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The treaty recently concluded between the United States, Great Britain, Russia, and Japan, prohibiting pelagic sealing for sixteen years, should naturally result in an apprecsable increase in the value of the skins of these creatures by lessening the supply, and a most probable result will be the seeking of substitutes. Among the most likely articles to be used for this purpose will be the skins of the hair seal which are principally taken in Newfundland waters every spring, and which are at the present ime, chiefly used for making leather. The skin of the hair seal, as its name would imply, is covered with dark, stiff hairs, but closely dhering to the skin is a furry covering which makes it not possible to convert the pelts to the uses to which he skins of the fur seal are now applied, namely, the making of fur coats or ladies, etc. Hitherto, however, the compartive abundance of fur seals Low One-Way Second-Class made it unprofitable to utilize the Newfoundland sealskins for this purpose very extensively, even though a fur seal pelt is worth about \$20, and that of a hair seal only about \$2. Shortly, though, it is expected that there will be a radical change in these conditions, and that a new market will be created for the Terranovan (Nfld.) Tickets on sale daily until Oct. 15th. article, which will much increase its

Few enterprises prosecuted at present, afford greater inducements for outside capital to invest therein than does the Newfoundland seal fishery, which yields those operating it now from 20 to 30 per cent, annually and which ranks second in importance among the seafaring occupations of the people of this colony. It is prosecuted in March and April of each year by a fleet of twenty steamers, crewed Corner Johnson and Ontario Sts. by 4,000 men; and its product is about 300,000 "palts"-hide and fat-yielding as many skins and about 5,000 tons of oil, the export value of each being over \$500,000, so that this industry really represents the garnering of a million dollars within the brief space of two months each year.

value and cause a more extensive pro-

secution of the sealing industry in

The seal fishery begins the industrial year in Newfoundland, and is reckoned of double importance-for its intrinsic value, and for the impetus a successful quest imparts to the other occupations which follow later in the season. The adult male population of the island is about 40,000, and as 4,000 are engaged in the seal hunt, and practically every family has a relative and of the sealers. Thus it is that the retain f the first ship is counted among the chief events of the year; thousands throng the wharves to cheer her as she enters St. John's harbor, and the news she brings is speedily wired to every section of the colony.

The industry is a peculiarly perilous one, and is attended with excitement and adventure, such as few oth-Full particulars at K. & P. and C. or pursuits provide. From the departure of the fleet to the ice-fields, until the return of the first ships, two or three weeks later, personal anxiety is intense throughout the colony, be cause the venture is associated with Street, 4 p.m. daily (Sunday excepted), such frequent dire disasters that anfor Tweed, Sydenham, Napanee, Leser- other catastrophe is always dreaded Scarcely a season passed without Bannockburn, Maynooth, and points on some gruesome tragedy, and it is not Central Ontario Houte your shipments surprising that anxious hearts should

Pork Argument No Good.

When an elections campaign gets velop from the action of the drama oque. Returning leaves at 5 p.m. for dotage of the campaign. It is a rid-Charlotte, N.Y. (Port of Rochester). ing which contains "The Ward," and "I," I mean all of us." embraces voters of many nationalities, with the Hebrews predominating. The Liberal-candidate is Mr. Louis Heyd, K.C., a lawyer who has contested ridings in several parts of Ontario, but has never tackled a city constituency before. Now, one of the arguments J. P. HANLEY, Ticket Agent used in this campaign by Liberals has JAS SWIFT & CO. Freight Agent been the "hog" argument. The speaker, by copious figures, attempts to show that the farmer and the consumer alike get the lean, and that the fat of the ugly brute goes to the "interests" which are arrayed against reents, and forgetful of the Mosaic law, er pork this winter if Laurier was returned. He noticed that his audince was growing indifferent and finally hostile, and could not understand until finally a prominent Hebrew iberal, who could stand it no longer. set him right by calling out: "Give do we care about pork?"

> came to the page marked "beans."— Saturday Night. Toronto Girl an Ocean Queen. A unique honor not long ago was paid Miss Dorothy Langmuir, a wellknewn Toronto society girl. Miss Langmuir was returning from Europe on the palatial Royal Edward of the

Canadian Northern line. The passengers on the boat were filled with coronation spirit. Nothing would satisfy some of the gallant gentiemen on board but that they should crown an ocean queen before they reached Canada. Miss Langmuir was crowned. The ceremony was rendered particularly interesting in that Premier Silton of Alberta, and Premier Scott of Saskatchewan participated officiated on such an occasion. Miss Marjory Wilks of Brantford, was a maid of honor.

Graphite by Electricity.

At Niagara Falls graphite is now made artificially by electric power, several thousand tons being produced there last year. Anthracite coal that carries a small amount of finely distributed ash is used in making the ordinary grades. The better grades are made from petroleum coke.

FRIEND OF CHILDREN.

Canadian Woman Revolutionized Methed of Teaching Music.

A Canadian woman, who has practically revolutionized the method of ham Palace are vaults, the contents teaching music to children, by intro- of which are worth a fabulous amount ducing a kindergarten system that is of money, and which are guarded with as unique as it is interesting and prac-tical, is Mrs. Evelyn Fletcher Copp. formerly and, at the time of her invention, a resident of Toronto.

The old saw about the prophet and his country was never truer, than in this case, for Canada turned a deaf ear, and it was not until "the Fletch-This significance is difficult to realize at first sight. In it one finds the

sions may be received and given out the entrance to this passage was covagain by the mystical language of ered over in Queen Victoria's reign.

it is," she would say in young entience and perserverence and more of the gold ornaments alone—they are

she must do something to revolution- example, half a dozen grotesque Araize the usual system of music teach- bic figures not more than a couple of suffered as a child.

"Oh, that stiff-backed music teach-'one-two-three,' his torturous scales, his meaningless chords, his dreaded 'pieces' that were as incomprehensible to me, or any other child, as a dead scroll in the hand of an Egyptian mummy. My inherent love of music simply survived his treatment; it never grew an inch. How could it! Some- four trays, one over the other, and as thing must be done for children. And the articles accumulate more trays are Froebel and musical freedom, surely I toria's reign the tables contained only might lay my plans. And I did. Like two trays. Every single article in the I would teach scale-building by means of a tone-ladder, and time division by blocks, and rhythm by physical move-ments, and modulation by a keyboard in which each note should be known, like a little friend, for its own sound, and groups of notes might be taken out and arranged in triads, chords, etc. Indeed, all those earnestly perfected 'toys' that children seem to be playing with all over the world now came into being then."

It was in 1898 that Miss Fletcher fall of 1898, began the publication of a unique musical journal-unique in that it was, and probably is, the only music paper in existence edited solely ic the interests of the child beginner. In 1899 the system was introduced into Germany, France, and England, and the indorsements of such people a. Dr. Hugo Riemann, Liepsic; Dr. Albert Fuchs, Arthur Nikisch, Leipresponse to this new idea.

are expressed in a recent, personal letter from Mrs. Copp, where she says: "I never expect to make much money. I get my reward, and I get it all along, in the perfect joy that it is to see the financial and artistic success that others are making in teaching my method. And I get it really hot, the true stories that de- in a constant stream of new ideas Steamer North King welop from the action of the drams and suggestions for the work. I won-1000 ISLANDS AND ROCHESTER, N.Y., yarns that are always revived in every musicians? There was a time when I character and industry, rise to a high campaign. The densely populated and | could not see beyond my own highest Steamer leaves Kingston Sundays at complex riding of Centre Toronto has ideal. But now I believe that when I Alexandria Bay, Rockport and Ganan- already commenced to add to the anec- get a little nearer to the deal I shall

Excavated Big Horn.

A peculiar find of a horn of an imcavating and deepening a pond on the farm of Harry Smith, a few miles west of Welland, Ont.

The horn is evidently that of some animal which roamed the country thousands of years ago. It is eight feet in height and a true half circle. wo feet and two inches wound the large end. It tips the scale at 150 pounds. It is in a good state of preservation, and fifteen writikles can casly be distinguished. These wrinkles irele it at the big end. Smith has been offered a substantial um for his find.

He Couldn't See It.

A little learning may be a dangerous thing, but a little ignorance where least expected sometimes causes amusing situations. The police court reus something else, Mr. Heyd, what porter of one of the Mont sal dailies n an assault and battery case had Mr. Heyd abruptly stopped, and written blithely: Patrick Henry askhurried through his notes until he ed for liberty or death. John Jones was not so ambitious. He simply asked for Eberty." For some time the newest addition to the editorial staff seemed puzzled. Finally he turned to its author and quite sertously inquired, "But what did Patrick Henry

Thinks It's a Freak. Reciprocity was being discussed by

farmers near Belleville, Out., a little "Belleville wants to get it," said a tarmer who claimed to know that city's opinion. A man, who is not engaged in farm-

ing, apparently had hazy ideas about he subject under discussion. "If reciprocity comes to Belleville.". "I'm going to go there and he said

Suspicious. "Your motorboat is running very "Yes; I think something's broken."

The slave to bad habits usually nsists that he's a free man. Locking the barn after the horse is stolen may save the barness. The almighty dollar sometimes auses a crucifiction of friends

TREASURES OF ROYALTY.

A Glance of the Priceless Contents of

Buckingham Palace Vaults. mmense care.

In these vaults are stored accumulations of treasures which have come into the possession of the royal family in different ways during the past fifty or sixty years, and for which it isimpossible to find room in the spartments, corridors, or halls of the royal er method" had been adopted and pa-tented in many other countries that to their full capacity with armor, sta-Canada awoke to its full significance. tuary, and various valuable works of

Two of the treasure vaults are of habest of Froebel in the teaching of mense size; one nearly square, has a music; but, more than that, it opens floor space of 300 feet by 260 feet and to children and, indeed, to those who runs under the state apartments on teach it, an entirely new world in the first floor. There is a passage leadwhich music is the key; a world in ing into it outside the Bow Room which thoughts, pictures, and impres- which looks out on the gardens, but

The second vault is somewhat small-I have known Mrs. Copp for a long er than the first; the third has only a time, says Katherine Hale in Cana- floor space of 30 feet by 10 feet. The dian Century, and I remember when vault is steel-lined throughout, and it the Great Idea was forming in her is here that the gold and silver ornamind, here in Toronto, and she would ments and other small valuables for call in little children off the street to which there is no room in the royal teach them the magic games that have palaces are stored. In the two large become world famous and to watch vaults, which, by the way, are absohow quickly their unformed minds lutely air-tight, and heated by radiaresponded to the impressions.

'No one knows yet how wonderful such as statues, big pictures, etc. tors, are kept the larger treasures,

Probably the contents of the smallthusiasm, "but after a while the world est vault equal in value all that is will know, and in the meantime-pa- stored in the other two. The weight made of the purest metal-is said to Always, to this young girl, educat- be over a ton. There are over six ed in Germany, amidst the most sym- thousand of these. But the weight of pathetic musical conditions in the many of these ornaments bears no reworld, the conviction was borne that lation to their value. There are, for ing under whose tyranny her soul had | inches in height whose united weight is probably less than one pound; they were a present to Queen Victoria er!" she would say, "with his endless from an envoy from the Persian court, and are reputed near a thousand years old. In the open market these figures would probably fetch a couple of thousand pounds apiece.

All the wonderful wealth of gold and silver in this vault is placed on tray-tables; each table is fitted with I must do it. Here, in the land of added to the tables. In Queen Vic-

The pictures and statuary in the vaults are the least valuable of their contents. Queen Victoria purchased and accepted as gifts a great many pictures and statues from a number of modern artists, chiefly Germans, whose work is not of much value, and these, when the late King came to the throne, were removed from the apartments and halls in the royal palaces and placed in the vaults, and replaced founded an association for her own by other objects of art of much greatteachers, and this association, in the | er value, which were then in the

Much of the furniture and armor is, however, of immense value. A set of old oak chairs and two long tables which are of the eleventh century. would fetch thousands of pounds if sold. These chairs are so massive that an ordinary man could not raise one completely from the ground

Each vault is fitted with three steel sic, and others, have proved the ready | doors. The keys of these doors are kept by the Keeper of the Privy And something of the broad tideals Purse, and the vaults are only opened that must lie behind all great work in his presence or that of some responsible official of the royal house-

he French Ambassador in London. One of the cleverest diplomatists in Europe, M. Paul Cambon, the French ambassador in Lonron, who has been prominent figure in the Moroccan crisis, is a striking example of how a man may, through sheer force of position in the state. He was eight ears of age when his father died, leaving a widow and two sons not very well provided for. But M. Cambon worked hard, studied for the law, and ultimately entered the diplomatic service. He is one of the most popular men in London society, a favorite at court, and esteemed throughout mense size was made by workmen ex- France on account of his keen interest in French charities. He possesses one of the most valuable collections of autographs in the world, and is quite an expert at chess.

He Thought Right. Two of Britain's greatest fighters, Lord Nelson, the hero of Trafalgar, and the Duke of Wellington, nicknamed "Old Nosey," met but once in their lives, and that meeting occurred in the little hall at 10 Downing street. Beside the quaint old fireplace there they entered into a general conversation, and Nelson was so impressed with the duke that he asked a servant who was the man with the striking

"Major General Sir Arthur Wellesley, my lord," replied the servant, astounded at the sailor's ignorance. "Ah!" said Nelson. "I thought he was no common man."

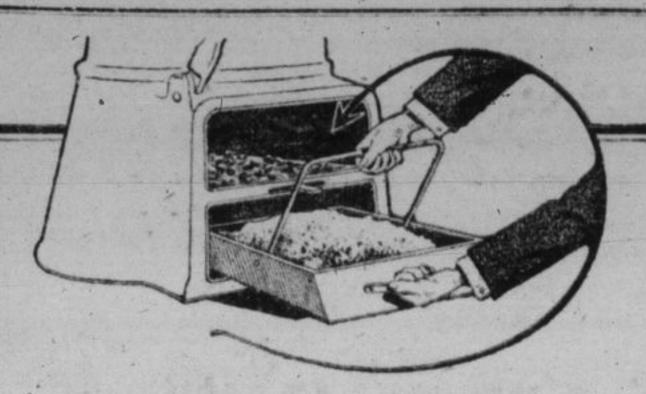
Wisdom of the Serpent.

The serpent is even wiser than the woman tells us, according to Professor Maynard, the noted educator of Cambridge. In a startling statement the professor declared that as a result of study of snakes he is convinced that had they been able to develop hands and feet instead of being obliged to crawl their brains would have enabled them to dominate the world. In that event, he asserts, man probably would have remained in a primitive savage state or possibly even as an

"I am sometimes accused," writes Sir John Lubbock, "of being too optimistic. But I have never ignored or denied the troubles and sorrows of life. I have never said that men are happy, but only that they might be; that if they are not so the fault is generally their own; that most of us throw away, more happiness than we

The goodness or badness of theory must be determined by testing. The rolling stone may lose the moss, but it has the experience. The successful politician looks to his own success and interests first.





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