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**FRUIT GROWERS TAKE NOTICE**

The article entitled "Nova Scotia Apples in the London Market", which appears elsewhere in our columns this week, will, we venture to say, be read with surprise by the fruit growers and public generally of this valley. We have been told so many times of success attained by our apples in the English market that it seems incredible that such conditions exist as are reported by the writer of the article in question. It is very evident that a decided change of policy must be adopted regarding apple shipments to the old country if we are in future to regain and retain the markets which we have so long been encouraged to regard as ours to an especial degree. We recommend a careful perusal on the part of our fruit growers of Dr. Schwartz's statement, which should be, if not pleasing, decidedly interesting reading. If the picture which he paints is even in a measure correct the time has unquestionably arrived for a decided change of front on the part of the fruit growers of this section regarding the selection, packing and marketing of apples. There is no doubt about our ability to demonstrate that we can supply superior stock if we only go at it in the right way.

**CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY**

The late civic elections in Halifax revealed what the press of that city terms "a deplorable apathy" on the part of the citizens. Less than thirty per cent. of the electors are said to have polled their votes. The result of such a lack of interest is bound to be detrimental to the prosperity of any community, and it is no wonder that affairs in the provincial capital are in a state of chaos.

But Halifax is not the only place where citizens fail to recognize their responsibilities. In practically every town in Nova Scotia last winter difficulty was experienced in securing men who were willing to take their places at the council board. This in many cases undoubtedly opened the way to those of very meagre qualifications other than an ambition to handle public money. Even where good men have been secured too often they received little support from the constituents and very small interest was shown in their meetings. We need today a public awakening to the fact that "no man liveth unto himself". When it is once realized that the interest of the community is always of more importance than that of the individual civic conditions will receive an impetus that will spell a greater prosperity. Every town needs that its citizens should be willing to loyally enter into every undertaking that tends to improve its conditions and make it a better place in which to reside.

**A CHANGE NEEDED**

THE ACADIAN confesses its disappointment over Premier Armstrong and the session of the provincial legislature just closed. Either the former fails to measure up to the needs of the responsible position which he lately assumed or there is reason for believing that the government of Nova Scotia needed a change of heart more than a change of head to make it an effective instrument for the administration of public affairs.

When Hon. Mr. Armstrong assumed office some months ago this paper pointed out that a great opportunity confronted him for usefulness. We indicated some of the changes required to place Nova Scotia on a footing with the other provinces of the Dominion. We hoped that the late session would have seen some of these inaugurated and were encouraged to expect at least that a move would be made to abolish the expensive and useless upper house and provide a more economical and effective measure of legislative expenditures. Nothing was done along this line or in fact any other so far as public welfare is concerned, and the utterances of the premier fail to furnish any hope for future improvement. THE ACADIAN is disappointed because the new premier is a native of Kings county and we are always glad to chronicle that a Kings county man has made good. Such, however, in the present instance we unfortunately cannot consistently do.

In the matter of the administration of public affairs Nova Scotians have shown themselves a long-suffering people, and it cannot be expected but that the time will come when with them patience will no longer be regarded as a virtue. It seems not unlikely that some day in the not very remote future they may decide to take drastic measures in order to place Nova Scotia fairly in line for the progress which should result from the expenditure of the large amount of money which its people annually provide for public purposes. Whether the change comes through the formation of a government composed of farmers, conservatives, laborites or whatnot makes very little difference, provided a due appreciation for public interests is realized by those in charge. Too long party affiliations have been allowed to prejudice the people of Nova Scotia and made possible the wasteful and antiquated methods which today characterize our public affairs.

**THE PRICE OF POTATOES**

(From Capper's Weekly)

The Michigan farmer's 24-cents-a-bushel potatoes for which a Virginia woman paid \$1.20, or five times what the man who grew the potatoes received, interests the Washington Daily News, whose readers are potato consumers. The man who grew the potatoes owned or rented land which he plowed, harrowed and fertilized. Then he bought seed potatoes, cut them for planting, put them in the ground, plowed and hoed them several times, sprayed them to save them from the potato beetle, dug them up, cleaned them, dried them, graded them, hauled them to market—and got 24 cents for them.

The News discovers that the man who bought the potatoes put them in a car with a lot of other potatoes, shipped them

to a commission merchant, who sold them without seeing them to the retailer, who sold them to the woman.

During this process the price was doubled, then tripled, then quadrupled and finally made five times the figure the grower got who in partnership with God produced the potatoes. He worked and sweated to sell them for 24 cents. The dealers divided a gross profit of 400 per cent.

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**NOVA SCOTIA COAL**

Should be Advertised in Other Provinces

(From our Special Correspondent) Echoes from the Press Gallery, House of Assembly, Halifax, April 27th, 1923.—Mr. Terris, Member for Cumberland introduced a resolution recommending that the Government appoint an agent for the purpose of advertising Nova Scotia Coal in Upper Canada and extending our coal trade in Ontario.

The Premier and Commissioner of Mines came back at Mr. Terris like a meat axe and wanted to know if the Honorable Member for Cumberland wanted the Government to advertise our coal as you advertise our butter, eggs and cheese.

In his ire, the Premier swept Mr. Terris off his feet, and forced him into silence. As the session wore on, the Premier grew more and more peevish until he became as fretful as a porcupine and quite as prickly.

This was not only a manifestation of peevishness but a display of dire ignorance of what constitutes the advertising of different kinds of fuel.

This is an art which requires expert skill. Each different kind of fuel requires a different method of handling in the matter of draft and application to the fire. Persons accustomed to anthracite coal in their furnaces could not get results with coke or soft coal without instructions or experience. Different kinds of coke, different kinds of bituminous coal from different seams have variations in their physical properties which require various forms of handling.

This is why persons we come in contact with and with whom we discuss coal will declare that the particular fuel they are using is the ideal thing and that they had tried other kinds of fuel with unsatisfactory results. They had learned to use one particular kind of fuel and did not know how to handle the others.

Coke is the complete substitute for hard or anthracite coal. There is no purpose for which anthracite coal can be used to which coke in some form can not be applied with equal satisfaction. There is also much less waste in coke. Usually from twenty to twenty-five percent of the refuse thrown out from hard coal is good combustible matter unless the heidiously dirty system of screening ashes is resorted to. In the use of coke there need be practically no combustible matter thrown out.

For open grates and cook stoves, there is no better coal in the world than some of the Nova Scotia coals, and for steam purposes they cannot be excelled.

The coal advertising referred to by Mr. Terris did not refer to samples in the store windows and market places

like "Butter, eggs and cheese" or placards saying "Coal for Sale in Nova Scotia" or "Nova Scotia coal for sale here;" but to give instructions as to how various fuels must be used to get full results. This is the purpose of having Alberta Coal distributed throughout Toronto in half ton lots. This was the purpose for which the Nova Scotia Coal companies sent expert firemen to Montreal and the New England States years ago to teach men how to use culm in large steam plants. As a result millions of tons of the fine coal dust which formerly was thrown away on the duff or refuse banks, have been sold and today these enormous "Duff banks" have disappeared. Even this fine stuff which for so long was considered worthless, makes good fuel when fired in a manner to bring about its proper combustion.

These are the problems involved in the advertising of coal which the Minister of Mines ridiculed so heartily in the House of Assembly.

**PATRONIZE CANADIAN TALENT**

The intelligent stranger who visits Wolfville must smile at the gusto with which the inhabitants hail the advent of musicians from Boston at concerts given here. Boston is not the seat of grand opera like Montreal and New York. Even New York was obliged to invite Mr. Fleck from the banks of the St. Lawrence to be director of its Metropolitan Conservatory, and send get Laurendeau's orchestra, Saucier, the soloist, and Eva Gauthier, the operatic and ballad artist, to delight its audiences. When the list of such musicians, who in the past and present have hailed Montreal and its vicinity as their place of origin, is known, it will be understood that Boston does not hold such a high place musically.

Albert Clark-Jeanotte, Maestro Louis Hasselmanns, Louise Edvina, Arthur Huberty, Beatrice La Balme, Carmen Meis, Maestro Jacchia, George Hirst (late of Covent Garden), M. Decellier (late of the Opera Comique of Paris and also formerly of the Milan Italian Opera), Armando Agnini and Maria Marti. Then add to the above members of the Montreal Grand Opera the former list of those belonging to the Montreal territorial district, Marie Lajeunesse (Albani), "Donalda", Lavallee, Dubois, LeBlanc, Daudelin, Ducharm, Cramazie, Tremblay are a few of their names. Two other grand opera artists belonging to the Montreal Grand Opera Company and of European note are residents of Montreal. La Harmonie St. Jean and the Royal Scots Band, of Montreal, also are known in all the centres where good music is admired. As for the lesser lights they are more abundant and of better and more interesting

quality than any possible to be gotten in Boston. Then why go to Boston when better can be had in Canada? Montreal was the earliest musical centre in America—where the memories of the old Franco-Norman songs yet linger. One of the early violinists, de Prum, was descended from von Prum who in the eleventh century discovered and introduced the laws and combinations of harmony into music, which before that time was either played in unison or with obscure and indefinite chords.—Contributed.

**WHEN BUYING A NEW CAR**

There are 10 important points that a buyer should consider carefully before selecting a new car. They are:

1. Economy.
2. Power.
3. Flexibility.
4. Durability.
5. Comfort.
6. Safety.
7. Convenience.
8. Easy riding qualities.
9. Beauty.
10. Style.

Each of these points should be carefully studied in the order named.

The Missouri editors, it is said, are refusing to publish obituary notices of people who during their lives fail to subscribe for their home town paper, claiming that people who do not take the home paper are dead anyway and their mere passing is of no news value.

**Potatoes!**

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**Use The Long Distance Telephone And Keep Your Customers**

One of the Country Storekeeper's worries comes to him when, after his wholesaler's traveller has gone, he finds that in giving his order he forgot an important item. What's he going to do about it?

It won't help much to wait for the traveller's next visit.

For, owing to the perversity of luck in such matters, it's likely that in the meantime he will have many demands for the article he is "out of" and that may mean not only lost custom but lost customers.

It's not a good plan either to decide to write about it. His memory slipped up once; it may slip up again. The letter may never be written.

The Long Distance Telephone is the real standby in such a case.

A call for his wholesaler—just while the matter is in his mind—will get his attention in quick time; the order will be promptly amended and the Storekeeper will be able to assure enquiring customers that the goods are ordered and "on the way".

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