

# Hazard of Frost May be Overcome by Right Care

### Further Suggestions for Those Interested in Horticulture. Marigolds, in General, Are Not Hardy, But Are Rich and Showy. Some Flowers that will Prove Satisfactory in North.

(Contributed by The Timmins Horticultural Society)  
There are obviously too many species and varieties of plants suitable for a small garden to deal with every one in detail in an article of this kind, and their numbers increase every year as horticulturists improve on old varieties and originate new strains. We, therefore, try to keep these discussions confined to plants with which we are familiar, and those most likely to succeed with a minimum amount of coddling. It must be borne in mind, however, that the requirements of plant life are the same the world over, regardless of climatic conditions. Given fertile soil, all the other elements necessary to promote and sustain growth (moisture, warmth and sunshine) are available in their season, here as elsewhere. It has been proved, also, by repeated experience, that the hazard of frost to tender plants during the growing season can be overcome with reasonable care.

A very showy annual, quite hardy, and comparatively immune from most garden pests. It is, however, sometimes troubled with root maggot. This, we will discuss along with other insect pests, in due season. Sybil Sherwood is a good specimen of Godetia, bright salmon pink, from sixteen to twenty inches tall.  
It might be mentioned here, as this is sometimes a sore point with gardeners, that plants do not always grow exactly to specified heights. Catalogue descriptions are based on average fertility and normal conditions. If your soil is too rich or if the season is exceptionally favorable, then your plants will flourish accordingly. If conditions are opposite to the above the reverse will hold. But, oversized or under-sized, you can depend on this; plants in the border will bloom in their appointed season.

### Claims Answer to Odd Question About the Egg

It's all settled. The egg came first. The answer to the old, old chicken-or-egg controversy is offered by Dr. Edward L. Troxell, of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., the Scientific Monthly, Science Service says.  
Tens of millions of years ago, says Dr. Troxell, a scaly reptile laid an egg. In due time it hatched, but what came out had a kind of downy fuzz instead of the old-fashioned scales. One of the sudden evolutionary changes called a mutation had taken place. The strange new creature was the beginning of birds.  
Although a reptile laid the egg that produced the first bird, that egg was not a reptile egg, Dr. Troxell insists. An egg is only the first step, the unincubated stage, in the development of the new individual. Since the particular egg in question produced a bird, it was a bird egg. And it came before the bird.


### Could Not Avoid Hitting Small Girl at Play on Street

Rouyn, March 29.—The body of little Rosianne Yiger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Viser of Destor Township was taken back to her home for burial, after the inquest in Rouyn on Thursday evening. The little girl had come by her death on Wednesday afternoon when playing on a sled with Carmen Cossette, on the Macamic road, about 18 miles from here. At the coroner's inquest held by Dr. Ivan Juteau, (deputising for Dr. G. A. Rioux) it was very evident from the testimony of witnesses that the driver of the car, Lionel Auger, could not have avoided hitting the children. He was only about 35 feet away when he saw the little sled shoot from the bank on the left side of the road. He applied the brakes immediately, but the car slipped another 35 feet, roughly, before he could stop it. He claimed that even had he run his car into the bank, it would have overturned and crushed the children underneath. It was apparent from other witnesses that the children had been warned about playing on the highway.  
Rosianne, who was three and a half years old, was the only girl in the family. There are four young sons, Lucien, Robert, Gerard and Jean-Guy.  
Carmen Cossette, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benoit Cossette, also of Destor, who was badly hurt in the smash, is however making satisfactory progress in the Youville hospital.

Acton Free Press—The Trans-Canada air lines to-day travel at an average speed 180 miles an hour and have top speed of 260 miles per hour.

## PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin



### NEWS ABOUT FABRICS FOR SPRING REFURBISHING

Everything is Washable This Season—Textures Lead in Interest—Patterns are Over-Scaled.

Cotton used to be known as Woven Wind, for it could be made so sheer that it was invisible when dsw fell on it. "Twas said that dress length could be put in a nut shell.  
To this day cotton has its own character and a charm that can't be duplicated by imitation this and artificial that. That's why many of New York's smartest decorators continue to use cottons, when they have their choice of so many of the more showier materials. Said William Pahlmann, who has kept the town blinking with his startling style-setting interiors: "Nothing drapes so beautifully for curtains as very fine soft voiles—I'm using a great deal of it this season." And of course the textured cottons as well as the printed designs are versatile and delightful for both formal and informal use.

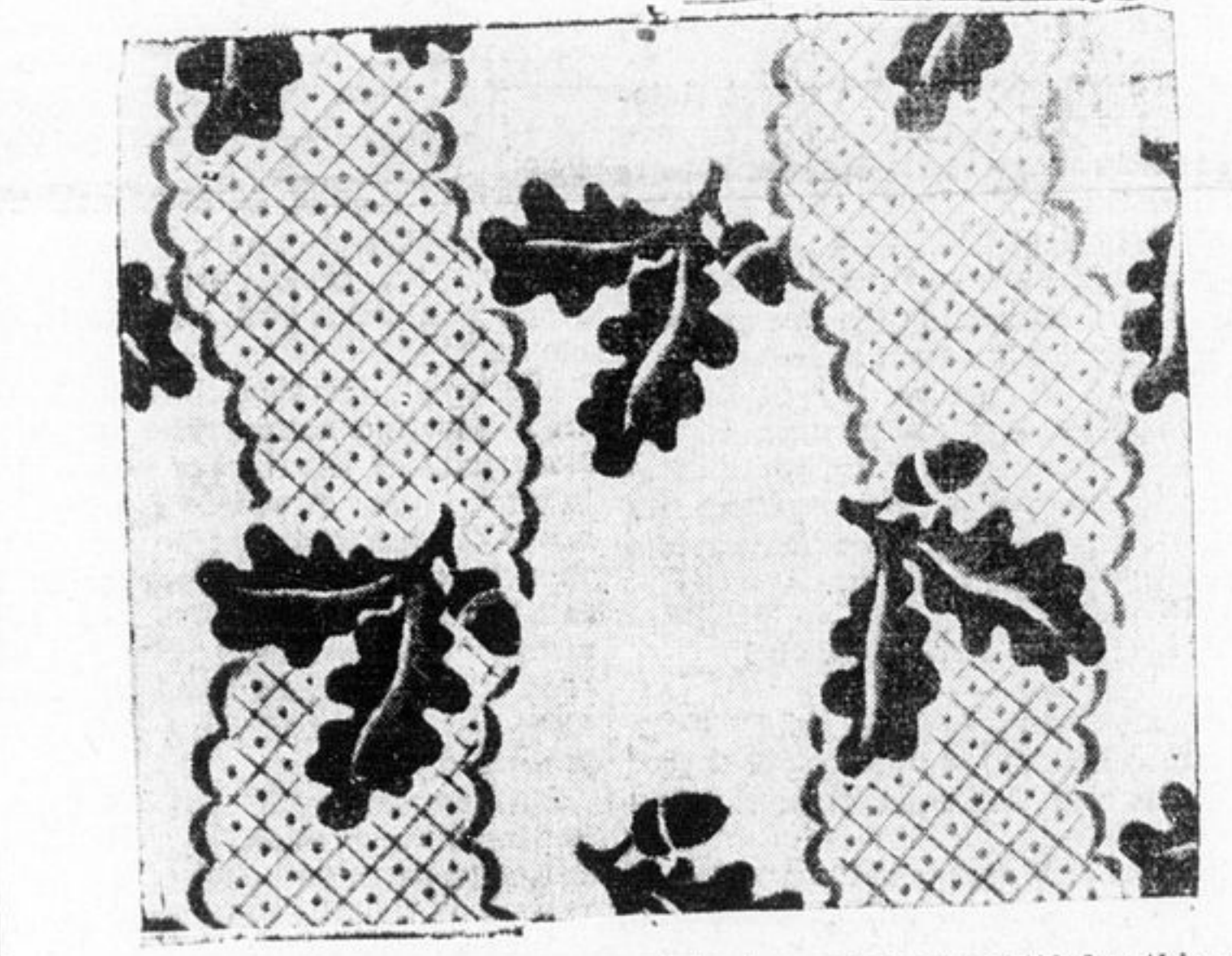


This magnolia pattern chintz is inspired by the revival of the Charleston theme in home decoration.

Into The Tub  
Despite the long history of cotton in the story of civilization, we're constantly learning new things about it. As a matter of fact, significant developments in cotton fabrics are news for this current spring. That is the complete washability of all cotton fabrics for home decoration, such as chintzes, cretonnes, sateens, etc. This means that special finishes, such as glazes, will not be effected by washing; the colours are absolutely fast; and preshrinking is a standard treatment of these fabrics. Even inexpensive fabrics for draperies, furniture covers and spreads can go into the wash and come out looking as good as new. So certain is one important manufacturing concern of the washing qualities of their fabrics that they are bonding them—if a bonded fabric does not stand up on every score after washing, then the purchaser gets a refund, not only of the fabric itself, but on the cost of labour in making up the curtain or slip cover.  
Experiments in this direction have of course been carried on for several seasons past, and each new line has included special numbers that could be guaranteed on certain points. But this

eighteenth century room. A conventionalized oak leaf design in linen has an interesting new look that will make it usable in either modern or provincial rooms. Persian patterns are still turning up quietly here and there; they will bear watching as a trend—and for actual use, they're very versatile.  
Over-Sealed  
The new scenes are a cosmopolitan array. A Finnish farmyard scene, taken from a hand-blocked design, makes a picturesque linen in fresh colourings to use with modern, maple or oak furniture. "Bermuda" has a lush tropical charm and the over-scaling of the pattern gives it a rather formal feeling so that it will doubtless find its way into many rooms of eighteenth century English and American heritage. "Robin Hood" is a jaunty scene for a maple room with a young spirit.  
We can't tell the colour story for Spring in a simple sentence. We hear a different version of colour at each place we go—the truth is that there is probably a wider range of colours available than for many years past. The clear tones being stressed by the Fair are having their influence. But the subtler off-tones, sponsored by the decorators, have increasing high-style importance. Perhaps there is more red in this year's crop of fabrics than we've been seeing. And fine old rose shades are coming into their own again. But you can just about write your own ticket as far as colour is concerned—and be pretty sure of finding it.  
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interpretations of the cretonne idea... but far nicer.  
One year with another, however, the chintzes held their own. Probably because they have more style and versatility than the other cottons for home decorating. Then, too, the glazed surface sheds dust and dirt and so stays clean much longer than open surfaced cottons. And that's a point even when the fabric is washable. On the other side, the actual body of chintz is lighter than sateens, twills or cretonnes, and so it won't last quite as long.



Oak leaves and acorns contribute a pleasant motif for this new printed linen suitable for many purposes. It is in pleasant clear colours.

As For Linens  
Linens are looking very fresh and fine and in much clearer colours than formerly. They also are being dyed in fast colours, which will add to their usefulness. But alas they still wrinkle, which will probably cramp their style somewhat till that technicality is ironed out.  
Wrinkle-proof linens have been on the market, but they aren't entirely perfected.  
Among the novel fabrics that belong to today is Russel Wright's new aluminum fabric. It has a stunning texture and an interesting droopy spongy quality that will delight the moderns.  
Patterns continue to emphasize big florals, many of them deliberately over-scaled. There's a perfectly lovely chrysanthemum design twill that could do things to the right room—my favourite colour combination in this is lavender chrysanthemums on white with dull green foliage. A magnolia chintz has been brought out for use in rooms of Charleston tradition. "Queen Anne Shell" is a floral in chintz or sateen that would be charming in nearly any

Spring sees this idea developed to the point where washability will be the expected and demanded thing of practically all cotton fabrics bought for slip covers and curtains.  
Textures will continue to play an all-important part in the fabric fashion picture. Interesting weaves in plain colours will be used everywhere, and in the patterned fabrics a number of new surface finishes are going to be stressed. We've mentioned the trend toward sateens before, but you haven't heard the end of that by any means. It's a full bodied tightly woven fabric of lustrous sheen, and it takes fine abundant floral patterns graciously. (Plain colour sateens are also available in a wide range of colours.)  
Frisulous and Practical  
The twill weaves cottons are winning friends and influencing people too. Stout practical fabrics are these and yet they are presented in lovely frivolous patterns for those who would be stylish but must be practical. The weave is somewhat that of ticking so you see what it will take in point of wear. Actually these are smart current

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**Timmins and Schumacher**  
Monday, April 3rd—The Salvation Army Citadel. Preacher: The Rev. James A. Lytle.  
Tuesday, April 4th—Trinity United, Schumacher. Preacher: Archdeacon J. E. Woodall.  
Wednesday, April 5th—Timmins United Church. Preacher: Major J. Centhrwaite.  
Thursday, April 6th—St. Matthew's Anglican Church. Preacher: Rev. W. M. Mustard.  
**South Porcupine**  
Monday, April 3rd—St. Paul's. Preacher: Rev. F. J. Balne.  
Tuesday, April 4th—United Church. Preacher: Canon R. S. Cushing.  
Wednesday, April 5th—St. Paul's. Preacher: Captain F. Butler.  
Thursday, April 6th—United Church. Preacher: Rev. A. I. Heinonen.  
All services commence at 7.30 p.m.

### Miners Hurt at Rouyn Making Good Recovery

Noranda, March 29.—William Byers and Herbert Gauvreau, who were seriously injured last Wednesday afternoon at the Stadacona Rouyn Mines, when they drilled into a missed hole, are however making satisfactory progress towards recovery. It was reported last week that one Trudeau was the injured man. However, Trudeau was unhurt although working at a second machine close by.

### A BUSY FELLOW

"What do I do?" said the railway worker. "Well, you know the chap that hits the wheels with a hammer when the train comes in?"  
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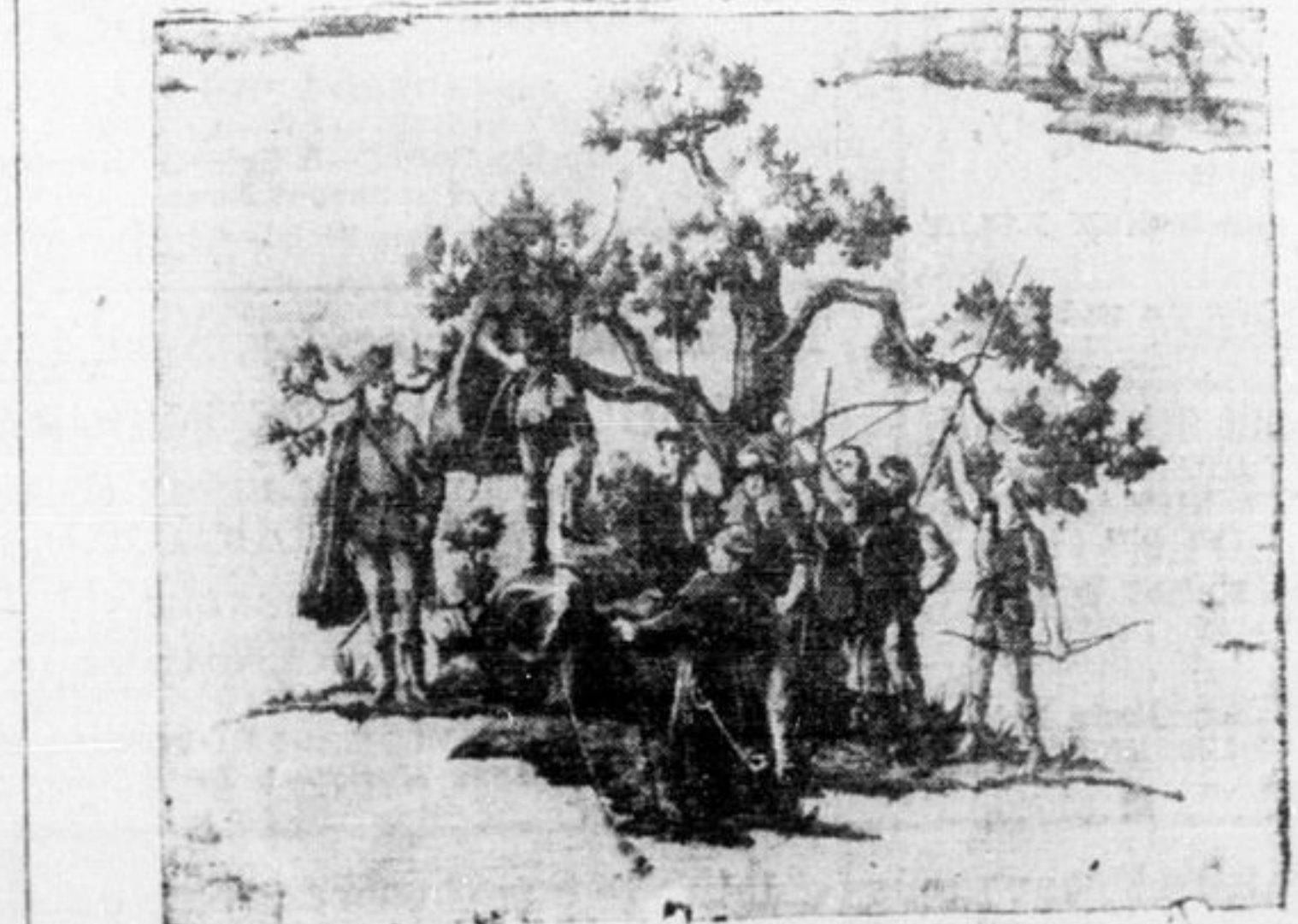
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