

CROPS AND PRICES

FRUIT-TREES finds that statistics furnished by John Hyde, the statistician of the United States Department of Agriculture, present one feature of interest regarding the yield and value of the cereal crops for the year 1897 as compared with the preceding year. This is that with a decreased total production, as compared with 1896, the cereal crops of 1897 brought a higher value than those of 1896. The same is true as regards the crops in detail, except in the case of wheat and rye, whose yield for 1897 showed larger quantities than for the year before. Corn led all the other cereals in both quantity and value with a yield of 1,902,967,933 bushels. This represented a falling off of over 380,000,000 bushels as compared with the year preceding, but higher prices increased the value by a little over \$10,000,000. Wheat the next crop in importance, showed a yield of 530,149,168 bushels in 1897, with a value of \$428,547,121, a gain of over 102,400,000 bushels and of nearly \$118,000,000 in value as compared with 1896. Oats, the third in importance of the great cereals, yielded a crop of 698,767,809 bushels, valued at \$147,974,719, a decrease of over 8,500,000 bushels, but an increase of nearly \$15,500,000 in value as compared with the year preceding. The three crops mentioned, together with the smaller crops of barley, rye and buckwheat for 1897, were valued at \$1,121,295,766, an increase of over \$149,200,000, as compared with 1896, though the yield showed a decrease of over 286,000,000 bushels.

THE RECORD—SO FAR!

The Montreal Star sums up the Government record to date, and says: "They undertook to give preferential treatment to British imports. Result: A great decrease in imports from Great Britain. "They undertook to discriminate against the United States. Result: An increase in imports from the United States. "They undertook to decrease the debt of Canada. Result: An increase of \$14,508,769. "They undertook to put an end to state aid to railways. Result: The Drummond County, the Crow's Nest, the Yukon. (We do not mention the South Shore, because the Premier, having made an ante-election promise to subsidize this, his evil genius will probably prevent him doing so.) "Sir Wilfrid undertook to give Sir Adolphe Chapleau a second term at Spencerwood. Result: Sir Adolphe's present address is the Windsor Hotel, Montreal. "Sir Wilfrid also undertook to make Mr. Langlier Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec. Result: His Honor the Honorable L. A. Jette. "Sir Wilfrid undertook to bring the Intercolonial to Montreal. Result: The passengers and freight of the Intercolonial are still coming to Montreal over the old reliable Grand Trunk.

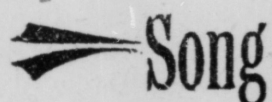
THE LAURELS OF DEFEAT.

(Montreal Star.) Mr. Foester described Sir Louis Davies as returning from London wearing the laurels of defeat jauntily. This is a very pretty compliment. It is given to few men to bear themselves gracefully under defeat. Any donkey can make a brave showing after he has won a race, if it is only a donkey race; but it takes a good man to wear the laurels of defeat jauntily. Of all the graces this is the one that promises to most useful to the members of the Cabinet of which Sir Louis is such a brilliant ornament. Its capacity for success seems to have been exhausted in the victory of June 23rd, 1897. Since that date the Premier's condition appears to be not unlike that described by St. Paul when he says, "For, what I would that do I do not; but what I hate, that I do." This is evidently the key to the problem of a political life that is otherwise full of mystery and contradiction, and when this key is properly understood even Sir Wilfrid's critics must sympathize with him as he earnestly pleads "Judge me by what I say, not by what I do, for what I would that do I do not, but what I hate, that I do." For a man in this unfortunate condition the only possible laurels are the laurels of defeat, and if the Government continue as it is now going on, it will soon look like a green bay tree.

Don't confound Cocoa wine with concoctions that happen to be labelled as such. The best is the Sovereign Cocoa Wine.

A well-made one dollar American certificate was lately discovered in Montreal. There is reason to believe that a clever gang of counterfeiters is working in the district.

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A PLEASING CHANGE.

(Montreal Witness) Canadians living in the United States write that a most notable and welcome change has already become very apparent in the attitude of the people toward the people of Great Britain and Canada. The tenor and tone of remark upon foreign affairs are generally pro-British and anti-Continental. A very notable public manifestation of the new spirit is the new anti-immigration bill introduced in Congress by a Michigan representative, which specifically expects from its working on the ground that they are neighbors, Canadians, which is what is meant by the phrase, "subjects of Canada contiguous to the United States." Two great causes are at present working towards the consolidation of the Anglo-Saxon race. One is the attitude of Great Britain as the defender of open commerce with the enormous population of China. In this the people of the United States with singular unanimity regard Great Britain as their champion. However much the Americans may emulate the ancient Chinese in building a wall around their own country, there is not one of them who wants to be shut out of China, and the more far sighted among them see that the time is very near when the foreign trade interests of the United States will be manifold what they are today. The clearer their vision on this point the more strongly they feel that Great Britain is just now fighting a battle which is their own. The other circumstance that must tend to fellowship is the annexation of Hawaii. This might seem a very small event. A year does not pass in which Great Britain does not annex more territory than the whole of those islands, and the world hardly notices. What makes the event is not the size nor the commerce nor the strategic importance of the islands in question but the fact that this annexation involves a constitutional revolution in the United States. In taking over those islands that country must, as one writer puts it, forsake the French theories of race equality which were the inspiration of the American revolution, and adopt the more practical methods towards less cultured which have given Great Britain such an advantage in extending her away. In short, the United States power must cease to be limited to a homogeneous republic governed throughout by its inhabitants on a footing of absolute equality, and become an empire similar to Great Britain, with foreign dependencies, governed as circumstances may require, and with foreign responsibilities and problems similar to those which burden the weary titan. The result of this change must be an ever decreasing fellowship or interests.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Dr. Chisholm, Rector of the Roman Catholic College at Antigonish, has gone to Florida for the benefit of his health. George Compton, Esq., who has been spending a few days in Charlottetown, returned to St. Eleanor's to-day.

We are pleased to see Mr. Isaac Carter out again after his recent illness, and hope he will soon be able to attend to business as usual.

Mr. Ernest Kemp, Government Inspector of our oyster fisheries, arrived from England on Saturday. He leaves again for Ottawa in the course of a day or two.

Mr. Crowe, of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, crossed at the Capes on Saturday and entered upon his duties at the Summerside agency this morning.

A correspondent of the Guardian from St. Peter's Bay says that Mr. Wm. H. Bears belongs the credit of rescuing a man from certain death. A man named John Larkin attempted to leave the train as it was pulling out from that station. In doing so he slipped, and fell so close to the rails that the wheels of the cars touched his head as they passed. The danger was just upon him and would have crushed him to death when Mr. Bears jumped from the train, seized Mr. Larkin by a leg and rescued him from his perilous position. As the snow was piled alongside the track Mr. Larkin had no chance to save himself. Too much praise cannot be accorded Mr. Bears for his presence of mind, and prompt action.

THINGS TO MAKE A NOTE OF.

PRINCE STREET SCHOOL.—A series of lectures to the pupils of this school has been arranged, one by Rev. Mr. Fullerton on Feb. 21st; one by Rev. Mr. Sutherland on March 17th, and one by Mr. Percy Pope on April 7th. Place and subjects to be announced later.

We are requested to announce, that Mr. John Ross is prepared to give lessons in the principles and practice of vocal music, to classes formed for that purpose in the city, in connection with churches, or other societies, on such evenings and hours as may be agreed upon, at the rate of one dollar per hour. Address P O box 457.

HORRORS OF WAR.—The Rev. E. H. Goff, of Summerside, delivered his thrilling lecture on the "Horror of War" to a highly appreciative audience at Alberton on Wednesday, the 9th inst., and at West Devon on Thursday, the 10th. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer on each occasion.

GRAND MUSICAL in Zion Church lecture room on Thursday night next at 8 o'clock. Admission 15c. Proceeds for church purposes. See programme in this paper.

This is the last notice for the lecture on Evolution. Come and hear Mr. McCready in Grace Church tonight at 8 o'clock. Admission free so that everybody can come.

ST. PETER'S HALL.—Don't confuse the dates. Thursday next, Rev. T. F. Fullerton lectures upon London. Tuesday 22nd inst. the Dramatic Entertainment.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

CITY COUNCIL meeting tonight.

MAILS.—The foreign mail arrived at twenty minutes to two this afternoon.

THE NEW PROWSE BLOCK.—The time for receiving tenders for Prowse Bros. building has been extended to Saturday the 19th inst. C. B. Chappell, Architect.

GOOD ADVICE.—Life is short to wait on your good work, or good wares, to build you up in business. You must publish yourself to the world by use of printers' ink.

FISHERY INFRACTION.—A. Lord Esq. Agent Marine and Fisheries, will hold an investigation tomorrow into the case of some residents of the East River charged with digging mud in oyster beds.

MILD WEATHER.—The thaw which set in on Saturday afternoon, and the rain of Saturday night took away a good deal of the snow on the streets. The mild weather of yesterday flooded the gutters and street-crossings about the town.

ENTERTAINMENT.—A concert and pie social in aid of the R. C. Chapel at China Point will be held in the Chapel on March 1st. Ten cents admission will be charged at the door. Persons with baskets free. Please make a note of this as it is going to be one of the events of the season.—ced & wy.

McGILL.—Among the successful Island students at McGill is Miss Carrie Holman, daughter of Mr. R. T. Holman, Summerside, J. W. Macneil, formerly teacher at Travellers' Rest, and S. Simpson, of Cavendish, stood fifth and seventh respectively in the honor list of Practical Chemistry agriculturist.

COUNTY COURT.—The sittings of the County Court of Queen's County will be held as follows:

- 1st Circuit at Eldon Belfast, 1st March. 2nd Circuit at Bonshaw, 4th March. 3rd Circuit at Dunstaffoghe, 5th March. 4th Circuit at New Glasgow, 11th March. 5th Circuit at Clifton New London, 15th March. 6th Circuit at Charlottetown, 22nd March. Saturday 12th March next is the last day for serving writs of summons for the Charlottetown Circuit.

CARNIVAL.—Halifax had a big carnival last week at which some two thousand spectators promenade, while several hundred sported themselves on the ice in various beautiful and striking costumes. The rink was brilliantly decorated and illuminated, there being eight hundred gas jets used besides the regular light in the rink. The carnival here on Friday night, while perhaps not on so large a scale, promises to rival the big show at Halifax. The decorations and lightings will be on a grand scale and a large number of skaters will be on the ice in beautiful and original costumes. The special prizes for the Maypole Dye costume and the impersonation of the Cake Walk will no doubt bring out some active competition and will afford enjoyment to those participating and to the spectators besides. Waffles is a word that is arousing considerable interest in the minds of the citizens, but all we are told is to bring a dime or two and purchase for the benefit of yourself and the Y. M. C. A. Altogether some rare sport is promised for Friday night next, and as the Y. M. C. A. will come in for a share the boys will not fail to be on hand.

NEWS NOTES.

Japan is going to invade the Klondike. It is stated that an army of 5,000 able-bodied laborers is being got together for the gold fields, and in a month it will make a descent on Dawson City.

Prince George of Greece as governor of Crete would probably please the Cretans; but the suggestion does not seem to be meeting the needed favor elsewhere. The concert of Europe, to whose action the nomination is due, will probably vindicate its reputation by failing to secure his approval.

L. O. G. F.—Regular meeting of St. Lawrence Lodge to-night at 8 o'clock.

NANSEK.—"Farthest North" will be the subject of Mr. Justice Fitzgerald's lecture in St. James's Hall tomorrow evening.

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- PART I. 1. Piano Duett... Misses Hill & Huggan 2. Vocal Solo... Rev. Mr. Manifold 3. Inst. Duett... Messrs Payne Bros 4. Vocal Solo... Miss Marion McKay 5. Reading... Mr. F. W. L. Moore 6. Vocal Solo... Female voices 7. Cornet Solo... Dr. Maloney 8. Vocal Solo... Mr. E. Hill

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PART II. 9. Piano Duett... Misses Fraser and Farquharson. 10. Vocal Solo... Mr. D. J. McLeod 11. Reading... 12. Vocal Solo... Miss Collings 13. Violin Solo... Mr. Vinnicombe 14. Reading... Miss Lefurgey 15. Vocal Solo... Miss Earle 16. Quartette...

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Tuesday, 22nd inst, Instant

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