ANNUAL SHOW

Of the Central Agricultural Society of Kings.

Very Fair Exhibits of Live Stock, Fruits, Grain and Roots.

The Prize List—The Display Did Not Lack Interest in Several Particulars, But Domestic Industry was Not Well Represented.

HAMPTON, Kings Co., Oct. 13.—The fair and exhibition of the Central Agricultural Society of Kings county opened in the hall and grounds of the society at Hampton Village on Tuesday last, 9th instant, but although great preparations had been made for that and the following day, the heavy rain which prevailed and which continued through Wednesday and Thursday had a most deterrent effect upon any possible success which might have been anticipated. The society has no shed upon its grounds in which stock can be housed, and the result of the storm was to cause the whole affair to go over until Friday, on which day all nature seemed to put on its best gala dress to honor the occasion, so that notwithstanding the break, the show and the attendance alike came up to the average of former and apparently more promising years. Some of the stock exhibited was very fine, although a number of the lines called for were prominently marked with a blank. Within the hall the show of fruits, grain and roots was good, although their arrangement was not equal to their merits. The display of objects of domestic industry was neither as full or varied as would probably have been secured with more active efforts and a wider advertisement of the classes of goods and material the management desired to secure. However, the fair did not lack interest in many particulars and afforded warrant for the belief that this part of the county can upon occasion hold its own in any competitive show of products of the farm and home. The upper part of the hall was converted into a dining room and restaurant, and here a committee of ladies was kept busy in supplying refreshments of a most substantial and appetite-satisfying character. The stage of the main hall was occupied with a number of fine pianos, exhibited by Beebe Brothers, and the music furnished from time to time contributed in a marked degree to the interest and success of the exhibition. The money prizes offered were not very large, but this was natural in a contest which was merely local, still the lists add up over $135 for winners in the first class, over $107 in the second class, and about $45 in the third. The following is a list of the prize winners:

CATTLE.

Judges:—B. V. Millidge, M. H. Parlee.

Jerseys.

Bull, 3 years old—A. C. Burnett, 1st; Jas. Gilchrist, 2nd.
Yearling bull—J. K. Hayes, 1st.
Bull calf—James Gilchrist, 1st.
Cow, 4 years old—James Gilchrist, 1st; C. D. McAvity, 2nd; Jas. Gilchrist, 3rd.
Cow, 3 years old—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Heifer, 2 years old—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Yearling heifer—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Heifer calf—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.

Ayershires.

Bull, 3 years old—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Bull, 2 years old—J. W. Fowler, 1st; E. Seely, 2nd.
Bull calf—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Cow, 4 years old or over—S. E Frost & Son, 1st; H. J. Belding, 2nd; S. E. Frost & Son, 3rd.
Yearling heifer—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Heifer calf—H. J. Belding, 1st.

GRADE STOCK.

Cow, 4 years old and over—S. T. Fairweather, 1st; A. C. Burnett, 2nd; J. K. Hayes, 3rd.
Cow, 3 years old—S. L. T. Wiggins, 1st; J. K. Hayes, 2nd; C. D. McAvity, 3rd.
Cow, 2 years old—J. K. Hayes, 1st; John Raymond, 2nd; C. D. McAvity, 3rd.
Heifer, 2 years old—Samuel Tabor, 1st; J. W. Fowler, 2nd; F. L. Titus, 3rd.
Yearling heifer—John Raymond, 1st; J. K. Hayes, 2nd; J. K. Hayes, 3rd.
Heifer calf—W. Piers, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd; J. E. Fairweather, 3rd.
Yoke oxen, 4 years or over—J. Allan Hill, 1st; S. E. Frost & Son, 2nd.
Yoke steers, 3 years old—J. Allan Hill, 1st; F. L. Titus, 2nd.
Yoke steers, 2 years old—F. L. Titus, 1st; Samuel Tabor, 2nd.
Yoke yearling steers—F. L. Titus, 1st; S. E. Frost & Son, 2nd.
Fat ox or steer—S. L. T. Wiggins, 1st.

HORSES.

Judges:—G. C. P. McIntyre and James Lindsay.

Agricultural Class.

Matched team—W. E. S. Wetmore, 1st.
Mare or gelding — Isaac Schofield, 1st; E. R. DeMille, 2nd.
Stallion, 3 years old or over—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st.
Brood mare—Alex. Prince, 1st; J. Heber Smith, 2nd.
Colt or filly, 3 years old—C. D. McAvity, 1st; E. R. DeMille, 2nd.
Colt or filly, 2 years old—J. E. Hoyt, 1st.
Yearling colt—John Raymond, 1st.
Spring colt or filly—Alex. Prince, 1st; Boyd Wetmore, 2nd.

Draught Class.

Mare or gelding—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st; W. Piers, 2nd.
Brood mare—J. T. McVey, 1st; B. C. Williams, 2nd.
Spring colt—B. C. Williams, 1st.

Driving Class.

Matched team—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st; Henry Pierce, 2nd.
Brood mare—A. C. Burnett, 1st; M. Crabb, 2nd.
Mare or gelding—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st; C. A. Frost, 2nd.
Colt, 3 years old—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; J. Heber Smith, 2nd.
Colt, 2 years—Frank Hayes, 1st; J. Heber Smith, 2nd.
Yearling colt—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st; Boyd A. Wetmore, 2nd.
Spring colt—M. Crabb, 1st.

SHEEP AND SWINE.

Judges:—B. V. Millidge and M. H. Parlee.

Shropshire ram lamb—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Southdown ram—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Pair Southdown ewes—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Southdown ram lamb—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Pair Southdown ewe lambs—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Leicester ram—R. P. Piers, 1st.

GRADE SHEEP.

Ram—John Raymond, 1st; J. W. Fowler, 2nd.
Pair ewes, 2 shears or over—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; Jas. Gilchrist, 2nd.
Pair ewes, 1 shear—Jas. Gilchrist, 1st.
Pair ewe lambs—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; Jas. Gilchrist, 2nd.

SWINE.

Berkshire boar, over 1 year—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; Jas. Gilchrist, 2nd.
Brood sow, over 1 year—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Boar, under 1 year—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Brood sow, under 1 year—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st.
Yorkshire brood sow, under 1 year—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; R. P. Piers, 2nd.
Grade sow, under 1 year—R. P. Piers, 1st; S. T. Fairweather, 2nd.

POULTRY.

Judge:—W. A. Jack.

Plymouth Rock, cock—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd.
P. R. hen (pullet)—J. W. Fowler, 1st; S. H. Flewwelling, 2nd.
White Leghorn cock—N. M. Barnes, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd.
White Leghorn hen—S. L. T. Wiggins, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd.
Black Minorca cock—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st.
Black Minorca hen—N. M. Barnes, 1st; S. H. Flewwelling (pullet), 2nd.
Grade fowl, hen—R. Wannaker, 1st; J. K. Hayes, 2nd.
Pair Pekin ducks—S. L. T. Wiggins, 1st.
Pair common ducks—J. H. Smith, 1st.
Pair Bronze turkeys—C. H. Hendricks, 1st.
Pair common turkeys—Andrew S. Beyea, 1st; R. P. Piers, 2nd.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE.

Judges:—A. W. Hicks, N. M. Barnes and R. H. Warneford.

Fall apples—R. H. Fairweather, 1st; C. E. Dixon, 2nd; S. L. T. Wiggins, 3rd.
Winter apples—C. E. Dixon, 1st; C. J. Hendricks, 2nd; J. K. Hayes, 3rd.
Summer squash—J. K. Hayes, 1st; A. H. Fairweather, 2nd; Boyd H. Wetmore, 3rd.
Winter squash—John Raymond, 1st; S. T. Fairweather, 2nd; Boyd A Wetmore, 3rd.
Three pumpkins—M. Crabb, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd; C. H. Dixon, 3rd.
Three head cabbage—C. H. Dixon, 1st; J. E. Fairweather, 2nd; John Raymond, 3rd.
Three red cabbage—Boyd H. Wetmore, 1st; C. H. Dixon, 2nd; J. E. Fairweather, 3rd.
Cauliflower—Boyd H Wetmore, 1st; J. E. Fairweather, 2nd.
Six head celery—C. H. Dixon, 1st; R. Wanamake, 2nd; J. A. Hill, 3rd.
Peck onions (named)—J. T. Burnett, 1st; M. Crabb, 2nd; C. T. Hendricks, 3rd.
Peck tomatoes—R. Wanramake, 1st; S. L. T. Wigins, 2nd; C. E. Dixon, 3rd.
Bushel wheat—Boyd A.Wetmore (Captain), 1st; J. Heber Smith (Monarch), 2nd; Allan Hill (Well Fite), 3rd.
Bushel barley—R. Wannamake, 1st; Boyd A. Wetmore (Nugent), 2nd; S. E. Frost & Son, 3rd.
Bushel white oats—C. J. Hendricks, 1st; Boyd A. Wetmore, 2nd; R. P. Piers, 3rd.
Bushel black oats—B. A. Wetmore, 1st.
Silver Hull buckwheat—R. Wannamake, 1st; E. P. Seely, 2nd.
Rough buckwheat— Isaac Schofield, 1st; C. J. Hendricks, 2nd; Boyd A. Wetmore, 3rd.
New Queen potatoes—J. E. Hoyt, 1st; J. E Fairweather, 2nd; S. T. Fairweather, 3rd.
Early Rose potatoes—C. J. Hendricks, 1st; A. S. Beyea, 2nd; S. F. Fairweather, 3rd.
Snowflake potatoes—J. K. Hayes, 1st; S. E. Frost & Son, 2nd; R. Wannamake, 3rd.
Minister potatoes—R. Wannamake, 1st; A. H. Fairweather, 2nd; S. J. Fairweather, 3rd.
Beauty of Hebron potatoes—Boyd A. Wetmore, 1st.
Any new variety—J.W. Fowler (Rosedale), 1st; A. H. Fairweather (Empire State), 2nd; C J. Hendricks (White Beauty), 3rd.
Mangolds, long red—C. H. Dixon, 1st; S. E. Frost & Son, 2nd; J. E. Fairweather, 3rd.
Long yellow—C. H. Dixon, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd.
Yellow globe—S. E. Frost, 1st; S. L. T.Wiggins, 2nd; J. E. Fairweather, 3rd.
Swede turnips (table)—C. H. Dixon, 1st, J. W. Fowler, 2nd; J. E. Hoyt, 3rd.
Swede turnips ,stock)—E. H. Seely, 1st; C. H. Dixon, 2nd; M. Crabb, 3rd.
Turnip Blood Beets — J. T. Fairweather, 1st; C. E. Dixon, 2nd; Allan Hill, 3rd.
Long Blood Beets—A. H. Fairweather, 1st. Sugar Beets—C. H. Dixon, 1st; C. J. Hendricks, 2nd.
Parsnips—Allan Hill, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd; C. J. Hendricks, 3rd.
Improved short white carrots—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; C. E. Dixon, 2nd; G. F. Burnett, 3rd.
Inversion Champion carrots—S. J. Fairweather, 1st; J. E. Fairweather, 2nd; C. H. Dixon, 3rd.
Ox-heart carrots—C. E. Dixon, 1st; J. E. Fairweather, 2nd; John Raymond, 3rd.
Chautenay carrots—C. E. Dixon, 1st; M. Crabb, 2nd.
Scarlet Nautes carrots—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; A. H. Fairweather, 2nd; G. T. Burnett, 3rd.
Half bushel field peas—M. Crabb, 1st; B. A. Wetmore, 2nd; J. E. Hoyt, 3rd.
Half bushel beans—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; R. P. Piers, 2nd; Isaac Schofield, 3rd.
Dog Ears yellow corn—G. T. Burnett, 1st; M. Crabb, 2nd; A. Hill, 3rd.
Dog Ears sweet corn—S. E. Frost & Son, 1st; C. J. Hendricks, 2nd; M. Crabb, 3rd.
Assortment field roots—C. E. Dixon, 1st; S. L. T. Wiggins, 2nd.
BUTTER, 5 LBS., IN ROLLS OR PRINTS.
Three prizes ($3.30) to be divided equally between: Isaac Schofield, J. K. Hayes, S. L. T. Wiggins, M. Crabb, R. Wannamake and A. S. Beyea.
Packed butter, not less than 12 lbs.—Prizes ($8.00) to be divided between: S. L. T.Wiggins, C. E. Dixon, J. E. Hoyt, E. H. Seely, I. Schofield, J. W. Fowler and M. Crabb.

WOOLLEN GOODS AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Woollen blanket—John Raymond, 1st; R. Gilliland, 2nd.
Women's stockings—A. H. Fairweather, 1st; Isaac Schofield, 2nd.
Men's socks—Isaac Schofield, 1st; C. J. Hendricks, 2nd.
Men's mitts—M. Crabb, 1st.
Woollen gloves—R. Gilliland, 1st.
White yarn—A. Beyea, 1st.
Colored yarn—A. Beyea, 1st.
Assorted fancy needlework—E. L. Whittaker, 1st; S. H. Flewwelling, 2nd.
Sofa pillows—S. H. Flewwelling, 1st; Miss M. Flewwelling, 2nd.
Assorted crotchet work—Wm. Dann, 1st; A. H. Fairweather, 2nd.
Table cover—E. L. Whittaker, 1st.
Toilet set—C. E. Dixon, 1st.
Knitting—C. J. Hendricks, 1st.
Hearth rug—J. H. Smith, 1st; W. H. Frost, 2nd; S. L. T. Wiggins, 3rd.
Patchwork quilt—C. E. Dixon, 1st; Isaac Schofield, 2nd; Wm. Dann, 3rd.
Knitted or crotcheted quilt—J. H. Smith, 1st; R. Gilliland, 2nd; Wm. Dann, 3rd.
Two pairs women's fancy mittens—C. J. Hendricks, 1st.
Loaf bread—R. Wannamake, 1st; W. H. Frost,, 2nd; C. H. Dixon, 3rd.
Assorted fruit in glass — R. Wannamake, 1st; C. H. Dixon, 2nd; A. H. Fairweather, 3rd.
Collection photographs (local talent)—C. D. McAvity, 1st; W. J. Flewwelling, 2nd.
Collection photographs (professional) — C. D. McAvity, 1st; W. J. Flewwelling, 2nd.
The judges make honorable mention of hask mats by R. Gilliland, and very much regret there is no prize for same.—Mrs. J. B. Hammond, Mrs. Pritchard.

REPORTED MASSACREE.

ROME, Oct. 16.—The Tribuna publishes correspondence today from Asmara, southwest of Massoway, describing the massacre of an expedition to Lake Assal. The expedition is said to have been composed of British, but it is more likely that the members were French, as the lake is situated in possessions ceded to France by Emperor Menelik of Abyssinia.

It seems that the column, numbering two hundred, went to Lake Assal to obtain the tax on salt exported. The natives replied that they had no money, but would give cattle. To this the chief of the expedition agreed. Thereupon a large number of natives entered the camp of the expedition on various pretexts and massacred the disarmed members during bivouac.

A second expedition was sent to assist or avenge the first, but it is believed that this also met with a similar fate.

PRACTICAL PHILANTHROPY.

The whole voluminous literature of practical philanthropy may be boiled down to the proposition that the best way to help young people is to help them to help themselves. That is just what the Currie Business University of this city is doing for the young people who attend the institution. The school is now in session day and evening, and a catalogue may be obtained free on application.

SIR HIBBERT TUPPER

Brings Glad Tidings from the Pacific and Prairie Provinces.

He Sees Sure and Certain Evidence of a Rousing Conservative Victory at the Polls.

A Sun reporter had a short talk with Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper last night. "Excuse me," was the answer the scribe received when he proposed an interview, "I want to go to bed." The hour was late. Sir Hibbert, however, recognized that the reporter had a mission and consented to talk a little bit. He said in effect:

I left Vancouver on Tuesday a week ago, and reached St. John this evening.

I have no doubt whatever that we will carry every seat in British Columbia. Two elections, in Burrard and Yale, come off after the general elections. These would be ours if ran simultaneously with the general elections, but as we will win the general we are sure to win these later events.

I stopped off at Calgary, where an address was presented to me in the city theatre and where I spoke in support of a brilliant New Brunswicker, R. B. Bennett, who is said to be the best speaker ever heard on a Calgary platform. I was received by a conservative deputation and was conducted to the theatre in a procession which contained 100 torches. Judging from this meeting, I should say that Mr. Bennett will poll the largest conservative vote ever recorded in Calgary, and I consider his election in Alberta sure.

Passing through to Nicholas Flood Davin's constituency, I learned that his chances of victory are very good. The president of the liberal association in Regina is supporting Mr. Davin, being thoroughly disgusted with the records of Tarte and Sifton.

Before leaving Vancouver I sent a telegram to Mr. Sifton asking him to meet me at Brandon. Sifton wired that he could not meet me there, as he was to speak at Cartwright. But by the time I reached Brandon, Sifton had been forced by his friends to agree to a joint meeting. We met in the rink. It was before 3,500 people, the largest political gathering known in Manitoba outside of Winnipeg. Mr. Sifton had three squads of his supporters primed to prevent my getting a hearing, but notwithstanding this I spoke for an hour and a half and never got a better show. I repeated the charges I had made against Mr. Sifton and his mal-administration of the Yukon district in the house of commons, and conclusively established the fact that he had deceived the commons during the debate on my resolutions asking for a judicial commission, (1st) by stating that he had no request from Mr. Ogilvie, the commissioner, to extend the commission, and (2nd) that the only report from Ogilvie on the subject was private, by producing the so-called private communication which had been brought down during Sifton's absence in Europe last session, and which was an official communication and contained an earnest appeal for the extension of his powers and a statement that the enquiry had broken down at the outset by virtue of the limitation in the commission. I gave my reasons for charging him with corruption in his administration of the district, and established, as I think, that the only reason for voting down my resolution was the fear of the government that the enquiry would show that the crimes of the Yukon officials were shared in by the government.

Mr. Sifton, in his reply, was exceedingly abusive. He was evidently rattled and devoted a great deal of time to outside subjects, as for instance the abuse of all concerned in the publication of a campaign sheet, which he described as filthy because it contained extracts from the Toronto Globe from 1880 down to 1900 on various public questions of the day, establishing the hypocrisy of the liberal party. Mr. Sifton went on to say he had been told I had been guilty of drunkenness during the session of parliament in which I made my charges against Major Walsh; abused Sir Charles Tupper in very coarse language and devoted some time to a letter connected with the suit of Philp v. Tupper.

Mr. Sifton further stated that if time permitted he would let in a flood of light on my character, instancing the release, when I was minister of justice, of one Chamberlain, a convict for personation in Winnipeg, as a sample of my bad deeds.

In my reply, continued Sir Hibbert, I pointed out that Sifton's failure to meet my direct charges indicated the strength of my indictment. As to the charge of drunkenness, I reminded Mr. Sifton that when the matter was hinted at in the house, I instantly arose and asked the leader of the opposition if he dared make such a charge, and my question was followed by a prompt disavowal on the part of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. I explained the difference between such an empty charge or insinuation and the charges made by me against Mr. Sifton and his administration on the floor of the house, backed by an undertaking to prove them before a judicial commission. Regarding the Philp-Tupper case, I pointed out that while it had nothing to do with the charges I had made regarding the conduct of Mr. Sifton, it was a contemptible thing for a public man like Sifton to now bring up a charge based on a telegram which had turned out to be a forgery. Mr. Sifton had sat silent in parliament when this matter came up, although he knew of the forgery.

I showed the audience, continued Sir Hibbert, that in the sole specific charge made against my official conduct by Mr. Sifton, the case of Chamberlain, I had acted on sound principle. Though I received, when minister of justice, a petition to the governor general, asking the pardon of Chamberlain, which petition was signed by all the leading citizens of Winnipeg, irrespective of party, including the name of Isaac Campbell, the leading liberal of Manitoba, I reported to his excellency that in my opinion there was no ground for clemency, but subsequently on the report of the present inspector of penitentiaries, I did recommend that Chamberlain's term of imprisonment be reduced. The inspector instanced special services rendered by the prisoner, which services in England are always regarded as calling for the exercise of clemency. My action, said Sir Hibbert, on this report I am prepared to justify at any time it is called in question.

Sir Hibbert expressed himself abundantly satisfied with the result of the joint meeting with Mr. Sifton; said that Mr. Richardson was carrying everything before him in Lisgar, and reiterated his conviction that from the Pacific slope, on through the prairie province and the great west the conservative host was marching to certain victory.

OUR RETURNING SOLDIERS.

A Programme for Their Reception Formulated—The Council Asked for Financial Assistance.

A meeting of the citizens, adjourned from Oct. 8, was held in City Hall Wednesday afternoon, with Mayor Daniel in the chair. A. O. Skinner presented the programme as prepared by the committee last Monday. In the discussion which followed Mr. Robertson suggested that it be arranged that the men come over in the night train on colonist sleepers or Pullman's, so that they may arrive in the morning, and the celebration would be confined to one day. His worship showed the uncertainty as to the arrangements at Halifax concerning the entraining of the men and the impossibility of determining positively in this matter at present.

H. D. McLeod held that representations should be made to the I. C. R. to have the men brought to Moncton on the night train, and to St. John by a special arriving here about 9 a. m., when the procession should be held. This was warmly supported by Ald. White, as the natrual enthusiasm of the people would not be so well expressed if the celebration were carried over until the day after the arrival.

The mayor stated that the matter of entraining the men rested with the military authorities at Halifax rather than with the I. C. R.

A. O. Skinner moved that if an arrangement could possibly be made to get the troops here in the morning, that the celebration and the holiday be held that day, and if this proved impossible and the men arrived in the evening, that the programme as suggested by the committee be carried out.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. Robertson that the military authorities and the I. C. R. be at once communicated with, on behalf of the council and citizens of St. John, toward bringing the men to this city in the morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Skinner withdrew his previous motion and Mr. Robertson's amendmen carried.

Ald. Seaton moved that if this be arranged, a procession be held in the morning on their arrival and a torchlight one in the evening. Carried.

Regarding the expenses of the celebration, Mr. Robertson and Ald. White supported the idea of the council bearing the larger part.

Mr. Robertson moved and Col. Jones seconded that the Common Council be asked to grant an amount not to exceed $500 to cover the necessary expenditure not otherwise provided for by the societies participating, the same to be controlled by a committee appointed by the chair. Carried.

It was moved that the programme committee be continued as an executive to control the details. It was also moved that the citizens be requested to decorate and illuminate their houses, and that the various merchants be asked to decorate their teams and participate in the processions.

WEDDED AT GREENWICH.

At the residence of the Rev. Mr. Bonnell, Greenwich, Kings Co., N. B., on the 20th Sept., a very pleasant and happy wedding took place. The contracting parties were Ephraim S. Sterritt of Hampstead, Queens Co., and Miss Charlotte VanWart of Wickham, Queens Co., N. B. The immediate friends of bride and groom were present to witness the interesting ceremony. The popularity of the bride was evinced by the numerous valuable presents which she received. The happy pair will make their home in the parish of Hampstead, Queens Co.

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THE STORM

One of Worst That Has Occured in Years.

Stories of Wrecks or of Vessels in Distress from Nearly All the Cape Cod Life Saving Stations.

It is evident that October is to be a month of storms. Tuesday afternoon signal number two, signifying moderate gales from the west and northwest, was put up at the custom house. Late at night the promised gale came, and between midnight and 6 o'clock Wednesday morning, the wind moving at from thirty-three to forty miles per hour, with occasional short periods of velocity of forty-eight miles.

Rain and sleet began to fall about half-past two and quickly changed to snow. By seven yesterday morning the ground was covered with about one inch of snow. The temperature at the same time dropped to freezing point, and the wind shifted to most of the points of the compass with commendable speed and irregularity.

Last year the first ice formed on October second, and the first snow fell on the third, but the fall was light. The temperature dropped on that day to thirty-one degrees. The first heavy snow storm of 1899 was on November eleventh and twelfth, when some seven inches fell, blocking the street cars.

Snowstorms in October, while they have occurred off and on within the memory of the middle aged citizen, have not by any means been of frequent occurrence. An elderly resident of Queen street recalled for the Sun's edification on Wednesday a pretty heavy downfall of snow on the last day of September, 1824, but its doubtful if there are many boys of that time living in St. John today, who snowballed one another on that remarkable occasion. It might be interesting to state the years which have October snowstorms to their credit, or discredit, whichever it may be:

October 18th, 1868—3 inches.
October 1869—1.30 inches.
October 14th, 1876—2 inches.
October 1870—4 inches.
October 31st, 1884.—0.30 inches.
October 31st, 1885—1 inch.
October 22nd, 1888—0.30 inches.
October 23rd, 1889—1 inch.
October 23rd and 24th, 1891—6 1-2 inches.
October 21st, 1895—1 inch.
October 3rd, 1899—light.
October 17th, 1900—1 inch.

Up along the St. John river the storm had particular effect. The only portion of the crops yet in the ground are a few carrots, but these were unharmed. However, the fall of snow was quite heavy, in some places attaining a depth of three inches. In the backlands of Wickham and Hampstead sleds were produced and hauling done on runners.

The sun was welcomed when it appeared at noon, but it took a few more rays than Old Sol could apparently muster to dispel the chill air and melt the wintry element about.

A fine willow tree, the largest in Queen square, was blown down by the gale.

REPORTS BY WIRE.

HIGHLAND LIGHT, Mass., Oct. 17.—Nearly every life saving station along Cape Cod had some tale today of wrecks or vessels in distress as the result of the gale of yesterday.

Captain Cole of the Cahoon's Hollow Station reports that at 7 o'clock last night a large steamer, carrying two masthead lights, north bound, stopped suddenly off his station and began to use the searchlight, sweeping the sea for some distance around for half an hour. During the time what appeared to be a boat in which was a ship's lantern put off from the steamer, and it looked as if something had been picked up. Captain Cole today stated that he believed that some wreck or collision had occurred.

Later in the day, Captain Rich of the Pamet River Station, four miles north of that at Cahoon's Hollow, reported the finding of the quarterboard with the name "Robert W. Lyle" upon it. The life saving men seem to think that there is some connection with the stopping of the steamer and the finding of the quarterboard.

The gale last night caught a great fleet of vessels off Cape Cod, and the complete story of the damage done and the terrible experiences of the sailors is yet to be told. Some of the vessels have no doubt been driven well off shore, perhaps as far as the Gulf Stream, while others managed to reach some port of a lee and are holding on like grim death with both anchors down.

A large three-masted schooner is riding heavily just clear of the shoals off Wellfleet. Should she drag fifty yards nearer shore her keel will touch and she may become a wreck. Another three-master, the Lena A. Cotton, has set signals of distress off Wood End Bar at Provincetown, and the crew at that station have gone to her assistance. Her sails are all blown away. She is bound for Boston.

The tug J. B. King, with two heavily laden barges, struggled for hours last night in attempting to round the end of the Cape and reach a harbor in Provincetown. Finally the hawser connecting the rear barge parted, and as it was impossible for the tug to go to her rescue, she was left to her fate, while the tug just managed to reach the harbor. Nothing could be seen of the second barge today, and as there is a tremendous sea running, there seems to be little hope for her safety.

At 11 o'clock today, the bark Willard Mudgett, which passed in by the end of the Cape yesterday, bound for Boston, could be seen drifting rapidly to the leeward before the gale. She had just a patch of canvas set on her main yard.

The schooner Genl. Sheridan broke up this afternoon and her cargo of drainpipe is buried in the sand.

The Highland Life Saving Station is considerably crippled through the loss of gear, the greater portion of the breeches buoy tackle going down with the vessel. Captain Anderson of the Sheridan was almost the sole owner of the vessel, which was not insured.

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The first snowstorm of the season occurred in this section last night and was general in the Adirondacks region. About two inches of snow fell.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The captains and crews of several coal barges and big tugs report thrilling experiences while trying to make the harbor of Charlotte, yesterday. The heaviest storm in many years raged all day off the harbor and the powerful tug Antelope, sighted ten miles off shore, was seen to be making frantic efforts to keep above water. When she reached port she was found to be in a badly damaged condition, as was also the Thrush, the Mary P. Hall, the Bolivar and the Proctor, which came in later.



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(Glasgow Mail, Sept. 26.)

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