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### CANADA INTERESTED IN FOX FARM INDUSTRY.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND HOME OF FOX INDUSTRY  
The Islanders Are So Interested In It That Even Redistribution Doesn't Worry Them.

(Montreal Gazette)  
If the fox-raising fever continues much longer, accompanied with the same success as during the past three years in Prince Edward Island, Mr. Fred E. Morris, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., who at the Windsor, intimates that there will be no more legislators on the island. The judiciary will also go out of business; in fact, every man, from the prime Ministers and the bank managers down, will have gone into fox-farming instead. It will make little difference whether the new redistribution bills cut down the Island's representation at Ottawa to three or to two, as even that small number of men will not easily be found to serve the Island in Parliament at \$2,500 per annum when they can get one hundred per cent. dividend from a fox ranch. The Islanders are rejoicing over the prosperity that has come to the province. There are \$12,000,000 invested in the fox ranches, numbering about 220, and of this amount \$3,000,000 at least represents Island holders. Bank clerks have become wealthy and conservative farmers are millionaires. Ninety per cent. of all the Silver Black Foxes in the world are now located in the Island of Prince Edward.

#### FOX PRICES DROP IN WESTERN CANADA

Disease Carries Off Many Fine Animals and Owners Lose Much Money.  
Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 11.—The enthusiasm for fox-catching and farming in the Yukon has materially waned during the past month or so, owing to a decrease of fifty per cent. in the price of foxes since last summer, and because hundreds of foxes held in captivity have died from some unknown cause. Many of these are black foxes, for which in some cases \$1,500 and \$2,000 had been paid; one sold for \$1,600 being found dead five days after it had been placed in the corral. Fully 150 young red foxes held in captivity in the southern Yukon, have been turned loose.

Owners of black and silver grey foxes claim that they will be more valuable in a few months. The decrease in the number of foxes caught in the Yukon now, however, will considerably enhance the value of those already on farms in the Maritime Provinces.

#### OBJECT TO FOX FARMS WITHIN THE CITY

Moncton Citizens Get Over-enthusiastic and Board of Health Has to Interfere.  
Moncton, Feb. 17.—Moncton has the black fox fever. Hundreds of thousands of Moncton money is invested in fur farming. But while there are a large number of citizens who are enthusiastic over the fox business as a big dividend payer, they are so delighted with the industry that they don't care to have ranches established within the city limits.

They say that fox investors should be satisfied with a hundred per cent. dividend from ranches established in the rural districts and not endeavor

to keep the black beauties upon their premises within the city. Ald. Fraser, while on a canvassing tour prior to the last civic election, heard complaints from many people about this practice, and he decided to take the first opportunity to move in the matter, if elected.

On Thursday night at a meeting of the council he brought the question up, and the matter was duly considered by the city fathers, who were of the opinion that reynard's abode should be outside the city limits. The ranch complained about in this instance is located near the Main St. north crossing. Some time ago a resident on Lower Robinson street turned his back yard into a menagerie, having foxes and raccoons on his premises. The Board of Health took action and the animals were moved away.

#### VANISHING RACE OF THE NORTH

Eskimos Illustrate Nature's Great Adaptability, But Are Disappearing Rapidly.  
The Eskimos seem fated to disappear before the diseases of civilization. They are an ancient race and have left evidence of value to geologists in estimating the slow elevation of northern areas in the gradual wrinkling of the earth's crust. Hides or blinds of stone built by the ancient hunters on the shores to watch for seal and other marine animals are in some places high and far inland.

Wonderful Adaptability. These doomed people reveal nature's wonderful adaptability. They are formed to resist the Arctic frosts. They are short and round of form. Their fingers and toes are short and fat. Their noses, too, are small and round, and their entire bodies are protected by abundance of adipose tissue. Wonderful powers of vision essential to the procuring of sustenance, where a seal must be discerned at a great distance, have become a racial characteristic.

Nature's "Handy Men."  
These people learned to fashion nature's gifts to their own uses, to make tools, tan skins, build huts, tents, and boats, catch fish, capture the bear, the walrus, and the seal domesticate and harness the dog, and make fire their servant. They evolved artistic taste in designing their clothing, and developed a religion and a system of morality. They have not even the beginnings of government for they have no chief, and public opinion is the supreme law. Perhaps this is due to the continuous fight with nature, which has left no time or energy for organizing to fight one another. There is only a remnant of the Arctic type on Canada's northern shores and islands, the total being estimated at 3,447.

Would Be Great  
"They say that Mars is not now habitable, but will be soon."  
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### PRaises ST. JOHN'S CURLERS

Classed Our Players Amongst Crack Players on the Bouspiel.

Halifax, Feb. 16.—After being favored with weather conditions all that could possibly be desired and providing very keen ice, the big curling bouspiel which held sway in this city thru last week has now passed into history and might well be regarded as having been one of the most successful of its kind yet held in Canada. Enthusiastic followers of the roaring game were in attendance from all the maritime provinces and also from the ancient colony of Newfoundland, and while on the ice here a number of the visiting rinks played some excellent games. This is well demonstrated in the fact that out of the five handsome trophies offered for competition four of them were captured by these outside contestants while the fifth trophy (the 20th Century) fell to the Halifax rink skipped by Murray Macneill.

Some of the Crack Players. The Amherst team that secured the D. C. Fraser trophy were M. Carter, N. C. Rogers, H. M. Rogers and R. C. Fuller. They made a very good showing all thru the bouspiel. New Glasgow rink (D. C. Fraser, J. E. McDonald, A. S. Fraser and W. H. Torrey) proved old masters at the roaring game and the capture by them of the Dunlap Cooks prize was a fitting reward for the very excellent skill they had shown since arriving on the ice. There were other notable rinks among them being that of St. John's (Skip Montgomerie) and Sydney (Skip Turnbull) and Truro (Skip Semple), who all played fine games.

Close of Points Competition. This competition, which was played apart from the other matches, was concluded at the Mayflower rink Saturday night. In the two days play some excellent skill was demonstrated by the contestants and at the finish Dr. E. Douglas, of the Mayflower club, scored the highest with 42 points. He wins, in addition to the trophy which goes to his club, an individual prize of a pair of curling stones.

#### LINTROSE MEETS HEAVY DRIFT ICE

North Sydney, Feb. 13.—The steamer Lintrose reached port at 6 o'clock this evening. She left Port aux Basques at 12 last night, and was consequently 18 hours on the passage which usually takes but a third of the time. The captain reports passing through 40 miles of heavy ice. The Bruce left Port aux Basques this morning for North Sydney and was reported this evening 30 miles off Flint Island. The heaviest ice of the season has been encountered this week in the gulf.

WHAT RULERS ARE PAID  
The King of England, including the Queen's portion, gets \$2,500,000 a year salary.  
The King of Italy \$3,000,000.  
The German Emperor nearly \$4,000,000.  
The King of Spain nearly \$2,000,000.  
The Sultan of Turkey, \$7,500,000.  
The Czar of Russia from \$5,000,000 to \$12,000,000 according to the value of private estates.  
The President of the United States get \$75,000.  
The Emperor of Austria gets \$4,500,000.

### QUARTER MILLION SOLDIERS WERE SICK

During the Month of January 280 Deaths Occurred in French Army.

Paris, Feb. 20.—More than 250,000 soldiers of the French army were on the sick list during the month of January, according to figures made public in the Chamber of Deputies today by Deputy Lachaud, who interpellated the French Minister of War on the subject. At one time or another during the month more than a third of the soldiers belonging to the army were ill. Fortunately, he said, the cases were generally light and only 280 deaths had occurred.

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#### THE MINIA MADE TIMELY RESCUE

Took Eighteen Men Off the Gloucester Schooner "Cynthia."  
At four o'clock yesterday afternoon the cable steamer Minia docked at her pier at Halifax, thus disproving the harmful story that had been circulated regarding her loss at sea. The Minia had been several weeks on a repairing trip, working on the cable between Harbor Grace, Nfld., and Cape Breton. For a week she had been laying to, unable to proceed with her repair work owing to the violence of the weather conditions. It was while in that situation that she proved the salvation of eighteen men of the American fishing schooner Cynthia, as already reported by Captain Decarret, of the Minia. The Cynthia was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition at 8 p.m. on Friday, in lat. 44.55 N., long. 56.08 W., after being set on fire.

Had Thrilling Escape  
On arrival of her crew yesterday at Halifax the story told by Capt. Albert Grimms and his men, is one of a thrilling escape from death by as close a margin as ever he and his hardy crew of Gloucester fishermen would desire. It was a tale of a tremendous fight for life—long days and nights being spent at the pumps to keep the vessel afloat, of the engulfing seas sweeping the little vessel and the frost-laden wind loading her down with ice, and at last, when despairing of rescue, they saw the lights of the Minia—and were saved.

Five Days at Pumps  
At last on Monday night, as the result of the vessel's straining, she sprang a leak. For five days and nights everyone of the crew worked at the pumps endeavoring to keep the vessel afloat until at least some succor was sighted. Hopes of bringing the vessel to any port were small as the foresail had been carried almost completely away.

To add to the difficulties and danger, the vessel was covered with ice which was continually increasing in thickness. Late Saturday afternoon the Minia was sighted and the crew, knowing that their own vessel was doomed, it being only a matter of a short time she would founder, abandoned her. Halifax Chronicle.



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