

POTATOES DEMANDED BY U. S. MARKET

PRICES IN THIS PROVINCE ADVANCE

Rains in Southern States Retarded Early Potato Crop—Heavy Shipping to Archangel.

The potato market in this section of the province has been greatly stimulated recently by a demand from the United States which has put up the price both wholesale and retail. The demand in the American market for New Brunswick potatoes has been the result of a failure of the early crop in the Southern States owing to heavy rains and also to heavy buying by the United States government for shipment to Archangel, Russia, where they are to be used to feed the civilian population. The Southern crop will be on the market later, having been retarded, but in the meantime New Brunswick potatoes are wanted.

Shippers' Prices

Shippers in this section of the province are now paying prices ranging from \$3 to \$3.65 at the railway, the price varying according to the point of delivery.

Retail Price

The demand for potatoes for export has affected the retail market and this morning in the country market as high as four dollars was paid and \$3.75 was the general price.

On Hospital Ship

Capt. Tilley S. Tupper formerly of this city who went overseas two years ago, is now engaged as medical officer on the hospital ship Araguay. He reached Portland, Me., yesterday and in a telephone message to relatives here stated that he would return to England on the ship.

Leaving the City Soon

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. G. Armstrong and family are leaving for Truro, N. S., on Tuesday next. This evening an entertainment will be given at Watson's Camp, Sandville, by the members of St. Paul's choir. Prof. John A. Stiles of the University of New Brunswick who is also leaving this city will be entertained at the camp also.

Two Arrests Last Night

Two lodgers were put in the police cell's overnight. One was a colored man charged with being drunk and the other was an Indian woman who was taken in between 12 and 1 o'clock this morning and could give no good account of herself. The woman was remanded until Tuesday the 29th and the other paid the usual fine.

Serious Fire Avoided

What might have been a serious fire was avoided Thursday afternoon when a spark from a shunting engine set fire to the roof of the C. N. R. freight shed at South Devon. The quick work of Murray Jewett and Guy Matthews who with buckets fought the fire from the tender of an engine eliminated the chance of the fire gaining any hold on the building.

Tablet Dedicated at St. John

On Friday evening at St. John's (Stone) Church St. John, a brass tablet commemorating the splendid life and death of Lieut. Jack Hipwell, C. F. A., son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hipwell, was dedicated by Rev. G. A. Kuhring and unveiled by his sister Miss Mary Hipwell in the presence of the immediate relatives. Lieut. Hipwell was a member of the class of 1915 of the University of New Brunswick.

Demonstration Very Successful

The demonstration put on Thursday evening by the Life Saving Guards of the local corps of the Salvation Army was a decided success. One of the principal items on the program was the floral cross put on by twelve girls. It was very beautiful and instructive. Much credit is due the guard leader and his assistants who helped to make the program such a decided success. Over \$16 was realized one-half of which goes to the Guard Fund.

Good-Sized Market

A good-sized market was collected at Phoenix Square this morning. Meat was plentiful including some very fine veal and pork. The usual prices held sway and showed no tendency to drop. Potatoes went up and sold from \$3.75 to \$4 per barrel. Butter sold for 55 and 60 cents a pound. Eggs sold for 35 and 40 cents a dozen. Turnips sold for \$1 a barrel. Veal sold for 9 to 15 cents a pound while beef called for 12 to 16 cents. Pork sold for 20 to 23 cents a pound and fowl for 35 cents a pound. Maple honey was plentiful at 50 cents a bottle and what maple sugar was on hand sold for 35 cents a pound. Hay sold for \$15 to \$18 a ton. Live young pigs sold at \$6 and \$8 each.

BANK LOGS LOWER THAN LAST YEAR

NEW LOGS COMING OVER GRAND FALLS

Nine Million Feet of Bank Logs Expected This Year—Big Run Looked For Next Week.

Reports from Springhill are that bank-logs are coming in very slowly. The majority of them are those on contract for Fraser Companies Ltd. The farmers have not yet started any heavy rafting operations. The water which has risen a little during the last three or four days is now at a standstill and operations are slow because of the cold weather.

Prices Lower Than Last Year

Buyers are scarce and there is very little competition in prices for the logs, the general prices running from \$14 to \$20, about \$4 lower than last year's prices. In all about three million feet have arrived up to date, mostly the Fraser Companies' logs. The run is expected to amount to about nine million feet in all. Heavy operations are expected to start next week.

New Logs Now Coming

Mr. John S. Scott who has been superintendent of driving operations below Grand Falls for the St. John River Log Driving Company returned to Fredericton last night. He states that the new logs have been coming into limits in considerable quantities.

Nurse Returns

Miss Beatrice J. Wier daughter of Dr. Wier of Doaktown who has been overseas in the Canadian Army Medical Service, returned home this morning. The unit with which she served was demobilized at Toronto a few days ago. Miss Wier is being heartily welcomed by her many friends.

Landed at Portland

The S. S. Araguay docked at Portland Me. Friday with a number of New Brunswick men on board among those from this section of the province are Pte. L. Legassie, Nashwaaksis, and Pte. F. W. Rickard of Barker's Point. Pte. Legassie went overseas in 1916 with the 140th Battalion. He was transferred to an infantry battalion in France and was very severely wounded receiving shrapnel wounds in the knee and leg. Pte. Rickard also went away with the 140th. He was severely wounded.

DECREASE IN PATRIOTIC FUND DISBURSEMENTS

FIFTY-NINE FEWER CASES SINCE FEBRUARY

Decrease Resulting From Demobilization—General in York and Sunbury Counties.

The return of troops from overseas and their rapid demobilization is having a marked effect on the number of payments by the Patriotic Fund through its local branch and upon the total of disbursements for the month. During the month of April some forty families which had been receiving payments from the Patriotic Fund were struck off. These were in York and Sunbury Counties. Marysville and Fredericton, the four municipalities comprising the Fredericton District. Compared with the statement of February the decrease shown by the statement issued for the present month by Mr. R. H. Simonds, secretary treasurer of the Fredericton Branch, Patriotic Fund, shows a more marked decrease.

Applications decreased as follows: Fredericton, from 124 to 106; York County, from 94 to 67; Sunbury County 28 to 20; Marysville, from 28 to 22. The total decrease was 59. Total disbursements then were \$4,258.25 and for April \$3,443.85.

The statement for the month of April for the Fredericton Branch is as follows:

No. of Cases	Municipality	Amt.	Av.
106	Fredericton	\$1807.25	\$17.04
67	York Co.	933.50	13.91
20	Sunbury Co.	286.50	14.32
22	Marysville	313.00	14.22
215		3340.25	
	Expense	103.60	
		\$3443.85	
	Av. per family including expenses		16.01
	Av. per family exclusive of expenses		15.53
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Responded to Still Alarm

The motor truck responded to a still alarm sent in this morning about ten o'clock from the residence of Mr. John Turner, Church Street. The fire was a chimney blaze which resulted in no damage.



No One Can Tell

No one can tell whether his eyesight is good or not until he has had his eyes examined. You may, unknowingly, be seeing only half as well as you should. There is one sure way to know. Have your eyes examined. If glasses are not needed we will tell you so. If they are needed we will advise SHUR-ONS—stylish, efficient, economical.

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