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UNCLE SAM'S CROPS.

May Report of the United States Department of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—The May report of the statisticians of the Department of Agriculture, after consolidating the returns, places the condition of winter wheat at 81.4, as against 86.7 the previous month—a falling off of 5.3 per cent. In 1893 at the same date the condition was 75.3, a little over two points lower than the previous month.

Winter rye, like winter wheat, has suffered a decline since last month, the average for May 1 being 90.7, against 94.4 in April.

The average condition of barley is 82.3, against 86.6 last year. This low condition is the result of the drought in California, which is the largest producing State.

The condition of spring pasture is 92.7; of mowing lands, 91.7.

PRESBYTERIANS IN TORONTO.

A Strong Plea for Church Union by the Rev. Dr. D. J. Macdonnell.

TORONTO, May 10.—The Rev. Robert Forde, of Erin, has been elected moderator of the Presbyterian synod meeting here. The retiring moderator, the Rev. Dr. Houston, preached the annual sermon from Col. iv., 5. Two papers on missionary work at home and abroad were read during the afternoon and elicited a strong speech from the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, who resurrected the question of union between the evangelical branches of the church for the purpose of Christian work. He would be pleased to see a union between the Presbyterian, Anglican, Methodist and Congregational churches. He had no hopes of ever effecting a union with the Baptists. Their position he could not understand. They set themselves up as oracles, and when approached by other denominations with offers of co-operation, the answer, in substance, invariably was, "Ye must be born again." Others spoke strongly in favor of an evangelical union of the churches.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

That dainty little artist, Marie Tempest, a favorite on both continents, will be greeted by a tremendous audience to-night. The plan indicates that there will not be a vacant seat and that extra accommodation may have to be provided. It is without doubt the greatest comic opera event this year. Miss Tempest is assisted by most brilliant principals and a chorus of 50 voices. The scenery and costumes which give "The Fencing Master" the rich color and atmosphere of Venice are of unequalled scale of splendor. Miss Tempest this week has had a series of ovations in Detroit, where she has taken theater-goers by storm. She was last seen in London in "The Red Hussar" three years ago. The prima donna is of English birth, and won fame in the world's metropolis in the role of Dorothy. She was induced to come to America, and is now recognized as the head of her profession in comic opera.

The lively comedy, "Dr. Bill," was presented to two small audiences at the Grand yesterday. Sandwiched between "The Grand Duchess" and "The Fencing Master" it suffered accordingly. The play, which has been given here before, was well presented. Miss Celia Ellis was the star.

A SCRAP OF PAPER

Which Saved a Life.

An incident which has created much comment and of which the particulars but recently transpired was related to a reporter while on his daily hunt for newsworthy. The lady referred to is Miss Lotie Booth, McGill street, Toronto, and the facts are as follows:

A scrap of paper, describing the virtues of Burdock Blood Bitters, saved Miss Booth's life. To a little scrap of paper she owes the pleasure of many happy days. This is how it happened:

"Miss Booth formerly lived in the city of Winnipeg. She is well-known there, a people who live on Ross street will smile when they read this incident, because they know it's true. Eight months ago she was a bright and happy girl. She is now, but there was an interval between then and now, that Miss Booth never recalls without a shudder.

From health and happiness, Miss Booth fell into a languid, spiritless state. Rapidly her health declined, and friends saw with pained eyes that there was something radically wrong with her constitution. Day by day she faded away until no one would recognize her thin, sickly-looking self as the one time healthy, rosy girl. Doctors were consulted time and again. "It's your heart," they said, and wrote out prescriptions after prescriptions accordingly. For three long, weary, miserable months Miss Booth took their medicine, but the months were not longer than the medical bill that was presented and paid regularly every month.

Said Miss Booth: "My condition was a most deplorable one. I sharply thought my heart was affected, for it almost stopped beating at times, and I would have fainting spells that left me weak and helpless. Day by day I grew weaker. I could eat nothing with a relish. Food was really distasteful to me. Oh, how weary and tired of life I was. As night I might have slept had it not been for horrible dreams and visions that flitted through my brain. Often I would awake screaming and crying.

One day Miss Booth went to the drug store to have a prescription filled. The clerk wrapped the bottle up with a circular. When she undid the wrapper Miss Booth picked up the circular and read it. It opened her eyes. It told her that oftentimes heart troubles were caused by that dread disease dyspepsia. "I believed that circular," said Miss Booth, "and I stopped taking the doctor's medicine at once. The circular said take Burdock Blood Bitters for dyspepsia. I did so. One-half bottle was all I used before I began to get well. I took eleven bottles altogether. Now I am well and sound. The scrap of paper and Burdock Blood Bitters saved my life."

A Careful Youth.

There is a young man in Troy so careful that in calling on his girl he always knocks for fear if he came with a ring she might consider it a proposal.

EAU CLAIRE, Wis., April 5, 1892.

I crushed the big toe of my left foot about three years ago. The nail did not come off, but it separated from the flesh from the end of the nail to down near the quick. I suffered great pain and had to get a special shoe made. I tried various remedies but they gave me no relief. About two months ago, having an attack of rheumatism in the right shoulder, I bought a bottle of Poud's Extract for it, and while rubbing it on at night, thought I would try some on the toe just as an experiment. Next morning it was so painful, this induced me to rub the Extract in thoroughly and to get it down between the nail and the flesh. I kept on using it for two weeks, and by that time all pain was gone and the toe was as sound as it was before I hurt it. I consider this a wonderful cure, and thought I would make it known. J. OLSON.

The Slate.

Nominees for the Legislature, Up to Date.

Liberals, Patrons of Industry, Conservatives and P. P. As.

Addington—James Reid (Con.).
Algoma East—C. F. Farwell (Lib.).
Algoma West—James Connell (Lib.), J. M. Savage (Con.).
Brant North—W. B. Wood (Lib.), S. G. Kitchen (P. of I.).
Brant South—Hon. A. S. Hardy (Lib.).
Hopkins (P. P. A.).
Brookville—George A. Dana (Lib.), R. J. Jelley (Con.).
Bruce North—D. M. Sutherland (Ind. Con.).
Bruce South—Thomas Ingles (Lib.), W. Valens (P. of I.).
Bruce Center—J. S. Macdonald (P. of I.).
Cardwell—Mr. Lytle (P. P. A., Con.).
E. Jells (P. of I.).
Carleton—G. A. Kidd (P. of I.).
Dufferin—W. D. Macnish (Lib.), J. Dundas—J. P. Fox (P. of I.), J. P. Whitney (Con.).
Durham East—George Campbell (Equal Righter), W. A. Falls (Con.).
Durham West—W. T. Lockhart (Lib.), W. H. Reid (Con.).
Elgin East—J. C. Dance (Lib.), W. Ford (P. of I.), C. A. Brower (Con.).
Elgin West—D. Macnish (Lib.).
Essex North—W. J. McKee (Lib.), J. Whittemore (P. of I.).
Essex South—J. D. Balfour (Lib.), R. Dodson (P. of I.), J. A. Buchanan (P. P. A., Con.).
Frontenac—J. L. Haycock (P. of I.).
Glengarry—James Rysdale (Lib.), D. M. McPherson (P. of I.), Geo. H. McGillivray (Ind.).
Grenville—W. Scott (P. of I.).
Gray North—James Cleland (Lib.), Chas. Metcalfe (P. of I.), Nicholas Reid (Con., P. of I.).
Gray Center—C. W. Hartman (Lib.), T. Gamble (P. of I.), Joseph Rorke (Con.).
Gray South—G. McKee (Lib.), David McNichol (P. of I.).
Haldimand—D. Baxter (Lib.), John Senn (P. of I.).
Hastings—John Husband (Lib.), William Kears (Con.).
Hamilton West—Hon. J. M. Gibson (Lib.), Ald. Hancock (P. P. A., Con.).
Hamilton East—J. T. Middleton (Lib.), C. R. Smith (P. P. A., Con.).
Hastings East—N. Vermyle (Lib.), W. McLaren (P. of I.).
Hastings North—James Haggerty (Ind. Con.), Jas. McComb (P. of I.), A. F. Wood (Con.).
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Huron South—M. Y. McLean (Lib.), R. Weismiller (Con.).
Huron West—J. T. Garrow (Lib.), Jas. Connolly (P. of I.).
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Kingston—Wm. Hartly (Lib.), E. H. Smythe (Con.).
Lambton East—R. McCormick (Lib.).
Lambton West—A. T. Gurd (P. P. A.).
Lanark North—Preston (Con.).
Lanark South—J. M. Clark (Lib.), Jas. Ferguson (P. of I.), J. H. Matheson (Con.).
Leeds—J. B. Wilson (P. of I.), R. H. Preston (Con.).
Lennox—Thos. Symington (Lib.), Allen Oliver (P. of I.), W. W. Meacham (Con.).
Lincoln—Robert Thompson (P. of I. and Lib.), James Hiscott (P. P. A. and Con.).
London—Thos. S. Hobbs (Lib.), W. R. Middle (Con.).
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Middlesex North—W. H. Taylor (P. of I. and Lib.), J. H. Alexander (P. of I.), John Fox (Con.).
Middlesex West—Hon. G. W. Ross (Lib.), Lyman A. Welch (P. of I.), John A. Leitch (Con.).
Monck—Hon. R. Harcourt (Lib.), Hugh Crawford (P. of I.), S. A. Mettler (P. P. A.).
Muskegon—A. P. Cockburn (Lib.), Charles Langford (Con.).
Nipissing—John Loughrin (Lib.), Stephen Fournier (Ind.).
Norfolk South—G. Cruse (P. of I.), E. Boughner (Con.).
Norfolk North—E. C. Carpenter (Lib.).
Dent, Dalton (P. of I.).
Northumberland East—Frank L. Webb (Lib.), J. B. Ewing (P. of I.), W. A. Wiloughby (Lib.).
Northumberland West—C. C. Field (Lib.), Geo. Mitchell (Con.).
Ontario North—T. W. Chappie (Lib.), —Glendinning (Con.).
Oxford South—Hon. John Dryden (Lib.), R. Miller (Con.).
Oxford North—Sir Oliver Mowat (Lib.), Charles Horsman (P. of I.).
Oxford South—Angus McKay (Lib.), Wm. Nancekivell (P. of I.).
Parry Sound—Jas. Sharpe (Lib.), Sam Armstrong (Ind.), W. R. Beatty (Con.).
Peel—John Smith (Lib.), Robert Crawford (Con.).
Perth North—G. G. McPherson (Lib.), S. Weiderholt (P. of I.), T. Magwood (Con.).
Perth South—Thomas Ballantyne (Lib.), John McNeill (P. of I.), T. H. Race (Ind.).
Peterboro—T. Bleazard (Lib.), Wm. Quinn (P. of I.), John Lancaster (Con.).
Peterboro West—J. R. Stratton (Lib.), H. C. Winch (Con.).
Preston—A. Evanturel (Lib.), J. Cross (P. of I.).
Prince Edward—J. N. Macdonald (Lib.), John Caven (P. of I.), James Gibson (Con.).
Renfrew North—Henry Barr (Lib.), John Shaw (Con.).
Russell—A. Robillard (Lib.), Spratt (Con.).
Simcoe East—W. M. Harvey (Lib.), W. Lawson (P. of I.), A. Misenbitt (Con.).
Simcoe West—A. Currie (P. of I.), James Duff (Con.).
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Stormont—John Bennett (P. of I.).
Toronto North—Joseph Tait (Lib.), Geo. E. Marter (Con.).
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Victoria West—John McKay (Lib.), John Campbell (P. of I.), R. Bryans (Con.).
Waterloo South—J. N. Sipes (P. of I.).
Welland—W. M. German (Lib.), W. McCleary (Con.).
Wellington South—John Mutrie (Lib.), Geo. A. Darby (P. of I.).
Wellington East—John Craig (Lib.), Jas. Park (P. of I.).
Wellington West—A. S. Allan (Lib.), Geo. Tucker (P. of I. and Con.).
Wentworth South—N. Awrey (Lib.), Jas. Wilson (Con.).
Wentworth North—John I. Platt (Lib.), John Nicholson (P. of I. and Con.).
York East—John Richardson (Lib.), E. B. Ryckman (Con.).
York West—J. T. Gilmour (Lib.), J. W. St. John (Con.).
York North—E. J. Davis (Lib.).

PROF. CAMPBELL'S CASE

Discussed by the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa.

CARLETON PLACE, Ont., May 10.—The Synod of Montreal and Ottawa met at 9:30 this morning. The Campbell case was first taken up.

Mr. McLean's motion, which was to send the case to the Montreal Presbytery to begin trial again, was seconded and reported by Rev. Mr. Calder, of Lancaster, who strongly objected to the hasty proceedings during the professor's absence; also to the few conferences held with the latter.

The motion was supported by Mr. McNish, of Cornwall, who referred particularly to the professor's loving disposition, scholarship and attainments. He also claimed everything should be done to save him to the church.

Rev. R. Campbell, the next speaker, defended the Presbytery's action, and explained that it was in Prof. Campbell's interest that procedure should be by libel. Mr. Myles Crombie objected strongly to some positions taken by the previous speaker, and thought the libel action very unfeeling. Principal McVicar dealt on the harmony and good feeling of twenty years duration. Dr. Campbell, of Renfrew, was in favor of more conferences being held.

Prof. Scrogger thought the Synod should do this rather than the Presbytery. Dr. Moore, of Ottawa, moved the previous question, which was carried with a vote of 74 to 36.

A decision was made to meet next year at Sherbrooke, Que. The meeting to be held the second Tuesday in May in St. Andrew's Church.

MEYERS WEAKENING.

The Alleged Poisoner Offers to Plead Guilty to Manslaughter.

NEW YORK, May 10.—The prosecution in the trial of Dr. Henry C. F. Meyer for the alleged murder of Ludwig Brandt was surprised this afternoon on the reassembling of the court after recess, by an offer by the prisoner to plead guilty of manslaughter in the first degree.

The offer was made to Assistant District Attorney McIntyre by Lewis S. Hays, Esq., Counsel for the defense. Mr. McIntyre emphatically refused.

Whaleback Beached.

AMHERSTBURG, Ont., May 10.—While the steamer Gladstone was coming over the Lime Kiln Crossing at 11 o'clock last night with the whaleback, No. 109, wheat laden, in tow, the latter struck the rocks, then about one mile below here. The captain found she was leaking, and beached her on Elliott's point. Her water compartments prevent the water from reaching the grain.

Living Chess Contest in Montreal.

MONTREAL, May 10.—Lasker's indisposition, which led to the postponement of the chess match to-day, is not serious. Arrangements are now being made for a living chess contest in this city, to take place early in June. Both Steinitz and Lasker have promised their assistance. Handsome medieval costumes will be provided. The queen's pawns will be young girls, four dressed in white and four in black, while the king's pawns will be boys. The pieces will be represented by well-known society people. The event is exciting much interest, as it is the first time such a contest has taken place in Canada.

It is a Way of Men.

A man loved a woman, but she laughed at him. Then, through grief, he became ill, and was like to die, in very despair of his love. Having pity touched her heart, and she could do no more, she came to know that having now the love he had so yearned to possess, he rejoiced greatly and rose from his bed.

And straightway he began to love another woman.—(Bery Benson, in the May Century.)

Goldwin Smith on "Literature."

At a recent banquet in London, England, to the toast of "Literature," Prof. Goldwin Smith, in responding, said as a denizen of the new world he could stand comparatively unshaken before the lords of literature in this world, now that we had at last an international copyright. It was not all that they could do for commercial monopoly still laid a heavy hand upon the author, and insisted that if they were to have copyright in the United States they must print in the United States. Commercial monopoly taxed the spread of knowledge, and if she could she would tax the morning light. However, they had an international copyright to the immense benefit of America (laughter and cheers). Before we had this copyright American literature was under thralldom to the whole world, because American publishers found it better worth their while to pirate the authors of the rest of the world than to pay for native authors. Another bad effect of the old state of things was that it brought American authors into unfair competition with the English authors, stirred up bad feelings, and increased that ill-feeling between the two sections of the Anglo-Saxon race that it was the worthy object of that race to sink into oblivion. Now that the American author was free from that thralldom to which he had referred, he hoped to see American authors take a great step in advance, and that when they asked who were the best American authors they would not hear the same four names sent backwards and forwards as they used to be. Literature depended very greatly upon the moods of a nation, and though there was a lull now, when next the spirit of the nation was deeply stirred they would be another great literary outburst. They often heard it lamented that we had no great master of style, like Macaulay and Carlyle, and one whom they regretfully must almost number with the past—John Ruskin. He did not know that that was so deeply to be deplored, for, after all, not the worst style was that which was no style at all, which, like the classics, was mere simplicity and clearness. (Cheers.) It was in the power of every man to write a good style if he would say what he had to say plainly and have done with it. (Cheers.) He could not help protesting—very mildly protesting—against theological and political novels. It seemed to him that to introduce theology or politics into novels to eke out what would otherwise be a rapid story was a sin against art and against truth. (Cheers.) No doubt in these days science and questions connected with science occupied to a large extent the human mind to the exclusion of what was called literature. It might be that the final ray of science had come, that we had passed the youth of the world which delighted in poetry, the novel, the drama and the light essay, and were coming to an age when nothing but science would prevail. If it was so, he could only say he was glad that he was 70 years of age, and had seen the last of the world's youth. (Laughter and cheers.)

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Fat Wives at a Premium in Kaisarieth.

The most striking feature of the missionary work at Kaisarieth in the education of the Armenian women, whose social position seems to be even more degraded than that of their Turkish sisters. With the native Armenians, as with the Turks, fineness adds much to the price of a wife. The wife of a missionary is to them an object both of a missionary and of contempt. As she walks along the street they will whisper to one another: "There goes a woman who knows all her husband's business; and who can manage just as well as herself." This will generally be followed in an undertone by the expression, "Madama satana," which means in common parlance a "female devil." At first it was a struggle to overcome this ignorant prejudice, and to get girls to come to the school free of charge; now it is hard to find room for them even when they are asked to pay for their tuition.

The costume of the Armenian women is generally of some bright-colored cloth, prettily trimmed. Her coiffure, always elaborate, sometimes includes a string of gold coins, encircling the head, or strung down the plait. A silver belt incloses the waist, and a necklace of coins calls attention to her pretty neck. When washing clothes by the stream, they frequently show a gold ring encircling an ankle.—[Across Asia on a Bicycle, in the May Century.]

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