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POTATO STATISTICS

Prince Edward Island must look to its laurels if it is to retain its cognomen "Spud Island." In a bulletin just issued by the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa we find that we are not, as heretofore, at the head of the list in potato growing. By provinces the highest average yield of potatoes per acre was as follows: British Columbia 228 bushels; Nova Scotia 194 bushels; Manitoba 185 bushels; P. E. Island 170 bushels; New Brunswick 158 bushels; Quebec 147 bushels; Ontario 123 bushels; Saskatchewan 116 1-3; Albert 70 bushels. The largest acreage and production of potatoes this year was in Quebec, the total yield being 38,936,000 bushels from 264,871 acres. Ontario being next with 20,443,000 bushels from 16,203 acres. The average value per bushel of the potato crop is 98cts, as compared with \$1 last year, and the total value is \$103,636,100, as against \$80,804,400 last year. There is some significance also in the prices quoted above. The average value of the potato crop, 98 cents, is considerably higher than the average received in this province while doubtless this price covers the early period when the earliest varieties brought highest prices the fact remains that we are still receiving a considerably lower price than our sister provinces. There is only one reason for this, namely, that we are not producing in sufficient quantities the highest priced potatoes; we are still growing the coarser McIntyres which few of our available markets will buy. The yield in Ontario and the prairie provinces also is significant and means that these provinces cannot become successful competitors with us in the potato market. Their average yield is very much lower than ours and their yield is the measure of their production and will probably remain at that as these provinces are not adapted for potato growing. It is doubtful if they will ever be able to supply their own needs. In a few years when population increases as it inevitably will they will require large quantities of potatoes and the Maritime provinces must supply them. For this reason we must not lose our grip on potato growing or potato marketing and we should as soon as possible take up the growing of the finer and higher priced varieties.

SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS

Statistics now available enable a comparison to be made of the largest war loans floated by the belligerent nations with the recent Victory Loan in Canada. This comparison places Canada at the head of the list for per capita subscription, with the exception of Great Britain which in financial matters is in a class by itself and cannot be included in any comparison with other countries. Britain's subscription to its loan of 1917 was \$105.30 per capita; Canada comes first among all the other belligerents with \$84.50; United States \$65.80; France \$75.60; Russia \$9.01; Germany \$17.60; Australia \$4. This is a proud distinction for Canada. To come second to Great Britain in the matter of furnishing funds is an achievement worthy of Britain's greatest dominion. In the recent loan Canada raised \$676,000,000; this added to \$736,000,000 previously subscribed in domestic loans has run our debt up to \$250 per capita while the debt of Britain and France is nearly \$1,000 per head.

DANGER OF RECURRENCE

"If the experience of 1889, 1891 and 1891 can be taken as a guide we may fear a recurrence of the (Spanish influenza) epidemic next year and probably the year after." This was an interesting, if ominous, statement made recently by Dr. Charles J. Hastings, president of The American Public Health Society, which embraces the United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba. What Dr. Hastings bases his apprehensions upon we do not know. It is possible that he is right. In any case as there is no way of successfully contradicting him, the path of wisdom would be to adopt such precautions for the public health as the experiences gained during the recent epidemic would suggest. The influenza epidemic, now fortunately over, occasioned much distress, caused many fatalities and opened the eyes of many citizens. The eye-opening was with respect to the number of unsanitary homes in the city; the number of "homes unfit for human habitation" in which a number of families were housed and in which many died. These revelations caused considerable consternation when death was hovering round and when infection threatened to spread, and doubtless did spread, to other homes. Now the danger is over for this time, some of us have escaped so far and we conveniently forget the death traps—till the next time. The Board of Health advises as all doctors advise, that prevention is better than cure. If the unsanitary homes still exist this is the time to get them either cleaned up or torn down; if any of the breeding places for disease, previously complained of still exist this is the time to get rid of them. If influenza does not visit us again there are other diseases that lurk around the unsanitary places ready to start an epidemic when weather conditions are favorable. There should be no time lost in making these preparations for the future.

THESE LAST DEATHS

Peculiarly poignant is the sorrow which attends the fatalities in the casualty lists now becoming public. While the country at large is rejoicing in the glory of the victory and the thought that a welcome end at last has come to the recital of the names of the dead and the wounded and the missing, it falls to a few families here and there to have the joy of which they have partaken in common with the rest of us, turned suddenly into mourning. And though they take pride in the heroic service and achievement of those who have fallen—which we are all experiencing in these solemn days—they cannot but feel the cruelty of the fate which did not spare these loved ones of theirs for the few days that remained before the destined lifting of the cloud.—Boston Herald.

FRIENDS

By Nina Moore Jamieson

When other days have come, and we are parted, old and grey, Shall you remember those cross things We used to say?

Shall you remember all the times We quarrelled and once more Made friends; then disagreed again Worse than before?

Nay, rather let us both forget, And until memory ends Remember but the pleasant things— Let us be friends.

"A friend is one who knows all about you and loves you just the same. A friend loveth at all times and a brother is born to adversity. A man that hath friends must show himself friendly and there is a friend that sticketh close than a brother." Pro. 18:24.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

SIR—An item in your issue of 27th inst., namely, "no further parcels for War Prisoners," is likely to be misunderstood. The Red Cross is now send-

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LENIENCY TO GERMANY

Sir—Your editorial in the Guardian of the 13th inst., re Dr. Sol's appeal to President Wilson for leniency is to the point. You state that "the terms laid down by the Allies should be insisted upon to the last syllable and the last letter, any thing short of that will be dangerous if not suicidal." Think who are asking for leniency? what do they know about leniency? or when did they ever practice it? A nation that has sunk lower in infamy than even the "Unspeakable Turk!"

In the previous war with France, when they lived on enormous indemnities on the French, the latter pleaded for clemency in that they could not raise the full amount. Bismarck, answered that he would give them so many hours to comply; if not fulfilled he would bombard their capital; no leniency!

When Edith Cavell was murdered and our poor nurses drowned, any leniency shown?

When our poor soldiers were crucified and Belgian and French women and children mutilated, how much leniency was shown?

Ask a returned wounded prisoner of war how much leniency he received from the Red Cross nurses of Ger-

many when they would rip off the first dressing of an amputated stump, or step on a fractured limb, then laugh when the poor helpless victim shrieked and fainted. The Editor of the Canadian Medical Lancet stated that in an interview with a returned surgeon who spent two years in an hospital in France he learned that cases came under the latter's observation where, when a German soldier outraged a French woman or girl and infected her for life with a horrible disease, he branded her by slashing on one of her breasts as a mark to protect the health of his next chum, an understanding among them; any leniency there?

Now come stories of turning out our poor prisoners starved and in rags with no money or food, to find their way past their enemies to the border line, subject to what ever more cruelty the German people may heap upon them. As well look for leniency from a Bengal tiger.

Any leniency they would receive they would simply look upon as a weakness on the part of the Allies. They deserve no leniency nor should receive any—fiends of Satan!

I am Sir etc R. D. MacLAUGHLAN St. Peter's, Nov. 26th, 1918.

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