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NEWSY FARM NOTES
By Agricola

THE BLUEBERRY IN N. S.
The blueberry industry is showing signs of great improvement in Yarmouth and Shelburne counties, Nova Scotia. The weather conditions have been favorable, and there is abundance of blossoms giving promise of the largest set of blueberries for many years. About 4,000 thousand acres of crown land were burned over last year, but this year eight blueberry associations are working and out of the 30,000 acres of crown lands which they possess, 10,000 have been burned over. To the uninitiated I may say that the burning over is a kind of pruning; it clears away the old dead and perishing wood and allows room for new growth from the roots. These blueberry associations are following the rule: "burn over one-third of the patch yearly." There is a fair amount of land in the Island which could be profitably employed in growing blueberries—especially land with a high acid content.

I transplanted a short row of the "black blueberries" into the garden. Part was manured with short stable manure and the other left untreated. The old wood died but by fall a considerable amount of new wood was thrown up, most vigorous where the manure was applied. The set of fruit this summer proves the superiority of the treated patch.

THE EXPERIMENTAL FARM
I spent yesterday afternoon at the Experimental Farm. There is much to see at the present time to interest the farmer, and also for those who like myself are attracted by the artistic side of nature. For a change I took a walk along the shrubbery by the railway. The position is very open and exposed, and there is no doubt that plants which are flourishing there, are suitable to our climate. Perhaps the most striking is the Blue Spruce which would probably be planted more frequently if the young plants could be easily obtained. Evergreens require special care and packing if they are brought from a distance.

The Japanese lilac was holding out, but requires shelter to do its best, so that one must go to the lawn to find the best specimen which is in full bloom.

Another desirable plant was the Red-leaved Rose, *Rosa rubifolia* which is very hardy and free from the spreading habit of some of the fall bush roses. The flowers, too, are small, neat, and delightfully conventional, resembling in shape the rose flower sculptured in old ecclesiastical architecture. A species of shrubby cinquefoil, *Potentilla fruticosa*, said by MacSwain to be native here, was a cushion of golden flowers. Some shrubby Honeysuckle of which I did not know the names, were covered with hundreds of small berries just ripening. Thence to the water lily pond; someone had told me that muskrats had got in and eaten the roots, and I thought it was probably true—for muskrats are just the boys to do it—but there are no signs of damage. The lilies are lifting their beautiful white blossoms above the pool in profusion. They look remarkably like the English Waterlily *Nymphaea odorata*, but I had not an opportunity of making a close examination.

There is a fine specimen of *Aristolochia* (*Dutchman's Pipe*); from the shape of the flowers) climbing the pillars of the Superintendent's house. I could remember it being planted; it was then about 3 feet long, and nobody would have ventured to prophesy the present display. I have sometimes thought what a semitropical effect could be introduced into a garden with large leaved plants like the Cow-parsnip (*Heracleum giganteum*), the newer silver leaved *Verbascum*, *caladium*, and *Castor oil* plants, backed up by a pergola of *Aristolochia*.

The Schwedler's maple now is a deep dark green, instead of the purple it displayed in the spring; it is a magnificent tree and deserves extensive planting. The *Rhododendrons* were in seed, I had missed the flowers, but I judge they have done well even in this colder climate.

A Busy Man's Theory Of The Operations Of Nature

The author of the book with this title is Henry M. Porter. It is in the form of notes or short chapters, the observations in which cover the long period of seventy years.

The theory develops from these significant words: "It would seem utterly impossible for the Great Ruler of the Universe to give personal attention to the infinity of details. Would it not seem more reasonable that law was developed by which all things were to be governed, somewhat like the inventor who constructs a clock which runs independently by a power designed by him to keep it going?"

This may seem an approach to a fatalistic theory but the book is intensely provocative to thought, and holds a marvelous amount of information gleaned from all the great thinkers; from Copernicus to Sir Oliver Lodge.

Either, the electron and the proton, are introduced as fundamental facts to prepare the way for the gravitational creation of an immense original central sun, which is the nucleus from which all the heavenly bodies are derived. From secondary central suns radiate various waves, whose stimulus builds up the atoms on their planets into more complex structures, and protoplasm is born. It becomes self-moving; assimilating other materials and utilizing them in its own well defined body. This is the author's origin of life. This complex structure divides into parts and so reproduction in its simplest form begins.

The cells, too, have a gravitational tendency they aggregate at first into simple societies, the individuals yet separate and independent. From this to cellular structure is but a step, and now the mass becomes a purposive creature, sensitive to all manner of influence. It is more than mechanical.

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NO ELECTION THIS YEAR DECLARES TASCHEREAU

MONTREAL, July 22.—The Provincial Government is not contemplating an election this fall, Premier L. A. Taschereau stated in an interview yesterday when asked as to election rumors that had been circulated here.

The Premier expressed his regret at the withdrawal of Arthur Sauve as leader of the Provincial Conservatives. "I am sorry," he stated, "to see Mr. Sauve go. We have fought many a battle but the member for Two Mountains was always a loyal opponent who never struck below the belt."

EGG LAYING CONTEST

NOTES ON THE EGG LAYING CONTEST FOR THE WEEK END—JULY 17, 1929.

The Fredericton Experimental Farms Barred Rock, Pen No. 6 led the contest for the week with 49 eggs, 55 points;

Mrs. A. Gorrill's Barred Rock pen 53.3 points; and the Charlottetown No. 17 was a second, with 46 eggs, Experimental Station's White Leghorn pen No. 4 was a third, with 48 eggs 52.7 points.

The Fredericton Experimental Farm's Barred Rock hens Nos. 10, 8 and 3, are first, second and third hens with 204 eggs, 232.4 points; 175 eggs 226.2 points and 188 eggs, 225.2 points respectively.

The pens leading in total production are:

First, Fredericton Experimental Farm's B. R., hen, Pen 6 Eggs 1756. 1927.4 points.

Second, S. R. Pendleton, Kensington, B. R., Pen 19 1692 eggs, 1869.3 points.

Third, Mrs. J. H. McPhail, New Haven B. R., Pen 620, 1683 eggs, 1819. 6 points.

The number of eggs laid for the week was 786 and to date 29192.

Crop Report

Below will be found a brief synopsis of Telegraphic reports received at the Head Office of the Bank of Montreal from its Branches. The Branch Managers have complete and intimate knowledge of each local situation and are in close touch with crop conditions in all sections of the districts mentioned.

Grain crops throughout the Prairie Provinces with the exception of Southern Alberta and northern and southwestern areas in Saskatchewan, have been badly damaged through drought and there seems little doubt that the West will harvest crops that will be much below the average. In Quebec crops generally continue to make satisfactory progress with ideal weather prevailing. In Ontario warm weather and intermittent showers have greatly benefitted all crops during the past week and in general yields up to average are in prospect. In the Maritime Provinces scattered showers providing sufficient moisture and warm weather have helped all crops. In British Columbia the crop situation generally is favourable. Details follow:—

PRAIRIE PROVINCES

ALBERTA WESTERN AREA—In the north prospects are fairly good and in the south excellent, but in the central portion crops will have a small yield even on summer fallow and breaking. **ALBERTA NORTHEASTERN AREA.** Recent rains were to late to benefit any grain other than well summer fallow and breaking pastures are poor and there is a danger of a prepared feed shortage in some districts. **ALBERTA SOUTHEASTERN AREA.** There has been no rain since the last report and hot winds are causing damage. **SASKATCHEWAN NORTHERN AREA.** Wheat is heading out, and conditions generally are contributing to fairly satisfactory progress. Prospects vary from good prospects to somewhat below average. **SASKATCHEWAN SOUTHERN AREA.** Except in the southwest crops are suffering from continued dry weather and indications point to the yield being below average. Wheat is heading out under unfavorable conditions and rain is needed urgently. **MANITOBA.** Continued dry weather accompanied by hot winds has caused further damage to crops. Nearly all wheat is headed out with very short straw. Crops on summer fallow are holding up well and promise a fair average yield, but rain is urgently needed.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

Hay cutting is becoming general and the promise is for an above average yield of good quality. Grain and root crops have improved rapidly and look well. Pastures are in very good condition. Small fruits are plentiful.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Fall wheat continues to ripen fast and a good average crop is predicted. Oat and barley heads are filling well and the yield will probably be average. Corn should be a satisfactory yield. Early potatoes are very good. Mangel and turnips are growing well. Sugar beets will be somewhat below average crop. Apples promise to be better than average and small fruits are doing well. Late peas in Prince Edward County have been badly affected by vermin and the previous estimate of a 35% yield now appears high. Grass pastures are in excellent condition. Tobacco is growing very fast and on the whole should be an average crop.

MARITIME PROVINCES

Hay cutting will soon be general. Prospects are for an average yield in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island but below average in Nova Scotia. Grass Pasture is abundant. Potato plants continue to show growth. Strawberries are providing an average crop of good quality in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Conditions are still favorable for an above average crop.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Weather conditions are generally favourable though rain is needed in some districts. Haying is practically completed, a heavy crop has been harvested in good condition. Early root crops are doing well. Pasture is abundant. Raspberries have improved and the crop now being picked should yield 90% of average. Peaches, plums, prunes, and apricots 80%, cherries 85%.

DONAGH NOTES

Some of the farmers in that vicinity have started to cull their hay and report it an excellent crop.

Miss Mary McTague, Iona, is visiting in Donagh the guest of Mrs. James White.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Heron motored from Boston and are spending a pleasant vacation with their friends in Donagh and Fort Augustus.

Mr. F. J. McAdams and Bride motored from Boston. They were accompanied by their friend, Miss Mary Curran.

Mr. Thomas Bennet and Bride motored from Boston, they are the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Beagan.

Mr. Leanus Smith is spending his vacation at his home in Carleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Robbins are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. McAdams.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Trainor spent Sunday in Vernon River, guests of Mrs. Trainor's mother.

OTTAWA, Ont., July 22.—Canada will have a big apple crop this year. The commercial crop is expected to be 11 per cent greater than last year and 21 per cent greater than the five year average with a total of 3,609,417 barrels, as compared with 3,235,970 barrels last year and an average of 2,985,310 bushels over the last five years. This information is contained in an official forecast issued today by the Department of Agriculture.

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