

DO YOU BUY BUTTER?

Then Make Sure that You Get Value for Your Money.

How many Fredericton householders who purchase their supply of butter in the market or have it delivered regularly at their homes by farmers, ever take the trouble to weigh the prints? This is not an easy question to answer, but judging from a conversation on the subject which a Herald representative heard a few days ago, there are good grounds for believing that the number is not large — not as large as it would be if the purchasers had reason to suspect that in many cases they pay for sixteen ounces and only get fifteen. The Herald does not wish to cast any reflections upon the honesty of the butter makers of York and Sunbury counties but it has some advice to offer its city friends, and it is this: In future when buying butter in the market take it to a grocery store and have it weighed. This experiment was tried a few days ago by a prominent city merchant and to say he was astonished at the result would be putting it mildly. It seems he had purchased a large quantity of butter, about fifty pounds, from a very respectable farmer and was taking delivery of it at his place of business. The butter was in pound prints, and all at once the thought occurred to him that he should try one of them on the scales. He did so and found that it only weighed fifteen ounces. He tried another with the same result, and finally placed the whole lot on the scales and found the prints to average a little better than fifteen ounces each. The shortage on the lot amounted to nearly four pounds and in setting up the deduction was made accordingly. It is only fair to the farmer to say that he was as much astonished at the story told by the scales as was the customer, and this would no doubt be true in a majority of cases. On most farms the women folks look after the butter department, and in weighing it out use wooden moulds which are not always accurate, though they are never known to go outside of the mark. If there is anything wrong with the size of the prints it is the consumer who suffers not the producer, and for that reason the Herald feels constrained to offer the above advice to the householders of the city. No honest farmer can take offence if, when he has butter to sell, the customer does not accept his estimate of the weight, but resorts to the use of the scales. It may not be out of place to add here that a farmer who offers fifteen ounces of butter for a pound exposes himself to a criminal prosecution just as much as the man who who passed a counterfeit on his neighbor.

The Mounted Sword Fight

And Tournament to be contested at the curling rink, is attracting a good deal of attention, and there is a good entry list or the mounted boxing and wrestling contests. Reserve seat tickets are now on sale at Wilkes' confectionery store. The following extract is from the New York Journal:

Montreal, Aug. 10, 1901.—The best and most exciting contest which ever took place in Montreal was contested at the Victoria Rink tonight. The contestants were Captain Duncan C. Ross, the World's Champion Swordsman, and Sergeant J. W. McTaggart, the Crack Canadian, who saw service in South Africa. It was an exciting and thrilling sight as the gladiators bore down on one another at full gallop, wheeling their horses like a flash and when within striking distance the onslaught was terrific, Ross nearly unhorsing his opponent with every blow, but the game Canadian never weakened, although Ross' heavy blows twice cut through his armor. Ross was threatened with violence, but at the finish he was enthusiastically cheered.

Mounted sword combat rules.—The swordsmen are required to be mounted in cavalry style, clad in steel armor and armed with regulation swords, they shall take their position in oblique opposite corners. When the bugle sounds the "attack" the swordsmen must charge their horses to the centre and meet right hand to right hand and continue to attack each other until either is unhorsed or gains a point. A point shall be a clean cut on any part of the armor. If a swordsman is unhorsed he is allowed to continue on foot until a point is decided, when he must remount and continue the contest to a finish.—d.

DAM THE HARBOR.

Supt. Osborne's Plan for Improving Shipping Facilities at St. John.

To make St. John one of the finest ports in the world; to provide shipping accommodations greater than anything ever dreamed of for that city; to practically convert St. John harbor and Courtenay Bay into mammoth wet docks, are the principal features of a plan for harbor improvement which James Osborne, superintendent of the C. P. R., has under serious consideration, says the Telegraph.

Mr. Osborne's plan at first sight looks like a proposition to fence in the harbor and Courtenay Bay.

It is to build from the Carleton shore in the vicinity of Fort Dufferin to the northern end of Partridge Island a gigantic dyke rising eight or ten feet above high water. From Red Head bank to the same part of Partridge Island would be built another dyke connecting with the first.

These dykes or breakwaters would be built of filled masonry and of great strength. Their principal idea would be to hold the water so as to minimize the rise and fall of tide. With the dykes in use there would be but a rise and fall of six feet instead of from 22 to 28 as at present. The dyke running from Partridge Island to Red Head shore would have a lock such as those used in canals and through this lock vessels would enter and sail. A sluiceway of a depth of six feet would be located near the Red Head end. It would be for the purpose of carrying away refuse and providing enough rise and fall to make the freezing of the harbor impossible.

Warehouses would be constructed on the top of the dykes and berthing for any number of ships could be easily provided. The Canadian Pacific would run their rails out over the dykes and the I. C. R. might be expected to lay tracks around the Courtenay Bay shore to Red Head and thence out on the dykes.

As can be at once seen the changes which would follow the adoption of such a plan would be enormous. There would be no reversible falls, for the St. John harbor would be at high water all the time. Courtney Bay would have a depth of from 16 to 18 feet and could accommodate great quantities of shipping.

One great feature of the new scheme is that it would render further harbor dredging unnecessary and thus it would be responsible for a large saving.

When seen last night Mr. Osborne spoke enthusiastically of the idea. Of course all depends upon the development of the business, but Mr. Osborne is of opinion that eventually it will assume such proportions as to make some such plan necessary.

MARYSVILLE NEWS

(Special Correspondence to the Herald)

Nov. 12.—Amethyst Lodge, No. 17, Daughters of Rebekah, celebrated their fourth anniversary last evening by entertaining their friends at a birthday party in the Oddfellows' Hall, on which occasion a good crowd was present and a delightful evening spent. While the guests were assembling some choice selections were played on a gramophone, after which Addison Handley gave a recitation in his usual able manner. This was followed by Miss Etta Handley, whose recitation was heard with pleasure. Following this was a very novel entertainment known as a Mother Goose fable, entitled "Hilarious Jocundi," or a mock initiation. The characters were all well taken and the piece was very laughable, causing abundance of amusement for the visitors. Following is the cast of characters:

Mother Goose (Patron Saint)—Josephine White.

Secundra Ray—Ella Handley.

Boggy Bamboozler—Mrs. E. B. Staples.

Celestial Censor—Mrs. A. G. Robinson.

Scribe Toky Waxy—Annie Gilmour.

Sine Rhino—Mrs. Chas. Finnimore.

Sagacious Scour—Ella Johnson.

Princess Pilotiens—Mrs. Thos. M. Howell.

Medico Erancier—Bessie Long.

Sustainer—Mrs. Annes Brown.

Right and left, Hodge Podge—Mrs. Norman Cochrane and Mrs. Lint.

Riff Raff Rustlers—Jennie Cochrane, Laura Fullerton, Mayme McConaghy, Ella Kenny.

Porter of the Portcullis—Viola Brown.

Master of the Moat—Daisy Dennison.

Great Scott—Mina Black.

Gee Whiz—Annie Dennison.

Pilgrim—(the candidate) H. P. Lint.

Mr. "Bert" Lint, as the Pilgrim, was splendid, and kept the audience in an uproar by his quaint ways and majestic voice, and being the only gentleman in the cast he had the sympathy of all present. All through the initiation Prof. Cadwell presided at the organ, and the performers kept splendid time, while their marching and singing was excellent.

At the conclusion of the program light refreshments were served, which brought to a close one of the most enjoyable entertainments held in Marysville for some time.

The wedding will take place tonight at the residence of the bride's father, Brick Hill, of Miss Agnes Johnston and Mr. Frank McLean. Miss Ella Johnston, sister of the bride, will be bridesmaid while Elbridge Walker will support the groom. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Mr. Bellies, and as both the young people are very popular a large number of invited guests will be present.

Hon. C. N. Skinner, K. C., of St. John, is in the city attending the supreme court, and is a guest at the Queen.

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