

OUR COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

CAMPBELLTON.

Campbellton, N. B., May 19—Dudley W. Bain, of New York, spent last week negotiating with the Campbellton owners of the manse property in Gloucester county for development rights subject to purchase, but returned home last Saturday without any terms having been reached.

All the lumber drives in the country are safe in the boom, excepting Hascon's, which is reported to be stuck on the upper waters of the main Restigouche. All mills here will be in full operation this week.

A fishing party left today for Tide Head. It is composed of Messrs. Glover, Murray, Joudry, Kelly, Wan and Comau and will camp on Murray's Island. Sea trout are now in quantities.

Salmon were quite plentiful here last week and of a large size. Fly fishing has also commenced and breaks all previous records on the river as to date.

The steamer Dora and barque Capella are in port loading for Richards. About 15 new buildings will go up in Campbellton this summer besides extensive improvements on buildings. All kinds of laborers and mechanics are scarce here and wages high.

MONCTON.

Moncton, May 20—(Special)—This evening a committee from the I. C. R. waited upon J. T. Hawke and in a very tangible way expressed their appreciation of his interest in behalf of the workmen's schedule. The address presented was very complimentary and clearly voiced the sentiments of the men. The address was accompanied by a costly \$50 day clock and a gold watch and was suitably engraved, and a valuable set of silver spoons for Mrs. Hawke. Mr. Hawke replied in behalf of himself and wife and assured the men that he would take a deep interest in their welfare.

General Manager Pottinger and Manager Russell, of the I. C. R., left for Nova Scotia tonight on an inspection trip. Frederick K. L. Schwartz, lately with P. P. Reid & Co., left today for New York to take a position with a large wholesale house.

At the annual meeting of the Moncton Board of Trade tonight, Joshua Peters was elected president; F. W. Sumner, vice-president; J. H. Harris, secretary; and J. H. Harris, treasurer. The president was elected as representative to the executive of the Maritime Board. Members of council elected were: C. H. Harris, E. C. Cole, W. F. Humphrey, H. H. Ayer, Dr. C. A. Murray, R. Clark, C. W. Robinson, C. J. Omsah and O. M. Melanson, M. P. P.

Moncton, N. B., May 21—(Special)—Moncton school board will offer a position on the high school staff to Mr. Steveson, principal of the Dorchester schools. Fred. Adams, son of John Adams, formerly of Apohaqui, was married this morning to Miss Jennie Irving, sister of Conductor William Irving, of the I. C. R.

CHARLOTTETOWN.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., May 20—(Special)—Forest fire spread north of Truro this afternoon destroying the dwelling and barn of James Dawson, and burned the straw around neighboring buildings. The residents turned out for miles, including the employees of the Truro Woolen Mills, to prevent further damage. The wind was blowing a hurricane. While attempting to board a train at Summerside this morning Walter Wilson slipped under the wheels, which smashed his foot.

ST. STEPHEN.

St. Stephen, N. B., May 21—The St. Croix Festival Chorus under the management of W. H. Chapman, have made arrangements for their annual concert on June 24th in St. Croix Hall, Calais. Five stars will come from New York. J. T. Turner will be local manager. He intends removing all the side scenery and otherwise enlarging the stage.

Soedie Court, I. O. F., will run an excursion to Machias on the 24th. They will take the Maple Leaf Band and go on the Washington County line.

GAGETOWN.

Gagetown, May 20—Circuit court, over which Judge Tuck presided, opened at 2 o'clock this afternoon. An evening session was also held, after which court closed. Two criminal cases were on; one went to the grand jury and was thrown out. The case before the petit jury, Barnett vs. Short, resulted in a verdict for defendant. Besides His Honor, Judge Tuck, Hon. H. A. McKewen, E. P. Raymond, Mr. Simmons, Harvey Mitchell, S. Kintey, Daniel Palmer (Long Harbor), and many other visitors are in the village on court and other business.

Captain McFadden, of the dredge now at work at Springhill, is arranging for scows to convey the material which is being dredged off the bottom of the harbor. Some 400 cubic yards of earth and gravel are removed every day from the bar. The material is packed as hard as a macadamized street.

Interest is taken in the Scott Act cases to come up for trial before Police Magistrate Marsh tomorrow. The complainant

is Rev. J. J. Colter, who was the nominee some months ago of the W. C. T. U. and other temperance organizations for Scott Act inspector of this city. Two complaints have been laid, one against John McCoy and one against Howard Crangle. Mr. McCoy intends to fight the case and has retained counsel, while Rev. Mr. Colter and those associated with him have secured J. D. Phinney, K. C.

Fredericton, May 21—(Special)—There was evidence of great interest in the Scott Act proceedings in Judge Marsh's court this morning, as the attendance was large. The case on trial today was that against John McCoy, upon complaint of Rev. J. J. Colter. The charge was having sold intoxicating liquor on May 8. McCoy pleaded not guilty. Mr. McCoy was present, as was also the complainant and Rev. W. B. Rolfe, the minister. Rev. F. C. Hartley, Rev. Dr. McLeod, and Rev. A. D. Paul. Among the spectators were Ald. Moore, chairman of the administration of justice committee; Ald. Farrell, and Alms House Commissioner Boone, Mr. Phinney, K. C.; Mr. Barry, K. C.; R. W. McLellan, E. H. Peters and James Holland. Mr. Bleakney, the much talked of Scott act witness, was also present. Police Sergeant Phillips and Bert Lent gave evidence and then Peter S. Bleakney was called.

R. W. McLellan objected to the witness being sworn, upon the grounds that he did not believe in religion of any kind. With the consent of his honor and Mr. Phinney, Mr. McLellan was allowed to interrogate Mr. Bleakney. The witness stated that he was a member of the Free Baptist church at Pembroke, Carleton county. He believed in God and in future punishment.

Mr. McLellan asked leave to call witnesses to show that Bleakney had made statements at variance with what he was now stating, and said he could cite authorities for doing so, and which would go to show that Bleakney was not a competent witness. His honor did not think Mr. McLellan had the right to call such witnesses at the present stage, but he might, if authority allows, do so at a later stage.

Examined by Mr. Phinney, the witness said that he had resided at Woodville for about six years. He is a hostler and unmarried. He had been in Fredericton previous to the present occasion. He arrived here on the present visit on May 5. He was in the barroom at the Commercial Hotel on that day, Clarence MacLachlan of Millville, being with him. John McCoy was behind the counter and he served them with brandy. Later he bought and paid for a pint bottle of whiskey, which he took away with him and still had.

The bottle was produced in court, with memorandum upon label, written by the witness. Under cross-examination Bleakney swore that he was being paid \$5 a day and expenses by the temperance committee, and was being paid \$10 a week to be a member in good standing of the Free Baptist church, but was forced to admit in the presence of two clergymen of the denomination that he was not a member of the church, and that he took from one to nine glasses of liquor a day and that since coming to Fredericton he had been drinking. He had been intoxicated on one occasion. He took but one drink, he said, and was knocked out for nine hours.

Rev. Mr. Colter, counsel for the witness, also testified confirming Bleakney's statements in regard to his remuneration. The case will be resumed tomorrow morning.

Fredericton, May 21—(Special)—The following have been appointed visitors for the city and county of St. John: William E. Skillen, for the parish of St. Martin's; James Reedy, for Lenoaux; Fred S. Clineb, for Musquash, and Alexander Johnson, for Simonds. Rev. Donald Stewart, of St. Martin's, is authorized to solemnize marriages. Thomas McAvity, William H. Anorpe, William H. Barnaby, Harry W. DeForest, Ald. W. H. Chapman, Harvey Hayward, H. O. Smith, of St. John, and Geo. D. Prescott, Samuel T. Stevens, Isaac D. Prescott, of Albert county, are seeking incorporation as the St. John Steamship Company, Ltd. The capital stock is to be \$100,000, divided into 200 shares of \$50 each. Their object is to acquire the steamer Beaver for the Bay of Fundy service.

Fredericton, May 21—(Special)—Though not authentically announced it is understood that the late Mrs. A. E. Randolph has been very generous in his benefactions to public institutions. Among the bequests made is the gift of \$5,000 to Victoria Hospital and \$1,000 to the Baptist church of this city.

It is said that the horse breeders of Kings county wish to secure the English thoroughbred hunter to be sold here Friday. The Southwest Miramichi driver, which was expected to be in competition here yesterday, will not reach Hayes' farm, the limit, until Thursday or Friday.

SUSSEX.—Miss Nellie P. Ryan has returned from Cranbrook (B. C.), where she has been visiting friends for several months. Mrs. G. W. Fowler has gone to Toronto to visit her mother. Nat. Doherty, of Pictou, was in Sussex today.

Wm. H. Culbert, who was stricken with paralysis last Saturday morning, is much better today.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, May 20—(Special)—The hardware and tailor stores of the city will observe the holiday on the day on which the anniversary occurs, on Saturday.

The Victoria hospital has received as a gift an organ from Mrs. Davidson, who is about leaving the city. The Young Ladies Aid Society, through Miss Whitehead, has given a cheque in payment on account of their annual contribution. The hospital is also in receipt of a handsome Morris chair, the gift of a Scotch gentleman residing at Kenebec. There was a patient at the hospital and was greatly pleased with the treatment received.

T. Lynch and M. Welch each have about a million and a half of lumber stung up on the Upper South West Miramichi. Captain McFadden, of the dredge now at work at Springhill, is arranging for scows to convey the material which is being dredged off the bottom of the harbor. Some 400 cubic yards of earth and gravel are removed every day from the bar. The material is packed as hard as a macadamized street.

Hampton, May 21—(Special)—The body of the late Frank Tabor, of Lower Norton, was conveyed to the Rural cemetery on Friday last, followed by a long line of carriages. Many floral remembrances were placed on the casket by sorrowing relatives and friends, testifying to the respect felt for the departed. Service was held at the house of Rev. Mr. Shaw, beautiful words on the resurrection by St. Paul to the Corinthians being read by him. Hon. Mrs. Wm. H. Culbert, of the late Fairer Than Day, and Some Day You Will Understand were sung, and an address by the pastor on the wisdom of God in sending bereavement, was delivered. Interment was made in the cemetery overlooking the station village.

A good attendance of parishioners of Hampton met in Smith's Hall, Tuesday evening to welcome the new assistant, Rev. J. M. Glaston, and to receive a report of the financial condition of the parish. Music and songs were the principal entertainments of the evening, after a very satisfactory report of the financial status of the parish. Ice cream and cake were served by an efficient corps of ladies.

Steamer Clifton will run an excursion on the 24th of May, leaving St. John at 9 a. m., and Hampton 3 p. m. George Freeze will have his hotel, River-view, in full summer swing on May 24th. His new adjoined wagon will be placed on the route to accommodate excursionists—free to all patrons of the hotel. He has been making additions to the building giving four more comfortable rooms. A dormer window has been placed on the south side and a flag pole projects from the peak from which the Union Jack will, for the first time in years, set in the breeze. The grounds have been graded and flower beds and lawns have been laid out. The hotel is warranted to satisfy the most fastidious and tourists speak of it in the highest terms. The hotel is situated on the bridge from the station to the junction of the Norton & Hampton Village roads and is only five minutes' walk from Digby's Hotel. The hotel is within 100 yards of the hotel, making it convenient for boating or bathing. The view down the river from the station is magnificent and from Fairweather hill one can see past Rothesay. There is a mill case shop in connection with the fruit and candy department where all kinds of repairing is done to bicycles on shortest notice, where any disabled "bikes" may be at once repaired.

Miss Edith Williams, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nesbit, has returned home. Rev. Mr. DeForest, the popular teacher of the district school, is in town. Everett Redford, of Leproux, is spending a week at home. Service was held at the island Monday night by Rev. Mr. Laird. A large congregation attended.

Miss Mrs. George Parlee are visiting Mrs. S. K. Tobin. Mr. and Mrs. George Curry and Miss Curry, of Carter's Point, were guests of Mrs. George W. Words at this week.

The Bayswater hotel is being rapidly put in shape for the accommodation of its patrons. The hotel is now being completely renovated and besides additional rooms being added, the hotel has been thoroughly painted inside and outside. The new building is most attractive appearance.

Mr. Unkoff held services at the Elton meeting house Wednesday night. The congregation was very large, many coming from the surrounding districts. Wm. Soul lost a valuable horse. The animal died after a few days' sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards were visiting at Millville this week, the guests of Captain and Mrs. White. Planting is being greatly rewarded owing to the continuous cold, and the potato tops and vegetables that had attained a high state of ripeness have been ruined by the heavy frost of Tuesday night. McDona's Hra. are making extensive purchases of cattle and sheep, around this section of the country.

HOPEWELL HILL. Hopewell Hill, May 20—The weather continues unusually cold for the time of year. Miss Marie Stewart, of this place, who is teaching at Salem, met with quite a loss in the fire which burned the residence of John Oliver Steeves at Salem Saturday. Miss Stewart, who boarded at Mr. Steeves', was away at the time and lost all her clothing, except what she was wearing, as well as all of her other effects, and a considerable sum of money. Mr. Steeves' family were all away fighting forest fires in the vicinity. At latest reports the property is in danger.

Work is progressing on the foundation for the new Methodist parsonage at Albert. The contract calls for a dwelling, a parsonage, a school and barn. The main building is two stories with French roof. The buildings will add much to the appearance of the upper corner.

Alderman W. K. Gross and Mrs. Gross, of Moncton, visited the latter's home here this week. Peter Milburn has moved into his new house at Curryville.

A. W. Smithers has gone to Mount Whately to attend a meeting of the Sheldia deansy. Miss Gertrude Cummings has returned to her home, after having spent a couple of weeks with friends in the United States.

May 24 is to be recognized in Truro as a public holiday. This will be the first Sunday for more than two decades on which the places of business have been closed. S. G. Chambers, manager of the Electric Lighting Company, has gone to Boston and New York with his young son.

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Mrs. H. V. Bigelow is entertaining her cousin, Miss Isabelle Chipman, of Dartmouth.

KINGSTON. Kingston, May 20—Mrs. Carter has returned to Kingston for the summer after having spent the winter in New York with her daughter, Mrs. Catlin.

W. S. Carter and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Carter. J. S. Sydney (C. B.) is visiting Mrs. Justice Pickert. Mrs. Cranfill spent a few days with Mrs. Charles Bruce.

The Kingston cornet band will give a public holiday. This will be the first Sunday for more than two decades on which the places of business have been closed. S. G. Chambers, manager of the Electric Lighting Company, has gone to Boston and New York with his young son. The thermometer was down to 20.4 last night and ice froze in many places sufficiently to carry the small boys. Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, of Halifax, spent Saturday and Sunday in town with their son, George H. Jewer. Mrs. H. V. Bigelow is entertaining her cousin, Miss Isabelle Chipman, of Dartmouth.

Lasts a Lifetime.

That is just what they say of Vapo-Cresolene. The vaporizer practically indigestible and the Cresolene is certainly not expensive. It is a treating affection of the throat is most economical, and is a most effective. Our little picture illustrates how it's used. You put one Cresolene in the vaporizer, plug lamp beneath, and then breathe in the soothing, healing vapor for whooping-cough and croup, a perfect specific. A Vapo-Cresolene outfit, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, costs \$1.50. Extra supplies of Cresolene and Cresolene Tablets, and a bottle of Cresolene and Tablets free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 100 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

musical and literary concert in the hall here on Friday, the 23rd inst. The proceeds are to be expended in maintaining the band.

A hand stand is being built this week on the square by the Kingston Cornet Band. They intend having it finished by the 24th.

NORTON. Norton, May 21—F. H. McNair, who has sold Brooklyn farm, near the station, has moved to St. John. Rev. Father Byrne is recovering from a recent severe illness. G. G. Scovill, M. P. P., and Mrs. Scovill were in the village Saturday on their way home from Los Angeles, where the former had been attending the High Court I. O. F.

BELYEA'S COVE. Belyea's Cove, May 19—Ernest M. Craft returned from Boston, where he had gone for work. Harold E. Craft, of Medford (Mass.), is visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Craft. Mr. Craft has been very sick for the past week.

Miles L. Webster lost a piece of his finger while sawing lumber in his father's mill. Mr. and Mrs. James Mott, of Springfield, were the guests of Councillor J. A. Mott Sunday.

Arthur W. Wetmore and Ralph Oakley were in town Sunday with friends at Central Cambridge.

The weather continues cold and backward with high winds.

TRURO. Truro, May 20—Hon. P. A. Lawrence is having his residence on Prince street, enlarged and improved under supervision of Angus McDonald.

Frank Wilson, contractor, has begun the excavation for the new Academy building. It will probably be ready for occupancy by the end of the holidays. It will cost more than \$30,000.

An energetic Maitland man is spending time and money in beautifying a spot at the end of the Mainland Railway, between Truro and Windsor for picnic grounds. On the premises are an immense cave, a half hour's walk into the earth and an immense lime mountain. It will be a popular resort.

Pneumonia has been very prevalent here this spring. The death rate from this disease has been very high. The Truro edition of the newspaper in this town edited by C. W. Lunn, has ceased publication for the present. The Times-Guardian dropped out about a year ago. There are a daily, a weekly and a tri-weekly still struggling. Truro was overstocked in this as in many other lines. The Searchlight was a Saturday sheet, published in the interests chiefly of the railway men and labor organizations. These gave it much better moral than financial support.

The Epworth League met this evening at the Methodist church. Miss Gussie Morton with a handsome teacher's Bible in recognition of Miss Morton's loyal support of and activity in the League during her residence in Truro, and on the eve of her proposed departure for Toronto, where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. A. J. Dove. Miss Morton was one of the vice-presidents of the League last year and had particular charge over the social department. She is a daughter of Rev. A. D. Morton, ex-president of the Nova Scotia Methodist conference, and sister of Dr. Charles Morton, of Port Greville.

Two more Truro boys are off for South Africa. John Hay, son of John Hay, merchant tailor, and Harry Donkin, son of late Station Master Donkin. Hay goes as a corporal in the troopship, while young Donkin is going into commercial enterprises.

FOR THE TILLERS OF THE SOIL.

IN A MODEL DAIRY. Cooling and Bottling Room of the Fairfield Dairy Farm. In Dairy and Creamery Nelson W. McLean gives an interesting account of the big Fairfield dairy farm at Montserrat, N. J. The article is profusely illustrated. The illustration herewith reproduced shows the room in which the milk is cooled and bottled.

As soon as the milk is drawn it is taken to the milkroom and strained into large light milk cans, and in the full cans, four in a group, are carried by an endless overhead wire cable to the dairy building, which is located on slightly lower ground about fifty rods distant from the barn. There the milk is delivered in the second story.

COOLING MILK AND FILLING THE BOTTLES. where it is emptied into a three compartment strainer containing three felt strainers. From the strainers the milk runs over a huge steel roller and aerator in a large file, washed, and floored sterilized milkroom on the first floor. From the cooler the milk runs into the bottling tank and is bottled in sterilized bottles, sealed and put in crates, twelve quart bottles in each crate, and the space between the bottles filled with chipped ice and salt, then loaded on large horse trucks for delivery at the railway station or at the distributing depots.

SILO AND ENSILAGE. The cost of growing corn, cutting it and putting it in the silo has been variously reported at almost all figures from \$1 to \$3 per ton, says American Cultivator. It is not doubtful that it has been done for the smaller sum when the land has been made rich and well cultivated and the most modern improvements were at hand to do the work, but we think a fair average would be nearer double that with the ordinary farmer even in a favorable season. But there are not many who would like to grow roots for feeding to stock at that price. Certainly we know of none who would grow them to sell at that price, and few would care to grow them at \$4 per ton if they could grow other crops and find a ready cash market for them. As regards the value of them, an average of the various reports shows that the same amount of each fed with equal rations of hay and grain resulted a little in favor of the roots, but this was more than offset by the two facts that the roots cannot be kept in as good condition for late spring or summer feeding as can the ensilage and that there is more apt to be a crop failure from drought or other causes with the roots than with the corn. The droughts of the two past years have led many to believe that having ensilage to feed in the summer, when pastures are growing poorer, is almost as much important as having them, an average of the various reports shows that the same amount of each fed with equal rations of hay and grain resulted a little in favor of the roots, but this was more than offset by the two facts that the roots cannot be kept in as good condition for late spring or summer feeding as can the ensilage and that there is more apt to be a crop failure from drought or other causes with the roots than with the corn.

What is the best style of silo is still a mooted question. The round style silo has been very popular for several years largely because it is the cheapest form of silo that can be erected. When properly built and properly taken care of, it also seems to be fairly durable. Next in favor is the square or rectangular silo, with cut off corners. This makes an excellent silo. The remaining style is the round silo built wholly of stone and brick or with part stone and brick and above that a wooden structure with studding set in the wall and covered outside and inside with thin boards that will bend to a circle, with a quality of building paper between the boards. It goes without saying that a silo built of stone or brick or a combination of stone and brick will be more durable than any structure built of wood and in some places perhaps not more expensive.

Doesn't Like Cows. A dairy farmer in Carlisle, Pa., with 200 cows does not like cowpeas for food for his herd. He sowed two acres, and the yield was good, but the cows refused to eat them. He thinks they might do for southern cows that cannot get a square meal without taking a mountain walk of a mile more. He cannot understand how well fed cows can be induced to eat them. But there are farmers who claim that both cows and horses eat them greedily and seem to prefer them to other food, says the American Cultivator. But, if all do not, and it seems to be an acquired taste, and as they are as difficult to cure as hay, we see no reason for urging a trial of them on northern farmers or those who do not grow clover, which seems to suit the appetite of all our animals and which produces nearly if not quite as much food per acre as the cowpeas and as much milk per ton of dry or green food as any crop grown. The Massachusetts experiment station has spent much time and some money in testing various fodder crops, but we think it has not yet found any better than a combination of corn fodder and clover, which seems to furnish in almost any fertile soil to grow food that all animals like and thrive on, whether green or dry cured, and that leave the land in as good if not better condition for future crops as any crop that have been tried.

Leg and Body Wash. Tuttle's Elixir. Tuttle's American Compound Powders. Tuttle's Elixir. Tuttle's American Compound Powders. Tuttle's Elixir. Tuttle's American Compound Powders.

BUTTER FROM SIBERIA.

Germany and England's Principal Markets For Increased Output. In the year 1871 the first dairy school in Russia was founded by the government of Tver, and two others soon followed, by the governments of Riazan and Toula. At this time melted butter only was exported from Russia, and Turkey was almost the only market, which accumulates in often kept with a chance that not only may the sour cream injure the entire lot of butter, but there is almost certain to be a direct financial loss to the dairyman in another way. It is difficult and almost impossible to obtain an accurate sample of sour cream, and the creamery which receives it has great difficulty in making a proper test. Gas bubbles and increasing viscosity or gumminess, are at the bottom of the trouble. In nine cases out of ten the error in sampling will be in the direction of giving a lower result. In other words, a creamery patron who sells his cream in a sweet condition will get a larger check than the one who sells sour cream, even though the quantities of each are the same and the two creams were of the same quality or contained the same amount of butter fat in the beginning. The chances are always in favor of an inaccurate test. Rather than urge creameries to make any special efforts to test sour cream properly the energy in this direction should be expended in securing the cream in a sweet condition. No creamery ought to receive sour cream. If creamery patrons cannot see how much it is to their interests as well as to the interests of the creamery to keep the cream sweet, an indirect test may be laid upon them in this way by giving them the low test which sour cream is likely to receive.

Judging Butter. A really good judge of butter-edges is the Michigan experimental station, states that it is his judgment that "a cow yields as rich milk as a heifer as she will as a mature cow."

What is the opinion of our readers on this question? asks Hoard's Dairyman. Does the cow give as rich milk in her first milking term as when she has become mature?

We concur in a strong leaning toward the idea that if a heifer is to become a good one she will give evidence of that fact usually in her first term.

John Albright in an address before the New York Dairyman's association said:

Test and weigh the milk of each cow for three consecutive days of each month. Of course a composite sample is taken which will give the average test for the three days and will necessitate only one actual test. In making these tests it may not be discovered that some of the herd are kept at an actual loss, while others are yielding a good profit. The manipulation of the test is so simple that with a little study every farmer can use it for his purpose with sufficient accuracy.

Hard to Keep Up Price. Albany (N. Y.) milk dealers are having difficulty in maintaining the retail price at 8 cents per quart. The demand has fallen off somewhat on account of the increase of 2 cents, and some dealers, rather than carry their milk back home, have been cutting the price to 6 cents.

Skill in Milking. Milking is an operation which requires skill, as it has an important effect on the amount and quality of milk given. Dairymen know that there are as great differences between milkers as between cows and that cows work much better with good milkers than with others. Indeed, good cows are often almost ruined by poor milkers. The milkster should avoid handling the cow more than is necessary, and he should make it a rule to do his work quickly and thoroughly. He should never go from a sick to a well cow without first cleansing his hands. The habit of wetting his hands with milk is filthy in the extreme and should never be practiced. Some people think it necessary, but this is a mistake. The hands should be kept dry. If they are not, it is impossible to prevent them from getting into the milk.

The milk should be held close to the udder, so as to expose the milk to the air as little as possible. The farther the streams fall and the more they spray about the udder and between the teats, the more dirt and bacteria they collect. Contamination from the fore milk must be avoided by discharging the first few streams drawn, or less than a gill in all. This entails little loss, as the first gill of milk is always poor in butter fat, and it is frequently the case, much injury and trouble may be saved. —Farm, Field and Stockman.

Cleanliness the Prime Requisite. A writer says, "The prime requisite in making good butter is cleanliness, which must begin as far back as the food for the cows, the water they drink, the air they breathe and the place they live in."

Will Summer Silo Pay? An Allentown (N. J.) correspondent writes to Hoard's Dairyman: "My cows earned \$74 last year. My feed is four pounds wheat bran, four pounds dried brewers' grains and two pounds cottonseed meal, with silage night and morning and corn fodder at noon. I keep my cows in a good, warm stable most of the time. I think it would pay to have a summer silo and not bother with fodder corn when the summer drought comes. What do you think?"

To which the Dairyman replies: "We have all confidence in the idea that ensilage in summer pays a big profit. Some build a special silo for it, narrow and high, so that when heat prevails each day's feeding will go deeper into the sweet silage, for the surface must of necessity be quite sour, exposed to the air and heat as it is. Others fill the big silo enough more to feed in summer. Whichever way is tried we are sure silage with ensilage is the cheapest, easiest and best."

Shipping Butter to London From St. John, N. B. But as the result of government inspections of the export butter it is reported that 15 per cent is rated excellent, 40 per cent satisfactory and the remainder of mediocre quality or lower. The annual export of butter from Russia is now about 25,000,000 pounds. Rather more than one-fourth of this goes to Germany, a little less to England, about one-sixth to Finland and the rest for most of it to Turkey and Austria. The portion to Finland is really in transit, being exported again, mainly to Denmark. The London market alone takes 5,000,000 pounds of Russian butter a year, imported either directly or by way of Denmark.

The illustration and accompanying information are taken from a pamphlet issued by the bureau of animal industry under United States department of agriculture. The pamphlet contains a report of the dairy products at the Paris exposition.

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