

ONTARIO PEACHES IN LONDON THE WORLD

Risk Demand for Fruit from Jordan—Tomatoes Will Sell Well.

A despatch from Toronto says: A consignment of Ontario peaches, grown at Jordan Harbor, are now on sale on the Covent Garden Market. The fruit was selected and shipped from the Government Experimental Farm at Jordan Harbor by Mr. P. W. Hodgetts, head of the fruit branch of the Department of Agriculture. On Wednesday Mr. G. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, received a cablegram from M. N. B. Colcock, Ontario's agent in London, stating that the peaches had arrived in fine condition, and were being eagerly sampled by dealers. The London newspapers have commented very favorably on

the enterprise of the department and the excellence of the fruit. Peaches have been shipped from South Africa to London with great success, and Mr. James is of the opinion that at least five thousand baskets will be shipped from Ontario to London this season. A representative of one of the leading commission houses of London is now at Jordan Harbor for the purpose of gathering information concerning Ontario's fruit wealth. The tomatoes grown in the Niagara district have been a revelation to him, and he says that if they can be offered for sale in London in the same condition as they are sold on local markets, tomatoes will be in great demand in London.

SECOND MONUMENT. At Queenston Heights Has Been Completed.

A despatch from Niagara Falls, Ont., says: The monument to the memory of Laur Secord, the heroine of the war of 1812-13, has been erected at Queenston Heights. The work was completed on Thursday. The date of the unveiling has not yet been announced. The monument bears the following inscription: "This monument has been erected by the Government of Canada to Laura Ingersoll Secord, who saved her husband's life in the battle of these heights on October 13, 1813; who risked her own life in conveying to Captain Fitzgibbon the information by which he won the victory of Beaver Dams on July 24, 1813."

TRAPPER BLED TO DEATH. John Sims, a New Brunswick Hermit, Had Feet Shot Off.

A despatch from St. John, N.B., says: To bleed to death from human habitation was the fate of "John the trapper" a few days ago. John Sims for the past seven years had lived in a small hut near Lepreau and existed by hunting and trapping. He is said to have a wife and daughter at Liverpool, but he shunned company and no one knew anything of his antecedents. Wednesday a boy who sometimes took him provisions went to the hut, to find him sitting bolt upright with both feet shot off and quite dead, with his long rifle across his knees. He had bled to death, with no chance of summoning aid.

SWALLOWED POISON PILLS. Woman Sentenced to Prison for Attempted Suicide.

A despatch from Ottawa says: A case of suicide in the Ottawa police station was averted Wednesday morning only by an overdose of poison. Rose Eyr, a young domestic, was given nine months for having stolen from her mistress, Mrs. Ogilvie, a \$150 dress, and then sending it to a laundry, where it was ruined. As soon as she was sentenced she swallowed three bichloride of mercury pills. The does was too powerful, and acted as its own antidote.

WITNESSES WERE ABSENT. Dominion Alliance Prosecutions in Montreal Postponed.

A despatch from Montreal says: When the first of the thirty actions taken by the Pominton Alliance against hotel-keepers for selling liquor after hours and on Sundays was called in court on Wednesday afternoon, a sensation was caused by the witnesses for the alliance failing to appear. The court ordered subpoenas issued against them.

FORTY-TWO WERE KILLED

Trolley Cars Crash Together in a Head-On Collision.

A despatch from Fort Wayne, Indiana, says: Forty-two passengers were killed and seven were seriously injured in a head-on collision between two interurban cars on the Fort Wayne & Wabash Valley line on Wednesday. The wreck occurred seven miles north of Bluffton at a sharp curve. The cars in collision were a northbound local car crowded to the steps, and a southbound extra car from Fort Wayne. They met while both were running at high speed. The collision is said to have been caused by a misunderstanding of orders for the southbound train extra to take a switch near Kingsland. The motormen of the two cars did not have time to set the

brakes when they sighted each other. The heavily-loaded northbound car was crushed, and the bodies of the dead and injured were strewn on either side of the track amid the wreckage. The screams of the injured men and women following the crash of the cars brought the neighboring farmers to the scene. Conductor Spiller, of the southbound car, was unhurt, and ran back toward Kingsland and flagged a car which was approaching the wreck at full speed and would have plunged into it. Wrecking cars and physicians were rushed from Fort Wayne and Bluffton, and the bodies of the dead and the injured were conveyed to hospitals in the two cities.

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.
Toronto, Sept. 27.—Ontario Wheat—No. 2 winter wheat, 90c to 92c outside, according to location. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, \$1.06; No. 2 northern, new, \$1.04-1-2; old, No. 2, 1 cent higher; No. 3 northern, \$1.02-1-2 at lake ports for immediate shipment.
Oats—Canada western, No. 2, 33c; No. 3 Canada western, 37c at lake ports, for immediate shipment; Ontario No. 2 white, 33c to 34c outside; No. 3 white, 32c to 33c outside; 35c to 36c on track, Toronto.
Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, 65c; No. 3 yellow, 64-1-2c, Toronto freights.
Peas—No. 2, 79c to 80c.
Rye—No. 2, new, 67c to 68c outside.
Barley—New at 49c to 52c outside, according to quality.
Manitoba Flour—Quotations at Toronto are—First patents, \$5.90; second patents, \$5.40; strong bakers', \$5.20; 90 per cent, Glasgow freights, 29s.
Ontario Flour—New winter wheat flour, for future delivery, \$3.65 to \$3.70 in buyers' bags, at the mills.
Millfeed—Manitoba bran, \$20 per ton; shorts, \$22 per ton, track, Toronto. Ontario bran, \$20 per ton; shorts, \$22 per ton on track, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.
Butter—Local wholesale quotations are—Creamery prints, 25c to 26c; do, solids, 24c to 25c; separator prints, 23c to 24c; dairy prints, 21c to 22c; do, solids, 20c; inferior (bakers), 18c to 19c.
Eggs—Selects, 24c and 25c per dozen.
Cheese—11-1-4c per pound for large and 11-3-4c per pound for twins.
Beans—\$2 to \$2.10 per bushel for primes, and \$2.15 for hand-picked.
Honey—Strained honey, 9c to 10c per lb. in 60-pound tins; 5 to 10 pound tins at 9-1-2c to 10-1-2c; No. 1 comb honey at \$1.75 to \$2 per dozen; No. 2 at \$1.50 per dozen.
Potatoes—75c per bag out of store and 65c to 70c in car lots.

PROVISIONS.
Wholesale quotations:—
Rolls—Smoked, 15-1-2c; medium and light hams, 19c to 19-1-2c; heavy, 18c to 18-1-2c; bacon, 19c to 20c.
Pork—Short cut, \$30 to \$30.50 per barrel; mess, \$27.50 to \$28.
Lard—Tierces, 14-1-2c; 141-2c; pails, 14-3-4c; stocks, 14-1-2c.
Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, tins and cases, 15c to 15-1-2c; backs (plain), 20c to 21c; backs (pea-meal), 20-1-2c to 21-1-2c.
Green meats out of pickle, 1c less than smoked.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.
Montreal, Sept. 27.—Oats—No. 2 Canadian Western, 40 to 40-1-2c; No. 3, 38-1-2 to 39c; No. 2 white, 39-1-2c; No. 3 white, 38-1-2c. Barley—No. 4, 49-1-2c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts \$5.80; do., seconds, \$5.30; Winter wheat patents, \$5.75; Manitoba wheat patents, \$5.30; straight rollers, \$5.25; do., in bags, \$2.50 to \$2.60; extras, \$2.15 to \$2.25. Feed—Ontario bran, \$20.50 to \$21; Manitoba middlings, \$22; Manitoba bran, \$20; Manitoba shorts, \$22; pure grain mouillie, \$31 to \$32; mixed mouillie, \$25 to \$28. Cheese—Western, 11 to 11-1-4c; eastern 10-5-8 to 11c. Butter—Choicest, 24-1-2 to 25c; seconds, 23-1-2 to 24c. Eggs—Selected stock, 23-1-2 to 24c; No. 4 stock, 19 to 19-1-2c; straight receipts, 19c; No. 2 stock, 13c to 14c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.
Minneapolis, Sept. 27.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, cash, \$1.12-1-2; No. 1 Northern, cash, \$1.11-1-4; September, \$1.08-7-8; December, \$1.11-1-2; May, \$1.15-3-8.
Buffalo, Sept. 27.—Wheat—Spring wheat, firmer; Winter stronger. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 57-3-4c; No. 4 yellow, 56-3-4c; No. 3 corn, 56-1-4c; No. 4 corn, 55-1-4c all on track, through billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 38c; No. 3 white, 37-1-4c; No. 4 white, 36-1-4c. Rye—No. 2, on track, 77-1-2c.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.
Montreal, Sept. 27.—Steers sold at \$6 to \$5.75 for choice stock; cows, \$4 to \$5.40; bulls, \$3 to \$3.75; sheep, \$3.50 to \$4.25; and lambs \$5.50 to \$6; hogs sold around \$9 to \$9.25, and sows \$8 to \$8.25; calves brought \$3 to \$12.
Toronto, Sept. 27.—Prime butchers' steers and heifers sold at \$5.50 to \$5.80; medium from \$4.50 to \$5.25; choice cows from \$4.50 to \$5.25; common and medium from \$2.50 to \$4; heavy feeders and short-keeps from \$5.25 to \$5.75; stockers from \$4 to \$5. Choice milkers and springers, \$60 to \$80. Sheep and lambs were too

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plentiful and declined about 15c. Lambs ranged from \$5.85 to \$6.15; sheep, ewes, from \$4.40 to \$4.75. Hogs—\$8.75 f.o.b. and \$9 fed and watered.

A GREAT LOCKOUT. Employers of German Metal Workers Threaten Action.

A despatch from Berlin says: The metal working employers' organization met on Thursday and voted to lock out the organized workmen in the trade on October 8 unless the striking shipbuilders return to work before that date. The organized metal workers have been making contributions to the support of the idle shipmen, and Thursday's action was designed to influence the latter to return to work. The employers estimate that 300,000 workmen will be affected by the lockout.

GIRL BURNED TO DEATH. Several Guests Barely Escaped With Their Lives in Hotel Fire.

A despatch from Schreiber, Ont., says: A Finnish girl named Patri was burned to death in her bed and several guests barely escaped with their lives, when the King Edward Hotel here was burned to the ground on Wednesday night. Miss Moore, an elderly woman working in the kitchen as helper, was burned severely, and may not recover. A French girl named Cadet was badly hurt when she jumped from the second-story window. The hotel was owned by John King of Fort William, and was fully insured.

SURVEY TO HUDSON BAY. Engineer Announces That It Will be Pushed Through.

A despatch from Prince Albert, Sask., says: George Atwood, chief engineer of the Hudson Bay & Pacific Railroad, which has established permanent offices here, announced on Thursday that he has been authorized to expend any moneys necessary to complete a detailed survey for a route from Prince Albert to Fort Churchill. He has a large number of men now in the field, and makes the announcement in refutation of the rumors that the London backers of the road were about to withdraw their support.

A SEASON'S DROWNINGS. Sixty-one Persons Perished in Maine Waters.

A despatch from Portland, Me., says: Sixty-one persons, all but seven of them residents of Maine, lost their lives by drowning in the waters of this State during the summer just closed. Of this number 19 perished in June, 24 in July, and 18 in August. Most of the drownings were due to canoe, boat or bathing accidents, but there were several of unusual circumstances.

OATS GROWING IN ALBERTA. Were Sown Last Spring—Brought Kept Them From Sprouting.

A despatch from Lethbridge, Alta., says: Oats sown last spring, but which, owing to the drought, did not come up, are starting to grow. Farmers who intended putting disc harrows to work on the fields have decided to let the oats grow for green feed. They expect to get a good supply this way. Winter wheat sown before the recent rains is growing nicely.

PIECE OF RIM BROKE WINDOW. Automobile Tire Exploded on a Street in Ottawa.

A despatch from Ottawa says: As an automobile belonging to Mr. Edmund D. Shepperd was proceeding down Sparks Street on Wednesday morning, a tire exploded across the sidewalk through the plate glass window of a nearby store. Fortunately no one was struck.

PRINCE OF WALES COMING. Will Visit Various Overseas Dominions Next Autumn.

A despatch from London says: The Prince of Wales and Prince Albert will probably tour the world next Autumn, visiting the principal overseas dominions.

THE CROPS ARE A SUCCESS

What the Dominion Interior Department's Agents Report.

A despatch from Ottawa says: According to reports on western conditions sent by the agents of the Department of the Interior to the Superintendent of Immigration, the crops this year are after all a success. In spite of the very early spring, the long dry spell through the summer, and the late heavy rain, grains, roots and fruit promise to be a paying crop, though not so good as last year. Through the dry summer months it was feared that crops would be a failure, and in some places bush fires raged and caused much alarm. In August, however, heavy rains set in and changed conditions for the better. Harvest began generally about the first week in August, and has continued favorably, most of the grain now being in stocks, some stacked, and thrashing in progress. The weather just now is rather unfavorable, but rain and frost have done no harm. Some farmers have

begun ploughing and disking for next year's crop. The demand for farm hands has been good and still continues. In many places men are impossible to get. Wages average \$20 to \$45 per month and board, or \$2 to \$3 per day and board for very good men. Railway men will be required for some time yet at excellent wages. Market prices are high, and there is a good demand for all produce offered; some new wheat has been sold. Farmers seem to have plenty of money, and no complaints are heard. Transportation conditions are satisfactory, there being plenty of cars to take the grain to the elevators, and roads are good. All the mines are working double shift, and dealers have plenty of coal and wood on hand. Farmers have not yet begun to lay in their winter supply, but there is absolutely no fear of any shortage, and the outlook for the coming winter is bright and promising in every way.

DUST AND GERMS IN PIANOS. Also Moths, Owing to the Neglect of the Average Family.

After the high shelves in dark closets the worst place for dirt in a well ordered house is the interior of the piano. The piano maker when he sells a new instrument warns the purchaser to keep it not only closed but covered when not in actual use or being aired, though he well knows that in nine houses out of ten where music is not a sacred thing his injunctions will be disregarded. A list of things taken out of the ordinary domestic piano of commerce at the periodical cleanings would hardly be believed. Families of living mice have been found by the piano cleaner, and perhaps families of even larger animals. A piano tuner found in an instrument a quart of hickory nuts carried in by squirrels. The family had wondered why the instrument refused to respond to a touch on the keys.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.
The Canada Steel Company will build a four hundred thousand dollar mill at Hamilton.
Six union bricklayers at Winnipeg have been fined one hundred dollars each for "bolting" during the recent strike.
Bishop Fallon of London, Ont., has issued a denial of the report that he opposes the teaching of French in the schools of his diocese.
Judge Bazin dismissed thirty informations laid against Montreal hotelkeepers for violation of the license law, as the witnesses failed to appear.
Five men who took part in the production of the Jeffries-Johnston fight pictures at St. John have been fined \$30 each for showing the pictures without a license and committed for trial on the charge of giving an immoral show.
GREAT BRITAIN.
Lady de Rothschild, widow of Sir Anthony de Rothschild, is dead, aged ninety.
Mrs. G. M. Hayman, said to be the original of Charles Dickens' "Little Dorrit," is dead at Southsea, England.
Dr. Crippen and Miss Leneve were committed in Bow Street Police Court, London, to stand trial for the murder of Crippen's wife.

UNITED STATES.

The schools have been closed at Middletown, Conn., because of the epidemic of infantile paralysis.
Warnings have been issued for a number of candy manufacturers at Philadelphia on charges of using sulphuric acid in the manufacture of marshmallows.
GENERAL.
Germany's revenue will fall about \$10,750,000 short of the Budget estimates for the year.

CONSTABLE TO FACE JUDGE. Must Explain Escape of a Prisoner at Grimsby Beach.

A despatch from St. Catharines, Ont., says: County Constable Jay Book, of Grimsby, must appear before Judge Carman on Oct. 6, to explain his conduct at Grimsby Beach last month, when he is said to have let a prisoner who had been placed in his care escape from his custody.