

AGRICULTURAL.

Hints for the Month of March. Spring begins the 20th of March, at 6.30 p.m., but spring work began some time since in the South and Southwest.

Lay plans for the year without delay. The forthright man works to great advantage. He loses no time; everything is done at the proper moment.

Hired men are now engaged to begin work April 1st. The season usually consists of 8 or 9 months, leaving the men idle about one quarter of the year.

The change of weather often exposes men working in the open air to great risks. To keep the feet dry is very necessary.

Horses' feet should be well cared for in the slushy condition of the roads. When brought in from work, horses should be well rubbed down with a piece of blanket, and the feet and legs thoroughly dried.

Water is to be let off from the fields and roads before the ground is deeply thawed. This will avoid wasteful and annoying washing of gulleys.

Desires should be inspected and the outlets cleared of clogging ice and snow. The soil may be sown this month upon the bare ground after a light frost.

Harvesting Fall Grain is in order as soon as the ground is dry. It will help to cover up plants that have been loosened by heaving, and will aid weed plants to push ahead.

Artificial Fertilizing seems to be the most important question now before farmers. It is a comparatively new thing here.

Want of care during the winter leaves a cow very poor and weak in the spring. Any animal that is out of condition should be well cared for now.

Black-leg in Cattle is frequent just now. It mainly affects the best kept animals. To prevent it give sulphur and molasses, and feed no meal.

Cattle—A calf that is invested with vermin may be known by its rough coat covered with ticks. The young animals should be freed from these pests at once.

Sheep—A few ounce doses of a mixture of equal parts of sulphur and cream of tartar will relieve the irritation of the skin common in the early spring.

Lambs—Early lambs may be pushed forward by giving them a little fresh cow's milk. They will soon learn to drink this from a pail.

Swine—Separate breeding sows from other pigs, and provide them with a warm dry pen, bedded with leaves or cut straw.

Spring-Work—The first work is to replace fences laid by the winter storms. There is nothing gained by plowing too early.

Poultry—Unless great cleanliness is observed, the poultry-houses will become offensive and unwholesome in the damp and warmer weather.

Tools—Every implement needs overhauling, and many will require repairing. This is the last opportunity of getting things "to-rights" before they will be needed.

Landy things to have: A box of copper rivets and nuts, a coil of stout copper wire, a few dozen mixed screws, an assortment of carriage bolts, an ax and a few wax ends.

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DESPATCHES.

CHALOTTETOWN, February 22.—A terrific snowstorm raged here all day yesterday. The snow in the railway cuttings is from 16 to 20 feet high, and the railway is completely blocked.

Great anxiety is felt for the safety of the "Northern Light," which has been in the Straits since Tuesday last. It is rumored that the Right Rev. Casper H. Burgess, Catholic Bishop of Detroit, has forwarded his resignation to the Pope.

CINCINNATI, February 23.—The financial troubles of Archbishop Purcell appear to increase by later developments. The trustees appointed to audit claims decline to make a public statement, but it is stated that claims already filed amount to \$3,600,000.

LONDON, February 23.—A Dublin despatch states that Dr. Butt is slightly better. A correspondent denies the statement that Dr. Butt is about to resign the leadership of the Home Rulers.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 23.—Prince Knapiatnik, Governor of Charkoff, returning Friday night from a ball, was fired at with a revolver and severely wounded. The perpetrator is unknown.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 23.—The Archbishop of Adrianople is not dead, but severely injured. He was assaulted on account of his Turkish sympathies.

ROME, February 22.—The Pope to-day received representatives of 1,300 Catholic publications issued in Europe and America, and addressed them on the influence and mission of the press.

LOAN, February 22.—The river Garonne burst its embankment at La Bastide Comon. It is feared lives have been lost; great excitement and floods have occurred at Bayonne, Tarbes and Bordeaux.

LENOX, February 22.—There is no apparent reason to credit the rumor of the resignation of Marcere, French Minister of the Interior.

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Dublin, February 24.—Dr. Butt's health has decidedly improved. Some renewal of disturbances on the Albanian frontier of Serbia is likely to lead to recrimination between Serbia and the Porte.

London, February 24.—A correspondent at Tirnova repeats positively that agents of Austria are intriguing to promote an Austrian occupation of the country from Novi-Bazar and the Aegean Sea.

Congratulatory telegrams from the Czar were received at the opening of the Bulgarian Assembly. The Czar cautions the Bulgarians against embarrassing Russia by imprudences.

BENIN, February 24.—It is stated that Roumanian evacuation of Arababia is due to Gortschakoff's having used violently threatening language on the subject.

PARIS, February 24.—Despite the protectionist campaign, the movement in favor of a treaty of commerce between France and the United States receives numerous adhesions daily.

The Bureau of the Senate appointed a committee on the amnesty bill, eight of the nine members of which favor the bill as it was passed by the Deputies.

The conflict of the city with the Government with regard to the municipalities grant to Communists has been compromised by confiding the distribution of the relief fund to the Prefect of Seine.

The appointment of Albert Grey as Governor of Algeria is now scarcely doubtful. New York, February 24.—Miss Mary Dalton, daughter of the late Police Captain Dalton, has become insane over disappointment.

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Miscellaneous.

Russian dissenters from the Greek Church are now computed at 15,000,000. Strangely to say, there are not enough lawyers in the lower house of the North Carolina Legislature to make a judiciary committee.

The latest organization for mutual protection is that of the farmers of Georgia and North and South Carolina, who have combined to resist the exactions of dealers in fertilizers.

The Lighting Committee of the Paris municipality have reported in favor of a twelve-months' experiment of electricity in certain streets and squares; the prices limited to 2 1/2 cents per hour.

Sporting men in Connecticut are alarmed at the discovery that there is upon the statute books a provision that every horse used in races on which any wager is to be laid or any race or stake offered shall be forfeited to the State.

Finance and Commerce.

Weekly Review of Trade—Wholesale Prices.

February 21, 1879.

The wholesale trade of our city during the past week has, on the whole, shown signs of increased activity. In many of the branches of trade, this activity was mainly caused by the importations of merchants, who are buying largely in order to avoid the higher duties anticipated in the new tariff.

The financial market, with the exception of an increased demand for money on the part of merchants, with which to pay duties, has not undergone any extensive change.

The Stock Market, a week ago, was strong and active, but has now become weak and declining. With the exception of Bank of Montreal, which shows an advance of from 2 1/2 per cent, the various stocks have, as a general rule, declined in price.

The following is a comparative statement of the condition of Canadian stocks in Montreal on the dates mentioned: Feb. 19, 1879. Feb. 20, 1879.

Table with columns: Feb. 19, 1879. Feb. 20, 1879. Sellers. Buyers. Sellers. Buyers. Bank of Montreal, 132 135 131 134.

Superior Extra, \$4 45 @ 4 55. Extra Superfine, 4 45 @ 4 55. Spring Extra, 4 10 @ 4 15.

PRODUCE.—Wheat—Receipts by railway during the week, 43,600 bushels. The market has been active and almost nominal.

GROCERIES.—There has been a pretty fair business transacted during the week, which was altogether owing to the expected change in the tariff.

TEAS.—In tea, the transactions have been chiefly confined to Japan, ranging from 27c to 35c. The other kinds sold at the following prices: Young Hysons, 23c to 25c.

COFFEES.—The demand was almost wholly for the mild grades of coffees, the common sorts being quite neglected. Prices: Java and Mocha, 20c to 22c; Singapore, 21c to 24c.

SUGARS.—The largest transactions were in Granulated and Extra C at 8 1/2c to 9c for the former, and 7 1/2c to 8c for the latter.

FRUITS.—Transactions in fruit were light, but holders were firm at current rates. The latter are as follows: Raisins—Valencia, 3 1/2c to 4c; Layers, \$1.50 to \$1.75; Loose Muscovado, \$1.50 to \$1.70; London Layers, \$1.50 to \$1.70.

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\$2; Extra Black Crown \$3.75 to \$4; Sultanas, new, \$9 to \$9.50; Sultanas, old, \$4.75 to \$5.00; Currants, old, \$2.50 to 3.00; currants, new, \$4.25 to 5.75.

Pepper—Black, 9c to 9 1/2c; White, 18c to 20c; Allspice, 15c to 16c; Cloves, 40c to 45c; Cassia, 17c to 20c; Ginger, Jamaica, bleached, 23c to 25c; do, unbleached, 21c to 22c.

Fig.—There has been a good demand for most grades, with prices tending upwards. Stocks of salted fish are generally light, and it is estimated that there are not over 400 barrels of Labrador herrings and 100 of salmon, in the city.

Oil.—A sale of 800 barrels of Raw Linc. Oil was reported at between 51c and 52c. In other kinds, comparatively little was done.

LEATHER.—Trade has been very quiet, with little immediate prospect of much improvement. There was less than usual doing in the country, and roads being the chief cause.

HIDES.—This market has been very quiet during the past week, enquiries being few and far between. Tanners showed no inclination to lay in any stocks at the present prices.

Men's Kip Boots, \$2.25 to \$3.00. French Calf, \$2.25 to \$3.75. Buff Congress, \$1.50 to \$2.00.

DRY GOODS.—On the whole, the business done during the past week was, so far as can be judged, considerably in excess of that done at the commencement of the year.

FURS.—There is no change to report in furs, and none will occur until the March sales in London. Trade was generally dull at quotations.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Trade on the whole has been rather quiet, with the exception of some considerable purchases of heavy chemicals in expectation of an advance in duties.

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DAVE PHELOMENE LEBLANC HAS THIS DAY SUEED AT MONTREAL, her husband, ALFRED PHELOMENE, of Montreal, merchant, for separation of property.

WEEKLY TEST. Number of Purchasers served during week ending Feb. 22nd, 1879.

CLEARING PRICES. Our White Cottons are much cheaper than usual.

CURTAINS! CURTAINS! Over 500 pairs of Lace, Muslin, Leno, Egyptian, Java, Smyrna, and French Curtains have just arrived.

LARGE DIAPER TOWELS, 11c EACH. Beautiful large Diaper Towels, worth 15c, reduced to 11c each.

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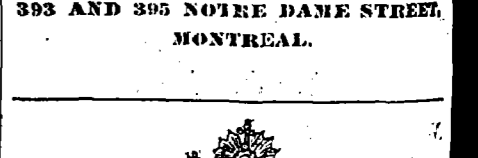
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