

## FRUIT IN THE OKANAGAN VALLEY

Not long ago the statement was made by the Dominion Fruit Commissioner that the fruit industry of the Dominion as a whole is in better condition than for many years past, and that it is steadily improving through the elimination of the careless grower and the adoption of better methods. He estimated that there were now 200,000 acres in Canada devoted to fruit culture. The total value of fruit production in Canada in 1925, made up of several varieties, is placed at \$24,126,762, of which apples account for \$20,057,417.

Considerable attention has been directed lately to the fruit producing district of the Okanagan Valley in British Columbia, where great progress is apparent. Due to a revolution in marketing methods the Valley in 1925 had a very successful year with remunerative returns to fruit growers. There was considerable marketing of nursery stock in the territory in the spring months, indicative of continued expansion, whilst early reports forecast a good fruit crop in the Valley in 1926.

**Improvement in Marketing Conditions.**  
As the outcome of deliberations between Valley growers and officials and agents of the British Columbia district of the Canadian Pacific Railway, still further improvement has been wrought in conditions surrounding the marketing of Okanagan fruit. Service of the company's Okanagan Lake vessels which run the length of the Valley, will be exploited so that orders sent by buyers from the Prairie Provinces may be filled to go out on the following morning. New ventilated fruit cars were introduced by the Dominion Express Company which allow a complete change of air every three minutes through the cars by means of improved circulation, which are expected to result in the arrival of the product in yet better condition.

The provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, lying across the Rockies, constitute the largest and most important market for Okanagan Valley fruit, export statistics indicating that more than half its exportable product has this destination. The Valley fruit is, however, going steadily farther and farther afield as noted in the figures of the Associated Growers, the province's marketing organization. To the end of January of the present year, in addition to satisfying the prairie market, 108 cars of apples were shipped to Ontario and Quebec, 42 cars to Newfoundland, 405 cars to Great Britain, 55 cars to the United States, 65 cars to Scandinavia, 39 cars to Germany, 18 cars to South Africa, and 5 cars to China.

It is interesting to note that according to early indications the Okanagan Valley will this year have an apple crop equal to its record one in the past, and that all berry and tender fruit crops indicate considerable increases in yield. In particular, it is estimated that 235 acres have been planted to cantaloupes as compared with 125 acres last year.

## Women Regard Tears as Obsolete "Weapons."

A granddaughter of Sarah Bernhardt recently remarked, in a Paris newspaper, that women no longer allowed themselves to be moved to tears in the theatres, as in her grandmother's day, writes Mary Horton in "The London Mail." Is this, she asks, due to consideration for their appearance, or to shame for what may, in these days of sex-equality, be thought an unworthy weakness?

The explanation is more likely to lie in the fact that the majority of women have, in the last twelve years or so, acquired too intimate an acquaintance with real tragedy to be moved by the make-belief, however well portrayed. Luckily for herself, the modern girl's training does not encourage weeping over trifles. Like her brother, she has learned to keep a stiff upper lip and bide on the lull in silence. And her healthy, open-air life makes her still less addicted to that mysterious luxury, born of overwrought nerves, known to earlier generations as "a good cry."

Men are popularly supposed to be utterly disarmed by a woman's tears—indeed, a famous judge once publicly owned himself paralyzed by them. But it is to be feared that the young man of to-day is more likely to be irritated than moved by the crystal drops that fall from his lady-love's eyes and to beg her, unsympathetically, not to make an ass of herself.

So it is not altogether surprising if woman has come to the conclusion that these one-time "biggest guns in her armory" are obsolete weapons, to be scrapped in favor of others more effective.

**Damascus.**  
Pink were the proud pomegranates, a rosy cloud to the sight,  
And the fluttering bloom of the orange was white in the zenith light;  
And sudden, or ever we dreamed it, did the orchards give apart,  
And there was the bowered city with the flood of its orient heart;  
There was the endive pageant that surged through the arching gate;  
There was the slim Bride's Minaret, and the ancient "street called Straight."  
—Clinton Scollard, in "Songs of Sunrise Land."

## WOMEN OF MIDDLE AGE

### Need Rich, Red Blood to Maintain Good Health.

After passing the age of forty every woman has reason to grow anxious about her health. This time of trial, with its attacks of faintness and fits of depression, its often violent headaches and back pains is rightly dreaded by women; but if reasonable steps are taken to safeguard the health, no serious ill-effects will arise. At this turning point in life Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have given a helping hand to thousands of suffering women who were fighting a hopeless battle against poor health and waning strength.

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### Gambling With Ice Cream.

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On the top of the zinc plate that holds the cream is a small wooden plate above which is poised a revolving stick. Round the edges of the plate, which is gaily colored, graded numbers from ten to one hundred are painted. The intending purchaser pays the vendor a penny, which entitles him to one twist of the stick. If the pointer indicates a number higher than that made by the stall-holder, the winner is entitled to an ice cream free of charge and another twist of the stick.

With luck, and provided the game is played fairly, one can have a succession of fees for the original penny.

If the vendor wins in the first instance the penny is lost and the customer receives nothing. These barrows are a source of interest to students, who spend most of their spare cash in attempts to defeat the ice cream man.

The vendors also sell a very popular drink. For a penny one can obtain a glass full of a white liquid resembling milk. It is made from water, sugar, crushed almonds and orange juice. When served it is icy cold and makes an excellent "cooler."

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"Know your Milkman"—at least try to secure pasteurized milk. The next best is milk that is milked clean and kept clean and cold.

Meat. Buy meat kept on ice. You wouldn't think of eating "hot dogs" which has been heated and re-heated for a week, if you were home—then insist on having your wieners taken off the ice and boiled fresh for you.

Water. Secure your drinking water at Approved Camps and Refreshment Booths; they have safe water supplies.

Bathing. There are plenty of safe places to swim. Bathe only in water which is free from contamination. Safety First! A little mishap in any of the above may mean sickness. Prevention is the best plan for motor tourists—get inoculated against typhoid fever before you start on your motor holiday. Vaccine is supplied free for use of Ontario residents by the Department of Health.

## Radio in Canada.

Production in Canada of radio apparatus including sets, parts and batteries reached a total value of \$5,548,659 in 1925, according to a recent statement issued by the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Six plants in Canada were engaged solely in the manufacture of radio sets or parts, nine other concerns made sets and parts in conjunction with the manufacture of other electrical apparatus and 12 of the manufacturers of batteries in Canada reported an output for radio purposes.

Statistics for 1925 show a substantial growth in the radio industry during that year and also reveal a tendency toward the production of complete sets rather than the manufacture of separate parts. In 1925 the number of complete sets manufactured by these companies was 48,498 and the selling value, f.o.b. works, was given as \$2,196,024. Production of vacuum tubes amounted in value to \$1,299,634 and was double that of the previous year.

Radio licenses were issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries during the twelve months ending March 1926 to 134,485 persons. Ontario led all provinces with a total of 60,110; Quebec was next with 21,141. Registrations in the other areas were as follows: Saskatchewan, 15,944; Manitoba, 14,503; British Columbia, 9,494; Alberta, 7,152; Nova Scotia, 3,288; New Brunswick, 2,612; Prince Edward Island, 202; Yukon, 23; and the Northwest Territories, 17. Licensed broadcasting stations, not including amateurs, numbered 55, distributed as follows: Ontario, 24; British Columbia, 10; Saskatchewan, 7; Alberta, 6; Quebec, 4; Manitoba, 2; New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, 1 each.

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## The Game of "What O'clock."

In the game of "What O'clock Is It?" two of the players must be in the secret. One of the two is sent out of the room, and while he is gone, the company fix upon some particular hour. When he returns, the other boy or girl in the secret must ask the question. Now the secret is that the one who remains in the room reveals to the one who was out the hour fixed upon, by means of the first letter of the word used in the question. "A" stands for one o'clock; "B" for two; "C" for three; "D" for four; "E" for five, and so on down the alphabet to "Z," which stands for twelve o'clock, being the twelfth letter.

For instance, if the question was: "Be so kind as to tell me what o'clock it is?" the answer would be: "Two o'clock"; or if the question was: "Do you know what o'clock it is?" the answer would be, "Four o'clock"; or "Everybody wants to know what o'clock it is," the answer would be, "Five o'clock," and so to "Let us know the time, please," which would bring the answer "Twelve o'clock."

## Fireplace Constructed to Use When Needed.

What if a fireplace isn't usable all year round for heating? It deserves a place in your home just for the times and occasions when it is used. But did you ever stop to realize that there is no better means for ventilation at all times than the open flue? It helps to keep your house cool in summer because it encourages the circulation of the air in the room.

Don't let the question of fuel deter you from enjoying the comfort, cheer and beauty of a fireplace in your home. The French peasants, for whom the fuel problem is much more serious than with Canadians, think so much of their fireplaces that in order to get backlogs they save all their waste paper, sweepings, orange peels and such, pile them on a newspaper, which they then lightly roll up, twist at the ends and tie with a string and call a backlog. And they love its warmth and cheer!

## The Wonder of Water.

The wonder of water. Think of it as the source of all the changefulness and beauty which we have seen in clouds; then as the instrument by which the earth... was modeled into symmetry, and its crags into grace; then, as, in the form of snow, it robes the mountains; then as it exists in the form of the torrent, in the iris which spans it, in the morning mist which rises from it, in the deep crystalline pools which mirror its hanging above, in the broad lake and glancing river; finally, in... the wild, various, ocean, fantastic, tamed & unity of the sea; what shall we compare to this... universal element for glory and for beauty?

There is hardly a roadside pond or pool which has not as much landscape in it as above it. It is not the brown, muddy, dull thing we suppose it to be; it has a heart like ourselves, and in the bottom of that there are the boughs of the tall trees, and the blades of the shaking grass, and all manner of variable pleasant lights out of the sky.—Ruskin, "Modern Painters."

## Surnames and Their Origin

### CAMBRIDGE

Variation—Camford.  
Racial Origin—English.  
Source—Localities.

These two family names, Cambridge and Camford, are not, strictly speaking, variations of each other, but they do fall easily together for purposes of discussion and comparison, both being illustrative of the manner in which a certain old Saxon word, absolute to-day except in the discussion of mechanical subjects, has had an influence on our nomenclature.

The average person would see no connection between the word "cam" and the name Cambridge, even if he dug a little into the origin of surnames, for it would become clear to him that the family name of Cambridge originally indicated a residence in the town of that name. Likewise the family name of Carford traces directly back to the town of that name.

But how did these two place names get the element of "cam" in their formation? It's easy to see where "bridge" and "ford" came from, because these are both words which have survived the centuries and are in use to-day.

"Cam" conveyed the meaning of winding. And the word is used to-day to denote a mechanism that produces an irregular or winding motion. If we translated these two names into modern phrasing they would be "Windingbridge" and "Windingford."



Professor—"Ever had pneumatics?"  
Student—"What kind of lung disease is that?"

### To An Empty Nest.

Who knows what far, uncharted pathways claim  
The guest who hovered here? What sky has flung  
Its blue enchantment over him who came  
A-serenading when the year was young?  
Who listens now to that soft-throated hymn  
That stayed the twilight in the fading west,  
Or walked in lyric ecstasy the dim  
Uncertain throbbing of a troubled breast?

His place is empty now, but I have heard  
Beyond the hedgerow, when the moon was big,  
The ghostly flutter of a housing bird,  
Where a quiet flame was kindled on a twig.

His graces now to other lands belong—  
To me his gift of sunshine and his song.  
—W. H. McCreary in New York Times.

### Improve Your Aim.

"I see you have a sign in your store, 'We Aim to Please,'" remarked the irritated customer.  
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—Amy Smith, in Christian Science Monitor.

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Look, now, at this new companion of his. In the perfect stillness of sea and sky and land, and while his eyes are far away, some quick movement near at hand tells him that he is not alone. A small rabbit, the very ideal of baby rabbits, a ball of brown fur, has come quietly along, all unconscious of his presence until it is within three yards of him. It trots here and there, with a leisurely, ungainly tripping, nibbling the grass now and again, never looking up. And then suddenly it stands still; and the fat little ball of fur has great staring eyes—staring with observation, not fright, for very likely it has never beheld a human being before. The big, fat, gray eyes regard him unawakened; there is no movement. Then, with a little forward jerk of the head, up go the long ears; and again the motionless staring. Then up goes the baby rabbit itself on its hind-legs, the fore-paws comically drooping; and again the steadfast stare at this immovable strange creature seated on the rock. Then by some accident he inadvertently strikes a hand or foot—the eighth of an inch will do it—and at the very same instant the earth is left empty; there is only a glimmer of white disappearing into the bracken a dozen yards away. —From "Shandon Bells," by William Black.

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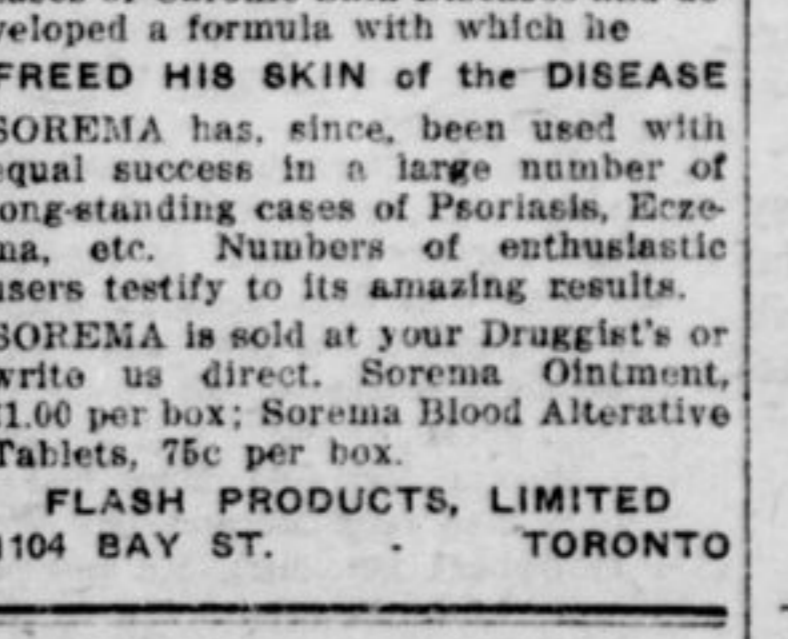
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