure, a number of growers planted tomatoes, presuming that the profits to be derived from them would offset the loss sustained through the failure of the peach crop.

CHERRIES. An abundant crop of all varieties of cherries is reported from the Niagara district and from the southern and western counties of Ontario. In the counties of Norfolk, Peel and Wentworth, the reports indicate that the sweet varieties will yield only a light crop, but the report is extremely good for all other varieties.

GRAPES. The grape crop is one upon which growers are generally safe in relying, for it is only in very unusual cases that there is any shortage in commercial orchards.

The proud are always most provoked by pride.

DOMINION ELECTION IN THE AUTUMN ONTARIO CONTEST ONLY A FEELER

Ottawa, July 2.—A general election is likely to be held in the autumn. If the Manitoba government is returned to power on July 10th, it is understood that Premier Borden will dissolve parliament and appeal to the people.

It is understood that the Dominion Government urged the Ontario administration to bring on the election as early as possible for the purpose of testing and confirming the sentiment in Ontario. They are well satisfied with the result and feel that they can make an appeal to the Ontario electors successfully in a federal contest.

JEAN CAMPBELL LANDS BIG LONGE TIPPED SCALES AT 22 POUNDS

Little Miss Jean Campbell, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Campbell, is the champion in the art piscatorial for this district.

On Friday evening while out trawling with her grandmother, Mrs. T. McConnell, in Sturgeon Lake, little Jean felt a tug at her line, and promptly notified Mrs. McConnell. It was soon learned that a fish of unusual dimensions had been hooked by little Jean, and Mrs. McConnell proceeded to land the prize.

COUNTY ORANGEMEN IN SESSION TODAY

The semi-annual meeting of the County Orange Lodge for Victoria was held this morning in the lodge rooms in the Adams block. The usual routine business was conducted and the password for the ensuing year was received from headquarters and imparted.

FORGER DID NOT OPERATE IN LINDSAY

If the police of Columbus, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich., exercise their sights, John Stark, who was recently sentenced to spend two years in the Central Prison, faces charges in those cities of fraud and forgery. Stark was recently arrested by Detective Taylor, Toronto, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences and food and lodging in the same way.

Replies to letters sent by the local police brought the information that Stark had jumped his bail of \$7,000 in Columbus, while awaiting trial, and that the police of Detroit held a warrant for his arrest for forgery. Stark, as soon as his sentence expires in Ontario, will be held for the Detroit police.

Stark, it is understood, has relatives at Omemece and is known to many in that village. The Toronto police claimed that he was wanted in Lindsay for an offence committed, but there is nothing against him here.

FORMER LOCAL PASTOR WELCOMED

Rev. J. P. Wilson, B.A., the new pastor of the Charlotte street Methodist church, Peterboro, arrived in that city on Thursday night from Napawee and was met by the supply committee of the church. A reception was held in the school room, supper being served to Rev. Mr. Wilson and several of the officials.

EVENING TRAIN FOR HALIBURTON

Commencing Dominion Day, an important change in the Grand Trunk Lindsay-Haliburton service went into effect—a change which will be greatly appreciated by the people of the north country. The regular 11.00 a. m. train will now run through to Haliburton, and will then depart almost immediately for Lindsay, arriving here in time to make connections with the 6.23 p. m. train for Toronto.

CHEESE ALL SOLD THIS MORNING

Cheese Board met this morning at ten o'clock in the Town Hall. Seven factories were represented. Buyers Gillespie, Thompson and W. Flavelle were also present. After a number of raises the price offered reached 122 cents by Messrs Flavelle and Thompson, but Mr. Gillespie had to drop out.

Flavelles Ltd. bought Star, Dunfer, North Ops, North Harvey and Bobcaygeon, while Mr. Thompson took Maple Leaf and Red Rock. Seven hundred and thirty four cheese were sold. Star had 100, Dunfer 113, North Ops 105, Harvey 35, Bobcaygeon 154, Maple Leaf 165, Red Rock 122.

EXCELLENT SAMPLE OF FALL WHEAT

Mr. William Miller, who has been visiting at the farm of Mr. Harry Seymour, of Harvey township, north of Bobcaygeon, brought the Post on Friday a sample of this year's fall wheat grown by Mr. Seymour.

MARKET AND CROP SITUATION

The general outlook has not altered materially during the week, although there has been considerable improvement in the crop situation in Ontario, where general rains have been a great benefit in districts which were being burned up, and where the filling of the fall wheat heads has been greatly assisted as well as the growth of the spring crops.

Western reports, coupled with the killing of rust reports from the United States, have depressed wheat prices still lower, and the flour situation is very unsettled. Canada is not in line for export business in competition with the United States, where the new wheat is earlier and there is much speculation as to whether prices will hold until the new Canadian crop comes in.

The strawberry pack has been a very short one, even shorter than had been predicted, and it is stated that ten cents was paid in cases where there was keen competition, with as high as twelve cents for select stock for bottled jam trade. Peaches are now at work on the peas which have a good outlook except that there is damage reported from the Western Ontario fields, where there have been heavy rains.

Pork is somewhat firmer, but the low prices have affected lard, which is cheaper than for several years. Butter is easier and is getting down to a basis where business may be done with the States; nothing is being shipped to Western Canada. Cheese receipts rose last week, and prices go a little easier, but this appears to be the effort of English buyers to drive prices down and downward course is hardly warranted by the production, which is greatly below last year.

Raisins and currants are dearer, and shelled walnuts higher, and the markets are generally strong, with the exception of Regina, there is nothing like a significant improvement in business reported. Winnipeg sees little benefit as yet from the good crop prospects.

INJURED AT BARN RAISING

Orange Corners, Emily, July 1.—Mr. Henry Jackson who was one of the victims, hurt at Mr. A. McCall's barn raising last Thursday is gaining slowly. The doctor was called on as soon as possible. He found there were no bones broken and thought that the patient would be able to get up and about in a few days.

REAUME WILL RETIRE FROM POLITICS HON. ADAM BECK REMAINS WITH HYDRI

For the first time in many months there was a full meeting of the Ontario Cabinet yesterday. Every Minister, with or without portfolio, was present. In addition to the formal Council meeting there were many conferences, and there was a constant procession of notables into Sir James Whitney's office.

Naturally, all talk centred around the position of Hon. J. O. Reaume, and what will become of the portfolio of Public Works. Dr. Reaume was at his office all day looking after a number of things, and the general impression among the officials was that he was preparing to close up his affairs and relinquish his post.

There is a vacant Registrarship in Essex county, for which both Dr. Reaume and Mr. C. N. Anderson, defeated Conservative candidate in South Essex, are said to be applicants. Who Will Succeed Reaume? Who will succeed Dr. Reaume is in the "lap of the gods." Traditionally, the Department of Public Works goes to a follower of the Roman Catholic faith, and was so regarded by the late Government, the predecessors of Dr. Reaume in this office being Hon. Christopher Fraser, Hon. William Harty and Hon. (now Judge) F. R. Latchford.

Rumors of the retirement of Sir Adam Beck are laughed at. That Sir Adam will succeed to the Premier'ship is not now regarded as probable, as his inclinations are not in that direction. What the situation between him and Hon. W. J. Hanna is has not been disclosed. Both attended the Council meeting yesterday. Sir Adam is not a frequent visitor at the Parliament Buildings for the reason that his engagements at the Hydro-Electric Power Commission offices keep him mostly downtown. When business affecting the Hydro requires his attendance at the Parliament Buildings he is always on hand.

To Appear at New Commission. One of the first matters to be taken up by the Government is the appointment of the permanent Commission to administer the workmen's compensation act. It is generally understood that the Government has in sight the man it will invite to become Chairman of this body, and his name will be known shortly. The idea that Mr. Hanna will retire from the Cabinet and engage in this work is not taken seriously by his friends, and is regarded by those in touch with the situation as most improbable.

Another matter to be decided in due course is the selection of Speaker for the new House. In all probability the choice will go to Dr. David Jamieson of South Grey. Dr. Jamieson is one of the senior members of the Legislature, and it was a choice between him and Hon. W. H. Hoyle when the latter was selected as Speaker for the old House. Dr. Ja-

mieson has the leisure and the inclination for the office, and, irrespective of party feelings, there is little doubt that his selection would be popular.

Until the arrears of Cabinet business are disposed of there is no talk of Sir James Whitney taking a holiday. The Premier has promised himself a long rest, but the fact that he has taken exceptional care of himself during the past few months has helped towards his recovery of health that he is taking his own time in arranging about vacation. He will probably see everything we under way before he ventures to take a rest.

In connection with workmen's compensation, Mr. Hinesdale, the Washington expert, who is doing the preliminary work of organization before the permanent commission take charge, will, in a few days, be in position to report to Hon. I. B. Lucas as to the plans and steps that must be taken to carry out the provisions of the act. Mr. Hinesdale has this work well in hand, and will be able to give practical advice to the Commission upon the personnel an organization of the necessary staff when the time comes.

BOOZE WAS SOLD IN RESTAURANT

Collingwood, July 2.—Following a seizure of three bottles of ale found covered by old clothes in the cellar of the Cavour Restaurant and the laying of a charge of keeping liquor for sale against the lessee, Reginald Elliott, by the local police on Monday, Provincial Inspector Ayeers made a wholesale seizure at noon on the following day. He gathered in eighteen cases of ale in ordinary cases, some of which are said to belong to Elliott and some to Stephen Cook, who until recently was the recognized proprietor of the restaurant, and who has already been convicted for violating the liquor license act. The liquor, which is believed to have come to hand this morning, was found in the upstairs divided between the living rooms of Elliott and the rooms of Cook. The cases bear names of different people in town, and are assigned in the care of Cook.

Shortly after, Mr. Ayeers visited the Grand Trunk freight sheds, where he found men unloading a consignment of ale which he seized, and which was also addressed to residents of the town in care of different agents. The hearing of the charge against Elliott laid by the police will take place Friday morning at ten o'clock, but as yet no information has been given as to the course the Provincial Inspector will pursue.

BLACK HAND LETTER FOR COL. HUGHES

Ottawa, June 30.—Col. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia, was the recipient today through the mail of a harmless looking envelope, which however, contained a dire warning in the envelope was a black hand carefully cut to the shape and colored with ink. In the palm of the hand traced around in red were the words "Beware."

The colonel appeared little perturbed at the message of doom. "I have been shot at too many times to be scared at all," said he, and dismissed it from his mind.

COUNTY COURT HELD AT LORNEVILLE

County Police Magistrate Moo held court at Lorneville on Friday when a man was fined \$20.00 at costs for being drunk in a local o' tion centre. On another charge preferred against him, he was allowed to go on suspended sentence. His County Constable Thornbury, Licen Inspector, laid the information.