

# The Charlottetown Guardian

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## POTATO PRICES

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the secretary's report of a meeting of the Directors of the Central Farmers' Institute held in the City yesterday. The report is worthy of the attention of farmers and of merchants alike. It mildly voices a grievance, real or imaginary, a discrepancy between the prices paid in this province for farm produce, especially potatoes, and those paid elsewhere. In conversation after the meeting with the Secretary, Mr. McLaren, we learn that quotations for potatoes in Montreal and Toronto showed that while potatoes were selling in Prince Edward Island at forty cents per bushel, they were selling in those cities at \$1.70 to \$2.00 per bag of 90 pounds, equal to about \$1.13 per bushel. The freight per bushel to Montreal and Toronto was said at the meeting to be about 30 cents per bushel. We have been unable to verify this since the receipt of the report. If correct, the margin between the price paid here and that received by the dealers in Toronto and Montreal is too large. Either the farmers here do not receive enough for their potatoes, they do not raise the kind of potatoes that bring \$1.70 and \$2.00 per bag, or the man in Montreal or Toronto receives too much for them—or, possibly, the quotations given are incorrect.

The point we wish to make in this connection is that there is evidently a misunderstanding between the farmers and the merchants on this score. The farmers have the impression that they are not receiving their just proportion of the ultimate price, and if the prices quoted above are correct there is ground for their contention. It would be in the interest of both the farmers and the merchants to get together and come to an understanding. Dealing should be mutually satisfactory. The farmers and merchants in this province are necessary to each other and they cannot afford to have any misunderstanding. The Secretary of the Central Farmers Institute, Mr. E. B. McLaren, in conversation with The Guardian after the meeting above referred to stated emphatically that the farmers had no desire to take up the co-operative selling of potatoes, and would not unless it was absolutely necessary. They had in mind, he said, how the farmers had benefited by the co-operative selling of eggs and wool and had no doubt that similar results could be obtained in other lines, yet they recognized the desirability of maintaining existing institutions. The farmers, he stated further, would be quite satisfied with forty cents per bushel for their potatoes so long as they were assured that this amount represented their just proportion of the price paid by the consumer.

The Farmers Advocate of the 21st. in its market report gives the following under the head of "Wholesale fruits and vegetables" in Toronto: "Potatoes at last eased a little in price, the New Brunswick Delawares selling at \$2.25 per 90 lb. bag." For Montreal: "Fortunately for consumers the market for potatoes showed a decline last week. Dealers cannot recall any year in which prices were so high. Green Mountains were still quoted at \$1.50 to \$1.55 per bag of 90 pounds, ex track, and at \$1.85 to \$1.90 in smaller lots per 80 pounds ex store. Quebec potatoes sold at five to ten cents below these figures."

Now these quotations may or may not be correct. These figures may or may not be available for our potatoes. In any case a misunderstanding is developing between the farmers and the dealers which will not be to the advantage of either. It should be removed. We have no doubt the dealers can throw a satisfactory light on the situation and it will be to the best interests of all if a mutual understanding is arrived at.

## THE WAR

Important events have taken place in the war zones during the past few days. The first great results of the big drive on the western front were reported in our despatches yesterday in the fall of Combles, Thiepval and two other French towns, all of them strongly—and as the Germans had boasted, impregnable fortified. They were not impregnable, however, and they have succumbed to the onward sweep of the Allied armies. The fighting was fierce and, as the casualty lists show, extremely costly.

The effect of this blow on the Somme front upon the German armies is already beginning to be evidenced in the weakening of the German resistance. Combles, as our despatches of yesterday morning indicated, was very strongly fortified. Trenches, underground passages, fortifications constructed with the utmost skill that German ingenuity could suggest met the Allied armies at every turn when they entered the city—and all filled with German dead and wounded, and with unwounded soldiers ready to throw up their hands. This was by long odds the most significant reverse sustained by the Germans since the Battle of the Marne. How it will affect the hitherto deluded Germans at home is not yet told. We are told that the loss of two Zeppelins in a recent raid on the British coast "stunned Berlin." The defeat on the Somme is another stunner. However the end is not yet. What German resourcefulness may yet accomplish we do not know but they are not yet ready to give up. They are still hoping for an "honourable peace."

The Greek situation presents a new phase, according to our despatches of yesterday. The King, so the report states, has yielded to the people's demand for co-operation with the Entente Allies. Until he gets well underway with his co-operation, however, he will need some watching and he will no doubt get it.

The eastern front has shown no new moves in the past few days.

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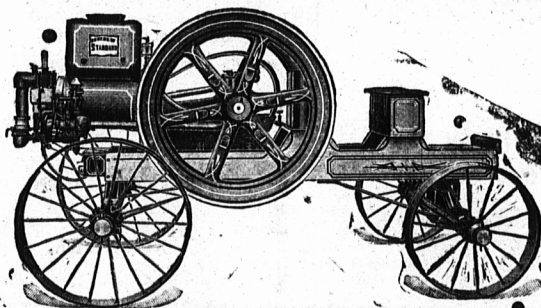
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James Simpson, Edgar Geddings, E. B. McLaren, William McGregor, J. A. Clark, Prof. W. R. Reek and others. After a general discussion a forward movement Committee of five was appointed to work in conjunction with the Prince Edward Island Development Commission. The members of the Committee are as follows: Messrs Wm. McGregor, Dr. Gauthier, James Simpson, E. B. McLaren and Edgar Geddings. This committee is to meet at the call of the President, to study market conditions and to work generally in the interests of and in co-operation with the farmer's institutes throughout the province. There was some discussion as to the discrepancy of produce prices here compared with prices in other centres and the opinion was expressed that the markets would afford higher prices for potatoes especially than are being paid at present in this province. The Committee was authorized to look fully into this matter and, if necessary by reason of unsatisfactory prices, to organize the institutes for co-operative selling as in the case of eggs and wool.—E. B. McLaren, Sec'y.

(Special to the Guardian.)

BUCHAREST, Sept. 26.—A Jull has set in the Dobruja front along the line between the Danube and the Black Sea at which reinforced Russian and Roumanian armies checked German and Bulgarian invasions. In Transylvania also comparative calm prevailed.

## King's County Industrial EXHIBITION

AT GEORGETOWN

Wednesday, Oct. 4th., 1916

GRAND DISPLAY OF EXHIBITS

REFRESHMENTS ON THE GROUNDS

LIBERAL PRIZES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

LOWEST EXCURSION RAILWAY RATES

J. R. Brehaut, Esq., of Montague, offers special prizes amounting to \$12.00 for foals sired by his carriage Stallion "PARKLIGHT."

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25 Cents Admits to All Departments

Articles for Exhibition will be received at the Drill Shed, from Monday, October 2nd at 10 o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday, October 3rd, at 10 a.m.

Entries for horses will be received until Saturday, September 30th, and for other Live Stock until 10 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, October 4th.

## TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

Excursion Return tickets at one single first-class fare will be issued from Elmira, Souris, Charlottetown, Cardigan, Montague and intermediate stations to Georgetown by afternoon trains of October 3rd and morning trains of October 4th, good to return up to and including October 5th, 1916. Also from Charlottetown and intermediate stations to Georgetown on the 4th October, 1916, good to return by special train same day as follows:—

Station	Fare	Train dep. A. M.
Charlottetown	\$1.00	8.30
Royalty Junction	.90	8.45
York	.80	8.55
Suffolk	.75	9.03
Bedford	.70	9.11
Tracadie	.65	9.20
Mt. Stewart	.55	9.39
Pisquid	.50	9.47
Peake's	.45	10.00
St. Teresa	.45	10.05
Perth	.30	10.17
Cardigan	.20	10.29
		<b>Regular Train</b>
Montague	.35	10.25
Brudenell	.30	10.35
Emmerson	.10	10.38
Georgetown (Arrive)		10.45

Returning the Special Train will leave Georgetown for Charlottetown at 5.45 p.m.

Passengers from the Montague Branch will go to Georgetown by the regular morning train, and will be returned to Montague by special train in the afternoon.

Live Stock from Elmira and Souris Branches will be brought to Mt. Stewart by morning train on 4th October, to connect with train from Charlottetown.

W. W. JENKINS, President.

ANDREW LAVERS, Secretary,

Georgetown.

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Charlottetown

## FURNITURE SALE

Monday, October 2nd, at ten o'clock

R. C. Goff's Sale of furniture Monday, Oct. 2, at 10 o'clock 54 Fitzroy St.—Walnut book case Singer sewing machine almost as good as new. Splendid Piano, fine pieces of old parlor furniture, iron beds and mattresses, couch hammocks, double seated carriage, bed lounge and sofas, clocks, bread mixer, sideboard, brass and carpet rugs, a fine big and medium wardrobe, dishes, wringer, lawn mower, sprayer, tables, chairs, baby wagon and high chair, go cart and sleigh, books, websters dictionary, refrigerator, &c.

House open for inspection next Saturday afternoon Sept. 30th.

R. Bearisto,

Auctioneer

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for your Fall Boots good and strong for the mud and wet. Try us this season and be convinced that we have the right footwear at the lowest price.

# G O F F B R O S

## DAILY SELECTIONS FOR GUARDIAN READERS

Furnished by W. S. Louson.

## NEVER TROUBLE TROUBLE

There are many of us, too, who need badly to learn the value of waiting where the worries of life are concerned—to learn "not to trouble trouble until trouble troubles us." It is so easy to waste time and energy in brooding about troubles which MAY come; indeed, some persons become so weary and worn out with imaginary worries that when real grief comes to them they cannot possibly face it.

And it is so foolish and futile far better refuse to be depressed or depressed until some very real trouble actually comes, and to go cheerily on our way in the meantime.

Hundreds of people worry more about troubles that never come to them than about those that do. It isn't easy to be patient, of course. Often it is just the most difficult thing in the world. But it is well worth while to learn to control oneself, for "better is he that ruleth himself than he that taketh a city."

If I knew that a word of mine, A word not kind and true, Might leave its trace On a loved one's face, I'd never speak harshly, would you?

If I knew the light of a smile Might linger the whole day through, And brighten some heart With a heavier part, I wouldn't withhold it, would you?

## FREGICOURT CAPTURED

(Canadian Press Despatch.) PARIS, Sept. 26.—Continuing their offensive north of the Somme, the French last night captured all village of Fregicourt and penetrated the Comblies cemetery.

A French reconnoitering party reached the southern border of Comblies, says today's official announcement. Eight hundred unwounded prisoners were taken in the fighting of yesterday on the Somme front.

Violent counter-attacks were made by the Germans last night on the Verdun front, between Thiaumont, Work and Fleury. These assaults were checked by the French artillery and rifle fire.

On the Somme front yesterday there were forty-seven aerial engagements. The war office announced today that five German aeroplanes were brought down and others were badly damaged.

## NEWS FROM 105TH

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Mrs. Edward Irving, Murray Harbor North, has received the following letter from her sons in England:—

Lower Diggate, Shorncliffe, Eng. Aug. 27th. Dear mother:—Just a few lines to let you know that I am well, and hope this will find you the same. We are getting along fine here, and having fine weather; just a couple of days' rain.

I was in London on pass for six days, and had a good time. It is a very nice place, with lots of nice things to see. It is a nice place here where we are camped, not far from town. We can go after hours, but have to be in by 10 o'clock. The country is nice around here and the farmers are harvesting the crops, which look good.

We are not drilled any harder than we were in Canada, with just the same hours a day, but we have quite a few marches, about 10 miles in the afternoon. We have Saturday afternoon off to go anywhere we like. We are still living in tents, but will soon be moving out of them into huts which will soon be ready for us. All the boys from around home are well, and like this all fine, and so do I. We see lots of aeroplanes flying around every day, and at night too, with lots of searchlights looking for Germans.

Will Irving is well, and is going to write soon. We had a nice trip coming across on the boat, as it was smooth as oil, far smoother than M. Hb. is in a storm. There was nobody sea sick, and the Germans did not bother us, for they did not get a chance. We get lots to eat, which we need.

Well, I guess I will close for this time. From your loving son,

PTE. JAMES IRVING, 105th Batt., D. Coy., Lower Diggate, Shorncliffe, Eng. Shorncliffe, Eng. 105th Battalion, D. Coy.

My dear mother,—Just a line to let you know that we are well. I received your letter, and was glad to hear from you.

Well, we are having dandy weather now ever since we came to England until today. We are not having a bad time at all. I was up to London on pass, and had a great time. All the lads are well, and James is getting along fine, and was up to London too. Hooper is just the same and getting along fine. Will Irving is also well. Cameron Clow and I are sleeping in the same tent, while Jack Reid and Charlie McLeod are in another. We had a little raid the other night, but it did not amount to much.

Lockwood Gray was here to see us the other night, and he looks great.

He is just the same. I thought all the lads were going to enlist after fishing, but I don't think there is many doing so.

Well, dear mother, I wish you could send me some tobacco soon, as we can't get it here. I will have to come to a close for this time, hoping to hear from you soon again. Good-bye, with love to all, from your loving son,

PTE. MILTON IRVING, 105th Battalion, D. Coy., Lower Diggate, Kent County, Shorncliffe, Eng., No. 7129894.

## HON R. ROGERS STATEMENT

(Canadian Press Despatch.) WINNIPEG, Man., September 25.—Before leaving for the east tonight Hon. Robert Rogers gave out the following statement for publication:—

"I thought to the notice of Commissioner Galt yesterday section 33 of the Revised Statutes, of Canada, feeling as I did that I had a special responsibility in view of the fact that I was responsible for recommending Mr. Galt's appointment to the bench, and I, therefore, took the first opportunity of pointing out to him this clause in the act, a clause which is clear and distinct and beyond question or controversy, and prohibits absolutely any judge of any court devoting himself to any other occupation or performing any other duties than those judicial duties laid down by the act under which he was appointed. I was generous enough then to express the belief that Commissioner Galt was acting in his present capacity unwittingly, in that he was ignorant of this stringent prohibition and had simply followed a precedent and a practice altogether too common and which has brought our Bench into contempt. No more flagrant violation of an unmistakable statutory provision has ever been committed in Canada than that committed by certain of our judges who hire themselves to serve the purposes of partisan politicians. I was also generous enough yesterday to say that I could not believe, and did not believe, that Commissioner Galt would be guilty of having accepted any remuneration for service so rendered, but I regret to say that I am informed today that I was in error in this, and that he admits that he has received such unlawful payments, every dollar of which represents a dollar of pure and unadulterated graft."

## Meeting of Central Farmers' Institutes

A meeting of the Directors of the Farmers' Central Institute was held yesterday at 10 a.m. The full Board of Directors was present and with them several others interested in Institute work. Dr. P. C. Gauthier occupied the chair. The meeting was addressed by the chairman, Messrs.