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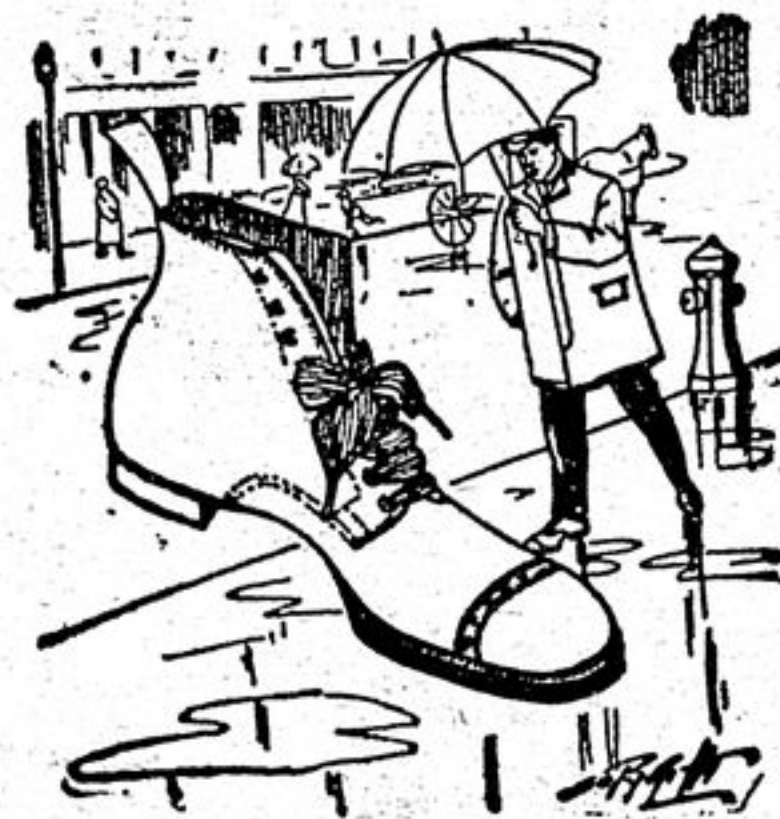
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THE MEN CANADA NEEDS

In a foreword to special supplement devoted to Canada and its development, Leo Scheff refers with pardonable sarcasm to the lurid warnings of the prophets who fear that all the bright hopes as to Canada's future have been quenched, and that the Dominion has arrived at the end of all things. Mr. Scheff says that the peccadilloes of a young and vigorous community cannot banish a country's natural wealth and inherent possibilities. The future is Canada's, but not everybody can share it. It is not a country for the ne'er-do-well, the born tired, or the get-rich-quick-without-much-work type. It is well that this should be kept ever before the people of the motherland. There is a tremendous lot of work yet to be done on the land in the making of Canada, and the folk we need to do it are the shirt-sleeve masses, not the speculative classes who create booms and haunt city streets.—Toronto Globe.

the skin is at once tough and easy to work, it can be used for any purposes where decorative effects are desired.

The sturgeon furnishes a valuable and attractive leather. It has been found that when the bony plates are removed, the patterns remain on the skin, just as the patterns of alligator scales remain on alligator leather, a circumstance that adds greatly to the value of the product. From the sturgeons that abound on our Pacific coast and in the great lakes we get a tough leather that is used for the making of laces to join leather belting for machinery. It is said that the lacing frequently outwears the belting itself.

There is found in Turkish waters a strikingly unattractive fish called the angel fish, classed among the littoral sharks. This fish yields an extremely high quality of green leather much esteemed in the Ottoman dominions.

In Russia certain peasant costumes are trimmed with the skins of a food fish, the turbot, and in Egypt men wear sandals made from the skins of fish caught in the Red Sea. In our own country, too, the cod has been used in a similar manner, for in by-gone days a good many shoes and gloves have been made in Gloucester from the skin of the humble cod.

Elkskin is used for many purposes, among them the manufacture of leather binding for books and for braiding into whips.

DOG SAVES HOUSEHOLD

Lord Morley's Private Secretary Loses His Home

How a pet Pomeranian dog averted grave risk to the lives of an entire household is revealed in the story of Denis Cunningham, the eleven-year-old son of Viscount Morley's private secretary, after a fire at Mr. Cunningham's residence, The Square, Fernhurst.

At three o'clock in the morning the boy was awakened by the dog scratching his cheek. He found the room full of smoke, and promptly gave the alarm. The house, a new one, was blazing furiously, and in the end it was burned to the ground, whilst the adjoining garage and a motor car worth \$4,000 were also destroyed.

The Haslemere fire brigade found a scarcity of water, the nearest hydrant being two miles distant; but a pond a quarter of a mile away furnished a supply, and this was pumped dry before the flames were extinguished. Although much of the furniture was saved from the fire, it was drenched by the heavy rain. The total damage is estimated at \$50,000.

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