

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

MARCH 15, 1888.

Weight or Measure?

We have repeatedly called attention to the unfairness and wrong involved in the purchase of potatoes when measures of different sizes are used; and we are not at all surprised that men are now speaking out strongly and emphatically against the practice.

It is much to be regretted that some of the dealers need to be watched, and that some of our farmers cannot be trusted. If all were honest, the purchase and sale of potatoes by weight would be fairest and most satisfactory to all concerned.

The matter is one which demands careful consideration. It seems a pity that means of remedying the wrong which existed last fall, and which will no doubt be continued this spring, cannot be adopted and carried out.

It seems to us that if the Government insisted upon the sale of potatoes by weight only, the buyers might protect themselves by having the potatoes on sale unloaded into tubs, culled over during the process, and then weighed on the small Fairbanks scales (which every dealer has before taking possession of them. If this plan is not feasible, we should like to know why not?

Wheat.

The comparative success which has, in recent years, attended the growth of wheat in this Province, and the establishment here of a roller mill of the best description, will, no doubt, encourage our farmers to put more land under wheat than they have been wont to do.

- 1. To have good, strong, clean land.
2. To have good, clean, well-developed seed of the right kind.
3. To get it in at the right time.
4. To keep the sheep and cattle out of it when it is in.
5. To harvest it when it is ripe and dry.

The selection and preparation of the seed is a very important matter. The kinds most suitable for this Province are the Fyfes (red and white) and the White Russian. The Fyfes have thinner skins, are harder, best for flour, preferred by the millers, and command the highest prices.

at very small cost in money. When sinit is apprehended, the seed may be wetted with a solution of sulphate of copper, or strong brine to kill the fungus spores.

As to the time to sow: the best time is as soon after the snow is off as the ground is workable. By early sowing the loss by the fly is avoided, and the wheat can, almost invariably, be harvested dry and in good condition for grinding.

It is not necessary to dilate on the other points to be noted in successful wheat growing. To those farmers who will not keep the fences up it is useless to talk; to those who are careful in this regard it is needless to talk.

Wheat stands at the head of food grains, as it contains besides a large amount of starch, nitrogenous principles, and those mineral elements required by the animal system; and if our farmers can but succeed in growing it in sufficient quantities for home consumption and for the supply flour for the mining and manufacturing communities in our immediate neighborhood, a great point will be gained for this Province.

By the way, wouldn't a barrel factory pay here, now? A Province which exports fish, pork and flour, not to speak of potatoes and oysters, should be able to maintain a barrel factory.

POTATOES.

THE MEETING OF TRADERS AND FARMERS HELD IN CHARLOTTETOWN LAST WEEK DENOUNCED BY THE THREE RIVERS DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Three Rivers Dairymen's Association was held in the New Perth Schoolhouse, on Tuesday evening, the 13th inst. The following resolution was moved by Mr. Daniel Shaw and seconded by Mr. Daniel McDonald.

Whereas, The Dominion Weight and Measures Act expressly declares that potatoes shall be bought and sold by weight only, "the bushel to be sixty pounds; and it has been brought to the notice of this Association that a meeting was held in Charlottetown, on the 8th March, inst., at which a resolution favoring the adoption of a measure for potatoes was agreed to;

And Whereas, The said meeting was called by traders interested in the purchase of potatoes, without due notice having been given to farmers generally;

Therefore Resolved, That this meeting protest against the action there adopted in favor of a measure of capacity being considered expressive of the wishes of farmers.

And Further Resolved, That it is desirable that Farmers Clubs in other sections shall give expression to their opinions with respect to this matter.

After an animated discussion, in which Messrs. Shaw, McDonald, McNeill, R. Dewar, Owen, Minchin, J. D. Dewar and others participated, the resolution was agreed to.

A communication was read from the Secretary of the Dominion Farmers' Council, requesting union with that Society. On motion it was ordered to lay over for consideration at the next monthly meeting to be held on Tuesday evening, 3rd April. By order of the meeting, F. G. BOYVER, President.

Meeting of Presbytery.

The Presbytery of P. E. Island met in Georgetown on Tuesday, 13th instant. There were present Rev. J. M. McLeod, J. G. Cameron, A. Raulston, E. Gillis, Malcolm Campbell, A. B. McLeod, D. B. McLeod, Wm. H. Spencer, and Roderick McLean, Ministers; and Messrs. Alex. Martin, Donald McLeod, Jas. N. Cogswell, John McDonald and Wm. Ross, ruling Elders.

Entered upon the consideration of a petition from Montague asking to be disjoined from Georgetown and to be organized into a distinct and separate charge. It was found that each section is provided with a manse, that Montague guarantees an annual salary of \$750, and that Georgetown guarantees \$500. Having entered fully into the consideration of the whole matter, and having elicited the feeling of both sections of the congregation, the Presbytery resolved to declare, and hereby do declare Montague, Upper and Lower, to be a distinct and separate charge, of which Rev. William H. Spencer shall be the pastor; and this Presbytery also declare Georgetown to be a distinct and separate charge, the acting Elder in that section, with Rev. A. B. McLeod as interim moderator of said last named charge. This act of Presbytery shall take effect on 1st April, prox. Rev. A. B. McLeod was appointed to exchange with Rev. Mr. Spencer on 8th April, and announce the above decision in Georgetown and Montague.

The Presbytery sustained a unanimous and harmonious call from the congregation of Belfast to Rev. A. McLean Sinclair, of Springhill, East River, Nova Scotia, and instructed the Clerk to transmit it and relative papers to the Clerk of the Pictou Presbytery, to be proceeded in according to the laws of the church.

In addition to Messrs. Clay and M. J. McLeod, students at Montreal, the Presbytery agreed to apply to the Home Mission Board for the services of Mr. Alfred Nicholson, student at Princeton, N. J., as a catechist for the ensuing summer.

The next quarterly meeting of Presbytery will be held in Summerside, on 1st of May, at 11 a.m. J. M. McLEOD, Presby. Clerk.

DISSOLVING VIEWS, illuminated with the oxy-hydrogen light, will be shown in St. Paul's Schoolroom this (Thursday) evening, at 8 o'clock. English cathedrals, scenes of London, and other views. Admission 10 cents. ma 14, 21

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Watch Forthcoming.

SIR,—In your issue of last evening I notice that a watch with a cottage engraved upon it is wanted by a person who evidently is far gone in love. I beg to inform him that I know a lady, a young one at that, good figure, rather nice looking, good manners, who lives on Upper Prince Street, who has a watch answering exactly to the description wanted, which she has told me she will be most happy to loan the person after she has done with it herself. As I am sworn to secrecy in the matter, I cannot give her name, but I can tell your correspondent that he will have no difficulty in finding her out if he perseveres.

Yours, S. N. EARLE.

The Potato Tub.

SIR,—During the shipping season last fall there was a good deal of discontent and excitement all over this County, and (if we are to judge by the published complaints) indeed throughout the whole Island, owing to the barbarously unbusinesslike manner that our potatoes were being measured at the various shipping places, corruption and fraud, usurping the law of the land, which was, in this part of the country, at all events, completely ignored.

Various meetings were held by the aggrieved and victimized farmers to discuss the matter, and a requisition, numerously signed, was duly forwarded to the Inspector, asking him to come and attend to his business by putting a stop to this illegal, and consequently, corrupt order of things, to which (to his credit be it said) he promptly responded, and we were in hopes that his appearance and action would strike terror into the hearts of the lawbreaking evildoers, and put a stop, once and for all, to their high-handed fraudulent doings.

But imagine our surprise, Sir, when he only just took the unlawful twenty-five gallon tubs away from the lawbreakers, threw them aside, and simply ordered the offenders to use them no more, but to weigh, instead, or to use a twenty-three gallon tub, which, he said, the law ordered to be used as a 23 bushel potato measure (!) Well, Sir, I suppose you will hardly believe it, but the very next day those seized, condemned, confiscated and prohibited twenty-five gallon tubs were all in full use by the lawbreakers, just as if there was no law, no Government and no God, and this unrighteous state of things continued throughout the entire shipping season, although the Inspector was written to, time and again, on the matter, his replies being, "I am too hard driven to attend," "I cannot be in two places at once;" "any person can prosecute as well as me," etc., etc., seeming to forget that he receives a salary to do this very business, and has the Government at his back to pay costs, while "any person," as he puts it, would be sure to lose much time at best, make a bad fellow of himself, and run the risk of heavy costs in case of appeals. It was a fact that those who made themselves conspicuous in agitating, or were outspoken against this measurability, were marked men, and their potatoes refused to be taken; and I know of instances where the owner lost by frost, cartloads in this way, through having to leave them in a half protected state until they could haul them home again, because they had the courage to protest against being robbed. His honor seems to have forgotten the old adage about having to do the barking one's self while incurring the cost of keeping a dog. If Mr. R. had utterly destroyed those tubs when he seized them, and prosecuted the offenders, as the act requires, there would have been no further trouble, as the majesty of the law would thereby have been upheld and vindicated, becoming, as it should, a terror to evildoers, and the evil would have been successfully rubbed out. But, on the contrary, the outcome of Mr. Reddin's course has been high-handed contempt for all law and order, and all things, and every person by whom a God-fearing, law-abiding citizen ought to regard it as his greatest privilege to be ruled and governed. I find that it is the impression of a good many that there was some secret understanding between the Inspector and the shippers (collusion) which resulted in this disgraceful state of affairs. I, however, bad as it looks, do not participate in this idea. I believe that all his short-comings were due solely to a want of time, and a fatal, misdirected leniency towards the culprits, the fact is the field (the whole Island) over which he is expected to labor and travel, is out of all proportion to one man's ability. Hence the neglect and worry that we have, and are being compelled to suffer, and this being so, we expect that Mr. Reddin has, before this, represented the case to the Government, requiring and demanding the appointment of at least one assistant inspector for each of King's and Prince Counties; and further, we shall feel grateful to Mr. Reddin for some satisfactory assurance that this is forthwith being done. Otherwise, in self-preservation or defence, we shall be compelled at once (as the spring shipping will be on us in a few weeks) to get up monster petitions to the Government, asking that our grievances be properly attended to by the righting of this disgraceful wrong, and I have too much confidence in the Government to believe it possible that if our grievances is thus brought properly to their notice, they will disregard our complaint.

A short editorial, of a directory or advisory nature, on this matter, will be highly appreciated by your numerous farmer readers and friends.

LIBERAL-CONSERVATIVE.

King's County, March 6, 1888.

G. M. HARRIS sells 3 Laundry Machines to-morrow, at 1.30 p. m.

G. M. HARRIS sells Furniture, Carpets, Piano, Walnut Parlor and Bedroom Sets, Oil Paintings, etc., to-morrow, at 1.30 o'clock.

TEA AT MONTAGUE.—Please bear in mind that on the 27th of June next the Tea of the Methodist Church, which it is expected will then be well on towards completion. Notices of special attractions to the Tea will appear in the papers in due time. m—mch15

A German physician says that in childhood the male and female hearts are of the same size, but later on the masculine heart develops much more than the female, and the former ends by being two square inches larger than the latter.

Trotting at Black River.

Our people are well pleased with the fine weather we are now having, and are devoting some of their time to the amusements at their disposal, especially horse-training and horse-trotting.

Bell's Pond affords one of the best winter courses on the Island.—It is free from springs and is surrounded by woods which keep off the cold winds so disagreeable on open bays.

This part of the Island is not at all behind in the quality of its stock. Abdallahs especially take the lead; but there are colts from such good sources as Hernando, Messenger, Harry and Royal Ned.

Every evening now the course is lively with flyers, and about once a week one can enjoy all the pleasures of a good horse trot. On the 3rd inst., there was a match race between McDonald, of Glenadale, and Hughes, of Black River, which was won by Hughes. There was also a club race for young horses, which was won by P. Kelly's Abdallah.

A match race was also being arranged between Manson's horse Mount Stewart, and J. Dougan's horse, Barney, for \$50 a side, but some of the jockey's not being so big as their talk, the match grew weak and has since collapsed.

On the 10th there was an extra good day's sport. It was commenced with a match race between Hughes and Berrigan, of Bedford, which was easily won by Hughes. The next was a match race between P. Kelly's Abdallah, and J. Dougan's Abdallah, won by P. Kelly's Abdallah. But the most exciting races of the day were the last two, in which Edward Carroll's horse, Island Chief, Covehead Road, took part, being first matched with McLeod's mare, St. Peter's Road. Both being good trotters, the race was hotly contested. Carroll's horse won this race.

Mr. Sinnott, of Morell, then offered to match his Abdallah against Island Chief, but there being some disagreement as to arrangements, he was not taken up, so he prepared to leave as champion of the day. Island Chief, however, decided to contest the laurels with him, and won them bravely in three straight heats.

James Duggan, who claims for his horse Barney, the championship of the surrounding country, has been challenged by Wm. McGrath, to make a match with his horse Jack O'Green, so that between this race and others almost sure to take place, from a desire to regain honors lost, we expect to have exciting times on the ice soon.

Stop My Paper!

The following is most respectfully submitted to the attention of those whom the cap fits:—

"After you get angry and stop your paper just poke your finger in water, draw it out and look for the hole. Then you will know how sadly you are missed. A man who thinks a paper cannot survive without his support ought to go off and stop awhile. When he comes back, half his friends will not know he has gone, and the other half will not care a cent, while the world at large kept no account of his movements. You will find things you cannot endorse in every paper. Even the Bible is rather plain and hits some hard licks. If we were to get mad and burn your Bible the hundreds of presses would still go on printing it; and when you stop your paper and call the editor names, the paper will still be published, and what is more—you'll read it on the sly."—Exchange.

COME ONE, COME ALL,

—TO THE—

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—ON—

THURSDAY EVENING, 15th INST.

—IN THE—

Basement of Zion Church,

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JOHN ROSS, Secretary.

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I Will Sell by Auction, at my

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ON FRIDAY, 16th INSTANT,

AT 1.30 P. M.,

A General Lot of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Parlor and Bedroom Sets, Brussels and Tapestry Carpets, Extension Table and Mahogany Sideboard, Hall Stand and Chairs, Oil Lamps, Paintings, Steel Engravings, Hanging Lamps, Card Table, Whistnet, Easy Chair, Stair Carpet, Crockery and Glassware, etc., etc.

Also—1 Piano, 1 Cook Stove, 2 Standards. This is a fine lot of Furniture, most of it nearly new. G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

FURNITURE.

BY AUCTION, ON FRIDAY, March 16th, at 11 a. m., at Rooms, 11 Queen Street:—

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Ch'town, March 9, 1888—wky 9, dy 13, 14, 15

AUCTION.

I will sell by Auction, at my Salesroom, on FRIDAY, 16th inst., at 1.30 o'clock, 3 LAUNDRY MACHINES in perfect working order. G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

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Shropshire & Oxford Down Sheep.

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—ON—

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21,

AT ONE O'CLOCK:

- 75 Shropshire and Oxford Down Sheep and Lambs,
1 Imported Shropshire Ram, 3 years old,
1 Oxford Down " yearling,
1 Heavy Cart Mare, 1400 lbs., in foal to the celebrated Horse "Lucky Lad,"
1 "Barrister" Colt, 2 years old.

The Sheep are the product of alternate breeding with Prize Shropshire and Oxford Down Rams during the past seven years, and are now in Lamb to the imported superior Shropshire Ram, the foundation stock being chiefly Grade Shropshire. Terms 3 months, approved notes.

A. McNEILL,

Ch'town, March 13, 1888.

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March, 1888.

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