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White Cedar Posts Will Soon Be Unobtainable—Coal Tar Creosote the Best Wood Preservative—Directions for Application— Cottage Cheese Easy to Make.

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Every year the decay of fence posts on Ontario farms requires a replacement of not less than twenty million posts. This repair bill of five million dollars each year could be very greatly reduced through the use of wood preservatives. A white cedar post costing twenty-five cents may last fifteen years in the natural condition, but treated with creosote it will last thirty years. It should be good business to treat all posts, saving money, posts and labor.

White Cedar Posts Soon Unobtainable.

White cedar posts will soon be unobtainable. Other woods can be used; woods with a reputation for early decay, but which can be made very efficient by the creosote treatment. For instance, soft maple or willow posts will last but four years in the natural condition; treat them with creosote and such will be serviceable for twenty years. It costs about twenty cents per post for creosote treatment. If the post will last double or five times as long through being creosoted, surely the twenty cent investment is a profitable one.

Decay Caused by Fungi and Bacteria.

Decay or rot in fence posts is caused by fungi and bacteria. Wood tissue being largely cellulose is a good food for bacteria and fungi, and the moist, away from light, condition just beneath the surface of the soil is also suitable for their development. Hence we see the posts rotting off just below the surface of the soil in which such are set. When a post is soaked with creosote it becomes a poison medium to the fungi and bacteria that may attack it; and their growth is greatly retarded. Coal tar creosote is the most satisfactory preservative that we can use on the farms. The posts to be treated must be thoroughly seasoned and dry to absorb sufficient creosote. The practice of spraying or brushing on hot creosote is not a very profitable one, as the wood does not absorb enough of the preservative to be of much use.

How to Get Best Results.

- 1) Get good results, an open tank with fire place beneath, or other heating arrangement, should be set up. The coal tar creosote is heated in the open tank, and then the posts are immersed long enough to permit a good soaking with the hot oil. A large oil drum with one end removed and set over a fireplace makes a cheap and efficient tank, if nothing larger is at hand on the farm. The following points should be kept in mind by the man doing the work: (1) Have the posts clean, dry and free from bark. (2) Heat the creosote to 180° F., and maintain for 2 to 6 hours, according to condition of posts. (3) Immerse the posts in the creosote deep enough to give a treatment that will extend to the top of the ground line after posts are set in fence row. (4) Leave the posts in the hot oil long enough to permit them to cool after the heat has been drawn. (5) Add more creosote to the tank to take the place of that absorbed. (6) Use small posts; 4 1/2 inches in diameter and round are to be preferred. (7) Do not let the temperature go above 200° F.—L. Stevenson, O.A.C., Quebec.

Boring Insects Threaten Logs.

Boring insects threaten large quantities of burned over lumber, and have greatly reduced the value of logs which might otherwise be used. Many of the operators who have limits in the country covered by the fire already have started crews in to log the burnt trees. Only a minor portion of the damaged timber can be logged in the present season, possibly 40,000 feet. D. J. D. Tothill, of Fredericton, in the Channel Dominion Entomological Service, has returned from the head waters of the Tobique, where he inspected a considerable area of the fire-awestr timber land. He states that the damage to the burnt timber as it stands, has been laid in immense quantities and that the prospect is that the borers will work their will on all timber which is not removed.

Construction of Flood Dykes.

Survey of Assiniboine river channel, which may lead to the construction of flood dykes, may be undertaken by Dominion Government engineers. The drying of the channel is considered the only solution to the annual flooding problem. The scheme which was advocated for straightening and enlarging the river channel has been abandoned as unfeasible. The M.L.A. for Iberville, who has been deeply interested in the drying scheme, stated he had assurance the Federal Government would vote \$100,000 at the next session of Parliament for construction of the dykes, if the surveyors find that the scheme would solve the problem.

Blood and Boredom.

Lord Charles Beresford, the Irish admiral and M.P., who won the Victoria Cross in Egypt and distinguished himself by a bitter feud with Lord Fisher and his henchman, Captain Scott, says that an Irish elector once gave him his worst calling down. "You're no man. The last time one of your family stood for Parliament it's up to me ankles I was in blood and up to me brains I was white, but never a drop of any'er I've seen this time."

Veteran Lightkeeper.

The veteran lightkeeper of thirty-six years at Chester Ironbound Island, of Chester Bay has been presented with a medal, awarded by the Imperial Government for faithful and meritorious service. The presentation was made at Lunenburg, N.S., by William Duff, M.P., acting for the Marine Department through which medals the Imperial Government had transmitted the honor for Mr. Young.

WATERS OF THE NILE.

Are Vital to Life and Prosperity of Egypt.

In the Paudienu chamber of the Abdin Palace in Cairo a short time ago the Egyptian Calmb filed in and solemnly presented King Fuach with the draft of Egypt's new constitution.

No report has yet speculated on the feeling of the dapper, autocratic monarch as he signed a document which limits his authority and reserves for future discussion the question whether he shall be "King of Egypt" or "King of Egypt and the Sudan."

Between these two titles lies all the difference in the world. The Sudan is a country entirely distinct from Egypt. Its people are mainly Arab and negroid. They possess a hearty contempt for the Egyptian. The Sudan was conquered in 1898-8 by British and Egyptian forces, and is administered by an Anglo-Egyptian Protectorate. The Governor-General is British and so are all the chief officials.

Under British rule the Sudan has made amazing progress. The people are happy and devoted to their British rulers. It has been stated that the British regime in the Sudan is "one of the brightest pages in the history of British rule over backward races."

An Egyptian soldier or an official regards duty in the Sudan as something like a punishment. Why the Egyptians do not want this country so different from her in every way? The answer is the Nile. Lord Rosebery said: "The Nile is Egypt and Egypt is the Nile." He was merely echoing the words of Herodotus: "Egypt is the gift of the river." The Nile flows from the Sudan bringing life to Egypt, and it is argued that the country that controls the Sudan could ruin Egypt by interfering with her vital water supplies.

The Sudan is now prosperous. That is another reason for Egyptian enthusiasm for it. Much will be heard of this difficulty when Egypt's Parliament is ready to discuss affairs with Britain—unless Egypt's politicians suddenly realize two very obvious truths:

That the unthinkable day when Egypt gained control of the Nile Sudan would be the most unlucky day in her history. That Great Britain's control of the Sudan is the best guarantee the Egyptian agriculturist could possibly have that a fair share of the Nile water will trickle through his thirsty fields.

Eton Collar Law.

An indignant protest against what he terms the "effeminacy of dress which seems to pervade the school" is made by an old Etonian in the current number of the Eton College Chronicle. The correspondent records that during a recent visit to Eton he was disgusted to observe a member of Sixth Form, that august body, actually wearing a turned-down (or Portland) collar.

"In my time ('63-'69)," he wrathfully adds, "a 'swell' as the term then was, would never have been seen without the full stuck-up collar—that with no opening in front at all." In the Eton glossary, which contains the authoritative doctrine on this and kindred weighty matters of dress and custom, it is clearly laid down that the "Collagers and ten Oppidians in Sixth Form wear stuck-up collars."

At Eton it is stated that if the offender were observed by any other eye he would certainly have been disciplined by the "mugger" of "Pop"—another and even more "august body," which is all-powerful in matters of dress—who, among other things, enjoy the terrific privileges of being allowed to wear the button-holes, patent leather boots and any kind of waistcoats they please.

Saved by Insulin.

I have just discovered the secret of Constant Collier's eternal youth. "Five months ago," she told me, "my life was despaired of, and in January I weighed only seven stone (98 pounds). My friends, including Dame Clara Butt, came to Switzerland to say good-bye to me. Scarcely of the new insulin treatment practised by an Alsatian doctor in Strasbourg, I chartered a special train and went there. I was carried to the hospital on a stretcher, but a fortnight later I was walking about again. Now people approach me in the street and ask me dazedly if I am Constant Collier. "Here is a story for you," continued Miss Collier. "Just imagine, dear," said a mother to her little girl, "Aunt Ethel has a new baby. Now mamma is the baby's aunt, papa is the baby's uncle, and you are her little cousin. "Well," said the child, "wasn't that arranged quick?"

Bird-Borne Diseases.

The theory, frequently advanced, that birds may be carriers of foot-and-mouth disease about the farm-lands is accepted by the Ministry of Agriculture as a distinct possibility. The official of the Ministry states that "the ministry has grounds for thinking that the outbreak is being spread by rooks, wood-pigeons, herons, and others. "Stock owners in the affected area would be well advised to guard their flocks and herds by employing bird scarers during the hours of daylight. This is the first time that the bird theory has produced special official advice to English farmers.

War Medals.

Lieut.-Col. Guinness in Parliamentary papers announces that more than 13,000,000 British medals had been issued for the war: Silver 5,541,229 Bronze 7,508,221

These included British war medals, Distinguished Conduct medals, Victoria medals, Territorial medals and the 1914 and 1914-15 Stars.

Turtle Pled, Frog Stayed.

A mud-turtle, which reached the post office at Toronto in a box had been mailed from the west and was addressed to Berlin, Germany. In the dead letter office it was being kept in a tin box but disappeared in some fashion. A frog mailed from the same place in the west and also addressed to Germany also reached the dead letter office and will find a home in a Toronto garden.

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GLENDOWER.

Nov. 13.—The farmers were quite disappointed over the recent cold weather as they could not plough. The majority have their ploughing finished although the weather was quite unfavorable. A number from here attended the sale at Archibald Timmerman's, Desert Lake. James Fitzgerald brought a drove of cattle from Parham last week. Martin Cochrane loaded a carload of wood last week. Miss Marion LeGaty has gone to Perth to visit relatives there. Mary Killey spent the weekend at Jack Killey's. F. Hickey and V. Shellington, Cole Lake, at J. A. LeGaty's. Mr. and Mrs. M. Cochran at Mrs. D. Coulter's. Mrs. J. E. O'Connor is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Leveque, Enterprise. G. Daley, T. Fitzgerald and T. Szizaworski, have returned home from Saskatchewan. Mrs. Grooms is visiting her daughter Mrs. E. Kelly, for a few days. Henry Kenyon was visiting old acquaintances around here. J. Kelly, Tichborne, at James Kelly's.

THE BELL OF ST. PAUL'S.

Tolls Only When Member of Royal House Dies.

The great bell of St. Paul's is only tolled on the death of any member of the royal family in the line of descent from any English sovereign. The honor is paid only to a member of the royal family who could under any conceivable circumstances succeed to the throne, though it may be doubted whether the bell would toll for a royal infant not in the direct line of succession. This rule does not apply to the consort of the sovereign, of the heir apparent, or of a prince or princess on the steps of the throne.

The booming of the great bell of St. Paul's was the first intimation which the citizens of London received of the death of the Prince Consort, which occurred at 11 o'clock on the night of Saturday, Dec. 4, 1861. Outside the royal family the only persons for whom the bell is tolled are the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, the Dean of St. Paul's and the Lord Mayor of London dying in his year of office. The bell tolled in St. Paul's, but the old great bell on which the hours are struck. On the occurrence of a death in the royal family the Home Secretary at once communicates with the Lord Mayor, desiring him to convey news to the Dean of St. Paul's, with a request that the great bell may be tolled. The bell is then tolled at intervals of a minute for an hour.

The Hunting Pig.

The pig is generally looked upon as a pest. To eat and grow fat and in turn to be eaten, is the accepted life history of most members of the porcine family. In India, "to hunt the pig," which consists of spearing wild boards on horseback is looked upon as excellent sport, especially by the British military officers. There is an old account of a pig in England, however, that was a truly remarkable animal. She was known as the famous pointing sow "Slut," and when young she is said to have had a nose superior to most pointers, and was as well as the best and would retrieve birds that had run. When ten years old she would set game as well as ever, though naturally she had become stunted, for her weight approached seven hundred pounds. Slut was raised in the New Forest, England, and was taken in hand for training by Thomas and Richard Tommer, her owners, when she was about eighteen months old. In the course of the first day she answered to her name; within a fortnight she would find and point partridges and rabbits. She "stood" partridges, game, pheasants, snipe and rabbits in the same day, but was never known to point a hare. Her pace was mostly a trot; she galloped rarely and only when her master's whistle summoned her. She seemed as pleased as a dog when she was shown a gun and was delighted when game, dead or alive, was placed before her. The two Tommers lived about seven miles apart. Many times Slut went by herself from one lodge to the other, apparently hoping to be taken out shooting.

Dogs did not like to hunt with her and in consequence did not often accompany her. When she joined would by accident in the forest she would back them whenever they pointed, but they refused to back her until spoken to.

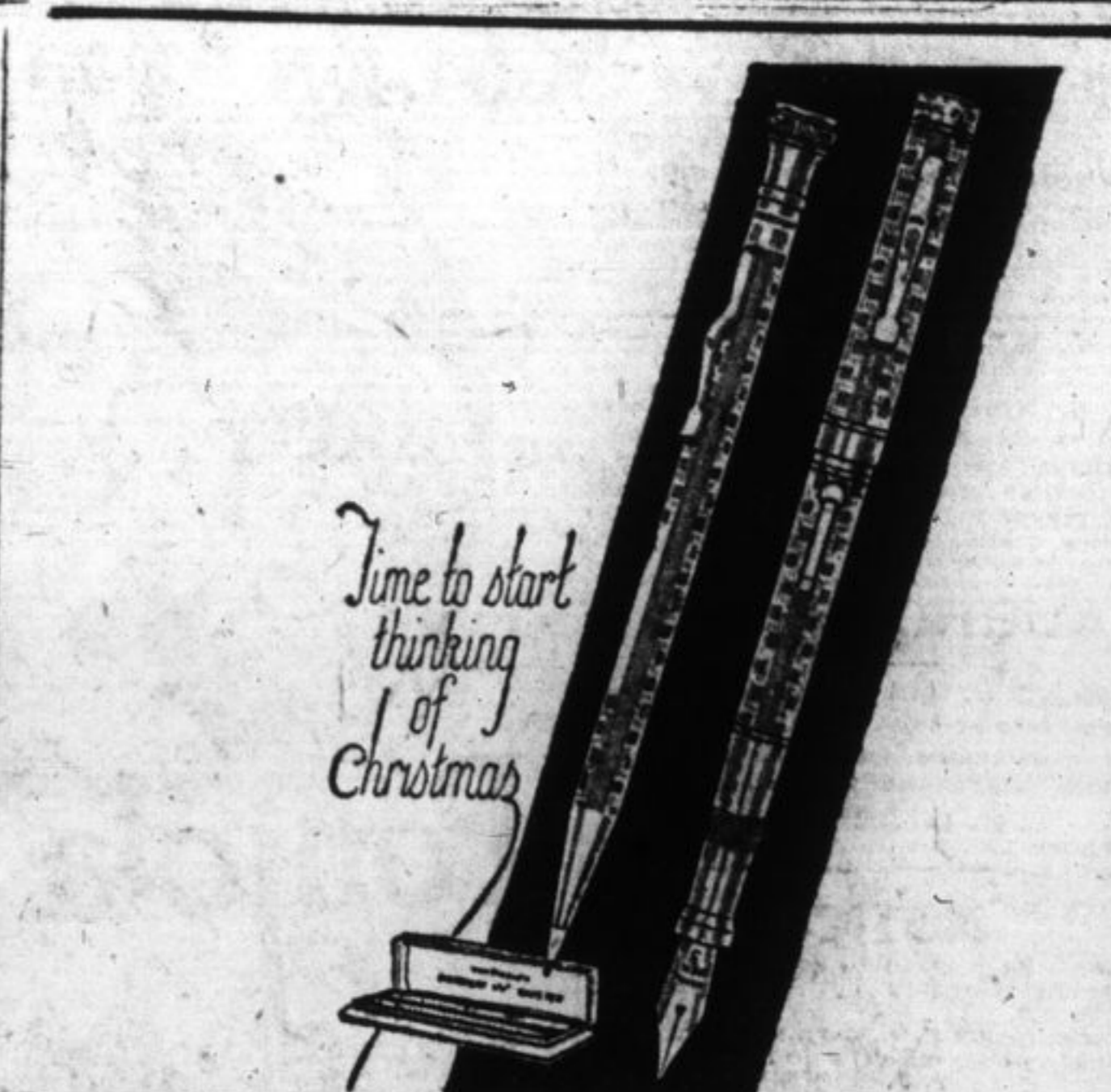
First Case Won.

Ireland's only woman solicitor, Miss Early, made her first appearance in Drumcondra, County Dublin, Petty Sessions. She represented a plaintiff who sought possession of a cottage from a laborer who had been in his employment. Miss Early won the case, and was congratulated by the district justice on her ability.

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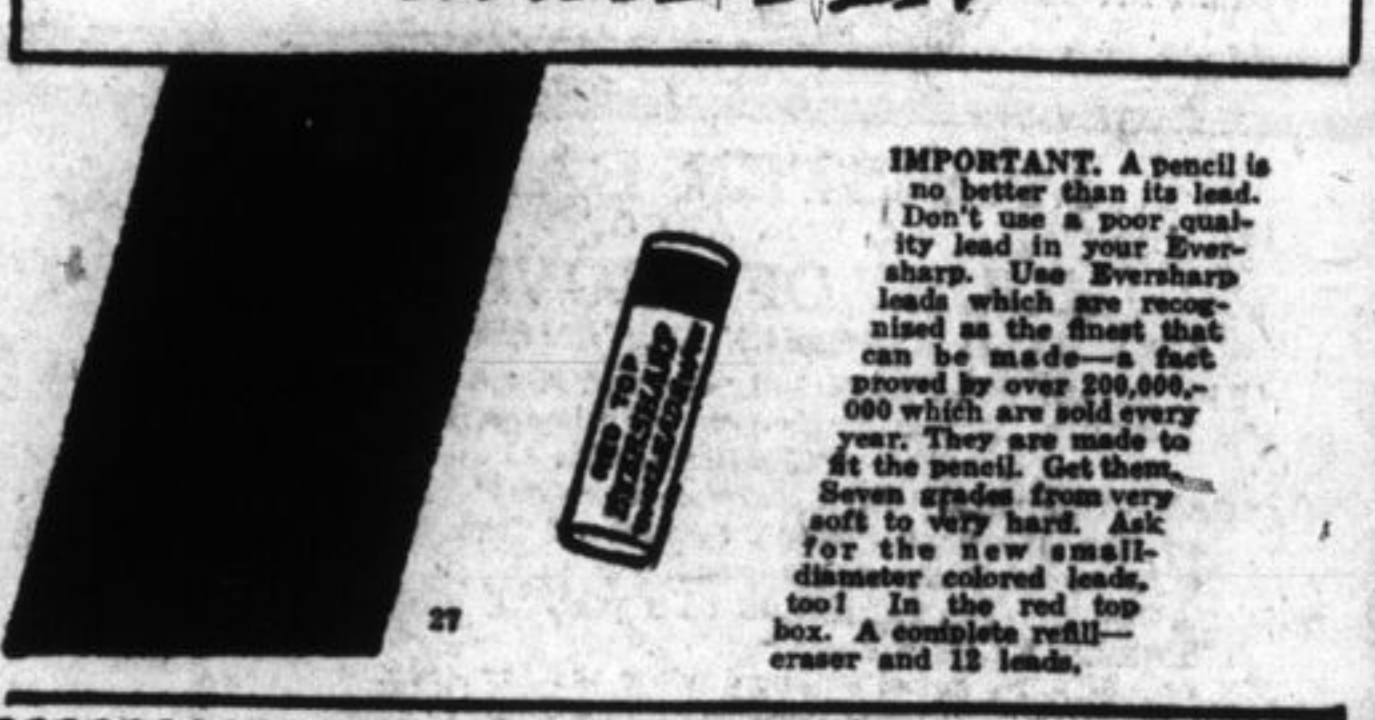
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