ing at Reval (1902) that William II uttered the jesting words as he appronched me arm in arm with the czar: "Do you know how we have decided to style ourselves in the future? Czar Nicholas is from now ward admiral of the Pacific and I am numiral of the Atlantic!" Czar Nicholas looked very embarrassed at this, Prince von Bulow writes, in his Memoirs. To help him I remarked that I was not surprised that a monarch who in spite of his great power appreciates the welfare wrough peace as well as the czar does, had decided upon this title of "pacific." The ruler of all the Russias agreed very emphatically. But when we were more to his horrible joke. His majesty with the obstinacy of an enfant terrible brought up the matter again at table to the obvious discomfort of the czar. At last the hour of parting arrived. The two emperors embraced and kissed; the Russian Jacht steamed for Kronstadt, when Kaiser William signaled the Russian emperor by way of farewell: "The admiral of the Atlantic bids farewell to the admiral of the Pacific." After a few minutes came the cool reply: "Good-by!"

### Mankind Seems to Have

Reversed Nature's Rule It has been revealed that the men of one great American city spend almost as much for clothes as the women. There is a difference in cost, of course. Women can purcaase three or four dresses and appear beartiful for the money a man pays for one suit. And there can be no dispute about the women looking far more comfortable, especially in hot weather.

One writer, commenting along this line, makes the observation: "The masculine taste is to dress well enough to be unnoticeable and the feminine ambition is to dress well enough to attract attention." Accepting this epigrammatic statement as true, it is a complete reversal of nature's rule as between male and female. In natural life the male is endowed with the fineries, presumably to attract the attention of modest potential mates.

It is a waste of vigor to protest against woman obtaining what she denominates her rights. She takes them where she sees them and there is nothing to be done about it .-- Toledo

Removes "Frozen" Falts

Nuts on bolts used on machinery often become "Trozen" in place and are removed only with great difficulty. Often it becomes necessary to cut them away with a chisel or remove of the world, and I have the prothem by drilling, either of which is a | foundest conviction that Canada, in long and tedious operation. Human strength cannot move these pieces, but | tries in the world, will owe much of a piece of pneumatic machinery has been recently devised which does the work. It is an air-driven wrench lish-speaking Canadians. The tw which has been largely adopted for races have great qualities inherited use about locomotive shops and sim- from their different ancestors that ilar establishments. The tool is of have played an important part in the such convenient form that it may readily be carried about and will quickly dislodge nuts on bolts up to en inch and a quarter.

United States Fur Center

The United States has displaced London as the fur center of the world, according to the latest government reports. There are no accurate figures for the domestic fur catch in the Unit ed States, but its annual value is estimated at from \$45,000,000 to \$70,000,-000, and most of this comes from the Mississippi valley, which is the largwith double the catch of Russia and three times that of Canada. The four outstanding domestic commercial furs are muskrat, opossum, skunk and rac-

Remarkable Carving

With a pocket knife and a piece of glass, Mowritz Peterson, of Portland Ore., carved a model of the frigute Constitution that is all of wood, even - average of four days to make each cost of upkeep are taken into consail, and a year to finish the boat. | sideration. The hull was made of western red cedar and the sails of Idaho white pine. Two other woods, Port Orford used for the smaller parts.

The somewhat irascible superintendent of a public edifice walched two women going through the building opening doors and then retreating. He approached them and said: "It them, Now then, what are you ladies looking for?" "Politeness," murmured one of them

Spade's a Spade

Ted may not be a oridge expert but he knows his cards. One day he was sent to a neighbor's to borrow a spade that Dad wished to use. But the neighbor said he had none. Then Ted's attention was attracted to a card game that was in progress and running to the table he picked up an 'ace' and excite-lly exclaimed:

"Why, here's a spade." it was,

RATTLERS ON WATER DIET. That diet is the factor which governs the degree of poison in a reptile is a theory being tested in Costa Rica, according to Dr. Raymond Dit-

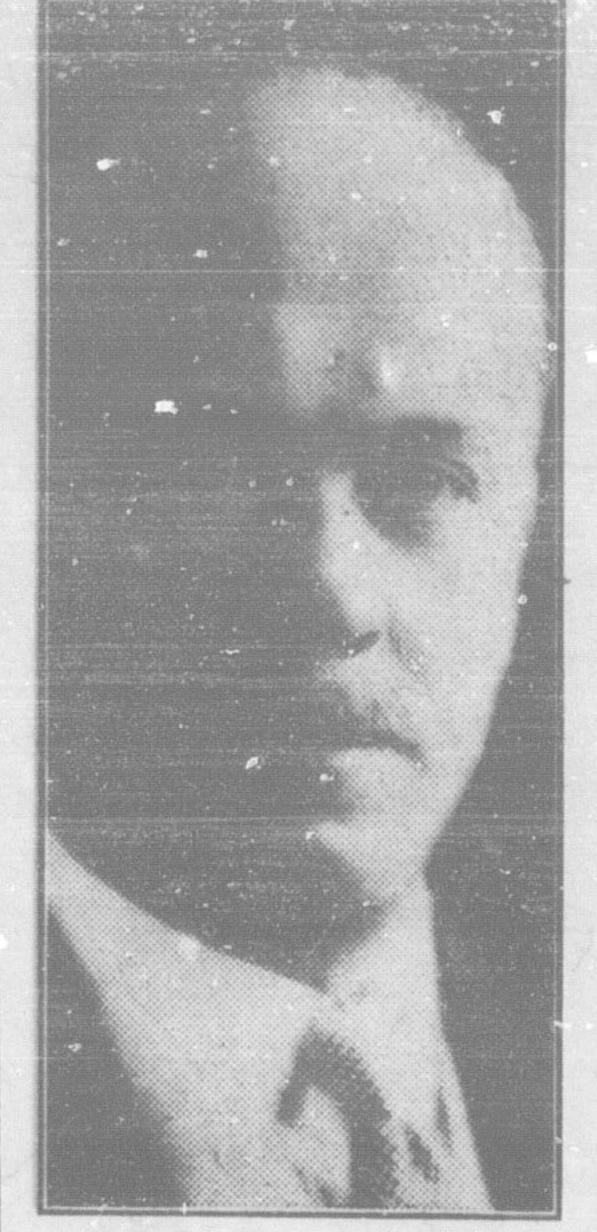
## AMATEUR HOLD-UP MAN.

the time-lock was on. He remarke casually that he would be back later ers are feeling very hurt about it .--

Knowledge of Both French and English Very Important for Cana-

dians Says Lord Bessborough. are speken side by side, the need of bilingualism is greater than in any other part of the world, His Excellency the Governor-General declared in a speech at Montreal. Lord Bessborough spoke in French.

"With the progress that is made daily in transportation and communi-



LORD BESSBOROUGH

guages and it is only now that the business world is learning the lesson of the Tower of Babel.

"The finest ambition that one can have at this time is to aid in the establishment of world peace on a permanent footing, and nothing can encourage friendly relations more than personal contact, and this per sonal contact can only be achieved by people who understand each other without the need of an interpreter, and who are able to exchange ideas and express their feelings. In country like Canada, where two languages are spoken side by side, this need is greater than in any other part ment between the French and Engdevelopment of this great country."

KING CUTS EXPENSES.

### Enermous Expenses Bite Deeply Into Royal Revenues.

Economies are being practiced a grand idea of Jefferson Davis to newadays by the King and Queen to keep expenses the year round within income, which His Majesty voluntarily reduced by about \$250.000 as a

The King has a civil list totalling year, but in practice the figure has remained the same for many years His Majesty has one other source

est fur-producing area in the world, of income, and one only - his revenues from the Duchy of Lancaster. which are liable to fluctuate. In 1929 the last year for which figures are available, they were \$345,000.

The summer durin on the royal bank balance gets a good start with the Derby and Royal Ascot week. Then come the garden parties at Buckingham Palace, and eventually two trips to Scotland.

The King pays the railway fares of all of his entourage as well as his The King's annual yachting bill eighth of an inch, from a block of can hardly be below \$25,000 when wood three inches thick. It took an the pay of officers and crew and the

> for their oats. He probably does not who lived in Inverness. spend a third of what the late King Edward did on the turf, and it is for this reason that hir stable does not rank among the first-class ones

SEEKING EARTH'S RICHES. More than \$57,000,000 has been expended and more than a million wells have beer drilled, not including the Ribstone field for which no details area vailable. Of the drilling

tal of 1,167,787 feet. LEVIES TAX ON BEAR CUBS. Manitoba's tax experts discovered that the province was losing money ied an export tax of five dollars per

more than half of the province's to-

Perusal of old records revealed that dozens of young bears are shipped from the province each year to parks, zoos and circuses at prices ranging from \$35 to \$56, and the only revenue the province received was a 40-cent royalty.

## MATCHES SET OFF



Engaged in Duel During War. esting issues are forthcoming, but

extragge to the United States. Vol-Her said that he was a representative of an airplane company and in further conversation elicited the inform the German forces. Here the conversation ripened for the irapector had seen service in the flying corps

of the British army. Lieutenant Vollier then produced some interesting papers and a small medal, which all Reichtoffen's flyers possess, and showed them to Inspector Flowers. And on this revolved another point for the immigration officer had been in a division of the flying corps which had been concentrating against the German baron and his flyers. Further on one occasion Flight Sergeant Flowers had brought down one of the opposing airmen within the German lines, and the flyer had made a successful landing. Such an event had happened to the German, and both men felt convinced that they had actually opposed each other.

### POTATOES AND FOXES

Big Prince Edward Island Industry

Started as Whim of Snortsmen. Speaking in business terms, Prince Edward Island is known most favorably to the rest of the Dominion for the predominant position which she holds in the fox and potato indus tries. But while tuber trade perhaps equals that of its rival-fox farming -in gross money returns, its origin and subsequent growth have not the same degree of interest as that asso ciated with the breeding of silver

Silver fox farming, which started as a whim and fancy of two sportsmen about twenty-five years ago, has rapidly grown into a sound basic industry and one that has proved to be most profitable to a large number of

Island natives. At the beginning of the century, the source of silver fox furs was entirely from the wild. To-day gilver fox pelts from animals caught in the wilds do not represent more than one mer cent, of the furs that are sold anaally. And while these figures portray a most rapid development and expansion the industry may be said

to be only in its infancy. Besides developing a home market, number of breeders have made live shipments to European countries, where progressive fur merchants have made a beginning in the raising of live silver foxes.

UNSHOD CAMELS FAILED.

Could Not Traverse Desert During the Dry Season. Because camels could not be shod.

> solve the transportation problem across the vast deserts of Texas, Arizona and New Mexico failed Old documents unearthed in San Antonio reveal that in 1856 Davis then Secretary of War, imported 72 camels into Texas for use in trans porting cargo over the lonely wastes

Only lowly burros were used as beasts of burden in the desert and it appeared that the camel, which is a much faster animal, would solve the

The camels did - during the rainy season. But after several week, of work during the arid summer weather the camels, their feet torn to shreds by the small flint rocks, fell to their knees. These small rocks, it seems, are peculiar to American deserts. As the camels could not be shod they were useless

The entire consignment was nonsioned on a grassy reserve but it was believed most of them were killed by Indians who were frightened at the lumbering anima's as they raced about.

KING DOES NOT PLAY PIPES.

King George and his sons wear In recent years, too, his winnings the "Queen Victoria tartan" when attending any public functions in organization. These findings were Scotland. The tartan takes its name for Queen Victoria by an old lady tigations for the benefit of mine

pipes. The Prince of Wales can play different countries, and one country "ruined" many an otherwise peaceful

At some of the dinter parties giv- established

Our Princ-gal Minerals, Canada's principal metals and minerals in order of value are coal, gold, copper, nickel, cement, lead, stone, clay products, silver, zinc, natural gas, asbestos, sand and gravel, petroleum, lime, gypsum, platinum group metals and salt.

Edilions of Meteors. It is estimated that between ten ard a hundred million meteors enter the earth's atmosphere and burn out every day. Most of them weigh only ounce or two and are invisible.

INVENTOR IN HARD LUCK. Money Received for War Work Lost

In Speculation. The inventor of explosive ammuni-

are focussed on that greatest of all to have weathered transportation and financial problems once more. Just a good old Christmas custom!

pairs of skis being waxed, now that

the snow is here to stay. Then it

will be "All aboard" for Quebec,

Banff, Field or Reveistoke, or any-

where where there is a real good And, speaking of Quebec, Jack back at the Chateau Frontenac, once more, with a lot of good ideas and a smart staff of instructors Jack is well known throughout Canada. Incidentally he's a fine

Pacific Coast ports, and indeed shipping circles throughout Canada are mourning the passing of Captain James W. Troup. aged 76, a native of Portland, Ore., pioneer in coast manager of the B.C. coastal service of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

performer at the piano.

Sino-Japanese war reports are causing more geographies to be consulted than is popularly ima-gined. Chin Chow, for example is almost as entertaining in its many the prefix "Chu", during the days of 1914-1918. Pesides, it's the only war we've gut!

The Regina Rough Riders got rough ride from M.A.A.A. of applause. The Montreal team found them just about the same as the Mustangs, whom they had trimmed also 22 to 0 a week before. Harnessing the gee-gees to the Winged Wheel, so to speak!

"The Four Hundred" has long who do the right things. It on the first cruise around the 'Empress of Britain", which left New York on December 3.

With the Canadian dollar where it is in the market, there is the winter amid the beauties British Columbia, instead of "going south". Fifteen per cent can mean British Columbia coartline is one of nature's most beautiful spots, anyway.

There are 32,209 schools or colleges in Canada, taught by 83,144 teachers and attended by 2,490,623 pupils, or one quarter of the Dominion's population. The is on the up grade, being 77 per cent for the whole Dominion, against 64.7 in 1919. And th assured, for the Technical Edu years, which means that the night nothing of the day courses in technical institutions.

## GERAT SAFETY MOVE

Five Nations Pool Knowledge for Common Good.

There has been another international conference. This conference lonely hills of Derbyshire, England. Five nations were represented: Great Britain, the United States of America, France, Germany and Belgium.

of the mining research organization of his own country, and each brought bers were sold. to the conference the findings of his Although the King wears kilts, he over-lapping of research work. Fur- stores and asked: evening by playing chants and is also probable that a central clear-

were made, and adopted. Monkeys Are Troublesome

Mischievous wild monkeys which live in the mountains around the historic Japanese town of Nikko are worrying villages by raiding fields and poultry yards. The worst depredations are reported from the Fukushima prefecture where, according to villagers, the monkeys are chasing horses into the hills. A Japanese, are rarely criminals and the most ] Zainiwazuka, recentl, reported that while cutting hay his horse disappeared. He gave chase and saw the pack animal in a distant valley with a monkey leading him into the hills.

Mills on Wheels Visit Farms Instead of the furmer going to the process of turning grain into flour and feed by machinery was instituted, the gristmill on wheels is now coming to the farmer, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. A portable flour mill ou a truck carries its own electric mount

Look Forward to Much

Immunity From Discase Mankind of the future probably will develop immunity against many communicable diseases that are now considered most tatal, says the Public Health service.

Nome racial groups already are able to develop partial immunity to measles, mumps, chicken pox and similar diseases of childhood after once coming in contact with them, it is pointed out, although several centuries ago these inaladies may have been very

The human body develops immunity egainst disease either by normal contact with the disease or by artificial contact through use of antitoxins and

Measles, for example, though not highly dangerous among people of the civilized world, still is fatal to persons who have not come in contact with the disease sufficiently to build up immunity against it. Similarly with other ailments which

have lost their severity on the white

race, peoples expected for the first time

are notably of low resistance.-Detroit

Big Western White Pine

Free Press.

Tree in National Park A grand old western white pine tree, believed to be one of the largest of its kind in the world and estimated at more than one thousand years of age, is in Crater Lake National park, Oregon. It is 23 feet, 2 inches in circumference, the measurements being taken breas high in accordance with the Spalding rules of measurements. Its height is 140 feet. The pine is located in a canyon on the middle fork of Anna creek, two and a half miles south of government camp. The east side of the gorge has been subject to heavy erosion, causing the roots of trees in that section to become almost trunks in their own right. But this great tree, growing on the west side of the canyon, has never suffered from the effects of such action. The great size of this giant tree is particularly amazing because Idaho, and not Oregon, is recognized as the real home of the western white pine.

No Oil in Car

The wife of a Longmeadow man recently learned to operate their rather antique automobile. The man bimseif, to make his garage more clean, now that his wife would use it, placed an oildrip pan under the car. For two weeks he was gone on a business trip, of such a flying nature that he used the train, leaving the care of the car

to his wife. Last evening he returned home, went to the garage and noted the pan had been removed from in under the car. Upon going in the house, he asked friend wife, How come? Said the little woman (she feels pretty small now, anyway), "Oh, I guess the children moved it. Anyway, there isn't any oil in the car. I looked a couple of days ago, and thought when you came home you could put some in."-Springfield Union.

Glad She Was Fooled After overhearing a remark by his father that the age of a tree may be estimated by the number of rings about its trunk, a small boy threw a scare at his mother's party. The boy looked confidently into the face of one of the guests, who was on the further side of forty and was fondling her necklace, and remarked, "Lady, I can

tell how old you are." Amid frantic

attempts at hushing he managed to

"You are twenty-two. I counted the number of rings on your necklace.' The lady hugged the boy and the mother sighed her deep relief.

Noted Educator

William H. McGuffey, author of Mc-Guffey's school reader, was born in not only aimed to do good, but actu- Washington county, Pa., in 1800, and graduated at Washingtor college, Pa., in 1825. He was professor, first, of ancient languages and later of moral philosophy in Miami university in 1830-1839, president of Ohio university in 1839-1843 and professor of moral ginia from 18-5 until his death, in 1873. He compiled the so-called "Ec-Series" of readers and other

> Bargain Hunter Don received a penny for candy. He went to one of the two neighborhood

"How many of those do you get for a penny?" and he pointed to some

"Five," was the reply. "Is that all?" said Don, and he walked out. He went to the other store and asked the same question. "Three," was the grocer's reply. Don went back to the first store. tossed his penny on the counter and

"Well, gimme 'em."

Fat Men Not Criminals Fat men may not be regarded with approval by modern doctors, but one consolation is meirs-prison authorities, at any rate in Japan, look upon them with considerable respect and esteem. A medical officer at one Japanese jail has just received a diploma from the Imperial university for a thecis on the proposition that fat men

ROBBING FATHER

crime is committed by the lean and

slender sort .- Manchester Guardian.



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capitals of Europe. On the site of the residence of the French Governors' stands the great Chateau Frontenac, the Canadian Pacific is being planned for Washington's birthday, Railway's world-famous hotel, the hub of all acti- February 22. Thus the guest that this hotel of hotels vities. True to its long-established reputation, the will always be assured of plenty of amusement. great hostelry is giving special attention to the Skiing, tebogganing, skating, snowshoeing and entertainment of its patrons and several innovations | sleigh-drives will all be under the capable direction have been added to the program for their comfort. of Jack Strathdee, well-known winter sports' direc-In addition to the toboggan-slide on Dufferin Terrace tor, who already has a number of successful winter and the hotel's great rinks, curling rinks will be the seasons at the Chateau Frontenac and elsewhere to his mecca of the followers of roarin' game. The inner credit. Pictures show: the great hotel; The C.P.R. room of the Terrace Cafe will be devoted to a golf- | dog-sleigh and team; two fair skiers at the foot of the school under a capable "pro". There will be bad- Champlain Monument just outside the Chateau minton, dancing every evening, and a costume-hall Frontenac; and inset "Jack".

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