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NEW BRUNSWICK FRUIT LANDS SECOND TO NONE IN CANADA

W. H. Bunting, Dominion Fruit Commissioner, Delighted with what he has Seen Along the St. John River Valley—Possibilities for Fruit Raising Cannot be Over Estimated.

That the fruit raising possibilities of the St. John Valley are equal to those of any part of Canada is the opinion of W. H. Bunting, of St. Catharines, Ontario, who has been appointed by the Dominion Department of Agriculture to make a special inquiry into the conditions of the fruit industry of Canada.

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"I have seen a few orchards in this province, which were well treated for, but mostly the farmers have planted the trees and left them to shift for themselves. The best orchard I have seen was on the farm of Gagetown. Mr. Gosar has a bright young man named Micklejohn in charge of his farm, and he is looking after the orchard in the best style, and attending strictly to the advice of the Provincial Horticulturist. The result is that the crop on this farm this year will be a fine one, and that much of the fruit will make a fine showing at an exhibition.

"Orchardists along the St. John Valley would have considerable advantages over the fruit raisers of Ontario in the matter of transportation. I am told lighters can be taken up the St. John River, loaded with fruit and sent along the river to the wharves at St. John for next to nothing—that is compared with what we have to pay in order to reach a shipping port. When this Valley Railway, which you are talking of building, will be completed, it will be a great boon to the farmers along the river.

"I would recommend that the orchardists of the St. John Valley devote their attention to raising early apples—the kind they can place on the Eng-

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LATE SHIPPING.

Special to The Standard. Parraboro, N. S., July 24.—Ard: Mrs. Astarie, Young, from St. John; Margaretville, Baker, from St. John with merchandise; Sch Shamrock, Benj. Min, from Londonderry; anchored off river; Tern sch Lucille Randall with lumber from Prince Port for Vineyard Haven for orders; sch St. Anthony, Gates, from Five Islands with lumber for Vineyard Haven for orders. Cld: Mrs. Astarie, Young, from St. John with 1579 tons coal; Margaretville, Baker, from Londonderry; anchored off river; Tern sch Lucille Randall with lumber from Prince Port for Vineyard Haven for orders. Cld: Mrs. Astarie, Young, from St. John with 1579 tons coal; Margaretville, Baker, from Londonderry; anchored off river; Tern sch Lucille Randall with lumber from Prince Port for Vineyard Haven for orders.

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The Boy Scouts. The test in signalling given on Saturday for qualification as first class scouts was the third of the tests. The users were in cooking and swimming. Second class scouts are required to pass 10 tests before they become first class. The seven tests that are still to be taken are: the scout must go alone, or with another scout, seven miles by water, or 15 by land, and return, and write a brief report of the trip. The 5th test is in first aid work. Then there is a test in map and compass reading. As test No. 8, the candidate for first class must give a demonstration in cooking. Every scout must be successful in the test. The scout may try for the service mark or to become a king's scout.

The Temperance Federation. A moonlight excursion will be held under the auspices of the St. John County Temperance Federation in the near future. The matter was discussed at the meeting of the federation held last evening in the Christadelphian hall. The meeting, a large and representative one, decided to hold the excursion, but the date was not decided upon. A committee consisting of the president, the secretary, H. R. Cother, E. N. Stockford, E. A. Beyer and E. A. Powell, C. C. and E. A. Ewing, left last evening for Fredericton to argue in the case.

Supreme Court. Before the supreme court today, hearing in the case of the Nepsiguit Lumber Co. will be argued, H. A. Powell, C. C. and E. A. Ewing, left last evening for Fredericton to argue in the case.

SUED FOR DIVORCE.

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BOSTON WILL SPEND \$5,000,000 TO BECOME GREATER PORT

Immense Port Development Planned in the Hub—Massachusetts Legislature Appropriates \$9,000,000 to Begin Work on a Gigantic Project—Will Have Docks Owned by State.

Boston, Mass., July 24.—The Massachusetts legislature has just passed and the governor is expected to sign within a few days what is known as the port of Boston bill. This marks the beginning of the most important effort to make Boston not the second, but the chief shipping port on the Atlantic coast, and incidentally furnishes an object lesson to Philadelphia and the state of Pennsylvania.

Under the provisions of this act \$9,000,000 becomes available for the beginning of the work of developing the shipping facilities of the port. The total expenditure contemplated by the promoters of the gigantic plan is variously estimated up to \$50,000,000. The port of Boston bill is the outgrowth of the recent greater Boston movement and the energy of the chamber of commerce. The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, which though its head offices are in Connecticut, is really owned by stockholders living in Massachusetts. It now owns or controls every railroad of consequence in New England except the Grand Trunk. President Charles S. Mellen, of the New Haven is a firm believer in Boston's opportunity to secure an enormously larger part of the ocean commerce of the United States than she has enjoyed since the days of the development plans in every way possible.

In the debates in the legislature on the port of Boston bill the only serious opposition came from the upcountry members, who seemed frightened by the great amount of money involved. The \$9,000,000 provided for in the bill now before Gov. Foss is to be raised by an issue of state bonds. It is to be expended by a board of five port commissioners. The chairman of this board is to be an engineer of recognized ability; his salary is to be \$15,000 a year, and he is to give his whole time to the work of the board. The other four commissioners are to receive \$1000 each a year and are to give a certain portion of their time to the business of the board.

State-Owned Water Front. There are in South Boston and in East Boston undeveloped water front properties of huge possibilities. The South Boston water front includes the so-called commonwealth lands, a great property owned by the state, which has laid idle until recently for many years. On this are five splendidly built piers, which cost the state more than \$500,000. One of these is now being equipped for the use of the fishing industry, which will pay the state a rental large enough to make a return on the whole commonwealth lands. Three other piers are rented to the New Haven road, which has begun to develop a foreign traffic. Adjacent to these properties are others, privately owned, which are capable of great development. With very little difficulty and at comparatively small expenditure all these lands on the water front of South Boston can be brought into quick and easy access of the city proper and its railroads.

The East Boston water front development has under private ownership. It has been brought much further along than would have seemed possible to a casual observer, but is capable of much further dock building. The Boston and Albany Railroad, before it was leased some years ago to the New York Central, made East Boston its ocean terminal and built some huge structures there, one being a grain elevator of capacity sufficient to its great grain-carrying needs. The New York Central further developed the properties under its management in the Boston and Albany until they were the Duke of Richmond, Baron Rothschild, Baron Revelstoke, Baron Desborough, Viscount Goschen and Viscount St. Aldwyn.

Mr. Balfour did not, as was expected, declare himself today as to the party's course, but he set forth his views plainly at recent conferences. The King also is using his influence to bring about a settlement. He summoned the Prime Minister this morning and afterwards Lord Lansdowne and Mr. Balfour, who visited the palace together. Later His Majesty received the Duke of Devonshire. Probably a week will elapse before the veto bill is brought up again in the House of Commons. Mr. Asquith in the meantime will negotiate with the Unionist leaders for guarantees that the Lords will accept the bill. Unless he obtains these, the bill may not be sent back to the House of Lords until the last resort, the creation of peers has been invoked to secure its acceptance. The Liberal leaders are planning a demonstration which probably will take the form of a great dinner, in Mr. Asquith's honor to express resentment at his treatment today.

OUR NEW SILVER COINS. Ottawa, July 24.—The mint has received dies for new silver coins and within a few days the effigy of King George will appear on Dominion silver tokens. Setting Their Bill. (Argonaut.) This is a story of the Harvard "Gold Coast." Some students who had either a real or imaginary aversion against a taxicab chauffeur boarded his cab and rode all evening and part of the morning, winding up in front of the hall. They stepped themselves to raise money enough to pay the bill and never came back. The next day the taxicab company was called up and the manager asked: "Did you have some Harvard students use a cab all night?" "Yes."

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT. Boston, July 24.—The east will be represented at Chicago next month in the four cornered struggle for the right to challenge for the national lawn tennis championship on the doubles by Raymond J. Boyle and Gustave F. Touchard of New York, who today won the finals in the double event at Longwood against B. C. Wright and N. W. Niles of Boston by scores of 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.

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