

MARINE NEWS

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Canadian Buyers To Switzerland

Indications Point to Large Attendance at Basle Fair—Buyers Away on Melita in April.
From inquiries received by the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., it is considered probable that there will be a number of Canadian buyers leaving on the Melita for Southampton and Antwerp from St. John, on her April 15 sailing, to attend the sixth Swiss Sample Fair, which will be held in Basle from April 22 to May 2, Switzerland, and especially Basle, has been famous for its fairs since the fifteenth century. These fairs, from ancient times, were local affairs, but have now been consolidated and the Sample Fair at Basle has become an annual event of international importance since 1917.

LIBERAL WOMEN MAKING KEEN FIGHT TO WIN

Many in Great Britain Seek Return to Old Party Affiliation.
London, March 7.—(Special Correspondence).—There is no doubt that the Government is finding itself faced with a large body of women in the country who do not see eye to eye with them, or perhaps it would be truer to say, who insist upon retaining the old party lines of division. The followers of Mr. Asquith are not by any means to be despised, and it is curious to note that while older Liberals are inclined to rally to the banner of Mr. Lloyd George, the younger women are joining the reviving Liberal associations in increasing numbers.

Group Capt. Scott Remarkable Figure During Great War

Died Recently of Double Pneumonia Following Visit to Switzerland.
London, March 7.—(By Canadian Press).—Group Captain Alan John Lance Scott, C.B.M.G., A.F.C., secretary to Rt. Hon. Frederick Guest, Secretary of State for Air, died recently of double pneumonia following his return from St. Moritz, Switzerland.
In an appreciation of his services in the Great War, Lord Birkenhead, Lord High Chancellor, says that while Captain Scott was almost, if not quite unknown to the general public, yet there was in the British Army no more arresting and remarkable figure.
In August, 1914, when the war broke out, he was a junior officer in the Sussex Yeomanry and was consumed with a burning desire to undertake active service at the earliest moment. He had never in his life been in an aeroplane; he was over 30 years old; but the air, and the prospect of air fighting, made an irresistible appeal to his adventurous nature. Quite early in the war he joined the Royal Air Force, and thereafter commenced an Odyssey of hazard, adventure, and terrible accidents which can hardly be said to have ended in the annals of the air.

NOVA SCOTIA RICHEST GHOST AREA IN WORLD

Province is Also Famous for Fakirs and Humorists in Spiritualism.
(Special to Montreal Gazette.)
New York, March 7.—Nova Scotia is one of the world's richest areas in ghosts, but also one of the richest in fakirs and humorists, who have produced famous spiritualists, hoaxes in the past, according to Dr. Hereward Carrington, who today discussed the ghost of McDonald farm, which straddles the boundary line of Antigonish and Cumberland counties, in that province. This ghost is now being investigated by Dr. Franklin Price, president of the Psychological Research Society of this city, who is making a trip to the haunted house with a set of modern ghost-trapping apparatus.
"The McDonald farm ghost, if there is one, is a 'poltergeist'; Dr. Carrington said, which is the name of the jargon of psychical research for a spirit which makes a lot of noise. Dr. Carrington doubted, however, whether the set of rattles, bells, horns and whistles taken along by the party to share the ghost would interest any intellectual and ingenious visitor, as the McDonald farm ghost seems to be. The chief pleasure of this haunt is reported to be seen, thirty-eight feet in one night being its record.
Dr. Carrington said that the shouting and barn-burning spirit of McDonald farm which might possibly be the same one which nearly half a century ago made its headquarters at Antigonish, N. S. The Amherst ghost sometimes played with fire, he said, and manifested itself by other acts of violence. For a period it was the world's most famous ghost. It filled reports of psychical research societies in large volume, 'The Amherst Mystery,' was written about it. It went out of existence quietly many years ago, and nobody ever established conclusively whether it was fraud or a genuine thing.
Worst Ghost Hoax.
The worst ghost hoax in twenty years, however, occurred in 1906 at Windsor, N. S. Psychologists and spiritualists were stirred by the extraordinary report of a judge at Windsor, a man of high reputation for veracity, a spiritualist in himself, who sent to research societies large accounts of the extraordinary things which manifested themselves to him—voices in the air, shouting from electrical shocks, potatoes and eggs dropped on him apparently from the sky. Wherever he went, this aged jurist was apparently followed by his peculiar and personal spirits, who made life uncomfortable but interesting.
"His reports were splendidly written, explained in such detail and so logically reasoned that all interested in psychical things the world-over were greatly impressed," said Dr. Carrington. "It was so much impressed that I went up there myself and investigated it.
"I soon found that the whole town was in a conspiracy to delude the old man. He had been a spiritualist. He was looking him in small matters. This was regarded as such a joke that deluding him became the chief industry of Windsor.
"Then he went to great pains and expense to fit up electrical manifestations in his home, and he was kept in the dark by the most extraordinary of the spirits. He had equipped this place with a concealed speaking tube and telephones, hidden bells and all sorts of contrivances to give the gravest faces, they would play all sorts of tricks on the old man, week in and week out, and he would report them in sober, matter-of-fact language to the scientific world."
Hidden springs would cause vegetables to dance in their baskets at the green grocers, eggs would drop on him from trees, horses would address him suddenly in the voices of small boys. At each such violation of the constitution of the universe, the old man would whip out his notebook and record the exact hour of happening, the scene, the witnesses and all the concomitant circumstances.
"I tried to undecieve him, but it was impossible," said Mr. Carrington. "I corresponded with him for some time before his death, but he went to the grave thinking that he had been distinguished by the most extraordinary visitations known to man."
Registering Ghosts.
Dr. Carrington has applied one of the most interesting modern inventions to the art of registering weak and faint ghosts when manifestations would otherwise be absent from the sum of human knowledge. This is the telephonic amplifier, or loud-speaking telephone with which President Harding and others occasionally address the nation. It has been equipped with an apparatus especially adapted for catching the words, songs or rappings of timid spirits, and the amplifiers multiply them into bellows and crashings. Ghosts are few and far between in New York at present, so that it has not produced any striking results, though it has picked up a few squeaks from the fourth dimension under favorable circumstances. It is believed that this contrivance may eavesdrop on ghostly gatherings and exaggerate their whisperings into a pandemonium.
Dr. Carrington said that he had no intention of going to McDonald farm, but that if it seemed to be genuine, he might make an excursion there with a set of modern ghost-trapping paraphernalia, which consists of motion picture cameras which show the faintest phosphorescence of a moving ghost or goblin, ultra-sensitive, spark plates for ordinary cameras, scales for weighing ghosts and apparatus, spectroscopes for analyzing their rays, and similar scientific engines.
"I do not wish to be understood as supposing that this ghost is genuine, though the reported manifestations are extremely interesting," said Dr. Carrington. "I believe that it is either a hoax, by local practical jokers, or an effect produced unconsciously by the

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Women have begun preparations for the opening of the fishing season in the harbor and the erection of a weir at Navy Island is considerably advanced towards completion.
will load for Belfast and Londonderry.
The steamer Lord Downshire is en route here from Irish ports with general cargo and is expected to arrive in a couple of days.
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