

TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox and Mink Farming



The twelve Platinum pelts which the Government of Prince Edward Island is presenting as a wedding gift to Princess Elizabeth have been on display this week in the windows of the Island Furriers, Ltd. Artistic decoration of the windows shows the beautiful peltries to excellent advantage, particularly when they are lighted in the evenings. As is well known Platinum shows up most favorably under the lights. There are two single pelts for a two-piece scarf, three singles for a cape and the seven are for a full length coat. It was a happy thought of our Premier Jones to send these pelts from the land where the Silver Fox originated and no doubt the gift will be much appreciated by the charming Princess, and by her wearing them create more interest in foxes. Our congratulations to Barry Bugden, who we understand decorated the windows so beautifully.

Gordon Ives showed us a pair of his Pearl Platinum pup pelts made up by the Island Furriers that are really very classy. They had a wealth of fur, beautifully contrasting coloring and were made up to show to best advantage by the Island craftsmen. It is the first time we had seen Pearl made into scarfs and it gave us a new idea of the fascinating qualities of this mutation.

There was a good attendance and a better tone at the Seattle, Washington, Fur Exchange Sales for the account of the Mutation Mink Breeders' Association. New York and Los Angeles markets were well represented with the bulk of the merchandise going to the latter city. The offering included no top bundles and the average prices paid were indicative of a strengthening market for mutation mink. Of the 1,500 pelts offered 41% was sold at an average of \$36.83; 60% of the 2,500 silver-blue sold at an average of \$34.37; 70% of the 1,500 Royal Koh-I-Nurs sold at an average of \$10.97; 35% of the 1,000 Blu-Frost brought an average of \$12.19; 150 steel-blue were listed for sale but were withdrawn as were also 150 of Spring pastels and Silver-Blu. George Tuttle, secretary of the Breeders' Association, stated that in his opinion the sale went better than it would have a week before and indicates some opening of a slowing market.

The fur market has been comparatively inactive for some time and predictions were made with the Hudson's Bay Company April sale would not fare too well and these were pretty well fulfilled. The official report states that heavy was 15% down from the last sale. Muskrat prices were down 20% with Canadian goods 70% sold and American merchandise mostly withdrawn. Other was about 50% sold at 17% down from February sale. Blue fox (Arctic type) was mostly withdrawn. Slightly silveries brought \$5.50; pale slightly silveries \$12.00; Canadian dark silver \$16.00; Scandinavian dark silver \$18.00; medium silver \$26.00; pale silver \$28.00.

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Weekly Market Report

Summary Sharp price advances ranging generally from 50 to 75 cents per cwt. featured all Canadian cattle markets in the past week. Toronto led the advance with gains of 75 cents to \$1.00 recorded. This is the third consecutive week of increasing prices. Liberal runs were experienced on eastern markets but bad roads continued to cut down receipts all through the west. Little change took place in the quotations on hogs, calves, or sheep and lambs.

Eastern Cattle Markets Toronto cattle prices were 75c to \$1.00 higher for the week. Top for weighty steers was \$18.50, with other steers from \$18.25 downward to \$16. Butcher steers sold at \$16 to \$18, and heifers were \$15 to \$17 per cwt. Fed yearlings sold at \$16.50 to \$18.50, with two at \$19. Trading was active at Montreal and prices on cattle were 25c to 50c higher, quality considered. Good quality steers brought \$16 to \$17.25, with choice steers selling up to \$18. Medium kinds sold from \$14 to \$15.50, and common as low as \$11. Choice steers and heifers at Montreal brought \$15 f.o.b. country points.

Western Cattle Markets At Winnipeg all killing classes advanced 50c to 75c under light receipts and more favourable reports from eastern centres. A part-load of choice, strongweight steers topped at \$17.90. Other desirable slaughter steers were in demand at \$17.25 to \$17.75. At Calgary prices were 25c to 50c stronger, with in-between cattle uncovers the most advance. Good choice steers made \$16 to \$17 and Edmonton two loads of top steers made \$17.75. Prince Albert paid \$16.50 for the best available Moose Jaw \$16.50, Saskatoon \$17, and Regina \$17. At Vancouver choice steers made \$17.10 to \$17.25.

Exports to United States Dairy cattle exports to the United States for the week ending April 22nd were 2,391 compared with 1,827 in the same period last year. Exports from January 1st to date this year are 20,533 compared with 12,140 in the same period last year.

Calf Markets Toronto was steady at \$19 to \$21 per cwt. for choice calves, while at Montreal prices advanced \$1.50 to \$2 with good quality veals \$18 to \$19. Winnipeg was strong with the best vealers \$18 to \$20. Calf prices at other western markets held steady.

Hog Markets Toronto sold Grade A hogs at \$29 per cwt. or 25c higher, while Montreal closed steady at \$28.85. At Winnipeg Grade A hogs remained unchanged at \$27.50, with new styles for it. The later is a Silver Fox stole described as follows: Paris designers endorse the "little fur wrap" for spring and early summer wear. Christian Dior, Jacques and Revillon all feature short capes, stoles and little jackets in a variety of furs. Sketched is a capelet stole of silver fox which is short enough to show the slim neckline of the dress beneath. It is in the current collection of designer Jacques Heim. Christian Dior is the man responsible for the "New Look" which has created so much controversy.

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NEWSY NOTES

By Agricola

THE YELLOW-LEGS

The Greater Yellow-legs, says Dr. Taverner, is one of the best known Shore Birds. They are still common, though not as numerous as they used to be, in the old days. Their musical flute-like call, heard on the beaches or marshy flats, is among the most distinctive and pleasing bird-notes of the coastline. This species breeds in Canada almost to the northern limit of trees and winters from N. Carolina right down to Patagonia.

There is a smaller species, called the Lesser Yellowlegs, which breeds farther north and winters further south than the preceding species. Both species have been noted in P. E. I. during their annual migrations. Greater Yellow-legs. AOU 254. Migrant, common, Spring and Fall. Summer plumage: Crown and upper parts blackish or brownish black with white markings, giving a grayish effect; no neck or buff coloration. Head and neck streaked gray and white; bill 2.25 inches long, rather slender; back and wings, feathers blackish, margined whitish; rump white, tail barred black and white. Underparts white, washed with gray on the breast, and with numerous blackish arrow-head marks. Legs slender, long, yellow to greenish yellow. Length of adult bird 14 inches. Winter plumage: colors similar, but no arrow-head markings below.

Lesser Yellow-legs. AOU 255. Migrant, rarer than AOU 254. Essentially similar to the preceding species, but smaller birds. Adult 10.5 inches long. The Greater and the Lesser Yellow-legs, together with the Soil Yanderpiper, have the strange habit of nodding and teetering—Canadian Nature, Sept. 1942.

The World Today (5) "If we hesitate," says Dean Inge, "about his (Paul's) identification of the indwelling Spirit with the risen Christ, we may remember that he was in touch with the disciples who had companied with Jesus in Galilee. He did not become a Christian on account of something which he thought he saw in the sky." For a Churchman a most heterodox view of the matter!

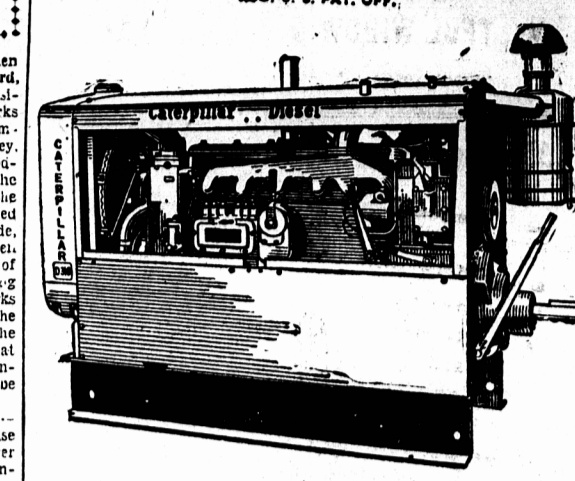
The Dean also believes that Christianity and the religions of Asia should get together for both have suffered by their alienation from each other. This, he believes in now being recognized on both sides. "Those who think this will have no fear that the religion of Christ will ever perish from the earth whatever the fate of some churches may be." I wonder. To compare small things with great, it was just such a mixture of beliefs that took place under the old Roman Empire. The Romans were religious in a way; they worshipped a considerable number of not very exemplary deities whose supposed "guidance" gave rise to a national confidence, and that again to doleful deeds. Then as the Romans extended their sway in every direction, they came into contact with other religions which after a time infiltrated into their own. Many Roman altars, dedicated to barbarian gods, have been dug up in Britain, some bearing Mithraic inscriptions. (Mithras was the Persian Sun-god, whose worship was introduced into Europe about the time of Julius Caesar.) The net result of these mixed faiths was a loss of confidence in the "old gods" and as a consequence, the decline of the Empire. Thus the way was prepared for the coming of Christianity.

The conflict between religion and science which agitated the Victorians is or should be a thing of the past. It was a duel between dogmatic materialism and materialistic dogmatism. The position now is that the leading scientists are returning to religious beliefs, while the rest of the world goes on its way unheeding or actually antagonistic. However, Dean Inge concludes his remarks on religion in a hopeful mood. "Homo novissimus tempe pessima (last Age, worst Age) no, we do not believe that," he says. "There will be a new renaissance, a new flowering time of the human spirit, like the birth of higher religion about the middle of the first millennium before Christ; like the vivid civilization of ancient Greece and medieval Italy; like the Elizabethan Age and other periods which have enriched our traditions. It will come: but how long must our successors wait for it? It may be a hundred years or it may be a thousand." At this point I am tempted to quote the Dean's own words: "It may well be doubted whether any human being ever had the power to foretell the future!" But seriously, in this case he is right: there is a great revival coming; religious, I think. (Concluded in next week's Notes.)

Legislators have Fun at Times! The London (Eng.) Times lately gave an account of a House of Commons session, during which the legislators "let themselves go a

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