DON'T MIND US

It s not unusual for warm arguments to emanate from the circle around the hot stove these winter days. Occasionally the Royal Ontario Museum is called upon to contribute —more to the facts than to the fun. A recent inquiry concerned the age to which birds, mammals and other animals live.

As far as our present information goes, tortoises hold the longev'ty record among all backboned animals: (100 years and upward). Crocodilians have the reputation for having a potentially long life but perhaps 70 years would represent a top figure and that would be attained perhaps only under the sheltered conditions of captivity. The longest lived mammal is man, living to over 100 years. The only mammals besides man that are known to attain 50 years of age are the Asiatic elephant (oldest reported, 78 years), and in very, very rare cases, the horse. Few other kinds of mammals exceed thirty years of age.

There are now many dependable records on the length of life of birds, in captivity and in the wild state. Here is an abbreviated report on the Methusalehs of the Canadian bird world: Birds in captivity—whooping crane, 38 years; trumpeter swan, 33 years; yellow-headed blackbird, 18 years; raven, 12 years; brown thrasher and rose-breasted grosbeak, 8 years. Wild birds—osprev or fish hawk, 21 years; ferrugnious rough-legged hawk, 20 years; herring gull and gannet, 17 years; mallard duck and crow, 14 years; common tern, 13 years; cardinal, 12 years; flicker, 11 years; Canada jay, 9 years; crested flycatcher and evening grosbeak, 8 years; chickadee, white-throated sparrow and robin, 7 years; tree sparrow, barn swallow and purple martin, 6 years.

In general the upper limit of age of animals has been very much overestimated. Stories about pet parrots which are centenarians and "Dobbins" which have been faithful steeds since Confederation will have to be revised, or accompanied by birth certificates. But—don't let us spoil a good argument. As accurate records accumulate, the top figure is going up.

"Willie," said the teacher in grammar class, "tell me what it is when I say, I love, you love, he loves?"

"Well, miss," said Willie, "that's one of them triangles where somebody gets shot."

A good minister, awaiting the appearance of the lady of the house, spoke to the little girl standing nearby. "What is that, my little dear?"

"My apron," replied the little girl. "I'm goin' to put it in the wash. Mamma got it all dirty."

"She did?"

Yes, sir; she grabbed it up just now to dust off the Bible."

R.A.F. Bring Back Wounded From Normandy

Nursing Orderly, Leading Aircraftwoman P. Bradburn, of Sale, Chesshire, checking her patients for transport by air from Holland to the United Kingdom.

Fish In High Altitude Lakes Is Explained

Anglers are often puzzled as to how fish got into lakes at high altitudes, lakes to which they have no present-day access. Fish are found in a good many lakes above falls which prohibit entrance.

A popular explanation is that live fish eggs were carried to such lakes on the feet of birds. While it is possible that some kinds of fish eggs under very exceptional circumstances may thus have been carried from one lake to another, this unusual happening will not account for the fish in the large numbers of high altitude lakes in which they are found. The real explanation according to scientists in the Royal Ontario Museum is that the waters of our lakes, the Great Lakes, for example, once stood so much higher than at present that their waters engulfed much more territory. Fish were able to swim to outlying basins. There they were left (high but not dry) when the waters receded.

This is the explanation of the occurrence of fish in Lake Nipigon and Lake Nipissing whose outlet streams contain high falls up which fish cannot now ascend. Once the waters of the Great Lakes stood so high that these lakes were mere bays. Similar conditions explain the finding of fish in waters at still higher altitudes.

An Oxford county farmer who recently bought a sow got a bit of surprise. She had farrowed en route to her new home, and by the time she arrived she had a litter of ten pigs.

The "Wonder Drug" Saves Many Lives

Britain's supremacy over Germany in surgical skill, particularly in the use of penicillin, the "wonder drug", which was discovered by the British scientists, Florey and Fleming, and has since been developed by British medical research to such a high degree, that between D-day and October 31st, it saved the lives of three out of every four British and Canadian soldiers who received abdominal wounds.

2,712 genuine abdominal wound cases were treated during that period by British and Canadian forward surgeons. Only 759 patients died, giving the recovery rate as 72 per cent, or three out of every four soldiers. Such figures have never before been produced.

One case quoted was that of a soldier wounded in the abdomen by two machine-gun bullets at 100-yard range. The English doctors did not operate on him, but gave him penicillin, bully beef and biscuits. He was back on duty within six weeks.

Mrs. John J. Benson

A well-known former resident of Owen Sound, Ontario, and Gurnsey, Saskatchewan, in the person of Emma Parsons, wife of John James Benson, passed away at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Snell, 559 Aberdeen Avenue, Hamilton, on Friday, December 29th, 1944.

Mrs. Benson was born in Bruce Mines, Ontario, 78 years ago, and moved to Owen Sound, where she had been a resident for 14 years, thence to Gurnsey, Sask. where she lived for 25 years, prior to moving to Hamilton 3½ years ago. The deceased's death followed a lingering illness of several years duration. Mrs. Benson was a member of the United Church of Canada. The survivors are: three daughters, Mrs. Albert of Hamilton, Mrs. Mary Glover of Winnipeg, Man., and Mrs. C. A. Conn of Detroit, Mich.; three sons, Clarence Benson of Acherwill, Sask., John W. Benson of Gurnsey, Sask., and Stanley H. Benson of New Hazelton, B. C.; also 15 grandchildren and 3 great granddaughters.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday afternoon from the Dodsworth and Brown Funeral Home, in Hamilton, with Rev. C. J. Loney of Stanley Avenue Baptist Church, officiating.

The pallbearers were: Albert Snell, George Benson, William Benson, Arlington Gabel, Cecil A. Conn and Emerson MacDonald. Interment was made in Woodland Cemetery, Hamilton.

Thanks

AT THIS TIME I WISH TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION OF YOUR PATRONAGE DURING THE YEAR JUST CLOSED, AND WISH YOU ALL THE BEST OF EVERYTHING DURING THE YEAR WE HAVE NOW ENTERED.

H. Richardson

Phone 33r13 Flesherton

Local and Personal

Mr. F. B. Keys is spending a few days in Toronto this week.

Miss Agnes McMillan spent a few days in Toronto last week.

Mr. Geo. Armstrong spent the week end in Toronto.

Mr. Art NcDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sparrow and Barry were in Durham New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fisher and Sandra spent New Year's in Owen Sound.

Miss Winnie Porter of Toronto was the guest of Mrs. Don Porter over the holiday.

Pte. Bob Dargavel of Niagara was home on New Year's leave.

Mr. Clarence Alexander of Owen Sound spent New Year's at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller of Dundalk were the guests of Mr. and Mrs John Stewart on Monday.

Mrs. Jos. Blackburn and Mrs. R. H. Henderson are spending the winter in Sarnia and Toronto.

Pte. Florence Welton, C.W.A.C., of Simcoe spent New Year's leave at her parental home.

The regular Y.P.U. meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 7th, with Don McLeod, missionary convener, in charge.

The annual meeting of Flesherton Horticultural Society will be held in the town hall, Thursday evening, Jan. 11th.

Miss Minnie Graham of Listowel and Mr. and Mrs. T. Clarke of Toronto spent Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. Porter Beard.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bellamy of Toronto spent the holiday week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bellamy.

Mr. Alex. Henderson attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Robt. McHardy, which was held in Toronto on Saturday, interment being made in Park Lawn cemeteary.

The Red Cross sewing room will re-open Tuesday, Jan. 9th, when it is hoped to have a large number of ladies present, as their work is needed.

Mr. Porter Beard is visiting in Sault Ste. Marie, where he attended the funeral of his sister, Alice (Mrs. John Shepherd), formerly of Vandeleur, which took place on Saturday, Dec. 23rd.

The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. Wallace Hamilton on Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 8:00 p.m. Roll call: a New Year's resolution. Please note the change of date. Visitors welcome.

Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Betts and Harold, Rock Mills, were: Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McMaster of Toronto, Miss Helen Betts of Owen Sound, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ferris, Donnie and Mrs. S. McMullen.

Misses Irene and Oly McDonald, Toronto, Mr. W. G. Hay, Miss Norma and Carol and Donald Hay, all of Mimico, returned to Toronto after spending Christmas and holiday with Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and Jack.

We are pleased to acknowledge Christmas cards from Lieut. Fred Gorrell, S.Q.M.S. Bill Welton and Gnr. Jack Adams in Italy and Sergt. Gordon Nichol with the R.C.A.F. in England. We hope that ext Christmas their greetings may be given personally.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Richardson spent Christmas in Toronto with the latter's sister, Mrs. W. G. Trelford. Mrs. Richardson remained for a week to visit with her nephew, Fred Breen, who has been overseas for three and a half years and is home on 30-day leave. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson spent New Year's with the former's sister, Mrs. J. Latimer, returning home Monday evening.

SEQUEL TO DEER STORY

Hedley Fagin and Dan Wilson met with and captured the friendly deer which The Banner wrote about two weeks ago. They took the animal to Fagin's service station in Mono Mills, whence Mrs. Wilson phoned Mrs. Torrance Beardmore. It transpired that the deer was a pet on the Beardmore estate and had caused its owners not a little anxiety by its disappearance.
— Orangeville Banner.

The best way to wipe out a friendship is to sponge on it.

BRING YOUR CREAM To the Creamery

If you haven't marketed those late chickens, bring them in. We are still paying a good price for "A" chickens. Bring in that can of cream at the same time and receive the extra money for delivering.

Our truck will be in Priceville every Friday morning between 10 and 11 o'clock to pick up your produce.

This Creamery will be closed on Saturday evening from now until further notice.

Flesherton Creamery & Produce

Phone 66 Angus Avis, Manager

STUART ELLIS PURCHASES LOCAL DRUG BUSINESS

Stuart Ellis, Phm. B., brother of Reeve V. A. Ellis, formerly of Kimberley, has purchased the drug business of Mr. John Vince, south of the Gayety Block. The new owner will take possession on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1945.

Stuart served his apprenticeship here in Whit. Hammond's drug store and following his graduation from the College of Pharmacy has conducted a store in Port Hope. His many friends will welcome him back to his home town.

It is understood Mr. Vince will carry on the 5c to $1.00 store in connection with his business interests, at least for the present. — Collingwood Bulletin Enterprise.

R. Howell Ill at Shelburne

It will no doubt be of interest to many of the readers of The Advance to learn of the illness of Mr. R. C. Howell formerly of Kimberley and Proton. He is in his 93rd year, has been ailing since May, when he went to Shelbure with his daughter, Mrs. Christie Johnston, where he has been cared for through his illness. Two weeks ago John D. Howell and wife of Calgary arrived to assist in nursing him. His wife passed away ten days ago.

Small Ad. Column

FOR SALE — Several cutters.—See Wallace Hamiton or Ellwood tevens, Flesherton. 27p2

CATTLE TO TRADE for a young team of horses. — Dick Carson, Ceylon, phone22 r 4 Flesherton.

FOR SALE — 2 Young Durham calves.—Jas. Harrison, Proton Sta., R.R. 3, phone 41r11. 28c2

FOR SALE — Good General-Purpose work horse, cheap. — Ralph Harbottle, Duncan R.R. 1. 28pp

WANTED — Animals suitable for mink and fox feed.—Bert McIntosh Eugenia, phone Feversham 5r25

FOR SALE — Young pigs ready to go. — Wm. Hincks, Ceylon, phone 22r3 Flesherton. 29p2

FOR SALE — Muskrat fur coat, size 18, also cloth coat, size 18, and a pair of black velvet overshoes, trimmed with black fur, size 5. Will sell cheap. May be seen at The Advance Office.

FOR SALE — Heifer, 2 yrs. old due to freshen in March; also lady's fur coat, good as new; boy's windbreaker, size 12 years; baby's sheep skin sleeping bag.—Mrs. J. Crawford, Eugenia, phone Fever. 9r11.

For IMMEDIATE DELIVERY—New and reconditioned cream separators, hand washing machines, root pulpers, steels for litter carrier, Beatty electric grinder, repairs for above lines. — Edgar Betts, hone 46J Flesherton. 27p2

FOR SALE — The following properties belonging to the Village of Flesherton in the Village of Flesherton: Lot No. 30 and 31 on the south side of Durham Street. Part of Lot 151, Con. 1, S.W. of Toronto and Sydenham Road. Lot No. 3, N.W. side of Spring Street. Part of Lot No. 151 on 1st Con., N.E. side of Toronto and Sydenham Rd. Lot 2 and 3 on the S.W. side of Hill Street. Sealed offers will be received by the Clerk up to the 8th of January, 1945. C. J. Bellamy, Clerk, Box 63, Flesherton.

FOR SALE — Tamworth sow due the middle of March. — J. Dow, Priceville, phone 21r5. 29p2

FOR SALE — 30 young pigs and a quantity of potatoes. Jos. Radley, Flesherton.

FOR SALE — Pair boys' skates, size 6; pair boys' 2-buckle overshoes, size 4. Can be seen at The Advance office. 28c2

FOR SALE — Young Durham cow, due Jan. 15; also quantity of potatoes. — Jos. Radley, R. R. No. 3, Flesherton. 30p2

FOR SALE — One pair of curling stones (good as new, used only a few times) cost $40. Will sell for $15. Apply at the Advance Office.

FOR SALE — 45 Cups and 75 dinner plates, property of Mt. Zion W.A. Enquire from Mrs. Laurie Pedlar or Mrs. Harry Fisher.

POLES WANTED — Green cedar Hydro poles wanted, 30 feet long, 6 and 7 inch tops. — Edward McCarthy, Markdale, phone 74r33.

WE ADVISE ordering Hillside Chicks early. You get first choice and may be in time for the discount for January-February delivery. Remember, they're from Government inspected Hatchery, bloodtested breedesr. See your agent here. — F. J. Chard, Feversham.

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