

USUAL QUANTITY POTASH SAID TO BE AVAILABLE

CONFERENCE BETWEEN MINISTER AND DEALERS

Announcement Made Saturday Encouraging—Potash Most Important Ingredient in Fertilizer.

The Department of Agriculture reports that the conference of representatives of fertilizer dealers held here Saturday afternoon with Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture, resulted in the assurance being given the department that there was approximately the same quantity of potash available for the farms of New Brunswick in 1919 as was available for the present year.

Assurance is Encouraging The assurance that approximately the same quantity of potash will be available in 1919 is most encouraging to the farmers of the province as potash is one of the most important ingredients of commercial fertilizer particularly where potatoes are grown in large quantities.

Left for Nova Scotia Dr. and Mrs. A. T. McMurray and family left this morning for Smith's Cove, N. S., to spend a vacation.

A Fine Boy Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Leaman are receiving congratulations over the arrival of a baby boy at their home at North Devon, on Saturday.

Theft at McAdam Two police officers of the C. P. R. brought a prisoner in from McAdam this morning. He is charged with stealing from the C. P. R. freight-shed at that place.

Bangor Motorists Mrs. H. A. Fogg, Mrs. White, Thomas White and chauffeur of Bangor, ne arrived by motor Saturday and registered at the Barker House. They went on to St. John yesterday.

Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. Mr. C. A. Sampson, Mr. T. S. Burt and other members of the I. O. O. F. will leave this evening for Kentville, N. S., to attend the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Maritime Provinces.

Wounded in France Lieut. Lyle S. McGowan son of ex-Ald. Harry L. McGowan of St. John is reported wounded in France. He was with a New Brunswick battalion. Lieut. McGowan who is well known in Fredericton went overseas with the 115th Battalion. He has played Rugby and hockey in this city on several occasions.

Red Cross Concert The American boys now sojourning at Camp Mitchell are to give a concert for the benefit of the Canadian Red Cross at the hall Dumfries on the evening of Wednesday, August 14th. There is a lot of talent among the boys at Camp Mitchell and they have prepared a fine musical program, which will undoubtedly be a great treat.

Crops Look Well The crops along the St. John Valley between Fredericton and Woodstock never looked better at this season. Oats and wheat are particularly good and promise a heavy yield. Potatoes look remarkably well and so far there is no sign of rust. Good progress is being made with haying operations, and the yield especially on the islands is an exceptionally good one.

Judge Colter Here Hon. C. W. Colter, County Court Judge of Haldimand, Ont., and former M. P. for that constituency is here on a visit to relatives. The Judge is a native of Keswick and a brother of Rev. J. J. Colter of this city and also of Mr. William Colter of Keswick Ridge. After graduating from the U. N. B. he went to Ontario where he has had a successful career at the bar in politics and on the bench.

Motoring Parties Several motoring parties were in the city during the week end. Judge and Mrs. A. S. White, Elizabeth Tweedie, W. Morley Tweedie and Donald V. White arrived by motor from Sussex Saturday night and registered at the Barker House. A St. John party registered at the same hotel was composed of C. A. Beattie, J. J. Loughlan, W. L. Smith, W. E. Riley, A. W. Covey and F. H. Scott. Another St. John party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. M. Marcus and J. S. Isaacs of St. John and Mrs. J. M. Rubinovitch of Montreal.

Back From Fishing Trip A party composed of Mr. James S. Neill, Mr. John Neill and Mayor Hanson returned on Saturday from a successful fishing trip to the Southwest Miramichi. They took the river at Half Moon Cove and made the run to Boiestown, whipping the salmon pools while en route. They killed during the trip six salmon and seven crabs which is considered a very good showing. Their catch would probably have been larger but for two days of wet weather which interfered with their sport. Mr. Neill, Sr. has been making fishing trips to the Southwest Miramichi for forty-five years, and has lost none of his old time enthusiasm for the sport.

SHEEP BEING PURCHASED IN P.E.I. FOR N. B.

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR STOCKING IN AUTUMN

Conjecture re Extent of Bean Crop of Province—No Farm Laborers' Excursion to be Held.

Preparations for the campaign for the stocking of the farms of this province with sheep are progressing rapidly. Thomas Hetherington of Fredericton, Live Stock Husbandman of the Provincial Department of Agriculture today will reach Prince Edward Island in search of pure bred sheep which will be used later for the purpose of stocking. He already has covered Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Going to Ottawa Deputy Minister W. R. Reek will leave for Ottawa, this evening for the purpose of conferring with the Federal Department of Agriculture on various matters. He will return Thursday. It is probable that on his return statistics of crop production in New Brunswick will be issued.

Conjecture re Bean Crop There is considerable conjecture about the bean crop in this province. Last spring many farmers attracted by the remarkably high prices quoted for beans planted increased acreage. This is said to be particularly true of Carleton County. So far it has been impossible to make any estimate of the bean crop. Some damage was done by frosts early in the summer but the effect upon the crop is not known.

No Harvest Excursions Protests by the Provincial Government against the running of farm laborers' excursions brought out the information that none is to be run in 1918.

Six Hundred for Farms Over six hundred farmers left Camp Sussex on Saturday for their various farms under the order-in-council recently issued allowing all bona fide farmers harvest leave of six weeks' duration. It is anticipated that a further draft will leave today.

Telephone to P. E. I. Telephone communication between Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick was opened Saturday. Messages of congratulation were exchanged between Premier Foster of New Brunswick and Premier Arsenault of Prince Edward Island. Similar messages followed between Mayor Hayes of St. John and Mayor Wright of Charlottetown. In the course of his conversation Premier Foster arranged with Premier Arsenault for a conference of Maritime Province premiers at Halifax on August 27 to consider matters of mutual interest. This was a peculiarly appropriate use to make of the new direct connection.

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CHAUTAQUA WILL RETURN TO FREDERICTON

REQUIRED NUMBER OF GUARANTORS SECURED

Tent Crew Left This Morning for Newport, Mass., the Next Town on the Circuit.

The Chautauqua course was finished in Fredericton yesterday. Last night the tent crew struck the big canvas top which had been on the Officers' Square for a week, and this morning started on the long jump to Newport, Mass., the next town on the circuit.

At Saturday's performance it was announced that Chautauqua would again be at Fredericton. The assurance was the result largely of the efforts of the Countess of Ashburnham who at Friday night's performance canvassed the audience for guarantors for the 1919 course. This puts Fredericton in line with the other towns and cities of the Maritime Provinces which were visited by the Chautauqua this summer.

Like Eastern Canada The performers and lecturers who appeared in Fredericton stated that they were greatly pleased with the Maritime Provinces because of the cool weather which they had experienced, which was in great contrast with the weather usually experienced in the United States. This is the first season the Chautauqua has placed a circuit in the Maritime Provinces. Everywhere it has been received heartily and probably will become as much a part of the social life of the various communities of this part of Canada as it has become in the United States. It is the intention of the Chautauqua Association to extend its activities in Canada.

College Students with Tent The tent crew which was in Fredericton was composed partly of college students. The latter spend their summer vacation travelling on the various circuits and incidentally earning money for next term's expenses at college.

New Maritime Trotting Record A new Maritime trotting record was made at Moncton Saturday by White Socks the bay gelding owned by G. B. Fenwick of Sussex. His best time was 2.11 1/2. The previous record was 2.15 1/2. The record also is a new figure for the Moncton track.

Had Great Sport Halifax Chronicle: Ex-Mayor George W. Stuart, of Truro, on the 26th and 27th of July, on the Humber River, Newfoundland, landed successfully four salmon, the aggregate weight of which was ninety-six pounds. The individual weights were fourteen, twenty, twenty-six and thirty-six.

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