

Diversified Farming In the Okanagan

Great development of mixed farming in the Okanagan Valley, British Columbia, has resulted from the growth of several minor agricultural industries. In a series of articles by Margaret A. Ormsby, appearing in the Vancouver Sunday Province, the writer states that these minor forms of agricultural production are of increasing importance year by year, and that they are the facts which will determine whether mixed farming will supersede fruit-farming in the next phase of the development of the Okanagan Valley.

One of the most important of the smaller industries is tobacco-growing, which has long been carried on in the valley, but has been developed to a greater extent during the last six years. When fur-traders first visited the Valley early in the nineteenth century, they found Indians smoking tobacco, certain species of which were indigenous to the country. The early settlers also gathered the native plants and thus obtained a supply of tobacco for their own use.

It was not, however, until 1894 that experiments were made in growing it on a large scale. Attention is now concentrated on growing the tobacco, and no attempt is made to manufacture it. It is sold in its natural state to David Spencer Limited, Vancouver. This company is doing considerable blending, and has undertaken to specialize in British Columbia tobacco, selling it under its own brand. The success of this undertaking should act as a gauge to the production of the commodity.

Cantaloupe, Tomatoes, Vine-Fruits. Another form of intensive cultivation is being carried on at Oliver, where cantaloupes were first grown in 1923. The experiment revealed the fact that the Oliver cantaloupe is a very superior product, with a particularly fine flavor. The early ripening season is also of advantage from a marketing point of view.

In 1927, tomato growing was also started, and of late years cucumbers and grapes have been introduced. The tomato industry has been strengthened by the erection of a cannery.

The production of vine-fruits is growing in importance every year. The area around Oliver has a natural advantage for this purpose, and there is a marked demand for these commodities in Canada. It is therefore likely that the industry will reach larger proportions in the next few years, and that tree-fruit production will be forced further north.

While sub-tropical fruits are being produced in the southern end of the valley, large amounts of vegetables are being raised on truck-gardens in the northern end. Vegetables have been grown for many years very successfully in the Vernon district.

At the present time, 800 acres of land at Vernon are used for truck-farming. The vegetables include tomatoes, cucumbers, onions, cabbage, potatoes, beets, carrots, parsnips, turnips, squash and pumpkins. At Armstrong, the truck-gardens produce principally lettuce and celery, and during 1927 nearly 800 tons of the latter commodity were exported.

France to Mint Silver Money

The French Government has decided to ask Parliament to authorize the minting of more silver money, particularly five-franc silver pieces, before the stabilization law of 1928 can be safely put into operation and the millions of dirty paper notes drawn from circulation and boiled down.

A project for the minting of the small denomination will be placed before Parliament soon. The Government has declared, however, that in the minting of these coins it will not be necessary to buy more silver.

SILVER ON HAND

The mint has on hand a quantity of silver obtained from the melting of pieces withdrawn from circulation, particularly the Napoleon pieces of the Third Empire. There also is a quantity of silver left over from the Poincare purchases in 1926, so that it may be five or more years before France will buy any silver.

Under the 1928 law, the Bank of France notes of five, 10 and 20 francs must be retired by the end of 1932. They must be replaced by silver coins of 10 and 20 franc denomination, for the 1928 law overlooked entirely the five-franc pieces.

LOW VALUE OF FRANCS

Chamber of Commerce have protested for the five-franc piece corresponds to 20 cents and is the most needed single piece of French money. That is behind the Government's decision to start stamping out the coins which, in view of the low value of the franc, must be small in size. The 20-franc notes have entirely disappeared from circulation, but there still are three million francs worth of five and ten-franc notes in French pocketbooks.

It was her first day on the farm, and the farmer told her to go out and collect as many eggs as she could find.

After some time she returned empty-handed. "Haven't you got any eggs?" inquired the farmer. "No," she replied, calmly, "but I saw dozens of hens loafing about!"

Gt. Britain's Royal Family

Children of King George Form Loyal Group Amid Artificiality

By P. W. WILSON, in the N.Y. Times Magazine.

For the House of Windsor, as for the rest of the world, time assesses quickly. It is ten years since Princess Mary was married to Viscount Lascelles, now Earl of Harewood. Nineteen years have elapsed since the chimneys of Westminster Abbey were rung for the Duke of York and his bride, Mary Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon. The matchmakers are much excited, therefore, over the pretty young Princess Irgrid of Sweden, who has visited London.

His Majesty King George V. has to face a fact unusual in royal families. He has five surviving children. All but one have passed the age of 20. Yet only two are married, and one of these is the Princess Mary. Of the four sons, three are bachelors.

It was hoped against hope that the Prince of Wales, now approaching the forties, might find his second cousin a long-sought Queen to share his prospects of the throne. The Prince, however, continues to be satisfied with the privilege of attending weddings as best man.

Mary knew her business. She would allow nothing to interfere with the normal life of her home. She insisted that her sons, though Princes, must be boys like other boys; that her daughter, though a Princess, must be a girl among girls.

There, in York Cottage at Sandringham, the family lived as a family, in a modest house and without ostentation. For years the future Queen was never seen at all by the crowds of London. She was otherwise occupied.

The children dug in their gardens, they played cricket, they were taken by their mother to visit places like the Tower of London; they were taught by their tutors, they said their prayers, they attended church, they learned the catechism, and they were familiarized with the Bible.

Above all, they were made to realize their relation to the community. From time to time boys were shared with the poor, and at birthdays and Christmas all cakes, after due enjoyment, were cut up and distributed. In the minds of those children the dynasty was established on a firm foundation of duty to the nation.

Billions of words have been written of the humor, the gayety, the tact, the persistence, the courage, the patriotism and the obstinacy of the Prince of Wales, who to this day has never failed to be prolific in paragraphs. What if they did assign two huge detectives to dog the infant footsteps of the Prince? He has himself photographed between them and entitled the picture, "My Nieces." What if the cadets at Dartmouth called him "Sardine"? He replied to them on the banjo.

"I do not mind being killed in France," said he to Lord Kitchener; "I have plenty of brothers to carry on." To which the Field Marshal retorted grimly: "I do not mind you being killed, but I cannot allow you to be taken prisoner." And to Lord Haig the whereabouts of "the boy" day by day became an obsession.

Not for an instant does the Prince seem to be at a loss. The Mayor of a loyal borough forgot his part and stammered, "We welcome your Royal Highness not only—not only—" There was an unearthly silence. "No, only," continued the Prince calmly, "for the sake of the ancient throne which you represent, but also for your own sake"—and the Mayor was saved from suicide.

The illness of the King and the economic crisis, taken together, have changed the Prince of Wales, both in mind and in appearance. He talks no longer of throwing up the whole business unless he is allowed to live his own life, but appears on the platform, serious and determined, as he urges the nation to "buy British."

Educated like the Prince of Wales at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, the Duke of York—nervous on the platform—has had to overcome a shy temperament and indifferent health. People forget that, as a sub-Lieutenant, he was on active service during the Battle of Jutland, and, later, was promoted to be wing commander in France; nor is it remembered that he is a student of economics and a frequent visitor to industrial plants, where his particular

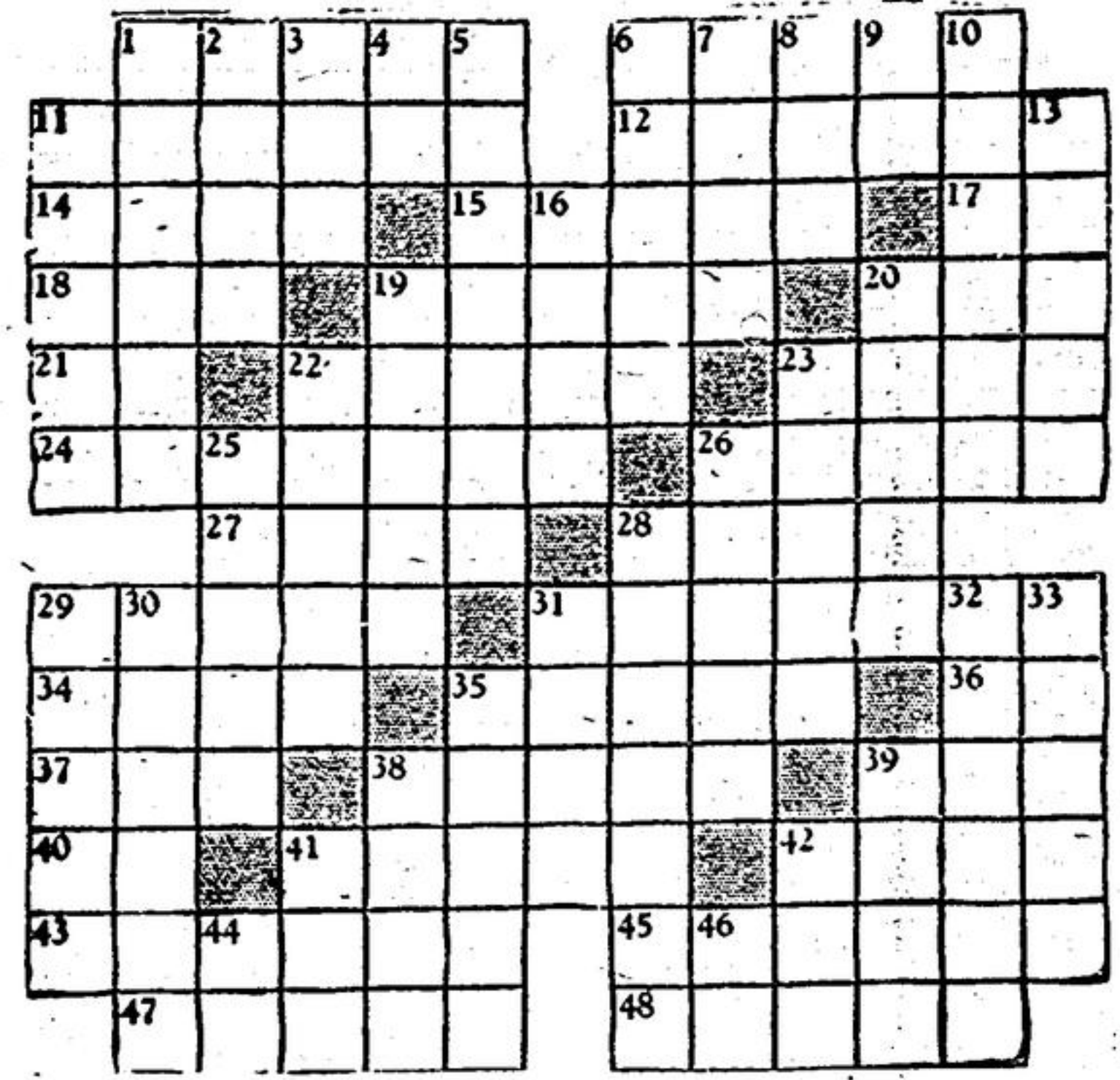
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OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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| Horizontal | 36—Negative | 10—To possess again |
| 1—To jeer | 37—Some | 11—Golf club |
| 6—To stab | 38—To desire | 13—To shun |
| 11—Unrefined | 39—Foot | 16—To coll |
| 12—Puckered | 40—Pronoun | 19—Wallet |
| 14—Branch | 41—Kid skin | 20—Impression |
| 15—Theatre | 42—Quletec | 22—Greek headland |
| 17—Boxing match | 43—Stair posts | 23—Lessens |
| 18—Low | 41—Resident | 25—Tale |
| 19—Aroma | 47—Transactions | 26—Freshest |
| 20—Cushion | 48—Metal | 28—Digs |
| 21—Spanish article | | 29—Mark |
| 22—Pained | Vertical | 30—Leaned |
| 23—Neat | 1—Weakness | 31—Attired |
| 24—Falcon | 2—Young animal | 32—Hard Covering |
| 25—To glisten | 3—Circle | 33—Bride's portion |
| 26—To glisten | 4—Fronoun | 35—Herb |
| 27—Adjective | 5—Instructs | 38—To sort |
| 28—To twirl | 6—To disburse | 39—Aide |
| 29—To holla | 7—Boat | 41—Ocean |
| 31—Sang | 8—Age | 42—To join |
| 34—Seamen | 9—While | 44—Pronoun |
| 35—Coagulates | | 46—French conjunction |

Interest is what has come to be called welfare.

The Duke of York was the first prince of the blood to examine in person the headquarters of a trade union, and every year he attends a camp where boys of humble birth are brought into personal contact with the aristocrats of Eton and the other great schools.

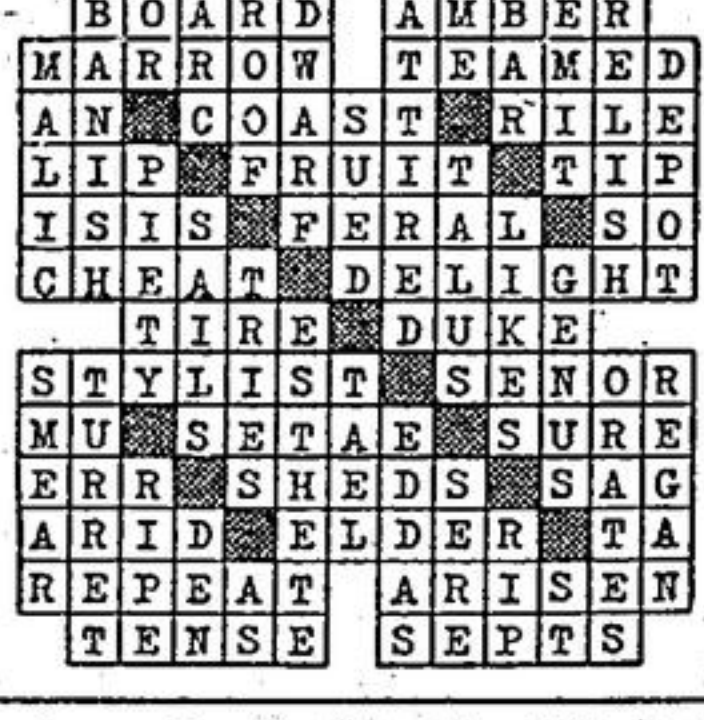
Twice he proposed to his future Duchess and twice he was refused. It was Queen Mary who told him that "heart never won fair lady" and urged him to try his luck for a third and—as she insisted—last time. Faced by this ultimatum, the little Scottish lady accepted him. In the Abbey, so pleased were they with each other after the benediction, that they almost forgot a detail. Just in time, the Duke swept his Duchess to the right turn and, facing the King and Queen, she dropped the most important curtsy of her dazzling career.

Prince Henry, Duke of Gloucester, was educated at Eton and the Mil' Academy at Sandhurst. In debonair manner, he is the official alter ego of the Prince of Wales, whose travels, including a fall from a horse,

he has shared. For the Prince, he frequently acts as deputy. But his schedule of engagements is less crowded.

Prince George, in whom, at the moment, mankind takes an especial interest, was trained at Dartmouth for the navy and, like his father, he spent many years with the fleet. As a lieutenant, stationed in the Far East, he has chased Chinese up the Yangtze River, and if today he is drafted into the Foreign Service, in

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



RUNS UPSTAIRS AT 92

Daughter's Pride in Active Father

"I feel in duty bound," writes Mrs. A. J. W., "to express my gratitude for the marvellous results my father has obtained from Kruschen Salts. They should really be called 'Miracles.' He is ninety-two years old, and is as fit as a fiddle. He can nip about, and run up and down stairs. His friends marvel why it is he is always alert, and never feels slack. He always tells them the reason, 'my regular daily dose of Kruschen Salts every morning.' We always recommend Kruschen Salts to all our friends. To my idea no family should be without it." —(Mrs.) A. J. W.

Most people grow old long before their time because they neglect one vital need of health—the need for internal cleanliness. Eventually they start the healthy Kruschen habit. Then they start getting rid every day of all waste matter from the system. New, healthy blood goes coursing through the veins. And almost immediately they feel their youth has returned; they feel young, energetic and happy. In a word, they've got that famous "Kruschen Feeling."

Whitehall, it is for reasons of health. The suggested wedding can hardly be said to affect the succession. The throne today would pass thus: (1) Prince of Wales; (2) Duke of York; (3) Princess Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the Duke of York; (4) Princess Margaret Rose, second daughter of the Duke of York; (5) Duke of Gloucester, and (6) Prince George. Also, if there were further children born to the Duke of York, or if the Duke of Gloucester married and had children, all of these heirs would precede Prince George and his children. On the other hand, Prince George and his family would precede Princess Mary and her two boys, the Lascelles, now at Eton.

With every year that passes, the Princess Elizabeth of York—known as Lilibet—who has celebrated her sixth birthday, draws the greater crowd. The people are as eager to see her as they are to see the King and Queen themselves. And for a sim'ly reason. Daily she becomes more important. She can only be deprived of the succession by a younger brother if, in due course, he should arrive. Her sister, Margaret Rose, born amid a tempest in the historic stronghold of Glamis Castle, is only second to Elizabeth in her nearness to the throne.

This royal family, founded afresh on a human basis, depending for the first time on purely human values, and regarding pauper and privilege and pedigree as factors subordinate to all families, is thus considering one more event in its age-long annual. Ten years—twenty years—thirty years hence, how will the new method of sovereignty have stood the test of time?

The Holly

(Green groweth the holly; so doth the ivy. Though winter blasts blow never so high. Green groweth the holly.)

As the holly groweth green, And never changed hue, So I am, ever hath been Unto my lady true;

As the holly groweth green With ivy all alone When flowers cannot be seen And green wood leaves be gone.

Now unto my lady Promise to her I make From all other only To her I me betake

Arien, mine own lady, Arien, my special, Who hath my heart truly, Be sure, and ever shall! —King Henry VIII. From The Oxford Book of Sixteenth Century Verse, chosen by E. K. Chambers (Oxford University Press).

French Court Upholds Noisy Critic of Film

Paris.—Spectators at public entertainments and at theatres have a legal right to demonstrate their disapproval by whistling and shouting, according to judgment just rendered by the Civil Tribunal of St. Etienne, near Lyons.

The case as one of a spectator who, having loudly protested against the quality of a motion picture performance, was refused admission to another show by the proprietor of the cinema on the grounds that his behavior interfered with the performance.

The judgment of the French tribunal states that "the act of criticizing the poor organization of an entertainment, even when done noisily, can be construed as the legal exercise of right to criticize, and the manifestation of dissatisfaction cannot serve as a pretext for the director of a theatre for refusing to admit a spectator." The cinema proprietor was sentenced to pay 100 francs damages.

Mrs. Frazzle (gushingly): "D'you know, Mr. Grimlegh, I'm often mistaken for my daughter." Mr. Grimlegh (gallantly): "By jove! Fancy you having a daughter as old-looking as you are."

Owl Laffs

Kitty—"Why are you angry with Max?" Ethel—"He promised not to kiss me—and kept his word!"

The teacher was putting questions to the class. Teacher—"What do we call a woman who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?" Small Boy—"Please, sir, a teacher."

"Jim will be in the hospital a long time." "Why, have you seen the doctor?" "No, the nurse."

His Little Slam Wife—"So you think my new ball gown looks like the deuce?" Hub—"In the card sense, my dear. The deuce, you know, is the lowest possible cut."

Face the Sun Don't hunt after trouble, But look for success; You'll find what you look for; Don't look for distress. If you see but your shadow, Remember, I pray, That the sun is still shining, But you're in the way.

Don't grumble, don't bluster, Don't dream, and don't shrink; Don't think of your worries, But think of your work.

The worries will vanish, The work will be done; No man faces his shadow Who faces the sun.

Spasms

Never interrupt your wife when she is telling you something for your own good. Let us whisper it, girls, but the man who writes the best love letters doesn't necessarily make the best husband. In these fickle times, a love affair seldom outlasts one application of lipstick. The fish we catch are usually the most expensive ones that we eat.

She—"Oh John! How could you! This is lemon pie." Nothing makes a fellow feel so good as the nice things they say about him at his funeral.

A Scotch clergyman noted for his thrifty habits sent a telegram to a parishioner on her wedding day. The message read: "John IV. 18." On looking up the text the girl was horrified at these lines: "For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband."

After they had restored the young woman to consciousness, inquiry was made at the telegraph office, and it was found that the operator had omitted the letter or numeral indicating the first Epistle.

John I. IV. 18 reads: "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear."

The fact that a man toots his own horn does not necessarily mean or indicate that he is a musician.

Judge—"And what is this man charged with?" Clerk of the Court—"Bigamy, your Honor. He's got three wives." Voice in the Courtroom—"That ain't bigamy. That's trigonometry."

Drat Those Prickles "What makes you so uneasy?" Is your conscience troubling you? "No; it's my winter underwear."

New Health Hint D. M. DeVitt, seventy, is much improved after a fall in a bathtub last week.

Latest Discovery Permits Nearly Blind to See

Chicago.—Dr. William Feinbloom of New York has announced a discovery here which he said will bring back normal sight to thousands of persons now practically blind.

Feinbloom's discovery is a new type telescopic lens which will enable persons with as little as two per cent. sight to see as well as they could with old-type telescopes, but with the added comfort of seeing things just where they really are, it was explained.

Feinbloom predicted his discovery would enable thousands of people now dependent upon charity to become independent.

"The old-type telescopic spectacles and common opera and field glasses are exactly alike in that both are made of spherical lenses which magnify and appear to bring the object nearer," Feinbloom said in explaining his discovery.

"Application of the new cylindrical lenses into these same glasses magnifies the object; but the distance between the observer and the object remains the same.

"In looking through the new type of telescopic spectacles, the object viewed is magnified horizontally." This, he said, will make it possible for persons who formerly were "shut-ins" to walk about freely.

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Wife (breaking the news of good-for-nothing brother's arrival): "Hector has come to stay for a few days, poor boy. He's looking very seedy." Husband: "Seedy, is he? Well, he isn't going to plant himself here!"

Donald had received quite a lot of presents for Christmas. On Christmas evening his mother said:—"Now, Donald, what are you going to say in your prayers for all those nice presents?" After a moment's thought, Donald replied: "God bless the penny bazaar!"

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