

## A POTATO CONTROVERSY.

### St. John Standard Badly Mixed Trying to Fool Farmers.

From an interview with Mr. Frank Clements, of the Clements Company, wholesale produce dealers of St. John, printed by the Standard on September 24—

"Asked about the prices of potatoes Mr. Clements said that whereas \$1.50 was being paid last year the price this season was only sixty cents a barrel. The decline in price was, he said, due to the fact that the farmers in Ontario, Quebec and the western provinces had large crops of potatoes this year. He added that the shippers here were looking to the Cuban market to take a large quantity of New Brunswick potatoes this year, but at the present time it would only be guesswork to make any forecasts about the probable quantity which could be disposed of in the Cuban market."

It is unfortunate that the director of the Standard's editorial columns last Monday did not consult the Standard's local columns and read with care the authoritative statement credited to Mr. Clements before attempting to contradict The Telegraph's Hartland correspondent, who said that potatoes that were being sold at from fifty to sixty cents a barrel. Editorially the Standard on Monday asserted that New Brunswick potatoes were being sold at quite as good a price as can be obtained for stock of equal quality in the American market—an assertion to which the Clements interview in the Standard gives an effective answer.

Correspondents of The Telegraph in Woodstock and in Hartland present corroboration of the earlier report from Hartland, and show that while Arrostook potatoes are being sold at from \$1 to \$1.25 per barrel, the prices in Carleton county range from fifty cents to seventy cents, and that the starch factories of Maine are paying for undersized and imperfect potatoes virtually the same price that is being received for good potatoes in New Brunswick.

The Standard's explanation to the low price in Carleton county is that "dealers dropped the price the other day to sixty cents to prevent a lot of poor quality potatoes getting on the market." This careful solicitude on the part of the dealer, and the Standard's earnest exposition of it will doubtless delight all farmers who draw instruction from the Conservative newspaper.

There is one aspect of the trade question with respect to potatoes which the Standard ought to consider, and which all of its rural readers undoubtedly have considered already. If the American price for potatoes is not higher than the New Brunswick price, no New Brunswick potatoes will cross the border and there will be no harm done, even the Standard's viewpoint. As the Standard contends that the home market affords the farmer as good a price as he can secure anywhere, but as the farmer does not think so, and even adduces evidence to support his belief, the fair thing is to permit him to try American market, since it is certain that he will not trade across the line at a loss.

If the Standard is still afraid that the sale of Canadian potatoes in the United States will lead to "an entangling trade alliance with a foreign country," it should explain to the farmer how it is that the Canadian manufacturers were able recently to place \$150,000,000 worth of insurance with American companies without involving us in one of those undesirable alliances, and how Canadian milline companies, at certain seasons proceed to purchase American wheat without wrecking the Imperial fabric.

Is the loyalty of the farmer less valuable, or less reliable, than the loyalty of the manufacturer? Also, the Conservative journal should not fail to remember that a majority of the people of New Brunswick voted for free access to additional markets, and that, with the exception of Ontario, a considerable majority of the people of the whole dominion did likewise.—St. John Times.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold, and before the bottle was all used the boy's cold was gone. Is it not better than to pay a five dollar doctor's bill? For sale by all dealers.

### The Great Bassano Dam.

The dam, which the C.P.R. is constructing three miles southwest of its station at Bassano, Alta., as part of its Irrigation System, will be the biggest of its kind in America. It is a composite structure, consisting of an earthen embankment on the south side of the Bow River and a reinforced concrete spillway in the existing channel. When completed, the embankment will have a total length of 7000 feet, with a maximum height of about 45 feet; will be 350 feet wide at base at its highest point, and will contain one million cubic yards of material. The spillway will be 720 feet long between abutments, with a maximum height of 40 feet to the overflow crest, above which eleven feet of water will be retained by stone gates.

The lake created by this dam will be over ten miles long, half a mile wide and forty feet deep.

The irrigating canals and ditches which will be fed by water controlled by the Bassano dam will have a total mileage of 2500 and almost half a

million acres will be irrigated by it. Some idea of what this dam means to Alberta can be had by remembering that while it will serve almost half a million acres, the Dakhwan Weir, which dams for a similar purpose the Betwa River, near Jhansi, India, is almost a mile long (or nearly two-thirds of the length of the Bassano Dam) and yet it supplies water capable of irrigating only about 38,000 acres, or say seven per cent of that supplied by the Bassano Dam. The Roosevelt Dam in Arizona is expected to irrigate some 240,000 acres, or about half what will be served by the new C.P.R. dam at Bassano.

Here is a woman who speaks from personal knowledge and long experience, viz. Mrs. P. H. Bogan, of Wilson, Pa., who says, "I know from experience that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is far superior to any other. For cough there is nothing that excels it." For sale by all dealers.

## GRAND FALLS POWER DEVELOPMENT PLANS.

### Another Report That Work is Really to be Commenced.

The Grand Falls Co., Ltd., the new company headed by Sir William Van Horne, which is to spend upwards of \$8,000,000 in the development of the water power at Grand Falls and the erection of vast pulp and paper mills, is making the first move towards commencing its immense undertaking. An order-in-council has been passed empowering Hon. J. K. Flanagan to convey by deed to the company the water power and five acres of land along the banks of the river upon payment of the sum of \$60,000, which the company has signified it is ready to pay.

Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach. Take Chamberlain's Tablets and correct that and your headache will disappear. For sale by all dealers.

### Canada.—Mistress of Wheat.

100 lbs. of Canadian Wheat exhibited at the American Land & Irrigation Exposition, Madison Square Garden, New York, November 3rd to 5th, 1911, brought Canada the honor of producing the best hard red milling wheat in the Western Hemisphere, raised the value of farm lands in the Prairie Provinces, put a thousand dollars in the pocket of the farmer who grew it and irrefutably demonstrated that as a wheat-growing country Canada is without a peer. There were 16 entries for this contest. Mr. S. Wheeler of Rosberg, Sask., carrying off the first prize, \$1,000 gold, donated by the President of this Company. Mr. Wheeler's land was purchased from the C.P.R. some years ago for \$3,000 an acre; he had no previous farming experience but went about his work with forethought and intelligence. The grain was a hard red spring variety known as "Marquis"—the seed came from the local experimental farm and had been grown on the land one year. The soil was a sandy loam with a clay subsoil. In 1908 and 1909 a crop of wheat was raised, while in 1910 the land was summer-fallowed. It was ploughed once in June and cultivated ready for the seed during the summer. Eighty lbs. were sown to the acre in April and threshing took place on Sept. 28th. The wheat, which of course was specially grown, weighed 64½ lbs. to the bushel, was high in milling quality and uniformity with average yield of 73 bushels to the acre. Mr. W. J. Glass of Macleod, Alta., who took second place, exhibited a hard winter wheat, known as Alberta Red, weighing 66½ lbs. to the bushel and Mr. Thos. Maynard of Deloraine, Man., came third with a Red Winter Fife which tipped the scales at 64½.

When you have a bad cold you want the best medicine obtainable so as to cure it with as little delay as possible. Here is a druggist's opinion: "I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for fifteen years," says Enos Lollar of Saratoga, Ind., "and consider it the best on the market." For sale by all dealers.

### Wells in Alberta.—A Big Contract.

The C.P.R. has made a contract with the Alberta Well-Digging Co. for 600 wells to be dug on the C.P.R. Ready-Made Farms, 80 of which are to be completed this year and the remainder within the next two years.

### KINNEY-KIMBALL.

### Wedding in Hartland Wednesday Evening of Fort Fairfield Young People.

Roy L. Kinney, youngest child of Henry S. Kinney of this town, and Miss Dorothy Ludgate, eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Kimball of Fort Fairfield, were united in marriage last Wednesday by Rev. P. J. Tratten of Hartland, pastor of the Reformed Baptist church in that place, at his home, in the presence of a few invited friends.

The double-ring service was used. The bride appeared to advantage in

a traveling suit of dark purple, with hat to match, while the groom wore the customary black. The maid of honor was Miss Asenath Watt of this village and the bridesmaid Miss Gay-nell Kimball, a cousin of the bride. The groomsmen were Thurber Holt and Thomas Houghton, both of this town.

The presents consisted of cut glass, linen, and many other useful, beautiful and valuable articles.

After congratulations and refreshments the newly married couple started on their trip to Fredericton and St. John, and will probably extend it to various parts of Nova Scotia. Then they will go to Burnham to visit the bridegroom's brother Harry E. Kinney, formerly of this town, thence to Portland and beyond. It will be some days, therefore, before they return to Fort Fairfield, when they will take up their residence in a part of Mrs. H. N. Goodhue's house. It is rumored that Mr. and Mrs. Kinney may spend the winter in Florida, where Mr. Kinney owns real estate.

This young couple are most favorably known in their home town, and rightly have hosts of friends who wish them every happiness in a long and successful journey through life.—Fort Fairfield Review.

If you have young children you have perhaps noticed that disorders of the stomach are their most common ailment. To correct this you will find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets excellent. They are easy and pleasant to take, and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by all dealers.

## Our Neighbours

### Knowlesville.

Alfred Corey is visiting his former home in Canaan, Westmorland county. The ladies of this place enjoyed themselves at a knitting party at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lawson on Saturday.

Miss Ruby McNerlin of Kirkland is a visitor at the home of Mrs. Geo. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Britton of Waterville were the guests of Mrs. Geo. Whitehouse on Friday last.

Mrs. Cale Doucette spent Monday in Glasville.

Mrs. Walter Doucette was the guest of Mrs. William Phillips on Saturday and Sunday.

Randolph Henderson spent Thursday evening at the home of George Whitehouse.

Eva Phillips and Clarence LaPage visited Mrs. O'Brien Whitehouse on Sunday.

Rev. Percy A. Fitzpatrick visited the home of Wm. Phillips on Saturday.

A large number of people were entertained at the home of James Hobbs last Thursday evening.

Miss Nettie Mannel, who teaches in Foreston, spent the week end at her home here.

There will be an oyster supper at the home of James Hobbs on the evening of Oct. 10. All are invited to attend and the proceeds will be used to pay off the church debt.

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### Florenceville.

Mrs. H. H. McCain returned on Saturday from a visit to Montreal.

Mrs. Stephen Ross and daughter, Amy, returned on Saturday from the Tobique where they have been spending several days with relatives.

Mr. White of Northfield spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Ghim.

Mrs. Frances West of Centreville spent Friday and Saturday with friends in the village.

Hugh Kearney of Woodstock is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCain.

Mrs. Ferguson McCain returned to her home last week after having spent several weeks with her sister, Miss Hendey at Edmundston.

Mrs. Elizabeth Belyea of Coldstream spent Friday and Saturday in the village.

Mrs. Blair Charlton who has been quite ill is improving.

### River Bank.

Miss Sara Morrison of Woodstock is spending a few days with her friend, Maude Dow. They, with Mrs. C. M. Dow and Mrs. R. J. Lovy spent a very pleasant evening with Mrs. B. E. Tompkins last Friday night.

Mrs. Catherine Ebbett and Marjorie is staying with Mrs. Isaac Chasor for a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Smalley and Ernest spent a few days in Houlton last week visiting relatives.

Herbert McDonald has returned home from Foreston.

Edward Waugh spent a few days in River Bank last week on business.

Mrs. James Bell and Miss Helen have both been quite ill with bad colds.

Mrs. B. E. Tompkins took tea with Mrs. Ben Tompkins on Sunday night.

### Waterville.

Mrs. Vanwart of Houlton is visiting friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McQuarrie who have been residing here for some time have moved to Victoria Corner.

Miss Emma DeWare is visiting friends at Tracy Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Britton have returned home after visiting friends in Windsor.

Wakelield seems to have great attractions for two young men of this place.

Mrs. Henry DeWitt has been spending the past week with her mother, Mrs. Ernest Plummer.

Lizzie Robinson has been visiting friends in Houlton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plummer came by auto from Houlton and spent Sunday with friends here.

### Windsor.

Mrs. J. W. Geddes who has been spending a few weeks with relatives in this place returned home Saturday.

Benjamin Tedford is seriously ill at the home of his son.

Guy Britton returned to his home in Conesville, Pa., on Monday.

A number of young people attended the oyster supper at the home of Chesley Estabrooks in Rockland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tedford were called to Bridgewater, Me., last Thursday by the serious illness of their daughter, Mrs. Field.

Wilson Tapley of Weaver, Victoria county, is spending a few days in this place.

Wasson Bridges and son, Ronald, of Gordonsville spent Sunday at the home of W. A. Tedford.

Mrs. Smith Page and Mrs. Allen Tedford of Rockland spent Sunday here.

Quite a number of the young people of this place attended the picnic in Armond on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Hallett of Lower Windsor were the guests of Mrs. H. L. Dickinson on Sunday.

### Royalton.

Many from this place attended the agricultural exhibition at Centreville held there on Oct. 3 and 4. A good number of prizes came this way also.

Among them might be mentioned the one captured by Harvey Weade's team for pulling. C. C. Shaw is getting lumber ready for a new store.

Wesley Cowan moved his family in the vacant house owned by F. O. Weade. We are always ready to welcome such families into our midst.

A snow storm came this way on the evening of Sept. 29 when several inches must have fallen. About two inches remained on the ground till noon the following day. Much grain was crushed to the ground and there it lies, awaiting the reaper. Surely the farmer's troubles are manifold.

Rev. J. H. Corey preached in the Reformed Baptist church here on Sunday.

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