

Our Montreal Letter

(From Our Own Correspondent)

THE APPLE SHOW A BIG SUCCESS.

The first apple show held at the Windsor Hall of the Windsor Hotel, on November 4, 5 and 6th, by the Quebec Pomological Society, was a great success. Some 200,000 apples of different varieties were on exhibition, and hundreds of people visited the Hall to see some fine samples of Fameuse, McIntosh, Red, Golden Russets, and other popular varieties. According to G. E. McIntosh, Dominion Fruit Commissioner, in a paper read before the Quebec Pomological Society, the Province of Quebec is only producing sixty per cent of the normal consumption in Montreal. The estimated crop of Quebec this year was given as 70,000 barrels, but a very small percentage came into the Montreal market, only 23 carloads out of the 1,004 carloads required to meet the demand of Montreal consumers.

Mr. McIntosh urged his hearers to increase their area of trees, to properly pick and pack their fruit and put it conveniently in packages, either half boxes or cartons, so that the average householder would be enticed to purchase more apples than he does at present. President Georges Maheux regretted the fact that out of 500 orchard owners in the Province, only 100 were members of the Society. He recommended a special officer for the Society so as to get other members for the Society.

Prof. W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, in the course of a brief review of the recent Boston Apple Show declared that the McIntosh was being very largely produced in the New England states and that the Quebec growers would have to look after their product if they wanted to retain their home market and increase it. While the New England McIntosh was somewhat larger than that in Quebec, Prof. Macoun did not think the flavor nor the keeping qualities of it quite so good. The Exhibits at the Montreal show were exceptionally fine, and he was glad to see that the prize awards were well distributed over the Province, which proved that the soil of Quebec was the best for apple growers of popular varieties.

The second show will be held next year, but about ten days later than this year, so as to allow the growers to get in their stock before making their selection for exhibition.

THROUGH THE GLOOM THE LIGHT SHINES.

In spite of all the tales of woe, misery and failure predicted for Canada by political undertakers and Apostles of Doom, Gloom and Ruin, E. W. Beatty, K.C., President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, sees a great future for Canada. On the fortieth anniversary of the driving of the last spike which marked the completion of the road from the Atlantic to the Pacific, E. W. Beatty said: "If anybody in this country or elsewhere is worrying about Canada's future, immediate or ultimate, they have only to look back at what Canada was forty years ago and reflect upon the progress that has been made in that short time. That is the best answer I know of to those who talk in pessimistic tones of what we may expect for Canada during the next few years."

"Forty years ago Canada had about 5,000,000 people against to-day's possible 9,500,000. A more or less constant stream of immigrants have been attracted to her shores and in this work the Canadian Pacific has largely contributed, having spent over \$70,000,000 of its own money in that direction. It is our earnest hope that this work will, as a result of the recently announced agreement with the Government be carried on with a greater measure of success than ever."

"On November 7, 1885, Donald A. Smith, later Lord Strathcona, drove the last spike that completed the single line across the continent and since then the company's mileage in Canada has grown to over 15,000 miles. We have organized our ocean fleets and have raised our employment list to a number that varies in different seasons between eighty and a hundred thousand people, and the Company has become by far Canada's largest individual contributor in taxes to the country's exchequer. This we have done, as Canadians believing in Canada and her future, and our vision is to-day no less clear than that which animated the men who first set out to build the road."

The famous spike still exists. It was not a gold one as was once generally believed. Money was too scarce with the men who built the road for any such waste, and the steel spike is now a treasured relic in the office of the President.

OH, FOR THAT LOST OPPORTUNITY.

Quebec's opportunity was lost when Hon. E. L. Patenaude and his followers were not elected to Parliament. Even if as his followers had expected, a bare 15 had been elected, it would have completely changed the political situation and the Conservatives would have been able to form a Government with a majority of at least 20 over the Liberals, Progressives, Labor and Independents. But to think of only 4 seats won, and two million dollars

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spent throughout the Province. Some persons are out of pocket and will have to wait a little time before that big amount can be made up by high tariff walls. If an election comes next year the Liberals, it is said will be stronger than ever in support of their policies, and the parties that have more money to lose on "The Savior of their Country" will again be called upon to fist the bills. Oh! to gain back a once lost opportunity.

NEVER TOO LATE TO DO GOOD. Collier's Weekly in an editorial under the caption of "The Fountain of Youth" says:

John Franklin Brown was graduated from Salem College in West Virginia a few weeks ago. No, he isn't a great football player; he can't throw the discus, nor make a great high jump. He doesn't even pitch for the baseball team. And, in fact, we doubt whether he even belonged to a fraternity. But he's interesting, nevertheless.

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It's when we quit learning that we get old. We imagine that Mr. John Franklin Brown is really a young chap after all.

THANKSGIVING AND ARMISTICE DAY CELEBRATED.

Monday, Nov. 30th, was celebrated as Thanksgiving and Armistice Day in a religious, loyal and patriotic manner. On Sunday evening special Thanksgiving services were held in the churches. On Monday morning at 11 o'clock two minutes' silence was kept by special proclamation from His Worship Mayor Duquette. Then the ceremonies around the Cenotaph erected on Dominion Square, began consisting of prayers, speeches and the singing of hymns. Banquets were held in the evening in the leading hotels.

JUDGE SENTENCES DRUG ADDICTS

Acting Recorder Morrison meted out heavy sentences to three prisoners who appeared before him charged with being drug addicts. One was a woman who when arrested tried to swallow a dose of twelve grains of heroin, which would have meant certain death. When asked why she did it she said, "I would rather die than go to jail and be deprived of drugs." The detectives had a terrible time with her ladyship when she swallowed the ten grains of heroin enough to kill ten men let alone one woman. The two detectives jumped forward, seized her by the throat and made her disgorge the heroin. A crowd of nearly one thousand people had collected during the scene and the detectives rushed their prisoner to the station in a taxi. Even in the taxi she fought like a wild cat, but was finally overcome, and her life was saved. The woman appeared for trial the next day. She was poorly dressed, but quite young and good looking. Behind her brief appearance was a tragedy. It was her first appearance in Court. She stood listlessly in the dock as the charge was read. "You will go to jail for six months. And you will also pay a fine of \$200 or spend another 15 days in jail," said the Recorder.

LESSONS FROM EVERY DAY AFFAIRS.

Dear Readers—There are many things happening around us each day. Some of them call for condemnation and some for praise. Life is made up of contrasts; we grow in the shadow of adversity and we expand, we are told, in the sun of prosperity. Life is a school to which there is no end—lessons are taught in every day affairs if we but look and read them. But do we always do this? How we let our opportunities pass by. We become careless and callous in later years. The later life is called maturity, for maturity means full perfection. Don't forget to take advantage of the opportunities that come your way. You'll be the better for doing your best for the obedient man shall speak of victory.

"I know, as my life grows older and my eyes have clearer sight. That under each rank wrong somewhere There lies the root of right: That each sorrow has its purpose. By the sorrowing oft unguessed; That, as sure as the sun brings morning. Whatever is, is best."

I know that each sinful action, As sure as the night brings shade, Is somewhere sometime punished. Though the hour be long delayed, I know that the soul is aided. Sometimes by the hearts unrest, And to grow means oft to suffer; But whatever is, is best.

I know that there are no errors In the great eternal plan. And that all things work together For the final good of man. And I know when my soul speeds onward In its grand eternal quest, I shall say, as I look back earthward, Whatever is, is best.

R. J. LOUIS CUDDIHY.

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Fads and Fashions

The bolero has survived. It is especially noticed among the tiered dresses.

A number of fashionable women are letting their hair grow away from the bob.

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