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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

STRANGE BUT TRUE - WED.

The most important single influence on your life span is your sex. If you are lucky enough to be a female your chances of getting into the old age group are pretty good. By middle life, 15 per cent more women than men have weathered life's sea, and by the 70's twenty per cent more. But from 90 on women begin to outnumber men two to one.

It took five harpoons and 15 bullets, plus five days of drying to polish off a strange sea fish caught near Knight's Key, off the Florida coast. The deep sea monster was towed 110 miles to Miami, where it was viewed by thousands of persons.

So far as the scientific world is concerned, this is the only creature of its kind ever captured. It weighed 30,000 pounds and measured 45 feet in length. It had a forty-three inch tongue and several thousand teeth. From its 1,700 pound liver, four barrels of oil were extracted.

Where did this amazing deep sea monster come from? From the depths of the ocean says the scientist, probably 2,000 feet below the surface, where there is little or no light. Too, they believe that a volcanic eruption forced the fish to the surface where, owing to the difference in water pressure, the swim bladders broke, making it impossible for the big fellow to submerge to his level.

One morning, in the year 1790, Czar Paul I. of Russia while reviewing his body guard became so angry with the way a button was sewed on a soldier's uniform, he ordered the 400 men on a 2,000 mile trek to Siberia. They were never heard of again!

In a previous article I told you how a grasshopper started a war. Now let me tell you about the whiskers that started a war which lasted three centuries. The chin decoration belonged to King Louis VII of France, and husband of Eleanor, daughter of the Duke of Guyenne and Picton, two provinces of Southern France which she brought with her dowry.

One day the monarch shaved off the fateful whiskers. The fly was in the ointment. Eleanor said she didn't love the king any more and divorced him. Then she reclaimed her two provinces and gave them as her dowry to Henry II of England, whom she later married.

Louis declared war on Henry—a conflict which raged off and on for 301 years. And strange but true, the whole bloody affair was caused by a king's whiskers.

In 1900, Madame de Coste, French eccentric, left her entire fortune of \$100,000 to be used for the care and burial of her 60 cats. The unique will was contested by relatives who claimed that Madame de Coste was insane, but the judge thought otherwise and decided in favor of the live mouse traps.

Canned heat or denatured alcohol contains at least one of the following substances: wood alcohol, pyridin, benzole, sulphuric ether or animal oil. So why drink it?

The baby scythe, or reaping hook or sickle is the earliest tool for harvesting grain of which we have record. The first ones were made of bronze or flint. This crude tool used by the ancient Egyptians was in use until the middle of the last century.

A perfect diamond never loses its brilliancy. If Father Adam had worn a diamond it would still look the same and continue so till the end of time. Why? Because nothing can scratch or mar the polished facets of the hardest of all gems. Not can the heat of a burning building effect them. Indeed, it is the only absolutely pure gem, being composed of crystallized carbon—all other gems are made up of two or more elements.

The Bowman family who live in Blittmore, Md., possess one of the first alarm clocks ever made. For the past 300 years this ancient clock has been going tickling away the hours. The Bowman's think it may go to pieces all at once like "The Wonderful One Horse Shav".

During the last four years of

Among Many Attending "The Parliament Of Canadian Agriculture"



This giant Percheron from McKeesport, Pa., is in Toronto. Many splendid, purebred farm animals, seen with his best friend and stable mate, Smoky, at horses, both from U.S. and Canada are to be judged the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, now under way at the week-long fair.

Whim Road and Vicinity

Mr. Colin MacDonald, Kilmuir, and Mr. Harvey Ross, Lower Montague, recently motored to Sydney, N.S.

Miss Mary Farquharson and Miss Laurie MacDonald, both of Kilmuir, recently spent several days visiting in Charlottetown.

Her many friends regret to learn that Miss Ruby MacLeod, Whim Road, is confined to her bed through illness. All wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Campbell, Whim Road, are building a new home at Commercial Cross. The stone foundation over which the new house will be built has already been completed.

The weekly meeting of the Whim Road Farm Forum discussion group was held at the home of Mr. Robert Campbell. Ten members were present, and there was a lively discussion of the questions suggested in the Forum Guide. The topic, the third in a series on co-operatives, was "Are Co-operatives Socialistic?" It had been decided at an earlier meeting to inquire concerning the possibility of having electricity supplied to the district and at this meeting the members present signed an application to have the power line extended to include Whim Road. It was also decided to send a letter to the Federal member of parliament for King's County, Mr. Kitchin, asking him to support legislation to prohibit price fixing by the manufacturer. Mr. George Clary invited the members to his home for the next meeting.

FOREST AREA
Canada's forests cover about 37 per cent of the total land area of the Dominion but much of this is inaccessible to industry.

PIONEER INDUSTRY
The fur trade was Canada's first industry and remained so during the early years of exploration and settlement.

IN MEMORIAM

MR. MALCOLM N. STEWART

The community of High Bank and surrounding districts were greatly saddened when it became known that Mr. Malcolm Norman Stewart, had passed away suddenly in the Port Arthur General Hospital, Port Arthur, Ont., on October 11th, 1951 at the age of 45 years. He left his home at High Bank some twenty-eight years ago, and for most of these years resided in Ontario. In 1941 he enlisted with the Lake Superior Regiment, and while in training spent a brief furlough at his home in High Bank.

Owing to a heart condition which developed during his military training, he did not proceed overseas but was posted on military duty in Canada.

He is survived by his father, Mr. N. C. Stewart, a stepmother, one brother, Lawrence Stewart, and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Bell and Mrs. J. H. Bell, all of Murray Harbour, two half brothers, Rev. A. C. Fraser, of Wales College, four half sisters, Mrs. Ernest Machon, Murray Harbor, Mrs. Clarence White, Charlottetown, Janet Stewart, Charlottetown, and Betty A. at home. A brother, Laughie Stewart who was serving as a gunner on the S.S. Beaverford during World War II, was killed in action November 3, 1940.

His remains arrived home on the 14th inst. and on Wednesday, Oct. 17th his funeral was held.

Owing to absence of the pastor of the church, the funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. C. Fraser, Valleyfield, assisted by Rev. James Fraser, Bonlandera, C.B. A brief service was held at the home after which the remains were taken to the Little Sands United Church which was filled with sympathetic friends and relatives.

Rev. James Fraser read the scripture lesson and offered prayer and a comforting and inspiring message. During the service the hymn "Coming Home" was beautifully sung by Mr. James Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest MacKinnon. The floral tributes were beautiful, some of them received from his friends at Port Arthur, Ont.

Six of his boyhood friends acted as his pallbearers—Walter Livingston, Stanley Livingston, Angus M. Stewart, Bruce Stewart, John H. MacLean and Archibald MacLean. Rev. A. C. Fraser conducted the service at the grave. He was laid to rest in the family plot in the Little Sands Cemetery.

Card Of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. N.C. Stewart and family wish to express their sincere thanks to friends, neighbors, and all who helped in any way during their bereavement. Also to those who sent flowers and messages of sympathy.

Canadian Actress

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teens and instructed housewives. At one time she worked for a clothing depot that distributed clothes from the Canadian and American Red Cross.

"There were so many clothes that we often lost track of them," she recalled. "All we could do was mark them off as E. B. M., Eaten by mice."

In 1948 she returned to Canada and was awarded the M. B. E. in the Dominion Day honors list for her work and became executive assistant to the late Prime Minister, MacKenzie King.

All thoughts of the stage had been forgotten, but social work lingered in her memory. She left her job and headed back to the University of Toronto for a Master's degree in social work.

"I felt that the sensible thing was to get proper training," she said. "So here I am."

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. THOMAS McCABE

On September 22nd, 1951, there passed away at her home in Newton, Lot 26, Mrs. Thomas McCabe at the age of 83. She was born at Maple Plains on January 6th, 1868, the daughter of the late John McBride and Rose Ann Cosgrove. From the time of her marriage to Thomas McCabe she lived in Newton.

In spite of her advanced age Mrs. McCabe retained, until a very short time before her death, not only a youthful physical vigor and appearance, but her keen interest in home, community, even national affairs.

Of her three brothers and four sisters, only one sister, Regina (Mrs. George Kelly) of Charlottetown, survives. Her husband predeceased her in 1924, and an infant son, Lester, in 1910. The surviving sons and daughters are: Clare, R. N., New Jersey; Ethel, (Mrs. John A. Smith), Newton; John R. Kinkora; Anna, (Mrs. D. M. Shtreanan), Mount Stewart; James G., D. D. S., Somerville, Mass.; Violet, (Mrs. John M. Mulligan), Newton, and Clayton, Newton.

Her family now cherishes the memory of a devoted mother who, setting aside all selfish interests, dedicated herself wholeheartedly to the welfare of her children and the building of a happy Christian family life.

The people of the community of Newton and Parish of Kinkora will remember Mrs. McCabe as one who shared with them the happiness of her home, because it was always her pleasure and delight to have her home the center of recreation and sociability for both young and old. They will remember with appreciation also Mrs. McCabe's active participation in Parish activities, especially in her younger years.

In her last illness of only a week she received the Last Sacraments of the Church at the hands of her Pastor, Reverend Francis McQuaid. Her funeral was held on September 25th at St. Malachy's Church, Kinkora, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Reverend Francis McQuaid. The pallbearers were: Peter D. McIver, Walter Smith, Aidan Mulligan, Carl Greenan, Louis Mulligan, Cyril McCarville.

Always Remembered by Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters.

Card Of Thanks

The Family of the late Mrs. Thomas McCabe wishes to express thanks to Reverend Francis McQuaid, the Doctor, and to all those who in any way expressed their sympathy in their bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear wife and mother, Mrs. Everett Trainor who passed away November 20th, 1951.

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MOUNT MELLICK SCHOOL

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IN MEMORIAM

STELLA PEARL ABBOTT

Stella Pearl Abbott passed away at the home of her sisters, Alice and Doris, Cranford Hall, Cranford, New Jersey. Deceased was born in Quincy, Massachusetts, and when an infant moved with her family to Glen Valley, Prince Edward Island, Canada.

Following the death of her father, she moved to New Jersey, where she made her home with her two sisters. She was a faithful member of the Claremont Presbyterian Church, Jersey City, New Jersey, also a member of the Minerva Club, Jersey City, New Jersey, a philanthropic organization affiliated with the Federation of Women's Clubs of the State of New Jersey.

Pearl, as she was familiarly known by all who knew her for her gentleness and sunny disposition, had been in poor health for a long time but she was never known to frown or complain. Her last illness lasted three months. All that medical science and loving care could do, failed, and on October 26, 1951, she departed this life.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her mother, Mrs. H. P. Abbott; Glen Valley; two brothers, Sheldon, South Granville; Whitfield, Glen Valley; four sisters, Mrs. Sadie Stevenson, Elliotts; Mrs. Edna Stevenson, Debolt, Alberta; and Alice and Doris, Cranford, New Jersey.

Funeral services were held at the W. Howard Steeves Funeral Home, Jersey City, New Jersey, on October 27, 1951, the Rev. James D. Boyzell officiating. Her remains were brought to the home of her sister, Mrs. Andrew Stevenson, Elliotts, Prince Edward Island. Funeral services were held on October 30 at 2:30 P. M. The Rev. W. B. MacPhail of the Pleasant Valley United Church officiated.

A solo, "No Night There, was rendered by Miss Mary Muttart, a close friend of the deceased. Mr. A. B. Cutcliffe, Charlottetown, P. E. Island, was in charge of funeral arrangements. Commitment services were held at Fredericton Cemetery, Fredericton, Prince Edward Island, a large concourse of relatives and friends attending.

Although it was requested that flowers be omitted, floral tributes were sent by the Rev. James D. Boyzell and Bench of Session, Claremont Presbyterian Church, Jersey City, New Jersey; Mrs. Deann Schmidt, Cranford, New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. J. Salvatore, Somerville, New Jersey; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abbott, Madison, New Jersey; Cranford Hall Staff of Nurses and Cranford Hall Board of Directors, Cranford Hall, Cranford, N. J.; Sbut in Society and Board of Deaconesses, Claremont Presbyterian Church, Jersey City N. J.; Glen Valley Women's Institute. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stevenson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weeks and family. Flowers from the immediate family were orchids, favorite flowers of the deceased.

Card Of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stevenson, Fredericton, wish to thank all those who sent cards and messages of sympathy or helped in any way, in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Ivan Noonan, who lost his life at sea, November 21st, 1948.

Some may think the grief has lessened, As a smile may hide the tears, But God alone knows how we miss you, As it dawns another year.

Always Remembered by Father, Mother, Brothers and Sisters.

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