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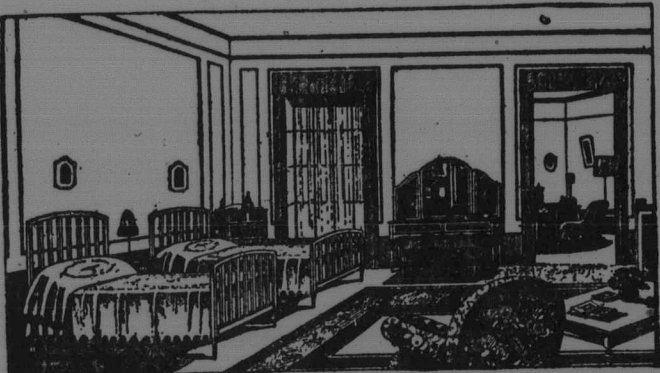
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38th SHIP AWAY WITH POTATO CARGO

Co-operative Marketing Scheme in
Maine is Reported Successful

(Telegraph-Journal)
The steamer Ada Gorthnor left No. 14 berth, Sand Point, Tuesday evening about 6.30 o'clock on a voyage to Havana, Cuba, with a cargo of potatoes. This sailing is worthy of special mention, as the Gorthnor makes the 38th sailing from the port of St. John since last fall of steamships loaded with potatoes. It is reported that there are still four or five steamships chartered to come to St. John to carry like cargoes before the season comes to a close in the course of a few weeks.

The export of potatoes has been rather large for several years past, but this season has surpassed all others. The new addition to No. 14 warehouse at West St. John has greatly assisted the exporters, as previously the accommodation was much too small.

The potato business between New Brunswick and Cuba is growing, and it is understood that the market price for the famous provincial "spuds" is keeping up and proving profitable to the exporters.

The number of arrivals and sailings of ocean liners from the port of St. John, from the opening of the winter port season last fall until the close which was the latter part of April, proved to be 39 less than during the season of 1922-23. When it is taken into consideration that ships carrying potatoes from St. John to Cuba are counted in last season's number, it can be readily understood that this greatly increased traffic has had a lot to do with keeping up a good record for last season.

"Of course," said a local shipping broker to The Telegraph-Journal representative, "the great amount of potatoes shipped from St. John to Cuba does not all come from New Brunswick farms, as a large part of the consignment comes from Maine, and is handled by New Brunswick exporters."

A man well up in the potato export business, who was in the city a few days ago, and whose activities are mostly in Maine, remarked that the co-operative selling of potatoes in Maine had attracted widespread attention. This is carried out by the Maine Potato Growers' Exchange. The ease with which 3,100 potato growers had adapted themselves to this new method of selling their products was very significant and indicative of still greater developments in the marketing of Maine potatoes co-operatively, he said.

The members co-operated loyally in supporting all policies formulated by the executive of their exchange, and this loyal co-operation has made possible the execution of the policies outlined.

The exchange was incorporated April 30, 1923. The immediate problem confronting them was the development of an organization which in three months time or on September 1 would be prepared to commence storing, shipping, grading and selling 3,000,000 barrels of potatoes. The rules and regulations were drastic but up to date had been observed and the results were reported as being good.

The problem of securing warehouse equipment was only one situation confronting the warehousing department. Warehouse were absolutely essential, yet they would be of little use without labor. Sacks also are a necessary adjunct in shipping potatoes. Cars are of little service during long winter months without proper linings.

Six hundred men were employed during the height of the shipping season, in order to facilitate a regular movement of the crop. The total cost of sacks from Sept. 1 to April 7, amounted to \$251,650. Six hundred and fifteen lined cars were required to move the crop during the busy portion of the season. The investment in car linings and bulk heads amounted to \$55,620. All of these costs were financed from sales.

The 1923-24 season of shipments of potatoes from St. John to Cuba means sailing of about 45 steamships.

BETTER STAY IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Reports From U. S. Indicate Employment Conditions Not Promising

Reports from the United States would indicate that all has not been a bed of roses for New Brunswickers who have been leaving their own province to seek employment there. In a letter from one point in the New England States a former resident of Carleton Co. announces that the concern with which he has been employed has closed down, throwing 17,000 men out of work. Not only has he lost his job, but several other men from Carleton met with similar mishap and are now seeking employment elsewhere. Up to the present they have been unsuccessful and the probabilities are that they will return to New Brunswick. In fact they are writing here for positions.

From another city in the eastern United States comes the intelligence that Canadians joining the building unions are being charged an initiation fee of \$75 with dues amounting to one dollar per week. This is rather an excessive charge, but those taking engagements there are compelled to subscribe to the union usages or forego employment. Indications are that the labor market in at least some parts of the United States is oversupplied.

It might be well for those who contemplate leaving for the United States to assure themselves that there is a reasonable possibility of securing work before they leave here. This is particularly true in the cases of men who are already engaged in some occupation in this country.

drew a large crowd. The proceeds go to wire the Presbyterian church. Jack Gregg spent Sunday with his family.

Mrs. Bliss McIsaac, East Florenceville and Miss Helen London, Bloomfield, were guests of Mrs. Hiram Banks on Thursday.

Mrs. Vandine who has been ill for several weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Giggie, passed away on Sunday morning.

A visit from a moose last Thursday afternoon caused no little excitement here, the place selected for its afternoon stroll was S. N. Banks farm.

Amos Ketch has gone to Aroostook Junction for a few weeks.

MARRIED 45 YEARS

Last evening the house of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. G. Carr was the scene of a very pleasant social event, the occasion being a party given by Miss Mary Carr in honor of her parents' 45th wedding anniversary. The party was given as a surprise and the worthy bride and groom of 45 years did not suspect anything out of the ordinary even when the guests began to arrive and not until a bunch came in together with congratulations and presenting a beautiful bouquet of red roses and white carnations were they aware something was doing in their honor. A very pleasant evening was spent in speech-making, music, readings and reminiscence. The invited guests included only the oldest and most intimate friends and associates of Mr. and Mrs. Carr. They were, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch, Mayor and Mrs. McFarland, Rev. and Mrs. Thos. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McCollom, Rev. J. K. King, Mr. and Mrs. S. Tompkins, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Underhill and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hurley.

At 11.30 luncheon was served, Miss Clara Hagerman, Beatrice Tompkins and Marion W. Stevens assisting Miss Carr.

Mrs. Cora R. Franz of Jacksonville, Fla., Most Worthy Grand Matron O. E. S., will visit Friendship Chapter, Hartland, tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

Town Topics

Tid-bits on the Tip of Everybodys Tongue

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Free

MORE CAKE TO CALGARY

They know what they want, out there on the prairies, and are willing to send several thousand miles to make sure that they get it.

Witness another good order for Moir's Cakes, just shipped more

than half way across Canada—past Montreal, past Toronto, past Winnipeg—all of which have a bakery or so.

And here's Montreal sending another order for around a thousand pounds. A feature is the fact that they started with Moir's Sultana and Plain Pound, and are now sending for the Cherry and Genoa as well.

THE ROAD OF REMEMBRANCE

A Suggestion for the Practical Celebration of Empire Day

One of the town's most progressive citizens and one whose modesty impels him to request that his name be not mentioned in the matter, has written for The Observer an article suggesting that Empire Day, at least the afternoon, on Friday, May 23, be proclaimed a holiday and that everybody in the town goes to the new school grounds and plant on either side of the road leading to the new building a row of maple trees for perpetual remembrance of those who lie in Flanders Fields.

The Observer can not improve upon the communication which is handed to the editor and which was intended through The Observer to be addressed to His Worship, Mayor McFarland, the town council, the G. W. V. A. and the citizens of Hartland in general. We here give the writer's own words.

"Our New school house is nearing completion and would it not be a very fitting and patriotic duty on the part of every citizen to commemorate this event in a very tangible way. And what better way than by planting a row of maple trees, 'The Road of Remembrance,' on either side of the new street leading from Hillcrest Avenue (west end) to the school grounds, and by a public demonstration dedicate our new school building to the young and rising generation and the maples to the immortal dead who lie in 'Flanders Field.' Let these trees planted we will say on Empire Day, May 23, will under normal conditions grow to maturity and let their heads to the sunlight years after all those present at the ceremony have passed away. They will stand as a memorial for generations yet unborn and the citizens of the future—a future, let us hope, which will have found the way to permanent world-peace—will walk beneath their shade and still find time to think with gratitude of the sacrifice made by those in whose name they were first planted, that the freedom which is the world's birthright might not perish from the earth.

"But it is not enough to plant trees, make speeches over them and then walk home. They should not be forgotten. A small permanent fund, contributed by, we will say, the town or the G. W. V. A., from which the necessary amount could be taken to cover the cost of proper supervision of the seedlings until they come to maturity. Eventually a small bronze plate with a suitable inscription 'This tree planted by the citizens of Hartland, N. B., May 23, 1924, in memory of Private John Canuck who gave his life for his country in the World War.'

"It would be an irony indeed if the 'Road of Remembrance' for the dead were ever in danger of suffering from the forgetfulness of the living. Such a remote possibility should be guarded against completely. If that is done, then in the years to be there will stand an avenue of Maples that will be not only a delight to the eye, but a memorial founded by man and maintained by nature every stirring leaf of whose trees will, unless imagination itself shall die, whisper of a sacrifice that was worth while and of a duty nobly done."

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Samuel Ritchie who died May 10, 1923:

When the evening shades are falling
And we're sitting all alone,
In our hearts there comes a longing—
If he only could come home.

Friends may think we soon forget him
And our wounded hearts are healed;
But little do they know the sorrow
That's within our hearts concealed.

Do not ask us if we miss him;
Oh! there's such a vacant place;
Can we ever forget his footsteps,
Or his bright and smiling face.

He will never be forgotten,
Never shall his memory fade;
Sweetest thoughts will ever linger
Around the grave where he is laid.

Wife and Family.

BRISTOL BREVITIES

James F. Boyer has moved his family to Upper Woodstock.

Win Dee and family of Aroostook Junction motored to Bristol on Saturday and spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elias Ketch.

Mrs. Roy Estabrooks and family left here on Monday for Michigan where she expects to spend the summer.

The play put on last Wednesday night by the Union Sunday School