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OYSTER CULTURE PROSPECTS

The report in yesterday's Guardian on the prospects of restoring the once-famous Malpeque oyster industry on an even more profitable basis than before, is good news for the whole Province.

POTATO INSPECTION

Of particular interest to the potato growers and shippers of this Province is the announcement of the Provincial Department of Agriculture that a meeting will be called in Prince of Wales College next Saturday to consider the advisability of petitioning the Dominion Fruit Commissioner to enact regulations requiring compulsory inspection of all tablestock potatoes shipped from Prince Edward Island.

The importance of inspection is admitted by all, but unless this inspection is general it defeats its own purpose. The Guardian has consistently advocated compulsory inspection of all potatoes leaving the Province as the only means of maintaining the high reputation of Island potatoes in the market.

The Government of New Brunswick, at the instance of the potato shippers and growers of that Province, has already taken the necessary steps towards the enactment of compulsory inspection. The same tendency is noted among the United States producers.

The Department of Agriculture has taken the proper course in calling a meeting for the purpose of obtaining the consensus of opinion among our potato growers and shippers. It might well go a step further, and advise the people as to what it considers the best course to pursue.

Every one interested in potato production and distribution should attend Saturday's meeting, as the matter is one of great importance to the future of the industry.

WILL BE MARITIME ASSET

Commenting favorably on the announcement by Sir Henry Thornton that the new C. N. R. hotel at Charlottetown will be proceeded with as

Notes By The Way

That song birds are disappearing not only from our own Province but from the Maritimes, is a regrettable fact. Various causes account for this. Crows, those sparrows that are with us the year round, the migratory black birds drive the musical birds away.

A common enemy of all small birds is the domestic cat. From the most aristocratic of the feline tribe down to the meanest of the homeless night-prowlers all cats are destructive to small birds and they cannot be taught to abandon the bad habit. Their appetite for bird flesh is insatiable.

A citizen of Charlottetown whose home is surrounded by trees was pleased this summer by the visit of a pair of robins that apparently must have had their nest quite near. They were daily visitors about the lawn, going and coming from hour to hour. Then a tragedy occurred.

Years ago one of the most charming bird visitors to the Maritimes in the summer season was the bobolink. They were beautiful birds, the male dressed in black, buff and white in the early summer while the female was sparrow-like in plumage. Later in July or August the male bird changed its coat to that of its mate.

Speaking of tourist traffic a sound principle for Canadians is "to see Canada first," before going abroad. In this way millions of dollars that would otherwise be spent in other countries will be kept within our own boundaries, increasing the receipts of our transportation companies, hotels, food producers and merchants.

A delightful poem, entitled "I Would Return," appeared in The Guardian of Saturday last, and has called for the high appreciation from literary readers well qualified to justly estimate its merit. In the brief space of thirty-two lines the author has with rare discrimination and poetic fervour, interpreted and expressed the varied charms of our Island Province as had never been done before.

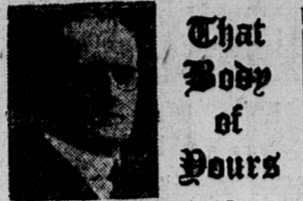
Jessie Findlay Brown dates her poem from Sunnyside Farm, Cavendish, and Cavendish had already become widely famous from the writings of Lucy Maud Montgomery. That beautiful and inspirational region should attract more and more visitors from home and abroad in years to come.

An entirely new paper currency will be issued in the United States on Wednesday, July 10. The notes now in circulation will be called in and burned and the new notes issued to replace them will be considerably smaller in size. Some idea of the extent of this action may be formed from the statement that 900,000,000 pieces of paper currency are required to supply the yearly needs of the nation.

The price of wheat is mounting upward again owing to pessimistic crop reports from various wheat-producing countries, including the United States and Argentina, where rain is said to be urgently needed and to extremely dry weather in Western Canada. Our own Province has been favored as usual by timely and sufficient showers, but the acreage sown, with wheat here is quite insignificant.

The royal and ancient game of golf has many patrons throughout the English-speaking world. A volume recently published in London gives the location of the recognized golf clubs in the British Isles, Canada, Australia, India, New Zealand, South Africa, East Africa, Tanganyika, Uganda, Zanzibar, West Africa, Ceylon, Borneo, Straits Settlements and Mauritius. The number of active golfers within the Empire is set down at 500,000 of whom 50,000 are members of clubs in Canada.

Partitions that can be folded flat should they be in the way of large articles feature new hand baggage to keep the contents separated.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

PAIN IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF BACK

About twice a year I talk about pain in the lower back, because of the large number of individuals who suffer with low back pain, and pain in the hip extending down the leg.

The pain is usually due to a disturbance in the joint between the hip bone and the spine, or between the last large single bone in the spine and the bone on which it rests, that is the sacrum, the wedge shaped bone that fits in between the two hip bones at the back.

This disturbance may be due to inflammation from infected teeth or tonsils or to an injury from a fall or blow. The treatment recommended is to get rid of all infected teeth or tonsils, and to put the part at rest by strapping with adhesive for a week. A brace is then worn for weeks or even months.

However there are pains in the back just above the hip bones, then further up at the chest region, and then also the "pain in the neck." Dr. F. D. Dickson, Kansas City, Mo., urges that whenever there is a pain in any part of the back, a careful examination of the spine should be made.

And the only way to get results is for the patient to strip completely and point out the exact location of the pain. This enables the physician to see if there are any deformities and if there is any loss of motion in the part.

An X ray examination is likewise made and any evidences of any peculiarity in the structure of the bones can be noted. You see it is quite possible for some defect that has been present since birth to give trouble if the patient puts on weight, does some unusual work, or has a little accident of some kind.

Also it is possible that bad teeth and tonsils can be causing an inflammation at the joints between the bones. This will "show up" in the X ray film and could not be detected in any other way.

The pictures are taken sideways, and from front to rear, and at an angle that will show up the little joints well. Very often these pains are due to tiredness of the muscles due to incorrect standing or sitting.

Because you will notice that the pain occurs most frequently just where the curves come in the spine, that is in the back of the neck, small of back where it curves forward, and the extreme lower back where it curves outward again.

And the simplest way to lessen these curves, or sort of flatten them out, is to develop the waist or abdominal muscles. This draws the abdomen backward. The body becomes more erect, and the weight or pull comes off these curves. This means relief from pain. Wearing an abdominal belt will help those who are unable to exercise.



WHERE LIES THE LAND

Where lies the land to which the ship would go? Far, far ahead, is all her seamen know.

And where the land she travels from? Away. Far, far behind, is all that they can say.

On sunny noons upon the deck's smooth face, Linked arm in arm, how pleasant here to pace; Or, o'er the stern reclining, watch below The foaming wake far widening as we go.

On stormy nights when wild north-westerly raves, How proud a thing to fight with wind and wave! The dripping sailor on the reeling mast Exults to hear, and scorns to wish it past.

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Small enough to be carried in a vest pocket, a hand operated buffing wheel to polish a person's teeth has been invented by an Englishman.

That Body of Yours

The remarkable announcement came from Ottawa that James G. Gardiner, whose Government has been defeated by the electors of Saskatchewan, has been offered and has accepted a proposed agreement for the return to his province of its natural resources on terms similar to those accorded Manitoba.

Federal Subsidies

The reason for this reservation being that its public lands have not been alienated by the Dominion Government on anything like so large a scale as those of Manitoba. Hon. Charles Stewart who has announced the alleged agreement with the defeated Government of Saskatchewan, expresses the confident hope that Alberta will also accept the same terms.

This attempt at a piecemeal settlement of the subsidy question is not likely to commend itself to the people of Canada. The convention with Manitoba has been arrived at through a Commission named with Patronage methods, and without consultation with the other eight provinces, all of which are directly interested. The alleged arrangement with Saskatchewan has been reached through the medium of a defeated Provincial Government, after its repudiation at the polls by the electors.

Meanwhile the finding made nearly three years ago by the Duncan Commission on the question of Maritime subsidies is still disregarded and dishonored, save the "interim lump sum

THE LAND WE LOVE

BY FRANK YEIGH

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Q. What are the outstanding facts of the Canadian National System? A. The outstanding facts of the Canadian National System for 1928 include the following: (Not including Central Vermont R. R. or Eastern Lines) average mileage operated 19,168, freight carried 76,366,002 tons, passengers carried 16,197,000, net operating revenue \$58,383,577, gross income \$61,454,750—an increase in this latter case over 1927 of \$12,443,409. 1928 showed a record in every department while the returns for the first six months of 1929 indicate corresponding increases.

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payments" awarded by that Tribunal to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. The Federal Government has failed to take a single step in the direction of the reassessments of Maritime subsidies, which was definitely recommended by Sir Andrew Rae Duncan and his associate Commissioner in the unanimously prepared report.

What the case clearly calls for is a Dominion-Provincial Conference on the subsidy question at which the Federal Government and the responsible, accredited authorities of all the Provinces shall be fully represented. The recasting of the subsidy-structure is a matter of Dominion-wide concern. There are no two provinces whose claims rest on the same basis. Every case requires to be considered on its own merits, and to be canvassed openly and frankly at the same time in the presence of all the Provincial Members of the Canadian Federation. Such spasmodic ex-part, dilatory, piece-meal methods as the King Government has been applying to this great national problem are only adding to its intricacies and making for future trouble.

CANADIAN BRAINS BETTER THAN AMERICAN DOLLARS

MONTREAL, July 8.—"Canadian affairs may feel the influence of a billion dollars of American capital, but American affairs feel the influence of ten billion dollars' worth of Canadian brains," Dr. Will Mayo, of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., said during an interview here.

"I can speak for the place Canadian have in the American medical profession," the doctor continued. "At Rochester, 20 per cent of our staff is Canadian, and I remember that 10 per cent of the whole American Surgeons' Association is Canadian, too."

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