Agricultural Department

President Eaton's Address to the Fruit-Growers

Delivered at the Opening Session of the Convention at Annapolis.

Ralph S. Eaton, of Kentville, President of the Association, delivered the opening address. He said in part:

CROP WAS DISAPPOINTING.

Though a million dollars, which we so often have received for our apples, will probably come again to the fruit growers this year, yet the crop of fruit for a second season in succession has been a disappointing one to many. We may not have come together with quite the elation of spirits over our work which has been manifested in other years. To those whose business interests are largely involved in fruit a succession of disappointing years is very trying, and gives a check to the enthusiasm of the ambitious who are loyally standing by their native Province when the Federal Government is offering such inducements in Western Canada and such numbers are flocking thither from England, the United States and our own Provinces. Yet, if we study our conditions carefully we will find much in them to encourage use. The average returns of about three dollars per barrel for good fruit under the heavy shipments which have gone forward from this Continent to England means much for the stability of that market.

OUTLOOK IS PROMISING.

Again, never before have so many persons felt satisfied with their ability to thoroughly control our worst enemy, the black spot. Never before, perhaps, has there been such marked evidence of the efficacy of Bordeaux when applied early and thoroughly. The feeling of certainty regarding this question will bring about a more general application of the fungicids. We are not likely to have again for many years such unfavorable weather when the pollen of the apple blossoms is in its most sensitive condition. Then again our trees have had a rest which should count in the income of 1906. ocean transportation question which was so serious for many years seems free from criticism. The competition and difficulties in almost every line of business are increasing yearly, and we cannot expect ours to be an exception More study is necessary to enable us to fight our enemies, and only the fighter really knows the solid satisfaction of overcoming obstacles and standing up against disappointments. After all men who really accomplish much are not men of chance and broadcloth, of legacy and laziness. It is a case of

"Our constant element of luck
"Is genuine, solid old Teutonic pluck.
"Stick to your aim, the mongrel's hold will slip,
"But only crowbars loose the bulldog's grip."

Cash returns are what one works for, but aside from the comforts, satisfaction and broader usefulness which dollars and cents bring with them, fortunately for those who have to "labor and wait" there is much keen satisfaction to be obtained from our work among the trees. Watching their growth and development in their response to our care is interesting in the extreme to a real orchardist.

300,000 BARRELS FOR EXPORT.

It is doubtful if our export of apples this year reaches 300,000 barrels. Already 175,000 barrels have been shipped from Halifax, but for this year more than half the crop is gone. The County of Lunenburg rather surprises us with an estimated yield of 10,000 barrels. The Japan plums that blossomed early, and set their fruit before that destructive week in June were a good crop. The European varieties blossoming with apples very light except occasional blocks of Moore's Arctic and Lombard. Cherries were almost a failure. Pears were good. Peaches were fair.

FEDERAL CONFERENCE.

We regret very much that on this occasion we are not to have with us our enthusiastic and progressive Chief of the Fruit Division, Mr. McNeil. Two years ago at Bridgewater he suggested the idea of a Dominion Convention of Fruit Growers to discuss subjects of Federal interest. At the request of the Executive of this Association I presented to the Hon. Minister of Agriculture while in Ottawa last winter a petition for such a conference. This petition was ably supported by representatives of the Fruit Growers Association of Ontario and Quebec. The Government has consented to arrange for this meeting in February next while Parliament is in session. The Fruit Growers Association of Ontario at their recent meeting have appointed nine delegates to represent their Province. It will be in order for this Association to appoint four or five. It is expected that every province having a similar Association will be represented. Some of the subjects that will be taken up at the Convention are: Statistics and Fruit Crop Reports, Fruit Packages, Transportation, Markets and Marketing, Adulteration of Fruit Products, Nurseries. The Fruit Marks Act, Provincial Exhibitions and a Canadian Pomological Society. I trust that some of these subjects will be discussed during our present session, so that the delegates will be able to take with them the views of the Association. It is expected that transportation companies, manufacturers of fruit packages and other concerns especially interested in the subjects to be discussed will be represented, so that the Government may feel that the recommendations made by the convention are equitable and best for the greatest number.

EXPRESS RATES.

The resolution of our executive asking the Government to place the Express rates under the control of the Railway Commission, as freight rates now are, was presented on the same occasion to the Minister of Railways. This seemingly reasonable request was backed up also by Quebec and Ontario. It has not yet been acceded to. These questions are always larger than they appear to be at a distance. Further study and pressure will be necessary. I trust that the Dominion Convention will clinch this question. With two and three lines of railway in this small Province carrying our expressed fruit to its destination and each charging a separate high mileage rate the cost of perishable fruit transportation with us is very excessive.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

In spite of strong opposition from many sources that should have been in sympathy with Agricultural education and the founding of an Agricultural College for this Province the institution which this Association took such a prominent part for six years in getting established was formally opened at Truro last winter. Feeling that a share in the responsibility of the management and success of the College would increase the interest of the farmers this Association asked the Government for representation for itself and the farmers Association on a Board of Directors, one-half of which would be appointed by the Government. The Farmers Association endorsed this. There seems to be ample precedence for this arrangement in the management of the Colleges of the United States and the new College of Manitoba. As yet we have received no reply to our petition. The request twice made for an Experimental Orchard is also still in our "want column." We suppose all good things come to those who wait.

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The Household.

When the Thunder Rolls.

Excellent authorities agree that in a thunder storm the middle of a room is much the safest place in a house. A carpeted floor or one covered by a heavy thick rug is better to stand on than bare wood. It is well to keep away from chimneys and out of cellars. In the open air tall trees are dangerous. A person sheltered under a low tree or shrub 30 or 40 feet from a large and lofty tree is quite safe. If lightning strikes in the immediate vicinity it will hit the high tree as a rule, with few exceptions. Water is a very good conductor, and it is well to avoid the banks of streams in a violent thunder storm.—Detroit Tribune.

THE DIFFERENCE IN DAYS.

A "solar day" is measured by the rotation of the earth upon its axis and is of different lengths, owing to the ellipticity of the earth's orbit and other causes.

An "astronomical day" commences at noon and embraces the twenty-four hours to the following noon.

A "civil day" commences at midnight and is counted from the first to the twelfth hour and then again from the first hour of the day till the twelfth at night.

The "nautical day" used by ship captains, explorers and some few others is counted as a "civil day," only that the reckoning is begun at noon, as with the "astronomical day."

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GOOD TO LET ALONE.

The self-cocking revolver has a long list of fatalities and painful wounds to its discredit. Few are aware that this weapon is discharged by the simple act of pulling the trigger. It is best not to own a revolver of any kind. For the man who does own a revolver, the best course is to take it apart and throw the two parts away. The boy who will not experiment with a revolver has not yet been discovered. If the ideal of no revolver at all cannot be attained, then resort should be had to one that cannot be cocked and discharged by the single act of pulling the trigger.—Toronto Globe.

"Out of thirty-two young men in New York city, who were recently examined for West Point cadetship, only nine were accepted as physically sound. Beer, the cigarette, too much amusement, and the hidden vices are making havoc with the physical manhood of all our towns and cities."—Journal of the American Association.

Religion is life. It is not the label that counts. Creeds are useful only when they are transfused into noble character. Churches are not to be judged by the truth or beauty of their principles, but by the truth and beauty of the personalities who compose them. Have you the truth? Go live it; else the world will never accept your word for it. You are your religion, written in the characters of life that all may read.

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