

RAIN HELPS FARMERS AND FIRE FIGHTERS

Two Forest Fires in York County Out—Sections With Little Rain, are Now Rejoicing.

The situation with regard to forest fires which was rapidly assuming serious proportions once more and the extreme dryness in certain farming sections, have been remedied by rain which set in last night and continued in showers today.

The Forest Service has received reports of heavy rain as far north as Bathurst and the western part of the province which was in extreme need of rain also has received it.

York County Fires Out.

The two forest fires which had been burning were in York County near Magundy and near Mossley Lake north of McAdam. The latter fire was the most serious of the two covering 150 acres of pulpwood slashings and also burning much peeled pulpwood which lay on the ground. The owners were Lambert & Freedman, Maine pulpwood dealers, who with local people fought the fire. This fire was fought Sunday but on Monday got away from the fighters in a brisk wind.

At Magundy thirty or forty acres were covered by fire and an old camp was destroyed. This fire started early in August according to the Forest Service but burned up fiercely within the past day or two. Both fires were on private land.

New Brunswick Fortunate.

In spite of the fact that quite a number of forest fires occurred in the middle and late summer New Brunswick has been very fortunate compared with the Pacific and Western States and Provinces. In Montana the forest fires have been the worst since 1908 and in other Western States since 1910. A portion of the forests of Glacier National Park in the United States was burned. British Columbia also has had serious fire conditions.

Good For Farming.

Rain has reached sections in which the farmers were in urgent need of hay. Many of the rains which covered Fredericton and vicinity during the summer did not reach places in the western part of the Province. The present rains will benefit all.

CITY AFFAIRS

Kitchen Shower.
Friends of Misses Majorie Hanson and Grace Phillips of this city who are shortly to be principals in interesting events entertained them to a picnic and kitchen shower on one of the islands above the city yesterday afternoon. The affair proved most enjoyable.

B. C. Lumber in Saint John.

Saint John Globe—This morning it was said that for the first time, in many months, a cargo of lumber will be brought here next month from British Columbia. The lumber, which will be Douglas fir, will be loaded on board the S. S. Grangeport, early in September, and will come consigned to the Robert Reford Company. This lumber which is noted for its length, is consigned to J. A. Likely, and will be used for construction purposes.

The Egg Laying Contest.

The birds in the New Brunswick Egg Laying contest last week produced 746 eggs, which is a yield of 53 per cent. A pen of Rhode Island Reds owned by H. G. Harrison of St. John led with 48 eggs, with the Barred Rock pen of Fred H. Ferguson of this city in second place with 47. One of Mr. Fergusons birds has laid 98 eggs without a break and has only missed one day in 121. It is doubtful if a bird in the various contests throughout the Dominion has a better non stop record.

Many Saw Prof. Seely.

The special performance at the Capitol Theatre Monday night by Prof. Seely, who gave exhibitions of strength and muscular development, was witnessed by a large number of spectators. Prof. Seely's advertised performance of driving spikes through several boards with his hand was lived up to every detail. The breaking of a huge slab of stone on his body did not take place but only because Elmer Humes who was wielding a thirty-pound sledge could make no impression on the stone except knock off a few splinters. It took eight men to place the stone upon the body of the performer as he lay on the floor of the stage.

TWO AND HALF TONS OF SCHOOL BOOKS TO ST. JOHN

School Book Department Functioning to Full Extent—Rural Districts Taking More Advantage of System.

The School Book Department of the Province of New Brunswick is now functioning to its full extent for the first time since the Free School Book regulations went into effect more than a year ago. On Monday two tons and a half of school books were shipped to Saint John for distribution there for the opening of the schools of that city which has been delayed until Monday next. In Fredericton the distribution will take place next Thursday morning when the schools open, each school receiving its allotment direct.

Rural Districts Interested.

The increasing quantity of school books going out from the Department is accounted for by the fact that the rural schools are becoming more accustomed to the system and also are adopting the standardization which is imposed by the allotment of textbooks according to system.

Marked Benefit.

The expectation is that the adoption of the free school book system in its entirety will result in marked benefit to the rural schools of the Province in addition to the relief of financial obligations on the individual taxpayer. C. S. Creed is superintendent of the department.

Soft Ball at the Point.

At the Barker's Point ball field last evening the home team defeated the Marysville Vets in a nine inning game of Soft Ball to the tune of 8 to 6. Kenneth McDonald was umpire. The game was very fast lasting only forty minutes and was witnessed by a large and interested number of fans.

EXHIBITION TO OPEN THREE WEEKS FROM SATURDAY

Sept. 18 to 25 the Dates—Good Position in Circuit—Attractions Will be the Equal of Any.

The Fredericton Exhibition of 1926 will be formally declared open three weeks from next Saturday night. The time is not long and preparations at the grounds and buildings already are under way. Tenders for dining room, refreshments and other privileges at the fair will close on Wednesday and the directors will award the contracts immediately.

In the Circuit.

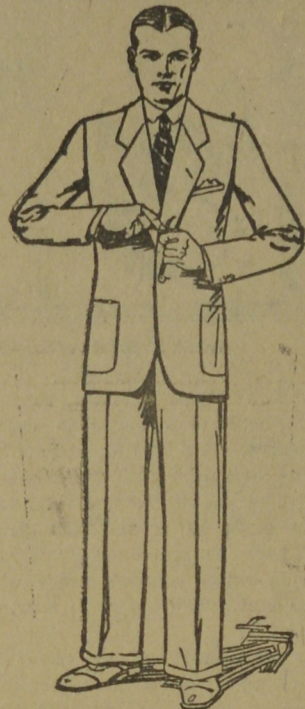
The local exhibition comes in a good position in the circuit of fairs in the Maritime Provinces. The Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition will be held at Amherst this year the first one outside Halifax in many years. St. Stephen, Saint John and Woodstock will follow. The Fredericton dates although late are about the same as usual and should attract the usual large attendance. Exhibitors will have especially convenient dates.

The customary attractions in the way of fast harness racing will take place and the entries will include all the best available horses in this part of the country.

Amusement Attractions.

As usual the amusement attractions will be of a high order and will include some of the best outdoor attractions showing in the East. The midway attractions also are to be up to the mark with many new shows and all the best of the old ones.

The number of entries received so far in the various classes indicates that the interest in the Fredericton Exhibition on the part of exhibitors has not decreased. Livestock is expected to be particularly attractive and the inside of the main building also will be up to the mark.



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