

For the Boys and Girls

A COASTING LESSON

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Quebec Ideal for Winter Sports

Certain cities seem to have been chosen for events of winter sports. They have become associated with the winter sports program. Shotgunning, too, is one of the more easily acquired winter sports.

At Quebec all winter sports can be had under perfect conditions. One of the finest hotels in the continent, the Chateau Frontenac forms the center from which these are carried out. The rink, skijumps and so forth are right outside the hotel. Skijumping is well provided for. Skijumping built strictly upon the Olympic games, skijumping excursions over the beautiful open country skijumping.

Then there are tobogganing and bobbing. On DuRoi Terrace is a toboggan slide, one-third of a mile in length, which the toboggans cover at a breath-taking speed of a mile a minute.

Hockey and curling occupy a very considerable portion of the Quebec winter sports program. Shotgunning, too, is one of the more easily acquired winter sports.

There are two fine skating rinks at the Chateau, one for expert figure skaters and the other for the less ambitious variety.

The Eastern International Dogsled Derby, held annually, over a 120-mile course between cities of working men, driven by hardy American and Canadian mushers for a fine cup and other prizes, is an attraction which draws visitors from all parts of the United States and Canada.

Eighteen thousand workers are employed in one district in China making "fish" lace. In another district 25,000 women are working in factories producing lace of Belgian and French patterns.

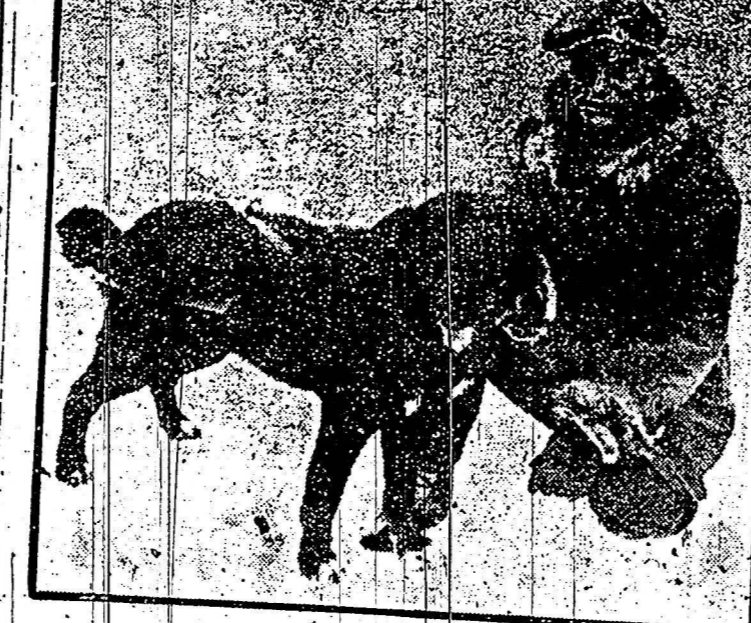
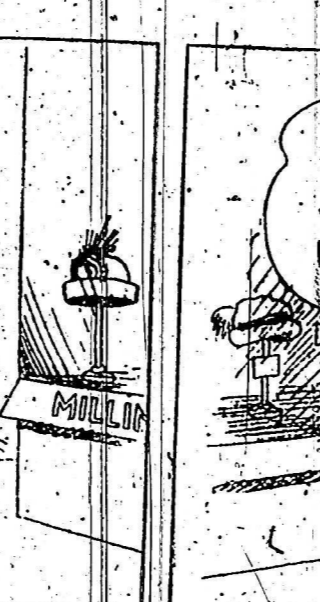


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REGULAR FELLERS



MORE TRUTH THAN OTHERWISE



St. Ghedri, 17-year-old boy, who won the 200-mile non-stop race of the Pas, Manitoba, two weeks ago, is to drive his dog in the 120-mile international dog team derby at Quebec.

Two Sons

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The Death Rocket

A new weapon of offensive and defensive warfare has been developed in the form of a "death rocket," designed to throw out a "hanging shower" of molten metal miles above the earth's surface.

The inventor is Mr. Ernest Welch, of North Ferby, Yorks, England, and his experiments with medium-sized rockets are said to have proved that a rocket can climb to a height of five miles.

The rocket contains a destructive charge of seven hundred pellets, a regulating charge, a detonator, and a propelling charge. When it is to be launched, it rests in a diagonal position in the cradle. The propelling charge sends the rocket, as regular intervals, it is given fresh impulses by the bursting of additional charges.

For use as a defense against raiding aircraft, the inventor says that batteries of the rocket could be shot up to the top of a barrage. The pellets burn themselves out quickly, so that the rockets could be used over a city.

Electric Warning for Motorists

Automatic warning signals to prevent collisions between motor cars at dangerous cross-roads have been tested recently near Bordeaux, France.

These signals are operated electrically across each roadway near the intersection. A metal plate is placed on the motor car approaching the crossing. As the car approaches the crossing, the electric contact releases a danger signal at the crossing and on the intersecting road. At night the signals are illuminated for several seconds after the car has passed.

This is a device which is a sufficient distance from the crossing to give him time to apply the brakes. Installation of the system is said not to be costly.

Wisdom From Araby

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Stories About Well-Known People

The Seal Socialism. Everybody feels everybody else's seal. Mr. P. M. of the other day, and I am sure the spirit of seal socialism is in every seal.

Once he was asked, at a meeting: "What do you consider the most important factor in industry—labor, capital, or brains?"

"What is the most important of these three?" he replied.

Conan Doyle's Bookshop. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of Sherlock Holmes, is opening a book shop in London, England, but lovers of the famous detective's exploits will not have the opportunity of purchasing bound volumes of stories from the author.

Situated in the shadow of Westminster Abbey, the new bookshop will handle nothing but psychic and spiritualistic works, but the business will be personally supervised by Sir Arthur.

Burnt His Play. Though Lord Dunsany, famous British judge, is well known as a humorist and author of funny stories, he has never told a funny one that has not been performed twice only.

"It was performed twice only," he said, "and on both occasions, the young man and young woman who took the parts of the hero and heroine were married soon afterwards."

"This set me thinking—furious in the end I decided that for me to allow that play to go on being acted meant shouldering a too heavy responsibility. So I burnt it."

Planning the First-Year Garden

One or Two Long Beds Massed With Choice Annuals Are a Fine Starting Point.

By Amelia Leavitt Hill.

One of the beauties of the first-year garden—or of any garden for the matter of that—is that its pleasures can be begun long before the tarrying frosts permit the first actual stirring of the earth by pick or shovel. For as a matter of fact, thought must precede action, before any actual work can be done a plan must be made and the owners chosen.

Indeed, what better entertainment for winter evenings or what better food for thought in spare moments can be devised than the working out of a plan, visualizing the flowers which will with the coming of the summer endow them with the greatest charm?

For in beginning the garden a definite plan is the first essential. How many yards we see which are dotted about with tiny beds, far more laborious to make than several long ones would have been, and which, in return for the extravagant demands present a far inferior appearance.

"Pretty though it may sound to surround the base of each tree with blossoms, the result is actually decidedly spotty, in effect, to say nothing of the difficulty from the practical point of view, of getting sufficient sun or depth of earth in such a place.

Real Beauty. Again, the star, the crescent and other fancifully shaped beds which, luckily, have been relegated to the past, for as more persons have come to love the garden, more general has become the realization that its beauty and that any would-be "decorated" superimposed upon that prime quality does not increase but detracts from it.

Apart from its ineffectual, the star-shaped bed shares the defects of the overornate jar, which detracts the effect of the delicate flowers to contain.

In placing the garden's several things, must be borne in mind. One of them is, of course, that the location must afford sun and drainage and good soil. A sunny sheltered position will result in flowers a little earlier in the spring and a little later in the fall or autumn.

The earth, if poor, can always be enriched, if mess abundant, this is a sign of sour soil, and sanded lime the surface is generally sprinkled over sanded lime is not spilled in. When time may readily be saved by pouring water upon it. The best tonics should be dug to a depth of three, four and enriched with old manure. That is better than chemical fertilizer. Put rotted sheep manure and bone meal being plentiful. Of course such extensive labor will be required every year; but in beginning a garden it will be found that care in the mak-

Lasting Joy. Though we are especially conscious of the first-year garden, it is certain that this will endure its own owners and become a second-year garden, and a third year-one as well, growing each successive year; so, even if we do not anticipate this miracle, do not leave the possibility of its taking root out of your calculations altogether. The domain best increased no longer will come of it; but to need, space and not to have it is a calamity indeed.

Perhaps the chief difficulty in starting the garden is that this must be done and all hands are busy; work which is absolutely essential. One dear old lady persuaded by her hand to take some moments between the road and the stoff wall opposite the house. This, the work of her minutes, when spaded up, for her garden—a garden which grew, if it crossed the road into her yard, and which delighted every server.

Even a simpler plan is to add a foot to the corner of the vegetable garden, either as a permanent flower bed or as a makeshift.

In any case let the permanent garden be as near the house as possible.

Now for the contents of the garden. Send to reliable seedsmen for many catalogues, as you can study them.

The new garden, of course, must be justly filled this year and the seed for next year's most part be made from annuals.

Of course perennials may be bought in the form of small plants, which in the coming summer, and these some, like the phlox, which almost never grown from seed, may be bought and set out.

Favorite Annuals. Among the annuals, however, the

of the porch of Mr. Francis Bacon's old home in Hertfordshire. Early this year the clothes worn by President Lincoln when he was assassinated were sold by auction, and fetched several thousand dollars. Even the most souvereign hunters had got there first, for the overcoat had sleeves, and several other parts had been cut away to form mementoes.

Hair of murderers and assassins are frequently sought by morbid-minded souvenir hunters, and a record-duty policeman states that the death of Napoleon's corpse were taken away during the autopsy.

MEMENTOES THAT AMAZE US

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Banking

Province of Ontario. The Province of Ontario is a large and beautiful province in the eastern part of Canada. It is known for its agriculture, industry, and scenic beauty. The province is home to many cities and towns, and is a major economic hub in Canada.