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Indian Summer in the Maritime Provinces

(By Harold D. Buchanan in the Busy East for November.)

This is the month of Indian Summer, the glorious after glow that brings back the memories of days when Nature was working at her best producing the bounteous harvest of field, forest and sea.

Following the first snow of the season comes a day that changes the whole aspect of the landscape, a haze appears on the hills, a warm wind sighs through the valleys, bringing with it the ozone from the surrounding ocean—it is summer again for two weeks or more. Summer, with the exhilarating effects of spring produced by the light frosty nights.

Clear and bright days such as these bring back the vigour and elasticity of youth to the being with one foot in the grave. Nature feels it, man enjoys it. Neither California, Switzerland or the Riviera has such weather as this to offer. It is a joy to live, and a delight to revel in the enjoyment of the health that the very air seems charged with.

The tinkling cow-bell and the bleat of sheep on the hills as the morning sky brightens towards the sunrise reminds us of the last days of summer when the maples were gorgeous-tinted and whose bronzed leaves now cover the ground and block the tiny streamlets of the woods. The fields and clearings so lately dotted by sheaves—the scene of the harvester's busy toil—have given way to the plow, and the wealth of colour lavishly painted on the leaves of the trees.

Assuredly then the charm of Indian Summer must appeal to every one. It is the last call of Nature to men to enjoy "the earth and all that is in it."

To the mature it brings serious thoughts of "the sere and yellow leaf," but it appeals to each and all today as a season of Thanksgiving, as it did to the old Pilgrim fathers of Plymouth when they heaped up the fruits of the earth around their festive board this month three hundred years ago.

For peaceful homes, and healthful days, for all the blessings earth displays we owe Thee thankfulness and praise; Who givest all."

BRITISH MAIL AT NEW YORK.

New York, Nov. 21.—A record consignment of mail from England, not excepting the great amount brought in at Christmas time, arrived in New York on one steamer today. There were 5,800 sacks weighing about 155 tons in all, which were brought by the Steamship Majestic. The consignment was so large that the steamer's mail room could not hold it all, and many sacks were stored in empty staterooms. The record is due to heavy weather which prevailed at Queenstown on November 9, making it impossible for the steamship Mauretania to collect her usual mail. The present consignment is the first arrival from England since November 12th.

Buy this oven-tested flour

Your oven will certainly produce more bread and better bread as a result of our oven test.

From each shipment of wheat delivered at our mills we take a ten-pound sample. It is ground into flour. We bake bread from this flour. If this bread is high in quality and large in quantity we use the shipment of wheat from which it came. Otherwise, we sell it.

PURITY

The baking quality of flour sold under this name is therefore an exact certainty. Buy and benefit!

"More Bread and Better Bread" and "Better Pastry Too" 527

Pure Breed Live Stock

To the Editor of the Monitor:

Sir,—In order to encourage the improvement of live stock in Canada, the Dominion Department of Agriculture is this year inaugurating a scheme for the distribution of pure bred male animals, which I think, should particularly interest the enterprising stockraisers of Annapolis County. For the benefit of those who are not acquainted with the details of the scheme, will you permit me briefly to outline its practical features.

For the purpose of distribution the animals are classified as follows:—

Section (a) Stallions.
(b) Beef Bulls, Boars, Rams.
(c) Dairy Bulls, Boars, and Rams.

Within certain limitations a group of stock raisers organized into an association for the purpose, may secure from the department gratuitously the use of the animals mentioned in any one of the above sections but no such association can apply for sires in more than one section.

To procure an animal belonging to section (a) the members of the association must reach at least fifteen and the association in addition to caring for the animal must also pay for its insurance.

To procure animals mentioned in either of the other sections the membership of the association must be at least ten. In this case no charge for insurance is made.

It is not the intention of the department to place animals in a district where suitable male animals of the same class are already owned by private individuals.

The directors of the association shall decide, subject to the approval of the Live Stock Commissioner the man or men in whose charge the sires shall be kept.

Breeding privileges shall be restricted to members of the association and the service fees are to be made only sufficient to cover the cost of the care and management of the animals.

To take advantage of the scheme interested parties in a district when satisfied of sufficient local support to form an association, should apply to the Live Stock Commissioner at Ottawa. Whenever possible an officer of the Department will be sent to render assistance in organizing the association. The Live Stock Commissioner on application will furnish full information concerning the scheme.

The pure bred sires are purchased by the government exclusively in Canada and those for distribution in Nova Scotia as nearly as possible exclusively in this province. Mr. H. W. Corning, M. P. P., of Cheboggan, Yarmouth County, has been appointed by the government to purchase such animals in this province and our farmers who have good specimens of pure bred stock for sale may profitably correspond with him upon the subject.

Trusting that the policy of the department in this respect may have a beneficial effect upon the industry of stockraising, both in this county and elsewhere throughout the Dominion, I am,

Yours respectfully,
A. L. DAVIDSON,
Middleton, N. S., Nov. 17, 1913.

UNITED STATES FISHERMEN FOR YARMOUTH.

The Montreal Herald says: There is a possibility of the Gloucester, Mass. fishing fleet transferring its headquarters to Yarmouth, N. S., according to a statement made by Mr. A. E. Ellis, formerly manager of the Bank of British North America in Montreal, but now a resident of Yarmouth. As Ellis points out, if the transfer is made it will mean an important acquisition to the facilities of the Nova Scotia port.

The "free fish" policy of the United States Government is given as the reason for the contemplated change.

The wedding of Miss Wilson, the President's daughter, is the thirteenth wedding in the history of the White House, Washington. We hope Miss Wilson is not superstitious.

Fifty Million Dollars the Value of the American Raw Fur Collection.

A. B. Shubert, Inc., Chicago, U.S.A., the largest house in the world, dealing exclusively in American raw furs, in a letter to the editor says in part as follows:

"Fifty million dollars' worth of raw furs. Quite a large sum of money when you think of it. That was last year's production of the raw furs of the world, and American raw furs make up about two-thirds of the world's collection. Can you imagine fifty million dollars changing hands for American raw furs last season? Yet such is the case as near as can be estimated from the account books of the largest collectors. The merry old world still goes around, and the coming of winter brings on one more raw fur season. It is one of the oldest industries known to man, dating back many centuries, and in spite of the fact that millions of fur-bearing animals are killed off every year, in spite of the fact that rigid game laws are enacted to protect the fur bearers, the game is far from being extinct, and when the collections are smaller, the price goes up accordingly. It is wonderful the part that furs have played in the history of man. They have caused wars, led to the exploration of new lands and changed the maps of nations but more wonderful still are the varied fluctuations in the market. It is the greatest speculative game in the world. When the raw fur market is at its highest pitch, Wall Street fades away to nothing alongside of it, and so it is with the steel trust and the tobacco trust and the rest of our largest industries. Before people knew what steel or tobacco was, they were skinning animals for their fur, and still the game has not died out. In fact, this season promises more activity than ever in the fur business. Furs are an absolute necessity as they form the protective clothing of those whose occupation brings them in contact with the elements of winter. Furthermore, furs are extremely fashionable. Milady's wardrobe is not complete without one set of furs. Fur trimmings are more popular than ever and most of the outer garments for fall and winter have very beautiful fur trimmings. Ladies' hats, evening gowns and dresses are also being trimmed with fur.

Unveiling of Tablet to the Memory of Col. Desbarres

The Nova Scotia Historical Society unveiled a Tablet in St. George church, Halifax, on Nov. 12th, to the memory of the celebrated Col. Desbarres, who in the early history of this Province gave splendid services to the country. Below is the inscription which fairly well tells the story of his life. Archdeacon Armitage presided, and James F. MacDonald unveiled the Tablet and gave the address.

This Tablet Commemorates Col. Joseph Frederick Walleat Desbarres, Cartographer, Engineer, Administrator, who served in this Garrison as Captain of the Royal American Regiment of Fort, 1756.

Won distinction at Louisbourg, 1758. Aide-de-Camp to General Wolfe at Quebec, 1759. Surveyor General of the North Atlantic Coast. Preceptor of Capt. Cook the Circumnavigator. Author of the Atlantic Neptune. Founder of Sydney, C. B. Lt.-Gov. of Cape Breton and of Prince Edward Island. Buried beneath this Church, Nov. 1, 1824, at the reputed age of 103 years.

Hon. W. S. Fielding sailed from Liverpool on the 21st inst by the Allan Liner Virginia on his return to Canada to assume the presidency of the Telegraph Publishing Company, Limited, of Montreal, and become editor in chief of The Montreal Daily Telegraph. Mr. Fielding's taking up his residence in Montreal will be the occasion of a great demonstration in his honor, the Montreal Reform Club having secured his consent to accept a banquet.

Lawrencetown's Electric Light System

Yesterday was another red letter day in the history of our neighboring town,—the progressive and enterprising town of Lawrencetown. The electric light system which has been in process of installation there the past few months, was completed on Monday and the current turned on for the first time on that evening, for a short time as a test.

Last evening, however, was the actual introduction of the electric light into Lawrencetown, and the town is justly proud of its lighting system. The plant is up-to-date in every particular from the power house to the least item that goes to make up an efficient system. It has been put in by the town at a cost of \$5,000. There is a circuit of over four miles of wire. Over four hundred lights have already been installed in residences and places of business, and it is anticipated that this number will be raised to seven hundred as soon as the wiring can be done. A flat rate of \$12.00 per year for five lights is charged, and one-half cent per night for each light over five. This is claimed to be the lowest rate charged in any town in the province.

The streets are lighted with 60-Watt tungsten lamps, placed at intervals of about two hundred feet. The dynamo has a capacity for one thousand lights.

Thus Lawrencetown has made another stride in the line of progress that makes it one of the up-to-date and growing towns of Nova Scotia.

A resident of Lawrencetown telephoned this office yesterday wishing the Monitor to say that Lawrencetown was the best lighted town in the province. We believe from all reports that it is.

Dates of Sunday School Conventions in Annapolis County

The District S. S. Conventions of Annapolis County will meet (D. V.) as follows:

- Dec. 8,—in Middleton. The first session 2.30 p.m.
- 9,—in the Baptist Hall, Nicotax Falls, 2.30 p.m. and 7.30.
- 10,—in the Baptist church, Melvern Square, first session, 2.30 p.m.
- 11,—in the Hall, North Williamston, 2.30 p.m. and 7.30.
- 12,—in the Baptist church, at Bridgetown, 2.30 p.m. and 7.30.
- 15,—in the Methodist church, at Clementsport, afternoon and evening.
- 16,—in the Methodist church at Annapolis Royal, 2.30 p.m. and 7.30.
- 18,—in the Baptist church, Falkland Ridge, afternoon and evening.

We would urge all who are interested in Sunday School work to be present if possible at these Conventions.

"Come thou with us and we will do thee good."
(Mrs.) ANNIE SAUNDERS,
County Secty.-Treas.
Nicotax Falls, Nov. 21, 1913.

Maritime Winter Fair

The thirteenth annual fair of the Maritime Provinces will be held at Amherst, December 8th to 11th.

The entries which have been received so far give every promise of being the largest in the history of the Fair. As an Educational institution for those engaged in agricultural life, it stands alone in Eastern Canada, and should have the support of the Provinces.

A particularly strong program will be arranged, and some of the best speakers in Canada on live stock topics will give addresses each evening.

Low rates have been secured on all lines, and those who have never attended this Fair in the past should take the opportunity this year.

Amherst is now well equipped with excellent hotels and all can feel assured of good accommodation.

It appears that five per cent of the males in the United States are confirmed drinkers, 20 per cent total abstainers, 25 per cent moderate drinkers, and 50 per cent occasional drinkers. In other words, though, there are three ways of drinking there is only one way of leaving it alone.

Providence Methodist Church Celebrates 43rd Anniversary

Appropriate Sermons Delivered by Dr. Jost and the Rev. William Brown

It has been just forty-three years since, under the superintendency of Rev. W. H. Hartz, (now Dr. Hartz) the Methodists of Bridgetown erected their present commodious and stately house of worship which so gracefully adorns the corner of Granville and Washington streets. This event was duly celebrated on Sunday and Monday last by a series of services most successfully carried out. Following a glad gathering of the Sunday School Dr. C. Jost conducted the morning service Sunday, and delivered an earnest and appropriate sermon having special reference to the work of the church as carried on by pioneer labourers, into whose heritage it has been the good fortune of the present generation to come. To prove herself all worthy of the faith and toil of her fathers the present-day church must, with ever increasing earnestness, prosecute her Heaven-born and divinely-imposed work.

The special preacher for the occasion was the Rev. Wm. Brown, now stationed upon the Aylesford circuit. Rev. Mr. Brown is not a stranger in Bridgetown, and one pleasant feature of his visit was to give to his numerous friends and admirers the joy once again of meeting an acquaintance of former days. Bentville and Granville appointments enjoyed Mr. Brown's ministrations at the mor-

ning and afternoon hours respectively, while at the evening service the town church was thronged with an expectant and sympathetic congregation. "The Obligations and Opportunities of the Church" gave the preacher an excellent and timely subject, and it is unnecessary to add that Mr. Brown presented his theme in a most brilliant manner. In his own inimitable way, by choice diction, appropriate metaphor and simile, and withal, under the spell of the Holy Spirit's power and direction the congregation was thrilled and eminently edified by the preacher's effort. Added to the recent anniversary sermons preached in this church Rev. Mr. Brown's is considered to have been one of special strength and beauty.

The anniversary exercises were carried over to Monday evening at which hour Mr. Brown related an account of his recent trip across the continent. A large audience greeted the lecturer who, for over two hours held their closest attention while in a very racy and interesting manner he unfolded some of the incidents of his holiday trip. Following the lecture the congregation repaired to the social room of the church where a pleasant half hour was spent in conversation while at the same time justice was done to an excellent repast of reasonable dainties.

JUST MISSED ATTENDING HIS OWN FUNERAL.

Hamilton Man Believed to Have Been Lost in Great Storm Turns up at Home.

Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 20.—To walk into his home, where the members of his family were gathered about a casket that was supposed to contain his dead body, which had been cast up by the waters of Lake Huron, following the storm of last week, was the remarkable experience of John Thompson, 422 North John Street, last evening.

IDENTIFIED BODY.

On Monday Thomas Thompson received a message from his daughter, at Sarnia, that her brother John was aboard the steamer James Carruthers when it sank last week on Lake Huron. He at once left for Goderich, where a number of the bodies from the Carruthers had been washed ashore, and were in the morgue. He reached that place late at night, and was at once shown a number of bodies that lay there awaiting identification. He noticed that the toes on the foot of one of the corpses were crossed, as were his son's and decided to further examine it. On the arm was a tattoo mark with the initials "J. T." This was identical with one on his son's arm. On the nose was a mark similar to one his son bore, and besides this there was a similarity in the teeth. Lastly there

was on the leg of the corpse a scar from a burn similar to a mark on his son's.

With so many remarkable marks of resemblance, in addition to the appearance of the body, both in stature and features, he was convinced that it was his son.

PREPARED FOR BURIAL.

Mr Thompson made arrangements for the conveyance of the body to this city, and it arrived Tuesday. After being prepared for burial it was taken home, and arrangements were made for its burial this morning.

About five o'clock last evening, John Thompson walked into his home after having read that he was dead, and looked at the remains that were supposed to be his.

The son informed the members of his family that he had read while in Toronto that he was reported dead, and did not reach this city until today.

He explained that he did not sail on the Carruthers, but left here on the Canada, which he left when she reached the Welland Canal.

The remains brought from Goderich were removed to undertaking rooms, and will likely be sent back to Goderich for identification.

Don't waste your money buying strengthening plasters. Chamberlain's Liniment is cheaper and better. Dampen a piece of flannel with it and bind it over the affected parts and it will relieve the pain and soreness. For sale by all dealers.

Royal Bank of Canada

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RESERVE FUNDS - - \$12,500,000
AGGREGATE ASSETS - \$175,000,000

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