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AN IMPORTANT INDUSTRY

It is gratifying to note that the value of maple products exported from Canada is on the rise. The value of these in the last calendar year was \$1,167,626, as compared with \$768,802 in 1926, an increase of 51 per cent., and with \$432,104 in 1924, an increase of 170 per cent. Exports to the United Kingdom during the fiscal years 1924, 1925, 1926, and 1927 have been respectively \$7,427, \$15,253, \$7,282, and \$10,480; and the United States \$423,877, \$716,635, \$758,933, and \$1,153,482. The rise in the past year represents a considerable increase in volume since prices were much lower than those for the years immediately preceding.

The output of both maple sugar and maple syrup in 1927 was greater than in the previous year, and the total value of production was also greater in spite of the lower values. Altogether 9,831,697 pounds of sugar were produced which at an average price of 14 cents per pound, the lowest for some considerable time, realized \$1,365,045. A total of 2,154,705 gallons of maple syrup with an average value of \$1.66 per gallon had a total value of \$3,569,766. The combined value of sugar and syrup in 1927 was \$4,934,811, as compared with \$4,596,375 in 1926, \$5,287,898 in 1925 and \$5,991,141 in 1924.

Both sugar and syrup production were higher in Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick than in the previous year, while somewhat lower in Ontario. Quebec contributed 9,104,174 pounds of sugar worth \$1,183,542 and 1,423,986 gallons of syrup worth \$1,922,381, the combined value being \$3,105,924. Ontario accounted for 626,573 pounds of sugar worth \$150,377 and 720,561 gallons of syrup worth \$1,621,262, the combined value being \$1,771,639. New Brunswick's sugar production was 47,000 pounds worth \$15,040 and syrup, 5,744 gallons worth \$14,647, total production having a value of \$29,687. A total of 53,950 pounds of sugar worth \$16,085 and 4,414 gallons of syrup worth \$11,476 had a combined value of \$27,561 in Nova Scotia.

In Quebec 39 per cent. of the total production was in the form of sugar and 61 per cent. in syrup; in Ontario the proportions were respectively 8 and 92; in Nova Scotia 55 and 45; and in New Brunswick 45 and 55. One gallon of syrup is equal to about ten pounds of sugar. Production in the United States in 1925 was 3,266,000 pounds of sugar and 3,085,000 gallons of syrup, a total in terms of sugar of 27,946,000 pounds. This production, contributed by eleven states, is about the same as the Canadian aggregate.

There are indications are the present time of a yet stronger interest in the part of the Government in the development of the maple products industry. It is understood that arrangements are under discussion whereby the Federal Department of Agriculture will directly take charge of the inspection and control of maple products, measures which previously came under the Department of Health. At the same time it is announced that out of a suggestion proffered by the Development Branch, Canadian Pacific Railway, to which long consideration has been given, the decision has been reached to award a scholarship for maple products research under the National Research Council, to be held at Macdonald Agricultural College.

RIVER POLLUTION.

There is a law against the pollution of streams frequented by fish, but it is not observed as rigidly as it should be. In this city for instance along the river bank between Northumberland and Westmorland streets there is a city dump where tons and tons of garbage has been deposited during the past winter. Much of this stuff was dumped on the shore below the high water mark and will be carried down river as soon as the ice runs out. The spring run of salmon, shad, gaspereaux and

other edible fish will be on in a few days and nobody will argue that they will derive any great amount of benefit from close contact with the raw material from the city dump. The records show that if some fellow operating a jack knife mill in a remote section of the province allows a few pounds of clean sawdust to fall into a small stream the fishery officers get busy and he is promptly haled to court and penalized. Here in Fredericton, however, one of the best fishing streams in the province is made a receptacle for all kinds of rubbish and nothing whatever is done about it.

The government liquor stores throughout the province were tightly closed yesterday, but cold water, the temperance man's own element, went on the rampage and succeeded in making things rather lively in some sections of York County.

We understand new devices and better regulations are making hens lay more, but if we were a hen one thing that would make us see red would be to find someone attempting to adjust us as a mere cog in an efficiency system.

Despite the discussion as to who that chap who wants to be shot to Venus in a rocket will get back to earth again, we can't help feeling the return will prove to be the least of his difficulties.

Owing to the unbroken succession of sad tragedies, it is announced by Lloyd's in London, that they cannot insure any transatlantic hop reading from left to right.

A man thinks the ashes on the rug will pass unnoticed; that's optimism. Later he finds himself with a dustpan and brush cleaning them up; that's feminism.

Madonna faces will again be in style this summer, a fashion note says; but it is too much to expect the modern woman to paint as well as the old masters.

"Since Al Smith has been governor of New York he has been presented with 30 walking sticks," and now it is about time somebody gave him running pants.

A Duluth paper announces the arrival of Spring, the editor having learned this by glancing at the calendar.

Taking off 20 pounds in training is a wonderful thing for an athlete, but it gives the great left-fielder a baggy vest.

Cheer up! Even the lucky fellow who was born with a silver spoon in his mouth doesn't find that it softens the taste of castor oil.

Tulsa, Okla. has abolished galluses for firemen, as well as the old time riddle: "Why does a fireman wear red suspenders?"

The time is coming, we presume, when divorce will be placed on a commercial basis and a discarded wife will command a turn-in value.

Georgia watermelon growers have been warned against overproduction, which is a very odd thing to say in connection with watermelons.

All we know positively about the parachute is it was invented by a pessimist.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Dorothy Turner returned to St. Andrew's today having spent the holidays with relatives.

Miss Annie Grannan, who spent the Easter holidays at her home in this city, is returning to Moncton to resume her duties on the teaching staff of the St. Bernard's school in that city.

Devon Council Met.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Devon Town Council last evening the usual routine business was carried out with but one member of the council absent. No important business came before the Council for argument and the meeting was not of long duration.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

In April rain or shine means rain and shine.

Obsolete sign: "\$5.00 Fine for Driving Over This Bridge Faster Than a Trot."

Anybody with a seed catalogue and a little imagination can have a backyard garden.

King Emmanuel of Italy may be abdicate. But surely not with hope of finding an easier job.

Any man who starts out with the idea that all men are suckers is the biggest sucker of them all.

When the average man has reached a certain, or even uncertain age, he begins to consider wickedness too much bother.

Hi Slocum says that nothing looks more conspicuous than one of those fancy painted automobiles pausing in front of the Liquor Pausing Store.

A Detroit fat girl who lost her necklace several weeks ago found it around her neck the other day. Now there is anxiety to know what reducing method she followed.

EASTER TERM OF APPEAL COURT NOW IN SESSION

The Easter term of the Supreme Court opened this morning with Chief Justice Hazen and Justices White and Grimmer presiding:

The following common motions were made:

In the case of Priscilla Knight Hanson vs City of St. John, Mr. Dougherty moved for extension of time for filing factum and entering appeals in the June term. An order was given, extending the time to the next court. In the case of Langstroth and F. P. Gallop vs J. R. Watkin Co., Mr. G. J. Gilbert moved for an order discharging notice of appeal and dismissing appeal. Objection was raised by Mr. Mullin. Court took time to consider and will deliver judgment later in the term. Another extension of time was given in the case of John Bohan and Bertha E. Gaudet vs Estate of Henry Lee. Mr. Gilbert asked for the extension of time for an appeal and leave to enter it at next term.

A number of cases were before the court and seven were disposed of during the morning session. In Fraser Companies, Ltd, vs Thompson, C. L. Dougherty moved to enlarge time for filing factums and hearing appeal and showed cause. Mr. J. F. Winslow, K. C., supported suit.

Two liquor cases on the Crown Paper were gone into. The King vs A. R. Slipp, Judge of the York County Court ex parte, D. Harry Crowley and second, The King vs A. R. Slipp, Judge of the York County Court ex parte, Kenneth Staples, Drug Co., Ltd. In both cases C. L. Dougherty appeared to show cause against a rule nisi to quash order under the Intoxicating Liquor Act and was supported by J. J. F. Winslow, K. C., and P. J. Hughes K. C. By consent of all parties these cases are to be argued together allowing both Mr. Winslow and Mr. Hughes to speak in support. Mr. Dougherty was given the right of preliminary objections and after argument the court was adjourned until 2.30 this afternoon.

A LEADER IN FRENCH ART

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the Paris, April 10—Mme. Madeline Lemaire, one of the leaders in modern French art, died at her home here Monday night. She was particularly noted for her floral paintings.

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