

# METEOROLOGICAL.

Reported for the Dominion Govt by G. A. Blair, Esq.

DATE.	Time.	Height of Bar.	Thermometer.	Thermometer.	Thermometer.
			Maximum.	Minimum.	Mean.
Sun.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Mon.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Tue.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Wed.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Thurs.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Fri.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
Sat.	10	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1
	11.45	30.0	58.2	50.0	54.1

The column for Maximum Thermometer shows the highest temperature for every day.

The column for Minimum Thermometer shows the lowest temperature for every day.

## The Farmer's Corner.

### Seasonable Hints.

**PLANTING POTATOES.**—From thousands of tests it has been proved that there is no difference generally in the results when planted in drills or in hills—at least not enough difference to enable farmers to decide which is the best way to plant potatoes; and the consequence is that they plant both ways, according to their customs. Suppose we plant in rows three feet apart, and the hills the same distance in the rows, it would seem that if we planted in drills, the rows three feet apart, and the seed dropped 18 inches apart, or 12 to 15 inches, as is often done, that we should obtain a much larger yield than on the three-foot hill system, but which is not often the case, unless more manure be used in the drills than in the hills. The seed planted is about the same in both cases.

**THE SEED—HOW PREPARED, ETC.**—I have many times proved that small potatoes (not very small) will produce large crops as large ones, if the season is favourable; but if an early drought occurs, the large potatoes afford a nourishment to the young plants, small seed can not do. But if the large seed be cut into three or four pieces, there is no difference as regards nourishment. It is not, however, advisable to select the small seed to plant for many years as by so doing with the same variety, and grown on the same farm, some deterioration as to the size of the tubers will be the result. A changed seed occasionally is advisable. In cutting potatoes to plant, it should be done lengthwise, so as to divide the cluster of eyes at each end. Drying the cut seed upon the grass for a day or two renders it less liable to rot when planted early in a soil that retains water in a cold spell of weather. The proper depth to plant is six inches, or about that depth as a general rule; but good crops are often grown when the seed is covered deeper or shallower, owing to the favourableness of the season.

**HOW TO SAVE LABOR.**—As "time is money," farmers should study how to plant and grow crops with the least labor, at the same time doing the work well. On clean tumbled soil potatoes may be advantageously planted and cultivated as follows: After plowing and harrowing, mark off the rows three feet (two feet and a half may often do as well as three) with a plow, then drop the seed as you want it, if you adopt the drill system. A single piece of seed, or a single small potato placed about 15 inches apart will give you all the crop that the soil is capable of producing. Or you may plant a little more seed at 18 or 24 inches apart, and get an equally good crop. Cover the seed with a one-horse plow, running on both sides of the rows, and leaving each drill ridged up. Leave the land thus till the potatoes have grown nearly as high as the level of the land; and then take your harrow, turn its teeth up, place a few large stones upon it as a weight, give the full length of the traces, and then run the reversed harrow crosswise of the rows, laying it enough to make the ground perfectly smooth; and if you break off some of the plants no injury will be done. In a few days the potatoes will be above ground growing finely, and not a weed in the field.

**AFTER CULTIVATION.**—If your land is not productive of many weeds, nothing need be done to the potatoes till they approach the time to blossom, when you should run a cultivator between the hills, and as close to the rows as possible, twice in a row. You now take a horse hoe, with adjustable mould boards to suit the soil, and run it over the potatoes just enough to cover all the weeds among them, and if the work be well done no further cultivation is necessary. I advise first running a cultivator between the hills to loosen the soil, so that the horse hoe shall do its work well.

## IMPORTANT TO FARMERS.

Fresh Timothy, Clover and Turnip Seeds.

AT LOWEST PRICES.

A LOT OF CHEAP PLOUGHS.

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**SPRING STOCK**

OF ENGLISH GOODS,

ex Steamers via Halifax.

**SUPERIOR EXTRA FLOUR**

AT THE LOWEST MARKET PRICES.

F. J. LETSON,

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make money should send for

the Agents' Receipt Book, just published.

It contains full directions for making and

selling 100 articles that are in a universal

demand. Sent to any one secure by packet,

for 10 cents. Address, F. W. Kimball,

Auburn, Maine, U. S. A.

April 23rd, 1877. 3mo.

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## EXTENSIVE SALE

AT

**RICHARD DAVIDSON'S**

STORE!

**\$20,000**

FORTH OF

**STAPLE & FANCY GOODS**

TO BE SOLD AT COST

BY THE

**LAST OF JULY.**

The Subscriber begs to intimate that he will sell his

**ENTIRE STOCK OF GOODS**

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**WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.**

PARTIES WISHING TO PURCHASE LARGE

LOTS BY WHOLESALE

**WILL BE ALLOWED TIME,**

Or will be given a Liberal Discount

FOR CASH.

**THE STOCK**

HAS BEEN WELL LAID IN AND

CANNOT BE EXCEEDED.

**THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED**

To call and examine for themselves.

**THE SALE will commence**

**on the 28th of this month.**

**POSTERS**

WITH CATALOGUE OF PRICES WILL

BE ISSUED.

Newcastle, April 23, 1877.

**GOLD MINE FOUND!**

**NO HUMBUG.**

**YOU** will find this to be strictly true by

buying your goods from the Subscriber,

who is prepared to give his customers

**BETTER VALUE**

Than any one in the trade, notwithstanding

the tremendous discounts some pro-

pose to be given.

**SATISFY YOURSELVES**

By pricing the Goods, they are easily shown

and will speak for themselves.

**JUST RECEIVED:**

A new lot American Cottons,

few pieces of Floor Oil Cloth, good

Boots and Shoes,

Ready-made Clothing,

Hats and Caps,

And a full line of

**HARDWARE.**

**JUST RECEIVED:**

A large assortment of Room Paper,

nice pattern.

**Expected from England,**

Per "Jardine Bros."

**A Full Line of DRY GOODS**

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

Which will be offered at a very low figure.

**W. PARK.**

Newcastle, April 17, 1877. 18

**STEAMERS**

**NEW ERA & ANDOVER.**

**DURING** the obstruction of the naviga-

tion of the South West river, and until

the above named steamers will run

as follows:

**"NEW ERA."**

LEAVE NEWCASTLE. LEAVE CHATHAM.

8.30 a.m. 9.30 a.m.

11 " 12 noon.

2 p.m. 2.15 p.m.

On SATURDAY EVENINGS, the "New

Era" will leave Newcastle at 6.30 p.m.,

instead of 6; and Chatham at 8 p.m.,

instead of 7.30.

**"ANDOVER."**

On MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY,

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, EACH WEEK,

will leave Newcastle for Derby, at 7 a.m.

Derby for Chatham, at 9 a.m.

Chatham for Derby, at 11 p.m.

Derby for Newcastle, at 6 p.m.

Connecting with New Era for Chatham.

Will leave Newcastle for Redbank, at 6 a.m.

Redbank for Chatham, at 8 a.m.

Chatham for Redbank, at 11 p.m.

Redbank for Newcastle, at 6 p.m.

Connecting with New Era for Chatham.

Newcastle, May 10, 1877.

**EXECUTORS' SALE.**

THE REALTY will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION,

on the 20th of JUNE next, at 10 o'clock,

at the Court House, in the City of London.

The above realty being subject to a ground rent

of five dollars each per annum. The above

realty is situated in the County of Middlesex,

and is bounded on the north by the River

Thames, on the south by the River

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