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MEETING AT DEWDNEY ON WEDNESDAY

Mr. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture met some of the ratepayers of Nicomen Island on Wednesday afternoon at Mr. Matthews. The day being warm the gathering was held on the lawn in the barnyard in the shade of the barn. Mr. Barrow using the green grass as a platform and the running board of a Chevrolet car as a support. Everybody, even the speaker had discarded coat, vest, and collar, not to be prepared for a fight, but to avoid the extreme heat of 90 in the shade.

It was noticeable that some of the old-timers were not present to take part in the meeting.

This high water has been a repetition of the last two or three years, and while the old-timers may be getting quite used to it, it looks a very big and annoying problem to the returned men who have taken up land under the land settlement board and want to make both ends meet. There are some 22 of these new settlers on the island, representing a borrowed capital of probably some \$90,000 on an area of about 11,000 or 12,000 acres. Some of them will but little this year to carry them through for another year, let alone prepare for the day of payments.

The provincial government has already guaranteed the bonds of the Nicomen Island settlers to the extent of some \$87,000 for the purpose of building a dyke, which Mr. Barrow says is a "dyke in the wrong place. The settlers put it up and made a punk job of it." Mr. Barrow outlined the government's standpoint in the matter, being at times quite severe in his criticisms of the way the dyke proposition had been handled, and also pointing out that some \$6,000 in back taxes were still due. He told the meeting that the government would assume no further responsibility until all cost has been agreed upon.

It was pointed out to Mr. Barrow that while the dyke might look in the wrong place now, the former commissioners were not aware at the time that the late Mr. Bruce outlined the work that the Fraser River was about to change its course as was the case since the dyke was built.

It was pointed out however that the federal government had expended last year and this year some \$25,000 in protection work and the provincial government had done nothing and also that the federal government was prepared to go fifty-fifty with the provincial government in protecting the island, this latter Mr. Barrow did not think was correct. However Mr. Barrow said that the provincial government wanted to see some business proposition carried out that would be the means of giving solid protection to the island for all time, and he was prepared to go thoroughly into the matter with the ratepayers with this object in view.

Mr. Hearle ably backed by his assistant, Mr. Crawford, urged that before any comprehensive scheme of dyking was gone ahead with that also a comprehensive scheme of ditching be planned before the dyke was built. The two schemes should go hand in hand. Here the question of loss by mosquitoes came in for discussion and it was estimated that while the milk production of the island amounted annually to about \$140,000, fifty per cent loss of milk could be reckoned upon during mosquito time. This would pay for a lot of dyking.

Mr. Allister Thompson, chairman of the meeting, and also one of the present commissioners, urged that a proper dyke be built along the slough on No. 1 dyking area and that it be used as a road. In this he was supported by many in the meeting.

Nothing definite was agreed upon except to call a meeting in the school on the evening of the 15th of July for the purpose of re-organizing the Island Settlers Association.

Mr. Barrow, along with Mr. A. Thompson visited the flooded parts of the island later.

The new ferry "Lena" has at last arrived at the Mission-Matsqui ferry landing and may be put in commission at any time now. No further information is available however.

GREATEST QUALITY CONSIDERED

(From Fruit Markets Bulletin).
The strawberry market was bare all the first part of the week and was relieved by the arrival of a Gordon Head car on No. 4 Thursday afternoon, being a holiday did not prevent the wholesale trade turning out and getting their supplies. The berries were excellent. The wholesale pool here (there are two of them and the I.C.I. independents as well) were annoyed at the delay in arrival of the Gordon Head berries, which were delayed in transit between Victoria and Vancouver. They bought the Gordon Head car arriving Thursday and also the one to arrive Saturday morning on No. 2. Certain influences were at work to bring in a car of Spokane berries and it was known that before it would arrive there would be an ample supply of B. C. berries here. The Nash interests dominate the pool here and succeeded in getting part of their members to share in this car, then an effort was made to cancel the order for the Saturday Gordon Head car; this failed. It is rumored that those responsible for bringing in the Spokane car had for their object to force B. C. berries down. A car of Haney berries arrived in fine shape this morning on No. 14, some dealers refused to take these berries in favor of Spokane. This car was rolled heavy with berries to Edmonton. Spokane's arrived on the 8:40 train this morning. By courtesy of the Manager of the Mutual Brokers we examined the car. There were 705 crates in it and the car was cool and nice, the berries small and many disfigured, showing evidence of early frost. They were laid down here for about \$5.90 including exchange. Berries are bringing \$4.75 f.o.b. Seattle, as against \$3.50 for Spokane.

Those who wait for cheap berries will get them. Haney's are offering about 50¢ per crate higher, but they are worth more than this. Gordon Head's are worth \$1.00 per crate more, so we predict that those who have seemingly set out to burst things, will fail unless they can show better goods. We have heard the same interests solemnly assuring our B. C. growers that they were price-getters, evidently meaning when they were handling B. C. goods. We have full particulars of this deal and may give our B. C. growers' information we publish the line-up of firms sharing on this car, and those who did not do so are large handlers of berries.

Firms sharing in the Spokane car—Aome Fruit Co.; Mitchell Fruit Co.; Nash; P. Burns & Co.; Scott Fruit Co.

Firms not sharing in the Spokane car—Plunkett & Savage; Folkins & Campbell; Vernon Fruit Co.; S. G. Freeze & Co.

All Calgary firms.

HOW ABOUT YOUR EXHIBITS?

The energetic secretary of the Abbotsford-Sumas agricultural society is busy these days getting up the prize list for the big show on the 5th of October. The amount of work to do this year is much larger than last year on account of the fact that a lot of special prizes and new departments will be added to the large list of last year. If you have a fancy dog you will have an opportunity to show him this fall and secure a prize.

Then there is the Flower Show on Saturday, August 21st, which will be one of the big events of the district this summer and a forerunner of the bigger show in October.

But the point is this not to forget that last year the fall fair was a big success but a lot of people would have helped to make the fair bigger and better but some how or other the little details that precede the day of the show were forgotten or overlooked until it was too late.

What makes J. A. M. smile so these days? That's easy. On Sundays now his new chauffeur will drive the car.

INCORPORATION TALK AGAIN

The Board of Trade met on Monday evening in the G. W. V. A. rooms. The vice-president in the absence of the president, occupied the chair and the secretary was instructed to write the Hon. E. D. Barrow asking him to address a meeting to be held here on July 19th to the Board of Trade in full, and the following committee were appointed to make arrangements for his visit, to show him the town's special needs and to prepare suggestions for conference: Messrs McGowan, Whitechelo, Brydges, Robertson, Harrop, McCallum and the secretary, Mr. Hill.

A resolution was passed to thank the government for the steps taken of closing saloons here and in Huntingdon on Sundays.

The incorporation Village Municipalities Act was read and the majority of adult population in favor carries. The lieutenant-governor-in-council may enlarge the townsite but the resident population must not exceed one thousand. The chairman asked opinion of all those present, and all were in favor, and a committee was appointed to take up all matters pertaining to incorporation and report at the meeting of July 19th. Those appointed were Messrs. J. A. McGowan, R. Shortreed, J. Brydges, F. J. R. Whitechelo, A. McCallum and N. Hill.

The Pound bylaw was again taken up and a further petition is required to get a full expression of the land holders and occupants.

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A date board and a speed board are to be put up.

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BERRY ACREAGE, HANEY HAMMOND DISTRICT

	Acres	1915	1920	Ac.	Inc.
Strawberries	447	463	417 1/2		
Raspberries	21 1/2	17 1/2	149 1/2		
Blackberries	10 1/2	63 1/2	53		
Loganberries	0 1/2	3 1/2	2 1/2		
Total number of growers, 248.					
1920 acreage of Straws grown by Japs, 314.					
1920 acreage of Straws grown by Whites, 148.					
1920 acreage of Rasps grown by Japs, 67 3/4.					
1920 acreage of Rasps grown by Whites, 103 1/2.					
In 1915 there were 26 White growers and 16 Japs.					
In 1920 there are 128 White growers and 120 Japs.					
Whomock-Ruskin District					
Acreage in 1920: Strawberries 75; Raspberries 4; Loganberries 1-8 Blackberries 4.					
Total number of growers 30. White growers 5, and Japs 25. The White growers have only 1-2 acres in berries here.					

ARTHUR MEIGHEN NAMED AS CONSERVATIVE LEADER

Mr. Arthur Meighen, should he in the meantime be able to form a cabinet, will take up his duties of leading the Conservative government at Ottawa, and Sir Robert Borden, the present leader will retire.

Mr. Meighen is a young man 46 and a westerner, being the first premier of Canada west of the Great Lakes. He embodies almost all the Conservative principles, and should make a good Conservative leader.

Miss Fowler, of Calgary, has been the guest of Mrs. Wright and spent the week end with her at White Rock.

The Fraser River at Mission City bridge showed this morning a fall being only 19 feet six.

Mrs. G. R. Wright is spending a few days at White Rock.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Preston are spending a few days in Everett, W. Mr. and Mrs. J. Kirkbride of Vancouver visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Caldwell on Sunday.

Mrs. McDowall and her daughters Jean and Nellie left on Monday night to spend their holidays at Trail and Nelson.

Miss Gwen Sumner is the guest of Miss Jean Alanson at Crescent Beach. Mrs. C. Sumner, Barbara and Norman are visiting Mrs. E. Webster at White Rock, where she is camping.

Mrs. F. Martin, Sardis and her sister Mrs. Cummings of Parry Sound, Ont., spent the week-end with friends in Abbotsford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGowan are rejoicing over the arrival of a son, born July 6th.

On Monday evening the regular meeting of the True Blue Lodge was held in L. O. L. and final arrangements were made for the 12th of July. Arrangements were also made for a special to run from Mt. Lehman to Chilliwack, and all are invited to go along and enjoy the celebration.

The W. C. T. U. held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Lowe and Mrs. Bryant on Tuesday afternoon. There was a good attendance to hear the reports by Mrs. Ferris and Miss Margaret Hutchison, who attended the provincial convention of the W. C. T. U. held in New Westminster in June.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Higginson, Jr., on July 1st, a daughter.

The Misses Steede have gone on a holiday to Vancouver, White Rock and other points.

SAD DEATH OF LITTLE MARGUERITE STARR

The two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Starr died on Saturday under most distressing circumstances. Early in the day she obtained some lye while playing outside and innocently swallowed some of the contents. She was hurried to Sumas hospital but expert medical attention failed to counteract the internal injury. At the funeral in Musselwhite cemetery on Monday a large number gathered to show their sympathy with the parents in the loss of their only child, Marguerite F., an extremely bright and engaging little girl.

The pall-bearers were: Agnes Fraser, Gladys York, Marion Campbell, and Helen McAdams.

It is reported that over in Mission there is talk of giving away a garage and a mechanic with each new car purchased, but that stunt could not be pulled off in Abbotsford, unless the mechanic would guarantee to board himself.

The annual examination in music was held at the studio of the Misses Steede on July 2nd. The examiner was Mr. Douglas Redman of the A. B. of the R. C. of Music and the R. A. of Music, London, England. Sixteen pupils were presented for certificate in piano playing and several had their musical work other than the course for certificates inspected. The results will appear in a couple of weeks.

The Ladies' Aid met at the manse on Wednesday afternoon with a good attendance. A raspberry social is under discussion, to be held at the manse in the near future.

Mid-summer Sale Now On

- 5 only Boys Boots; good solid wearers, sizes 1, 2, 3, to clear at \$1.95
- Men's strong solid wearers, made to wear and give comfort sizes 6 to 10, to clear \$4.95
- Youths' solid Leather Bals made to wear, sizes 11 to 13, Special to clear at \$2.95
- Infants soft sole Slippers, C. a pair 35¢

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PROSPECTS FOR A BIGGER CROP IN 1920

Although the present has been a late season there is every prospect that the crop of 1920 will, should weather conditions from now on remain favorable, be much better than last year. At present the prospects are favorable, taken as a whole, even much more than at the same time last year. There has been plenty of rain in many parts and with the snow late in April the moisture will be sufficient in many parts, even with little rain, to make for a good crop. Some parts always suffer.

During the ten years ending 1919, the average yield of wheat to the acre was 17.27 bushels, whereas the larger acreage sown in 1918 and 1919 produced an average yield of only 10 and 11 bushels respectively.

WHAT THE CANADIAN PACKERS SAY

The vital relationship between the production of live-stock and the marketing of the meat is evident to every farmer. But farmers do not know so well on what factors meat packers base their activities for the future trade. Packers study keenly the tendency of farm production from year to year and even from month to month, as well as the conditions and prospects of the markets for the product of both. They regulate their year-to-year policy largely on the prospects of live-stock production, but their general policy spread over a term of years, is more largely controlled by a judgment of market prospects.

Canadian packers, realizing the interdependence of production and marketing, believe that if Canadian farmers are well informed about markets they will maintain live-stock production in sufficient volume to feed those markets.

Throughout the war and the year which followed packers studied the world markets. As a result they expanded plants, increased the amount of capital permanently invested and are now making every effort to complete their market organization and connections both overseas and in the United States. This is evidenced by the re-organizations that have taken place among packing firms, of which many erroneous statements have been made. This is the true meaning of the changes.

Canadian packers have abundant faith in the future of the Canadian live-stock industry. Why? Because the individual investigations of each firm, totalled and summed up, show that market prospects for Canadian meats for the next ten years, at least, are more favorable than ever before in the history of the packing business.

A real good quarrel is harder on a man than a week's work, and it takes him quite in the opposite direction.

John Oliver's adv. says, "Electors Warned" which is a good motto to guide one at the next election.

WEEK IN CALGARY

(From Fruit Markets Bulletin)

Warm weather features this week. Crowds are in the city for the Fair which is being largely attended. The celebrated fat cattle of Alberta would be hard to beat anywhere, Durhams, Black Polled Angus, Holsteins, Ayrshires, and Shorthorns being the leaders. Jerseys are conspicuous by their absence.

Exhibits are placed from all parts of the province.

Mr. G. C. Hay, Agriculturist, Kamloops, is here looking over the stock with a view to securing exhibits for the Kamloops Fair when en route to Vancouver Fair, and also to secure thoroughbred stock for the Kamloops Annual Bull Sale.

Strawberries from British Colum-

bia are in full possession of the market on the prairies with the supply bare, and prices good. B. C. Governor Wood Cherries are selling retail at 75¢ per 4 lb. basket, while Bings from Idaho are selling at 65¢ per lb. Royal Annes from B. C. are now due and will be a welcome change from the Governor Wood variety. Hothouse Toms and Cucumbers are arriving in good volume and moving satisfactorily.

California-plums, peaches and apricots are strongly in evidence and fetching good prices.

Okanagan, Hatzic, Walla, Walla and local rhubarb are all in evidence with fair demand. The Okanagan colony box is an awkward rhubarb container. Very few new potatoes are offering prices f.o.b. Vancouver being now 12¢ per lb. butler and eggs

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are steady. The hay market is slow, very little demand with ample supply in Alberta. Alfalfa is quoted at \$38.00 per ton f. o. b. Vancouver. Business generally is dull and money tight.

HEAD OF FARMER PARTY

Hon. T. A. Crerar cannot be accused of being an orator but he is in grave danger of becoming a statesman. He set out to answer the speech of Hon. Arthur Meighen and it must be admitted he made a pretty fair job of it. At any rate both Hon. A. Meighen and Hon. James Calder, who watched him all the way like a pair of prize fiddlers camped on the trail of a mouse, did not wear any smiles at the finish. But most of the Boss Farmer's argument was given to free trade, with England as the glorious example. Sir Richard Cartwright revealed in that kind of going a quarter of a century ago and nobody has since equalled his record. Moreover there is a growing feeling that we might well leave England to work out her own fiscal salvation and pay more attention to things as we have them in Canada. A policy that fits an old fashioned country might look old-fashioned on a young Dominion just blossoming out into nationhood. It had been hoped that with the war over and the farmers advancing on Ottawa in mighty hosts we might have a chance to get away from the stock arguments that have done duty since shortly after the flood and get down to business. If Mr. Crerar is to be writ large in the history of his country he will have to

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1. The Repeal of the Prohibition Act.
2. NO restoration of the saloon or bar, for sale of intoxicating liquors.
3. The Government sale, and Government control of spiritous and malt liquors in sealed packages.
4. The guarantee by the Government, as such vendor, of the pure quality of all spiritous and malt liquors, and the sale of same at reasonable prices.
5. The inculcation of true temperance principles consistent with personal liberty.
6. The elimination of the causes of the deplorable loss of respect for the laws of the land engendered by the Prohibition Act.

The Voters Lists Close on the 15th inst. If you have not registered by that date you will not be able to vote on the referendum or at the Dominion or Provincial Elections. Remember the old Voters List HAVE BEEN CANCELLED.

MODERATION LEAGUE

Provincial Headquarters,
Vancouver, B. C.

R. A. CORBETT, Secretary.

ELECTORS WARNED

In order to vote on the forthcoming Prohibition Plebiscite and in Provincial or Dominion Elections

YOU MUST REGISTER

All previous lists of voters have been cancelled. The fact that your name was on the list last year does not count. Neither can you vote as a property owner without registering.

MAKE YOUR DECLARATION NOW
before the Registrar or an Election Commissioner, Postmaster, Justice of the Peace, Magistrate, Constable or before officials at any Government office.

Registration closes on JULY 15 NEXT REGISTER TODAY

By Order PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

develop ambitions other than successfully answering a speech made by an opponent. The tariff, like the poor, is with us always. It has been used as a covering for political crimes ever since politics were invented. Under its smoke cloud grew up our railroad problems. While orators followed its twists and curves this trusty country built canals that won't even hold water. Right now the question, "Where is next winter's coal coming from?" is vastly more important. And when a whole nation is troubled over luxury taxes the time is hardly ripe for a learned discussion as to whether agriculture in the Old Land is decaying or progressing. Hon. T. A. Crerar has a sincerity that impresses. But association

with academic personages should not let him forget that it was as a business man, an organizer and as a manager of men that he made his reputation. If the day of learned lecturer is to pass and business methods are to come instead the country must look to men of the Crerar type. But if a short residence at Ottawa is to transform a first-class business man into a second class orator we might just as well reconcile ourselves to things as they are and let it go at that.—McLean's.

"What's the matter with your hand, old man? You've got it in spints."

"My oldest boy's ingenuity."

"How so?"

"He set a steel trap in his stocking to catch Santa Claus."

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PRICES LIKELY TO DROP

The budget is upon us and a very big pile of sticks reposes under the Parliamentary tree of Sir Henry Drayton. However, from the business standpoint of the country, that same Budget, says McLean's, has been of immense service in wiping out previous deficits and starting in the positive direction of making ends meet; in the announcement that the Government would not come before the public for a new loan and in reducing to an appreciable extent the tax on business profits. I have never agreed with those who maintained that this tax should never have been levied, that it discouraged initiative and efficiency and the increase in production in penalizing increased profits that resulted thereby.

All this is undoubtedly true in a measure, and the keener the conscience of the business man the heavier his tax, but this latter applies throughout the whole round of life, and to others besides business men.

The tax was justified in the main, because when revenue was needed it was only fair that a portion should be contributed by those whose opportunities in so many cases were greatly enlarged by war conditions. The War Tax was in a sense a commission they were paying the country for just this increased business, those larger profits. But now that conditions are growing more normal, this tax should be steadily reduced. The very reduction that has been made provides an incentive to business to proceed once more along regular lines of development.

Are commodity prices coming down? This is the most important question probably, that faces business and investment circles today. The answer would appear to be in the affirmative, and this in spite of the fact that nearly every theory is opposed to the likelihood of lower prices at the present time. Before referring to the great advantage that a fall in prices would confer on investors, a brief summary of the reasons that

seem to lead to this opinion would be in order.

First of all, the movement has started at the end of the line, the consumer. Theory holds that this reduction must start at the beginning, the raw material end. The "overall" movement, as was observed was significant as a protest by the public against high prices: a declaration that a large body of the public, the consumers of commodities, were prepared to do all in their power to force prices down—by the simple expedient of not buying until they did come down. This movement spread, and the next indication was that a number of stores, in the United States and in Canada, were announcing general reduction of 20 per cent. in all the goods in their store. Once again the theorists remarked: "Poor fools! When they sell out these goods in their store they must replace them at much higher prices, and will be worse off than ever. It will be but a flash in the pan. Reductions must start at the raw material end."

Perhaps they were foolish, but I am inclined to believe that they were in closer touch with reality than the theorists. Then the movement spread the retailers called on the wholesalers and the manufacturers to reduce prices, and again the theorist said: "Utterly impossible. The goods we are making now are produced from raw materials in the goods actually for the new season." And labor-look on sale today. Therefore so far from cutting prices we must raise them, going on with its remarkably effective Union organization, was preparing for new demands in wages—to meet the coming higher prices—and raw material would again tart upwards and the manufactured goods and up, up, up would go prices—until there came a smash in business, or a revolution.

Prices must come down, and very soon. There is a theory in retail business that "The customer is always right." In this case the customer demands a reduction and there is a growing feeling that the "customer" will exert pressure on the plane next him, the retailer, for lower prices, simply by reducing his buying, and the retailer will carry out the same policy on the manufacturer. We are told that prices cannot come down until production increases to meet the demand. That is a sound theory but it is being applied in the majority of cases it is worked only one way. How about meeting the situation by lowering the demand, until production exceeds demand? There is evidence that such is exactly the position in the clothing trade today. Not so much that there has suddenly arisen a surplus of cloth or clothing, but the demand has slumped; high prices did it. It was woollen goods that rose most sharply at the beginning of the war; it would be but poetic justice if woollen goods were the first to start on the decline. And they would not go alone. There would be an almost universal following.

The banks in forcing holders of merchandise to unload surplus stocks are wielding a powerful influence in this direction. They are compelling deflation. Money is so scarce, mainly because commodities cost so much, that double or treble the same money won't go far as normally. The sooner the turn comes, the better for all parties, and the writer would urge that a general movement be taken by all concerned in the making or distribution of commodities for a reduction in prices; let the retailer make a general one, and the wholesaler, and the manufacturer.

Why lament this as a calamity? Suppose for a time that profits were cut in two or eliminated entirely for a few months? All-wise business men should be in excellent shape to face this. Every year for the past four years or more they have been setting aside a "reserve" for just such a situation as they seem to face today, when a decline should start—and they might have to sell at cost or even a little below. And each year they have set aside almost enough to meet a fair decline, so that the total reserve should be several times what is required. From top to bottom business men, with perfect justice, and ordinary foresight and prudence have been charging more for their goods as a means of safety; the public paid this sur-charge, and, in the opinion of the writer, it is the public's turn. And the sooner this general decline is begun, deliberately, the less violent the reaction in prices and the smaller proportion of that reserve the business houses will be called on to dispense to this same long-suffering public. The only effective answer to labor if its demands seem to exceed a fair proportion, and to threaten a further advance of prices, is not to say, "We can't afford it," for labor can't afford to go without it—but to say to labor: "In-



stead of raising your wages we will lower prices; this will be the same to you as individuals, and infinitely more advantageous to you as a body and to the whole public."

Investors are vitally interested in the lowering of prices. In this respect they can be divided into two classes. For the holders of common stocks, where increased profits as a result of abnormal conditions have led to increased dividends, and so to increased prices of their securities, it might seem that a policy that advocated a lowering of those profits even temporarily, would be a detriment. But not so. When dividends have been raised, in the great majority of cases, the increase covered only a small portion of the increased profits; shrewd managers knew these were only temporary anyway. Here there would be a strong reserve that would insure the ability of the company meeting these dividend payments even if the profits in the aggregate declined somewhat. And so on the other hand, general business conditions would improve so greatly that the investor's equity in the business would be much more assured than if things were to go on as they were much longer.

Let a mild prophecy end this article: that before the present budget has run a year the \$45 limit on clothing for taxation purposes will seem far more reasonable than it is today; so with the \$9 pair of shoes; the \$3 shirt and the \$1 hose. Perhaps the minister of Finance in these standards builded more shrewdly than he suspected, and played his part in forcing prices of good goods down to the levels he set.

The sooner prices come down the better it will be for the investor and the whole business fabric of Canada.

GORDON HEAD AND KEATING

(From Fruit Markets Bulletin)

The first car of "Gordon Head" berries took this market by storm. They arrived in good condition and were packed equal to the best they were free from grit, a fault noticed on berries from districts where strawling between the drills is not practiced the pack is considerably ahead of berries coming from Haney—which are not as well filled as they were last year. We hope for improvement in the average B.C. pack, and where strawling is not done let it be attended to in another year. The Haney berries are well colored with a few exceptions. No half ripe berries should be included in a shipment, it is evident that the grower is erring innocently evidently under the impression that they will ripen in transit, this is not so to any noticeable extent.

"I think she loves me," said the young doctor.
"I see she lets you hold her hand."
"Yes, and when I do, her pulse seems considerably accelerated."

Just A Little Obscure

A lawyer was asked by the court to apologize for a seeming disrespect to the bench. The lawyer said with great dignity:
"I do apologize, sir. Your Honor is right and I am wrong, as your Honor generally is."

CANADA --- THE NEW SWITZERLAND



Where the Appetite is Always Keen.

Sections of the Alpine Club of Canada in all parts of the Dominion have received the anniversary message of the director, Arthur O. Wheeler, interprovincial boundary survey commissioner for B.C. There is much in this document of special interest to members of the club, but there is also a great deal which affects the general public, since it looks forward to a greatly increased tide of summer travel into the fastnesses of the great hills.

The director's message opens with comments on the prosperous standing of the club and the success of the camp at Yoho lake last summer. Thanks are also tendered to many who helped to make the camp successful. Mention is made of renewed photographic activities in the mountains and of the fact that the challenge cup for competition by amateur mountain photographers was won last summer by Dr. H. E. Bulyea of Edmonton.

With reference to the erection of a suitable memorial to the soldier members of the Alpine club, the director says: "It is decided to do this on two separate lines, first, to place a record of all our members on military service and particularly those who have joined the supreme honor roll, on the club house grounds at Banff, and second, the erection of a hut above timber line at some serviceable place in the Canadian Rockies for the use of our members and possibly the public who are interested in making mountain climbs."

With reference to independent mountaineering during the past year mention is made of the first ascents of Mt. King George, and several other peaks of the Royal Group, lying in a hitherto unexplored district fifty miles southwest of Banff. Mt. Sir Douglas and Mt. Joffre were also climbed for the first time last summer.

After some comment on the Banff winter carnival, in which the Alpine club takes an active interest, having been donors of a challenge cup for hockey, the director takes up the matter of the forthcoming "Welcome Home" camp to be held at Mt. Assiniboine from July 20th to 31st, 1920. At this camp more than 300 people will be placed under canvas and the special feature will be the fact that all returned members will attend as guests of the club. The camp will be situated three days' journey from the railroad and transportation of baggage will be by a specially organized pack train known as the "Alpine club pack train." Of special interest to the general public is the fact that this pack train will be in operation throughout the summer and anyone wishing to make a really interesting trip into the heart of the mountains can do so at a minimum expense. The camp at Mt. Assiniboine and the "Overnight Camps" on the way thither from Banff will be open to the public from the first of July until the end of September, except during



Mount Assiniboine, Canadian Pacific Rockies.

the two weeks when they will be occupied by members of the Alpine club. At any time during the summer walking tours may be taken to Mount Assiniboine and these camps will be open to furnish good meals and a bed to the tramp at the end of his day's journey. There is only one way to really see the mountain and that is on foot, but so far this pleasure has been confined to the very few, on account of the difficulty of carrying food and bedding. Those difficulties are now to be removed and it is planned in coming years to arrange many such walking and riding tours for the benefit of the public.

In conclusion the director quotes the verses of a gifted Calgary

poetess, Miss Marian L. Moodle:
Oh wind that comes out of the West,
The land of the sunset skies,
Where far o'er you mountain's crest
Thor's glorious colors rise,
You bring me the fragrance of pine,
The coolness of mountain snow,
The music of falling streams by the
hills where the lilies grow.

Oh wind that comes out of the West,
You sigh on your way to the plain.
The mountain land is the best. Will
you not come back again?
Glow skies with your golden light,
Blow softly wind from the hill,
For my heart has a longing tonight,
That only the mountains can fill.



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THE NATURAL OUTLET

(From Fruit Markets Bulletin)

The prairie market is the natural outlet for B. C. fruit and vegetables. We have gradually eliminated competition in these lines in our season by supplying 1st class goods at prices that have fully met outside competition. We intend to maintain our present position on the prairie market, but it looks as though we might have to fight for it.

The newly-formed Western Jobbers' Association, by resolution in Vancouver agreed not to buy our apples in advance thereby challenging the past selling policy. Some of them (and not the least) are advertising all over B. C. in an effort to induce consignment to them of all they require, they have already had more gooseberries consigned than the market is demanding and prices are lowered on prairies below the set price in B. C. It costs the consignee nothing to reduce the price and we sincerely hope that gooseberries will be the only product consigned. We do not think that this resolution will be adhered to by the jobbers, as conditions may vary their winter resolution within 24 hours in shipping season, if this resolution is carried out, it means that shippers will suit their selling policy to conditions as they arise, they have four ways at least of counteracting this move: 1st, to store in B. C. and supply the market as needed, or store on prairie at distributing centres for same purpose; 2nd, to adopt different financial arrangements for payment of fall purchases for winter use; 3rd, to seek wider markets for the available supply; 4th, unite to establish their own selling agencies and arrange with Pacific Coast Associated Shippers for continuous accounts.

At present there is a strong movement in Washington, Oregon and Idaho to organize fruit growers in these States for the purpose of establishing their own selling agencies California has made a success of this plan.

British Columbia growers are fully organized and are well able to take care of their own business if circumstances warrant it. The B. C. producers can take the resolution lying down, and consign to the jobbers which means passing back price control or the want of it to the jobbers, and the conditions obtaining previous to 1917 will soon return, human nature has not changed since that time.

HUGHES—McGEER

A wedding of interest to a large circle of friends here, says the World and elsewhere took place on Tuesday evening in St. Michael's church, Rev. G. H. Wilson officiating, when Miss Gertrude Emily McGeer was united in marriage to Mr. J. H. C. Hughes, of Belfast, Ireland.

The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with a profusion of pink roses and greenery, forming a charming setting for the ceremony. The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Gerald G. McGeer made a pretty picture in an ivory crepe de chine gown with white tulle hat with trimmings of white French flowers and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. Miss Kathleen McGeer, sister of the bride, was her bridesmaid. She wore a frock of blue satin flowered voile, with bands of blue satin and shell pink hat trimmed with ostrich and blue French flowers and carrying a bouquet of pink sweet peas. Little Miss Mimi Campbell of Phoenix, B. C. was a flower girl in fluffy dress of pink silk mull and carrying basket of flowers. Mr. Wm. O'Neil acted as groomsmen and Mr. Dudley McGeer and Mr. Jack Grimmert were ushers.

A reception was held at the home of Mr. Gerald G. McGeer, about 40 guests being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes left by motor to Cove Cliff, where they have taken a cottage for the summer months, and later will make their home at Mission City, B. C. Mr. Hughes is on the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Hatzic W. I. wish to publish the following account of the receipts and expenditures of June 24th. the day and evening of their Flower Show and Dance:

Receipts:	
Afternoon	\$125.30
Evening	\$200.70
	\$326.00
Expenditures:	
Ice Cream, etc.	\$ 26.63
Hauling, etc.	5.00
Orchestra	54.75
DesBrisay & Co.	8.70
Hatzic Trading Co.	1.50
Central Meat Market	3.70
Floor Wax, etc.	1.70
	\$101.98
Balance	\$224.02
	\$326.00

Cheques for \$112 each have been sent to the Mission Memorial Hospital and The Hatzic Hall Association for the Painting Fund.

KEEVES—CHANDLER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. James Kees, on Grand Avenue on the 2nd instant, was the scene of a pretty wedding. On that day Mr. Wellington Kees, of Price Rupert, was married to Miss Ethel L. Chandler, of Wallington, Surrey, England. The bride is another of the English "war brides" and had arrived a few days before to meet her future husband, who arrived from the north.

The Rev. Gordon Tanner officiated. Only immediate relatives were present. After an excellent wedding menu the young couple took the evening train for Vancouver, intending to take an early boat for their new northern home.

Needless to say the bridegroom is a returned man, and met his bride while overseas. As a native son he is followed by the good wishes of many old-residents, who have known him from boyhood.

Mrs. Wellington Baker is visiting in Portland, Ore., and Vancouver, W.

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