

The Planet.

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OUR FRUIT TRADE.

It is estimated that in apples alone \$20,000,000 is lost to the farmers of Canada every year as a result of the lack of proper storage facilities. Most of this loss falls upon the farmers of Ontario, because this province grows more apples than all the rest of the Dominion combined. It is the old story of a feast and a famine. When the apples are ripe they are so plentiful that they can be had for a trifle. In a few months, despite the most abundant crops, they are usually so scarce as to be numbered with the luxuries. Hundreds of thousands of bushels rot on the ground. This was the case last fall, and has been every fall. The few farmers who had storage plants were able to abolish losses of this kind. They had all their crop for sale. Moreover, they held their apples until the glut of the market had been relieved, and then placed their stock at good prices.

Mr. R. J. Cochrane, of East Northumberland, is a practical farmer, who has made first-hand investigation of the storage methods employed by progressive American apple-growers. Recently interviewed by Ottawa newspapers, he gave some interesting facts on the subject. Mr. Cochrane was quite willing to work in the orchards as an apple-picker in order to get his information, and this he did last fall in dozens of farms in New York State. The farmers were mostly well-to-do men, some of them rich as a result of a few years' apple-growing, plus proper cold storage facilities.

"Every fruit-grower," he said, "takes his fruit, newly picked, from the orchard to the cold storage warehouse. It is a question of hours only, for they would not think of allowing their apples to remain over night on the ground unprotected, nor will they allow time for the heat to generate, as it will, in a barrel of apples."

"In many places the farmers owned their own storage plants, operating the ammonia engines themselves, storing their own fruit, and renting an extra space to their neighbors at 40 cents a barrel. This was cheerfully paid, as in a few months they could get from \$1 to \$2 a barrel more for their apples than their less provident neighbors. In many instances the owner of the plant found he could make more money by buying a few thousand barrels of apples outright and carrying them himself. In this way his profits exceeded the 10 or 20 per cent. which he made from storage charges. In Canada we have been conducting the apple business at hap-hazard as compared with the fruit farmers whose places I visited. Even when we talk of cold storage our minds store up a vision of a pile of ice gathered from some lake or river. Natural ice does not give the required temperature for a cold storage system. The changing atmosphere can be met by increased cold with an ammonia plant, whilst it cannot by natural ice. All the plants I saw were kept cold by the ammonia ice plant."

As a direct result of Canada's failure to appreciate cold storage our fruit trade decreased by \$14,000,000 last year. New Zealand's export trade is growing enormously, especially in dairy products, and all through a system of transportation which is thus described by Mr. J. A. Ruddick, chief of the dairy division of the Department of Agriculture:

"We are beginning to learn, although it seems to be a slow process, that it is important that butter should be kept at as low a temperature as possible from the time it is made. Canadians have been losing a good deal of ground in the markets of Great Britain through negligence on this point. In that respect we are a long way behind our friends in New Zealand. All the refrigerator steamers sailing from New Zealand carry frozen meat. It is a matter of necessity that the temperature in the chamber be kept very low. As a matter of fact they are carrying frozen meat at a temperature from zero to 10 degrees. Butter, when it is shipped from New Zealand to England, is placed in the chamber along with frozen meat. The steamer is one large refrigerator, and the cargo is mainly frozen meat. The refrigeration on them was provided, in the first place, for the frozen meat trade. As the butter trade has grown the same boats have been used for the purpose, and so they have the best possible service for sending butter to England. Butter to be exported from New Zealand is put in store and frozen, and kept at a temperature of 10 degrees at least for four days before

TELEPHONE TALKS.

TO TELEPHONE USERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

We have already refuted the malicious charge that subscribers to the Bell Telephone Co. of Canada are paying a charge of \$3.60 per annum interest on capital invested in expired patents. Let us now refer to the evidence which discloses that in the purchase of the original patents this Company acquired rights the use of which has saved it many thousands of dollars and that these rights are secured in perpetuity.

The Bell Telephone Company of Canada under the original purchase of patents also secured the right to all patents and inventions of Telephone apparatus which the American Bell Telephone Company may acquire for all time to come in the Dominion. It will be observed that this is broad enough to cover not only Telephones but Switchboards and every other Telephone device. We have thus acquired at a nominal first charge the results of the researches and experiments of the best talent in the service of the largest operating Telephone Company in the world. It carries with it the plans, drawings and specifications for all the elaborate and expensive equipment of a modern Telephone Exchange. The saving to this Company in experimental work, in engineering and designing is worth to-day far more than the original amount paid under the agreement.

Instead of being a burdensome charge upon subscribers this is one of the reasons why this Company has been able to keep pace with inventions and improvements at the low rates prevailing in Canada without increasing the average capitalization per subscriber. The acquisition of new apparatus after thorough test in the laboratories and in practical operation in the great systems of the United States is of inestimable advantage not only to this Company but to Telephone users in Canada. This advantage through foresight exercised twenty-five years ago in the framing of an agreement has been secured to the people of this country for all time.

THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF CANADA.

going aboard the steamer. So the butter is kept at a low temperature from the third or fourth day after it is made until it reaches England. This is one reason why New Zealand has been making such great progress in securing the trade of Great Britain for her butter. They are getting a good price, almost equal to Danish."

HAV FEVER FOR 27 YEARS

Well Known New England Woman Cured of Hay Fever—Cure Was Lasting.

The thousands of discouraged people who dread the approach of summer because they have hay fever and cannot find any relief from it, will read with interest and gratitude the following statement from Helen S. Williams, of Mansfield, Mass.

"For 27 years, from the month of August until heavy frost, I have been afflicted with hay fever, growing worse and worse each year, until of late years I was unable to attend to my work during that period."

"Last summer I fortunately gave Hyomei a trial, and I am happy to say that it entirely cured me, and I have had no recurrence of the disease since."

This letter is only one of many that have come to the proprietors of Hyomei, and the results following this treatment have been so remarkable that it is proposed at the annual convention of hay fever sufferers to recommend Hyomei.

By breathing the germ-killing and healing balms of Hyomei, anyone can have at any moment of the day, either in their home or office, a climate like that of the White Mountains.

The complete outfit costs but \$1, extra bottles 50 cents. The Central Drug Co. agree to refund the money to any hay fever sufferer who uses Hyomei without benefit.

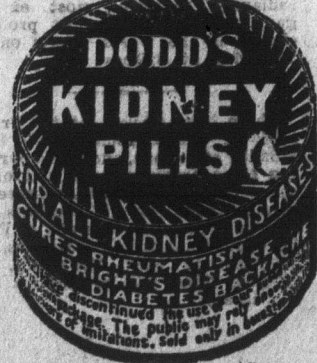
MUST OUT WEEDS

Detective McGregor is to-day laying information against a number of rat-payers who refuse to cut the weeds in their yards.

"I have been serving notices long enough," said Mr. McGregor to The Planet, "and now I am going to start to prosecute. It is not necessary to even serve notices, as offenders are liable to prosecution anyway, but even when I do serve them some pay no attention to them."

"I have found that almost every resident in the city that I have visited are guilty under the by-law, but they will have to conform with the by-law."

A thing is never overlooked if it is thoroughly looked over.



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OUR BATTLE FOR JAPAN

A despatch from Vancouver states that forty head of cattle, the first shipment of Canadian animals from this country to Japan, will be put aboard the C. P. R. steamer Albatross, leaving Vancouver on Sept. 18. The herd is made up of Ayrshires, Short-horns, Devons and Holsteins. The purchases were made by Mr. Y. Ishizaki, an expert attached to the Department of Commerce and Agriculture, Japan. It is the intention of the Japanese government to use the cattle for breeding purposes, and they will be distributed among the small farmers.

IN TRAINING

J. W. White leaves to-morrow for Muskoka and expects to be in his office again Sept. 5. On his return, if his physician, Dr. McKeough, thinks that he is sufficiently recovered, the fat man's race will receive further consideration.

In conversation with the champion this morning County Clerk Jonas Gosnell revealed the fact that he is training assiduously, running a mile every morning at five o'clock. Nothing daunted the present holder of the championship coolly retorted that he, the said Jonas, would have to be up at four o'clock in order to win out, and that, on the conclusion of the much talked of race, Jonas would feel like imitating the example of his illustrious predecessor and retire to the interior of a whale or some other secluded spot.

Light House Flashes

Dick Cartier, of Detroit, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Joyce.

Mrs. Hugh Johnson and daughter Myrtle, of Tilbury, Mrs. Jewett and daughters Margaret and Gertrude, are the guests of Mr. Cartier.

The lighthouse supply boat arrived here Friday night.

Miss May Glasse, of the Maple City, is visiting at Merry Times.

Miss Edith Scott has returned to Sanjour after spending a few weeks at her home in Wind Fall.

H. Johnson, of Tilbury, spent Sunday with Mr. Cartier.

Misses Bennett and Moore, of St. Catharines, are visiting at Breezy Time.

Some five black buns were caught here during the week.

Mrs. Mounter and son Harold, of Chatham, and Miss Hazley, of Brantford, spent Monday here. They were the guests of Mrs. Turner.

Mrs. Andrew Smith, and family, of Detroit, have returned home after a month's vacation at Widgeon Lodge.

H. J. Cartier and Hugh Johnson spent Monday at the City of the Straits.

Mr. Kime brought a party here from Mitchell's Bay in his launch on Sunday.

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The Busy Cash Store

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A BIG SNAP

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Ladies and Children's Hose

We have in stock about 50 Dozen Ladies' and Children's Cotton and Lisle Thread Hose that were late in coming to hand. We do not intend to carry them over to another season, and have made prices that will insure a quick clearance of the entire lot. If you require any Boys' or Girl's School Hose, this is your opportunity. For instance:—

10 DOZ. BOYS' STRONG RIB HOSE—
All sizes from 5 to 10 in., strong knit elastic rib, fast dye, clearing at a pair, 10c

BOYS' RIB HOSE—
Superior quality, elastic knit, double knee, heels and toes, best dyes sizes 5 1-2 to 7, regular 15 to 17c, a pair, clearing at 12 1-2c

Sizes 7 1-2 to 10 in., regular value up to 25c a pair, clearing at 15c

LADIES' 15c. and 17c. HOSE, 12 1-2c A PAIR—
Seven dozen Ladies' fine full fashioned hose, seamless feet, double soles, best black dyes, sizes 8 1-2, 9, 9 1-2, 10, regular 15c and 17c a pair, clearing at 12 1-2c

25c AND 35c LACE HOSE AT 19c A PAIR—
10 dozen ladies' and children's black and tan lace, cotton and lisle thread hose, fine quality, pretty designs, seamless feet, fast dye, all sizes, regular up to 35c a pair, clearing at 19c

50c LACE Lisle HOSE 29c—
The balance of our fine imported lace and fancy hose, regular 40c to 50c a pair, clearing at 29c

35c FANCY HOSE AT 19c—
Navy and white, black and white, in polka dots and other small designs, fine qualities, fast colors, sizes 8 1-2 to 9 1-2, regular up to 35c a pair, clearing at 19c

60c LACE Lisle HOSE 39c—
Six dozen ladies' fine German lace lisle hose, black and tan, regular up to 60c a pair, clearing at 39c

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THE STAGE

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and all the men
and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At The Grand—
The Girl from Kays—Aug. 26.
Faust—Sept. 2.
Peck's Bad Boy—Sept. 12.
The Isle of Bong Bong—Sept. 18.
Floradora—Sept. 22.
Isle of Spice—Sept. 25.
Down By The Sea—Sept. 27-28.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agent)

"THE GIRL FROM KAYS"

When the Miller & Kilpatrick Co. present the famous farcical comedy with music, "The Girl from Kays," with Mobley North, the great comedian, to the patron of the Grand Saturday night, they will have an opportunity of witnessing for the first time in this city what is called



ed to be not only one of the most distinct, novelties in stage construction but a play that fairly bubbled and sizzled with the brightest kind of humor, the quaintest kind of comedy, brilliant epigrams, catchy songs and jingling music. It is not a comic opera, nor is it a musical comedy. It is a farcical comedy with music. The music is added to complete the picture and give the play its proper atmosphere, and to do this almost half a hundred beautiful young women, su-

perly gowned, are compassed into the scenes, to contribute realism to the delightful plot of the play.

There are two sets of lovers, and the play begins with a wedding, therefore what is more natural than music and beautiful women? Miss Lila Blow, a handsome young woman with exceptional talent and beauty, plays the leading part.

A little forethought may save you no end of trouble. Anyone who makes it a rule to keep Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand knows this to be a fact. For sale by all druggists.

NO 11TH HOUR CHANGE.

Russia Says Failure Will Not Be Her Fault.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 22.—The Russian Government's final communications to M. Witte outlining the course that he shall pursue at the reopening of the peace conference at Portsmouth, are still in process of being put into shape prior to being forwarded to America. With the receipt of St. Petersburg's last message, the brief breathing spell will have ended. St. Petersburg leaves the final word with her representative at Portsmouth.

The Associated Press says the Government has gone as far as its extreme vital state interests will permit. The Government is firmly convinced that in case of failure of the negotiations the responsibility will not rest with Russia, which has conceded much already. The requirements of the state make concessions on the questions of indemnity and Sakhalin, as these questions were originally presented by the Japanese, impossible. It is certain that in the matter of concessions the four points now in dispute have been considered and studied here in the list of concessions Russia already has granted on the other eight articles.

The foregoing is a brief but accurate outline of the program upon which M. Witte will meet the Japanese plenipotentiaries to-day.

A hopeful feeling was noticeable here yesterday that peace is still possible, and it is believed by some that Russia's answer will give material evidence of such a sincere desire to reach a settlement that Japan will practically be forced to accept it or appear before the world as utterly unreasonable and insatiable.

One Way Out of It.

It is believed that the questions on the surrender of the interned ships and the limitation of Russia's naval power in the Far East will be satisfactorily settled. There remains then, the questions of the payment of indemnity and the cession of Sakhalin by Russia. The first may be overcome by Russia following Japan's lead in avoiding the use of the word "indemnity," but consenting to make certain payments on Japan on other scores, the chief of these being Japan's bill for keeping 100,000 prisoners, which is expected to be heavy. The sums mentioned as the possible payment on account of these prisoners range from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

Little or nothing is obtainable here regarding the possible disposition of the question relating to Sakhalin.

President Roosevelt's object Saturday was officially described to be to prolong the negotiations. There is warrant for the statement that M. Witte personally sympathizes with the President's proposition, no matter how it may be regarded by his Imperial master and the latter's advisors. It is a mistake to suppose that in considering such a proposition the Emperor consults a regularly ordained council.

Throughout the conference he has been calling in council such advisors as he deemed wise, some of his relatives, the grand dukes, members of the court and certain chosen ministers. The Grand Duke Nicholas, one of the most powerful of his relatives, is known to be absolutely opposed to yielding an iota beyond what M. Witte has already conceded. As an alternative he favors the continuation of the war.

The spirit of all the advice received has been such as almost to exclude hope of an eleventh hour change.

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BAND CONCERT

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BY THE... CITIZENS' BAND

Train leaves C. P. R. Depot at 7:20 City Time

TEACHERS WANTED.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 2, Harwich; female; duties to commence Sept. 1st. Apply, stating salary required, to James Smith, Kent Centre.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 8, Raleigh; male or female; parties applying to state salary, qualifications or experience. Apply to Fred. Bennett, Sec. Treas., Charing Cross, Ont.

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WANTED—By congenial young couple (three) rooms in private house, suitable for housekeeping, best references if required. Apply K. C. G. Planet Office. 4dlw.

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FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

HOUSE TO RENT—In North Chatham, on Lydian Avenue, a comfortable house. Apply to J. O. Fleming, Harrison Hall, or at residence, Victoria Avenue.

DESIRABLE APARTMENTS TO RENT—A flat containing seven connected rooms, with modern conveniences, including bath room. Apply to the Chatham Loan & Savings Company. 11

FOR SALE—Lots five and six on Forest and Hillard streets. (The above are most desirable building lots and will be divided to suit the purchaser. They belong to the Emerson estate, and must be sold at once. Houston & Stone.

ESTATE—Fifty acres, part lot 2, concession 9, Chatham Township all under cultivation; good buildings; to be sold at a bargain. Apply M. H. McGarvin, McGarvin's Stables, Chatham, or at residence, St. Clair street.

FARM FOR SALE—North-east half of Lot 16, Front concession, Township of Harwich, 133 acres. All cleared, clay loam, two good sized frame houses. Large frame barn and cattle shed; stable and drive. Barn combined; granary and fine cement house. Buildings all in good repair; about five acres of orchard; artesian well, windmill and pump; three other wells. Price \$8,000.00. Apply on the premises to Mrs. John J. Walrath, or to W. F. Smith, barrister and solicitor, Chatham Ont.

FARM FOR SALE—offer for sale my farm of 175 acres, more or less, part lot 24 in the third concession by eastern boundary, Raleigh. Will sell in whole or in part. Reasonable price and terms. Three dwelling houses, two barns, stabling for 50 cows and 12 horses, two silos, orchard over 900 apple trees, one acre small fruits, two deep wells and other improvements. All under cultivation; just outside the city limits. Good dairy business established; forty years now running; farm in good condition. Apply at once to Abraham Hall.

Lots of good ten cent cigars, but only one best—the Lord-Lake.