

Hints to B. C. Fruit Growers

Some Useful Advice to Farmers Given by a Winnipeg Importer.

Proper Attention to Packing and Shipping is an Important Feature.

In reference to Manitoba and the Northwest Territories as a market for British Columbia fruit, Mr. G. W. Hunt, the manager of the Ottawa Fruit and Produce Exchange, of Winnipeg, sends the following interesting statement...

All the Surplus Fruit that British Columbia can produce for many years to come, and take the fruit at a paying price...

WITH CAP AND BELLS

Colorado bears appear to have just about as much chance against Roosevelt as Parker.

That Seattle-built United States torpedo-boat has almost as many trials as Nan Estero's.

Easter weddings will now please step forward in making their names measured for your orange blossoms yet?

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On the other hand, there are those who believe that M. Sturmer is longer the Minister.

Massacred by the Tibetans. Commissioner and Retinue Said to Have Been Slain.

London, April 25.—Special correspondents at Shanghai give an account of the massacre of the British Commissioner and his retinue...

RELIGIOUS CONFERENCE.

Important Gathering of Presbyterian Divines in Victoria in Early May.

The executive committee, authorized to make the necessary preparations for the second annual conference on religious education...

Monday, May 8. 10 a. m.—The 10th Session of Old Testament Prophecy...

Tuesday, May 9. 10 a. m.—The Place of the Preacher, Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., L.L.D., Toronto.

Wednesday, May 10. 10 a. m.—The Prophet Hosea, Rev. J. A. Chalmers, Calgary.

Thursday, May 11. 10 a. m.—The Resurrection in Christianity, Rev. J. T. Ferguson, M. A., Nelson.

Friday, May 12. 10 a. m.—The Prophet Isaiah, Rev. B. D. Milligan, D.D., L.L.D., Toronto.

Saturday, May 13. 10 a. m.—Higher Criticism: Its Truth and Dangers, Rev. Dr. Milligan.

Sunday, May 14. 10 a. m.—The Present Methods of Church Activity Best Calculated to Advance Christianity, Rev. H. W. Fraser.

Monday, May 15. 10 a. m.—The Resurrection in Christianity, Rev. J. T. Ferguson, M. A., Nelson.

Tuesday, May 16. 10 a. m.—The Prophet Isaiah, Rev. B. D. Milligan, D.D., L.L.D., Toronto.

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Tuesday, May 23. 10 a. m.—Higher Criticism: Its Truth and Dangers, Rev. Dr. Milligan.

Wednesday, May 24. 10 a. m.—The Resurrection in Christianity, Rev. J. T. Ferguson, M. A., Nelson.

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Cy Warman isn't one of those who have gone Japanese-mad. Witness his remarks on the subject of jiu-jitsu vs. hockey.

'Hoot mon! Hoot!' says his Macdonald dog. The Willis must have been at least 119,078 canine Deweys...

With those monkey springs and squats—To the Highlands and play hockey with the Scots!

THE SIVASH CYNIC. Directors of Bank Issue Statement of Solvency of Institution.

Milwaukee, April 25.—Despite assurances that the Milwaukee Trust was in no manner involved by financial troubles of Frank G. Bigelow...

The following statement was issued shortly before noon: The board of directors of the Milwaukee Trust...

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Herd of Elk Resists Removal

The Breeder and Sportsman.

Several months ago we recounted a somewhat amusing incident of the elk ranging in Kern county by removing the herd to a new and apparently favorable range...

Within less than 400 miles of Los Angeles, in the northwestern part of Kern county, on the great ranch of Miller & Lux...

Twice it was necessary to cross the railroad, and both times the herd balked at the occasion called for the exercise of all the herders' ingenuity...

By dint of care and coaxing they were finally persuaded to cross the railroad, but the narrow gauge rails were stamped at the very outset, the animals were brought together and started on their way...

After hours of work, late in the afternoon, the herders succeeded in corralling about fifty and driving the rest of the herd into the trap...

Every year the herd increases, and it is now likely that an effort will be made to remove the herd and place them in the Yellowstone National Park.

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DESTINATION A MYSTERY.

Steamship Australia is Being Fitted Out at San Francisco for Voyage.

San Francisco, April 25.—There is mystery concerning the destination of the Oceanic Co.'s steamship Australia, just at present it is reported to be bound for a voyage.

Neither the owners nor the brokers who charter the vessel were asked anything definite about the matter, all of which, in the minds of some men, indicates that the proposed trip is to the Siberian coast...

Since there would be no particular need of secrecy were the Australia going to Honolulu after Japanese emigrants, or to Nome with freight and passengers, or to Panama...

RUSSIAN CRUISERS OFF SAIGON. Report That Part of Squadron Remains Off Coochin-China.

Saigon, April 25.—It is reported that four Russian cruisers are lying off the coast. The statement that the crew of the Russian protected cruiser Diana joined Admiral Rojstvensky's squadron...

Paris, April 25.—A despatch from Saigon to the Petrol states that nine warships, supposed to be Vice Admiral Nebogoff's detachment of the Pacific Squadron...

American Capital For the Boundary. Working Bond Given New York Financier on McKinley Mines.

Grand Forks, April 25.—At a general meeting of the shareholders of the McKinley Mines Company, owning the Franklin claim, here today a working bond for \$150,000 was granted Miles H. O'Brien, jun., of New York...

The McKinley mine has one of the largest copper-gold surface showings in British Columbia, the development work to date consisting principally of open cuts.

George A. McLeod, general manager of the McKinley Company, in an interview tonight stated that he negotiated the deal during his recent trip to New York and Boston.

Pittsburg, April 25.—W. D. E. Lappe, aged nineteen years, a member of a prominent and wealthy family here, was shot and killed early today by a policeman, Rufus Ulom.

RAILROAD TO MUKDEN. Line From Dalny Reopened by the Japanese.

Fusan, Korea, April 25.—The railroad train from Liaoyang since the retreat of the Russians from that place last year reached Mukden station yesterday, crossing the Hwang river by the temporary bridge which has just been completed.

ROJSTVENSKY NEEDS COAL. Has Not Sufficient to Carry Him to Vladivostok.

London, April 26.—It is stated in shipping circles in London that Japan has purchased a large number of steamships in England for her trade with Formosa, China and Port Arthur.

Sortie From Vladivostok. Probability of Move Discussed by Russian Paper.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—The probability of a sortie by the Vladivostok squadron in an effort to join Rojstvensky is discussed by the Razvedchik, a military weekly paper, which confirms the report that the Russian fleet is now in the Gulf of Korea.

AN INCORRECT REPORT. Berlin Despatch Settles a Pretty Fable From China.

Tsingtau, April 25.—The German cruiser Spieker reports having sighted the Russian fleet in the Gulf of Korea on April 22, in the Strait of Formosa, a Japanese man-of-war towing another one, which was badly damaged.

Faith Restored in Milwaukee Banks

Prompt Action of Clearing House Prevents Run on the Institution.

In Spite of Small Run Two Million Dollars Are Deposited.

Milwaukee, April 25.—Confidence has again been restored in the banking institutions of Milwaukee, and the run on the First National Bank and the Milwaukee Trust Co. was caused by the defalcation of Frank G. Bigelow...

While the two banks affected are entirely separate institutions, the fact that they occupied adjoining buildings and that some of the First National's officers carried direct affairs of the Milwaukee Trust Co. caused many of the depositors to believe that one was a part of the other.

Before the hour of opening the banks had arrived the report of the Milwaukee Clearing House Association was held and a committee of that institution, after examining assets and liabilities, issued a statement of the First National Bank announcing with absolute positiveness that the bank was perfectly solvent.

Depositors Reassured. All of the statements had a reassuring effect on depositors as to the stability of the banks.

The banks affected were well able to cope with a long run, but it was decided by all of the banks to take advantage of the law on time deposits requiring a notice of thirty days of withdrawal on amounts less than \$100 and ninety days where the amounts exceeded that sum.

One of the most spectacular happenings of the war was the action of Mayor Rose in walking down Wisconsin street in full view of the crowd with \$500,000 in currency and gold in canvas bags.

Two Millions Deposits. Cashier Frank J. Kipp is authority for the statement that more than two million dollars was received during the day by the bank.

According to the federal provision a prisoner cannot plead guilty until he is indicted by the grand jury. Mr. Bigelow, therefore, will not appear in court until the grand jury has considered his case.

LOSSES OVER-ESTIMATED. Russian General Staff Makes Japanese Victory Look Small.

Gunshu Pass, April 25.—An exact statement of the Russian losses in the battle of Mukden from February 1 to March 14, compiled by the general staff, shows that the casualties on the Russian side were not as heavy as earlier reports. Statements from Japanese sources indicating wholesale capture of prisoners, enormous booty and cannon, are now denied.

SULTAN'S DESPERATE STRUGGLE. Success of Revolt in Arabia May Disrupt Ottoman Empire.

London, April 25.—Those conversant with the situation in Yemen province, Turkey, point out that the warlike Arabs of Yemen who have never done more than impatiently tolerate the Turkish yoke, have now grown tired of paying tribute to the Sultan.

PITY THE RICH. Chicago News. The rich have had to be content with the health of the various members of their families, and it is a pity that the rich have no feelings.

MURMURS OF MASSACRE. Chinese Commissioner to Tibet Reported Killed With Entire Retinue.

London, April 24.—Special correspondents at Shanghai give an unconfirmed report that Fan Chuen, the imperial commissioner to Tibet, with his whole retinue, has been massacred by Tibetans at Batang.

British News

By the Cable. Colonel Lake is Promoted on Assuming Duties of Chief of Staff.

Lord Strathcona Thinks Canada Will Need Ammunition and Arms.

THE LUMBER SITUATION. We reproduce an extract from the news columns of the Portland Oregonian with reference to the lumber situation in British Columbia...

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