

## N. B. GRAIN CROP REPORTED TO BE GROWING WELL

**RAINS HELPED LATELY  
ALL OVER THE PROVINCE**

**Hay Very Light Crop—Reports  
from Potato-Growing Dis-  
tricts Not Encouraging  
—Cutworm.**

The Provincial Department of Agriculture has issued the following report for the week based upon information received from District Representatives.

The grain crop is reported to be making an excellent growth in all parts of the province. Recent rains have done much to keep this crop growing well. With a few good showers about the time the grain crop is heading out, this year will give a crop above the average. On the other hand the hay crop is light. In some districts it is reported to be only one-half a crop. Summing up the reports from all parts, it would appear that the crop will be at least one-third less than last year. Pastures have not given the feed that they usually do, but have improved with the rains. As a result of the poor growth of pastureland, some reports indicate a falling off in milk production as compared with last year.

The reports on the potato crop vary in the different localities. In the northern and eastern counties the crop is doing well. In the main potato growing central counties, reports are far from encouraging. The crop in many places being very uneven a lot of misses in the field being in evidence. It would seem that the yield in these counties will be greatly lessened as a result.

The cut-worm is reported bad in the eastern counties, it being particularly destructive to all garden crops.

### Has Visited Here.

Hon. Arthur Meighen, who was today called to the high post of Premier of Canada, visited Fredericton three years ago and delivered an address on the war in the assembly hall of the High School building.

### Moving to California

Mrs. C. A. Robinson has resigned her position as head worker with the Judson Neighborhood of New York and early in August will remove to San Francisco where she has accepted a situation. Mrs. Robinson is a daughter of Capt. Read of this city and at one time resided here.

### Cement is Scarce

The shortage of cement is seriously interfering with the street improvements being carried on. The gutters on Charlotte Street have been opened for a distance of several blocks, but the curbing cannot be completed until a supply of cement is received. Residents of that locality are hopeful that the work will not be much longer delayed.

### Sickness in Campbellton

Campbellton Tribune: There is considerable sickness throughout the town at present, diphtheria, scarlet and typhoid fever. This impression prevails that much of this is caused on account of the large number of houses being erected here at the present time, sufficient care not being exercised to have the sewers to these new buildings properly sealed as soon as put in.

### Potato Prices

Potatoes sold in the local market today at \$8 and \$9 per barrel. Some local grocers are retailing them at \$1.20 per peck. As there are ten pecks in a barrel this means that the consumer must pay at the rate of \$12 per barrel for his spuds. Time was when a profit of fifty cents on a barrel of potatoes was looked upon as a fair one, but now the grocers feel that they are entitled to from \$2 to \$3 on the turnover.

### Not Abduction

St. John Times: Orbert Crawford, traffic constable in Rothesay avenue last night investigated the alleged abduction case in which it was reported that a young girl had been taken against her will, in a car bearing a Maine license tag. Mr. Crawford encountered the car in the case in Rothesay avenue and stopped it. He says he found that in the car were two young men of respectable appearance and two young women, who said they were friends of the men and were taking a drive of their free will. As there was nothing out of the ordinary in the appearance of the occupants and the contents of the car, Constable Crawford allowed them to proceed on their way.

### Reached Chatham

St. John Globe: R. Millican and K. Rider, local lads, about ten years old, are spending a novel vacation in touring by bicycle through the province. They left town on Monday and in ten hours had reached Fredericton. Friday at noon word came over the telephone to relatives that the boys had reached Chatham and would make Moncton their next objective. While in Chatham the boys were under the care of Chief of Police Coughlan, who, attracted by the pluck displayed by the juvenile tourists did everything to make their visit to Chatham as pleasant as possible. The lads carry a camping outfit with them and sleep and eat in the open. A part of their plan was to not accept a lift of any sort, and in case of break down of their machines their intention is to make their return journey on foot.

## HEAVY VOTE BEING POLLED IN REFERENDUM

**OUTSIDE POLLING BOOTHS  
NECESSARY AT CITY HALL**

**Many Women Voting — Military Vote Has No Particular Poll—Prohibition Organization.**

The election today on the question of the retention of the Prohibition Act is bringing out a large poll. Women who are exercising their franchise in a provincial election for the first time, began to vote as soon as the polls opened at eight o'clock this morning. As expected the great majority of the women will vote for Prohibition.

**Organization All One Way.**  
In this election organization is all one way making it unique in the annals of elections. The Prohibition forces are represented strongly but the "Antis" are not in sight. Whatever vote is being recorded against Prohibition is the so-called "silent" vote.

**Many Soldiers Voting.**  
The vote of soldiers in Fredericton is large several hundred depositing their ballots in the city. No special polls were established for them but each presents himself at the poll at which his name would be recorded ordinarily. Little difficulty has been encountered in polling the military vote. It is believed that it is going against Prohibition.

**Complaints of Slowness.**  
There were complaints this morning of slowness at some of the polling booths on account of officials not being well acquainted with procedure.

**Outside Booths at City Hall.**  
For Division No. 1 polling-booths outside the City Hall were established. Two were located in the Pitts Building, York street. This is the first occasion on which booths have been established outside that building. The great increase on account of the registration of the female vote made the outside booths necessary.

**Chief Inspector at Polls.**  
Chief Inspector W. D. Wilson was at the polls as a worker today. His activities were divided between Court House and City Hall. It was at the latter polling place that the activities of the Prohibition forces were most apparent.

It is expected that on account of the great increase in the registered vote it will be later than after the ordinary election when the result of the polling is known. It is not thought there will be much cross-voting the great majority of ballots being for Prohibition and Against Beer and Wine or the reverse. There is nothing to prevent a vote for both Prohibition and Beer and Wine.

### Names Left Off

Although the voters list for today's election was a very heavy one several well known citizens were surprised on going to the polls to find that their names had been omitted from the roll. They were unable to vote and some of them were not in very good humor when they left the polling booth.

## MONTREAL TAKING MANY STRAWBERRIES

**N. B. CROP OF THIS  
SMALL FRUIT IS GOOD**

**Fredericton District Beginning  
to Ship — Kennebecasis,  
Sackville and Gagetown  
Sections Shipping.**

Strawberries which have come to be one of the chief small-fruit crops of New Brunswick are now almost at their height. The crop is a good one. Prices lower than fifteen cents by the crate have been paid locally.

**Montreal Taking Them.**  
As has been the case for several years past the Montreal market is taking large shipments of New Brunswick strawberries. The Ontario and Quebec crops are done now and the berries from this province come on the market there without any great competition.

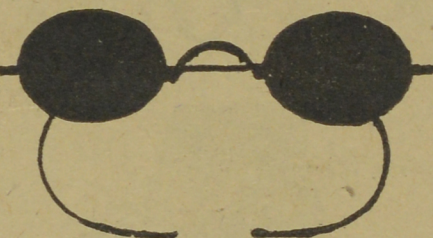
**Little Shipment from Here.**  
The Fredericton district according to the statement of A. G. Turney Provincial Horticulturalist, has shipped few berries to Montreal compared to the other berry-growing sections of the province. This is due to a steady demand for the fruit in the local market. Recently the Montreal market has been attracting attention. Sackville the Kennebecasis Valley and the Gagetown section have been shipping to Montreal. The price on that market is firm with the fruit in good demand. Like New Brunswick apples New Brunswick small-fruit is making a name for itself at Montreal.

**The Salmon Pool.**  
Local anglers anticipate some good fishing at the Hart's Island salmon pool this season. The river is still at a pretty high pitch, but along towards the end of the month, the conditions should be more favorable.

**Is Known Here.**  
Major F. W. Utton a former resident of this city is a member of the Canadian rifle team at Bisley. In the Conan Doyle match on Thursday he put on a score of 93 out of a possible 100 being the highest in the list of Canadians.

**Week End Market.**  
There was a large week-end market this morning, and high prices were maintained. A number of grocers swooped down on the scene at an early hour and succeeded in picking up about everything. What they did not buy they fixed a price for, which others had to pay. Butter sold at 55 cents and eggs at 60 cents. Beef by the carcass brought 14 cents a pound and lamb sold at from \$1.50 to \$2 by the quarter. A few fresh salmon sold quickly at 45 cents a pound. Strawberries brought 17 cents per box. Some green gooseberries brought 20 cents. Live young pigs sold at \$4 each.

Mrs. T. G. Loggie has gone to Halifax to spend a few weeks.  
Rev. Mr. Warren and family leave on Monday for Smith's Cove N. S., to spend their vacation.



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