

PURCHASE OF BREEDING RAMS COMPLETED

FINE STOCK BOUGHT BY THOS. HETHERINGTON

H. S. Arkell, Dom. Live Stock Commissioner, Arrived Today—Touring Maritime Provinces.

Mr. H. S. Arkell of Ottawa, Live Stock Commissioner of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, arrived here today and is in consultation with Mr. Thomas Hetherington, Live Stock Husbandman of the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture. Commissioner Arkell is on a tour of the Maritime Provinces in connection with the work of his department and probably will spend about ten days in the three provinces. He will leave tomorrow for Prince Edward Island. Mr. Hetherington has been in this section of Canada previously.

Breeding Rams Purchased

Mr. Hetherington has returned from an extensive tour of the Maritime Provinces in which he was successful in purchasing one hundred rams which are to be used in this province for breeding purposes. These animals have been purchased for farmers who are desirous of improving their flocks and will be shipped to them as soon as possible. The representative of the Provincial Department of Agriculture was the first buyer to go over the flocks in the Maritime Provinces this season and the result has been that some excellent stock has been secured.

Flocks Improving Steadily

Mr. Arkell states that there has been a steady improvement in the sheep-flocks of this part of Canada due to the importation of pure blood stock and other circumstances.

Reported Ill

F. L. Geer of Fredericton is reported in the casualty list as ill.

Guests of His Honor

Dr. and Mrs. Carleton Allen of Fredericton, are guests at Government House, Rothesay, of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Pugsley, for a week.

Injured by Motor

On Thursday the Rev. Perley Quigg Primitive Baptist, formerly of Southampton and now of Perth, was run over by an automobile about ten miles from his home and sustained serious injuries. His right leg was broken, and he was also severely injured internally, so much so that it was impossible to move him to his home.

Had a Good Time

Moncton Transcript: Mr. Charles A. Sampson, of Fredericton is in Moncton today enroute home from the Odd-fellows' Convention at Kentville, N. S. Mr. Sampson reports a most enjoyable visit to Kentville. The D. A. R. entertained the delegates yesterday for a trip over their line, visiting several towns.

A Newspaper Change

The Hartland Observer announces in its last issue that it has taken over the Victoria County News. As the News plant is in bad shape the paper will for the present be printed at the Observer office. Manager Stevens has lately installed a large new press in the Observer office and now has one of the best equipped country plants in the province.

Private Picnic

Mrs. J. R. Young, Miss Greta Young, Miss Bessie Fletcher of North Devon and Miss Annamay Norrad of Boiestown were guests at a private picnic given by a number of their friends of Taymouth on Wednesday, afternoon August 14. The picnic was held at "Pinegrove" the residence of Angus Edney, being Mrs. Young's home prior to moving to North Devon. Miss Norrad is a cousin of Mrs. Edney's.

Kemp Succeeds Sugrue

J. L. Sugrue recommended Friday evening at a meeting of the St. John Trades and Labor Council that some one replace him as representative organizer of the American Federation of Labor. In explanation, he said that his duties as commissioner on the compensation board would keep him busy. The council recommended John Kemp, president of the Trades and Labor Council, as his successor.

Preached in St. John

In Trinity church, St. John yesterday the congregation had much pleasure in welcoming once more the Rev. Ralph Sherman, for several years curate of the parish and now on a visit in that city. His present church is St. Mary's, in Toronto. He preached at the evening service taking as his text "And they kept back part of the price." From this text he brought to his old friends a message of warning against a religion that was only a "half share" religion.

Fire at Southampton

On Saturday afternoon the home of Rankin Bragdon of Southampton was completely destroyed by fire. No one was in the house except one young woman when the fire started and she was unable to do anything to prevent it from taking its course. It was about 3 o'clock in the afternoon that the fire started, and the cause is supposed to be a defective flue, as the flames were first noticed in the attic. The property was not insured, and everything was a total loss. Mr. Bragdon, who is an enterprising farmer, intends re-building at once.

MICHAEL BEAR ARRESTED FOR SERIOUS CRIME

INDIAN BELONGING TO THE ST. MARYS RESERVE

Made Criminal Assault on a Four-year-Old Girl Near Wickham--Shot Before Being Arrested.

Michael Bear, the Indian under arrest at Gagetown for criminal assault upon Dorothy M. Cox, aged four years at Gerow's Wharf, Saturday belongs to the St. Mary's Reserve, Devon, and was on that reserve a week ago Saturday. A sister lives at the French Village Reserve, Kingsclear. Bear was arrested about a year ago by City Marshal James Roberts of Fredericton for theft at Victoria Mill in this city and last May was again arrested here as a deserter from the 165th Battalion and also was wanted as an absentee from the United States having registered in Maine under the name of Charles J. Saulis.

Details of Crime

Bear had been discharged from Cavichi & Pagano's construction camp on the Valley Railway on Saturday and took the steamer Majestic to Wickham. Arriving there, he walked down the road to Gerow's Wharf and discovered the little girl a short distance from the door of the house of her uncle, Robert Jones, where she and her parents were visiting at the time. He threw the law officers say, his coat over her head, and prevented her from crying out. He carried her some distance away and into the bushes near the roadside. The he gagged her according to the information given out by law officials, and so mistreated the child that her life is despaired of. In due time she was missed and a search started. It did not take the searchers long to locate the Indian, who ran as soon as he saw his pursuers leaving his coat behind him. A posse was organized, and Sunday morning the Indian, who had not gone far, and had stayed all night in the woods, was found by a dog which had been taken along by the party.

Shot in Legs

Albert Black, who lived near by, got his rifle and soon came close to the Indian as he was trying to reach a point on the river where he could get across. Mr. Black did not fire, however, as he was afraid of killing Bear. The latter abandoned his effort to get over the river and went back to the woods. Mrs. Black then went to Harry Black, a brother of Albert Black, and told him about her husband having seen Bear. Harry Black took a shotgun and soon came across the Indian who refused to stop when called to with the result

BLIGHT HAS NOT YET DONE GREAT DAMAGE

IN SPITE OF REPORTS, FEW FIELDS TOUCHED

Cool Weather is Protecting the Potato Crop, But There Yet is Time for Damage.

Reports which have come in are to the effect that blight has appeared to a considerable extent in some potato fields in various parts of the province and that the Maugeville district is badly infected. The Dominion Plant Pathological Laboratory when asked concerning these reports stated that up to the present there had been very little blight in any section and rather took the view that the reports of disease were exaggerated.

Representatives Now Out

The Pathological Department has a number of representatives now out, four in Quebec and ten in New Brunswick. The reports from all are to the one effect that the potato crop is in good condition with blight appearing only in scattered localities where spraying was not attempted or was not carried on sufficiently.

Still Some Danger

There still is some danger from blight but so long as the weather remains as cool as it has been during the last few days the plants will not be seriously affected. Irish Cobbler potatoes are now well matured, but other varieties, and potatoes not planted until well along in June are liable to be affected by blight should it set in. Warm weather is likely to cause some appearance of the disease.

Long Auto Trip

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Palmer, Miss Mary Palmer, Mrs. R. P. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith returned at noon today from an auto trip to Woodstock, Houlton, Calais and St. Stephen.

that his pursuer fired at him and wounded him in the legs, back and hips. Bear was taken into custody and a telegram sent to Gagetown, to Sheriff Reid, who proceeded to Wickham and later to Hampstead, where Magistrate D. C. Slipp made out the necessary papers. The sheriff returned to Gagetown with his prisoner.

The officials are now investigating the rumor that Bear, who is twenty-two years of age, was mixed up in a similar case once before.

Dr. Fraser of Hatfield's Point, and Dr. Jenkins of Hampstead, attended the little girl who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Cox of St. John who went to Gerow's Wharf last week on a vacation.

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