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Starting THURSDAY

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NEWSY NOTES

BY AGRICOLA

THE HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

I am always glad to receive letters from Mr. Ludlow Jenkins of Dunstaffnage, their subject matter is so full of interest, and their diction so pleasing, that I have no hesitation in quoting rather extensively from his latest, knowing that this will afford as much gratification to my readers as it does to me.

Mr. Jenkins says: "You asked me, some time ago, if I could send you something of interest about Hungarian partridge. I am enclosing a piece from 'Rod and Gun' which gives a very good description of them. It is about five years since the first were imported. I think the first lot was 10 pairs, then 23 pairs, and lastly 12 pairs, 50 pairs in all. They were liberated all the way from Morell to Victoria, but mostly in the vicinity of Charlottetown Royalty."

Later flocks of from ten to forty have been reported from Morell, Dunstaffnage, Marshfield, East, Central, and West Royalty, North River, Winsloe, York, Brackley, Milton, Royalty Junction, Mermaid, Southport, Hazelwood, Pownal, Cherry Valley, Waterside, and even as far East as Dundas, and doubtless they are at many other places not known to the writer.

They have quite a large brood at a time: one killed on its nest by a mower had a clutch of fourteen eggs. Several flocks or broods will get together sometimes, for I saw a flock of twenty-two last week. They are a very pleasing sight, the red of the males standing out cheerfully against the background of snow. When running from place to place sometimes they cluster like sheep and at other times they may be a foot or more apart. A little boy, five or six years old, told his father last winter that he saw where a spruce tree had walked across the field. But it turned out to be the tracks of the partridge.

To see these birds on a nice sunny morning, when the snow lies deep, digging for buried seeds, the snow flying like chaff, is a sight worth seeing, and will, no doubt, be witnessed by hundreds this coming winter. Partridges are very fond of the seeds of (Lamb's Quarters?) and "Ladie's Thumb" which are to be seen standing tall in the turnip fields, and they will even dig down two or three feet for them.

At night they seek shelter under the lee of a snowbank, and then dig themselves into its sides where they all huddle up together. I think a conservative estimate of their number would be from five to ten hundred, at present. They are well able to look after themselves and to stand our winter, and there is no doubt that when the season for shooting them opens, they will be numerous and will afford splendid sport. They are quite tame and any food supplied to them during the deep snow is very much appreciated.

Mr. Tufts says he has two books—"Jack Miner and the birds" which are excellent reading. He is going to send them to you to be used as a couple of extra prizes

(i. e., in the "Feed the Birds Contest") if you think fit.

We have quite a nice lot of birds feeding here already. We ran out of food for a day or two during the stormy weather lately but they wouldn't take "no" for an answer: they came and picked at the place where the food was supposed to be.

I have heard quite a number of people say how much they appreciated your "newsy notes". One lady, "a shut-in" at Pownal, bedfast, indeed, said she always looked eagerly for your notes, especially those on "Birds." A cuckoo was obliging enough to come and sit on the clothes line, for her to see it one day this last summer. Are they plentiful here? I have never seen one so far.

First, I must express sympathy for this lady, and am glad my notes have afforded her pleasure during her illness. She had a rare bird (as I think) for a visitor. Like Mr. Jenkins I have yet to see my first specimen. Both the Black-billed and the Yellow-billed cuckoos have been taken here: the Black-billed species is said to be much the commoner in this, the northerly part of their range.

My thanks are due to Mr. Tufts for his offer of the Miner books and I am sure that both the proprietors of The Guardian and the children competing, will appreciate his generous offer.

A farmer, not far from me, has evidently had a Hungarian partridge as a visitor. A strange bird, brownish in color, and with a long tail, turned up one morning and joined the hens at their breakfast. As he did not molest it, it came regularly for a few days and finally disappeared. As I, too, was shut-in at the time, I was not able to pay my respects to the little alien. I am told that a flock of thirty or forty have been seen at Wheatley River.

The article from "Rod and Gun" has been passed over to the Editor of The Guardian, in the hope that it will be reprinted. "This, too, will pass," sang the poet, thinking of the transient duration of all earthly things, and as Christmas nears, one is inclined to glance back and view, with varied feelings, old customs now no more. This is a sad business at the usual orifice or lip for the sound to escape. In the other end was a movable plunger about an inch and a half square. This plunger had a narrow slip of stone (something like soapstone) let into it lengthways, and on it were crossmarks distinguished by the letters of the musical scale. When, say, the plunger was withdrawn till "F" was visible, blowing into the pipe produced that note best. Let us vary it by talking of the old implements and household equipment now in the discard.

My "grandsire" was the possessor of a wooden pitch-pipe, an instrument in request, on one day only of the year. It resembled a very short organ pipe, about 15 inches long, and three inches square in section. It tapered at one end, at an acute angle to a mouth-piece like a narrow slot, and there I could never learn the history of the instrument other than it had

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"RIDERS of the PURPLE SAGE"



2 MATINEES FRIDAY 1.30 and 3 P.M.

been used to "pitch" the tunes before the advent of the church organ. Each Christmas Eve the "waits", or carol singers, borrowed the pipe as they had no other instrument to "give them the note." The rest of the year it rested from its labors on the top shelf of a cupboard. The pitchpipe has been superseded by the tuning-fork, a much more convenient instrument.

Time was when every well-appointed house boasted a pair of snuffers. Imagine a large pair of scissors, with three short leas to keep the blades from touching the table. Mounted on one blade was a small box, and on the other the lid which sealed the box, when the blades were closed. The candles in those days were mostly of tallow, with coarse cotton wicks, which were only partly consumed in giving light and every now and then the charred remains had to be removed or "snuffed" as it was termed. This was the function of the snuffers. The blades cut the wick, the carbon was pressed into the box by the lid, and the legs prevented the soiling of the table cover. The snuffers have gone: perhaps our electric fittings will also pass, for a scientist visualizes the time when wireless electricity will be our source of light. Another household instrument relied upon by our ancestors to coax along unwilling fires, was the hand-bellows. It was a miniature of the blacksmith's implement, but was often highly ornamented with its turned brass nozzle and "hand-painted" sides.

Now-a-days clothes in the wash are freed from water by a wringer, perhaps an electric wringer. In boyhood's days in the Old Country most families had a "mangle" for this purpose—a cumbersome machine standing five feet high. The rollers, of lignum vitae, were about two feet six inches long and eight or nine inches in diameter. At one side was the motive power, a wheel, about the size of a gas-engine fly wheel, with a handle for cranking. It was laborious work, turning this contraption, but there was compensation as several garments could be "mangled" at one time by the long rollers. But this task, laborious as it was, would have seemed light to the laundry-maids at Annfield Hall in still older times. There, along the entire side of the laundry, ran a smooth stone shelf, table high. On this were two heavy stone cylinders, with planks running from one to the other, and large flat stones ("like tombstones," said my companion) resting on the planks for weights. The clothes were folded and laid on one end of the shelf, the weighted cylinders were rolled on to them: clothes were laid on the other end, and now the massive stones were rolled backwards and forwards ad lib. A regular muscle builder in its time, but it would scarcely find favor now!

Space forbids the mention of more than one other example of machinery that has fallen by the way. In P. E. I. the "horse-power" in threshing speedily gave way before the gas engine. In England four generations ago the flail for threshing had been ousted by the "bob-gin". Gin, like gun, is a shortened and corrupted form of the word engine (Milton, in his "Paradise Lost", ascribes the invention of cannon to Satan, who refers to them as "hollow engines").

A farm, where I sometimes visited, had the bob-gin still standing, though not in use. The open ginshed, a low conical roof supported on stone pillars, was built close to the barn. An upright wooden spindle, set in bearings at both ends, stood in the centre. The top of the spindle carried a mitre wheel, which engaging with another on a shaft running through the wall into the barn, transferred the movement to the belt pulley. From the spindle stood out two cross-arms with single-trees attached. When horses were harnessed to the "swings" and made to walk in a circle inside the shed, the belt-pulley rotated and set the mill in motion. This was a more humane contrivance than our "horsepower". It was said that each horse had a blinker over one eye to prevent its turning dizzy from walking in a circle. The travelling steam thresher had put this primitive rig out of commission in my boyhood days. This again has fallen before the oil-engine and the electric motor, and so the world wags on!

MOUNT ALLISON RECEIVES FLAG

At a meeting of the Executive of the Regents of Mount Allison just held, a fine Canadian flag presented by the Trustees of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., was handed over to the Regents. In his letter accompanying the flag, President McConaughy of Wesleyan, stated:—"At the time of our Centennial celebration, we had the privilege of welcoming, as our guest of honor, Prime Minister Bennett. In connection with the outdoor Centennial Exercises, when Premier Bennett received his degree, two imposing flag poles were dedicated and first used. On that occasion, one pole flew the American flag and the other the Canadian flag. The Board of Trustees of Wesleyan University would like to have the privilege of presenting this Canadian flag to our friends of Mount Allison."

There has always been a close connection between Wesleyan University and Mount Allison. Dr. Humphrey Pickard, the first President of Mount Allison, who came here in 1842, graduated at Wesleyan University in 1839, and Dr. David Allison, the second President, graduated in 1859. Other Mount Allison men, who graduated at Wesleyan in the early days before Mount Allison had degree-conferring power were: Thomas Pickard, 1840, Dr. Stephen J. King, 1859, Judge George E. King, 1859, and Cranswick Jost, 1862. Dr. Frank W. Nicholson, Mount Allison, 1883, is a senior member of the Faculty at Wesleyan University and was Dean of the Arts Faculty at that institution for a quarter of a century.

The Prime Minister's mother was a student at Mount Allison under the presidency of Dr. Pickard, and his sisters, Mrs. Herridge and Mrs. Coates, in Dr. Allison's regime. This connection was referred to by Premier Bennett in his recent address at Wesleyan, and it was because of this that the flag was presented to Mount Allison. The flag, which is nine yards long and five wide, now hangs in the large Reading Room of the Mount Allison Memorial Library.

SPECIAL PROSECUTOR

(Canadian Press) BRIDGEWATER, N. S., Dec. 21.—W. G. Ernst, M.P., K.C., Federal member of Parliament for Lunenburg-Queens, has been appointed

Boston Cubs Defeat Eagles

(Canadian Press) NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 21.—The Boston Cubs aided greatly by the work of J. Jerwa defeated the New Haven Eagles 3 to 2 Saturday night in a fast Canadian-American Hockey League game.

Jerwa played a brilliant defensive game and in addition caged the puck unassisted for the winning goal in the final period after the Eagles had tied the score.

F. Jerwa, Bruin centre, was fined \$10 and ordered off the ice, for talking the final period.

Pratt and Klein were Boston's other scorers, while Kuhn tallied both New Haven goals.

Visitors Encouraged Patients To Complain

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 21.—Finding that charges against officials of the Hamilton home for the aged and infirm had not been proven, Judge Thompson on Saturday submitted his report on the recent judicial probe into conditions at the institution, declaring certain visitors of the institution had prompted inmates to make complaints. He recommended that three women visitors, whom he named, be refused permission to visit the institution, and exonerated officials on all counts. The manner in which the latter managed the affairs of the home was praised in the report.

The Judge expressed disapproval of the action of the Ontario Government in transferring mental cases from the Ontario Hospital to the Home, and recommended that they be readmitted to the former institution or segregated at the home.

COTTON WILL BE FAVORED IN 1932

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Palm Beach styles, fashion setters for next summer, are revolutionary 1932, and they bear good news for Dixie, for cotton in novel guise is a leading fabric.

Mattress ticking beach pajamas, hand-crochet cotton gloves for sport, diagonal stripes and weaves.

That's a style bulletin from the array of winter resort fashions shown by the Cotton Textile Institute of New York today at the American Farm Bureau Federation convention in demonstrating the new cottons and lines that make last summer's wardrobe passe.

The high points in fashion are: Diagonal stripes emphasis on button trimmings, higher quarter neck lines, interesting sleeve treatment from sleeves set in with bias bands to a new cape sleeve.

And the new cotton fabrics include: Crochet effects, meshes, knitted, woven and ribbed meshes, drawn effects in ribbed meshes, rick rack mesh, waffle pique, lacy drop stitch voile.

A new gray that is neither blue-gray nor green gray, yet lay in tone, is ace high in exclusive apparel. Following close on its heels in fashion favor is a new dark red—kin to raspberry—and a grayed pink. White is exceedingly important and so are the pastels. The new reds, of which there are several, have either a raspberry or yellowish cast. Grayed fuchsia is new.

Net and organdie, embroidered and plain, are smart for evening and the latter were shown in burgundy, dark green and warm beige.

special prosecutor to conduct the case for the Crown against Naaman Smith, of Nineveh, charged with shooting to death his uncle, Lemuel Smith.

Blouse To Fore Due To Fur Jackets

Blouses have come into much notice, which points to the possibility of their being important in the spring. The extensive vogue for short fur or cloth jackets is no doubt responsible. Delightful are some of the effects. Reds, especially rust, Chinese and nasturium reds and names, are much liked with black or maroon suits or skirts and fur jackets. These blouses come in satin, marocain and thin woolsens. A lovely and chic effect was a bright green suit trimmed with astrakhan and worn with a black thin woolen blouse. There are blouses of heavy white lace, sometimes Irish, to wear with dressy skirts of gleaming broadcloth or satin and a fur jacket, while a linen one with short balloon sleeves and short sleeved basqued or peplumed ones strike new notes.

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Montreal Police Save Seven Lives

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 21.—(By The Canadian Press)—Prompt action by two members of the Westmount police force early today saved seven persons from injury or death when fire broke out in the home of J. Livshitz.

Patrolling their beat, Constables McAleer and Sheepwash noticed smoke coming from the home. Constable Sheepwash went to summon the fire force while Constable McAleer entered the home, awakened the occupants and gathered them on a small front balcony, where they remained until fireman raised a ladder and aided them to the ground. The home was badly damaged.

Ice Breaks Family Perish

DALTON, Mich., Dec. 21.—A 7-year-old boy playing with a sled which was a premature Christmas present broke through the ice in a small lake near here late today and six other persons drowned in a futile attempt to rescue him.

The dead are: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Oman, each 33; Oliver and Orville Oman, 12 and 7 respectively, children of the elder Oman; Harry Ergang; Buddie Morgan, 17, and Teddie Morgan, 14, nephews of Ergang.

It was Orville who first went to his death when his sled broke through the thin ice.

His parents went to his rescue and drowned when the ice failed to hold them. Ergang ventured onto the ice in an attempt to rescue them, and the other children, who had followed, broke through into the icy water with him.

Bodies of Ergang and Oliver Oman have not been recovered. The lake is on Ergang's farm.

The tragedy happened in an isolated section of northern Muskegon. Only a three-year-old child is left in the Oman family.

Women Of Affairs Chose Black And White

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The International Disarmament Convention held in Paris recently being composed of approximately 75 per cent women, it was interesting to note the trend in fashions for women in politics and near politics. And it may be said from the beginning that black and white is the accepted color scheme for women of affairs.

Miss Louise Welas, directress of the journal "L'Europe Nouvelle" chose a black crepe trimmed with narrow plings of white about the neck and on the sleeves, and the only touch of color appeared in the tiny piece of red ribbon on the left side of her blouse that indicated the coveted Legion of Honor membership.

The Princess Catacuzene of Rumania was dressed entirely in black except for a narrow band of white around her small close-fitting and pointed in the centre of her forehead, hat.

Frau Dowtor Luders of Germany, one of the prominent speakers of the opening session, wore a black skirt and a white satin blouse. Her black hat was trimmed with a white feather.

to hard times. The Grand Duchess Albert and Queen Elizabeth has Charlotte of Luxembourg also has been called off for this year, due made a similar decision.



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