## Smokes-Newspapers-Furs and Coal

Some Canadian Products and that of the United States for the two months which was 242,615 Manufactures Outstripping cent. less than in the same period of last year. In other words the decline of American production, long predicted and foreseen, has set in. It is well to remember also Britain Demands High-Grade Tobacco from Canada

For the first time on record the production of newsprint in Canadian mills has exceeded the output of United States mills.

Canadian grown high-grade tobacco is in keen demand in Britain. Canadian raw fur production for the 1923-24 season had a value of \$15,643,817.

Plans are under way to extend markets for Eastern and Western coal to points in central Canada. Building permits in Canada increased to \$5,781,842 in February. a gain of \$348,438 over January, and an increase of over \$1,750,000

Lumber operators are hopeful of a better year than 1924.

compared with February of last

These are some of the high spots of industrial promise that have forced themselves upon public attention. There are many others full of encouragement for Canada.

The newsprint record is significant. A few weeks ago the head of a great United States pulp and paper concern, announced the purchase by his company of 9,400 square miles of Canadian pulpwood and timber limits, with mills and power sites. This was in addition to big properties already held in the Dominion. His company, he stated. would move some of its American plants to the Canadian side. The Intention was to increase the output of its Canadian mills from 100 tons of newsprint a day to 300 tons a day. The reason for all of this investment and expansion was the conviction that the control of the newsprint industry of North America was definitely passing to Can-

February figures of Canadian newsprint production emphasize his statements, Canada's being 115,624 tons as against 112,831 for the United States. More significant is the fact that while Canada's production for January and February combined was 237,044, exceeding by 14,197 tons, or six per cent, the output of

tons, was 6,621 tons or three per that a considerable amount of newsprint is made in the United States from imported Canadian pulpwood. These figures and facts explain,

in some degree, the agitation of many leading American newspapers, and more especially those of the northern states, against a suggested Canadian embargo on pulpwood. Stripped of all rhetoric the fact is that their protests are based on fear. They are afraid that such an embargo would force them into a position of absolute dependence upon Canada for newsprint on which their newspapers are printed. Knowing what they know about these things, they see in this situation a weapon which Canada might use with some effect in tariff arrangements.

There are no signs of definite action of that kind on the part of the Dominion. In any event the situation is likely to adjust itself to the steadily increasing advantage of this country. Development of the pulp and paper industry in Canada means that a proportionately larger amount of pulpwood is being manufactured in this country every month into pulp and paper. The time will come when owing to the limitation of timber holdings and their exhaustion, the exportation of pulpwood, in its raw state, will not be profitable. Anyway the question at the moment is one for provincial and Dominion parliaments to deal with. But the fact that United States newspapers of standing and influence, are looking anxiously to this side of the border for the essential material for their business. The analysis of the soils of the to- Canadian achievements that go to is not without its compensations.

Britain Wants Our Tobacco

a day when unnumbered Canadian are spreading the tobacco area. The export any tobacco to Britain. Of wild life would, in a very short age of American anthracite coal, smokers turned up their noses at co-operation of the interests con- the 200,000,000 pounds imported time, spell "finish" to the fur trade. Which is now more easily shipped the Canadian grown and manufac- cerned is doing something more; it annually by the Old Country, only But in spite of occasional fluctu- in, but steadily increases in price, tured product. Especially did they is solving problems of warehousing scorn it for cigarettes, and regarded and marketing that were once difficult seas part of the Empire. Canada's expanding. The development of fur culties of a grave nature to those contribution towards Britain's farming is a principal reason. The

THE DAY'S BAG

After a successful day's tiger hunt in Nepal, India, the

above photo shows how the game is brought home. The system of tiger hunting in Nepal is to surround him with a ring of elephants after he has been located and then drive him out with a big tusker. The hunters, mounted in howdahs atop the elephants have a clear shot at their game when he appears in



these two cannot have a monopoly. realize that. But it is one of the tion. bacco-producing regions of the make our trade position and indecountry made some time ago, and pendence of other countries more As a fur country Canada is as to be encouraged. This, it is hoped the tests in breeding and cultural assured. Turn now to tobacco. There was methods, persistently maintained, A few years ago Canada did not once thought that the depletion of to displace a considerable percent-

leading tobacco provinces, but haps, for Canadians who live out-being the nearest of them to the others are beginning to show that side of the tobacco sections to home land is in a fine strategic posi-Fur Industry Growing

"smokes" is still comparatively total value of pelts of fur-bearing strikes. made long strides since then. The Results of intensive attention are small, but it is growing fast and is animals, wild and ranch-bred in Building is another industry in growers, the various agricultural seen in the growing popularity of all high-grade quality, for which the 1924 was over fifteen million dol- which Canada is showing signs of departments, federal and provincial, Canadian tobacco in its own coundemand is almost unlimited. Some lars, of which the percentage of activity for the present and belief and the improvement in the meth- try and in Britain. Not only has types of tobacco are grown in a few ranch-bred was five and a half. A in the future. Every province in ods of curing and disposing of the it been demonstrated that high- sections of Canada exclusively for greatly reduced catch of muskrat Canada showed increases in value crop, have brought about a mar- grade tobaccos can be raised in the British market, which would and white fox brought the value of permits for February over Januvellous change. The tobacco divis- Canada, but they can be cured and take forty times as much of this more than a million dollars below ary with the exception of Ontario. ions of the agricultural departments marketed to compete on their own one brand as the Dominion produces that of the previous year. Smug- There are signs in that province

This is a matter that will always present difficulties.

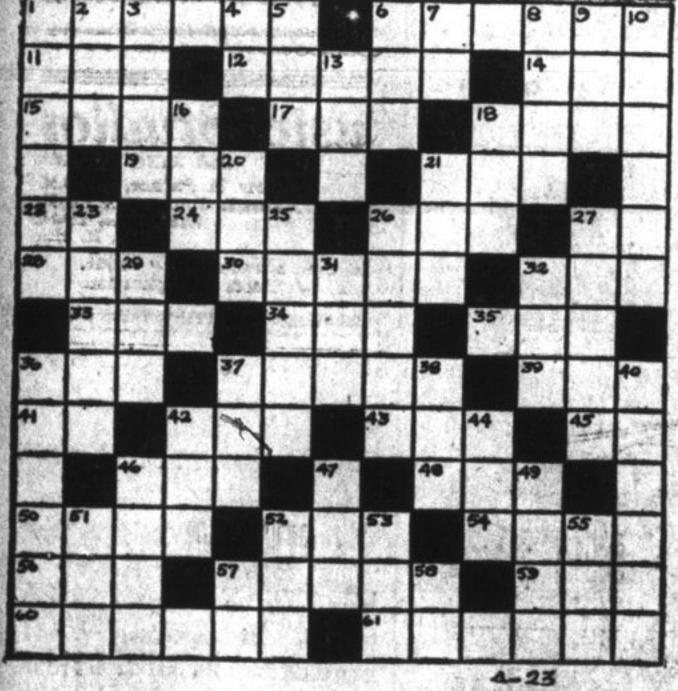
As an organized and systematic industry, however, fur farming in Canada grows rapidly, and is attended with a reasonable measure of success. The number of fur farms or ranches is added to every year. There are probably fourteen to fifteen hundred in the country now, with from forty to fifty thousand animals worth an aggregate of millions of dollars. Fox farming continues the most important branch, and Canadian black and silver fox skins are gaining a reputation, all over the civilized world, that is a wonderful advertisement for this country. It dates back to a farm near Tignish, Prince Edward Island, over forty years ago. But foxes are not alone in the production of fur in Canada. A late offcial publication shows that mink, racoon, skunk, marten, fisher, beaver, muskrat, Karakul sheep, which provide Persian lamb and astrachan furs, and chinchilla rabe bit, are ranch-bred in Canada now. Some have claimed that the chinchilla rabbit, which is said to haif from the Andes, could never be raised here commercially. Well Canada is going to show them,

Solving the Coal Problem What about coal? This country ed never buy a pound of coal from any other if only its own resources in that respect can be distributed to points distant from them at reasonable rates. Large scale experiments in the shipment of Western and Eastern coal to central Canada are now being undertaken by mining, railway and government co-operation. They involve problems not apparent on the surface; but they can and should be

The manufacture of coke in some of the hydro-electric plants of central Canada as a by-product of the coal carrying arrangement, is also suming a new importance. It was can be done on a large enough scale

cover a wide range in their work merits with the best that the United at present. The British preferential gling and pelts not officially report-that this is a condition which will ed, would no doubt considerably not last long, and that a great map. Ontario and Quebec are the duce. It will take a long time, per- pire tobacco growers, and Canada augment the totals every year. building boom is in the making.

## CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



It took a short time to construct | 30. Large beautiful red or pink this puzzle. But the ease of construction has nothing to do with its 32. Feminine pronoun. solution. It may be a sticked. Try 33. Esthetics.

Turning around To regret extremely. To diminish gradually.

To cry as a cow cries. Myself Crafty.

To court.

Successful Treatment

the open.

tatoes in tropical countries.

Food made from taro root.

Black bird of cuckoo family.

Metal in natural state.

Central part of wheel.

Fruit of hickory tree.

Geographical drawing.

To chat socially.

Man's headgear.

Destitute of hair.

Spike of corn. Provident insect.

House pet.

You and me.

Point of compass.

Vocalist.

To capture.

Pelt. Edge of a skirt. To smooth and dress as birds do their feathers.

Alcoholic drink. Fish (favorite in Japan and China). Flap on a shoe. Lowest ebb.

Conjunction.

Sex.

Plaits. Pronoun

23. Ancient Tired.

27. To deserve.

To come in.

Mental anguish.

Neuter pronoun.

Inspired with dread.

The foot of a cat.

Portion of a circle. 18. A parrot that attacks sheep

20. To yelp. 21. To cook by immersing in fat.

Corded cloth.

Tree that bears acorns.

Shelter afforded by an object

29. Root of vine used instead of po- | Answer to Wednesday's Crossword Puzzle:

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



MORE HUMORS OF HISTORY

By Arthur Moreland

No. 76.—The White Ship.





25th November, 1120.—Young Prince William was drowned at sea. His ship left Barfleur with all hands intoxicated, and struck a rock. All on board perished except Berold, a Rouen butcher. This tragedy made William, son of Robert, heir to the