

HOLDINGS NOW EXCEED TOTAL CROP OF 1919

NO INDICATION OF BETTER POTATO-MARKET

General price paid by Shippers throughout Province is One Dollar per Barrel.

W. W. Boyce of this city, one of the largest shippers of potatoes and other farm produce in the province, stated today that the quantity of potatoes held at the present time by farmers in New Brunswick exceeds the entire crop of 1919. The latter crop saw record prices paid in this province at both wholesale and retail. The fact that so great a proportion of the 1920 crop still is held by the growers indicates that there is little prospect of price conditions improving to any great extent before the 1921 crop comes on the market.

Little Movement.

The price for potatoes generally quoted throughout the province by shippers is one dollar per barrel with little demand for them. Conditions in the United States remain unchanged with a large surplusage reported in all parts. There is very little movement of potatoes from this city or any other shipping point at the present time.

To Reduce Acreage.

It is problematical what effect the present market conditions will have on potato-acreage this year in New Brunswick, but the present indication is that there will be a material reduction. One sign is the fact that to date the total fertilizer orders in the province are not more than twenty-five per cent of what they were last year at the same time.

Agent for Sun Life

James L. Neville has accepted the general agency in Fredericton and York County for the Sun Life Assurance Company one of the oldest and strongest life insurance companies in Canada.

Removing to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Inglis leave for Montreal tonight. Mr. Inglis has been connected with the Bank of Montreal in this city for two years and has been promoted to the head office in Montreal. Mr. Dawson, of the down town branch of the bank, has been promoted to the position held by Mr. Inglis.

The Late John Kilburn.

The funeral of the late John Kilburn will be held at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon from his late home on Brunswick street and will be under the auspices of Victoria Lodge, I. O. O. F. The services at the house will be conducted by Rev. G. M. Young and interment will be made in the Rural Cemetery.

Infantry School Closed

Final examinations were held Thursday morning at the Infantry School of Instruction for N.C.O.'s at St. John, and out of town members left in the afternoon for their homes. Sixty per cent received sergeants' certificates, and the remainder corporals. This school is the first of its kind held in New Brunswick.

Much Illness in City

There is much illness in Fredericton at this time. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Walker both are ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Walker's condition Friday night was serious. Alex. Boyd also is seriously ill with the same disease. F. B. Edgecombe who has been confined to his home for some days is reported to have pneumonia.

Fire at Long's Hotel

The fire department responded to an alarm from box 27 at 6.30 last evening. The alarm was due to a fire in a bed at Long's Hotel. No one was occupying the room at the time but smoke was seen emerging from the place and the fire was located in the mattress which together with the bedclothes was destroyed. No other damage resulted.

Died of Pneumonia

Mrs. A. Turney, wife of Timothy Turney, died at her home on Marysville Road last night after a short illness of pneumonia at the age of 63 years. Deceased is survived by her husband and one brother, Thomas F. Carlisle. The funeral will be held on Monday. Service at the home at 2.30 p. m. conducted by Rev. G. M. Young. Interment will be made in Forest Hill Cemetery.

The Poor Bootlegger

St. John Globe: A bootlegger on a recent Sunday morning saw an opportunity for business, and hid away in a motor car to the neighborhood of Musquash, where men are employed. There he disposed of some of the "stuff," and with his money in his trousers pocket prepared for the return journey. But, alas, things are not always what they seem. He met some impolite, disagreeable people, who commandeered all the ardent he had left, and also—so the report says—relieved him of his cash receipts.

Case Adjourned.

The case of Lloyd McCoy charged with the theft of 51 logs the property of the Macklin estate, which was commenced in the police court yesterday morning was continued in the afternoon and an adjournment made until the seventh to permit the prosecution to obtain further evidence. J. J. F. Winslow appeared for the prosecution and C. L. Dougherty for the defence. John R. Kelly the informant completed his evidence Friday afternoon. Other witnesses heard were Arch. H. Jewett, William Sturgeon, Harold Bickard, N. A. Edgecombe, Walter Kelly and Whitman Holland.

DRIVING CONDITIONS FAVORABLE

WATER AT GOOD PITCH IN SMALLER STREAMS

Warmer Weather Needed—Sheer-boom located above Cedars—Bank-logs soon.

Driving conditions on Friday were reported good on all streams in the central part of New Brunswick and good progress was made. It is believed that similar conditions prevail today although the drop in temperature last night caused a slight falling off in water.

Ice Holds Back Bank-Logs.

Heavy shore-ice and the jam of ice at Kingsclear are holding back any bank-logs, which may be ready for running to Springhill. It will be week after next before the first arrivals will reach that place. Nothing is known definitely concerning the quantity cut during the past year, but it is probable that the quantity will be less than in former years on account of the decrease in the price of lumber.

Sheer-Boom Found Above Cedars

The St. John River Log Driving Company has been informed that about half of the sheer boom which was carried out from behind Sugar Island by the ice last Monday was located yesterday a short distance above The Cedars. It will be brought back as soon as conditions will permit.

Ice Jam Still Firm.

The ice-jam at Kingsclear is still holding but there has been a considerable run of shore-ice and ice from above the jam which is working its way around. Warmer weather and more water is needed to move the jam.

The height of the river is not what it was the water having receded a few inches. It is now about twelve and a half feet above summer level.

Retirement Regretted.

The Gagetown correspondent of The Telegraph writes: Queen's county people regret the retirement of Judge Wilson, late judge of the county courts of York Queens and Sunbury, who has been coming to Gagetown in his business capacity for nearly twenty-three years, during that time passing judgment in his wise but kindly way on hundreds of offences. On various occasions, particularly during the war, Judge Wilson assisted at public gatherings here. He will be much missed in the Queens county court, and his friends here trust that a rest will restore his health.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Inglis are leaving this evening for Montreal where they will reside.

BY ELECTION ON SATURDAY MAY 21, RUMOR

CONSERVATIVES AND U. F. ARE ACTIVE

Appointment to Vacant County Court Judgeship expected to be Announced from Ottawa today.

It is reported on good authority that Saturday, May 21st is the date for the Federal by-election in York-Sunbury to fill the vacancy in the Canadian House of Commons caused by the death of Col. H. F. McLeod, M. P. Candidates in the field are R. B. Hanson, K. C., of Fredericton, Conservative, and Ernest W. Slipp, of Southampton, United Farmer. Both parties have organization well under way, and a brisk campaign is anticipated. Both candidates have devoted considerable time to personal canvass. The United Farmers claim that York-Sunbury is ready to declare against the Dominion Government as other constituencies have in recent by-elections. The Conservatives claim that York-Sunbury will remain true to tradition and return Mr. Hanson. No Liberal candidate is in the field, the Liberal executive having decided not to contest the by-election, but to wait for the general election, which it is believed is not far distant.

The Vacant Judge-ship

An appointment to the County Court Judgeship of York, Sunbury and Queens Counties, made vacant March 8th by the retirement of Hon. William Wilson, is expected to be announced from Ottawa probably today, as it is understood that the Dominion Cabinet is ready to take action. Hon. A. R. Slipp, K. C., who has been a partner of the Conservative candidate in the legal firm of Slipp & Hanson for a considerable number of years is expected to be named as the Judge. There is considerable conjecture as to why Mr. Slipp was not appointed immediately after the retirement of Judge Wilson. It is said that factional opposition within the Conservative Party in this constituency was responsible for the delay. Evidently the opposition has been overcome.

Great Inconvenience Caused

The fact that the County Court Judgeship has been vacant has caused great inconvenience, but evidently party politics is regarded with greater interest at Ottawa than is the public service. The ordinary procedure would have been to name the succeeding Judge at the time the vacancy was caused by retirement. Hon. Mr. Slipp has the intention of visiting Europe for some weeks during the summer, returning probably in September. In the interim Judge Carleton probably will be asked to take over the duties of the Court in York, Sunbury and Queens.

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