

WINE CROP FAILURE

Product in France Is Less Than Home Consumption.

Yield Is Only About One-Tenth of Normal Amount—Will Not Create Demand for American Article—Weather Is Blamed.

Paris.—The wine production of France this year will be only about one-tenth of the normal amount. The French vineyards yield an average of 13,000,000 gallons of wine a year, and this year they will not yield more than 1,400,000 gallons at most. The taxed wine is that put on the market and sold. That consumed by the producers is not taxed.

There are 1,200,000 wine producers, and their annual consumption of wine is about 265,000,000 gallons. The normal consumption of persons in France who buy their wine is 1,572,000,000 gallons. This, with the 265,000,000 gallons used by the wine producers, makes the total consumption of French wines in France about 1,537,000,000 gallons.

Not only will the production this year fall far short of that amount, but even if all the old stock of wine is added to it there will still be a large shortage. The stock on hand ought to be from 250,000,000 to 300,000,000 gallons. It is, in fact, only about 200,000,000 gallons.

The sales of wine in bulk which mark the fetes with which the vintage season closes have already indicated an augmentation of prices over last year. The shortage of something like 137,000,000 gallons as regards French consumers will, it is expected, be filled by importations from Algeria, Spain and Italy.

At the same time, however, it is recognized that in those countries also the production this year is far below the average. The cheerful view is based on the fact that Spain, Italy and Algeria normally produce, relative to their own consumption, a much larger surplus of wines than France.

A leading writer on wine production, asked whether the shortage of supply in France would cause a demand here for American wines, answered emphatically in the negative. The reason, he said, was that American wines could not be sold cheap enough to the French wholesaler to leave him a suitable profit on his own subsequent sales.

He admitted, in making this statement, that large quantities of American wines are brought to France, matured and treated here in accordance with the practices of the trade, and then put on the market under labels which do not distinguish them from the regular French product.

But most of these wines, he said, go back to America. Incidentally it may be remarked that any one can note in Paris and also in London that wherever American wines are found on the menus of restaurants the prices affixed are much higher than those of the corresponding grades of European wines.

The vintage fetes this year have been as usual. It is pretended in some of the wine districts that the quality of the vintage is above the average. But this is by no means proved, and is doubted by experts. It is too early yet to know positively whether it is true or not.

The prices obtained for the fine wines in Burgundy at the vintage sales are not so high as they were in 1904, when the yield was not only extremely abundant, but the quality was far better than that of ordinary years.

It is evident that unless there are large importations, France must begin the next season with its great wine cellars virtually empty, and that for months to come exports of wines

must be at a minimum. Just to what degree this state of things will increase the prices of the finer wines in Great Britain and America it is impossible to say.

But what makes the situation less gloomy in France than it would appear to be at first sight is the fact that the partial failure of the grape crop has been wholly due to the abnormal summer and autumn. In every district the vines are reported to be strong and free from disease, and in all parts of France where wine is produced the deficit is proportionately the same, uniform results having followed an identical cause.

The low temperature and frequent rains of the summer delayed the growth of the vines and stunted the development of the grapes. It was hoped that in the early autumn the grapes would gain rapidly in size, but the weather has continued to be for the most part unseasonable. There has been hail as well as many chilly rains.

Fearing they might lose the whole crop if they delayed, a great many vinticulturists gathered their grapes early, while they were too green to yield an abundant amount of juice of the quality suitable for making good wine. Besides this, great quantities of grapes were gathered in the rain, and they softened and soured more or less before they were put under the press.

No alarm about the future of the wine-producing industry because of this temporary failure has been manifested by those engaged in it. They expect that next year's yield will be normal, as they can hardly conceive that nature would inflict upon the country two summers in succession like the last.

WAR ON STOCKINGS

Russian Prima Donna Would Have Women Go Barefoot.

Woman Is Greatly Hampered in Her Physical Development by Many Unnecessary Articles of Clothing She Wears.

Boston.—Lydia Lipkowska, the Russian songbird of the Boston opera house has amplified her declaration that stockings as an article of constant wear should be relegated to the scrap heap. The fair prima donna declares woman is greatly hampered in her physical development by the many unnecessary articles of clothing she is called upon to use in her toilette.

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"I do not know how you look upon it in America, but we in Russia are rather more outspoken in such matters, and the discussion of woman's apparel is not considered an exclusive matter for star chamber sessions."

"Now stockings are a necessity when one is out walking, or visiting, or on the stage, but worn constantly through the day they are to my mind a source of evil. Give the legs a chance! Don't hem them in as if they were prisoners that are to be punished. Let the blood circulate freely through the veins! Put the stocking in the same class with the corset—a necessity that the sooner rid of the better for the wearer."

"When at home I confess that most of the time I am stockingless. I have high boots for the winter, trimmed with fur, that offer real comfort and which do not exact the penalty the stockings do."

WEALTHY MAN'S SON FARMER

Ambitious Michigan Boy Earned Money to Buy Farm as Laborer in Father's Factory.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—Out in the wilderness of Idaho, 40 miles from the nearest railway station, Boone Thompson, son of ex-Mayor Thompson, has taken up a claim and is now living on the 160 acres, miles and miles from the nearest settler.

Notwithstanding the fact that his father is president and manager of the Kalamazoo Stove Company and one of the few millionaires of this city, the son has gone to raising potatoes, wheat and other farm products, the money necessary for him to invest in the farming project having been earned by the son while working for his father as a laborer in the stove factory.

Young Thompson writes from the west that his crop of potatoes this year will net him several hundred dollars, although the cost in marketing the product will cut a considerable hole in the returns.

Nothing besides rattlesnakes and sagebrush grew on the claim before Thompson went west.

Annual Farm Show.

Hartford, Conn.—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state of Delaware by Hartford parties and a charter has been granted to the United States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition Company, capitalized at \$1,000,000. The corporation proposes to hold a permanent annual American industrial exposition in one of the western or southwestern states for the purpose of promoting the improvement of and education in the arts, manufactures and products of the United States. F. Alexis Taylor is director general. The board of directors is made up of prominent agriculturists and 40 governors have accepted vice-presidencies.

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A LITTLE COLD.

He caught a little cold—
That was all.
So the neighbors sadly said,
As they gathered round his bed,
When they heard that he was dead.

He caught a little cold—
That was all. (Puck.)

Neglect of a cough or cold often leads to serious trouble. To break up a cold in twenty-four hours and cure any cough that is curable mix two ounces of Glycerine, a half-ounce of Virgin Oil of Pine compound pure and eight ounces of pure Whisky. Take a teaspoonful every four hours. You can buy these at any good drug store and easily mix them in a large bottle.

Slight Misunderstanding.

Mickey's mother slanted a young school teacher on the East side the other day, says the New York Sun. As nearly as she could make out from the mother's spluttering the teacher had been calling Mickey "names that no lady would use and no decent mother would stand for." The teacher thought hard, but could recollect no time when she had given way to an impulse to call Mickey dreadful names.

"Sure but you did," insisted the mother. "I don't know what you mean by it, but scurvy elephant is no nice name to call a boy. That's what he said you called him, a scurvy elephant."

"Scurvy elephant No.," said the teacher, in a relieved voice "I didn't call Mike a scurvy elephant. I called him a disturbing element, and I reiterate my statement."

Mickey's mother went home partially satisfied, but not quite sure that the teacher hadn't been calling her names, too.

Where is Bessie Hartman?

Rosanna and Bessie Hartman lived with their mother at Chapman, Neb., in 1901, the year that their father was killed by a falling tree at Anada, Mo. Their mother, an invalid, being unable to care for them, the girls were sent to Omaha to school, being housed and mothered by a Mrs. Smith.

Finally, in 1903, Bessie, the younger of the two, was taken in charge by the Nebraska Children's Home society, who refused to tell her married sister, Rosanna, where she is. Bessie became of age last February. If she will send her address to P. O. Box 598, Omaha, Neb., it will be forwarded to her sister Rosanna, who is now Mrs. Geo. Duerr.

Provided for Newsboys.

Mrs. William Waldorf Astor provided in her will that the newsboys of New York should have a Thanksgiving dinner, as they have had at the expense of the Astor family for half a century. This year at least 2,000 newsboys were on hand, the afternoon papers having suspended work, thus giving the little fellows a holiday.

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Buy and Know Paxton's Gas Coffee. Positively the best you can get for the price in the world.

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IN 2 LB. RED CANS. 25c PER LB. Ask your grocer for it, and give it a trial.

UNPROFESSIONAL.



Diner—Have you seen that a doctor intends to inoculate himself with the cholera virus so that he may have the results of the experiment. Isn't that fine?

Proprietor—No, perfectly mad. I call it. Supposing I ate the same meals as my clients.

A Pessimistic View.

Among the patients in a certain hospital of Harrisburg there was recently one disposed to take a dark view of his chances for recovery. "Cheer up, old man!" admonished the youthful medico attached to the ward wherein the patient lay. "Your symptoms are identical with those of my own case four years ago. I was just as sick as you are. Look at me now!"

The patient ran his eyes over the physician's stalwart frame. "What doctor did you have?" he finally asked, feebly.—Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

Her Mistake.

A lady overtook a little girl of her acquaintance on her way to school. "Do you like decimals, my dear?" she asked.

Now the little girl had not gone very far in her arithmetic and she was unfamiliar with the word decimals. She shrunk from acknowledging her ignorance, so, after a minute, she stammered: "Yes'm, I like them pretty well, but not as well as peaches."

Restrained by Politeness.

"Prisoner, have you any reasons to present why the sentence of the court should not be pronounced upon you?" "No, your honor. I feel as if I should like to say a few words about the defense my lawyer put up for me, but there are ladies present; you can go ahead with the sentence, your honor."

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WELCOME WORDS TO WOMEN

Women who suffer with disorders peculiar to their sex should write to Dr. Pierce and receive free the advice of a physician of over 40 years' experience—a skilled and successful specialist in the diseases of women. Every letter of this sort has the most careful consideration and is regarded as sacredly confidential. Many sensitively modest women write fully to Dr. Pierce what they would shrink from telling to their local physician. The local physician is pretty sure to say that he cannot do anything without "an examination." Dr. Pierce holds that these distasteful examinations are generally needless, and that no woman, except in rare cases, should submit to them.

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of any cream separator you think of buying. See how it is thrown into gear. Then compare it with the "National." A simple little spring near the clutch on the shaft—where you can get at it—does the work on the

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The clutch always grips with the start of the crank—no slipping and no idling. Break once in ten years, if it did you could replace it for a year. This spring is an exclusive "National" patent. The hidden friction mechanism used by others costs as high as \$5 to replace. Invest in your dealer demonstrating the National without expense to you. Illustrated Catalogue of full particulars free on request.

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Raises Fence Post Trees

Former Governor of New Mexico Has Only Farm of Its Kind—Catalpa Grows Rapidly.

Roswell, N. M.—There is only one "fence-post farm" in the United States, so far as known, and it is conducted near this little Pecos Valley city by a former governor of the territory.

Ten miles east of Roswell is the Hagerman estate, and on a large acreage of this vast tract of land Herbert J. Hagerman, former chief executive of this territory and heir to the founder of the estate, has a farm devoted to the exclusive purpose of raising fence posts.

The trees are planted for the especial purpose of being grown to the necessary size and utilized to support the barbed wire that surrounds the picturesque irrigated estate and incloses the vast apple orchards and alfalfa fields. The trees are not grown for telephone posts, for cordwood, nor for any other purpose than fence posts.

The trees are set out in rows about a foot apart, and are irrigated and cultivated as carefully as the apple orchards. They are allowed to grow to a height of 15 or 18 feet before they are cut, unless there is a pressing need for fence posts before the trees reach that height. Then they can be cut into from two to three posts. One tree will grow to a height sufficient for three posts much quicker than two trees can be grown to sufficient size to make one post each.

one planted after the other is cut, of course, so that the trees are therefore allowed to grow to a height sufficient to make three posts, where this is possible, and it generally is.

A peculiarity about the tree is that it grows very fast until it reaches a height of 18 or 20 feet, and then it is slow of growth. This makes it just as undesirable as a material for telephone posts as it is desirable for fence post growth, hence it appears to be intended just for the purpose for which this young ex-governor has selected it.

The Hagerman fence post farm is one of the curiosities of the Pecos Valley and will remain so.

Teachers Sell Peanuts.

West Orange, N. J.—The humble peanut is the agency through which the teachers of St. Mark's public school here have secured a new piano. When their request for this was refused a few weeks ago by the board of education they purchased a quantity of raw peanuts, roasted them in approved style and sold them at a good profit to the pupils and their friends. They now have the piano.