ing Out Canada's Game by Destroy

ing Their Feeding Beds. The German carp, against whom the hand of every fishermen is raised because of his displacing better fish, is accused of one more and still worse crime by O. B. Sheppard, Dominion inspector of fisheries for On-

tario, to wit, that of driving out our best wateriowl by eating their food.

Mr. Sheppard, after his return from an inspection trip, stated that the problem of getting rid of or keeping under the carp was now facing the fishery authorities on both sides of the line. From all he could learn the carp was in Germany a fine-grained and delicate fish, but its transplanting to America with its new variety of food had caused it to slide down the scale until it was about the least desirable of our food fishes. Its chief fault was its driving away of other fish and gradually exterminating them by eating their

Latterly, however, it had been noticed that the carp were destroying the beds of wild rice, which forms the chief food of wild ducks, geese

and other aquatic birds. Upon the trip from which he was just returning, Mr. Sheppard had noticed that in Cook's Bay, Lake Simcoe, where there were formerly hundreds of acres of wild rice, there was not to be seen a spear of that plant to-day. The same was true of the Holland river, where there were at one time fifteen hundred acres of rice; now the carp have eaten it literally root, branch and seed. These places were once the very best duck grounds in the province, and now the ducks avoid them.

The carp were not introduced originally into Lake Simcoe, but were confined in the mill dam at Newmarket. The dam broke, and the carp got into Lake Simcoe through the Holland river. How to get them out or destroy them passed any man's knowledge, as they were the most tenacious of life under hard conditions, and defied the best laid traps, So far as he knew there was no carp in any of the Muskoka lakes.

As to the chances for black bass in the lakes where carp abound, he thought they were better than those of any other fish. The carp was not a fish-eater like the pike, his mouth not being so placed that he could enjoy this diversion. He was of the sucker variety, and destroyed other fish tribes by eating their eggs. The black bass was well armed to fight Only eight days elapsed between the laying of bass eggs and the hatching out of the young fry and during this critical period and while the fry were too small to get out of the way of the carp, the parent hass remained on guard and rushed bull-like at everything that

threatened their progeny. The bass, Mr. Sheppard said, was the only fish which protected its young in this way, and it was this pugnacity which made them such an easy prey to the angler during the spawning season. At everything that looked unusual or dangerous the bass rushed pell-mell, and consequently was impaled on the first hook which came within reach. On this account the bass were particularly protected by close season during the spawning

The carp need no protection, jocu larly remarked Mr. Sheppard. It had got into international waters and become an international question for fishery experts, and lucky would be who could devise some means of getting rid of the carp family without destroying other varie-

Paying Paul With Peter's Money.

A man delmands fifty merchants out of the count, or \$250 in all, and is onneith with the money on him. The depositives take over the money; the men hires a lawyer to defend him. we be is convicted and the money is designed to belong to the men from prison it was wrongfully taken. The smook, however, writes an order on the detective department to hand over to his lawyer \$70 out of the amoney that is not his, in payment for services in defending him. The judge orders that the lawyer be paid, and that ere the money be returned to its owners there shall be deducted from each man's part of it enough to pay what it cost the thief to try to escape punishment for his

If a lecturer reported this as having happened in China it would be thought very diverting by a Toronto audience, says The Star. But it happened in Toronto, and not in China, and we trust that it may not be considered disrespectful of the courts if we allow ourselves to think it a very interesting piece of law.

These fifty merchants have thus paid a lawyer to do his best to help a man get away with their money and escape punishment. It may be assamed, if the man's defence and cost \$250, the merchants would have recovered nothing.

Suppose this man had stolen a purse containing a check for \$250, would a judge order that the check be cashed so that the lawyer who defended the thief could be paid? If this man had stolen a horse, would the order go forth to sell the horse, pay the prisoner's lawyer, and restore the balance to the owner of

Law is a mighty ticklish business sure enough, but it seems to grow more ticklish year by year. It may be, however, that merchants who allow themselves to be defrauded as in this case, and who thus put the police and the courts to trouble and the country to expense, ought to suffer a fine for their verdancy. If so, would it not be better, however, to have an express statute on the point?

Incredible Fish story. friend of ours spent yesterday afternoon fishing for big fish in the bay, says The Belleville Ontario. Several hours were spent atsa "sure thing" spot, where he had been guid-ed by a man who is used to catching whoppers. He says when he put away his rod at night the hook contained the same bait that he put on when he started, and that it was quite in good condition, Who believes it?

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If single beds were more numerous than they are, a great many people would be better off. When one is tired, sick, cross, restless, out of sorts, he or she ought to sleep alone and not communicate by proximity the maladies that affect him. The brute creatures when sick go away by themselves till they die or get over their troubles, and this instinct a great many human beings have. Those that have it are best if indulged in it, not to the slightest degree of neglect, however. Where two children in a family must share the same room in a great many cases they would be better off to have two single beds rather than one wide double bed. We can share a great many things with those we love. but selitude clings to us from birth to death. We come into the world alone: we must go out of it alone, and we live in it alone, in a certain important sense, and to get and keep our "bear ings" we must sometimes be left alone. It is good that we should be .-

The Odor of Death.

A London physician of large practice asserts that owing to his extremely the coming of death forty-eight hours. He says that when a patient comes within two days of death a peculiar earthy smell is emitted from the body. When the fatal disease is slow in its progress, the odor makes its appearance as much as three days beforehand, but when the disease is of the galloping kind the doctor says he receives much shorter warning. He attributes the smell to mortification. which begins within the body before life is extinct.

Dogs are thought to have this sense. for hunting hounds have been observed to begin a mournful baying a day or two before their masters died.

What becomes of all the smart children after they grow older? A husband in hand is worth two hat are beyond control When a woman has on her best clothes she wants admiration; all the rest of the time, love.

WHEN YOUR COSTLY

is out of order you have it regulated, you don't at once throw it aside. Why, then, when your bowels are out of order, do you treat them as

That is precisely what it means to take violent cathartics. They do not regulate the bowels, but take their work away from them, debilitate them, and make you more constipated than ever. You had far better throw away your

good watch than treat your bowels roughly. You can get another watch, but you cannot renew your The only cure for Constipation is

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When She Screamed, She ventured in the briny deep

A crab had pinched her toe And, though at that momentous time Her screams were plainly heard, Yet when a lobster squeezed her wals She didn't say a word.

Grasped the Inspiration. Strumleigh (humming an air)-Tumu-tiddy-tum-ti-ti-tee-Friend (interrupting)-What

Strumleigh-Why, one of the things they were playing at the classical concert last night, by-er-what's the man's name? You know-er-some thing you catch hold of? Friend (with sudden inspiration) -Handel?-Washington Times.

> Reuben said to Susie,
> "Now, Sue, I'll never rue."
> Susie said to Reuben, If you don't, I'll have to sue." Reuben was a gallant chap, And Reuben never rued, So Susie simply sued.

In Chicago.

Hasn't Gone Up. Mrs. Wickler-Did you ever see how all the necessaries of life have gone

Wickler-No; they haven't all gone "Well, I should like to have you men ion one thing that hasn't gone up." "Certainly. My salary."

Timely Suggestion. When from your love you part to mee Don't say au revoir nor yet auf wieder

Well Wed. Mrs. Gaswell - So Ethel married broad and married well, did she? Mrs. Dukane-What I said was that she was well married.

Unless you're sure of the pronunc

"How?" "There were two ceremonies, a civil and religious,"

Didn't Know Her. When the ark was just over Genoa Mrs. Noah burst forth at poor Noah "Who's this Joan of Arc? You are keeping her dark!" 'Oh, no! I don't know her," said Noah.

It Came With Her. "Your husband," said the talkative man, "has such a gentle disposition. He inherited it from his mother. I 'No," replied Mrs. Henpeck; signifi cantly, "I think I may safely say that

Seaside Lyric. The maiden wept and tore her hair And dropped her down in deep deje saucy wave had smote her where

was part of my dowry."

Business. "How nice it would be." mused the merchant, "if my clerks would take as much interest in my business as they do in everybody else's."

She'd lately placed her new complexion

Cheer Up. Oheer up, my honey; Clouds'll roll away; Love is more than money Any summer's day!

His Grievance. Ted-Why are you so opposed to mall families of the rich? Ned-Our millionaires haven't dauch ters enough to go around.

We Remember. Though memory often spurns our debt Some kindly debts, for who forgets His kindnesses to others?

The Trouble. Mrs. Jones-I always think twice be fore I speak once, sir! Mr. Jones (sighing)-Exactly, Maria, but you're such a quick thinker!

Regular Gale. "My love is like the breeze," he sang, "So lightly, blithely going." And now he's married he bewails Her everlasting blowing.

Riddle of the Universe. Summer Girl-Am I the first girl you ever kissed? Summer Man-Am I the first ma you ever asked?

> The Good Panama. He was a fool; he rocked the boat; The girl she got ashore. His panama enveloped him, And he was seen no more!

Don't introduce a married man to woman. All he gets out of it is the trouble of raising his hat every time he meets her.

Calls Its Bluff. The shad has a thousand bones And the oyster none, But the oyster shells out pearls And the shad not one

Scarcity of Game. City Sportsman-Have you seen any thing worth shooting at around here? Farmer-Well, no; not till you came

One More. This strange, eternal cruel fact
Will stick when all of us are still:
There's always one fly left in the room No matter how many you kill.

OSS OF APPETITE



If your stomach is upset or in any way out of order-if food seems distasteful to you-if acidity, burning or fullness of the stomach prevents you from having an appetite-if you wish to eat and eat well-take, before each meal, a wine glassful of

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