

CANADA FARM OPERATIONS

Report From Census Office Shows Acreage and Condition of Crops

WHEAT INCREASE IN PRAIRIE COUNTRY

Backward Spring Prevents Farmers Sowing Grain Early Date

Ottawa, June 24.—The census and statistics office has today issued a report on the crops and live stock of Canada, as reported to date of June 15. In all parts of Canada the crops have been delayed this year. The months of April and May were cold and wet, and farmers were unable to get on their land until late. Fall wheat that had been sown suffered much injury from hard frosts, and spring operations have been two to three weeks later than usual.

Yet the reports from all the provinces are very satisfactory. Grain crops and grasses are growing thrifty, and excepting in some localities of the maritime provinces, where the rainfall has been light, there is promise of an excellent harvest.

Wheat, the great staple crop of the country, has a reported area of 7,750,000 acres, which is 1,140,000 acres more than last year. In the maritime provinces and Quebec there is little change, but in Ontario the area is less by 105,000 acres, of which 58,300 acres is fall wheat. Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta show an area of 6,875,000 acres, being 1,255,000 acres more than last year.

The condition of fall wheat at the middle of June was 35 per cent. of the standard, and spring wheat 25 per cent. of the standard for a full crop. The area of oats in the Dominion is 3,302,500 acres, which is 1,351,500 acres more than last year, and its condition is reported as 52.33 per cent. Barley, the cereal crop next in importance has a total area of 1,854,950 acres, or 119,200 acres more than last year, and its condition is 51.49 per cent. The province of Ontario shows the largest area of oats, with 1,412,200 acres, and also the largest area of hay and clover, with 3,535,000 acres. Quebec is next highest in hay and clover, with 2,924,000 acres. The province has also 1,574,100 acres in oats. Saskatchewan has 1,347,000 acres in oats, Manitoba 1,390,000 acres and Alberta 320,000 acres. In the maritime provinces, the total area in oats is 529,000 acres.

At the end of June, 1906, there were 122,595 farms in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. In 1908 the number of farms had increased to 190,284, or by 108,689 acres. In the two and one half years increase of 4,392 in Saskatchewan, 41,423 in Alberta, 22,020. But these figures do not take account of farm lands purchased from railway companies and other corporations in the same period. The large increases in Saskatchewan have been in the regions south of the main line of the C. P. R. and in the western and northern districts. In Alberta they have been made south of the C. P. R. and in the eastern ranges of the township north of the railway.

The drought of summer and autumn was less last year than in 1907, but it had the effect of again reducing the number of farm animals in the older provinces. In the whole of Canada horses exceed the number of last year by 14,324, while milch cows are less by 88,440, other horned cattle by 245,057, sheep by 125,014 and swine by 457,349. The largest falling off in the east occurred in Quebec and Ontario.

CARE OF YOUTHS

Superintendent of Provincial Industrial School to Look Into Methods Elsewhere

Vancouver, June 24.—Juvenile delinquents are worth saving. The provincial government, particularly the attorney-general's department, which is responsible for the management of the provincial industrial school and the welfare of the erring youths within it, being firmly of this view, are determined that this institution shall have the most modern and effective method for the conversion of juvenile offenders into self-reliant and self-supporting citizens of the future.

To this end, Mr. J. H. Bower, before leaving for his recent tour of Europe and the British Isles, authorized Superintendent Donaldson and Mrs. Donaldson, who is the matron of the home, to visit the most important of the American and Canadian industrial schools.

On Saturday the superintendent and his wife will leave for the east on this mission. After making a careful study of the various systems of reform in vogue on this side of the Atlantic they will extend their mission to England. They will be absent for at least four months.

NEAR SUFFOCATION

Grain Loaders on Steamship at Montreal 923 Killed by Negligence

Montreal, June 24.—Buried in the midships grain bunker of the steamship Lake Manabie, 15 men last night narrowly escaped a horrible death. For four hours they lay on top of the heaps of wheat, and were only rescued by their fellows, and only after a life by taking turns at breathing under the heavy weight of the grain. Negligence caused the mishap, but the true author of it is hard to discover. The foreman in charge should have known when it was time to stop the delivery of grain, and the watchman governing the flow through the main log should have known to stop much the bunker would hold. Then, finally the eagerness of men to get to their supper left their fellows strangled and smothering in the bunker.

Retired South African Officers. London, June 24.—A scheme is afoot to settle retired South African officers in British Columbia and it is believed that if the government here is sympathetic, the scheme will go through.

GRAND SUCCESS

Wonderful Growth in Sales During 1908.

The year just passed will long be remembered for the financial and commercial depression. Business houses all over Canada were affected. Most of them show a loss over 1907. Some did about as much business last year as in the preceding one. A few—a very few—show substantial gains. In spite of "hard times" and "financial depression" the sale of "Fruit-a-tives" doubled in 1908 over 1907.

The National Drug & Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited, bought "Fruit-a-tives" in 100 gross lots (14,000 boxes). Lyman Sons & Company, of Montreal, and Lyman Brothers, in Toronto, also ordered "Fruit-a-tives" by the hundred gross lots. These big wholesalers bought such big orders simply because the retail dealers ordered so many boxes of "Fruit-a-tives"—and the dealers had to keep "Fruit-a-tives" always in stock to supply the constantly growing demand of people in every section of Canada.

Today "Fruit-a-tives" are the most popular family medicine in the Dominion. In the big cities, in the smaller towns, on farms and ranches, "Fruit-a-tives" are the standby in curing all forms of Stomach, Liver, Bowel, Skin and Kidney Troubles, Rheumatism, Headaches and Neuralgia.

Are you a sufferer from any of the diseases? Don't hesitate a moment. Get a box of "Fruit-a-tives"—take them according to directions—and they will cure without fail. 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, or trial size, 25c. At dealers or from Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

SATISFACTORY WORK BEING ACCOMPLISHED

Local Members of W. C. T. U. Hear Splendid Reports of Convention Work

The beautiful home of Mrs. J. Teague, Chestnut avenue, was open to the members of the W. C. T. U. yesterday afternoon when they received a report of the provincial convention held in Vancouver last week. The large attendance, the interest and the general hospitality of the hostesses combined to make the gathering most delightful as well as profitable. Miss Shannon, daughter of Rev. Mr. Stevenson of the Emmanuel Baptist church contributed to the pleasure of the afternoon by rendering a solo in a pleasing manner. Mrs. Teague was assisted in serving tea by Miss Shannon, Miss Hackett and Miss Hackett. Ten new members were received. Mrs. Williscroft, the newly elected president presided over the meeting, the devotional portion of which was led by Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Cline.

Mrs. Andrews gave an interesting resume of the annual gathering of the Temperance Women which now has grown to be by far the largest and most representative gathering of women in the province. More than 100 delegates represented the various districts from Cranbrook to the coast. From east and west, from north and south delegates gathered, and during the three full days of down-right hard convention work. With an executive meeting preceding on the morning of the evening and a past executive following on Friday morning.

The reports of officers showed marked improvement in the standing of the society, 350 new members having been added, four unions organized and 12 new societies started. This exclusive of what the local unions expended in their local work. Each of the 23 departments showed an increase in advance of any previous year. In literature, 166,552 pages, 58,000 copies of "The Word" and 10,344 copies of "White Ribbon Bulletin," the Dominion official organ, besides large quantities of other literature were distributed. Through the medium of the flower mission some 15,000 bouquets with appropriate texts attached and hundreds of delicacies have found their way to the sick in hospitals and in homes. A larger number of unions are taking up work amongst the churches through organizing local temperance leagues. The temperance army and Sunday school unions are being churches using non-alcoholic wines for sacramental purposes. Victoria, New Westminster, Vernon and Kamloops report no liquor at agricultural fairs grounds and consequently improved conditions for children. Meetings were largely instrumental in increasing the membership and affording social intercourse for sisters.

In an interesting address from Dr. Spencer on local option, he congratulated the W. C. T. U. on being the first to take up the movement in the province, and reported six leagues composed of leading business men now organized to advance the option.

Mrs. A. L. Robinson (nee Miss A. L. A. Murcutt) was the convention speaker, and addressed two main meetings on the subjects: "The Lordship of The Upper Air" and "Party Principles." Her large audiences agreeing that the speaker, now so well and so favorably known throughout the province, had never been heard to better advantage.

Mrs. Spofford, provincial president, was re-elected to the position, and outlined the policy of the organization for the coming year and stated that the decision of the convention was to prosecute with greater vigor the training of the youth, and that an appeal will be made to the heads of the various denominations to have the churches undertake definite training of the children through denominational organizations. Special attention will be given also to the franchise department, a definite campaign of activity having been agreed upon. Further organization will be effected, and two field workers will be engaged. Moral education will have special attention, and efforts will be commenced towards enlarging the welfare of the erring youths within the institution. The growing needs requiring this. The unions have undertaken to raise \$2 per member for this object, above all other requirements. The meeting received with great pleasure the announcement that the convention had honored the provincial president with life membership. Before dispersing a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Teague for her delightful hospitality.

Delay Caused By Accident. Winnipeg, Man., June 24.—C. P. R. train No. 21, which is running in two sections, the first being about twelve hours late, leaving here this morning, is delayed by a heavy rain. The delay is caused by another sinking of the bridge over the filling at Hawk Lake near Kenora, where a big slide occurred last week. The train was not over safely but only after it had been considerably strained. Traffic will again have to be sent over the Canadian Northern.

GOOD RECORD OF GOVERNMENT

Premier and Others Speak at Conservative Gathering in Kootenay

Nelson, June 24.—The Conservative picnic at Proctor yesterday, at which were present Premier, Mr. Burrell, Hon. Thomas Taylor, Messrs. Schofield, MacKay, Goodeve and Burrell, proved a great success. Outstanding speeches were delivered in B. C. confidence in and loyalty to the Premier and his colleagues, admiration for the government service of the Mother Land and the desire that Canada would take up her share of the defence.

The Premier, after congratulating Kootenay and Yale-Cariboo on being represented by Messrs. Goodeve and Burrell, assured his hearers that Messrs. Cowan, Taylor and Barnard were no less zealous for the province and party. He said that he was willing to submit his political fortunes to the issue: "Have the affairs of B. C. for the past six years been conducted in an honest businesslike manner? I am proud to say that the government during those years has not been guilty of one dishonest act."

He reminded the audience of the dark outlook when he took office. That condition had been happily done away with and the province was able to now spend more than ever for necessary and profitable public works without going into debt for them. He asked it all the magnificent progress made since 1903—was accomplished. He was prepared to defend the expenditure of every dollar during his tenure of office. He further challenged anyone to attack the dispensation of government patronage by him. "There are," he said, "no back stairs to our offices and no special favors to friends. I would like to remember that he and his party were pledged to better terms for B. C. and to protection of white labor from New Zealand and South Africa. He thought Canada could not do too much to assist the Empire by land and sea.

Mr. Burrell thought the record of the B. C. government a splendid one, but he could not say the same for the present administration at Ottawa. Last session especially had been marked by the government's irregularities and shameful extravagance. He knew that many Liberals supported Mr. Burrell on the broad ground that his administration was efficient, progressive and clean. He referred to the crushing defeat of the Liberal government and denounced the late loan to the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Mr. Goodeve criticized the financial policy of the Dominion government. He and his B. C. colleagues had lost no opportunity to protest against the wild extravagance which was increasing Canada's debt at an appalling rate. With Mr. Burrell, he considered the Liberal government in spite of its brute majority was weakening fast as private members found it impossible to condone or defend the acts of the government.

Hon. Thomas Taylor explained that the department was spending \$3,000,000 on the Pacific coast, and that he saw where and how. He spoke of the unlimited possibilities of B. C. and said he did not see why in a very short time the province should not be crossed by four trans-continental railways. He remembered that previous to the Liberal regime the province had one long history of regular and growing deficits.

Short speeches were also delivered by Messrs. MacKay and R. F. Green. The Premier and party are spending today at Kaslo, where a big public meeting will be held. They will leave for Sloan tomorrow morning.

GETS CHEAP DRINKS

Jack McArthur, Gigantic Logger, Casts Evil Eye on Vancouver Bartenders

Vancouver, June 24.—Jack McArthur, a logger with a giant build, was sentenced to three months at hard labor by Magistrate Phillips this morning. Jack has been sentenced for fully a month, and on account of his size and great strength the police frequently were unable to restrain him up to a maximum precaution. They found Jack last night sufficiently under the influence to make his capture in safety, and baled him to court this morning. For a short while there was considerable inquiry as to how the logger managed to keep loaded with whiskey, yet still never having seen with money to buy drinks. Detective Sergeant Jackson testified that Jack used the "evil eye" on practically all known bartenders in the lower quarter, and that on numerous occasions he had seen Jack meander into saloons and the whiskey would be set before him without his saying a word. The sergeant explained that the bartenders found it much easier to set up the whiskey than to refuse it, and that the chance the inevitable rough house which would be the consequence of a refusal.

Montreal, June 24.—The Grand Trunk Railway earnings for the week ending June 21st totaled \$25,865, an increase of \$10,194 over the same week last year.

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Dated at Alberni, B.C., June 15, 1909. J. P. LAWSON.

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Ladies' Cotton Combinations—Per suit, 65c, 75c and90c

Dent's Lisle Gloves—Two dome fasteners, white, grey, tans and black. Per pair40c

Dent's Long Lisle Gloves—White, greys and tans. Pair, 75c

Dent's Taffeta Gloves—Short length. Per pair50c

Dent's Pure Silk Gloves—Double tips. Per pair\$1.00

Ladies' Lisle Hose—White, black, grey, green, tan, navy and champagne. Per pair50c

Ladies' Cotton Hose—White navy and tans. Per pair25c

Children's Cotton Hose—Black and tans. Per pair, 20c to35c

Children's Lisle Hose—Black, tans and white. Per pair, 45c and50c

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