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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

a market for his fruit. This struck me at the time as being very peculiar, when you realize the fact that California, with a handicap of both freight and an excessive duty, is doing as much business in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories as it is. Last year shipments into this market amounted to over 150 cars of fruit, and the consumption of British Columbia fruit would amount to about 10 per cent, and the world amount to about 10 per cent, there is no question at all in my mind but the British Columbia fruit is equal to anything that is grown on the continent. We handled a small quantity of strawberries last year which gave expendingly good satisfaction considering. a market for his fruit. This struck me at equal to anything that is grown on the continent. We handled a small quantity of strawberries last year which gave exceptionally good satisfaction, considering the way they were put up. The quality was all that could be desired, and under the crude transportation that was afforded them they arrived in fairly good condition. I have no hesitation in saying that Mani-toba and the Northwest will take

All the Surplus Fruit
that British Columbia can produce for
many years to come, and take the fruit at
a paying price. But, in order to do this
the growers must do their part and put up
the fruit in the proper shape. Take, for
instance, strawberries. When they reach
ed Winnipeg, the boxes were not full owing largely to the package they were put
up in, together with the fact they were
not packed carefully when put in the
boxes. But to overcome this to a large
degree, the Dominion Express Company is
willing to put on a through fruit car from
Vancouver to Winnipeg, if growers there
will give them sufficient encouragement,
by loading, say, 300 to 400 crates of berries daily, or every second day if they cannot load daily. To exemplify more clearly,
the benefit to be derived by a through car,
last season there was a shipment of berries made from a point in British Columbla to another point about 300 miles distant. When they arrived at their destination the fruit was totally unfit for use
and scarcely paid charges, which was due
entirely to the fact that they had been
transferred three times on the road. With
a properly ventifiated fruit car, such as the
express company uses, these goods can be
landed in Winnipeg without any transfer
and are bound to arrive there in good condition. But it is not reasonable to suppose
the express company will had one of its
cars over the mountains unless there is
something in it. I am satisfied it is reasonable in making the proposition it does,
namely, asking for 300 or 400 crates to put
in the car. It will run the car daily every
second day, or every third day, just as the
growers designate. The duty and freight
on California fruit coming into Manitoba
and the Northwest Territories would mean
a fairly good living price for the British
Columbia goods. Once the

Trade les Established
there is no reason why the fruit cannot be All the Surplus Fruit

Trade is Established there is no reason why the fruit cannot be delivered in Winnipeg in carload lots by freight the same as from California at the present time, but the goods are unknown, or practically unknown, in that market, and for that reason buyers or commission men-will not go looking for them.

It is a known fact that California practically controls the Winnipeg market until the Oregon fruit comes in. Their haul is so much shorter and their rate so much less that they control the market as soon as their fruit ripens. To my mind there is no market today in the world that presents Trade Is Established

Such Bright Prospects

for the British Columbia growers as Winnipeg and the Northwest Territories. It will take a year or two to establish that market properly, but once it is established, California need have no license to go in there to sell its fruit at any time. The difference in the fruit is so marked in favor of British Columbia that it would be impossible to interfere with the sale there.

Togo happens to be lying—but you're no worse off in this than the most interested nations.

The Petersburg reporters are on strike they are the sistance of the growers, and they must willing to introduce the fruit and prob-ily take less money for it than they uld get in other places for the time be-

ing, but any money they may spend in this direction would be More Than Repaid More Than Repaid
in the course of a year or two.

From what I can learn from the British
Columbia fruit district, there is sufficient
land there suitable for fruit growing purposes to supply fruit for the large increase in population that is now rushing
lato the Western country. I would be very
glad to co-operate with the growers in any
way possible to get better transportation
facilities and assist them in any way in
having the market properly established
for their fruit.

A WELCOME RAINFALL. Unusual Dry Season Interrupted—No Water Famine.

The slight rainfall of yesterday was in every sense a welcome one, especi-ally to the farmers, whose crops were suffering from the lack of moisture. The downfall was somewhat inade-quate, but more is hoped for shortly. Owing to the long-continued dry sea-son—there has been practically no rain since November—the fear was expressed in some quarters that during the hot summer months now approaching, a serious lowering of the lakes which are the source of Victoria's water supply would result. A Colonist reporter questioned the water commissioner on this point yesterday, and Mr. Raymur, in reply, said there was not the slightest justification for harboring such belief. He contended that there is now as much water in that there is now as much water in the lakes as is customary at this season of the year, and dismissed the topic of a possible shortage, if the undry conditions prevail, as un-

rthy of consideration. As bearing on this point, the following extract from the last annual report f the water commissioner is interest-

1904 was 38.53 inches, or 5.39 inches more than during 1903. Of this, 32.08 more than during 1903. Of this, 32.08 with. A judiciary inches fell during the five months of ability of the state to January, February, March, November and December. The summer was, to very much considera nowever, one of the driest on record, and the water in the lakes reached a wer level than ever touched before.

the 31st of October it was 48 inches iow H. W. M. and on the 31st of occumber it had reached 30 inches become H. W. M., and the heavy rains at beginning of the year, and the now of last week have since raised it nother foot. On the 31st of Decemer. 1903, the water was 22½ inches flow H. W. M., but by the 10th of ebruary it was full, and during February and March enough water was un to waste to raise the level of the akes 30 inches, equal to about nine months' supply, and in the event of improvement being made to the or Lake system, it is to be hoped provision will be made for raisig the level of the lakes at least six

Lever's Y-Z(Wise Head) Disintectant Soc Powder is better than other soap powders, tit .so wats as a disinfectant.

RELIGIOUS CONFERENCE. mportant Gathering of Presbyterian Divines in Victoria in Early May.

The executive committee, authorized The executive committee, authorized to make the necessary preparations for the second annual conference on religion and theology in connection with the Presbyterian synod of British Columbia and Alberta, have issued the completed programme for that conference, which will be held here from the 8th to the 10th of May, inclusive. Dr. Milligan, moderator of the general assembly, will preside, and the proceedings promise to be most interesting. ings promise to be most interesting Appended is the draft programme: Monday, May 8.

Monday, May 8.

10 a. m.-12 m.—"The Function of Old Testament Prophecy," Rev. R. J. Wilson, M. A., Vancouver: "The Prophet Amos," Rev. J. D. Gillam, M. A., North Vancouver. Discussion opened by Revs. W. L. Clay, B. A., Victoria, and H J. Robertson, B. A., Chilliwack.

2.30 p. m.—"The Busy Pastor and the Best Books," Rev. C. A. Myers, B. A., Field.

Exchange, of Winnipeg, sends the following interesting statement:

I was somewhat amused a few days ago ir reading an article, copied fro.n a Winnipeg paper, stating that the manager of a large fruit ranch in British Columbia was on his way to London to arrange for Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., LLD., Toronto.

Tuesday, May 9.

8 p. m.—"John Knox" (in celebration of the 400th anniversary of his birth)—Rev. J. Knox Wright, B. D., Vancouver.

Wednesday, May 10. 10 a. m.-12 m.—"The Prophet Isalah," Rev. J. S. Ferguson, B. D., Didsbury, Dis-cussion opened by Revs. A. M. Gordon, B. D. Lethbridge, and J. E. Hogg, Weta-

B D. Lethbridge, and J E. Hogg, Wetaskiwin.

2:30 p. m.—"Higher Criticism: Its Truth and Dangers," Rev. Dr. Milligan.

3:30 p. m.—"Are the Present Methods of Church Activity Best Calculated to Advance Christianity?" Rev. H. W. Fraser, D. D., Vancouver. Discussion opened by Revs. J. S. Henderson, New Westmintser, and J. C. Herdman, D.D., Calgary.

8 p. m.—Public lecture, "Wants That Are Wants," Rev. Dr. Milligan.

WITH CAP AND BELLS

Colorado bears appear to have just about as much chance against Roose velt as Parker had.

That Seattle-built United States torpedoboat has almost as many trials as Nan Paterson.

Easter weddings will now please step forward! Have you been measured for your orange blossoms yet?

Being brought into the spotlight by Rojestvensky's call, it is now Cochin China's turn to crow.

"Saigon hears heavy cannonading," according to the Cochin China press reports. Saigon seems to have caught Cheefoo's complaint, and should lose no time in consulting an aurist.

Kaiser Wilhelm again demonstrated

Kaiser Wilhelm again demonstrate his versatility Easter Sunday by preaching a first class sermon. The poundkeeper's billet is about the only public office strenuous Willie hasn't had

The present cruise of the Quadra is The present cruise of the quadra is being enlivened with good music by the whistling buoys. These will be distributed at various danger points along the coast, while the bell buoys will presumably be brought back for engagement at the leading hotels.

for a raise in wages from five to six copecks a line. It's to be hoped they get it. When men work on space with the censor as well as the news editor to scissor and blue pencil their copy, they are entitled to their three cents a

Curious, isn't it, how much professional loyalty there is existing between J. Pluvius and the man who drives the sprinkling cart. Just because the elemental union has declared a strike or a rain shut-out this month, the water cart must needs withdraw itself from circulation as a sympathetic movement.

In one respect the fishing season has an immense advantage over the shooting. You never hear of a hapless sportsman being mistaken for a trout and filled full of jagged little hooks and wriggling worms, and thereafter being delivered over to the tender mercies of delivered over a coroner's jury.

Fame has some curious ways of get-O'Shea, who died last Sunday—he never would have got his name in (A. P.) despatches if he had not had a wife who tired of him and afterwards married Charles Stewart Parnell. O'Shea thereupon was measured for a niche in the temple of fame.

Strawberries are again on exhibition in Victoria fruiterers' windows, and on the plates of millionaires and actresses. They are retailing in the marts of the modern Greeks at 25 cents per box each box containing about 1 1-2 inches of reddish pulp that assays 50 per cent. dirt and leaves, 35 per cent. seeds and water, 14½ per cent. coloring matter, and a trace of berry flavor.

In olden days the military hero had triumphal processions arranged in his honor, and wore a neat but not gaudy headpiece of laurel leaves—which was nice and cool as well as decorative. Later on in the game they erected monuments for him, and made him a knight or a lord or a something else equally swell. Now the naval or martial hero who gets to the heart of the people has

his name perpetuated by the family dog. There must have been at least 119,078 canine Deweys introduced to United States society subsequent to that little incident at Manila Bay. It would give a statistician a severe headache to attempt to compute the number of "Bobs" dogs in the British Empire; and just at present it is a poor family that cannot afford at least one four-footed Togo. But whoever heard of a

footed Togo. But whoever heard of a dog called Rojestvensky or Kuropatkin

fieet.

The Carlisle was chartered by the Russian government and loaded with arms, ammunition and food supplies for the Russian garrison at Port Arthur, She sailed from Vladivostok Nov. 20 last and was unable either to make a landing at Port Arthur or return to Vladivostok. When 300 miles east of Yokohama the Carlisle lost her propeller. Under sail she worked her way into the harbor of San Miguel, on the east coast of Luzon, from whence she was brought to Manila and repaired.

TWENTY HUNTSMEN UNHORSED. Colonel Lake is Promoted on Come a Cropper at Syosset School-house Fence.

New York, April 25.—Twenty out of New York, April 25.—Twenty out of fifty red-coated men and women hunters of the Meadowbrook Hunt Club who chased the anise seed bag across farmers fields yesterday performed the thrilling feat of preceding their horses over the fence at Syosset schoolhouse. It was the most exciting sight the assembled farmers have ever seen on assembled farmers have ever seen on the famous hunting grounds, and the fact that not one of the twentv were hurt in the cropper made the day one long to be remembered with joy. P. F. Collier had a fall in a drag hunt at Lakewood yesterday in which twenty persons took part. Collier was thrown at a five-rail fence. His hunter swerved at the approach and fell. The rider escaped with a few slight bruises.

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HE CLAIMS FAIR MILLIONS.

Is Brother of Wife of Young Magnate Killed in France.

Topeka, April 25.—Another claimant for the Fair millions appeared here today in the person of Frank Smith, chef at the Santa Fe railroad hospital. Smith says he is a brother to Mrs. Charles Fair, who, with her husband, was killed in an automobile accident at Evereux, France. Smith's knowledge of the relationship came through reading an Associated Press despatch a day or two ago of the death last Suuday in Newmarket, N. J., of Mrs. Hannah E. Nelson had soen buried by the time the telegram market, N. J., of Mrs. Hannah E. Nelson had been buried by the time the telegram reached him, and he was therefore unable to attend the funeral. Smith left New Jersey in 1877 and has been in Kansas since then. He has not corresponded with his family for years and had lost all trace of them.

Smith said tonight he was certain of his relationship with Mr. Fair. He has retained attorneys, whr.—till look after the rise interests in connec.

Way designed to the Dominion to assist in forming a Canadian militia council.

Lord Strathcona, according to the Condon correspondent of the Yorkshire Post, is not alarmed by the quarrel between the Protestants and Roman Cataholics in connection with the council.

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Concerning railway extension in Canada, Lo ter his interests in connec

ZEMSTVOS SHALL NOT MEET. Assemblage Prohibited in St. Peters-burg and Moscow.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—The government has reiterated its notice to zemstvos that the proposed conference will not be allowed either in St. Petersburg or Moscow. The prevents of Severated provinces which commercial common sense which covered the interest regarding the importation of American journals to Canada, similar to those when Stanley refused to consider the reduction of the post-age of Great Britain, says: "Here is one of the Immunerable instances of the lack of commercial common sense which covered the importation of the post-age of the province which covered the importation of American journals to Canada, similar to those when Stanley refused to consider the reduction of the post-age of the importation of American journals to Canada, similar to those when Stanley refused to consider the reduction of the post-age of the importation of the post-age of the province when the proposed conference will not be allowed either in St. Petersburg or Mos-

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The Breeder and Sportsman.

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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, now fitting out at the Risdon Iron Works for a years.

now fitting out at the Risdon Iron Works for a voyage.

Neither the owners nor the brokers who chartered the vessel will say anything definite about the matter, all of which, in the minds of some men, indicates that the proposed trip is to the Siberian coast, by way of Nome. Nor will the owners make known the names of the charterers.

The McKinley mine has one of the

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

Fusan, Korea, April 25.—The first railroad train from Llaoyang since the retreat of the Russians from that place ast year, reached Mukden station yes-terday, crossing the Hun river on the temporary bridge which has just been completed. Regular trains will be run between Port Dalny and Mukden in a few days.

ROJESTVENSKY 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. Russian agents in London are making efforts to secure colliers for the Rus-sian fleet. The urgent need for collier is said to be due to the fact that Vici Admiral Rojestvensky has not sufficient coal to carry him to Vladivo

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 Rojestvensky is discussed by the Razvedchik, a military weekly paper, which confirms the report that the three cruisers, Gromoboi, Rossia and Bogatyr, have concentrated, and comments upon this accession of strength to Rojestvensky. The paper also intimated that there is a possibility that Vice Admiral Nebogatoff may await a second reinforcing squadron.

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

Tsingtau, April 25.—The German cruiser Sperber reports having sighted on April 22, in the Strait of Formosa, a Japanese man-of-war towing an other one, which was badly damaged.

Berlin, April 25.—An investigation shows that the German cruiser Sper-ber was not in the Straits of Formosa April 22. She arrived at Tsingtau from Shanhalkawan April 21, and left Tsingtau April 24, bound for Hong-

Institution.

Prompt Action of Clearing House Prevents Run on the

Faith Restored In

Milwaukee Banks

In Spite of Small Kun 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., which was caused by the defalcation of Frank G. Bigelow, until Monday president of the bank, of over \$1,000,000, is a thing of the past, and banking affairs in Milwaukee have assumed their normal condition.

While the two banks affected are enthey occupied adjoining buildings, and that some of the First National's officers direct the affairs of the Milwaukee Trust Co. caused many of the depositors to believe that one was a part of the affair.

other.

Before the hour of opening the banks had arrived, a meeting of the Milwaukee Clearing House Association was held and a committee of that institution, after examining the assets and cellateral of the First National Bank, issued a reassuring report. This report was printed in large type on placards and pasted on the windows of the First National Bank and also displayed in store windows on Wisconsin and East Water streets. Following this was a statement issued by the board of directors of the First National Bank announcing with absolute positiveness that the bank was perfectly solvent. On top of this came word from the board of directors of the Milwaukee chambet of commerce, announcing its decision not to withdraw its current expense fund from the First National Bank.

Depositors Reassured

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

Working Bond Given New York
Financier on McKinley
Mines.

The banks affected were well able to cope with a long run, but it was decided by all of the banks in the city to take advantage of the law on time deposits requiring a notice of thirty days of with drawal on amounts less than \$100 and ninety days where the amounts exceeded that sum. As rapidly as the depositors appeared at the wickets of the savings departments of the affected institutions, their pass books were stamped, acknowledging the notice of withdrawal, and the depositors took their departure. It required only about two hours to dispose of the line of depositors. Early in the day crowds of men and women in all walks of life gathered in line two and four abreast, and took up positions in front of the two big banking institutions and waited the opening of the strong doors at 10 o'clock. The line extended about half a square of East Water and Wisconsin streets from the main entrance of each institution. The crowd was orderly and gave no trouble to the police.

The McKinley mine has one of the largest copper-gold surface showings in British Columbia, the development work to date consisting principally of of open cuts. At present twelve men are employed. A tunnel will be driven to tap the ore body at a depth of 125 feet. The ore is self-fluxing in character, the values averaging \$10 per ton.

George A. McLeod, general manager.

Russian General Staff Makes Japanese Victory Look Small.

Gunshu Pass, April 25.—An exact statement of the losses in all categories in the battle of Mukden from February 1 to March 14, compiled by the general staff, shows that the casulting work were the constitution of the casulting work work was the casulting work was the casulting work work was the casulting was the casulting work was the casulting was the casulting was the casulting was a was a supplied to the casulting was a supplied when the casulting was a supplied with the casulting was a supplied when the casulting was a supplied when the casulting was a supplied when the casulting was a supplied with the casulting was a supplied when the casulting was a supplied with the casulting was a supplied with the casulting was a supplied which was a supplied with the casulting was a supplied when the ca alties were greatly over-estimated in earlier reports. Statements from Japanese sources indicating wholesale captures of prisoners, enormous booty and cannon, are now denied. In reality the Russian losses amounted to two generals and 87,777 men, of whom the generals and 87,777 men, of whom the greatest part, about 55,000, were wounded. General Karkevitch calculates that other losses were 15,000 killed, 7,000 to 8,000 captured and 10,000 to 12,000 missing.

This would indicate that the extent of the Japanese victory and the disorders of the Russian retreat have been evargerated.

been exaggerated SULTAN'S DESPERATE STRUGGLE Success of Revolt in Arabia May Dis-rupt Ottoman Empire.

London, April 25.—Those conversant with the situation in Yemen province, Turkish Arabia, regard the situation there as being in the nature of a life-ordeath struggle for the Sultan of Turkey. death struggle for the Sultan of Turkey. They 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 taxes three or four times over and have revolted. Should the rising in Yemen succeed it is bound to spread north to Hejaz, and if the Sultan's authority is wiped out in that holy land of Mohammedanism he will lose all claim to the title of "Protector of Holy Places," which is regarded as the main factor in holding his empire together.

PITY THE RICH.

is yearning to reciprocate anything like friendly advances. So do not neglect the rich. Often you will find them well worth cultivating and quite approachable if you can first disarm suspicion and convince them that you are not trying to make 2

MURMURS OF MASSACRE.

Chinese Commissioner to Thibet Re-ported Killed With Entire Retinue.

CAPTAIN O'SHEA IS DEAD.

London, April 24.—Captain O'Shea, whose divorced wife became Mrs. Charles Stewart Parnell, died at Brighton on Saturday night.

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

more.
The second class cruisers Scylla and Salona and the gunboat Ringdove will do

b News

umbia and the convenience of Esquimalt to the China station that led to the permanent occupation of that place. So far back as 1857 this was recognized, and special reports on the subject were sublitted to the admiralty.

The British admiralty has profited

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We reproduce an extract from the news columns of the Portland Oregonian with reference to the lumber situa-

man of the Cunard line's word, the idea of reopening the Atlantic rate war is scouted in well-informed circles in Liverpool at least, while there are plenty of passengers for Canada and the United States, from whom the higher rates can be obtained.

The Morning Post, in an article giving the facts regarding the importation of American journals to Canada. lumber cheaper than they now get Canadian lumber cheaper than they now get American lumber from our own Northwest.

The existing duty on lumber imposed by the United States is working great benefit to Pacific Coast lumber interests, enabling them not only to supply the home demand and the demand from Reastern States, but successfully to en-

finds its way into Canada, and is able to compete even with the mills of British Columbia, where there is as much and as fine timber as is found in our own Northwestern States.

Naturally the lumbermen of British Columbia kick. Their small mills have been closed, and the profits of the larger mills have been materially reduced, just our account of American encroachment upon their field. That is why they seek an import tariff on lumber. But Eastern Canada does not want such a tariff.

JEALOUSY KNOWS NO AGE.

Portland, Me., April 24.—Edward Hilton, aged sixty years, of East Waterford, shot and killed George Young, 45 years old, slashed his wife horribly about the head and neck with a knife, and then shot and killed himself yesterday. The woman it is thought will recover. The tragedy is said by the police to have followed a quarrel between the men regarding Mrs. Hilton.

ian with reference to the lumber situation in British Columbia, which ought to have some attention at Ottawa. If any arguments were required to strengthen the British Columbia case for an imposition of a duty on American lumber they are supplied in what follows, which was supplemented by a copy of Hon. Abraham E. Smith's report to the United States Government on the subject:

The lumber situation in Canada is very similar to that in the United States. The East, older and more thickly settled, has largely exhausted its timber resources and is compelled to go into distant markets for its supply. Canada imposing no duty on lumber, the Eastern provinces have been buying from British Columbia and from the United States. Our own Eastern States are buying almost exclusively from the West, for the tariff of \$2 per thousand on foreign lumber provinces have bestern States from buying in Canada. The Eastern States want this tariff removed, believing that under free trade they could get Canadian lumber cheaper than they now get American lumber from our own Northwest

Tombe demand and the demand from Castern States, but successfully to enter Canadian markets and crowd out Canadian mills. A great deal of the surplus product of American mills now finds its way into Canada, and is able

an import tariff on lumber. But Eastern Canada does not want such a tariff, as it would increase the cost of their lumber, and they think they now pay enough, when they add to the actual cost the cost of transportation. The East in Canada, as in the United States, wields the balance of power, and is very apt to prevent the enactment of a lumber tariff, just as the Eastern States in the American Congress will be very apt to reduce or remove the lumber tariff if they get the opportunity.

The Green-eyed Monster Inspires Three fold Tragedy at Portland, Me. Portland, Me., April 24.—Edward Hil-