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DIARY OF EVENTS

TODAY
 City Magistrate's Court, 9 a.m.
 Ladies Auxiliary of Y. M. C. A. meeting, 4 p.m.
 People's Theatre, 7.30 and 9 p.m.
 Prince Edward Theatre, 7 and 9 p.m.

SUNDAY
 Men's meeting, Y. M. C. A., 4 p.m.

FOX AND FUR INFORMATION BUREAU

The Guardian, in response to numerous requests, has opened an Information Bureau for the benefit of Fox and Fur Company shareholders and intending investors. There are now so many companies, incorporated and unincorporated, doing business and selling shares and stock, that it is absolutely necessary for the guidance and protection of the investing public that before parting with their money they should have an opportunity of making independent inquiries and investigation of the merits of the proposed investment.

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THE FOX BUSINESS

The Prince Edward Island Fox Breeders' Association was given a new impetus at its annual meeting in Summerside on Wednesday last. Although the meeting was not as large as might have been wished, owing probably to the condition of the roads as well as to a number of Seed Fair meetings which were being held at the same time, yet the interest manifested in the future of the association, and the healthy discussion of foxes and the general safeguarding of the fox industry indicated an earnestness which augurs well for the future.

Much was said and much more might have been said on the subject of classification. The two terms, "classification" and "registration," as was explained at the meeting, have become confused and it would be well at the outset to understand these.

Registration means, simply, recording the history and pedigree of the animal as far as known, on the books of the Association where they are open for the inspection of all interested. Any fox may be registered. It may have been captured in the wilds, or bred in captivity; it may be black or silver or patched (red foxes alone are barred from registration); its record may be creditable or otherwise; may be the means of giving it a high value or causing purchasers to avoid it. Its history is on record and its purchaser knows what he is purchasing. There are foxes in captivity even in this province, about whose history the less that is said the better for the owner, and it is presumed that these will not be registered. There are others whose histories their owners are proud to record; and it may be presumed that these will be registered.

Classification is an entirely different matter. The Association, after much deliberation, agreed upon a system of classification by which all foxes whose histories were recorded were divided into classes. Certain conditions of parentage, place of birth and manner of breeding being fulfilled, the fox in question belonged of necessity to either one of four classes. The history of the fox being known the class to which it belonged was a matter of course. The main thing is to have its history recorded. If the purchaser is satisfied with the history, whether that history places the animal in class A, B, C or D, it is his own business. He knows what he is buying.

Attention was drawn, at the meeting, to the fact that many persons offering foxes for sale and many promoters of companies have advertised their stock as belonging to Class A, while the Association had no record of the animals, and even in some cases the owner was not a member. This is unfair, if not actually fraudulent. The foxes may be all that is claimed for them; they may be of Class A, or they may not, and the Secretary of the Association informs

us that he has more than once been obliged to admit to enquiries as to the stock in certain companies, that the Association had no record of front rank among our educationalists. He has been a noted lecturer and writer and his reputation is more than provincial. We heartily join in the felicitations and congratulations and in the fervent hope that many years of aged youth and usefulness still remain to the venerable Doctor Caven.

One thing therefore is clear; if the foxmen of this province are to get any benefit from the Association and the object is to benefit all those who have not already done so should lose no time in registering their animals, as enquiries are coming in almost daily as to the quality of the foxes in one or another of the companies that are being organized, and the only answer that the Secretary can give must be from the records of the Association. The public now demand the fullest publicity and are beginning to regard with suspicion any claims that are not backed up by satisfactory proof.

The Fox Breeders Association is entering upon its second year with a new Executive and with renewed enthusiasm. We understand the intention is to open an office at an early date as possible in order that the records may be available for all enquiries. It is intended also to give more prominence to the publicity side of the Association's work.

There is much to be done in the way of conserving the rapidly developing fox industry, and it is hoped that the Association will have the hearty co-operation of all interested. There are those in the fox business who are content to make what they can out of it without any regard for its continuance. Registration and classification may not be in the interests of these. They are in the interests of the industry, however, and those who are concerned with its future will do what they can to carry on the work of the Association until every fox in the province is placed officially in the class to which it belongs and prospective investors are assured of protection against misrepresentation in any form.

NOTES

The snow is going gently to the rear. The anticipated floods have not materialized. Providence, which has had a long experience in handling snow, aided by an efficient street committee may be depended upon to dispose of this year's abundant crop of snow with as little discomfort as will be consistent with the magnitude of the undertaking and the thanklessness of the citizens.

Mr. Lloyd George has had to apologize to a man at Glasgow whom he accused of entering a meeting by use of a forged ticket. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is said to be losing friends in his party, and the statement now and then some one accuses him of making statements he cannot support and often the accusation is established by proof. His enthusiasm evidently is stronger than his discretion. Such men in high places are not safe.

A correspondent directs our attention to an alleged error in a recent communication concerning the removal of the Red Point Post Office. Our correspondent says it is a mistake to couple the name of Mr. J. J. Hughes with the removal of the Post Office from Mr. J. E. Robertson's to Mr. Alexander Robertson's, as Mr. Hughes was at that time "unknown to politics," being employed in a Bank in Souris. As the removal referred to is not recorded in any history of the province just at present available those of our readers who are interested in the question must accept the evidence of one or the other of the two witnesses who have favored us with the information.

The raising of the maximum weight to be carried by parcels post to eleven pounds and the abolition of the five cent charge for local delivery, as announced in our columns yesterday makes this service a still greater boon than ever. The eleven pound parcel opens up a splendid opportunity for shopping by mail and we have no doubt our merchants as well as the public throughout the country will benefit greatly by it. When roads are bad or when business or other duties prevent a trip to the stores, the convenience of procuring the occasional necessities in the home by sending for it and at a nominal cost is simply inestimable. Of the many good acts of the present government the introduction of the parcels post system will long be remembered as one of the great events.

Dr. John Caven, another of our older citizens, celebrated his 88th birthday yesterday. The venerable doctor, although admitting that he is growing old, still enjoys life with almost the zest of youth. Blessed with vigorous physical and mental strength the burden of his years has fallen but lightly upon him, and his friends look forward to many returns of the anniversary which called forth his felicitations yesterday. Dr.

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A BREATH FROM THE SOUTHLAND

The following extracts from a letter received from Mr. Fred L. Rogers, who, with Mrs. Rogers, is making a tour of the West Indies, will be of interest to Guardian readers who during the time covered by the letter were battling with zero weather and snowstorms.

After visits of a few days each in Boston, Montreal, and Toronto Mrs. Rogers joined me at the last named point and we proceeded to New York, where on the morning of the 12th inst., we sailed by the 19-500 ton ship, the German Lloyd Co. The ship is on a winter cruise touching in the order given the following ports, Havana, Santiago-de-Cuba, Kingston, (Jamaica), Colon, (Venezuela), Trinidad, St. Thomas, Porto-Rico and Nassau. There are over 300 passengers, a large proportion of whom are German-Americans, who naturally like to travel in ships named by their own countrymen. But Austria, Canada, and practically all the states of the union are represented in the passenger list—with the usual proportion of the aggressive noisy type of American.

Each passenger may do as he likes, so long as he does not interfere with the liberty of others; the ship's employees are courteous, and every "guest" in this floating hotel is made to feel that he owns it. Prohibitions there are, of course, but they are printed (in German and English) and not enforced very rigidly. Such food as it seems that the end of the earth have been searched and its choicest culinary treasures placed at our disposal. And it goes this way with coffee at 6 a. m.—for those who want it; Breakfast 8 to 10; Sandwiches &c. at 11; Lunch at 1 p. m.; dainties passed round on deck and in the saloons at 4 p. m. and the dinner at 7 p. m. The bill of fare is especially printed aboard the ship for each meal every day the dinner menu having also the "musick program" on its last page.

One fine day, but very cold; one rainy gale just after passing Cape Hatteras; next day growing warmer and the sea gradually subsiding; then a lovely Sunday with the coast of Florida in sight most of the day and the mercurial standing at 68 degrees—then the next morning the wonderful picture of Havana in the distance burst upon our view. At eight o'clock we had passed by Morro Castle and the great Cabanas fortress and dropped anchor just a few hundred feet from where, six years ago, the Maine was blown up. We were soon all ashore, with street traps in hand exploring the wonders of this splendid city of over 400,000 people, and a rare treat it was, especially for those who had never before been south of the tropic of Cancer. In the heart of the city is the magnificent Central Park, where may be found almost every known variety of tropical tree, shrub and flower and various beasts and birds peculiar to the latitude. Particularly did the giant palm trees appeal to us northerners walks lined on both sides with them were beautiful indeed. From the park to the old fortress at the North end of the City, there extends "the Prado," an asphalt-paved boulevard, at least a mile long on which are some of the finest residences, clubs and public buildings in the city. Westward from the end of this stretches for another mile or more the Malecon, or Sea-walls which may be termed the Riverside Drive of the Metropolis. This ends in another park. The newer Havana is a modern city, well lighted, brilliantly lighted, with perfect sanitation and evidences of wealth and prosperity on every hand—but there is another side to the picture, to be found in Old Havana, with its narrow streets, old stone buildings, its squalor and its odors. We spent one night on shore, at the Sevilla Hotel and were quite prepared to coincide with an authority here said that nowhere in the hemisphere could one get so little in the way of creature comforts, at so high a price as in Havana!

We visited the Creston House—an old church remodelled; the Post Office, distinctly modern though not particularly large, the Old Cathedral with its weight of years resting heavily on magnificent structure; the Presidents mansion replaced by a \$5,000,000 edifice on Central Park, and several other points of interest, including the stores. In one of the latter I saw more marble and bronze real statuary, more rugs, and de luxe furniture, paint ings and china, than ever before. The worth a million. One of the most famous jewelers of Paris has a branch store devoted principally to the sale of precious stones, where the stock will throw in the shade anything to be found in Montreal or Toronto.

One feature of the city life is the great number of restaurants. Almost every corner is devoted to eating and drinking—all in full view of the passing pedestrian. Cabs are cheap. As an instance I accompanied three acquaintances from the pier to a hotel over a mile distance and paid the cabby the whole bill—thirty cents! For two people the charge for driver and rubber tired cab is \$1.25 an hour. Spanish money equal to \$1.13 in U.S. currency, which by the way is the official money of Cuba. Yesterday morning at nine o'clock we steamed out of Havana and are now cruising Eastward along the North Coast of Cuba, with land occasional.

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HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

The past week has been an exceptionally quiet one for Charlottetown and few social events are to be recorded due no doubt to the Lenten season which is being strictly observed by many.

Mrs. Hazel Bremner is receiving the congratulations of her friends on her appointment as leading soprano and director of the quartette of the Rollstone Congregational Church of Fitchburg, Mass. Mrs. Bremner will be sincerely missed in musical and social circles in Charlottetown.

Mrs. J. G. Macphail of Ottawa, is visiting in Montreal this week, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. McPhail.

Mrs. J. O. Hyndman made a most agreeable hostess for the afternoon Bridge Club this week.

Among the early home comers this season will be Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Beer of San Diego, California, who return to make Charlottetown their future home. They will be heartily welcomed back to business and social circles.

Miss Louise McCready, who has left on a pleasant visit to Montreal and Chicago, will be much missed by the younger social set in Charlottetown of which she is a prominent member.

Deep sympathy is extended to Mrs. William McLean of Charlottetown on the death of her son, Mr. Simon McLean of Spokane, the news of whose sudden death came as a severe blow to his wide circle of home friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Miller are receiving congratulations from a host of friends on the arrival of an important visit from the stork who presented them on Wednesday last with a winsome young daughter.

During the early part of this week several enjoyable snowshoe parties were held and Victoria Park was the centre of attraction being ideal for this healthy outdoor sport.

Sir Louis and Lady Davies and Miss Mary Davies have sailed by the Transatlantic from New York for Europe and will take the Mediterranean trip. Their Charlottetown friends wish them bon voyage.

A most enjoyable meeting of the Bridge Club was held last Tuesday evening at Mrs. A. L. Hyndman's home.

The Shakespeare Class meet at Mrs. F. W. Hyndman's home this week.

One of the prettiest afternoon teas of the season was given by Mes. James McMillan at her pretty home in Brighton this week. The tea room was very handsomely decorated with flowers and foliage. Mrs. G. E. Hughes, poured tea and Mrs. E. T. Higgs served the ices, while a bevy of pretty young ladies passed the dainty refreshments. Among those present were Mrs. Louson, Mrs. W. K. Rogers, Mrs. James Paton, Miss Brown, Mrs. Alex. McKinnon, Mrs. Charles Longworth, Mrs. O. Wright, Mrs. Auld, Mrs. E. R. Brown, Miss DeBlois, Miss Cotton, Miss J. Blake, Miss Norton and many others. In the evening Mrs. McMillan also entertained most enjoyably for a number of young people.

Mrs. S. A. McDonald, Fitzroy Street, was hostess at six tables of Bridge on Thursday evening last. Handsome prizes were captured by Miss Alice McKinnon and Mrs. Fred Chandler.

Mr. A. E. Ings and little daughter are being warmly welcomed back to Charlottetown from an extended visit to Switzerland.

The ladies are deeply interested in the Central Seed Fair to be held here next week and rumor has it that the Domestic Science Department is to be keenly contested by many of the first class cooks of Charlottetown.

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Mrs. Rogers health is already improving. It is said that in the Caribbean Sea, "one's days are days of dreams, and one's nights, nights of slumber." Certainly it places a premium on indolence, this way of live way to rest—morning, noon and night,—the atmosphere compels it and there is no use fighting against such odds.

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