APPLE FAMINE IN ONTARIO

Fears Are Entertained that the Output Will Not Be Half the Normal Yield

That there will be an apple famine in Ontario this season is predicted in the crop report recently issued by the Provincial Department of Agriculture. According to the statements of the Government correspondents throughout the province, the apple crop will be remarkably light, and under exceptionally favorable conditions will not equal half the normal yield of the orchards. From the first of the season the apple trees have suffered greatly from early frosts and subsequent dry spells, while even in many of the sprayed orchards the scab ravages have been very bad. The tent caterpillar has also been bad in the Eastern sections, and some orchards have been greatly defoliated. The early frosts have also injured the vineyards badly, and the grape crop will be but small. The pear yield will be good, while plums and peaches will be fully up to the yield of last year.

The reports of the grain crop show that the average yield per acre is large. The grain is plump and of excellent color, and, although the unfavorable conditions prevailing in the early Spring caused some anxiety, the excellent weather following eliminated any bad effects which might have resulted. The barley, oats and spring and fall wheat yield is heavy, although the rye is said to be only fair. The grain has been free from any blight, and there are practically no complaints of smut, rust or ravages of insects. The straw, however, although clean and of good quality, is remarkably short. The pea crop will be fair, the yield in Northern Ontario being exceptionally good, while the bean yield is heavy. Corn also will have a good yield.

In the opinion of farmers the potato crop will be only fair this year. In some districts the reports show that there is practically no crop at all, while others state that the yield will be good. They will be undersized, however, owing to the midsummer drouth, but the quality will be good. The tubers have been exceptionally free from Colorado beetles. The root crops will also be fairly good, although the turnip yield will be larger than that of mangels.

CHANCES FAVOR FUGITIVE

Deportation of Thaw Directly to New York Considered Very Unlikely

A despatch from Ottawa says: The last instructions issued from the immigration Department to the officers in Sherbrooke afford a gleam of hope for Thaw, inasmuch as the officers are not directed specifically to deport Thaw at the New York State boundary. The instructions are to carry out the regulations in regard to Thaw, as they would be carried out in regard to any other man. That leaves the officials free to send Thaw back the way he came, the usual course, if they see fit. The view of the immigration authorities seems to be that while Thaw is entitled to no favors, at the same time they are not called upon to go out of their way to prejudice his chances. It is believed here that Thaw in accordance with the instructions to "carry out the law" will re-enter the United States at or near the point of his entry into Canada, and is in no danger of being taken to the New York State line.

Jerome to Act for State.

A despatch from Albany, N.Y., says: William Travers Jerome, formerly district attorney of New York City, was appointed by Attorney-General Carmody on Friday a special Deputy Attorney-General. Mr. Jerome was specially designated to represent the state in procuring the return of Harry K. Thaw to New York's jurisdiction. He was selected because of his entire familiarity with the Thaw case gained in the two murder trials and as special counsel in several attempts of Thaw to establish his sanity by legal procedure.

It is not the present intention to send Mr. Jerome to Canada, where Deputy Attorney-General Kennedy is directing the state's case, but to employ his services in procuring the extradition of Thaw from any state to which he may be deported from Canada.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

The Country's Trade Is Expanding at a Phenomenal Rate.

A despatch from Vancouver says: John Aird, Assistant General Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, arrived here on Thursday after an extensive tour of the Prairie Provinces, and said: "The business outlook throughout the Dominion is very satisfactory, and I am decidedly optimistic regarding the coming year. The volume of trade of the whole country is expanding at a phenomenal rate, and thousands of newcomers, many provided with ample capital, are flocking to the Canadian West. With a good crop almost assured, and the present situation in Europe greatly relieved, I am expecting to see a decided improvement of affairs in Canada by the beginning of 1914."

MINE TRAGEDY IN INDIA.

Fifty Men Lose Their Lives When Cage Fell.

A despatch from Bangalore, India, says: Fifty miners were killed on Friday when the cage in which they were riding in the Mysore Gold Mine fell to the bottom of the shaft.

BAD MONTREAL FIRE.

Many Employes Have Narrow Escape From Death.

A despatch from Montreal says: Driven by fire to the roof of the Rideau Shoe Manufacturing Company building in Maisonneuve on Friday afternoon, a score of employes, including half a dozen girls, were forced to jump sixty feet into life nets. Many of those who took the leap were bruised, but only one was seriously injured. The flames started from an unknown cause in the basement and quickly shot up the elevator shaft, filling the building with a blinding smoke. The building was completely gutted, entailing a loss of $125,000, fully covered by insurance.

IN CASE OF HOME RULE.

Belfast Business Men Are Insuring Their Property.

A despatch from London says: Business men in Belfast who know the real situation in the city are preparing for the worst in the event of the Home Rule Bill passing into law. They are insuring their property against damage resulting from civil war, and it is understood that the policies which have been taken out now exceed $35,000,000.

FARMERS FROM THE STATES

Two Train-Loads of Newcomers Will Purchase Farms in Canada

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Two important special trains arrived in western Canada on Thursday morning, bringing 650 farmers from the United States. The interest attached to the newcomers is the fact that they have no intention of going homesteading, but, on the other hand, they have left their native country with the idea of purchasing farms and settling down in the Canadian west. The first of these trains came in by way of North Portal, and brought 275 persons from Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and Wisconsin.

They arrived under the guidance of the C.P.R. department of natural resources, and are bound for Calgary. Some of them possess from $3,000 to $40,000, and on the whole they averaged $10,000 apiece. The second special train came through Emerson, and carried 375 homeseekers for the Lost Mountain Valley district. The members of the party hailed from Wisconsin, Iowa and Indiana. They brought with them an average of from $7,000 to $8,000 each.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Aug. 26.—Flour—Ontario wheat flours, 90 per cent., old, $4 to $4.10, Toronto and Montreal freight. Flour made of new wheat quoted at $3.60, seaboard, for September delivery. Manitobas—First patents, in jute bags, $5.40; do., seconds, $4.90; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.70.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1, on track, Bay ports; No. 2 at 99c; No. 3, 94c, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 white and red wheat, 90 to 94c, outside, and new wheat at 84 to 85c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34c, outside, and at 36 to 37c, on track, Toronto; new oats, 36 to 37c nominal. Western Canada oats, 40c for No. 2, and at 39c for No. 3, Bay ports. No. 1 feed, 39c; No. 2, do., 36c.

Peas—Nominal.

Barley—50 to 52c, outside, 55c, Toronto.

Corn—No. 3 American corn quoted nominal at 79c, c.i.f., Midland.

Rye—Nominal.

Buckwheat—Nominal.

Bran—Manitoba bran, $20 a ton, in bags, Toronto freights. Shorts, $21, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Wholesale dealers' quotations to retailers are:—

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 25c; inferior, 17 to 19c; creamery, 26 to 27c for rolls and 24 to 25c for solids.

Eggs—Case lots of new-laid, 25c; selects 26 to 27c per dozen; fresh, 20 to 21c, and seconds, 16 to 18c.

Cheese—New cheese unchanged at 13 3-4 to 14c for large, and 14 1-2c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.25 to $2.35 per bushel; primes, $1.75 to $2.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 10 1-2 to 12c per lb. for No. 1, wholesale; combs, $2.50 to $2.75 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.25 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Hens, 16 to 17c per lb.; Spring chickens, 20 to 21c; ducks, 16 to 17c; geese, 13 to 14c; turkeys, 18 to 20c.

Potatoes—Native, $1.20 to $1.25 per 90 lb. bag.

Provisions.

Bacon, long clear, 15 3-4 to 16c per lb. in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $29; do., mess, $24. Hams—Medium to light, 21 1-2 to 22c; heavy, 20 to 20 1-2c; rolls, 17c; breakfast bacon, 22c; backs, 24 to 25c.

Lard—Tierces, 14 1-4c; tubs, 14 3-4c; pails, 15c.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—New hay, $12 to $13. No. 1 at $14 to $14.50, on track, Toronto, and No. 2 at $11 to $12.

Baled straw—$8 to $8.25, on track, Toronto.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Corn, American, No. 2 yellow, 83 to 83 1-2c. Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2, 41 to 41 1-2c; Canadian Western, No. 3, 39 1-2 to 40c; extra No. 1 feed, 40 1-2 to 41c. Barley, Man. feed, 51 to 52c; malting, 62 to 64c. Buckwheat—No. 2, 58 to 60c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.60; seconds, $5.10; strong bakers', $4.90; Winter patents, choice, $5.25 to $5.50; straight rollers, $5 to $5.10; do., bags, $2.30 to $2.40. Rolled oats, barrels, $4.75; do., bags, 90 lbs., $2.25. Bran, $19. Shorts, $21. Middlings, $24. Mouillie, $26 to $32. Hay, No. 2, per ton car lots, $12 to $13. Cheese, finest westerns, 13 1-8 to 13 3-8c; finest easterns, 12 3-4 to 13c. Butter, choicest creamery, 24 to 24 1-4c.; seconds, 23 1-2 to 23 3-4c; seconds, 23 1-2 to 23 3-4c. Eggs, fresh, 29c; selected, 27c; No. 1 stock, 24c; No. 2 stock, 18 to 19c.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Aug. 26.—Cash prices:—Wheat—No. 2 Northern, 92 1-2c; No. 3 Northern, 87c; No. 4, 80c; No. 5, 72 1-2c; No. 6, 67 1-2c; feed, 60c; No. 2 tough, 84 1-2c; No. 3 tough, 82 1-2c; No. 4 tough, 75c; No. 5 tough, 65 1-2c; No. 6, 61c; feed, tough, 54c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 36c; No. 3 C.W., 35c; extra No. 1 feed, 35c; No. 1 feed, 35c; No. 2 feed, 32c. Barley—No. 3, 46c; rejected, 41c; feed, 41c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.32; No. 2 C.W., $1.29; No. 3, C.W., $1.17.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Aug. 26.—Wheat—September, 87c; December, 90 1-4c; May, 95 3-8c. Cash, No. 1 hard, 90c; No. 1 Northern, 88 to 89 1-2c; No. 2 Northern, 86 to 87 1-2c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 73 1-2 to 74 1-2c. Oats—No. 3 white, 40 to 40 3-4c. Rye, No. 2, 61 1-2 to 63c. Flour and bran, unchanged.

Duluth, Aug. 26.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 90 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 89 1-4c; No. 2 Northern, 87 1-4 to 87 3-4c; September, 88 3-4c bid; December, 90 7-8c bid; May, 90 1-8c, nominal. Close—Linseed, $1.50 1-2; September, $1.49 1-2 bid; October and November, $1.50 1-4 bid; December, $1.48 1-2.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Aug. 26.—Cattle—Choice export, $6.80; choice butchers, $6.25 to $6.40; good medium, $5.65 to $5 90; common, $4 to $5; canners, $2 to $2.50; cutters, $3 to $3.25; fat cows, $5.25 to $5.75; common cows, $3.50 to $4. Calves—Good veal, $5 to $7; choice, $8.25 to $9; common, $3 to $3.50. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 700 to 800 pounds, $4.50 to $5; extra choice heavy feeders, 900 pounds, $5 to $5.50; rough Easter, 400 to 650 pounds, $2.50 to $4.25. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $4.25 to $5 25; heavy, $3 to $3.50; bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $6.75 to $7. Hogs—$1.25 fed and watered; $9.90 f.o.b.; and $10.50 weighed off cars.

Montreal, August 26.—Cattle—Receipts, about 155; calves, 700; sheep and lambs, 800; hogs, 800. Prime beeves, none. Milch cows, $30 to $65; calves, 2 7-8c to 6c; sheep, 4c to 4 1-2c; lambs, 7c; hogs, 10 1-2c.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

King and Queen of Roumania Fired At.

A despatch from London says: Revolver shots were fired by bandits on Thursday at King Charles and Queen Elizabeth (Carmen Sylva) of Roumania as they were riding in an automobile near Sinaia, a fashionable health resort of Roumania in the Carpathian mountains, according to special despatches received here. Neither of their Majesties was injured. As soon as the bandits began firing the chauffeur of the Royal car speeded up his machine and succeeded in carrying the King and Queen to safety.

PRESENTED TO DUBLIN ZOO.

Dominion Government Sends Two Fine Buffalo.

A despatch from Montreal says: Two fine specimens of buffalo from the famous herd at Wainwright Park, which the Dominion Government has presented to the authorities of the Dublin Zoological Gardens, were shipped on board the Inishowen Head, which sailed from this port for Dublin on Wednesday.

COMMENT ON EVENTS

Nothing Wrong With Canada.

On his return from England, Sir Edmund Walker, president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, expresses himself very hopefully on the money situation, and in an interview stated that there was no need of anxiety among reputable Canadian business men engaged in ordinary business ventures of a sound nature.

"There is nothing wrong with Canada," said Sir Edmund. "The whole trouble is with the world supply of money. The production of gold has increased, but not sufficiently to keep up with the world-wide prosperity of the last few years, and the tightness in the money market is due mainly to this cause, though of course the war in the Balkans has also helped by diverting money from commercial channels. The only reason why Canada has been singled out for criticism," went on Sir Edmund, "is that she is the most prominent borrower, and therefore attracts most of the attention when capitalists begin to discriminate in making their loans. Canadian credit is not in the least injured, and interest in Canadian investments has not flagged, but investors in England are obliged to discriminate more carefully and to charge a higher rate."

Widow of Sir John A. Macdonald.

Baroness Macdonald of Earnscliffe is the only Canadian woman, almost the only British woman who holds a title in her own right. The Baroness is the widow of Sir John A. Macdonald, and was created a peeress in 1891, on the death of her husband, in consideration of his public services. She was a Miss Bernard, daughter of the late Hon. T. C. Bernard, of Jamaica. Her marriage to the Canadian statesman took place in 1867, the year of confederation. Lady Macdonald makes her home in England, but continues to take an interest in things Canadian, although she has reached the age of seventy-seven. A woman of intellectual power, Lady Macdonald in earlier years did a service to Canada by writing for the English press of the resources of the country. How many Canadians knew that the famous statesman's wife was still living?

Temperance and Insanity.

One of the speakers at the medical congress now in session in London discussed the remarkable growth of the temperance movement in Great Britain. He referred to the improved habits of army and navy officers, who are now expected to set a good example to the men under them, as well as to the enormous change among the commercial and professional classes.

Other observers, including the chancellor of the exchequer, have been calling attention to the same gratifying phenomena, and the average man, without so much as a glance at statistics, knows the statements regarding the spread of temperance to be true. It is undeniable, moreover, that the progress of temperance is not confined to England. It is world-wide.

Now intemperance is a potent cause of insanity, and there should be observable everywhere a decrease of insanity as one of the results of the gradual elimination of the drink evil. Yet, according to speakers at the medical congress, insanity is growing, and growing at an alarming rate. In England it has increased 276 per cent. since 1860, although the population has increased only 87 per cent. Is the increase largely apparent rather than real, because of better registration and diagnosis, or is it actual? If actual, what are its causes? Conditions of life have improved, and so have conditions of labor. Is it our modern pace that kills the minds of so many? Light is wanted.

The Peach-Grower's Life.

When the city man gazes upon the carmine-tinted peaches in the fruit stores, his imagination conjures a life of pleasure and ease in growing the luscious fruit. The reality is not quite so primrosey, according to one who has tried it. "The peach-grower's life is a life of anxiety. He watches the clouds, he marks the winds, he studies the thermometer, as another man might the tape from a stock-ticker. He has ploughing to do and fertilizing. He must cut back the young trees and prune the older ones. There are insidious diseases he must treat—yellows, twig blight, leaf curl, black spot. Insects dispute the possession of the orchard—bark beetle, aphis, peach tree borer and an occasional stranger with an appetite for destruction quite as strong. The price of land in the peach growing district indicates that the orchards pay. But there is one thing the peach grower will swear to by the deadliest oaths. This is that he earns his money. There are none who can readily dispute the fact."

Canada Will Exhibit.

As the Dominion Government has decided to exhibit at the Panama Pacific Exposition in San Francisco next summer it will be hoped that a really fine illustration of Canada's resources and products will be made. It is altogether a different thing for Great Britain to take part in this exhibition. The United States and Canada run parallel for over 3,000 miles and yet there are vast differences in their resources and possibilities which can only be gauged by a close comparison. While it is unfortunately impossible to illustrate Canada's resourceful climate the products of that climate may be seen. This will be a fine opportunity for the individual provinces to advertise their wares.

A Governor's Downfall.

Only a man without compassion could help being sorry for the Governor of New York State, who has been impeached, and who may indeed be threatened with criminal proceedings for falsifying the document in which he was required to account for the money spent in his election campaign. In the course of that campaign, while he was denouncing the corporations and pledging himself to the service of the people, he appears to have been speculating privately in Wall Street with money that had been given him to be used in securing his own election and that of other candidates of his party.

Governor Sulzer has been something of a demagogue, climbing to prominence as a champion of the "plain people," and as the uncompromising enemy of privilege and graft. Since attaining office he has sincerely tried to carry out the promises he made in the course of his campaign, and the reason he earned the enmity of Tammany Hall was that he did try. If he had continued to be a mere shouter for reform, and at the same time an enemy of progress, he would not now find himself at the end of his political career. He has been pursued and ruined not for his faults, but for his virtues. There is reason to believe that responsibility made a new man of Sulzer, that his solemn oath of office drove him to break with his Tammany partners, and eventually to defy them when they desired him to make improper appointments. No one should exult in his downfall, least of all the people of the State of New York, who will have lost a man who wrecked a brilliant career, though in office he tried to be true to the trust they had imposed in him.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

Many Places in Nova Scotia Are Threatened.

A despatch from Yarmouth, N. S., says: "Forest fires are raging all over this country. So dangerous is one between Forest Street and Argyle Street, near Arcadia, that men have been ordered out by the wardens with teams hauling water. Heavy fires are reported in the woods near Belleville, Lower Argyle, Wedgeport and Lake Annis."

ONE MEAN MAN.

Robbed Clergyman After He Befriended Him.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Edwin Brewer, charged with the theft of the household furniture from the home of Rev. W. B. Carswell, was arrested in Minneapolis at the request of the Winnipeg police. A short time ago Brewer poured into the minister's ears a tale of woe, which, coupled with his forlorn appearance, constrained the kindly parson to take him into his household as a friend. Brewer's gratitude was so eloquently expressed that when Carswell went on his vacation he left the house in the young man's charge. On his return he found it denuded of its more valuable furnishings, and his protege missing. The police were notified, and the furniture was traced to a local second-hand dealer named Harris. A description of the missing young man was spread, resulting in his apprehension by the Minneapolis police.

THE CROP OUTLOOK.

Reported Throughout Manitoba In Splendid Conndition.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Hon. Geo. A. Lawrence, minister of agriculture, has just returned from a trip through the south country and reports the crops throughout the country in splendid condition, with harvesting in full sway at almost every point. The crop promises to grade higher than last year. Recent storms that swept over the country were reported to have done great damage, but the damage appears to have been more imaginary than real. There is good demand for harvest help, but a steady stream of workers is pouring into the province from the east and from the British Isles.

SMALLPOX OUTBREAK.

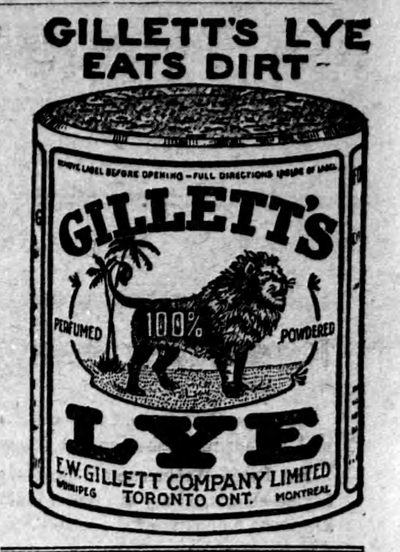
Collin's Inlet, on Georgian Bay, Is Threatened.

A despatch from Toronto says: For the second time in a month the Provincial Health authorities are concerned with an outbreak of smallpox at Collin's Inlet, on Georgian Bay. The former case was easily disposed of, but rumors of a fresh outbreak have called the district inspector again to the scene, and remedial measures are being applied at once. Lumbering is the principal industry at Collin's Inlet, and practically the entire population is supported by the mills located there.

WELCOME TO WARSHIPS.

Australians in South Africa Visit Their Fighting Ships.

A despatch from London says: A Cape Town cable says that five hundred Australians, resident in South Africa, on Friday visited the Commonwealth warships Australia and Sydney. The visitors presented Admiral Patey and crew with flags worked by Australian women living in Cape Town. Three thousand scholars have also visited the ships.



BRITISH ARMY AIRSHIP.

Towed Naval Airship Into Port With Machinery Disabled.

A despatch from London says: The novel sight of an airship towing her disabled companion was witnessed at Aldershot on Wednesday afternoon. The British army airship Eta and a naval airship were out manoeuvring when the machinery in the latter vessel became disabled. The Eta attached a hawser to the other dirigible and towed her to the factory for repairs.

NEW GOLD FIELD.

In Kilo, in the Belgian Congo, South Africa.

A despatch from Johannesburg says: The newspapers have given prominence to authoritative accounts of the recent discovery of a gold field in Kilo, in the Belgian Congo. Some of the reefs are said to yield 70 per cent. gold, and it is declared that the Rand will have to take a back seat.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen,

the former Provisional President of China, is now a fugitive in Formosa, following the collapse of the Canton rebellion against the Government. He was the foremost figure in establishing republican government in China.

FARM LABORERS SCARCE

There Are Not Many Experienced Hands Responding to the Call of the West

A despatch from Toronto says: Although the railways have spent a small fortune in their efforts to secure sufficient laborers to harvest the Western grain crops the outlook at present is that there will be another shortage of farm hands. Mr. M. G. Murphy, district passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who is in charge of the Ontario arrangements, is of the opinion that the number of harvesters to go West this year will not equal that of last season.

"The labor question is always a peculiar one," says Mr. Murphy, "and it is difficult to secure any definite figures. Although the harvester excursions run to date have been exceptionally large, there is every indication that we will have difficulty in securing men. There has been a scarcity of farm labor all over the province during the summer, and that in itself is not promising for the West. The Canadian Pacific Railway has spared no expense in advertising the excursions and the needs of the West. We have billed every post-office, station, cheese factory and creamery in the country, and sent out many circulars, but it would appear that we will not secure the number of men required."

The opinion of Mr. Murphy was voiced by other railway experts in the city. The reports from the various railway agents in the country shows that there are but few inquiries made at the station as to the date of the excursions by farmers, and every day adds to the fear that there will be but a small number of experienced farm laborers leave for the West. The Canadian Pacific will run a number of special trains, and over 3,000 will travel by that line alone. It is estimated that all told over 5,000 will leave for the West.

HONEST TEA IS THE BEST POLICY

LIPTON'S TEA

LARGEST SALE IN THE WORLD