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THE POTATO BUG EMBARGO

(Toronto Star.)
Ever since the news came out that Canadian potatoes are to be refused admission to the British market lest they carry with them the Colorado beetle we have felt that this action was based on a misapprehension. For, said we, everyone must know that the Colorado beetle or potato bug, does not infest the potato itself, but devotes itself entirely to the vines. It is a leaf eater. You can handle Ontario potatoes all winter and never find a trace of a bug. However, it seemed fitting that some recognized authority on potatoes and bugs should comment on this new British embargo, and we waited. Nor did we wait in vain. The *Flesherton Advance* says editorially: "Great Britain has placed an embargo on Canadian potatoes, to prevent the risk of introducing the potato beetle. Does the Englishman think our pretty little potato beetle lays its eggs in the tuber or clings to it himself when it is dug? It is about as probable that potato bugs would be carried from Canada to England in shipments of potatoes as it would be for an elephant to be landed from Africa on our shores by aeroplane. A potato bug would be more likely to travel in the coal bunkers of some ship, or even clinging to the rigging."

Encouraged by this to speak out we would say that we do not believe the potato bug knows that there are potatoes at the root of the vine he is eating. Nor will there be any if he has his own way with the vine early enough. Nature did not endow this particular bug with much, if any, sense. He has not sense enough to know that the potato of this year furnishes seed for next year. He thinks the vines grow of their own accord for bugs to eat, so in the autumn he crawls underground, gets frozen solid for months, thaws out and is ready for business. The eggs of the bug do not go through the winter—they are hot weather eggs and hatch in a day or so. Making all due allowance for the way parents delude themselves concerning their own children, we still think it incredible that potato bugs can be fond of their young. It is unbelievable.

It is the adult bug that does the traveling, and it can't be done in winter. Cold suns them, but in warm weather a potato bug will travel on anything that is going anywhere—if it lights on a freight car it will hang on as long as the car keeps moving and get off wherever the car stops. If it lights on a man's hat, it will ride there as long as the man keeps going, but if he sits down or stands still it will quit him. If it flies through the air it hits up high speed until it crashes into the side of a house and falls to the ground. It concludes that where there is a house there may be a potato patch, and it scouts around, and if it finds nothing it will buzz off at a high speed until it crashes against another house or a fence, or a tree. It flies crookily with its shoulder thrust out so that its armored sides will take the impact and prevent its getting hurt in collision—but if there's a hill of potatoes concealed somewhere in one out of a hundred city flower gardens the potato bug will find it, and there raise a large and prosperous family.

The potato bug migrates only in hot weather and as an adult. He does not fly far on his own account, but he will ride on anything that is moving and that will give him a lift. If he

ANDOVER

Andover, N. B., March 9—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hanson and son Perley spent last Friday and Saturday in Grand Falls.

Mrs. F. Ross entertained the Presbyterian Sewing Circle on Tuesday evening.

Claude Knapp returned last week from spending the winter months in Hot Springs.

The Red Cross meets at the home of Mrs. G. T. Baird on Tuesday of this week. A ten cent tea is to be served to which all are invited.

Mrs. Annie Porter is spending a few weeks in St. John, the guest of her son Howard Porter.

Mrs. James Porter was called to Fredericton on Saturday, owing to the illness of her little grandson.

Mr. W. H. Baird was in Woodstock on business this week.

Mrs. Harley left on Thursday to visit friends in St. John for a few weeks.

Fred Hoyt of Seattle, Wash., is the guest of his father, Mr. Ernest Hoyt, for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. F. Ross was called to Woodstock this week by the death of her mother, Mrs. DeLong.

Mrs. Walter A. Gillett is expected home from Toronto on Friday of this week after spending the winter with her daughters, Mrs. Ivan Rivers and Miss Violet Gillett.

The Women's Institute of Aroos took presented a play and evening of vaudeville and jazz on March 6 in the Specialty Theatre. A large number attended and all were very much pleased with such splendid near local talent.

Mrs. Robert Kelly of Aroostook was the guest of Mrs. J. W. P. Dickinson on Friday.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of G. Milton Boone who departed this life, March 20, 1922.

Away

We cannot say, and we will not say, That he is dead. He is just away! With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand,

He has wandered into an unknown land

And left us dreaming how very fair It needs must be, since he lingers there,

And we—oh we, who the wildest yearn For the old time step and the glad return.

Think of him faring only as dear In the love of there, as the love of here.

Think of him still as the same, we say He is not dead—he is just away.

FATHER, MOTHER, BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

gets to England he will have to go in summer on a ship, and he is not much more likely to make the journey on a potato ship than on a millionaire's yacht.

(Note: The Minister of Agriculture of Great Britain was in Boston some weeks ago and while there held a conference with representatives of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and the potato shippers of Maine. On his return to England the embargo was at once applied to New Brunswick potatoes. This shows the results of combined work on the part of the shippers and gov't. Something that we are unable to obtain in Canada at the present.)

FARMERS' GUIDE REPRIMANDED

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will have driven the N. B. growers off the market, both at Havana, Montreal and Toronto, as they do not mix the different varieties together and exercise more care in handling to avoid cutting and bruising the tubers.

On March 3, 3 of the cargoes sold at \$2.90 were cancelled, as the mild weather had brought out large quantities of potatoes, and the price in Maine had dropped very considerably. Last week it was impossible to sell in Cuba at any price, the price in Maine, dropping from \$1.75 to 60c to 70c per barrel, consequently shippers here were obliged to drop from \$1 to 80c, and that is the price today, with every indication it will be 60c per barrel in a few days.

Meanwhile the enquiry is still going on, in a most thorough and efficient manner, the Government agents being now at Florenceville, N. B.

The price did not drop in Havana as stated by you, from 60c to \$1 per sack, the price advanced 60c per sack.

The price did not advance to 80c to the growers, the price advanced to 90c and \$1. Did the enquiry raise the price in Maine from 80c to \$1.75 per barrel, if it did, why did it not hold it there instead of letting it slip back to 60c and 70c? This advance in Maine was the direct cause of the advance in the Havana market, and the advance in Maine and N. B. was caused altogether by the severe weather conditions, for many days it was 40 to 50 below zero, absolutely cutting off the supply, which made a temporary shortage.

The enquiry, which every shipper welcomes, had not the slightest bearing on the market, as it was purely a temporary condition caused by weather, which prevented the growers from delivering their goods to market.

Did you notice an editorial in the Wall Street Journal of Sept. 19 last, which referred to a report based on actual returns on 8 cars of farm produce traced from the growers to consumers, by the Railway Companies Bureau of economics, out of every dollar paid by the consumer,

The grower received	26.53 cts.
Cost of loading	2.33 cts.
Freight	8.83 cts.
Heat	1.20 cts.
Shippers or com'n men	.31 cts.
Retailers	60.45 cts.

The shipper made the magnificent sum of less than 1-3 of a cent on every dollar.

If you are looking for a way to assist the poor farmer, instead of bothering with the little 1-3 of a cent the shipper gets, get busy on the 60 1/2c paid out of every dollar to the retail distribution of these goods.

Henry Phillips, and R. K. Tracey, M. L. A., are both farmers and also engaged in the potato business and can verify the accuracy of the statements contained in this letter and are more capable of giving a truthful and accurate statement of the facts, rather than the selfish party politician that provided you with the false statement from which you wrote your editorial. If you actually believe in "equal rights to all, and special privilege to none" you will publish this letter.

Yours truly,
N. B. POTATO EXCHANGE LTD.

PEEL

Peel, N. B., March 9—Mr. and Mrs. George Clark returned to Detroit last week.

Mr. Herb. Clark spent a few days in Woodstock last week.

Miss Dorothy Grant of Woodstock spent a few days with friends here this week.

Miss Gertrude Markey visited friends in Bloomfield recently.

Wilbur W. Rideout of the Bank of Commerce, New York, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Amanda Rideout, for ten days before sailing for Port-of-Spain, South America.

Mrs. A. B. Markey was the guest of her brother, R. R. Ross last week.

Burton Boyd was in Woodstock attending the basketball game Friday night.

Mrs. George Foster spent the week-end with Mrs. Mansfield Clark.

In spite of the rain the people of Peel met in the United Baptist Church on Friday evening and had a sing.

S. J. Hatfield was in Woodstock on Saturday.

Sam Quick of Stickney was calling on Mansfield Clark on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McGee spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mrs. Amanda Rideout is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Manzer, Woodstock, N. B.

Mallor Atwater was calling on friends in River Bank on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Manderville Bell and children of Stickney were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Clark on Sunday.

RIVER BANK

River Bank, N. B., March 9—Our school has re-opened under the management of Miss Orion Camp of Jemseg, N. B.

On Thursday evening an enjoyable party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Campbell. Among the invited guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. Long, Mr. and Mrs. R. Tompkins, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cannon, Mrs. Hallie Crabbe, Misses Mary Campbell, Leota Montgomery, Ruby Campbell, Pearl Long, Dorothy Long, Orion Camp, Florence Tompkins, Messrs. Lorne Campbell, Geo. Campbell, Ralph Campbell, Sam Bell, Charlie Rideout, Glen Underhill and Roy Shaw. A very pleasant and merry evening was spent in games and dancing, after which a dainty luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brookes and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brooks and children of Middle Simonds, Mrs. W. C. Fanjoy, and son Eddie of St. John were guests of Mrs. M. Brooker on Saturday.

Judson Rideout and Hughie Hunter have returned home from the woods.

Nathan Shaw and Mrs. Hawthorne of Hartland were the guest of their sister Mrs. Robert Tompkins on Sunday.

Miss Orin Camp spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Vincent, Stickney.

Miss Lizzie VanWart of Houlton, Me., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hugh Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim. Campbell of Lansdowne were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Campbell on Sunday.

Hallie Crabbe spent the week-end at his home here.

Miss Dorothy Grant, nurse-in-training, at the Fisher Memorial Hospital, Woodstock, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Grant.

Mrs. Willard Hunter is able to be out again after a few days' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Long and daughter, Pearl, spent Wednesday afternoon at Florenceville the guests of Mrs. Wm. Davis.

Mrs. Resa McLennan spent Wednesday with Mrs. George Elliot.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughie Hunter and son Malcolm, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Clark of Landsdowne.

THE HARTLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

Inspiring services were held Sunday at the Hartland United Baptist Church. The congregations throughout the day were good, and evidences of the blessing of God were upon the people. The Sunday School had a record attendance of 219 with 69 men and women in the adult department. An attempt will be made to reach the hundred mark next Sunday. The presence of God was markedly manifest in the evening service when several came forward and gave themselves to Christ while others came to renew their consecration to God.

Next Sunday morning the pastor will preach on the subject "Lamps that are Going Out," and in the evening the subject will be "One Statement from Three men. At the close of the evening service, the ordinance of baptism will be administered. The Men's Class of the Bible School are going after forty new men for the class next Sunday. Every man who has ever been at the class is urged to be present next Sunday.

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Hartland United Farmers' Co-operative Ltd.

I. A. J. WARD Manager

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Our Spring Goods are now arriving and we are glad to say that prices are lower than for some time. We have on hand some 6,000 yards of summer goods such as Prints, Gingham, Chambrays, Crepes, Nurses' Cloth, Steel-clad Galatea, Shirtings, Colored Saxony, Draperies, Dormets, etc., all at reduced prices.

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John T. G. Carr

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"I Suffered Terribly With Sore, Aching Back"

Mrs. Roland Ferguson, 194 Lake St., Peterboro, Ont., writes:



"For over two years I suffered terribly with sore back. I was almost mad with the pain, and had doctored with it until I was discouraged. Then my father, who is a firm believer in Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, advised me to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I followed his advice, and am glad to say I was completely relieved of that torturing pain in my back. It is over a year since I used these pills, and I have had no return of the trouble, but always keep them in the house."

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