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Fairport Beach

On Wednesday about noon a workman engaged in one of the cottages at the south-east corner of Fairport Beach, had his gasoline torch explode, and the building was soon a mass of flames. Two other cottages close by also caught fire and were completely destroyed. The Pickering Fire brigade were called but were too late to save the building. Had the wind been blowing from the opposite direction many other cottages would have been destroyed. The workman, fortunately was unharmed.

BROCK ROAD.

W. H. Jackson who has been ill for some time continues in very poor health.

We hope to have skating on the pond for Christmas holidays. Watch for it boys and girls.

Rabbit hunting has been a big pastime during the past week. They are being shot by the thousands around here?

The Toronto people who are resident in our locality during the summer, have returned to the city for the winter months. Weather a little to cold.

There will be a shooting match on Wednesday, Dec. 21st, at Walter Carlton's, lot 17, con. 4, half mile east of the Brock Road. Geese and turkeys will be given as prizes. Shot guns and rifles. Shells for shot guns provided.

The heartfelt sympathy of the community is extended to Charles and Mrs. Hood in the death of their son, Ross Edward, which took place on Tuesday in the Oshawa Hospital, after a month's illness from spinal meningitis. He was a bright boy and only 13 years and 7 months old. Last February an elder brother died in the Oshawa Hospital from a similar disease. The funeral takes place today Thursday, to Erskine cemetery.

BROUGHAM.

Mrs. Neal, of Markham, was a Sunday visitor with the Duncan family.

Mrs. T. A. Knox is spending the winter with her son Wm. A. and his family.

The Township Board of Health held their final meeting of the year in the Town Hall on Saturday.

Much sympathy is felt for Chas. Hood and family in the death of their son, Ross, which took place in the Oshawa Hospital on Tuesday.

Benjamin and Mrs. Carter spent the 45th anniversary of their wedding on Wednesday, Dec. 7th, with their daughter, Mrs. Albert Gray, and family.

Rev. Mr. McCormick, of Thornton ably filled the pulpit in the church here on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mr. McKerracher, of Unionville, will be the speaker here next Sunday.

W. A. and Mrs. Knox were on a motor trip to Huron County recently and while there visited Mrs. Fair-service (nee Miss Mair), of Blith, who sent best wishes to her old Brougham friends.

A largely attended gathering assembled at the Barclay home on Tuesday evening in the honor of the marriage of Harold and Mrs. Barclay, who returned from their wedding-trip last week. The young people were the recipients of many useful gifts.

The spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land, evidenced by the well-filled classes at Sunday School each Sunday. The great event of the year for them will be the evening of the 21st, when they will be the entertainers of the community. Their hearts are full of the great adventure of making perhaps their first bow to the public.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by the families of the beef-ring members and community generally, when they met in the Town Hall on Thursday evening. The hall was well filled with a happy, neighborly crowd, and after all had been satisfied with the abundance of well cooked oysters and other good things. Mrs. Harvey, at the piano, led in singing. Mr. Harvey delighted every one by singing two of his popular songs. Then followed moving pictures furnished by Mr. Croskery, who because of illness in his home had to return home early, leaving Mr. McWhirter to operate the picture machine. All joined heartily in singing the National Anthem, after which the home orchestra "The Kitchen Sweepers" furnished the music for a very enjoyable two hours dancing. The community is very grateful for the privilege of sharing this enjoy-able evening with the members of the beef-ring families. Members of the orchestra, Mr. White and Eddie Hiltz gave several pleasing musical selections during the evening.

GREEN RIVER.

Died, at her residence, Green River, on Wednesday, Dec. 14th. Mrs. W. A. Fuller. Funeral at 2 p. m. on Saturday, Dec. 17th. Interment at Brunswick Hill Cemetery, Green River.

DUNBARTON

Miss Agnes, Thom, of Sundridge is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. Ivan Annis, Highland Creek, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. G. White.

Miss Elizabeth McLeod, of Toronto, spent the week-end with Miss Evelyn Annis.

C. A. and Mrs. Annis, Dr. and Mrs. Pearson, W. H. and Mrs. Moore and others attended the Golden Wedding last Monday afternoon and evening of James and Mrs. Todd at the home of his son, George and Mrs. Todd, at Cherrywood.

GREENWOOD.

Miss Witheridge, of Toronto, spent Sunday with friends in the village.

The Misses Horton spent the week end with Miss Jones, of Mount Zion. We are glad to see Mrs. Horton out again after being confined to the house with a severe cold.

Mrs. R. Wilson was home for a short time last week, but had to return to Toronto owing to the continued illness of her brother-in-law.

Mrs. E. Ormerod had one of her former boarders spend a day here while on his way home from Omemees where he has been working lately.

The annual Christmas Tree and Entertainment of the Sunday School will be held in the church here on the evening of Thursday, December 23rd. A good program is being provided by the pupils of the Sunday School; and, of course, Santa Claus will be there as usual.

A pot-luck supper, under the auspices of the Women's Association will be held this Friday evening in the Greenwood Church. Supper will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock, after which a splendid program, consisting of music, readings and choruses will be given. Proceeds of the supper are to go to the Building Fund.

WHITEVALE

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock, the annual Christmas Tree and Concert of the Whitevale Baptist Church will be held and the program will consist of Choruses, Dialogues, recitations and pantomimes and a drama entitled "Dinner a Six," and a Rainbow Drill. Admission 25 and 15 cents.

The Whitevale Baptist S. S. will hold their anniversary services, on Sunday, Dec. 25th, at 2.30 and 7.30. In the afternoon the children will furnish the music. In the evening there will be a pantomime entitled "The Holy City," and special music will be given by the choir. Rev. H. Wilson will preach at both services.

The United Church Sunday School are holding their Christmas service on Sunday, Dec. 18th, at 10 a. m., followed by a white gift service to be held in the evening at 7 o'clock. Christmas music will be given by the children at both services. Kindly bring your gifts wrapped in white. A special invitation is extended to all to join in these services. On Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd, the annual Christmas tree and entertainment will be held commencing at 8 o'clock, when an excellent program will be given by the members of the school.

CHERRYWOOD

Misses Annie and Emily Petty spent the week-end in Toronto.

E. R. and Mrs. Pilkey and family spent Sunday of last week in Toronto.

We are glad to report that James Todd is improving after his recent illness.

Master Allan Gray, of Brougham, spent a day recently with Wm. and Mrs. Judd.

Mrs. W. F. Hollinger, Mrs. B. W. Lotton and Mrs. Angus Austin, of Weston, spent Wednesday last with Mrs. John O'Connor, of Pickering.

A very happy event in the lives of James and Mrs. Todd, of Cherrywood was the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary on Monday last, at the home of their son, George, where they received during the afternoon and evening many expressions of congratulations and gifts from a host of their friends, and sat down to dinner with their immediate family, and a sister of Mr. Todd's from Toronto, who later presided over tea for the guests. Talisman roses and white candles with the wedding cake made a lovely table setting. A grand-mother's clock was the chosen gift of their son and daughter, and a basket of fifty chrysanthemums, the gift of their only granddaughter. Mr. and Mrs. Todd are both Ontario born, and spent thirty-three years of their married life on their farm where their son now resides. Mr. Todd is widely known, having served seven years in the Pickering Township Council, three of which he held as Reeve. Mr. and Mrs. Todd are highly esteemed residents of Cherrywood and active members of the United Church and Sunday School.

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Murder at Bridge

By ANNE AUSTIN.

S. S. S. Special Investigator Dundee, investigating the murder at bridge of Juanita Selim, tells District Attorney Sanderson his findings. Possible suspects include Lydia Carr, the maid; Dexter Sprague, John C. Drake, Judge Marshall, Nita's landlord to whom she paid rent, and owner of the gun and silencer with which she was shot; Polly Beale and Elve Hammond, who were in the salarum together; Flora Miles, Janet Raymond and Ralph Hammond.

Sprague came to the party upstairs to the room he used. Lydia followed and told him he would have to leave. Flora Miles admits she was in Nita's closet reading a note which she thought was from her husband, Tracey, but which was really from Sprague. Dundee and the district attorney decide to pretend to accept the theory that a New York gunman did the job. Dundee hopes to find out who paid Nita \$10,000 since her arrival in Hamilton. Dundee intends to take pictures of the body and asks Lydia to bring Nita's jewelry to the district attorney's office for safekeeping.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"I don't know where she kept her jewelry," Lydia retorted harshly. "It wasn't worth much—not a hundred dollars altogether, I'll be bound, because Nita sold her last diamond not a week before we left New York. She owed so many bills then that the money she got for directing that play at the Forsythe School hardly made a dent on them."

"Do you know whether the jewelry was in the house or in a safe deposit box?" Dundee asked, excitement sharpening his voice.

"It must have been in the house, because she wore the different pieces any time she pleased," the maid answered. "I didn't ask no questions, and I didn't happen to see her get it or put it away. I didn't ever do much but my maid work for her, like dressing her and fixing her hair—just kept her clothes and the house in order, and did what little cooking there was to do."

"Her dressing table?" Dundee prodded. "Her desk?"

The maid shook her head. "I was always straightening up the drawers in both her dressing table and her desk, and she didn't keep the jewelry there."

"Captain Strawn, when you searched the dressing table and desk for the gun, or anything of importance, did you have any reason to suspect a secret drawer in either of them?"

"No, Bonnie. They're just ordinary factory furniture. I tapped around for a secret drawer, of course, but there wasn't even any place for one," Strawn answered, with an indulgent grin.

"I want to see Penny Crain!" Dundee cried, making for the door.

"Then you'd better come along to the courthouse with me," Sanderson called after him. "I sent her back to the office as soon as the inquest was adjourned."

The two men passed through the now deserted morgue chapel and almost bumped into a middle-aged man, obviously of the laboring class, in spite of his slicked-up Sunday appearance.

"You're the district attorney, ain't you, sir?" he addressed Sanderson in a nervous, halting undertone.

"Yes. What is it?"

"I come to the inquest to give some

information, sir, but it was adjourned so quick I didn't have time—"

"Who are you?" Sanderson interrupted impatiently.

"I'm Rawlins, sir. I worked for the poor lady, Mrs. Selim—gardening—one day a week—"

"Come to my office!" Sanderson commanded quickly, as a lingering reporter approached on a run. "No, no! I'm sorry, Harper," he said hastily, cutting into the reporter's questions.

"Nothing new." The district attorney and Dundee strode quickly away, and the man, Rawlins, after a moment of indecision, trotted after them.

When the trio entered the reception room of the district attorney's suite in the courthouse, Sanderson paused at Penny Crain's desk.

"Bring in your notebook, Penny. This man has some information he considers important."

A minute later Sanderson had begun to question this voluntary but highly nervous witness.

"Your name?"

"It's Elmer Rawlins, like I told you, sir," the man protested, and flinched as Penny recorded his words in swift shorthand. "It was my wife as made me come. She said as long as me and her knowed I didn't do nothing wrong, I'd oughta come forward and tell what I knowed."

"Yes, yes!" Sanderson encouraged him impatiently. "You say you worked for Mrs. Selim as gardener one day a week—"

"Yes, sir, but I tended to her hot water and her garbage, too—twice a day it was I had to go and stoke the little laundry heater than heats the hot water tank in summertime when the steam furnace ain't being use. I live about a mile beyond the Crain place, that is, the house the poor lady was killed in—"

"Did you come to stoke the laundry heater Saturday evening?" Dundee interrupted.

"No, sir, I didn't stoke it Sat'dy night," Rawlins answered uneasily. "You see, I was comin' up the road to do my chores, at half-past six, like I always do, but before I got to the house I seen a lot of policemen's cars and motorcycles, and I didn't want to get mixed up in nothing, so I turned around and went home again. I didn't know what was up, but when me and the wife went into Hamilton Sat'dy night in our flivver we seen one of the extries and read about how the poor lady was murdered. But that ain't what I was gettin' at, sir—"

"Well, what are you getting at?" Sanderson urged.

"Well, the extry said the police had found some footprints under the front-most of them two side windows to Mis' Selim's bedroom and went on to talk about the rose vines being tore, and straight off I said to the missus, 'Them's my footprints.'"

"Your footprints!" Sanderson ejaculated, then shook with silent laughter. "There goes Strawn's case, Bonnie!" But immediately he was serious again, as the import of this new evidence came to him. "Tell us all about it, Rawlins. When did you make those footprints?"

"Friday, sir. That's the day I gardened for Mis' Selim. . . . You see, sir, the poor little lady told me she was kept awake nights when they was a high wind, by the rose vines tapping against the windows. So I cut away a lot of the rose vine and burned it."

"Is that all, Rawlins?" Sanderson asked.

"'Bout all that mounts to anything," the laborer deprecated. "But there was somethin' else that struck me as a little funny, when I come to think of it—"

"Well?" Sanderson prodded.

"Well, it's like told you, it was my job to burn the papers. That scar-face maid of Mis' Selim's put every-

thing—garbage and trash—in a big garbage can, and I burnt 'em up. So I was kinder surprised Sat'dy mornin' when I went to stoke up the laundry heater to find somebody's been meddlin' with my drafts and had let the fire go clean out. I had to clean out the ashes and build a new fire—"

"You're trying to say, I suppose, that you could tell by the ashes that someone had been burning papers in—"

The relieved man hurried on at the with a quick glance at Dundee.

"That's right, sir," Rawlins agreed eagerly. "You know what kind of ashes a mess o' paper leaves—layers of white ashes, sir; that kind looks like papers yit."

"Did you speak to the maid—ask her if she'd been meddling with your drafts?"

"Yes, sir, I did! She said she didn't open no dampers, claimed the heater was the same as usual when she left Friday night to go to a movie."

"Remember now," Sanderson cut in, "you're not to tell anybody else what you've just told me. . . . If that's all, you can go now, and I'm much obliged to you."

The relieve man hurried out of the room on Penny's heels. Sanderson, when the door had closed, began:

"It looks like you're right, Bonnie, about that blackmail business. Of course it all fits in with your theory that Nita had made up her mind to reform, Marry Ralph Hammond, and be a very good girl indeed. . . . All right! You can have Penny in now. I think I know pretty well what you're going to ask her. And I may as well tell you that when Roger Crain skipped town with some securities he was known to possess, he hadn't got them from a safe deposit box, because he didn't have one." Sanderson pressed a button on the edge of his desk.

Dundee was flushing as he put his question to the district attorney's private secretary:

"Penny, do you know whether there is a concealed safe in the Selim house?"

The girl started, began to shake her head, then checked herself. "Not . . . I ever saw, or knew of when Dad and Mother and I lived there, but—" She hesitated, her cheeks turning scarlet.

"Out with it, Penny!" Sanderson urged, his voice very kind.

"It's just that, if you really think there's a secret hiding place in the house, I believe I understand something that puzzled me when it happened." Penny confessed, her head high. "I was at the Country Club one night—a Saturday night when the whole crowd is usually there for the dinner and dance. I'd been dancing with Ralph, and when the music stopped we went out on the porch, where several of our crowd was sitting. It was—just two or three weeks after—after my father left town. Lois wouldn't let me drop out of things. . . . Anyway it was dark and I heard Judge Marshall saying something about the simplest and most ingenious arrangement I ever saw. Of course that's where the rascal kept his securities—"

"I knew they were talking about Dad from the way Judge Marshall charged the subject as soon as he saw me."

"Who was on the porch, Penny?"

"Why let's see—Flora, and Johnny Drake, and Clive," she answered slowly. "I think that was all, besides Judge Marshall."

"Where are you going, boy?" Sanderson checked Dundee, who was already on his way to the door. "Well, if it's tucked away in the 'simplest and most ingenious arrangement,' it will stay put for awhile," Sanderson said. "Lydia's due here within half an hour, and you don't want to miss her, do you?"

(To be continued.)

Scandinavians Returning Home in Large Numbers

New York—That Scandinavians are returning home in large numbers to pass the holidays with relatives and friends is reflected in the heavy bookings being received by the various booking offices. It is estimated that when the motorliner Gripsholm sails from New York for Gothenburg she will carry out 1,200 passengers. This is believed to be a record for a ship of her size at this time of year.

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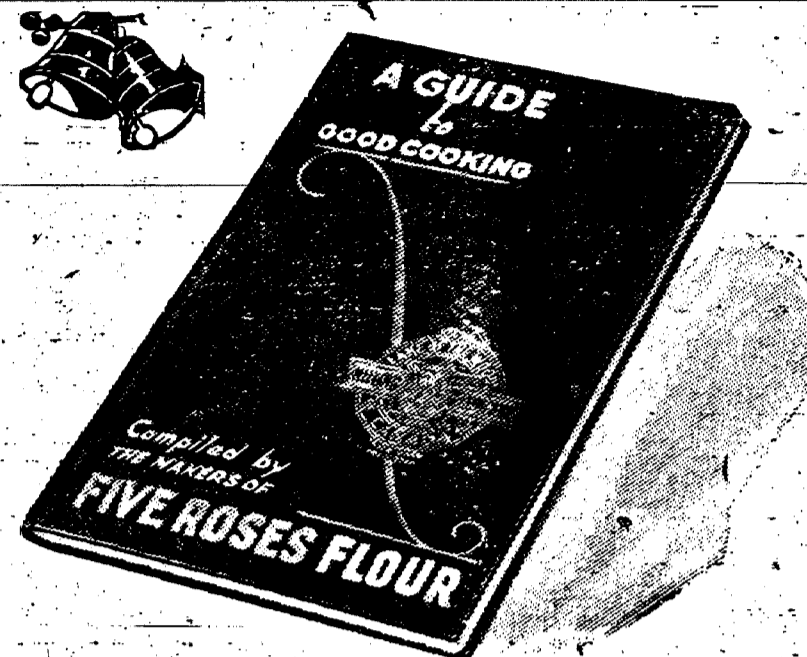
Of kindness, though it may Fall like the unsuspected seed And lie for many a day Beneath unsympathetic earth. Until upon the sight, When hope seems dead, it blossoms forth And fills the world with light. —A. B. C., in Tit-Bits.

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Christmas Comes to Cinderella

It Was All Like a Fairy-tale, Even to the Traditional Ending

By William Freeman

Jill Parfret had been born in the lucky class, but hadn't stayed there. If she had, she would still have been living in a jolly old house in Somerset instead of a bed-sitting-room in the cheapest part of Bloomsbury. Further, she wouldn't have been straining her eyes over the advertisement columns in search of a typist's job at anything from two pounds a week upwards. Further still, but Jill herself will explain presently.

It was just after eight o'clock on Christmas Eve, and the Christmas shopping was already over. Jill's total expenditure had amounted to less than five shillings, and two-and-eleven-three of that had been for a pair of stockings. Anyone who for two workless months has watched savings dwindle with pitiless speed to vanishing point will understand why.

Mrs. Chell, the landlady, was out. The other lodgers had gone away for Christmas—to relations or friends. Jill hadn't any relations, and no friends who remembered.

A knock sounded at the door below. Jill went down. A figure in a macintosh stood on the step.

"Miss Simpson?" it said, and raised its hat.

"Not here," said Jill. "There's someone with a name like that farther along—I'm not sure of the number, but it's the other side of the street."

"This side," said the figure firmly, "is the one I was told to come to. Number 42, second floor. They said I'd recognize it by one blind being crooked."

"My blind," admitted Jill, "is crooked. It was made crooked, and you can't make it any different. But my name's Parfret."

"Parfret was the name," said the figure heartily. "I knew there were seven letters in it. My own name," he added, "is Sheen. Also Bill."

He paused. Jill, mystified and chilly, waited.

"The fact is," said Mr. Sheen at last, "I've called about an invitation. But I could explain better if I came inside."

Mechanically Jill closed the door behind him. Mr. Sheen was youngish—not more than twenty-seven—freckled and grey-eyed. He was wearing a shabby but well cut suit and the lining of the soft hat he was holding had a Bond Street maker's name on it.

"It's like this," he resumed. "We've got a sort of Christmas Eve bingle on, but it won't be complete till we've roped in another guest. When I say 'we,' I'm referring to a total, including me, of five. All guaranteed absolutely harmless and respectable."

He paused, possibly from nervousness.

"At 97 Clarges street, old Peter van Stoot being the tenant. And I've come along tonight because, for tremendously important reasons which I can't divulge at present, we want you to join us."

"Me?"

"Yes. Dinner, with perhaps a spot of dancing afterwards. All absolutely informal, and the same as Aunt Susie used to go to in the eighteen-eighties. Word of honor. And we'll bring you back here again before Christmas Day."

"I couldn't possibly," said Jill.

"This hitch," said Mr. Sheen earnestly, "must be due to one of two things. The first is that you've another engagement."

"It isn't that," said Jill, and wished that she hadn't thrown away such an unanswerable excuse.

"Then it's because you don't trust me. Now, listen! At the corner is a policeman. Before we hop in the taxi that's waiting, go up to him and tell him all about it. And, if he sniffs your dirty work ahead, come back. How's that?"

Jill met his eyes. They were steady and very appealing. Then she thought of the room upstairs, and shivered.

"Very well," she said. "But you'll have to wait five minutes while I change my frock."

"Right-ho! But don't bother about anything elaborate."

"Anything elaborate?" echoed Jill bitterly as she fled upstairs.

She was longer than five minutes. It took her all that time to make up her mind, though she'd only two possible dresses—a short-skirted grey georgette, that had only been an afternoon frock to start with, and a fluffy pink affair she had bought in a moment of madness and which never really fitted on the shoulders. With stockings that matched, the pink might have won; as it was, she eventually appeared in the grey. Over it she slipped a macintosh, because it wasn't so shabby as her coat. And on

her soft hair she jammed the hat whose ribbon, anyway, was new.

In the hall Bill Sheen was impatiently wearing out the linoleum. He looked so exactly like the traditional kept-waiting husband that Jill wanted to giggle.

"Ready?" he said. "You won't need wraps in the taxi, will you? Shall I escort you to the policeman, or would you rather I walked ahead?"

"I don't mind," said Jill, and added with a touch of ungraciousness that she was ashamed of directly afterwards: "But you needn't wait if you're in a hurry."

"Right-ho!" He opened the door. "First corner on the left," he said, and vanished in the fog.

"I shan't see him again," said Jill to herself. "It's more likely that I shall just wake up."

But the policeman at the corner was real enough. At the mention of Mr. Peter van Stoot, he grinned.

"Know him, miss? Who don't? Used to be at the Hotel Cosmopolitan before he took a house in Clarges St. A very friendly gent, fond of dropping into Bow St. for a chat—and free with his money. Wish I earned what he pays in super tax!"

Jill walked on to where Bill Sheen was waiting with the cab.

"O.K.?" inquired Mr. Sheen. "Hop in then."

She hopped in. They rolled towards Clarges Street. During the journey he spoke once, and she once. Mr. Sheen said: "Ghastly weather, what?" and she answered: "Yes, isn't it?"

The taxi stopped before an opulent-looking detached residence with a massive porch supported by Corinthian pillars, and with a dyspeptic-looking stucco lion keeping guard on either side. The front had been lately painted the color of clotted cream picked out with vermillion. The door swung open, and a dignified butler stood aside for them to enter.

Jill found herself in a hall decorated dazlingly in peacock blue and orange. Mr. Sheen led the way across it to a door on the left. When he flung it open Jill gasped in spite of herself.

Two rooms, each big to start with, had the folding doors between them removed. And with this magnificent space at his disposal, the same high-spirited decorator who had glorified the hall had done all that could be done in a jumble of color and styles which the blaze of electric light made ten times worse.

Seated about a fireplace, which had a tangle of purple Chinese dragons on either side, were four people, two men and two girls. The girls were young. One had dark hair the other fair, and they were wearing what Jill knew instinctively to be absolutely the last word in frocks. The men were in evening dress. The elder, bald and grey-moustached, was obviously the fair-haired girl's father.

"Miss Parfret," said Bill Sheen, "may I introduce you to the Princess de Vigue, Lady Heston, Sir Arthur Porsea, and Mr. Peter van Stoot?"

They bowed. Jill's nerves suddenly steadied themselves. There was some sort of joke on; but she would see the thing through, shabby grey georgette and the wrong kind of shoes notwithstanding. She squared her slim shoulders and smiled defiantly.

"Miss Parfret," continued her escort, "would probably be glad to get out of her waterproof and then to have something to eat."

"Of course," said the dark-haired girl who had been introduced as a princess. "Come this way, my dear. If Lord Sheen will ring the bell for Collins we'll have dinner served at once."

"I didn't know," said Jill, "that he was a lord."

"Didn't he tell you?" drawled the fair-haired girl. "Too dire. Yes, Bill's an earl."

At dinner Jill was between Lord Sheen and Sir Arthur. A hot patch of color glowed in either cheek and her eyes were bright. The meal was very splendid and elaborate—the kind you glimpsed when you were hurrying home past the Ritz or the Berkeley. Except that no hotel in London had quite such ornate plate.

She wouldn't have any wine. She wanted to keep her brain clear, alert, balanced. Her conviction that there was something queer about the whole thing grew stronger. Her attention wandered. She found it difficult to follow what Sheen was saying. He talked about London. Apparently he had only just come back from abroad.

"We're going to have some dancing presently," said Mr. van Stoot, when the end of the meal was in sight. "Quite informal, with only the gramophone to help us out."

"But I can't dance in this," murmured Jill, touching her dress.

"It's a perfectly topping rig-out," said Sheen.

It was, of course, exactly the kind of thing a man who didn't know crepe de chine from alpaca would say. Nevertheless Jill stayed. Other guests arrived, the type one sees in Bond

Street on fine morning, in the Row at the exclusive night clubs.

She didn't care how much they stared at her—at least she wasn't going to let them guess that she did. She danced, danced, danced, while the gramophone blared, with Lord Sheen and other people whose names she heard and forgot. The time slipped by, but, like Cinderella, she didn't notice it.

Midnight struck while she was dancing with Sheen.

"I must go," she said. "Must you?"

"I promised. And so did you." "Right-ho. Don't bother to say goodnight to anybody."

They escaped from the heat and glare and noise into the cool hall. Jill slipped her macintosh over the grey georgette and jammed her hat over her head. The butler opened the door and told one of the gorgeous footmen to fetch Lord Sheen's car. She smiled to herself as she heard him.

A yellow Daimler slipped out of the gloom, a chauffeur in livery at the wheel.

"You'll let me come back with you?" said Sheen.

"There isn't any need, really. Does the man know the address?"

"Yes, I've told him. What about tomorrow? Or, rather, today—Christmas Day?"

"What about it?"

"I'd like, if you'll let me, to call. There's a whole heap of things which ought to be explained."

Jill regarded him dispassionately.

"Of course. Though I'm not sure that they're worth explaining. However, if you want to. Thanks so much for everything. Good night!"

She breakfasted in, and was just finishing the meal when the front door bell rang and she heard voices in the hall. Someone tapped.

"Come in," Jill called.

It was Bill Sheen.

"Am I too early?" he asked.

"No; I'm late. Will you have some coffee? There's still some left, though it's rather weak. And smoke, if you'd like to."

He thanked her, accepted coffee and lit a cigarette.

"I've a whole heap to tell you," said Sheen, after a pause. "Only it's so dashed difficult to know the best place to begin. Let's start with the house in Clarges Street. How did it strike you? A trifle on the lurid side?"

"One doesn't like to criticize, but—"

"Exactly."

"I was going to say that I hope it won't hurt your feelings or spoil the story if I say I've guessed the plot."

"You have?"

"Yes. And I hope the film will be a success, and that all the people who dressed up and pretended they'd titles, and the absurd footmen, will earn their salaries."

Bill Sheen grinned.

"Do you happen to know anything about the technique of film production, Miss Parfret?"

"N-no."

"Well, it isn't done on those lines, believe me. Now, listen! That house belongs to me. I let it while I was big-game hunting in Nigeria, to old Van Stoot. He's made four million dollars out of the pictures. And to make the house really homelike he had it redecorated in the very best film studio style. When I came back yesterday afternoon and saw the effect I nearly dropped dead. Van Stoot himself was tremendously proud of it. He and his daughter, the princess, were giving a Christmas house-warming, and they wanted me to join them. In fact they'd wrung a promise out of me in advance."

"And now"—Bill Sheen drew a deep breath—"comes the most difficult part. I came home sick and starving for English surroundings and an English atmosphere, and here was I confronted with—"

"Hollywood?"

"Y-s-s. I couldn't stand it, and I told him so. So the old chap said: 'Then go ahead and modify it in your own way. What about a typical English girl as a central theme?' He actually talks like that. Not the fashionable kind, but something simple and homelike. I said, 'Right-ho—and many thanks!' And came along and roped you in."

"On the spur of the moment?"

"Bill reddened slightly."

"Not absolutely. As a matter of fact, I'd noticed you at the window when I passed earlier in the afternoon, and I couldn't think of anyone in London, or out of it, who'd fill the berth better."

"And are you," said Jill, after a long pause, "really an earl?"

"Fraid so."

"Thank you awfully for being so frank. It's been an amusing adventure. Now that it's over—"

"But it isn't," he protested. "You're coming back to spend the day with Van Stoot and the rest of us. A real Christmas party, with the real English atmosphere."

"It's all perfectly ridiculous," said Jill.

"It's perfectly inevitable," said Lord Sheen.

"You make me feel just like Cinderella," said Jill. And then she blushed furiously, remembering the end of the story.

A fact of which the "prince" reminded her when, three months later, they were married.

The Symbol

By Anne Ryan

On a high inaccessible peak stood an old castle inhabited by monks. Valleys lengthened away from it on every turn.

The hemlocks no matter how tall they grow, only swept as a boiling sea of green in the winter winds beneath the craggy summit.

And the first thin falls of the river flowed like a grey wound from the side.

All the sky was visible, a great dome traced with patterns by a mighty finger.

It was the eve of the Nativity. On this light in the stone halls there were early tapers coming, and chill, sandaled feet.

In the vaulted refectory with their food before them all smoking with a watery fragrance, the monks sat waiting for something, a signal perhaps, a sign.

A bundle of straw rested beside each place.

All the old monks, their chins on their scapulars, appeared to take the same attitude, doubtless from annal of repeating worn customs. Endlessly while their thoughts were as eagles for God.

And the young monks were waiting too.

They watched the windows eagerly. The dusk became greyer and faded.

When on the rim of the world the moon will rise, or the first great star.

A novice will point to it. Only then will supper commence. Each looking sideways from time to time at the symbol of straw.

God gives might to the meek.

"Peace and Goodwill"



"Silent night, Holy night," sing the girls of the foundling hospital school at Redhill, England, as they practice their Christmas carols.

Christmas Fifty Years Ago

By Lady Southwork

Let me recall a jolly Christmas of, let us say, 50 years ago. I use the word jolly advisedly, for we were jolly in those days; somehow or other the word does not seem quite so applicable now. It is true that there are wonderful entertainments given at hotels, for home entertainment seems to nearly have died out owing to the servant difficulty and the growth of flats, but the spirit of Christmas seems to have changed as I survey the season from the outlook of old age.

My thoughts go back to 1877 when I spent Christmas at Knockholt, near Cheltenham, in Kent. It is a far-off date. Yet I go back to the fifties in my recollections.

Travelling then was a serious business, and the train service to Knockholt station, about three miles distant, was the only means by which relatives and friends could reach Ashgrove (my father's house).

Upon arrival there the year's important process of discarding wraps and bonnets to be gone through and gloves, generally white, to be struggled into before the serious business of the evening commenced.

After the time-honored bill of fare for Christmas Day or Boxing Day had been religiously partaken of and the usual jokes made about kissing under the mistletoe or the dangers of a premature death owing to swallowing six-pences and threepenny pieces in the plum-pudding my father would rise and give the toast of welcome to all friends "inside and outside St. Paul's" or in the country it was changed to "all around the Wrekin."

The dessert wine was then passed around, and for the younger members of the party the exciting business of pulling the crackers began. With intense eagerness the contents would be unfolded, and oh! the unholy mirth with which we saw our elderly and revered relatives adorned in towering jesters' or jockeys' caps, making themselves a laughing stock for our pleasure, and a frilled paper woman's hat crowning my father's bald head.

There were no cocktails unless sherry and bitters could be called such, or those days, but punch composed of a very potent mixture of, I believe, rum, gin, brandy, and lemon, etc., was ladled out of an old silver or china bowl about ten o'clock, after round dances such as polkas, Sir Roger de Coverley, glee and musical chairs had exhausted the company.

Then, to wind up, "Auld Lang Syne" was sung in a rollicking style, all joining hands and the serious business of departure commenced, my father, generally as he shook hands, observing "Speed the parting guests."

Files, often of very shabby conditions and smelling very musty were called into requisition, if they were not Laddaus enough, and the Yuletide guests were driven, tired but happy, to the station, to await the London train.

Royal Christmas Cards

Have Been Chosen

Thousands of people will receive Christmas cards from members of the British Royal Family this year.

The King has followed his usual custom of having some scene from England's history used on his Christmas card. This year he has chosen a reproduction of a painting by A. D. McCormick, entitled, "Sir Francis Drake Explains His Plans To Queen Elizabeth," the original of which is in the King's possession. The accompanying greetings read: "Christmas Greetings and all good wishes for the coming year."

Queen Mary again shows her partiality for garden studies. There are two garden pictures painted by Edith Andrews, on her card, with the inscription: "With all good wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Bright New Year."

The Prince of Wales has chosen a view of old London Bridge, and the Duke of York has selected a breezy seascape illustrating an incident in naval history—the mutiny of the "Bounty," in 1787, and the setting adrift of Lieutenant Bligh and his loyal men.

The Princess Royal also has chosen a garden study.

A Christmas Carol

"What means this glory round our feet," The Magi mused "more bright than morn?"

And voices chanted clear and sweet, "To-day the Prince of Peace is born!"

"What means that star," the Shepherds said,

"That brightens through the rocky glen?"

And angels, answering overhead, Sang, "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

—James Russell Lowell, in Poems.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At the International Hay and Grain Show held at Chicago last week, Canada has maintained her reputation as a leading agricultural country in the world, having captured a majority of the leading prizes. The most coveted prize of all, the wheat crown, was won by Herman Trelle, of Wembley, Alberta. This man is a German who came out to Canada a few years ago with no knowledge of agriculture, but he came with a determination to make a success of farming, and he has certainly succeeded in his efforts, for this is either the third or fourth year in which he has won the coveted prize. His wife is also an enthusiast in agriculture. The Canadian entrants have taken a total of 236 prize ribbons, the awards being taken in 23 varieties of grain. The Canadians were also leading winners in their exhibits of alfalfa, sweet clover, timothy, field peas, beans, rye and barley, taking nearly 100 prize ribbons in these divisions. Canada has good reasons to be proud of her achievements in agriculture. But Canada is renowned not only as an agricultural country, but in the production of minerals she takes a leading position among the nations of the world, and every year new mineral wealth is discovered by the work of the prospector.

In the marathon swimming contests held by the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto every year, the most of the prizes are won by contestants outside of the Dominion. But evidently the Canadians did not allow all the winnings to leave the country. Vierkoetter, the German, who won the \$25,000 prize several years ago, liked Canada so much that he decided to remain in this country. He is now a naturalized British subject and he and his wife and family are now residents of Toronto. In the women's swimming contests all the leading prizes were won by American mermaids during the past few years in which these world contests have taken place. But the Canadians have kept the money in Canada, and this was done by Toronto bachelors capturing the winners with their prizes. Americans may consider this a dirty scheme, but everything "is fair in love and in war." The last conquest of this kind took place a few days ago when George Young, a world champion of Toronto, married Margaret Ravior, three times champion in the women's class, and now considered the world's champion woman swimmer. This couple have taken up house-keeping in the house presented to Young by the residents of Toronto when he rose to fame when he won the Catalina swim several years ago.

A novel, but commendable method of conducting a dance was that of the Parkdale Canoe Club on Thursday evening last. The terms of admission to the dance hall was not in money, but in old clothing that could be utilized in giving relief to those who are in need of whom there are thousands in every large city, and are also numerous in every community in these dark days of unemployment. There are many people who have cast-off clothing which is still in good condition, but on account of the nature of their work is not considered good enough, and the owners hesitate about offering them to others as it might give offence. But there are many people who are reduced to want who would be glad to receive them. In some cases the clothing could be made over for children, and could be made as

good as new. In some parts of the north-west provinces dances and concerts are held, and as money is so scarce wheat or provisions of any kind are accepted as the price of admission. The grain is sold and the proceeds are used for relief. In the case of the Parkdale Canoe Club, two large truckloads of clothing was received and sent to the headquarters for relief where it will be distributed to the needy ones. Those who have any old clothing should hunt it up and do not leave it to feed the moths. Every little helps.

If the United States insists upon the payment of the last cent of indebtedness by Britain, the latter country may place a special tariff against the United States. The President-elect, Franklin Roosevelt says "Debts owed the United States must be paid." The pound of flesh must be handed over by Britain. It is a just debt, and the United States has a legal right to demand the payment. There is also a moral side to the question. Britain sacrificed millions of men and billions of money in order to save democracy. The men of wealth of the nation have been taxed so heavily that many of them are no longer considered wealthy and are disposing of their estates in order to pay the taxes imposed upon them due to the war. In the United States the country was benefitted financially by the war. Hundreds of men have become millionaires through the manufacture of munitions and other necessities due to the war. While Canadian soldiers were enduring all the horrors of war for \$1.10 a day, and the British soldiers receiving much less.

the American workman employed in munition factories was receiving from five to ten dollars a day, in pleasant surroundings and warm buildings. These conditions should have some weight in causing the United States to view the matter from a moral standpoint. But apparently that country is determined to maintain her reputation for grasping the almighty dollar.

DUNBARION

A very pretty, but quiet wedding was solemnized by Rev. E. G. Robinson, of St. George's Church Pickering, at the Anglican Mission, when Anna Elizabeth Webber became the bride of Leonard Cyril Finch, son of Mr. Fred Finch, of Toronto. The bride, who was given in marriage, by Mr. H. A. Newman, entered the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by Miss Violet Swan, organist, looked charming in a gown of white crepe romaine, cut on long princess lines, with a high neck and a large cape falling from the shoulders well over the elbow, and was fastened at the throat with a band of mink fur, her small velvet turban and shoes were to match. She carried a large bouquet of yellow mums and maidenhair fern. Mrs. R. Ferrier, sister of the groom, was maid-of-honour in a lovely gown of shell pink bird's-eye, embroidered with girde of turquoise blue crepe, pink lace hat and shoes completed her ensemble, her bouquet was of large yellow mums. Mr. F. Thornton attended the groom. During the signing of the register Miss Violet Swan sang "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden." Immediately following, a buffet luncheon was served in the Community Hall to the friends of the bride and groom. After a short wedding trip the happy couple will reside in Toronto.

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Taken from the Pickering News of Dec. 17th, 1885

The supporters of John Dryden for the Local House have opened a committee room at Parker's Law Office in this village.

W. T. Farfar, the lumberman, is making preparations for a big stock this winter. Having recently purchased the Gregg lot near the saw-mill which is capital timber, the mill will be worked with full crew of hands as soon as snow comes.

Messrs Robert Miller and son, and Angus McKay arrived home from Indian Head, N. W. T., last week, the former on Thursday and the latter Saturday morning. They report farmers plowing in some sections of the North West when they left for home. The sale of timber at Harry Remmer's on Tuesday last was a great success both as to crowd in attendance and the prices realized. The best portion of the timber sold at the rate of \$114. per acre, which it will be admitted is a pretty good price. Messrs Poucher and Rowland officiated as auctioneers.

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John Stephenson, of Columbus, will celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage on December 24th, at their home. Mr and Mrs. Stephenson will be at home to their friends from 2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and will entertain all the members of their family for the evening. 17

N. Y. Woman Tells How To Make Child Eat

New York—Mrs. H. Wolff's little girl would not eat and was thin and pale. After giving her Vinol (iron tonic) she eats hearty, gained weight and rosy cheeks. E. C. Jones, druggist.

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CLAREMONT

Wm. Profit, of Aurora, spent Sunday with Lyman and Mrs. Pilkey.

Miss Ruth Middleton has been spending the past week in Toronto with relatives.

T. P. Shirk, of Toronto, is here spending the winter with his son, Edgar, and Mrs. Shirk.

Miss Mary Macnab is confined to her bed through illness, but we are pleased to know that she is gradually recovering.

C. A. Overland has received a large stock of Christmas goods, suitable for all classes. Call and see them before purchasing.

The Sunday School children are all busy preparing for their Christmas entertainments which will be held within a week.

Ray and Mrs. Rumohr and daughter, of Hamilton, spent a day here last week with the former's parents, S. and Mrs. Rumohr.

Mrs. McIntyre, of Toronto, returned home last week, after spending several weeks with her son, H. G., and Mrs. McIntyre.

The annual Christmas tree in the United Church on the fifth line of Uxbridge will be held on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 21st.

The Claremont Social Club are sending out invitations to a dance to be held in the Community Hall on the evening of Friday, Dec. 23rd.

Mrs. Wm. Birkett was confined to her bed for several days with a severe attack of flu and bronchitis, but is now somewhat improved.

Miss Mary Graham, teller of the local branch of the Bank of Commerce, who has been on leave of absence for several months, owing to ill-health, due to over-work, is not improving as fast as her friends would like.

Only ten days remain before Christmas, and only ten days more to do your Christmas shopping. So far our merchants have found business very quiet. Evidently the people are not spending so much money for Christmas boxes as usual. However, there is time yet to do your buying, but do not delay any longer.

Don't miss the eucbra and dance party to be given in the Community Hall this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Claremont Lacrosse Club. Lunch will be served. Admission, 25 cents for each person. There will be dancing after the eucbra, for which there will be a charge of 10 cents. Everybody welcome.

The United Church Sunday School will hold its annual Christmas entertainment in the body of the church on Thursday evening, Dec. 22nd. The program will consist of a cantata, choruses, drills and recitations. We anticipate an excellent program and hope that there will be a good turnout to encourage the pupils and their teachers in their good work.

Rev. Mr. McCormick, of Thornton, occupied the pulpit in the United Church on Sunday last when he preached two very impressive sermons. On Sunday next Rev. Mr. McKerracher, of Unionville, will preach at both services. Mr. McKerracher has an excellent reputation as a preacher and a pastor. It is hoped that there will be good congregations to hear him.

An interesting social event took place on Tuesday, December 6th at the parsonage of Woodbine Baptist Church, Toronto, when D. M. Morgan, of Claremont, was united in marriage to Miss Hannah Jack, of Toronto. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jas. A. Grant, who was formerly pastor of the Claremont Baptist Church. The best wishes of their many friends are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Morgan in the happy event.

On Friday evening last the Claremont Constellation Literary Society held a social evening in the school to help the library of the school. There was a splendid turnout of both parents and young people. A number played bridge and eucbra, while some regaled themselves with checkers and crokinole. The card prizes were won by Mrs. H. G. McIntyre and Margaret Spenceley, Dr. Tomlinson and Arnold Wilson. Every body reported an evening much enjoyed.

Report of Junior Room of the Claremont Public School, being the standing at the end of the Fall Term. Second Class—Margaret Cowie*, Norma Beverley*, Rendell Loyst*, Alvin Lehman*, Jean Morley* and Gordon Morley*, Evelyn Sanderson, Roy McLeod, Irene Lynn, Allan Pretty, Margaret Briscoe. First Class—Mildred Benson*, Jack Ward*, Donald Middleton*, Hazel Hinan*, Campbell Benns*, Andrea Lennox*, Audrey Forsyth*, Shirley Kibb*, William Phillips, Sr. Pr. Charlie Turner*, Bruce Miller*, Sr. Pr.—Leonard McCullough*, Jean McCullough*, Gordon Lynn*, Bernice Lynn*, Gladys Morley*, Doris Mitchell*, Sylvia Phillips, Dolly Crumb, Jean Taylor. A. V. Spoffard, Teacher.

Walter and Mrs. Thomson were in Toronto on Friday last.

Thomas and Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Croft and Mrs. Crumb motored to Oshawa on Friday of last week.

The public school Christmas concert will be held in the school on the afternoon of Thursday, Dec. 21st.

Harold and Mrs. Barclay were given a miscellaneous shower by their young friends on Tuesday evening last.

D. M. and Mrs. Morgan have returned to Claremont and have got nicely settled in Mr. Morgan's cosy residence.

Fred and Mrs. Hardy attended the funeral of the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. Rose Hardy, of Toronto, on Monday.

W. M. Palmer has been confined to his bed for several days through illness, and is under the doctor's care, but is now improving.

There will be skating on the Caledonia rink on Saturday night next. There will be good ice and a good band in attendance. Everybody come and enjoy the first skate of the season.

Thos. and Mrs. Patereon have returned home, after spending a week in Brooklin with their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Pengelly. Mr. Patereon was kept busy laying a hardwood floor.

The Sunday School of the Baptist Church will not hold their usual Christmas tree this year, but in its place will hold a social evening in the school room on the evening of Friday, Dec. 23rd.

Miss Betty Pretty is to be congratulated on receiving the second highest number of points at the annual school fair held in the fall. She received her prize this week, which was a nicely bound copy of Pauline Johnson's book, "The Shagga Nappi".

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R. J. How was in the city on Tuesday on business.

Fred Lynn, who is now employed in the city, was home over the week end.

Wilbur Gleeson and M. J. and Mrs. Wilker, of Toronto, spent the week end with the former's parents, Ed. and Mrs. Gleeson.

Mrs. J. Muddel purposes going to Pickering every Wednesday and Thursday to open a hair-dressing parlor in S. J. Davis' residence. Hours 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. Phone 5800.

Quite a number attended the shooting match at Walter Ward's, on Saturday last, although the day was very cold. Mr. Ward succeeded in getting rid of a number of geese, for which he realized a good price.

There will be a shooting match at John Scott's farm on the 8th concession (half mile west of the Brock road) on Tuesday, Dec. 20th. Geese and chickens will be given as prizes. Shells provided for shotguns.

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IN MEMORIAM.

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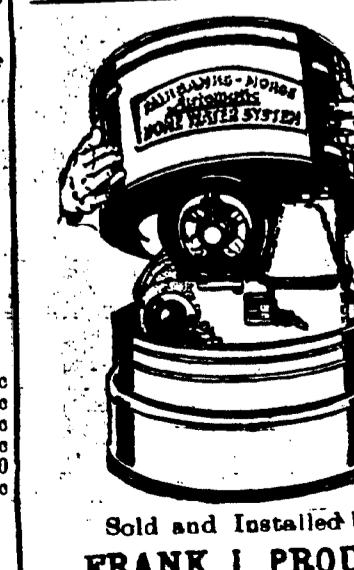


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Part 2

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Woman's World

By MAIR M. MORGAN

"A Woman's Place is in the Home."

Happy Christmas
Yuletide greetings around the world, the one universal holiday when the world, for a day, forgets its troubles, differences and nationalities and bows to the advent of a life. A Merry Christmas!

Away From Home
Dwellers in temperate zones of the world take for granted the trimmings and seasonal weather of December 25th. Snappy, brisk air, the green and red of holly and berry are natural and right—but let us look over the horizon and peer at Zululand. Five years ago the children saw their first Christmas tree and great was their delight and surprise—indeed, one of them declared "it was a tree from heaven." While the tribes are now converted to the Christian faith, the Zulu husband is still very literally "lord and master" of the household and only allows his wives to accept the new faith on the condition that they do not come to him for Christian clothing!

Now let us draw nearer home—picture a lighthouse-keeper of the coast of the British Isles. The prevalent weather conditions will demand his constant attention. At midnight, dressed in a "lammy" suit and helmet, one of them will commence his four-hour watch. The light must be watched continually and if the weather thickens due to fog, rain or snow, the foghorn must be started immediately. At intervals there will be stentorian blasts, interspersed with piercing shrieks to wake up those of watch and wish them a "Happy Christmas." Harbor pilots have their duties to carry out—although the maximum amount of leave is given, still there will be ships arriving and must be safely berthed. So while the odour of stuffed turkey assails your nostrils, tantalizing—think a moment of rock-bound coasts or sunny lands and be glad that you can call out Merry Christmas in this broad Dominion of ours.

Mid-Winter Fashions
A few remarks on the prevailing styles will not be amiss at this time, with holiday parties very much in vogue. Simplicity of line is the main feature—a subtle flare of the skirt, suggested fullness of a sleeve are symbolical of lady's dress at this season of the year. Red seems to be one of the leading colours—and as a contrasting trimming on grey, beige or blue, it offers the very latest in color schemes. Stripes are also in. A stunning model seen lately was fashioned of black and white satin. For those who favour the two-piece ensemble—blouses are very much in the mode, and the more vivid their pattern and colour, the better. A grey skirt with a pale yellow blouse is most attractive and youthful. Bows of every size are delightful additions to either blouse or frock. Belts still play a very important part. Suede, braid, or corded silk and wool, all are in. Necklines hug the throat. Little turned-down collars, of the Peter Pan variety, are featured on woollen frocks, often finished off with a tricky striped tie of silk. Now for shoes. In England if one is to be dressed in the height of fashion this winter one's shoes must match one's frock. At a recent Shoe and Leather Fair held in London, shoes dyed in nearly 130 different tones were shown and displays were seen of chemicals and acids of all descriptions now being used in the treatment of leather. For evening, the Sahara sandal was featured. For day wear the two-color shoe will be popular and combinations of tan and elk, navy and gray, the usual black and white and stone and wine are all leaders.

Three Stuffings For Your Turkey
Savoury Stuffing
Four cupfuls of soft breadcrumbs, ½ teaspoonful of pepper, ½ teaspoonful of salt, 1½ teaspoonfuls of powdered sweet herbs, ½ cupful of butter melted. Mix these ingredients together thoroughly. Some cooks put half a cupful of hot water, but the flavor of the stuffing is not improved by its addition.

Italian Stuffing
Chestnuts (shelled and blanched), 2 cupfuls of dry breadcrumbs, ½ cupful of hot water, 2 teaspoonfuls of chopped parsley, 2 teaspoonfuls of grated lemon rind, ½ cupful of melted butter, 2 teaspoonfuls of salt, ½ teaspoonful of pepper. Cook the chestnuts in boiling salted water till soft. There should be about five cupfuls. Then put

through the mincer. Mix the other ingredients together, and then thoroughly blended, add the chestnuts (as prepared above), and mix again.

Bermuda Stuffing
Three-quarter pound of calves' liver, ¼ cupful of cider, 2 tablespoonfuls of butter, half an onion, ¼ teaspoonful of milk, 1½ cupful of cooked rice, 1 egg, ½ teaspoonful of salt, 1-8 teaspoonful of pepper. Cut the liver into small cubes, and let it simmer in the cider till tender. Then chop it fine. Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the onion, sliced, and stir and cook till light brown in color. Mix the curry powder with the milk, and add to the cooked onion with the prepared liver. Beat up the egg, mix with the rice, salt, milk and pepper. Add to the ingredients in the saucepan. The stuffing is now ready for use.

Household Hints
When hearth or floor tiles do not look clean and bright after ordinary washing, try treating them in this way: Dissolve two pieces of lump sugar in the juice of a lemon. Dip a soft cloth into this and rub the tiles all over. Dirt and stains will disappear and the tiles will dry with a shine that will last a long time.

Black leather handbags can be cleaned by rubbing with a clean cloth and afterwards with another cloth dipped in a mixture of one teaspoonful of sweet oil and two teaspoonfuls of milk. When dry the bag should be polished with another rag, using a white shoe-cream or furniture polish.

Mud-stains may be removed from skirts or trousers in the following way: Add a teaspoonful of salt to a little lukewarm water, dip a soft cloth into the liquid, and wipe the stains well.

When boiling a ham, the flavour is greatly improved by the addition to the water of a teaspoonful of vinegar, a teaspoonful of brown sugar, and a few cloves.

If you buy bones for soup-making, and cannot use them immediately, bake them in a hot oven for a few minutes and they will keep fresh.

A Knitting Hint
When you are knitting one of those multi-colored jumpers, and want to join on a different colored wool, thread a darning needle with it and darn in and out of the cut end of the old wool for about two inches. This makes an invisible and a very safe join.

Prince of Wales Has Expert Knowledge of Tongues
Details of the Prince of Wales's address on the value of a knowledge of languages in promoting foreign trade are contained in the English newspapers. The Prince's remarks were made at Oxford where he spent many happy hours visiting his old college—Magdalen—and recalling his undergraduate days. His visit was for the purpose of inaugurating the new extension of the Taylor Institution, centre of the study of modern languages.

"I know from my own experience," he said, "what a difference it makes if you can speak to the foreigner in his own tongue. Barriers seem to fall, the ice is broken."

"Great mistakes and irreparable harm may be done if negotiating parties do not fully understand each other's idiom. Not every word has its exact equivalent in another language, and often a mere shade of accent or phrasing may alter the whole sense."

"As a result of my travels my interest in modern languages has grown year by year. I am glad to learn that the School of Modern Languages which, in my undergraduate days, was still struggling for full recognition, is now one of the larger schools in the university."

Recalling that it was his own college which had been the first to teach modern languages, having appointed Giovanni Florio, the translator of Montaigne, in 1585, the Prince quoted his dictum:

"I wish there were such a law that any one who should bring up his children without teaching them foreign languages should be beheaded."

"Much as I believe in the value of modern languages," he continued, "amid laughter, 'I am not prepared to go so far. However, to learn a new language is to have a new life opened up to us, to know new people and new modes of thought.'"

A November Landscape

November came to-day and seized the whole
Of the autumnal store of reds, and left
But drabs and yellows on a land bereft
Of bird and leaf, of body and of soul.

Outside my window now rain-winds patrol
The earth; last August's elms and birches seem
Like self-remembered legends in a dream;

Melodious myths—the thrush and oriole.

Such strange delusions when November weaves
Through clay and stubble, through dead ferns and leaves

As here lie sodden on the ground; and yet

This was the story told six months ago.

When April had the crocus through the snow.

—From "Many Moods," L. E. J. Pratt.

France Lowers Marriage Age of Men to 21

The organized women of France, although they have not yet achieved the vote, appear, in the light of their periodicals, to be much more interested than the men, whether organized or not, in a project of law which would allow a man to marry at the age of 21 without consent of parents or guardians, instead of making him wait until he is 25, as is now the case. A woman, however, who is married before the new measure; the age above which she may defy her parents and marry whom she chooses is to remain at 21.

The Roman tradition that the child is subject to the father's authority for life obtained in France until after the Revolution. As late as the latter part of the last century a man could not marry without the consent of his father until he had passed the half-century mark, nor could a woman until over 45.

When, some years ago, a Frenchman was considered eligible to vote at the age of 21, he was not eligible for marriage on his unratified volition until 25, although a woman, who could not vote, could contract a marriage on her own account and also assume the responsibility of financial transactions at the age of 21.

The new bill has already passed the Chamber and is now marking time in the Senate. Why the men have shown no particular interest in it is said to be due to the fact that parents since the World War have been extremely amenable to their wishes and, in any case, it was easy enough to summon intransigent parents by an "act respectueux" and so have the exigency of the age limit waived, although this right has been rarely exercised.

One of the greatest authorities on legal relationships in France is Maître Levy, and he has taken the occasion to change his view of the "business marriage" (mariage de convenance), which he formerly approved as being the rational basis of a French family life. He now considers that if persons who reach their majority were allowed entire freedom in regard to marriage there would be many more happy and lasting unions in France.

A Lift in the Spirit

By Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt

I think out of all these months of hardship and sorrow there is going to come one great good, namely, a growth of understanding and of interest among all the women of the city and nation in their sisters who work for their daily bread. I feel in the last few weeks a lift in the spirit of the country, a new sense of hope.

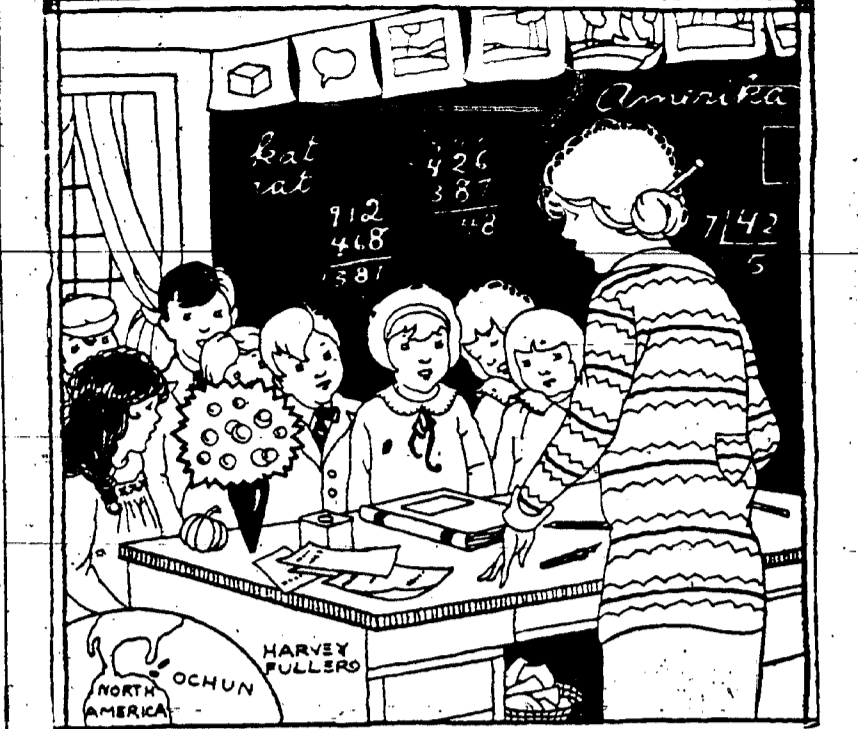
Whether there is any tangible reason for this hope or not, even though we may not be able to put our finger on any specific thing, still I am confident that the mere feeling that lies within us will bring better days for us all. But these days will not come unless each and every one of us has learned a lesson from the hard days we have been through.



"Brown must be a sinner."
"Why?"
"I heard his wife say he was no saint."

"All that is made is the work of God, and all is good."—Mary Baker Eddy.

What's Wrong Puzzle



There are from fifteen to twenty mistakes in each of the cartoons which will appear weekly on this page. See if you can find them and then compare with list which will be published next week.

- Only one child is being served.
- Curtains do not match.
- There are two kinds of leaves on same limb.
- One tree trunk in picture does not touch ground.
- Numbers are on the clock backwards.
- Woman has one bead missing.
- One of woman's eyebrows is too small.
- Perfume bottle should not be on table.
- Whole potatoes should not be on table.
- Bats do not fly in daytime.
- Clock has only one hand.
- Sides of vase do not match.
- There would not be eggs lying on table.
- Woman has only four fingers on one hand.
- Edges on woman's collar not alike.

Farm Queries

Henry G. Bell, B.S.A., Dept. of Chemistry, O.A.C.
Address All Letters to Farm Editor, 73 Adelaide St. West, Toronto. All Answers Will Appear in this Column. If Personal Reply is Desired, Enclose Stamped and Addressed Envelope.

Questions and Answers

S. G.—I have a few acres of rather heavy marsh land, would this grow barley successfully? What variety, when and how much should be sown for the best results? Is barley straw as good for feed as oat straw? Is millet good feed for dairy cows?

Answer.—Probably barley is the best of the cereals that you could grow on this land. It is the shallowest rooted of all the cereals and thrives on neutral to slightly acid soil. If possible, you should provide for drainage from your marsh. No crop, of course, will grow if the water is standing on the soil for a considerable period.

The best variety for Ontario so far developed is O.A.C. 21. Seed of this variety is obtainable in any standard grain centre. The amount usually recommended is 1½ bushels per acre. This gives sufficiently thick stand and allows of the crop maturing at its best. Barley straw is slightly poorer in nitrogen than oat straw and is considerably higher in potash. It is therefore not as nutritious a straw as good oat straw.

Millet makes a fair quality hay if it is cut about the time the flowers begin to appear. If it is allowed to go longer than this, it becomes very woody and is not nutritious. It can be fed to dairy cattle although it is not nearly so nutritious as alfalfa hay, but is a little better than timothy.

L. J.—1. Do you recommend putting lime rock on sandy soil for alfalfa? How much to the acre? Do you put it on before you plow your land or drag it in?

2. How much sweet clover seed should be sown to the acre? Will sweet clover grow on low land? Can the plant be killed by plowing it up?

Answer.—Fairly finely ground limestone rock is one of the best forms of lime to apply to the ordinary field for the growing of alfalfa. The amount to use will vary with the test of the soil. If the soil is slightly acid, one-half ton to the acre will probably be enough. If it shows distinctly sour, it will be necessary to use upwards of 1½ tons to the acre. One of the best ways to sow lime is to scatter it on top of the plow ground and work it in at the time the ground is disked and harrowed. This brings the effect of lime into the top three inches of soil where seed is sown.

About 20 lbs. of sweet clover seed is recommended to sow to the acre. Sweet clover will grow on fairly well drained low land but it will not do as well as alfalfa and it is not as valuable

a crop when the stand is obtained. Sweet clover is a biennial. That is, it takes two years to go through its life cycle. At the end of that time it will kill out itself if the hay has been cut each year before the seed is formed. The persistent nature of sweet clover comes about by a certain amount being allowed to go to seed. This can easily be avoided.

Pregnant Ewes and Alfalfa

Second growth alfalfa is a very rich and tasty feed to all farm animals. Sheep are very fond of it and will eat more than is good for them, if it is kept before them all the time. Pregnant ewes should be fed with some consideration of their condition, and the alfalfa feeding limited to one feed per day. The quantity given can be limited to what they will clean up in one hour. Other forage, such as oat straw, pea straw, red clover or mixed hay can be given in quantity, to complete their need for roughage. Pregnant ewes that live on an exclusive alfalfa diet may die at lambing time, and the post mortem of such alfalfa-fed ewes reveals a degenerate liver. Alfalfa is the best of forage, but it should be fed with care to pregnant animals. Once an animal has delivered its young and is milking heavily, there seems to be no danger in liberal alfalfa feeding. Many sheep flocks have paid the penalty of too liberal alfalfa feeding. Better stay on the safe side, and make it a practice of feeding alfalfa but once a day to pregnant ewes. After they start milking it may be fed liberally, without risk.

Poultry Itch and Scratch

Great loss is sustained each year through the ravaging of poultry flocks by biting and sucking lice, which feed on skin, scales and feathers. Lice infesting poultry can cause the birds much discomfort, resulting in a lower egg yield and poor condition of the birds.

Control.—Sodium fluoride is one of the most efficient dusting powders that can be applied to louse infested birds. Its use is described on page 13 of Bulletin 383, Ontario Department of Agriculture. Dust baths should be provided the birds for winter use, in order that they can by their own efforts keep their bodies free of lice. Dust baths should contain some bacco powder or some sodium fluosilicate. One little louse may look innocent of all evil, but bear in mind that thousands can make their presence felt and ruin the possibility of profit from the flock. Clean poultry are always profitable.

DYE-HARDS

A famous actress has declared that she will never have a gray hair as long as there is a chemist's shop doing business.

COLD FEET

Among the articles of necessity which are scarce in Russia are boots, which according to the latest news were the equivalent of \$60 a pair.



New Novel By Irene Moody

Review by John W. Garvin
Noted Canadian man of letters, Toronto, from the October issue of the Canadian Bookman.

Delphine of the Eighties, by Irene I. Moody. London, John Bale Danielson Ltd. Book Craft Co. Ltd., Toronto, Canada. Sold by all booksellers in Vancouver. 252 pages.

"Irene Moody, who lives in Vancouver, B.C., was born in Ontario and educated at the Collegiate in St. Thomas, and the scenes of this book are laid in her native province with London as a centre.

Mrs. Moody was chairman of the Board of School Trustees in Vancouver and has been president of the B. C. School Association. So far as I know, this is her first book and it is the initial volume of a proposed trilogy.

"*Delphine of the Eighties* is the most important novel of its kind since the publication in 1908 of *Anne of Green Gables*.

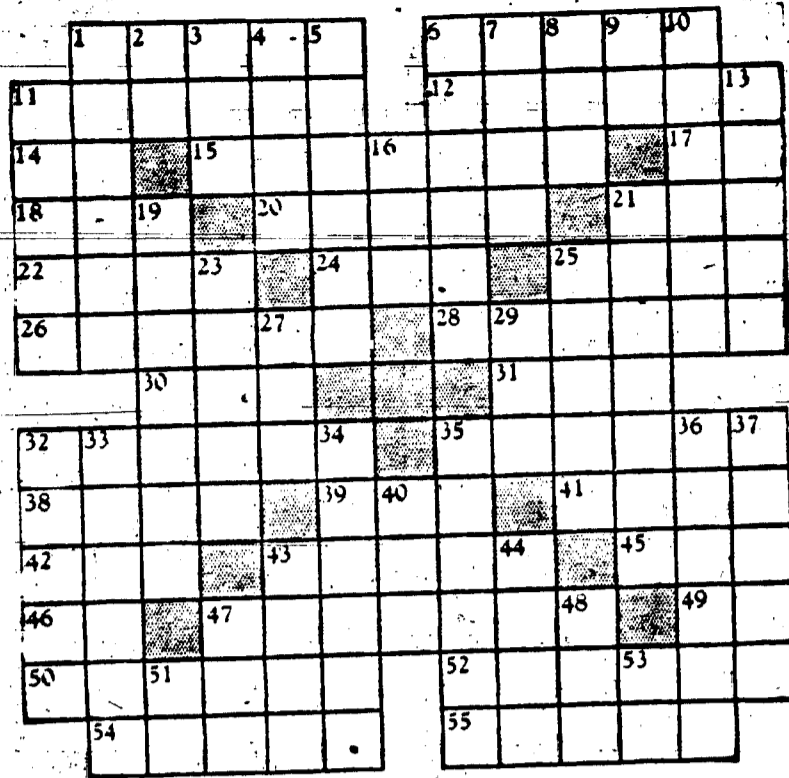
"The heroine is a girl, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. James Avery, the husband an Englishman and the wife of French descent, but both immigrants from the Isle of Guernsey.

"Two faults, if faults they be, may be found in the story. It stirs one's feelings too frequently, and certain of the characters appear too perfect. But it is well to have ideal characters placed before us occasionally in fiction, lest we forget in this life of struggle and misfortune..... to strive to attain the ideal.

"*Delphine of the Eighties* should be read and re-read by parents, guardians and teachers—as the character of such a child in the hands of the thoughtless and selfish could so easily have been blighted and ruined. *Delphine* grips the heart of the reader so tightly that the next volume of the trilogy will be looked for eagerly."

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OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



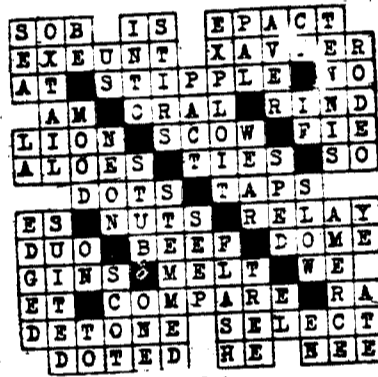
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Life as an Adventure

By LORADO TAFT, American Sculptor

Life is the most romantic and joyous of all adventures and the biggest thrill a man can get out of it is the realization that he is a benefactor and incentive to people. Personally, I do not want to labor with mature minds, but if I can only get the children interested, if I can only awaken in them the great love of beauty, and the incentive to a high artistic ideal, I shall be the happiest of men. We must have these things (an artistic consciousness and a going back to handicraft and a national interest in the cultural and spiritual) so that when great art comes along it will be recognized and fostered as it should be.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



Geneva, 1932

(A plea for reconvention of the Disarmament Conference)

We who are serfs, Lord, each to his own dark mind,
Or to the greed of nations, as of old,
We who are still idolaters of gold,
Foregather yet from every shore to find
Ease from our own forged chains
whose fetters bind
All earth in armour to an end foretold;
Only Thy solvent Light, which we withhold,
May melt the shackle that enslave mankind.

Not all the punishment and waste of years,
Nor sacrificial blood and agony
Of guiltless youth, heirs of the erring past,
Avail to make us masters of our fears.
Burn us with vision, manhood, Lord,
so we
Stand freemen shriven in Thy sight at last.
—Grace Clementine Howes, in the Boston Transcript.

Doctor (at lunatic asylum) — "Mrs. Sharp was here to-day and wanted her husband sent home and placed under her care." Superintendent — "Did you let him go?" "No. He said he would rather stay here." "H'm! That man must be sane."

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Owl Laffs

Because each of us pauses at this season to renew his expression of Cheer and Goodwill, all Christendom puts aside its work to do homage to the Spirit of Christmas. Cease the exchange of merry greetings and much of the charm and potency of Christmas is destroyed.
And so it is fitting, we believe, that this column convey to you our wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Christmas
This Christmas Day let's lay away The burdens of the year.
With gladsome shout let's go about A-spreading of good cheer
May we on this Blessed Christmas Be filled with joy and mirth.
And our hearts re-echo the anthem, Peace, and good will on earth.

When a literary man gets so much a word for his writings, he spreads them around as thickly as confetti on a returning hero.

Her—"I think dancing makes a girl's feet too big, don't you?"
Him—"Yeah."
Pause.
Her—"I think swimming gives a girl awfully large shoulders, don't you?"
Him—"Yeah."
(Pause).
Him—"You must ride quite a lot, too."

"Most of the girls that come here don't want to marry."
"How do you know?"
"I've asked 'em."

Human nature is man's excuse for a lot of his ornery actions. When a woman has a suspicion she is always willing to share it with others. Perhaps the greatest optical delusion in trade is the price tag which says \$2.98. Strange, isn't it, that so many critics remain only critics? Too many people are like the sea—they never can dry up. Some successes are made from the fine art of profit: by early mistakes. It's as natural for a boy to want a dog as it is for a girl to desire a doll. We heard a sheik say that a flapper's complexion doesn't always taste as good as it looks. Jobs have a habit of seeming easier when done now, rather than to-morrow. Once a month every man complains of his family's extravagances.

Landlady—"You'll have to pay your bill or leave."
Lodger—"Thanks, awfully. My last landlady made me do both."

Dr. Mayo says the human body is worth sixty-seven cents. How does he explain a doctor's bill for \$500 worth of repairs on a sixty-seven cent machine?

Teacher—"Willie what is an adult?"
Willie—"An adult is one that has stopped growing except in the middle."

"Eavesdropping again," as Adam said when his missus fell out of the apple tree.

In England it has been decided cows have a legal right to use the roads. This must be a great relief to the cows.

A woman journalist has started a school to teach women how to buy clothes. Why doesn't somebody start a swimming school for fish?

Little Jean was certainly looking rather ill when she returned to the house from the garden.
"Mummy," she said, rather softly, "is it true that an apple a day keeps the doctor away?"
"That is the saying, my dear," she said, "Why?"
"Well, Mummy," said Jean, "I've kept twelve doctors away this morning, but I'm afraid we shall have to have one now."

Jake—"Did you travel in Europe to satisfy your thirst for knowledge?"
Carl—"No, just my thirst."

Sprayed and Unsprayed
We have some samples of the Spy apples which were sprayed according to approved methods, as reported last week, and some of the same variety of apples grown on the same soil with the same cultivation which received no spraying. Both samples are the average of the trees. The sprayed apples are 11 inches in circumference both ways the others are much smaller. The sprayed apples are free from scabs and worm holes. The others are spotted and quite wormy.
Wormy apples do not add much to the relish of the cider made from them.—Port Rowan News.

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J. G. Holland.

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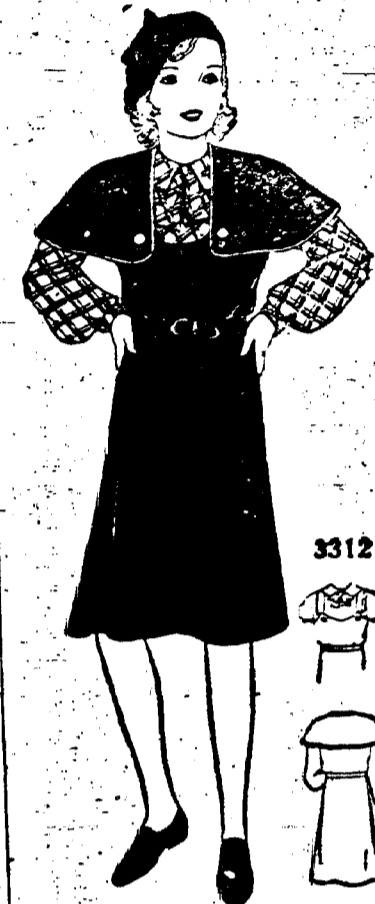
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Egypt Uses Radio Patrols
Alexandria, Egypt.—Radio sending and receiving stations mounted on six-wheeled motor cars are used by the Egyptian frontier patrols to give advanced information to the Cairo police and the customs officers at various cases on caravans suspected of muggling cocaine and hashish.

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That the first canal on the St. Mary's River at Sault Ste. Marie was built in 1797 by the North West Trading Company for the transportation of its canoes and boats from Lake Huron to Lake Superior? It was destroyed during the War of 1812 but has since been restored to its original form, as shown above, and is preserved as an historical relic in a park in Sault Ste. Marie, Canada.

