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A Country Garden

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to the West Indies. The subsequent mutiny of that ship's crew is a well known matter of history. Also another Kew gardener, Christopher Smith, was on a second expedition which successfully introduced the bread-fruit to Jamaica in 1791.

Ultimately the government decided to make Kew a national garden and to develop it as a headquarters of an Imperial botanical service. With the backing of the public and the government and with the appointment of Sir William Hooker as director, a period of activity began which raised Kew gardens to the highest standing in the horticultural and botanical world, a position which it maintains to this day.

In addition to many minor functions and duties, the Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew, have four leading national and Imperial functions to perform: First - The advancement of botany, or the study of plant life. As a national establishment, Kew stands in relation to botany much as Greenwich does to astronomy. One great task is the botanical survey of the Empire. Studies of the flora of many parts of the Empire have already been completed and published, another task is the Index Kewensis, an alphabetical list of every plant name published. This work is invaluable as a reference for botanists throughout the world. Information and advice is constantly given to scientific institutions, both in the Empire and other countries.

Second - The introduction of new and valuable plants to the colonies. Among the many plants of economic value which have been distributed are: Pineapples, bananas, tea, coffee, coon; medicinal and drugs, such as quinine, cocoa, chaulmoogra; rubbers, tung-oil, fruit dyes, timbers, and fibres. Perhaps the most remarkable of these successes was the introduction of gum to India, and the introduction of Para rubber to the Malay Peninsula.

Third - As a place of public resort. Over 24,000 species and varieties are cultivated; this fact, together with the attractive arrangement of the plants, makes the Gardens a pleasant place for visitors, not only for the enjoyment of the beauty but also for purposes of study.

Fourth - As a school of horticulture. Horticulturists are trained with the object of fitting them for horticultural and agricultural positions throughout the world. Visitors to England this year will see beautiful rock garden plantings and a wild rose garden with a tall pagoda in the background, also the Palm House in which are grown plants from all over the world.

Card Of Thanks

The family of the late Mrs. Fred Clark of Cavendish wish to thank relatives, neighbours, and friends who were so kind to her all through her long illness, remembering her with many treats, flowers, cards and letters. Also to those who sent messages of sympathy and flowers at this time of bereavement.

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ENGAGEMENT. - Mr. Leslie MacDonald, North Tryon, announces the engagement of his daughter Annie Belle to James Clair, son of Chief of Police and Mrs. Peter White, Summerside. Marriage to take place in May.

PRINCE OF WALES College Concert Series presents Prince of Wales Girls Chorus directed by E. Lillian MacKenzie and Alyce and Horace MacEwen, Charlottetown, pianists, Thursday, April 16 at 8:30. Admission 75 cents, students 25 cents.

ENGAGEMENT. - Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie, Valleyfield West, P. E. I., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Edna Christine to Terrance Trainor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Trainor of Greenfield, P. E. I., now residing in Montreal, Que. Marriage in near future.

AGRICULTURAL MEETINGS South Rustico Hall, April 15th and 16th, beginning at 8:00 P. M., each evening. Representatives of Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture will be present to discuss farm problems. All are welcome.

PERSONALS Miss Jurettia Murray of Breadalbane, spent the past week in Charlottetown, attending the Teachers' Convention. While here she was the guest of Miss Emily Britton, Charlottetown.

Card Of Thanks The members of St. Mark's Guild, Kensington, wish to thank those who helped in any way to make their Easter Tea, Bazaar and Parcel Post Sale a success. Signed Mrs. Oliver Profit, (President).

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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

A pioneer West River farmer who knew a little law, usually made his neighbors' wills. At an early hour one morning he was roused from sleep by a loud knocking at the door, and raising his bedroom window, he called down, "who's there?" "It's me, John, I couldn't sleep thinking of the will I made yesterday."

"What's the matter with the will?" queried the other. "It's this way, John, I never left anything to myself."

In 1840 eighty-five vessels were built and launched, which for a population of 47,000 would show that a ship was built in this province for every 600 men, women and children in the Island. Anyone having copies of the following books printed by Mr. Howard, at which they would contact me at once: Children's First Reader, Speller, English Reader and the Gospel in the Micmac tongue.

In 1861 a Rifle Association was formed in Charlottetown for the purpose of target practice. The range was on the site now used by Victoria Roadway. The first shoot took place Aug. 12th. Governor Dundas awarded a silver trophy to the winner, Gunner D. McKinnon of the City Artillery. That was before the present drill shed was completed.

Island folk used to believe that it rained on St. Swithin's Day (July 15) it would rain, more or less, for 40 succeeding days.

84-year-old Capt. Bill Dicks of Cape Breton and formerly of Georgetown, is the oldest soldier skipper in the Maritime provinces. Spiders have big appetites, often eating as many as eighty insects as large as themselves in 24 hours.

You might not believe it, but cranberries were shipped to England from this Province over 60 years ago. Great quantities grew on Hog, St. Peter's, Robinson's Island and at muddy creek in Prince County.

The first barrels of pies shipped across the ocean from this Province was a lot grown on the farm of John Dickson, Bay View.

Turning back the calendar to 60 years ago, I note that the aggregate catch of oysters for a single season reached 40,000 barrels.

In 1890 a catch had dropped to 14,000 barrels; the value to our fishermen from this source alone was \$56,500. Automobile thefts in Canada average 85 a day. So keep an eye open where you park, or yours may be the next to go.

Boombarding the clouds with silver iodide, not exactly a new way to produce rain. It has been done only when natural storm conditions prevail. T. P. P. predicts that within 10 years rain may be had at any time merely by pushing a button.

If and when that day arrives, farmers may look to greater yields

IN MEMORIAM

WILLIAM MURDOCK William Murdock, 65, of 10 Union street, Merrimac, Mass., died Sunday April 5th in the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston, following a short illness.

He was born in Prince Edward Island, the son of David and Hannah E. (Roberts) Murdock on December 8, 1887, and has resided in Merrimac for the past 11 years.

He was a metal and wood-worker by trade and had been employed at the Cargocaire Corporation in Amesbury.

Besides his wife Amber (Blackden), he leaves one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Urquhardt of Haverhill, one son, Merton of Worcester, and three grandchildren.

Other survivors include his mother, Hannah E., P. E. I., seven sisters, Mrs. Emily Poole, Mrs. Lulu Higgins, Miss Susie Bell Murdock, P. E. I., Miss Elizabeth of Montreal, and Miss Mabel of Boston, and four brothers, David of Montreal, Stewart and Clarence, both of P. E. I., and Axel of Bristol, Conn.

The funeral service was held the following Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock from the Pillsbury and Gale funeral home, 2 Hillside avenue, Amesbury. Interment was in Locust Grove cemetery, Merrimac.

Card Of Thanks I wish to extend sincere thanks to all who helped in any way to comfort my dear Mother during her long illness, especially Mrs. Ernest Clark and Mrs. Sterling Stewart who on many occasions cheerfully and helpfully answered my call at the darkest hours.

George Clark.

York Highlights

Miss Mary Watts, of Charlottetown, spent the Easter holidays in York, guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Watts.

The Misses Elizabeth and Gladys MacDonald, students of Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, spent the Easter holidays in York, guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe MacDonald.

Miss Joan Vessey, student in Charlottetown, spent Easter Sunday at her home in York.

The many friends of the Misses Carol, Annabelle, Gloria and Linda Hardy were sorry to hear they were confined to their home with the "flu."

Mrs. Lewis Vessey's many friends are pleased to learn she is satisfactorily improving being a patient in the P. E. I. Hospital. Her

in all their crops. This sounds fantastic, I know, yet one must not forget that we are living in an age of miracles when just about anything can turn up and make us say, "Gosh! Isn't that wonderful!"

Every person has about the same amount of trouble over a period of years. The only difference is that some folks have more time to think about it.

For over 900 years Athos off the coast of Greece has been occupied and governed by a group of monks. All females are barred from setting foot upon this small, conical mountain. The 5000 monks and lay brothers who make up Athos' population, live in communities, raise their own food and make their own clothes.

Indeed, Athos is a little world unto itself. No telephone, telegraph, radio, newspaper or wheeled vehicles break its isolation. Mules are the only means of transportation.

Beavers do not gnaw through trees as most persons believe. The animal's teeth work like an axe, rather than a saw. Or to put it another way, the beaver chips the tree down.

If you don't believe this, just examine the cuttings at the root of a fallen tree. You won't see sawdust, but you will see chips, similar to those left from an axe.

A strange old custom that still persists among the coal miners and the weavers of England and Scotland is that a "Knocker up" is employed whose duty it is to rap on the bedroom windows of workmen with a long stick until they light lights and arise. A typical "knocker up" in Manchester rides 13 miles every morning on his bicycle to arouse 120 laborers between 1 and 6 o'clock.

In Canada and the U. S. A. approximately 1,500 boys and men for every 800 girls and women, and the number of male deaths compared with female deaths is on the increase.

friends are hoping to see her home again before long.

Friends from far and near are sorry to learn that Mr. George Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Andrews of York, has been confined to his home with a severe attack of the "flu" for a week. A speedy recovery is hoped for.

Friends are pleased to see Mr. Merrill MacDonald of York, out again after his severe attack of the "flu."

Miss Muriel MacDonald of York, is confined to her home through illness and her many friends are hoping for a speedy recovery.

The school children of York are enjoying the Easter holidays and teacher's convention week as the Misses Christine Proude and Kay Wood attended the Prince Edward Island Teacher's Federation Convention held in Charlottetown.

A large number from York, including Mr. and Mrs. Dolphe Murray and Messrs. Willard Murray and Joe Caswell attended the final card game held in Pleasant Grove on Monday, April 6th.

A card party was held in York Community Hall on Monday evening, April 6th, with a jolly crowd attending, playing progressive auction. The ladies' high, Mrs. Leith Brown and Mrs. Earl Ling; men's high, Messrs. Dean Watts and Edson Watts.

Mr. Richard Vessey's many friends are pleased to learn his condition is sufficiently improved that he can continue his convalescence at his home in York with his family, having returned from Prince Edward Island Sanatorium the last of March. His many friends are sorry to learn he has become ill with a severe cold and wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Joe Caswell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Caswell of Pleasant Grove, spent his holidays in York, the guest of his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Dolphe Murray.

The Misses Annabelle Hardy, Shirley Vessey, Barbara and Rosele Cooper were visitors in Charlottetown Saturday, April 4th.

A motor party from York consisting of Mrs. Roscoe MacDonald and daughter Muriel, Miss Lyda Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Matthew of York, travelled to Charlottetown Easter Saturday, April 4th.

A group of ladies intent on Easter decorations for the Church gathered on several occasions at the Manse to make Easter lilies and yellow narcissus entwined with green leaves. Among the groups of flowers one very beautiful centerpiece, placed on the Altar table, in which consisted a snowy white cross and white Easter lilies. B. P.

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