

DIAMONDS IN CANADA

Sparklers Unearthed in Ancient Mounds in Rainy Lake District.

Experiences of Old Miners and Prospectors Support Theory of Head of Geological Survey That Rich Beds Exist.

Four Franconians, one of them a prospector in this region, did not need to be told by Dr. Ami of the geological survey that great diamond wealth undoubtedly lies hidden in that part of Canada between the great lakes and Hudson bay.

At the hamlet of Mine Center, in the Seine river country, George R. Douglas is the resident agent and assayer for the Rothschild interests.

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One summer, however, a party of scientists from the University of Toronto came out to explore them. From one of the mounds on which a sturdy oak was growing a large human skeleton, perfectly preserved, was exhumed.

Around the skeleton's neck was a massive band of pure copper and on its bosom rested a curiously wrought necklace of the same metal, into which were interwoven shells and colored stones.

Although half a dozen mounds were opened up before the party left the region, and copper ornaments and pottery were found with skeletons in all of them, no more diamonds were unearthed.

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WINTER TO BREAK RECORDS

Asksa Means and Anomalous Wards Preparations for Coldest Winter Ever Known.

Sitka, Alaska, which is believed to be the coldest winter in the history of the state, has begun its preparations for the coldest winter in the history of the state.

Many signs point to an especially early freeze-up and heavy snows in the mountains. Nearly every stream is leaving a solid trail of ice.

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Wild blackberries have been a gigantic crop throughout the north—a sure sign of a cold, dreary winter. Other berries and nuts have been plentiful.

Beams are so far that many have been almost unable to walk.

Geese and other water fowl usually stay in the north until late in September, feeding in the lakes and water courses, but this summer they remained only long enough to permit the young to gain strength to fly.

Indians have been preparing for a long winter by putting in store great quantities of smoked fish and dried meat. They say that the salmon run was big last summer, as a sign that the great spirit had sent plenty of food to last them until the coming of a belated spring.

All these signs are becoming household sayings and the people, with wisdom, are using the money saved from big fuel bills to purchase steamboat tickets to their old homes.

SHIP BAD BILLS TO RUSSIA

One Moscow Institution is Loser to the Extent of \$75,000 on the Spurious Issue.

London.—Up to the present over fifty forged £5 (£25) notes have reached the Bank of England from bankers in St. Petersburg and Moscow, where they had been paid in by money-changers.

It is not at present known how many forged notes have been put in circulation, or where they were made. It is, however, considered highly probable that they were made abroad by some one who has selected Russia as being a country where bogus notes would not be likely to excite too critical examination.

The notes which have come to hand are clever imitations of real notes, but are not calculated to deceive experienced bankers or money-changers.

Forgery of Bank of England notes has been infrequent of late years. An occasional forged note, usually traced with pen and ink, finds its way to the Bank of England. But the process is slow and unremunerative.

In 1904 a man was convicted of forging a number of notes by tracing them through glass. A detective of the city force succeeded in getting an introduction to the man, and actually saw him at work making the notes.

COW TAKES REVENGE ON AUTO

Puts Swift Machine Out of Commission After Hot Skirmish for Death of Calf.

Rurlington, N. J.—An automobile driven by William Brown of Trenton was wrecked on the Froebel road the other day after a hot skirmish with an angry cow.

A month ago it is said, a swift machine killed a calf while its mother was grazing beside the road. The cow was since become frantic at every approach of an automobile.

James McTearry was taking the animal out to pasture when a speeding car appeared. The cow broke away, lashed at the car, was knocked down, yet came out of the crash with flying colors, as the automobile hood was demolished and the mechanism so damaged that the car had to be towed to a garage for repairs.

Gets Shot That Hit Him.

Alltona, Pa.—With a 12-pound shot, which he has reason to believe is the very one that carried away his left arm on the Cold Harbor battle field on May 28, 1864, Alderman W. H. Strub has returned from the monument dedication. It was presented to him by the postmaster at Dodds, Va., and the circumstances connected with his being leaves no doubt of its identity.

CHILD MARRIAGES IN INDIA

Statistics Show That Child Marriages Common in India. Great Deal of Suffering Caused.

Child marriages in India are not only common, but they are also increasing. It is a terrible condition, and one which has caused much suffering.

The Indian people are not only ignorant, but they are also superstitious. They believe in child marriages, and they think it is a good thing to do.

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RATHER A MEAN SUGGESTION

What Might Be Called the Return of the Returned Lover.

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WANTED A DIFFERENT KIND

'Eatin' Eggs' This Time, the Request Made by Boy to the Mortified Grocer.

The following good story, which illustrates the fact that fools and children tell the truth no matter how painful the consequences, is told by George A. Markham, probation officer in the Buffalo police court.

A dull-looking boy came into a small grocery store and stood in the middle of the floor awkwardly twisting his fingers until the attention of the grocer was attracted to him.

The grocer of cabbage and canned goods finally approached him and rubbing his hands, inquired: "Well, my good fellow, what can I do for you?"

"I want eatin' eggs," exploded the lad. "You don't quite understand what I mean," said the grocer as those present smiled. "What I meant was this—What priced eggs do you wish, the 22-cent kind or the 25 kind?"

"I knowed what you meant," responded the little fellow, "but the last aligs we got want eatin' aligs."

Woman Gold Digger

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How It Happened

"Good for you, old chap! That's the first time I ever saw you make a home run."

New Geographical Distinction

"Father," said Little Boodle, "what is the Arctic circle?"

WOMEN OF THE REVOLUTION

Their Character and Intelligence Shown by the Way They Filled Their New Position.

Taking them all in all, the revolutionary women grasped fully the ideas of her time, saw its vision and rose valiantly to meet its needs. She is a splendid type of a gallant lady from whom it is an honor to have descended.

There is no truer test of her character and intelligence than the way she met the new ideas about her own position and rights which were born with the revolution. That approval, like the French revolution, gave a great impulse toward bigger living.

The nation had taken a full breath and felt the stir of it in its veins. Everybody saw clearer, stepped higher, felt braver and dared more.

Women, as men, shared the emotion and began to strain at their bonds. These bonds were real enough. Noble and understanding as this lady of 78 was in fact and recognized by the men of her day as being, in theory she was anything but that.

She was a person of inferior mind, unable to master the strong meat of education without dangerous results to her reason, unfit to be trusted with the guardianship of her property or her children, least both suffer, not to be allowed free speech in public lest her tongue run away with her and disorder and false doctrine be encouraged.

ILLNESS IN THE COMMUNITY

Just a Little Figuring Will Show Loss Occasioned by Wisely Preventable Disease.

The man who has just recovered from a serious illness generally sits down and makes some sort of calculation of the cost, including actual loss of salary or business earnings, cost of medical attendance and so on.

From personal investigation of the circumstances of 148 patients out of over 600 who had typhoid in Pittsburg during the year 1907 it was found that the extra expenses of their illness were about \$2,000.

The indirect loss to the community was, of course, very much larger and the committee in charge of the computation places it at over \$100,000 for the year. Evidently it is cheaper to construct aqueducts, build dams and lay down filter beds than to foot the bills for the consequences of failing to do these things.

MARKET VALUE OF SEAWEED

Material Generally Little Thought of Is of Use in a Variety of Ways.

Seaweed is not much to look at, but seaweed does not depend so much upon beauty as upon more substantial merit to make itself worthy of attention.

Various species of it are used in manufactures, and several varieties are edible, the most important of the latter being Irish or carragon moss, used in the preparation of jellies—blanc-mange, for instance—dulse, or dillesk, very highly thought of in Scotland, particularly when roasted by wrapping about hot tongue, and kelp or kangle.

The great bulk of the seaweed gathered, however, is used as a fertilizer, and the average seaweed contains large quantities of all the essential fertilizing elements.

One of our failings. The pretty girl stepped off the "L" train with a flush of annoyance on her face. "That certainly was not a pleasant experience," she said to the girl who was waiting for her.

They might be arrested for slander. "My own brother?" Fortunately for them—and doubtless for me, too—they evidently like Bob, for they had only good things to say about him.

Small Boy Solves Problem

Simple Solution of Trouble That Was Worrying the Mom Without a Family.

Capit Tom, who is the father of three sons, C. A. H. Tom, Jr. and Henry, but Tom is hardly ever known by his own name. Everybody calls him Buddy.

HAD MANY YEARS ON EARTH

Remarkable Band of Aged People to the Credit of English County District.

A medical correspondent has sent us an interesting extract from the Chard and Minester News, for the accuracy of which he is able to vouch, as he is the professional adviser of all the persons mentioned with the exception of Sarah Morris. He had attended Jacob Trott for some years before his death. The extract is as follows: