

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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WHAT CONSTITUTES SHORT WEIGHT OR MEASURE.

The United States Bureau of Weights and Measures recently prosecuted a grocery firm in New York for selling butter short in weight. The case is of interest to grocers generally, also to their customers. In this case the official weigher tested a large number of two-pound packages and reported them all to be a fraction short in weight. "Not one of them contained two pounds of butter." The answer of the defendant was that each package contained a full two pounds including the paste-board package. This was not denied. The defendant further claimed that while the packages are commonly known as two-pound packages, he had never advertised them as containing two pounds of butter and never made any false claim for them. This did not satisfy the prosecuting authorities who rightly held that what passed for two pounds in this case meant two pounds of butter exclusive of the paste-board. Good butter is worth more than paste-board for food. The high prices have set the New York consumers to reckoning up how much paper and pasteboard they have been paying for at butter prices, and even the weight of the wooden skewers they have been buying at the price

of beef. Consumers in Chicago are also looking more narrowly than heretofore to the size of the apple barrel and the strawberry box. Strawberries are sold by the box, and both sellers and buyers were for a time content to treat a box of berries as such whether it was small or large. The boxes, however, began to grow "small by degrees and beautifully less." Now there is a size prescribed by law in both the United States and Canada for the apple barrel and the berry box. What passes for a quart box of berries should contain a full quart of fruit. And of course it does, here in Charlottetown, but not everywhere in this grasping and wicked world. The grocer sells as he buys, and the first fault is with the producer or packer of fruit or butter if the package is under size or under weight. But some legal responsibility extends to every one who sells short weight or measure, even if it be done unwittingly as is often the case. It is therefore the duty of the honest trader to make sure that there is full weight or measure in what he buys from first hands.

THE HORSE IS STILL IN BUSINESS.

Twenty years ago when electricity was being generally applied to operate street cars, that were before drawn by horses, the prediction was made that the day of the horse was almost ended. Predictions were made of a coming horseless age. Later came the automobile, propelled by various motor powers, gasoline, steam or electricity, and now it was again proclaimed that the horse's day was about over. That was what the wise prophets thought was coming. This is what came: The electric street cars multiplied beyond expectation. The automobiles increased beyond imagination. A quarter of a million new autos were built, and put on the market last year. And the horses also multiplied! There were 14,000,000 horses in the United States in the census year 1900 and already the enumerators for the census of 1910 have found that there are 30,000,000 horses in the same country now. And this is not all. Ten years ago the average value of all the horses in

the Republic, young and old, sound and decrepid, was set down at \$44.61 each. Now the average value is \$95.64. In other words the increase in value per head has been over 100 per cent. and in the aggregate value of all the horses in the country it has been 400 per cent. Thus the prophecies and theories of the prophets and theorists in regard to the horse have come to naught. Railways, electric cars, autos and flying machines have alike failed and will continue to fail in putting the horse out of business. There is room enough and work enough for all these agencies in the great trade and industrial development of the time. All these horses would not have been produced and their value increased as stated above had they not been found to be useful. In fact there is far more work for horses now than there was a generation ago. The mower, reaper and threshing machine greatly increased the horse work on the farm. And the horse has found increased work in railway construction, and in many other ways.

SEEING HALLEY'S COMET.

It ought, perhaps, to go on record for the information of those who three quarters of a century hence will be searching the newspaper files of the present, date, that Halley's Comet has been a great failure as a spectacle in Prince Edward Island. It had been so extensively advertised in glowing predictions before it came, and in vivid description during its passage to and from the sun, that great expectations were formed in regard to it and it was eagerly sought for in the sky. Comparatively few persons in this Province have seen Halley's comet at all, and much fewer have been able to see its famous tail. A little dull patch of white against the blue of the sky, much less brilliant or conspicuous than one of the brighter stars, is all that most of the lucky ones have seen with the unaided eye. Much cloudy weather has obstructed observation, but on those nights that were fairly clear the comet was rather "a poor show."

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Less than half a century ago, says the Toronto Globe, Toronto had an area of less than eight square miles, and a population less than fifty thousand. Its present area is estimated at thirty-two square miles and its population at four hundred thousand.

Again the British Channel has been crossed by human flight, and again it is by a Frenchman. Hieriot was the first, and he made the passage in 33 minutes. De Lesseps, a grandson of the projector of the Panama Canal, is the second to fly across the Channel. He made the passage in thick fog in 50 minutes.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, ex-Premier of Canada, who has been fifty years in the newspaper business, is still physically and mentally vigorous at 87 years. He takes a lively interest in all that is going on, and went down into one of the mines at Cobalt the other day to look at the Canadian silver there in its native bed.

Nova Scotia has some 35 incorporated towns exclusive of its cities and a recent return shows that collectively they have a bonded indebtedness of \$6,122,200. Glace Bay has total liabilities of \$837,290, Amherst \$576,119, Dartmouth \$507,400, Yarmouth \$449,474, Truro \$406,871, Pictou \$256,472, New Glasgow \$334,172, Springhill \$214,486 and so on.

The British Parliament will reassemble on June 8. It is not expected that the fierce fight over the veto bill will be at once resumed. Other matters of a less controversial character will be taken up. The new King's civil list must be settled and perhaps a bill to amend the coronation oath may come up before the veto fight is resumed.

The total mileage of the Dominion Atlantic Railway in Nova Scotia, which is now to become the property of the Canadian Pacific, is nearly 300 miles, including branch and leased lines. The main line runs from Yarmouth to Truro. It connects with Halifax by a line from Windsor to Windsor Junction on the Intercolonial, 31 miles, leased from the Intercolonial, and from the junction to Halifax, 14 miles, enjoys running rights over the Government road.

CITY COUNCIL DOINGS.

To put through the license reduction will require some tall hustling. Meantime lots of corn will be tramped on. The cure is "Putnam's" the old reliable corn extractor that has been curing corns and warts for years. "Putnam's" never fails.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Entered--May 25th--Schr Sfr Wilfrid, Roberts, Pictou; Schr Alice Mattatell, Mattatell, Tatamagouche; Schr Ida M. Williams, Pictou; Schr Daisy Moran, Pictou; Schr Clifford May, Poirier, Pictou; Schr Stanley Mac, Whittle, North Sydney; Schr J. W. Buchanan, Sydney; Schr Kohinoor, Cahill, Port Hastings; Schr Frank, Grant, Pugwash; Schr Secret, Forrest, North Sydney; Schr Joseph, McGill, D. Roberts, Sydney; Schr W. Frid M, Backinaw Barbadoes, Bkte C. R. C., Brehal, Barbados.

Cleared--May 25th--S. S. Rosalind, Smith, St. John's Nfld; Schr Sir Wilfrid, Roberts, Pictou; Schr Alice Mattatell, Mattatell, Tatamagouche; Schr Ida M. Williams, Pictou; Schr Daisy, Moran, Pictou; Schr Champion, Orr, Richibucto; Schr Kohinoor, Cahill, Pictou; Schr Frank, Grant, Wallace.

Entered--May 23--Schr Lady Franklin, Jasty, Glace Bay; Schr Maple Leaf, Fraser, Richibucto; Schr Venture, Vember, Pugwash; S. S. City of Ghent, Hare, Halifax; Schr Edwin A. Crozier, McDougall, Pictou.

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"We have just received an order from a gentleman in New Hampshire, U. S., asking us to send him a further supply of our "Carters' Prize Hazard's Improved" Turnip Seed. He had the seed from us last year, and states that he had a crop of the best Turnips he has ever raised. This is putting in another good word for Carters' Prize, Hazard's Improved Turnip Seeds, which is, without doubt, the best variety of seed in existence today. It pays to buy the Best. Buy "Carters'" and you are safe. Do not insult a choice piece of ground by putting in inferior seed. Carters' seeds grow, and are the best that grow. 5-25d1w.

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We wish to announce to the prospective June Bride that our store has become known as authoritative on the Trousseau question and as a style centre where very many handsome trousseaus are turned out. Probably one of the reasons we have built up such a large trade along this line is our method of dealing. In the first place you will be told exactly what colors and materials are correct and the rest left to your own good taste.

You will be shown weaves, colorings and materials, such as the prospective brides of London and Paris are being shown today.

You will receive courteous attention and any information we can give is cheerfully given and remember we keep ourselves posted.

You will not be asked to buy or made to feel uncomfortable if you don't purchase, but want to look in other stores, as we have every confidence in our goods and court comparison, and last but not least, you will be surprised at the extent of our showing as we are told we have the finest line of silks, satins, dress materials and suitings in the province bar none.



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