

FRUITFUL indeed is the valley of the Lake St. John. A woman there has given birth to eleven children in seven years; triplets once, twins twice, and the balance in the regular quantity. Five of these were born inside of eleven months, viz.: the triplets and one pair of twins.

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