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Strange But True
By F. H. MacArthur

The Atropa Belladonna is a poisonous plant and well known drugs are prepared from it. Belladonna poisoning is the same as atropine poisoning, causing a peculiar delirium. The name belladonna comes to the plant from the use of the red sap the women of Italy use as a cosmetic.

Female seals reach maturity at the end of two years, the males not until seven years old.

It is a curious fact that baby skunks no bigger than mice will, when frightened, go through the attitude of defense, prepared to repel the enemy with their harmless musk weapons. No musk secretions are in evidence before a youngster is 3 months old. The spray can be thrown a distance of six feet, in any direction or at any elevation. The smell has been known to cause convulsions, fainting and even death.

A few years ago, my neighbor, the late Mrs. Frank Howard, called across the lawn separating our homes to tell me that a skunk was trapped in the box trap, I'd set for it in her back yard.

Quickly I got hold of an old revolver and rushed to the scene. I took the box containing the skunk bottom side down and cautiously drew back the slide cover. Keeping my body well drawn back I held the hand holding the revolver over the door and fired. The skunk let go at the same time and although the bullet found its mark the adventure cost me a good shirt.

Mrs. Florence Sparrow, of London, England sliced into a loaf of bread and found a sparrow. The bakery was fined \$70 for selling bread unfit for human consumption.

The baby crop in the U.S.A. last year set a record. The public health service reports the total was 3,833,000. The highest previously was 3,818,000 in 1947. The infant mortality rate dropped for the 15th consecutive year.

It is not often that two women get a divorce from the same man on the same day and in the same court: It happened recently in Columbus, O., when Mrs. C. Hoover got a divorce from M. Herbert Hoover, and Hoover's first wife, Julia Hoover, got one too.

For some unknown reason male bears have a habit of biting into trees along the paths they take through the forests. Whenever a bear passes one of these trees he stops, stands on his hind legs, and gnaws and scratches at the bark before resuming his journey. And strange but true, the bear that can make the tallest mark on the tree bosses the road. Should Bossy happen to get killed no male bear passes that way for a long time. She-bears use the path all the time.

Considering the size of Grizzly and black bears, the offspring at birth are astonishingly small (about 8 inches) and weigh not more than 9 - 12 ounces, which is about 1/100 to 1/125 of the mother's weight.

If you think you are handicapped read this brief story of 16-year-old Helen McNab, of Brewster, Minn., who was born armless.

Helen gets along so well in school that her classmates ceased to be amazed at her. She writes a legible hand, combs her hair and



—Photo by McRulley.

Enjoy Enforced Stopover

A Canadian Chamber of Commerce flying mission from Toronto to St. John's, Newfoundland, carrying businessmen from all 10 provinces was forced by weather conditions to remain overnight at Moncton, N. B., on June 18, before proceeding to its destination on Thursday, June 19—one day short of a scheduled four-day good will visit of top Canadian businessmen to Canada's newest province. Shown left to right at the Shediac Inn near Moncton are, A. H. Watson of Winnipeg, Vice-President for Manitoba of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce; C. C. Thackray of Montreal, Vice Chairman of the Executive Council of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, and President of Dominion Rubber Co. Ltd.; and F. A. Curtis, Charlottetown, P. E. I., President of the Maritime Provinces Board of Trade.

Sport Echoes From Prince County

The Summerside Holman Intermediates with one experienced player in the outfield, and one in the infield, came through to final victory over the Abbie Juniors at Charlottetown on Sunday, after it had begun to look as if Donnie MacLean, smart young Charlottetown pitcher, was going to shut them out.

It would be fatuous not to admit that Dame Fortune took the nondescript Holman outfit by the hand and helped them over the hurdle in the eighth inning. If Syl Bernard's fly to right had been a double instead of the fluke homer it turned out to be. Gay would have scored, but not Syl, so the score would have been tied instead of Holman's leading by one counter.

The fickle old dame, however, turned her attention to the Abbies in the very last half of the same inning, and Charlie Kennedy's homer was another underhand stroke of fate. There was no one on base for Charlie's bingle to score but himself, so as far as breaks of the game are concerned, so whether the score was 1-1 or 2-2, Charlie Deighan's timely single would have batted in the winning run. Ev MacNeill, junior coach, was the first to point this out to us. You've got to hand it to Ev. He wasn't trying to find any excuses for his team's defeat.

The Holman team is a far cry from the old gladiators who rode to three Maritime championships.

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over most of our Summerside first hall artists. At least, he got it over the plate (on the first bounce).

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The P. E. I. Regt. (17 Recce) will parade at the ORDNANCE COMPOUND, Charlottetown, at 1930 hrs. Wednesday, 25 June '52 for Pre Camp Day. The Pay Parade will be followed by a Regimental Snoker. The Unit will be transported to Charlottetown as per the following schedule:

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OH, WELL! EVERYBODY DIDN'T VOTE FOR LINCOLN EITHER.

washes and feeds herself, with her feet.

"In judging others It's ever wise To see with the heart As well as the eyes."

"Old Scotland Yard stands on the site of a palace built during the reign of the Saxon kings for the reception of the Kings of Scotland or other august visitors.

"Scotland yard took its name from a lodging of the kings and queens of Scotland when they visited the English Court.

In 1519 Cardinal Wolsey acquired from the Westminster Abbey Authorities the parcel of land formerly belonging to the Kings of Scotland'. At the northern end of this parcel of ground is a double court or yard named 'Scotland Yard' because it included ground once known as Scotland."

The above interesting paragraphs were sent in to my column from David Beddows, Chemainus British Columbia.

Thank you, Mr. Beddows, for sending me the story re the naming of Scotland Yard.

The person who likes to argue doesn't want to win an argument. That would end the arguing.

Too many public office holders hold down expensive swivel chairs with foam rubber cushions while the tax payer is lucky to have a cane bottomed chair, even though he has little time to occupy it.

The Hoary bat is the largest and rarest of the bat family. When on a distant flight he always seeks the guidance of swallows. The Hoary bat can carry her young through the air and, at the same time catch flies for food.

HAPPY TEACHER

SAINT JOHN, N. B. — (CP) — A record crowd of 400 persons gave more than an ovation to Miss Mary S. Grant, teacher for 31 years at the Beaconsfield School here. She was presented by her former and present pupils with a cheque for \$600 and the suggestion that she visit England next summer for the coronation.

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