
For Fine Felt Hats,

R. K. BRACE, EGGS, ETC.

The egg industry of this Province has made tremendous advances during the past few years. Formerly eggs were shipped in barrels packed in oats by schooner, and thirty years ago the old, S. S. "Commerce" afforded the principal conveyance to the United States markets, now they are packed in patent cases and delivered in Boston in one half the time it then took. The prices during recent years have steadily increased, we quote for small lots during the month of July 1885, 10 cents per dozen, in 1886, 11 cents, in 1887, 13 cents, and in 1888, 15 cents. The reason given for the advance from year to year is that buyers are more particular as to the quality of eggs and they are larger and cleaner, another important thing for farmers would be to change the breed of their hens and get ones that will lay a deeper yellow yolked egg, and thereby take first place in this industry.

The quantity of eggs exported from this Province is very large and few even of the residents of the Island are aware of the sum of money realized from this source. This fact is ascertained by the customs returns, which show the shipments for the year ending 30th June 1887, to be 1,675,180 dozen valued at \$203,601.00 or \$43,443, more than the year 1884. Butter is also coming up in quality of late years, at the last Exhibition it was conceded on all sides that a marked improvement has taken place and that the farmers are becoming more alive to their interest in this respect. The improvement is largely due to the use of creamers and improved churns.

To Mr. R. K. Brace is largely due the credit of introducing the Creamers in 1884. Mr. D. S. Richards brought the celebrated Champion Creamer here. Mr. Brace purchased his patent right for \$800.00 and had considerable trouble to introduce them at first. It is surprising how fast they have become a prominent article on the farm. It was Mr. Brace's great object to help the farmer to improve the butter so that it could be exported. He visited nearly all the Exhibitions in Canada in search of a churn to suit the trade,

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