

GRAIN CROPS NOW ESTIMATED

Wheat 5 per cent. Less and Other Grains Show an Increase

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—A bulletin issued to-day by the Census and Statistics Office covers the crop conditions in Canada for the month ending September 30. It states that during this month disastrously wet weather continued to prevail over most parts of Canada, especially over the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba. At September 30 large areas of grain, both in the east and west, were still uncut or were exposed to the weather in stook. Much damage has been caused by sprouting, and in the Northwest Provinces second growth has in numerous instances caused uneven ripening, and consequent lowering of grade. Frosts during September in those Provinces did some damage, but as a rule only late sown crops, including flax, were seriously affected. In parts of southern Ontario the ground is so wet that many farmers have abandoned the sowing of fall wheat for next year.

Estimated Production of Grains. For spring wheat the estimated production, based on estimates at the end of September, is 188,816,600 bushels, as compared with 189,994,500 bushels last year. Fall wheat, 16,808,700 bushels, compared with 26,014,900 bushels, the total estimated wheat production being therefore 205,625,300 bushels, compared with 215,918,500 bushels in 1911, a decrease of 5 per cent.

Oats show a total production of 381,502,000 bushels, compared with 348,585,600 bushels.

Barley is estimated to yield a total of 43,895,100 bushels, compared with 40,631,000 bushels. The total production of rye is 3,086,000 bushels, against 2,608,800 bushels in 1911. Of oats, barley and rye, the increases in total production as compared with last year represent percentages of 9, 8 and 15.

The estimated production of peas is 4,202,400 bushels; of beans, 1,106,800 bushels; of buckwheat, 10,924,100 bushels; of flaxseed, 21,343,400 bushels; of mixed grains, 17,940,900 bushels, and of corn for husking, 14,218,400 bushels.

Root crops continue to show excellent figures as representing average conditions during growth. The highest figures are those for potatoes 90.12 per cent., and the lowest, corn for fodder, 86.63 per cent.; the last-named crop has improved by over four points during the month.

WEALTH INTERFERES WITH RELIGION

Getting-Rich-Quick Craze is Stirring Canada Says A. E. Hutton

London, Oct. 18.—A remarkable indictment against Canada was made by Alfred E. Hutton, Liberal M.P. for Morley Division, Yorkshire, at the autumnal assembly of the Congregational Union now being held at Manchester. Twenty years remarkably good, staid Scottish ago, he said, he found Toronto a town, such as Aberdeen. He did not think anybody would then have dared whistle on the Sabbath. He wished he could say that was the worst thing today in Toronto. There was now a feverish state of affairs, as much excitement in pleasure-seeking and as general a disregard of conservative Scottish instinct as in any American city. This change was noticeable throughout Canada. From the Atlantic to the Pacific the desire to get rich quick seemed to pervade Canada. It was ten times more difficult for religious work to make progress in Canada than here.

It may be noted accidentally that Hutton himself is not a poor man. He has town apartments in fashionable Arlington street, two houses in Yorkshire, and is a member of the exclusive Brooks and Devonshire Clubs.

FATHER AND THE DOG.

Daughter—"Shall I take an umbrella to post this letter, mother?"
Mother—"No, stay in the house; it isn't a fit night for a dog to be out; let your father post the letter."

A PARTNER IN IMPERIAL DEFENCE

That is What Hon. Walter Long Says About Canada on His Return Home

Hon. Walter Long who has been making a tour of Canada has arrived home to Liverpool and gives his views to reporters.

"My dearest surprise during the whole of my visit," said Mr. Long "was the great concern shown in regard to the navy and the desire that Canada should be a partner in the Imperial defence. The shopkeeper and man on the street are just as keen as the heads of the great business and commercial undertakings. Everywhere you meet the same determined Imperial instinct. Whatever may have been the attitude of the Dominion in the young days, Canada not only claims her share in our fleets but means to help pay for them. Canadians are a proud people. They resent any suggestion of meanness or nigardliness on their part in assisting to keep up the navy. Any politician who suggested such a thing would stand a poor chance of representing the people in the Dominion Parliament."

"What about free trade in the Dominion?" Mr. Long replied: "All I can say is I could not find such a party anywhere in Canada. There is a certain amount of feeling in favor of reduction of tariffs, but as for free trade it is a figment of the imagination."

"The next move is with us. There are people in the Dominion who cannot comprehend why we are so slow in making it. She is ready to treat seriously any honest and well-considered scheme of preference."

"Is there any danger of any other power taking advantage of what Canada has to offer?"

Said Mr. Long: "Canada makes her offer to us. It is part of the Imperial plan, but there is a danger that she may become a little wearied of hope long deferred, at the same time the feeling of Canadians towards the old homeland is more than strain deep; it is a profound and enduring passion, almost a religion. It stirs your blood to hear them talk as to the idea of preference with the United States. It is dead as Queen Anne and buried without honors."

A Tribute To Gold Mining

Throughout the world there are many men who have many different ideas about mining. There are men who expect, when they invest a few dollars, to reap a competence in no time; but there can be no doubt of the fascinating lure of the gold hunt the world over. Recently former Governor Alva Adams of Colorado delivered an address that has attracted much attention. His subject was "A Tribute to Gold Mining," and following excerpt hits the nail on the head:

Do not forget:—Mining is not the trade of pigmies; it is not for little men—it is a big business for big men. It demands nerve, vision and sagacity. Avarice and timidity never made mine. They may buy a ticket in a hat pool now and then; they may outfit a prospector with a side of bacon and a sack of flour, but they never develop. To win in any enterprise, risk must be taken. Success lies at the far end of a corduroy road, or upon the far shore of a stormy sea. Those who cannot stand the jolting and bouncing or cannot face the tempest, had best walk along the shore. Success is a triumphant figure covered with scars and bruises.

The strong and the rich are those who have dared. Savings bank depositors will never starve; they will always have something, but they will never know the thrill that comes with the sight of golden argosies sailing into harbor under their own flag.

Safety pays but 4 per cent. Gold has but one crop, but, like the whelp of the lion, it is a royal product. It is true, civilization depends upon reproduction. A gold mine is the resource of one generation. A productive field, especially an irrigated field, is for the ages. Planting and digging potatoes may be safer, may be more necessary, but it is gold that makes the ambition of man. It fires the imagination; it puts a fever in the veins of its votaries that only death can quench. Happiness may not lie that way, but power does. The perennial crops

PROCRASTINATION IS A BEEFY WORD

And Translated in a Great Many Different Languages Ways

Do you belong to the live ones of to-day or are you one of the slothful citizens of the to-morrows? George Fitch in the Wisconsin State Journal tells you something about the subject of putting off things.

"Procrastination" is a large, beefy word meaning to put things off until you can't resist doing them.

It is easier to procrastinate than it is to roll down a hill or fall over a wheelbarrow in the dark or conceal a large cool drink on a hot day. It is a natural talent. With no practice at all a young man will procrastinate as successfully as if he had learned the art from an expert at 60 cents an hour. Often a mere boy will invent a dozen new systems of procrastination or encouragement.

The heroism and determination with which people procrastinate is remarkable. Often a man will walk ten miles a day to borrow enough money to allow him to put off going to work for a few days longer. Many a man has cooked his own meals and darned his own socks for fifty years while trying to get around to the job of getting married.

At this very minute President Taft is spending all his time and much of his money in a violent attempt to put off packing up his household goods and disposing of the cat.

When a man is an accomplished procrastinator he does all of his work tomorrow. Tomorrow is also when he will get paid and when he will be worth anything to the country, and when his friends will be glad to have him come around, and will stop putting their pocketbooks in their shoes when they see him. Spain and Mexico have had to enlarge their tomorrows to take care of their unfinished business. Today in these countries is used for lighting cigarettes.

General McClellan was one of the most vicious fighters tomorrow that the world has ever seen. But General McClellan never got into his tory permanently because history leaves tomorrow to prophecy and devotes its attention to yesterday.

Procrastination is a great fault and we should regard it with horror but not in all cases. The man who knows how to procrastinate in the right place is wise. When we feel like punching a large man in a furious argument and also in a vulnerable spot, or when a mining stock promoter has almost induced us to buy neatly printed paper at \$1,000 an ounce, the ability to procrastinate with skill and persistence is a great blessing.

BULLET THROUGH HAND

No Bones Were Broken and Moose Killed at 350 Yards Away

A peculiar hunting accident is reported from Blackville, N. B. Steve Brophy and Stanley Taylor saw a fine moose in the lake and Taylor raised his rifle to shoot. Brophy raised his hand at the instant and the bullet went through it, sped on its way 350 yards and killed the moose. No bones in Brophy's hand were broken.

THE POET'S PROPHECY.

(Two aviation companies have been incorporated in New Jersey for the transportation of passengers and freight.—News item.)

"For I dipped into the future far as human eye could see,
Saw the vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be;
Saw the heavens filled with commerce, argosies of magic sails,
Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales."
—Tennyson's "Locksley Hall."

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