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Slim Prospects

At the time of writing there is no assurance that the proposed meeting in Geneva for discussing ways of controlling a ban on nuclear tests will be held at all.

It thus can be seen that, should the meeting take place, the chances of its succeeding in any phase of the controversial question are very slim.

Should the meeting be cancelled or, if held, result only in further disagreements, the hopes for at least a start in international amity will once more receive a setback.

Dissatisfaction

Reports from Britain reveal that there is some dissatisfaction both in the press and in business circles regarding the increase in the tariff on British woolen goods entering this country.

One reason for this dissatisfaction is, of course, that the increase, though it is small, is bound to have an adverse effect on British exports of an important dollar-earning commodity.

as many as 40 arms, though the five-armed starfish is best known. Slender transparent tubes called "tube feet" stubble the arms. Each tube foot has a sucking disc at its extremity, and it is these suckers that draw the creature forward, moving at the rate of about six inches a minute.

To open an oyster—often nearly as big as itself—the starfish grasps its prey in a many-armed embrace. Hundreds of sucking discs fasten onto the shell and begin to tug in relays so that some can rest while others pull.

Menhaden and other fish prey on the starfish, but it has a trick to avoid destruction: it can lose an arm and grow it back again. Even more startling, a severed arm can develop into a complete starfish.

Starfish are caught by dragging huge mops over the sea bottom. Tiny pincers on the starfish arms grasp the mop threads and do not let go. These pincers act almost independently of the rest of the starfish.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A man arrested for jaywalking in Huntington, W. Va., put up a novel defense. "I don't understand the new traffic signals when I'm sober," he told police.

A 12 year old boy in Flushing, N.Y., sent to the Defence Department description of a plan, complete with drawings, for sending a man into space.

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War On The Starfish

It is no news to our oystermen, of course, to be told that the bane of their industry is the starfish. This invader gobbles up millions of oysters every year, wreaking havoc all along the Atlantic coast.

The Canadian Press reports that the best chance of finding a book banned in Canada is on the parliamentary library shelves in the Parliament Buildings at Ottawa.



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OTTAWA REPORT

Sir Wilfrid's Portrait Rescued

OTTAWA — Prime Minister John Diefenbaker has rescued Sir Wilfrid Laurier's portrait from half a century of slumming, and ordered it to be hung in our Prime Ministers' official residence at 24 Sussex Street in Ottawa.

The official announcement of this minor episode merely says: "The 18" x 24" canvas was presented to Mr. Diefenbaker last week on behalf of Mr. Walter Davis of Brighton Ontario, who found it in 1934 after it had been discarded for twenty-five or thirty years."

The unpublished history reveals the strong feelings of a Conservative supporter. Mr. Davis halted his car at a filling station and visited the primitive two-hole "comfort station" behind it.

"That blankety blankety blank of a blank has been nailed up in that appropriate place for twenty-five years, and he deserves to stay there as long again," he replied to the would-be buyer.

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PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

Sir,—My old heart was gladdened when I read on the front page of The Guardian about the rapid progress being made with rural electrification in Prince Edward Island.

Over fifteen years ago, I bought a small farm in P. E. Island with the idea of having a place in the country to retire to, or should I say whereto to retire.

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Moreover, if he reacts strongly to a tuberculin test, he is five times more likely to develop the disease than a person who has a negative test.

As for adult TB victims, statistics tell us that we probably will have more trouble getting elderly bachelors to agree to surgery than with most other patients.

They've apprehensive. We suspect this is because older men are more fearful of operation. They probably believe that persons their age present a greater surgical risk than do younger patients.

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What about women? Well, statistics tell a story there too. We know, for example, that women generally fare better than men do after removal of an entire lung.

In a recent report on a study at Seattle, Washington, some 27 per cent of the men who had the radical operation died. The fatality rate for women was only 11 per cent.

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(To be continued)

THE ACADIANS OF P.E.I.

New Parishes Organized

By J. Henri Blanchard, LL. D.

(Continued from Monday) Previous to 1752, the only priest in the Island had been the chaplain of the garrison at port La Joie, but in that year, four additional parishes were organized.

These were: the parish of the Holy Family, at Malpeque, pastor, Pierre Cassiet to 1753, then abbe Joseph-Sylvestre Dosque to 1758; the parish of St. Louis, (at Scotchfort), pastor, abbe Joseph Perronnel from 1752 to 1753.

Then abbe Pierre Cassiet from 1753 to 1758; the parish of St. Paul, at Point Prim, pastor, abbe Jacques Girard. At port La Joie in the parish of St. Jean, the Evangelist, the pastor was Father Gratien Raoul from 1754 to May 30, 1758.

In 1752 the pastor was Isidore Caulet. He was followed by Father J. Laforce and Father Pezes. Some of these priests took a deep interest in the temporal affairs of their parishes.

The following letter written at Point Prim, on October 31, 1753, by abbe Jacques Girard, shows that the lot of the refugees from Acadia was not a very happy one: LOT OF REFUGEES

Extract of letter: Our refugees do not lose courage, and hope by working to be able to live here; but the nakedness which is almost universal and extreme, affects them sore; and I can assure you that several will be unable to work this winter for lack of implements.

In 1752 there had been a lull in the migration from Acadia, but the determination of the English authorities to extract an oath of unconditional allegiance hastened the influx of great numbers. In 1753, some 400 crossed over from the parish of St. Paul, at Malpeque. The census of 1753 shows that there were over 400 more inhabitants than there were at the time of Franquet's visit.

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Sometimes the giving of a drug known as ammonium chloride to acidify the urine will prevent the formation of kidney stones.

Recently, it has been shown that the use of a drug known as hyaluronidase, given under the direction of a physician at frequent intervals, may also prevent the formation of kidney stones.

Crapauds (Crapaud River) 10; Pointe de l'Est (East Point) 33; Etang du Cap (? 4; Riviere de la Fortune (Fortune River) 67; Total 2,663.

In live stock there were 222 oxen, 1497 cattle, 1651 pigs, 1440 sheep, and 152 horses. On cleared land they had sown 2149 bushels of wheat, 420 bushels of peas, 23 bushels of rye, and 435 bushels of oats.

On burned land they had sown 605 bushels of wheat. There was also cleared land for sowing 5555 bushels of wheat and burdock for sowing 2400 bushels more, if the seed had been available.

Almost two-thirds of the cleared land had not been sown. (To be continued)

NOTES BY THE WAY

Of course, nowadays a lot depends on whether "getting the sack" refers to a new dress or a job.—Stratford Beacon-Herald

Lord Altrincham who last year unleashed a barrage at the Royal Family now turns his guns on the Anglican Church—ambitious lad, what?—Ottawa Journal

A contemporary says he is not making any prediction about the sack dress because he was one who thought crossword puzzles were a passing fad.—Edmonton Journal

Defective eyesight is reported to be on the increase among the Eskimos. Probably comes from reading in bed by a seal-oil lamp until half-past February.—Peterborough Examiner

In Egypt it is claimed only uniformed waiters, doormen and some aristocratic oldtimers adhere to the fez. Recently, President Nasser set a bare-headed fashion, and authorities had to find new jobs for scores of fez makers in Alexandria who were thrown out of work.—Hamilton Spectator

It is said that recently Mr. Dean Acheson met the head of the American Red Cross, General Gruenther. He asked him when he was going to take over the State Department.

The general demurred, and said he thought that the rumors that he was to take over from Mr. Dulles were long since dead.

That was long since dead. That was not quite what Mr. Acheson meant. "Aren't you," he asked, "in charge of disaster areas?"—London Observer

A new Jersey firm says it has invented a small rocket which will enable a man to run as fast as a horse, leap over rivers, and scale buildings at a single bound.

The device, when strapped on a person's back, is said to produce a degree of weightlessness in the wearer, giving him a gazelle-like agility.

This sounds even more fascinating than man-made moons and it could be a real boon for travelers. People would no longer have to depend on ships or planes or other unimaginative modes of transport.

They would merely strap on the little rocket and take off. We can hear Junior now: "Look Up in the sky. It's a bird, it's a plane, it's John Foster Dulles."—Wall Street Journal

A resolution endorsing the construction of a permanent crossing over the Strait of Canso, was passed at the closing session of the summer meeting of the Maritime Retail Lumber Dealers Association held at Charlottetown Wednesday morning.

Mr. L. R. Wright of Toronto, Editor of the "Canada Lumberman" and a native of Charlottetown, addressed the assembled delegates.

The executive committee of the Canadian Nurses' Association, after its biennial meeting at Sackville, arrived today in Charlottetown and will be the guests of the P. E. I. Registered Nurses Association for the weekend.

Accompanying the group is Mrs. G. A. Bennett, Chief Nursing Officer, Great Britain, who will be guest speaker at a public meeting tonight.

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