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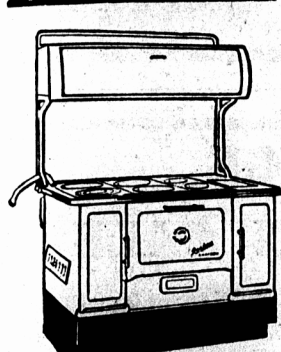
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CHON, MISS GRINDSTONE, CAN YOU GET THAT LETTER OUT ANY FASTER? I'M IN A BIG HURRY... OH YES, AND TAKE A P.S....

AND SO WHAT? AFTER SHE GETS THE WHOLE THING TYPED HE'S ALMOST SURE TO PULL SOMETHING LIKE THIS...

HMMM... SOUNDS A LITTLE STRONG! BETTER NOT SEND IT. JUST TEAR IT UP AND TAKE A MEMO INSTEAD!

Thanks to VERONICA HARRICK and GLENN HARRICK for the cartoon.

TIMELY NOTES ON TOPICS CONNECTED WITH Silver Fox and Mink Farming

The firm of Gruskin-Feldman of New York are specializing in long-haired furs featuring slim stoles of black fox, pillow, spade; or barrel-shaped Muffs and tiered evening stoles mounted on black velvet. They find that single width stoles of all fox types have been very popular but black fox especially. They say they have gone one further in the development of fox as a single evening fur and have mounted single widths of either black or white fox on a cape shell of black velvet. Actually the fox appears as a luxurious trimming on a velvet cape, a result of their treatment. When black fox is used a Russian red fox dyed black is selected. Muffs register as a big accessory to cloth coats and ensembles. An ensemble can be highlighted with either black, silver or platinum fox Muffs that are strikingly large. One of Gruskin-Feldman's black fox single width stoles was very effectively shown on a page in Life magazine a couple of weeks ago and it certainly was an appealing advertisement. This is just another of the signs that fox is coming back, and like our readers, we think it cannot come back too quickly.

Dr. C. K. Gunn was guest editor for July on the invitation of the National Fur News, published in Denver, Colorado. The Doctor's message to fox ranchers of today is that they should place particular emphasis upon the production of high quality pelts because the greatest demand in the markets of the world will always be for clear colored, fine, dense furs. The present period of low pelt valuation is an opportune time for fox ranchers to rigidly cull their foxes with the view to the production of a better quality fox pelt in the future. These however, can only be produced by careful attention to the many details necessary to the successful rearing of fur bearers under the semi-domesticated conditions of the fur ranch.

The following attributes in the selection of desirable foxes should be carefully studied. Good color in guard and underfur coupled with density of these, make for a tightly furled pelt that will stand up well when the leather is tanned. Dense underfur prevents the pelt appearing flat when it is dressed. The silver should have a long or wide bar and be sharply defined in the silver regions of the pelt. The animal should be of the furrier's all over with strong furred back, sides and rump. The neck should be full with legs and throat well silvered in the full silver fox. The silver should carry down to a narrow black belly strip. Size, length and girth of the animal are important. Altogether these measurements determine the size of the pelt. Large pelts are superior in value to the smaller pelts of equal quality. In this respect it is important to mate large animals in order to obtain large pups. It is becoming less and less a herd about the quickest method to overcome this defect is to outcross hybrid vigor will thus be introduced which will cover up this defect in most cases.

Recondity — The ability to reproduce young in good numbers for a period of years is a trait which should be taken into consideration in the choice of vixens for breeders. The male fox if he in turn is selected from a large litter and recond — mother will also transfer this tendency for large size to his offspring. Mating vigor — Male foxes should be observed and selected for vigor. Poor maters may be used and a few litters obtained but if pups from these litters are kept the character of poor mating ability may be transferred into the herd.

LIVE FOX AND MINK SHOW

Breeders take notice that the Live Fox and Mink Show will be held at Charlottetown during the week commencing November 13th. Make this Show outstanding. Prize Lists will be available in due course. Entries close on November 4th. Other information regarding regulations may be secured from the undersigned.

GORDON MacMILLAN, President.
W. R. SHAW, Secretary.

- NEWSY NOTES -

By Agricolo

THE BLACK AND WHITE WARBLE

The Warblers are found only in the Western Hemisphere, and most of them are migratory. Francis Bain, in 1891, enumerates 15 species, but the latest island lists include about a score of these small sparrow-like birds. Though called Warblers, their musical efforts are not striking, the best of them being but short musical trills. Warblers, however, subsist entirely on a diet of insects, and are in consequence most valuable to the farmer and the gardener.

Technically the Warbler may be distinguished by the following features: they have nine primaries; a slender bill hardly hooked at the tip; inner secondaries not lengthened; and the hind toe neither long nor straight.

Francis Bain calls this species the "Black-and-White Creeper" because it "runs over the trunks of trees, searching its food like the true 'creeper,' and uttering the most tenderly whispered little ditty of a song. Its color is described by its name, being streaked black and white. It nests with us, and strangely enough for a persistent tree climber, places its nest on the ground." It may have been remarked that with the increase of skunks and other predators, our ground-nesting birds are on the way to becoming extinct.

Black-and-white Warbler. AOU 636. Summer resident, reported from Pownal, 1927, 1939, and 1949. Plumage male, no yellow anywhere. Upper parts streaked black and white; ear coverts black; inner webs of outer tail feathers with white patches; wing coverts black tipped white (wing bars); throat and upper breast black; sides streaked black and white; middle of belly white. Female similar, but fewer black streaks; sides tinged brownish. Length of adult 5.3 inches.

NATURE NOTES

In past years I have had letters giving descriptions of birds and asking their names. Almost invariably the enquirers left out the markings and color of the head, which are most important in determining the specimen, as the following experience will show. A hawk was noticed here, devouring a pullet it had killed: it was promptly shot and brought in for identification. It was a big hawk, of a brownish black color, and I put it down as a Goshawk. But closer inspection showed no white tip to the tail, no darker spots on it. I held up its head and found the white marking of the Goshawk! The white tip had been worn off the tail, and the dark spots didn't show because the tail was darkened by the rain. It was the head that gave the clue.

On Sept. 10th, 1950 I was fortunate enough to wake at 4.00 AM. Through the east window shone the merest "paring" of the Moon, and then I remembered that the conjunction of the Moon and conjunction of the Moon and Venus was billed for this date. Sure enough, just above a spruce tree and just below the Moon, hung the brilliant planet, peering as the Morning Star. The conjunction of these two heavenly bodies (as the ancient astronomers called them) is the most pleasing spectacle of all.

The fall, as a rule, brings out all the larger toadstools classed by the learned as Macroc-fungi. Few persons have given any attention to these fungi, though many of them are said to be edible. I found a Boletus (B. Scaber) growing in quantity in the lawn. The book published by the Dominion Botanist, says that B. Scaber is edible. Another fungus that I found on the same day, is the Scleroderma vulgare, which resembles a scaly puff-ball; but when it is cut into it exhibits a deep black mass of tissue. This, I think, is not edible!

THE STILT SANDPIPER

This Sandpiper breeds beyond the limit of trees, from Hudson Bay westward. It traverses the coastal regions in its migration southward, but it is the rarest of eastern Shore Birds. The specimen taken recently at Cavendish, is the first recorded for P. E. Island and thus calls for a careful description. In appearance this bird is somewhat like the Lesser Yellowlegs, but it is smaller and its legs are green in the Fall. It suggests the Dowitcher, AOU 231, but its white underparts, amongst other features distinguish it.

Stilt Sandpiper, AOU 233. Rare visitor: one caught at Cavendish, P. E. I., on Aug. 20, 1950, by Stephen Campbell. Bill slender, moderately long. Body small, 3.5 inches in length; legs long, green. Spring plumage: upper parts variegated black, gray, and buff; a rusty area-patch; upper tail-coverts white, marked with dusky stripes and bars; breast and underparts white, with transverse bars of dusky uniformly ashy gray; upper tail-coverts as in Spring; supercilious stripes, and underparts dark; breast streaked dusky. Dark wings and white-rumped. Frequent mud-flats in company with other shore birds.

IN PRAISE OF ARCHERY

The boys at Holland Cove Camp, it is reported, went in strongly for Archery. That is as it ought to be, seeing that the practice is a good form of exercise for youth and manhood: not too strenuous yet exercising every muscle, besides training the eye. Full forty years ago I noticed that sometimes — not often — a young Islander would carve himself a "bow-and-arrow" that did not conform to any practice that I had seen. He held his bow horizontally at arm's length, and pulled the butt of the arrow to his chest before loosing it. The arrow itself was carved to a leaf-like head not barbed. Very probably, I said to myself, this boy is imitating the archery of the aboriginal Indians.

Archery of the British type varies from this in several particulars. Arrows have neither barbed or lanceolate heads: the point resembles a good sharp pencil point made of steel. The shaft is straight and well-balanced, and it is "staggered" near the "nock" (notch for bowstring). The arrow who attached the feathers was called a "fletcher" — a word appearing as a surname now. The bow, made of yew, was as a rule, six feet long, but some variation was allowed. It was held perpendicularly in the left hand, while the right hand drew the arrow on the bowstring up to the right ear. The arrow was then sighted and loosed.

The target was called a "butt," while the centre or bull's-eye was in archery, called the "clout". There used to be some very skillful archers a few years ago in Britain. In a public park somewhere in the Midlands, there stood a tall flagpole and the flag was hoisted every morning by a rope running through a metal ring, deteriorated and broke, and the only recourse it seemed was to take the pole down and run a new rope through the loop. Before this happened some-

W.C.T.U. NOTES

WE ARE ON THE MARCH
By Dr. W. Henderson Barton
Associate General Superintendent of the Temperance League of America

Excerpts from address given before the Southern Baptist Convention at the Coliseum, Chicago, Illinois, May 11, 1950, with nearly 5000 in attendance.

Since our annual gathering last year in Oklahoma City a number of very significant developments have taken place in the temperance cause. The Christian and moral forces of Oklahoma won a glorious victory by a majority of more than 85,000 votes. Today, Oklahoma's constitutional provision stands as a Gibraltar. The moral forces of the nation have been thrilled and challenged by this victory. Our people are aroused; the armies of righteousness are on the march against Demon Rum with a courage and determination they have not had in a generation.

In February this year, the Georgia Senate passed a state-wide "bone-dry" measure by 25 to 3. The adjournment of the Legislature before the House could vote upon the measure. They have won a temporary victory, but I predict that these delaying tactics cannot prevent the enactment into law of the sovereign will of the Christian forces of that great commonwealth who are determined to rid their state of the liquor evil.

At this very hour the Temperance League of Arkansas is initiating a state-wide election on the liquor issue, and please God, when that election is held in November, Arkansas will swing back into the "dry" column.

North Carolina is pressing for a state-wide election. Already 39 of the 100 counties are "bone dry" and 70 out of 100 counties have outlawed wine and spirits.

Of the 941 counties in the South which have local option privileges, 470 counties are "bone dry", and an additional 155 counties have outlawed the sale of whisky. Thus there are 625 counties in the South that are either wholly or partly dry.

Some well-meaning but misguided people are still searching for the "solution of the alcohol problem". We know that that solution is, there is just one solution for the liquor problem, and that is total abstinence for the individual, and elimination by law of the traffic in beverage alcohol. Speaking for the Temperance League of America,

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OTTAWA. — Urban chickens are usually thought of as chickens raised within the borders of a small town, but there may be several exceptions to that rule.

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In some cases, where a small area of land is available, the use of some yards may be preferred; alternating the runs to opposite sides of the house each year so that the idle land may be summer-fallowed or used for a garden. This alternate yard plan has been successfully used for many years at the Dominion Experimental Station, Scott, Sask., reports E. Van Nise.

For an urban policy in egg production, pullet chicks may be purchased and raised on wire floors, or a contract may be made for delivery of pullets at about five months of age, to be placed directly in the laying batteries or cages.

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and for the National Temperance League Inc., that is soon to be. I pledge you that we shall continue to work and pray. In "Forward" — The American missing warfare against the legaliz-

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Stylish
5. Nimble
9. Capital (Egypt)
10. Back and forth
12. Mohammedan religion
13. Bird of prey
14. Beverage
15. A low groan
17. Music note
18. Fireproof floor
20. Remove false glamor
23. Donkey
26. Occurrence
27. Feminine name
28. Mole
30. Songlike
31. Covered with salt
34. Exclamation of dismay
36. Thin
37. Chief god (Babyl.)
40. Biblical king
42. Kind of scarf
44. Being in debt
45. Kind of cake
46. Aromatic spice
47. Fencing sword

DOWN

1. Packing box
2. Nucleus of starch grain
3. Man's name
4. Remark
6. Piercing weapon
8. Saw
7. Equip as a leaf
9. Shut
8. Citizen (abbr.)
11. Body of water
16. Tree
18. A vandal
19. Circle of light
20. Molesting floor
21. Evolving (poet.)
22. Wagers
24. Distress signal
25. Observe
27. Scaloped, as a leaf
28. Concealed
30. Luzon native
32. Onward
33. Shelf
34. Exclamations
35. Chop
37. Measure of land
38. Memorandum
39. Shoshonean Indian
41. Narrow inlet
43. Any soggy mass

Yesterday's Answer

89. Shoshonean Indian
41. Narrow inlet
43. Any soggy mass

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

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is LONG FELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Question

WP QJVCVAV QJTVL ALGW AP JVA
BVBVJSEOXD PE OPX SLVW BTDVJX
TD CA LCWS—MCJX

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