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CANADA

Kipling

Mr. Rudyard Kipling's address of welcome to the Canadian Authors' Association in London was listened to with pleasure by tens of thousands of radio users all across Canada. For well over forty years the celebrated Anglo-Indian's name has been a household word throughout the Dominion. Children have been enthralled by his Puck of Pook's Hill.

We note with pleasure that on June 24 last, Mr. Kipling was unanimously elected a Foreign Associate Member of the Academie de Sciences et Politiques. This distinction is shared by only two others, the King of the Belgians and the gallant Cardinal Mercier. In proposing Mr. Kipling for membership, M. Camille Barrere, formerly French Ambassador to Italy, spoke of the English author as a great living poet, a philosopher who had deeply meditated upon human conduct, and a faithful friend of France, loving her for her virtues and full of indulgence or her shortcomings. His latest volume, "Memories of France," showed how these qualities had also led him to understand and love their country.—Toronto Mail-Empire.

Motoring Ambiguities

The Ottawa Journal observes: If a woman driver puts out her left hand it may be understood that she is going to (1) turn left, (2) turn right, (3) stop, (4) go straight ahead, (5) reverse, or knock the ash off her cigarette. The same with a male driver."

There are other ambiguities in connection with motoring conduct. When a lady driver alters the angle of the mirror she may be watching what traffic is coming up from behind, or ascertaining whether the back-seat driver has at last fallen asleep, or checking up on her own appearance. When she sounds the horn she may be issuing a warning, a rebuke, an appeal, a summons or just giving expression to her ago's response to the stimulus of the joy of life. But when she delgns to look at the dashboard instruments, it means but one thing: she is already in trouble. And once again, much the same applies to the male driver.—Saint John Telegraph-Journal.

New Scottish Trains

With "The Royal Scot," a famous British train, commanding attention at the World's Fair in Chicago, it is not without interest to know that "The Granite City," "The John O'Groat," "The Hebridean," "The Lewisman" "The Irishman," "The Fast Belfast" and "The Tinto" have been recent additions to Scotland's distinctively named trains. "The John O'Groat," a Summer-only thrice-weekly express from Inverness to Wick and back, has the distinction of penetrating farthest north of any express in the British Empire.

"The Hebridean" and "The Lewisman" are Summer-only expresses between Inverness and Kyle of Lochalsh, connecting with steamers to and from the Isle of Syke and Stornoway, while "The Granite City" runs between Glasgow (Buchanan Street) and Aberdeen.

"The Irish man" and "The Fast Belfast" are boat expresses between Glasgow and Stranraer.

"The Tinto," from Tinto Hill, a famous landmark near Symington, is a residential express between Lockerbie and Glasgow.—Brockville Recorder.

Holiday Fatalities

We are proud of our wealth of rivers and lakes in this province. But one wonders why the gorgeous beauty of these gems of our mountain landscapes should so often be draped with mourning as a result of holiday tragedies. It is not for want of warning. Every year wise advice is reiterated with insistence. Newspapers, magazines, preachers, teachers, everyone gives the warning. Take Anse a Foulon as an example. There is an intense publicity given to safety warnings; barricades have been set up to keep bathers within limits; there is a life-saving service maintained. And yet there are fatalities. It is not that our lakes and rivers are dangerous. It is the thirst for danger on the part of so many of our bathers that is the cause of the trouble. There is a great education to be carried out there. — Le Soleil (Quebec).

Quite!

A doctor warns that too much sunbathing is dangerous. In this case, apparently, ignorance is blisters.—Ottawa Journal.

The Rhubarb Season

The Wiarton Echo's usually filled columns were white and cold except for a little note in the centre of the page, headed, "Sick As a Dog," where in the explanation was made that the editor had eaten too much rhubarb for breakfast, and was in that kind of a state where he didn't care whether the Echo ever came out or not.—Fergus News-Record.

C.N.R. Gain

The gross revenue of the Canadian National Railways system for the week ending June 21, showed a gain of $19,483. While this is a very slight improvement over the same week last year, it is the first time in a long while that a loss has not been registered. Consequently, there is some hope that this marks the turning of the corner. The railways have shown a new aggressiveness in recent months.—Simcoe Reformer.

THE EMPIRE

Post Office Humor

An amusing story designed to illustrate the acuteness of post office methods, was told by Mr. I. J. Simons at the Philatelic Congress in London recently.

A party of thirty or forty soldiers were stranded at Archangel after the war, he said, with jobs awaiting them at home. They had been promised a speedy passage, but after many weeks there was still no sign of a steamer.

Finally they sent an army postcard home, saying they were there. It was addressed simply to: "The Muddlers, London."

The post office wrote on it: "Try the War Office!"

"If you do not believe the story," added Mr. Simons, "I have got the postcard."—London News-Chronicle.

Luscious Lobsters

Lobsters, by a new method, can be frozen in South Africa and guaranteed to deceive the very elect a mouth later into thinking that they were, as the strawberry vendors put it, "morning gathered." This is excellent news and we wish all success to the new branch of Empire trade. South Africans maintain that the local lobster has to be eaten to be believed, others that the best come from the western shores of Ireland. Before the war the local price on the coast of Mayo was half-a-crown a dozen and the big ones at that! Has the local method of dressing ever been tried in England—stewed in milk with potatoes, with Irish whisky stirred in by the hardier natives? Here is a free tip to an enterprising English restaurant. — London Saturday Review.

The Talking Automobile

It is perhaps good news that motorists are soon to have a grammar of tooting. They are not going to make less noise, but their noise is to have more precise and subtle meaning than it has to-day and the vocabulary with which it is to be greatly enriched. But these things are going to happen only if, and insofar as, a certain ingenious Czechoslovakian inventor gets his way. What he plans is to teach drivers to use a Morse code so that they can talk to each other. Motorists are a competitive lot. Unfortunately, there is all too little scope for their pretensions, because the prices of cars and their powers are not secrets. But the owner-driver of the small car will be able to outshine the best in wit and rhetoric and new reputations can be made.—London Times.

Shearing 8,000,000 Sheep

In a few weeks, South Australia's 8,000,000 sheep will be yielding their fleeces to shearers in hundreds of shearing sheds. Many of the most important stations have installed shearing machines, but some owners still retain "blades," believing that the fleeces are cut better by that means and that the sheep are damaged less.

In Koomooloo Station, 45 miles east of Burra and in the heart of the best grazing country, South Australia has the biggest "blade" shearing shed in the Commonwealth. There a team of 20 men selected by the proprietor, Mr. I. J. Warnes, shore 38,000 sheep between April 5 and May 6.

In addition to the quality of its fleeces, Koomooloo has an enviable reputation for the excellence of the classing of its clip. That department was in charge of nine students from the Adelaide School of Mines under the superintendence of their instructor (Mr. A. H. Codrington). Koomooloo is one of the first sheds to "cut out," for Mr. Warnes has inaugurated Autumn shearing there with eminently satisfactory results, but other station owners do not begin until a little later.

From the end of May until August shearing will be in full swing throughout the northeast, north and northwest and highly-trained classes from the School of Mines will do the classing at all the more important sheds.—Australian Empire Press Bulletin.

THE UNITED STARES

Retort Shavian

Bernard Shaw, in his speech here, remarked that he remembered reading newspaper headlines about the Civil War. A captious member of the audience, recalling that Shaw was born in 1856, wrote and asked him how he had been able to read so well at the age of five. This is the reply he got from Shaw's secretary:

"Mr. Bernard Shaw asks me to say that he cannot believe that there is anything extraordinary in a child of five being able to read. He has no recollection of any time at which a printed page was unintelligible to him, or of learning to read. The faculty must have come to him like sight and speech. Yours faithfully, Blanche Patch, Secretary."

That held the man.—The New Yorker.

Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone you may still exist but you have ceased to live.—Mark Twain.

New Tennis Sensation

Twelve-year-old little Miss Ann Morgan was the sensation of the Californian tournament at Berkeley. "Pop" Fuller, who ought to know, says the young southpaw has the makings of a Helen Wills.

Kipling Addresses Canadian Authors

Makes One of His Rare Departures From Semi-Seclusion to Address Gathering

London.—Rudyard Kipling made one of his rare departures from semi-seclusion to address a luncheon of the Royal Society of Literature, held in honor of the Canadian Authors' Association.

The luncheon was presided over by Lords Crewe, who spoke briefly. G. K. Chesterton also addressed the gathering with reminiscences of his visits to Canada.

Canadian writers and poets, Kipling said, have dealt directly or by implication with every detail of their country's life and background. Some have chosen the days of the first adventurers, the men who wandered through the world, through blind forests and great waterways.

"They have come through the distracted times of the imperial Loyalists or the old rebellions, periods of distrust that followed the political birth of your huge sub-continent," he declared. "Today men and women are dealing with those marvelous later years, when Canada, first of the new first, comes to her soul and her strength, and incidentally sent 400,000 to the war.

"Directly or indirectly, consciously or unconsciously, the splendor, the toil, the variety of your national history will have inspired or colored all your work.

"Now somewhere in the mass of this work must be laid up the very lives and faces which will be taken by the world of tomorrow as the authentic portrayal of your world of yesterday. But who the people are who have already written the words, and for what reason or emotion their words will be accepted before all other words, we cannot tell."

The cleverest jig-saw puzzle solver in Los Angeles is David Reeder, who is totally blind. He starts with a corner piece glued to the board, and fits the rest of the puzzle together by feeling the outlines of the pieces.

Scott-Paine to Delay Trials of Speedboat

Southampton, England. — Hubert Scott-Paine's new speedboat, prospective challenger for the classic Harmsworth Trophy now held by Gar Wood, will not be ready for its trials until further experiments have been carried out in the construction details.

Scott-Paine has refused to make the slightest prediction about what his boat may be capable of doing when it is put into the water. He declined even to set the date for the trials, which probably will be guarded with as much secrecy as possible.

With Miss America, Gar Wood successfully defended the Harmsworth Trophy for the seventh successive time last September, winning from the British challenger, Miss England III., piloted by Kaye Don.

Scott-Paine, well known British sportsman, has never brought a Harmsworth challenger to the United States, but he competed three years ago with Miss Britain I., in the annual Detroit River Regatta.

Shaw Got His Seats

London.—A new Shaw story is told by the actor Ralph Richardson. At the opening of one of the Malvern festivals, at which he appeared, Mr. Shaw had reserved some seats. Later, Shaw had wanted to come, but owing Mr. Shaw wanted to come, but owing to heavy booking could not at first get seats next to his wife's. On hearing this, Shaw wired to the manager: "Those whom God hath joined together let no manager put asunder." He got the seats.

Men's Backs "Too Ugly" For Beach Exposure

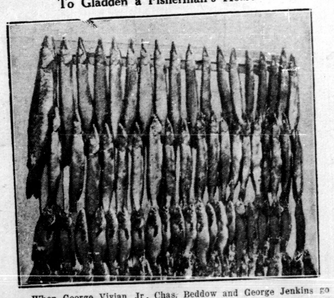
Art dictates the "bare" line for women and men bathers at Muskegon, Michigan, beaches this summer.

Women may wear backless suits, while men are prohibited from baring their backs, under a ruling by the City Welfare Board.

Director Glenn Somers, in charge of the public beaches, explains that the men's backs are "too ugly."

Hassan Aghu, of Osmanje, Turkey, slapped the face of a neighbor with whom he had quarrelled and was fined £1 for assault. He paid the £1, slapped the man nine times more, and paid him another £9.

To Gladden a Fisherman's Heart



When George Vivian, Jr., Chas. Beddow and George Jenkins go fishing they don't fool. In a lake near Cloyne, back of Tweed, Ontario, they yanked out 76 pike and 33 bass in three days

Breach of Promise Suits Numerous

Winnipeg Tribune Says "Romance Has Gone Commercial

"Romance has gone commercial. Crossed or double crossed love no longer requires, but hurries to the law courts and enters a suit for sizable damages. Perhaps it's the depression; but whatever the cause, breach of promise suits have become much more numerous in the last 12 months than for many a year in the past," says the Winnipeg Evening Tribune.

"'Oh, it's just an epidemic,' said one lawyer. 'It's like suicide, it ebbs and flows.'

"That opinion may be right," the Tribune continues, "but the fact remains that within one week, a jilted prospective bride was given a verdict for $750 and costs against her former fond lover, and two new suits have been fyled in the court of King's Bench by ladies who hope that, at the worst, they will be recouped for the cost of the trousseau.

"A quarter of a century ago, when women were standing with hesitant feet, upon the edge of a new freedom, there was a popular song about 'waiting at the church.' Times have changed.

"Modern brides-elect do not wait. At the first sign of reluctance from the man of their choice they look up 'barristers' in the classified section of the telephone book, stick a pin into a name, and straightway a lawyer dreams of fees.

"Injury to the affections—a highly flexible complaint — impairment of health, cost of preparation, disappointment to friends and guests (not to mention the plaintiff), and loss of employment are some of the grounds given for damages. The spiritualities are usually appraised at $5,000, and this amount is asked for as general damages. Customarily there is an additional amount, ranging from $100 to $500 to cover the cash outlay by the plaintiff or her parents."

Turns Down Plan or New Dirigible

Washington.—Plans for construction of dirigibles similar to the wrecked Akron and new Macon have been ruled out of the navy's building program, Secretary of the Navy Swanson said last week.

Captain Ernest King, head of the navy bureau of aeronautics, had recommended some of the millions to be spent under the public works program be devoted to a new airship. Swanson indicated, however, that the money would go for "more important uses."

In addition to construction of battleships to bring the navy's power up to the limits of the London treaty, the money will be spent on improvement of naval stations at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and the Canal Zone, the secretary said.

Among the other things more important to the navy than new dirigibles," Swanson explained, "modernization of battleships is of prime importance."

He declared a total of 25 per cent. of the money obtained from the public works fund would be spent for labor in shipyards.

Man Spent 26 of His 61 Years in Prison

Kansas City, Kas.—In his cell in the Wyandotte County Jail, a man who said he was Luke Parson told of spending 26 of his 61 years in prison.

He was arrested after saying he burned a barn in the hope of being sent to the Kansas penitentiary.

"It's the best place to go when a man is 61, as I am, and has no friends," he said. Parsons said he has served terms for crimes at Topeka, Kas., Huntington, Ind., Denver, Colo., and Clay Centre, Neb. He insisted he committed none of them, merely saying he did in order to be incarcerated.

Canada's National Parks Big Tourist Attraction

Ottawa.—Tourist travel in Canada's national parks this season has given indications of equalling in volume the peak year of 1929, according to information reaching Hon. T. W. Murphy, Minister of the Interior. The first day of July marks the opening of the season in most national parks, particularly in the Rocky Mountain region, and the number of visitors over the Dominion Day holiday is usually taken as an indication of what the season will produce.

At Banff National Park in Alberta all available accommodations were occupied on Dominion Day and many tourists slept in their cars, it was reported.

Missing Man is Found Was On Honeymoon

Denver, Colo. — Sought by police since his daughter reported him missing, Frank M. Taylor, 85, and his bride, the former Mrs. Winnie C. Flagg, 51, was found at the bride's home here.

The giggling newlyweds told Mrs. Rosa Miller, daughter of the bridegroom, that they had eloped because they were afraid some of their 12 children and 42 grandchildren might try to prevent their marriage.

Travels 13,000 Miles To Shop in London

Swimming Three Rivers and Riding Fifty Miles on Horseback Included in Australian Girl's Journey

Miss Joy Atkinson had to travel 13,000 miles from the Australian bush, riding fifty miles on horseback, and swimming across three rivers in which there are crocodiles, before she could reach London.

"And it was worth it," she said when interviewed. She is only twenty-eight, and has seen so much of life in the raw that it became monotonous. Her father is a cattle rancher.

She has come to see London for the first time.

"Our farm, or station, as we call it in Australia, is a desolate stretch of country in Northern Queensland. The nearest town is Cairns, a small port 200 miles away.

"The station is larger than the whole of London. We have about 15,000 cattle.

"Our nearest neighbors are eighty miles away, but it is risky paying a social call as they might be out rounding up cattle. That means they might not be home for days on end. The nearest doctor and the nearest cinema are a hundred miles away.

Their Own Doctors

"We have learned to do our own doctoring, and as for the cinema I take a trip of 2,000 miles to Sydney, where I have friends. If I want to see a really good show.

"Motoring? Good heavens, no. There are no roads within miles of the Atkinson station."

Miss Atkinson has been shopping in Bond-Street.

"That is what I wanted to do most," she said.

Here is the endurance test Miss Atkinson had to pass before that how in Bond Street was possible:

After riding fifty miles on horseback and dodging crocodiles in the three rivers across which she had to swim she made a number of railway journeys in which the trains were held up for hours on end while sand was put on to slippery rails.

Other train services were suspended because the bridges were under water. Her luggage had been sent on months in advance.

When asked what she thought of London, she said:

"It is just what I expected it to be," was all she said.

Famous London Guilds Decide to Amalgamate

London. — The recently formed Company of Newspaper Makers, of which a Royal Charter is in process of formation, is to amalgamate with the Worshipful Company of Stationers. The joint guild will be known as "Stationers and Newspaper Makers."

The stationers' company is of great antiquity—certainly as old as the opening years of the 16th century, and probably even older. A charter was issued in 1557, but rule used to be that any one engaged with the production of a book was eligible except the author. This was broken recently by the admission of some authors, including Barrie and Barrie.

The Company of Newspaper Makers, the youngest of the companies, as founded in 1930, the first master was R. D. Blumenfeld, who was mainly responsible for the institution.

Artists' Standards Of Perfect Beauty

Artists Hold Conference Duties as Judges of Beauty Contest in Aid of Orphanage

New York.—The perfect beauty of 1933, if a composite of the winners of Peter Arno, Jefferson Machamer, Arthur William Brown, Rockwell Kent, Gerrit A. Beneker, Philip Dunning, Rose Wyman and Ward be used as a criterion, will be:

Tall and lissome, but not over 5 feet; a platinum blonde, with tresses and with one blue eye and one brown; a patrician nose with a slight tilt, a striking personality, a demure type, and the ability to make judges agree.

The six artists held a conference on their duties as judges of a beauty contest at the Westchester Country Club for the benefit of an orphanage.

"The important thing in judging a beauty contest," Machamer said, "is to consider the eyebrows."

"Eyebrows my eye," interrupted Brown. "The most important thing is personality. Now—"

"Personality, pooh," said Arno, who designs penthouses, "what matter of figure. If you'll listen to me—"

"If we listen to you," Dunning said, "we'll be selecting a Venus de Milo, the newest thing in third sex. The matter of fact the nose is the first things to consider, I think—"

"With what?" Putnam asked.

"Now, a girl's hair is her—"

"Rarely the same shade," Kent said, "as her eyebrows," the artists chorused the subject was dropped and decided to wait until the contestants.

Don't Drag Around "Half-Dead"

If You Are So Weak, So Exhausted That Your Daily Work Is Too Much for You, LOOK TO YOUR BLOOD STREAM—The Trouble May Be There

Your Blood Stream is your Life Stream. It flows to every part of your body, reaches every organ. You simply cannot be well if your Blood Stream is thin, watery, unhealthy.

Invigorate and enrich your Blood Stream with more Oxygen and more Iron, and new energy and new life will flow to your weak and exhausted system. As many thousands of grateful letters prove, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have restored to vigorous health "half-dead" people in 72 different countries in the world.

Recently a practicing physician—well acquainted with the formula of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—prescribed them for eleven patients after blood-tests indicated a deficiency of haemoglobin and red corpuscles in their blood streams. This doctor describes the resultant improvement in the health of these blood-tested people as "nothing short of marvellous."

New Strength and Vitality Follow Use

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills increase the amount of Oxygen in the Blood, and restore the Iron your Blood needs, making it rich, red and healthy. As a result the appetite is sharpened, digestion is stimulated, nerves are restored, color is put into the skin, and flesh is put on thin frames. The whole system is filled with new strength, new energy, new vitality.

Make a start NOW on the road to restored health. Get a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills from your Druggist, take them regularly—and watch results. 50 cents a package.

Recent Events From Overseas

Powerful New Explosive

London. — Liquid oxygen provides the kick of a new explosive cartridge which, it is claimed, is cheaper, safer and more powerful than dynamite.

The cartridge looks like a big cigarette. It is a foot long and two inches in diameter. It contains sawdust, soaked in liquid oxygen.

It is then placed in the hole bored in the mine where rocks are to be blown away, and fired electrically.

A single cartridge will break down more than four tons of rock. It costs twopence compared with several shillings for an ordinary explosive charge.

After three-quarters of an hour, when the oxygen has evaporated, it ceases to be an explosive. This eliminates the greatest danger from explosives found in mines. The old method was to place a charge in a bore hole. If it is not fired at once it is forgotten. After some time—even years—that working is used again. A miner hits the forgotten charge with his pick. There is an explosion, which may result in men being killed or injured.

After the new cartridge has been soaked it can be thrown about, dropped, or left anywhere with safety.

After an ordinary explosive has been fired the working has to be left alone for a time because of poisonous fumes liberated by the explosion. This wastes time, as no work can be done. With liquid oxygen there are no fumes, and work can be resumed immediately after the detonation.

There is no danger of an unexpected explosion as with dynamite.

The great feature of dynamite was that it was the only explosive that stick downwards. But liquid oxygen is this property.

First Illness at 107

Croydon.—England's oldest woman, Mrs. Caroline Merriot, who was 107 in October, has just recovered from her first serious illness she has ever suffered. When she entered hospital, she insisted on having a pint of tea every morning and with its she is again back on her feet.

Needed Wife For Job

London.—Most men look for a job before their weddings.

But in North London a man has been hunting for a wedding before getting a job.

He is W. T. Thorne, an assistant at the Wood Green baths who was offered the position of baths superintendent at Romford, Essex, provided he married.

Mr. Thorne, who is a widower, explained the situation to Miss P. M. Ivy, an auburn-haired cashier at the Wood Green baths.

She accepted the whole position before he had asked her to marry me," he said. "The Romford authorities are pleased that she will be suitable for duties at the baths which will fall to us as my wife."

He got the job—and a bride.

But he was nearly disqualified at the bathing post when his bride-to-be had a bad motor car smash-up a few hours before the wedding. Fortunately she suffered no more than a shaking, and, although still feeling a little unsteady on arrival at the register office, went through with the marriage ceremony as planned.

Perfect Choir in Three Days

Paris.—Sixty people who have never seen each other before will meet on the platform of Victoria station, London, on August 5, on their way to Yugoslavia to uphold the prestige of British choirs with madrigals, folk songs, and sea shanties.

They will not rehearse together till they reach Venice—and then they will sing in their hotel.

They will sail down the Adriatic, rehearsing on the deck of their ship, and when they reach Spalato, three days later, they will be a perfect choir.

The singers have been selected from choral societies from all parts of Britain, and the leader will be Norman Stratford, conductor of the Hull Choral Union.

Postie Wears Skis

Dungeness. — Here at Dungeness, within 80 miles of London, there is a postman who goes his round on "skis." He wears them to cross the stony ridges to the lighthouse where he delivers His Majesty's mails to the keeper. The skis are really wooden "back stays," about a foot and a half long and eight inches wide.

Nails Match Dresses

Paris.—A short time ago the tyrants of Paris fashions decreed that women were to wear detachable finger nails. The idea was to have tinted nails to match their evening gowns. Mounted on miniature metal frames and fitted with tiny clasps, these could be changed as easily as the dresses.

Manicurists at first expressed great fear that the new fashion would spoil their trade. Now they are reassured by the news that their services will be in demand as much as ever because, unless the real nails are very carefully tended, the artificial ones will not fit.

Golden and silver nails are already being produced. Those women who prefer a little splash of color will be able to buy them in turquoise, jade or amber hues. Some may even like to equip themselves with a differently tinted nail for each finger.

Coin Brings Radio's Best

Leipzig, Germany.—By dropping a coin in the slot of a radio set, you can listen in on a broadcast for 15 minutes from any station. A thorough trial has been made of these radio slot vendors at the Leipzig Fair.

Since Leipzig is at the geographical centre of Europe, it was found possible to pick up stations from nearly a score of different countries in as many languages.

Old Druggist Sound Builder

Berlin.—Berlin's oldest drug store, and one of the oldest in Europe, recently celebrated its 275th anniversary.

Among its famous customers have been Bismarck, "The Iron Chancellor"; Theodore Fontaine, and the well-known poet, Wilhelm Raabe, while its present-day clients include Dr. Schacht, president of the Reichsbank, among other well-known personalities.

The shop is the "Einhorn Apotheke," in the heart of the old city. Through its almost 300 years of history it has changed little in appearance. The show-window decoration remains pretty much as it always was, with fantastic old remedies, such as "Devil's Dirt," "Dragon Blood," and "Vitriol of Iron," still on display, if not much in demand.

The picture of the Great Kurfurst of Brandenburg, Friedrich Wilhelm, who was a friend of the founder, Christoph Fahrenholtzen, hangs in the salesroom with the Kurfurst's own signature; above the picture hangs the very old flag from Brandenburg, which shows a red eagle.

The drug store is well known, especially by the negro medicine men in Africa, who buy from it. They ask chiefly for mistic medicaments.

Rome Noisy As Chicago

Rome.—Rome now enjoys the unenviable distinction of ranking among the noisiest cities in Europe; in fact, some victims assert that it is as bad as Chicago. Some prominent citizens are trying to start a movement whereby motorists, the arch offenders, may be trained not to hoot at every street corner and not to play tunes on their klaxons between midnight and six in the morning.

They contend that by laws to ensure comparative quiet are not being enforced. They plan a deputation to the governor of the city, urging him to punish the worst offenders — the drivers of city omnibuses, the property of the local government.

Artists and those who live in their particular quarter are wondering where they come in, for their old-fashioned streets and verdant courtyards are the happy hunting ground of cats.

Since Trajan's Forum has been entirely excavated, the cat colony which found homes in it have been evicted and have settled in the artists' quarters, where they roam at will, making noises which are quite as bad as the motorists. There appears to be no by-law, however, to stop this nuisance.

Elephants Nuisance to Farms

Nairobi, Kenya, South Africa.—More than 500 elephants have been killed by half a dozen white hunters within six months.

The hunters were employed by the Government of Uganda to protect native plantations and gardens, particularly in the Toro district. They paid to the Treasury 20 shillings per tusk, and were allowed to keep all tusks between 7 and 20 pounds in weight. Any tusk weighing more than 25 pounds was handed to the Government.

Rail Police Dogs

Harbin.—The South Manchuria Railway is planning to triple its pack of police dogs which now number 108 used for detecting train thieves. The police dogs have rendered excellent service. Forty-four of the animals are less than a year old, thirty-five six months old and twenty-nine under six months.

Woman's Heroism In Accident Is Told

Williams Lake, B.C.—Word has reached here of the heroism of Mrs. Alex. Marshall, whose husband and Edmund Hutton were drowned last week on isolated Puntzi Lake, 125 miles west of here.

When their sailboat upset in a gale, Mrs. Marshall held her husband afloat for two hours before he died, and continued to hold his body until she saw Hutton collapsing. She grasped Hutton but lost him within a few minutes when a wave struck them.

Several hours later the boat drifted ashore with her. She was in the water seven hours.

Mrs. Marshall is recovering from her ordeal. The bodies of the victims have not been found.

Dawn Notes of Birds Encircle Globe in Song

Glanton, Northumberland, Eng.—Mr. Noble Rollin, the warden of the bird station here, assisted by amateur ornithologists in many parts of the world, is engaged in the task of charting the dawn song of the birds all over the globe.

For over a year he has been working on his theory that the dawn song of the birds encircles the globe in a great wave of wild music which never ceases. Amateur enthusiasts are mailing him reports which will enable him, he hopes, to draw up a chart, timing the song of each species of bird.

"You must go away and forget me," "I can't. I'm a memory expert."

British Immigrants Always Welcome

Hon. Wesley A. Gordon Sends Message of Welcome Overseas

Ottawa.—"There never has been a barrier to British migration to Canada—and there never will be," declared Hon. Wesley A. Gordon, Minister of Immigration, on the occasion of his being made a life member of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League.

The honor was bestowed upon the Minister by Major J. S. Roper, Halifax, Dominion president of the Legion, "as a tangible expression of the gratitude and appreciation of the Canadian Legion for his prolonged, active interest in behalf of returned men and women."

To Major Roper, who leaves shortly to attend the sixth biennial conference of the League in London, the Minister of Immigration gave a message of welcome for the Britons who desire to come to Canada.

"Tell them Canada has gone forward over a broad field of development," said Mr. Gordon. "Tell the British people to come to Canada to take advantage of our lands, our mines and our railways, and to come with courage—not by assisted passage."

"Brave Little Girl!"

"Joyce, you are a very brave little girl," said Coroner Brighouse of Wigan, England, to Joyce Lee, 11 years of age, at an inquest on Fred Lee, Joyce's cousin, who was drowned in a canal. Unable to swim, the little girl had plunged into the canal and attempted to save the boy and was herself rescued from drowning. The coroner was so impressed by Joyce's heroism that he gave her $5, remarking: "I suppose you are like other little girls and like something pretty to wear."

When a woman tells you that she will be ready in a minute she doesn't tell you which minute.

Chinese to Erect Huge Movable Dam

Novel Method Used in Great Project to Control Huai River

Shanghai.—The first stages of one of the largest constructive projects ever undertaken by a Chinese Government are scheduled for completion this month. The Huai River irrigation and flood prevention project, started last December, is expected to open up 12,000,000 acres of land in the very heart of China proper, and control a river which has caused disastrous floods and famines continuously since the fourteenth century.

The project now started by a Nanking commission, after more than 20 years of unfruitful discussion, will be completed in stages as rapidly as funds are available. The first stage is excavation of the Changfu River. The next, to begin this summer, is a movable dam at Chingpu, Honan.

The Huai River rises in the hills of Honan, and originally emptied into the Yellow Sea.

But in the fourteenth century the Yellow River shifted its bed several hundred miles southward, usurped the lower bed of the Huai River, and forced the Huai to seek an outlet elsewhere. Its flow since that time has been completely upset, so that it empties in helter-skelter fashion through a series of lakes and the Grand Canal into the Yangtze River, causing floods in unexpected parts of Honan, Anhwei and Kiangsu Provinces.

After a particularly disastrous flood in the Huai basin, an American Red Cross engineering commission came to China in 1914, and recommended that a $20,000,000 (gold) loan be raised to excavate a suitable basin for the Huai River. To this the Chinese Government agreed, but the European war soon broke out and the loan was never raised. Surveys made at that time and later, however, showed beyond doubt that recurrent floods and famines in the Huai basin were preventable, and that an irrigation and flood prevention project could open up enough land to make it profitable. However, no Chinese Government had funds available to begin the project.

The present Government at Nanking has taken up the project seriously again. At Nanking's request, the League of Nations sent three experts, one French, one British, one German, to survey the Huai River. They carried out the survey in spite of the Sino-Japanese conflict at Shanghai, recommending a project by which the Huai River can be controlled at minimum cost. The first stage of a project based upon these recommendations was started last December.

The project calls for excavation of a number of lakes, rivers and canals, for reconstruction of seven locks in the Grand Canal suitable for ships up to 900 tons, for an extensive dike system through the flat country traversed by the river. It has been arranged in stages, which may be completed as funds are available.

Residents of the Huai basin are showing a keen interest in the work, and most of the financing thus far has been done locally.

Collecting Cobwebs A Full-Time Job

York, Eng.—Gathering spiders' webs for use in making theodolites and other scientific instruments is the unusual occupation of Mr. John Scott, of York. Armed with a box, a fork and a pot of varnish, he scours the country in search of webs.

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