

U.S. POTATO CROP ESTIMATES ARE HIGHER

Fields in This Province Look Well—Cool Dry Weather Prevents a Late Blight So Far.

The potato fields of New Brunswick are in excellent condition at the present time. Unseasonable frosts are the greatest causes of anxiety at the present time in the upper section of the Saint John Valley. The cool weather with little rain has been a great protection against late blight and very little has appeared in any part of the Province. There still is a chance for loss by disease should warm hot weather occur.

Some parts of the potato belt report too little rain the storms which have visited other parts of New Brunswick having passed them by.

Digging Cobblers For Shipping.

The earliest digging of potatoes for shipment is reported from Florenceville where Irish Cobblers were dug this week but have not yet been shipped. Digging of Cobblers will not be general until another fortnight. In Maine digging and shipping of Cobblers already has taken place near Monticello.

Crop Estimates.

Crop estimates already are being made for the various shipping States of the Union although it is possible that the figures may have to be altered should conditions of the late summer and early autumn not be favorable. The figures furnished by the United States Department of Agriculture for August for the three chief states are as follows:—

	1926	1925
Maine	34,133,000	32,467,000
Michigan	27,564,000	26,629,000
Wisconsin	26,643,000	24,600,000

The figures quoted indicate a considerably larger yield and the yield in those states governs the New Brunswick market to quite an extent.

CITY AFFAIRS

To Erect Sign.

Mavor Bros., have been given permission to erect an electric sign on the front of their place of business, Queen Street.

To Speak at Woodstock.

Right, Hon. Mackenzie King former Prime Minister of Canada will speak at Island Park, Woodstock on the afternoon of Tuesday, August 24th.

Left for Glace Bay.

Mrs. H. J. Walker left for Glace Bay on account of the death of her brother Percy Knifton, chief operator of Marconi Wireless Station. He died very suddenly.

Had Pleasant Trip.

Dr. and Mrs. MacKay and Mr. and Mrs. T. Amos Wilson returned last evening from a motor trip to Toronto. They travelled over twenty four hundred miles and had a very pleasant time.

Harvest Excursion.

Winnipeg Harvest excursion tickets are now on sale at F. B. Edgcombe's Store. An Excursion train leaves Wednesday, August, 25th. The fare from Fredericton to Winnipeg will be \$20.00, via the Canadian Pacific Railway or the Canadian National Railway.

Motoring to Montreal.

A party composed of the Misses Mabel, Alice and Louise Sterling and their niece Miss Louise Whitney of Freeport, L. I., and Jack Vaughan, leave early next week on an auto trip to Montreal. While in that city Miss Mabel Sterling will attend the meeting of the Federation of University Women as the representative of the U. N. B. They expect to be absent a week or ten days.

Entertained at Ottawa.

An Ottawa despatch of Wednesday, to the Montreal Gazette says: Mrs. A. R. Tibbits will entertain tomorrow afternoon at an informal tea in honor of the Countess of Ashburnham, of Fredericton, who motored to Ottawa, arriving today. The Countess is accompanied by Miss E. Morgan and Mrs. W. T. Whitehead both of Fredericton. Mrs. Whitehead is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. H. McKee, and the Countess of Ashburnham is staying at the Alexandra Hotel.

NASON'S BAKERY CLOSED, OWNER HAS LEFT CITY

Municipal Contracts for Gaol and Municipal Home Abandoned — Business Had Operated Some Time.

Nason's Bakery which has been operated in Queen street West for the past couple of years is closed and the proprietor, Marvin Nason, has left the city. Financial difficulties are assigned as the cause of the suspension of the business and of the departure of the proprietor from Fredericton.

Contracts Suspended.

The closing of the business caused the suspension of contracts which the bakery had with the Municipality of York for supplying bread to the County Gaol and the Municipal Home in Douglas. Arrangements had to be made with other bakeries to carry on the supply of bread.

Resident of Sunbury.

Mr. Nason is a resident of Sunbury within a few miles of Oromocto. He farmed there for some time and also conducted logging and other lumbering operations. He removed to this city a couple of years ago and established the business which was conducted on quite a large scale.

No assignment has been made in connection with the matter.

Was Dynamite Used.

A citizen who has returned from a trip up river says that it is currently reported that a salmon pool above Woodstock was dynamited a few nights ago. The evening before the alleged offence was committed a number of salmon could be seen depositing themselves in the pool. On the following morning they were not to be seen but the shore in the vicinity was strewn with dead eels and other small fishes which looked as if they had run up against a charge of dynamite.

CITY TO ENGAGE ENGINEER FOR REPORT ON HYDRO

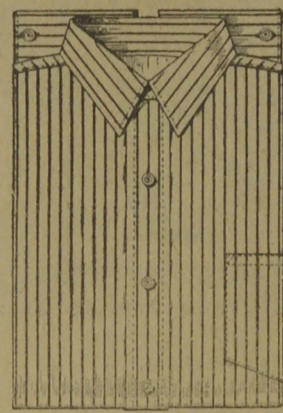
He Will Cooperate with S. R. Weston, Chief Engineer of the Power Commission — Council Considers.

The City is to engage an engineer who will cooperate with S. R. Weston, Chief Engineer of the N. B. Power Commission, in the preparation of a report on the whole situation in Fredericton relative to the use of hydro current. This is to include the cost of purchase of The Maritime Electric Company's plant and distribution as well as costs of current delivered here from various possible sources.

The selection of the engineer is in hands of a special committee composed of Ald. Ross, Ald. Davidson and Ald. Currier with whom Mayor Clark will act. The decision was reached Friday night on a vote for an amendment of Ald. Mitchell to a motion of Ald. Ross that a committee be named to obtain a price on the property of The Maritime Electric Co.

Mayor Presented Report.

Mayor Clark reported at a special meeting of the City Council, upon the conference held between the Council and the New Brunswick Power Commission in this city on Tuesday last. His Worship stated that various items of information had been received. With regard to an estimate of the power which might be taken in Fredericton and vicinity it had been said that the Maritime Electric Co. would take 800 h. p. and Canadian Cottons Limited 1,400 h. p. In all it was believed that 4,000 h.p. could be used in Fredericton and vicinity. At present Canadian Cottons Limited developed its own current from steam. The price for 4,000 h. p. delivered here from Grand Falls was given as \$40 per h. p. That was considered too high to be feasible and the proposal was made that Pokiook or Meductic Falls be used. The Commission's engineer Mr. Weston (Continued on Page Five.)

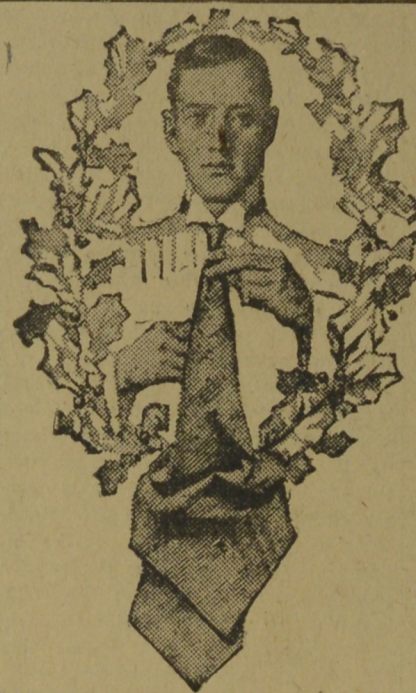


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