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Has Lived In Reign Of Six Sovereigns

STRATHROY.—The best of the Scotland of a century ago and long years in the quickly developing Canada with the mellowing influence of years of wisdom and uprightness, have all gone into the making of a truly grand old man, William Watson, of Wisbeach, who was 105 years young on New Year's Day.

Mr. Watson remembers clearly when he was a small boy in Fifeshire, Scotland, and tells with a chuckle of falling into a puddle the first time he wore his first pair of corduroy britches.

For 50 years he was an elder of the Presbyterian church, and never missed a communion or Sabbath day. He bought a special buggy to take the whole family to church, and it is still in good condition. He also served as superintendent of the Sunday School.

He has lived during the reign of six British sovereigns, William IV being the first. He has witnessed many other changes, transportation being one of the most remarkable.

On his birthday each year and at Christmas he receives many messages of congratulation and good will from people far and near, including the Governor General and Premier of Canada. This year he received a cable from South Africa. At Christmas he received 143 cards.

Speeding Up

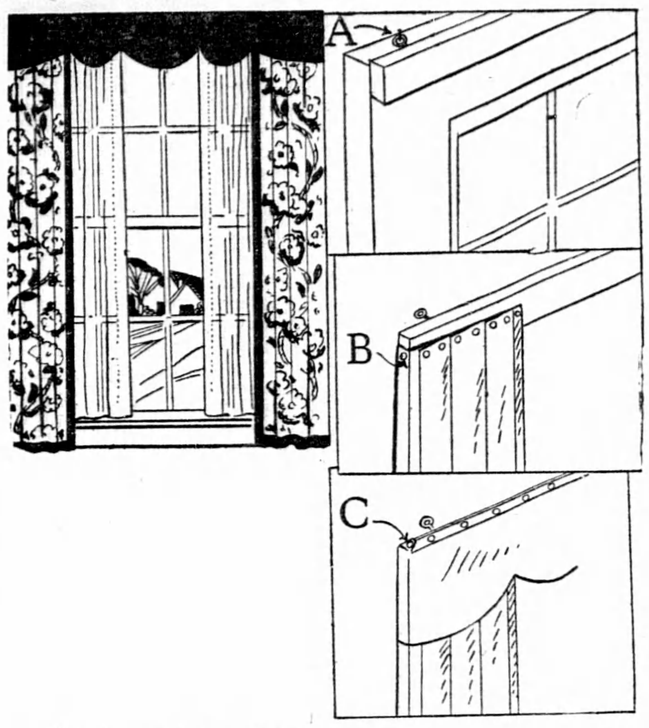
Assemblyman Emerson D. Fite, an economist from the faculty of Vassar College, has proposed to go away beyond Mussolini's more-babies campaign and to offer a general bonus of $75 for each baby born in the state. The Assembly having agreed, the matter is up to the Senate.

Birth registrations indicate that 184,244 babies were born in New York in 1935, and at $75 each the cost would be slightly over $13,700,000. There has been a steady fall in New York's birth rate, from 21.9 per 1,000 population in 1919 to 13.9 in 1935. But with this encouragement doubtless the rate would leap upward. . . .

If the measure should happen to go through, can't you just see a hard-pressed Governor struggling to pay the baby bonus and then calling in Margaret Sanger? There's the slogan —"Birth control will balance the budget!"

THUMBTACK YOUR DRAPERIES TO A BOARD

By Ruth Wyeth Spears



Almost every home-maker has read at some time or other that if one wishes overdrapes to have a tailored appearance a valance board must be used. Then there follows a description of a complicated valance board that must be especially made to fit each window and one immediately becomes discouraged at the thought of the expense and trouble. Yet, the idea of a valance board is a good one and you can obtain a very smart and finished effect for your drapes by using a straight one by two inch board as long as the width of your window frame.

A small finishing nail in the top of the window casing near each end, and screw eyes placed near the top of the back of the valance board, will hold the board in place as shown here at A. It is very easy to lift the board off the nails when you wish to dust or shake the curtains.

In making draperies, you will find it a joy to be able to fasten them to the valance board before the board is hung up. Plaits and fullness may be arranged just as you wish with the curtains stretched out on the table which is certainly easier than climbing up and down a ladder to do it.

You will need several boxes of tacks to fasten the drapes to the board. First arrange the side drapes in flat plaits and tack them to the ends and across the front of the board as shown here at B. Now, fold the end of the valance clear around to the back of the board so it cannot possibly show from the front and tack the valance to the top of the board as shown here at C. In tacking, the valance should be stretched just tight enough so that it is perfectly smooth. The valance shown here is made of glazed chintz and matches the glazed chintz border that faces the edges of the side drapes. The glass curtains may be hung just inside the window frame or to the bottom of the valance board.

NOTE: Mrs. Spears' new book "SEWING, for the Interior Decorator" contains 47 other fascinating things to make for the home. Now ready for mailing upon receipt of 14c (10c plus 4c postage). Address: Mrs. Spears, Room 421, 73 Adelaide St. West, Toronto.

Nursery Stocks Proper Handling

By observing a few simple rules in the handling of trees and shrubs as they are received from the nursery, many losses from newly planted nursery stocks would be avoided.

Nursery stocks are packed so as to reach the customer in good condition, and as soon as the box or bundle is delivered it should be opened. Packed snugly together as they are, the plants often overheat. Delay of a day or two during a farm Spring spell may cause severe injury from this cause. This is particularly true of roses and strawberries. If because of delay in transit or for other reasons the stock is shriveled, the stock may be restored to freshness by soaking in water for several hours or overnight by planting, or by burying both roots and tops for a short time.

If the stock can be planted at once, so much the better, but if it cannot, it can be held in good condition by "heeling in," that is, by digging a shallow trench in some sheltered spot and setting the plants at an angle, and covering the roots with soil. A common method is to throw the dirt on the far side when digging the trench. The stock is placed, slantwise in the trench, with the tops against the shoulder of fresh dirt. Then the roots are covered by digging a second trench parallel to the first, this time throwing the dirt ahead on to the roots. The plants may be left in this condition for weeks until the ground is ready to receive them.

During the planting operations, undue exposure of the stock should be avoided. A piece of burlap or a shovelful of earth thrown over the roots will help materially in reducing the losses from drying out of the roots.

Get 75 Cents For Each Tree

Sum to Be Paid After 3 Years by Department of Highways

BELLE RIVER, — Payment of 75 cents for each tree planted along the highway will be made to the Belle River Horticultural Society after the trees have been planted for three years, Col. C. K. S. Macdonald, resident engineer for the Department of Highways, has informed the society. Planting of trees along the highway in Belle River will be arranged shortly. Officials of the department have assured members that they will cooperate to the fullest extent.

The department suggests that the highway staff will be glad to mark the space into which the trees are to be planted. A general clean-up campaign is planned for the first week in May.

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WHEN you are miserable and perhaps in need of a good tonic, weight below normal, and you feel tired - out and weak, follow the advice of Mrs. H. M. Rhame of 141 Briscoe St., London, Ont., who said: "For a general run-down condition, nothing did more for me than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Mother gave it to me and it certainly did help me. My complexion and color were bad, I lost weight and had poor digestion. After taking a few bottles of the 'Discovery,' my appetite and digestion were much improved and I gained in every way." Buy now! New size, tabs. 50c.

Stuff and Nonsense

Man—That man Fiddler can talk by the hour on capital and labor.

Friend—That's strange. He has no personal acquaintance with either.

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"A loafer who loafs around loafers is not as bad as the loafer who loafs around business men." Correct.

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Man.—Do you believe in luck?

Friend—Well, I should say I do. See that fat woman in the big hat and the red dress? Well, I once asked her to be my wife.

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Hope is a fine diet when freely mixed with hard work, prunes and codfish.

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One of the encouraging signs of the times is the decline in oratory.

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Note from teacher on Betty's report card: "Good worker, but talks too much." Note from father over signature on back of card: "Come up some time and meet her mother."

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Leonora—Poor Marian! She is so afraid that George is marrying her for her money.

Lettie—Then why doesn't she pretend she's lost it all?

Leonora—Because she is afraid that he might believe it.

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According to the Wall Street Journal, a certain clergyman reminded his congregation that Eve did not realize she lacked clothing until she ate the apple. "And," he suggested, "it might be a good idea for some of the ladies in my congregation to eat an apple too." Wonder what he meant?

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Beware of the person who tries to rush you into a decision, usually he is afraid to give you time to study the proposition.

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Just because a sleeping man mumbles, "Come kiss sweet Daddy," does not mean he is very fond of children.

salaries were "disgracefully inadequate," and that the status of the teacher was little better than that of the stenographer. Too large a proportion of those in the profession are women—of 73,000 teachers in Canada, more than 60,000 are of the fair sex, he said.

"The only really satisfactory type of school is the co-educational school —education needs the best energy of both sexes. It may be rank heresy but I am certain there is a more human kind of atmosphere in this type of school than in a purely girls' or purely boys' school."

Teachers are considedred "just intelligent enough to carry out something laid down by higher authorities. The courses are laid down for them, the text books chosen. Parents ought to demand teachers of independent professional status bringing to bear on their work an independent professional attitude," Prof. Hughes concluded.

In Your Garden

By GORDON L. SMITH

In the smaller types of easily grown flowers are the alyssums. They are white and dainty and useful for edging. These will grow in partial shade and make excellent edging plants. Portulaca is also recommended. It is a spreading plant with bright yellow, red and pink wax-like flowers. It thrives in dry soil and bright sunshine, and requires little care. In the latter category also come nasturtiums, marigolds, calendulas and petunias.

Zinnias

Zinnias, giant, medium or dwarf size, offer a range of bloom that the busy person can plant with certain satisfaction of a big display of bloom These, except for the tiny affair with close buttonlike flowers, are large plants. The bigger ones will make a height of 18 inches to two feet or more. Colors cover a wide range from dull red, bronze and yellow to bright red and pinks. The blooms somewhat resemble the rose. They grow well in almost any part of Canada.

Unusual Vegetables

Experienced gardeners often make it a rule to try at least one new variety of vegetables every year.

For the "greens" enthusiast, a few plants of Swiss chard will provide an abundance of meals. It is worth investigating as is also broad beans, which come along about midsummer and later. Brocolli, a sort of refined cauliflower, Koli Rabi, a refined turnip, and red cabbage and yellow tomatoes will lend interest to the regular types and provide a slightly different flavor. In many places egg plants and peppers can be grown and will be appreciated. They must be started early indoors. The red type of the latter can be produced in a surprisingly wide area of Canada; there is also the little individual Acorn or Table Queen Squash which is a big improvement over its rather watery ancestors. Leeks add variety to the onion family. Tender white radish lengthens the season for this vegetable, and some of the extra early bantam type will do the same for corns.

Look For Trend To Family Life

Canadian Peeress Sees Good Omen in Princess as Heir-presumptive

LONDON—Prominent London women discussing Coronation influences deeper than those of fashion and trade predict a resultant trend towards "return to family life." Virsmart, these prophets predict.

The Canadian-born Marchioness of Donegal (Violet Twining of Halifax) active chairman of the Canadian Women's Club in London, expresses this point of view: "The simple and happy home life of our King and Queen and their two little daughters will endear them to all and create a special bond throughout the Empire. That the heir to the throne should be a princess is a good augury. The reigns of Queens have been great periods in our history and we should therefore, look forward confidently to the future."

Teachers' Pay Is Found Low

By McGill Expert — Says Children not Getting Square Deal

Toronto. — Canadian children are not getting a "square deal" in education, Prof. John Hughes, chairman of the department of education, McGill University, asserted at a dinner of the New Education Fellowship here last week. The "best people" were not being attracted to the teaching profession, he said.

Prof. Hughes declared teaching

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