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It has been proven that rock bass eat most of the trout fry placed in streams by the Fisheries Department.
Three druggists in London were convicted of selling rubbing alcohol to Indians, but were suspended with costs and a warning.
The treaty money for the Indians in the Moose Factory area was taken into the north by aeroplane last week.
Oxford County Council settled its county road problems last week by deciding to make each township pay its own debts.
Canada's dollar was the first and only currency to be quoted at a premium over the U. S. dollar since the war.
Palmerston is making preparations to celebrate the semi-centennial of the town during the first week in August.
Since April 1st, 1923, when the British embargo against Canadian cattle was lifted 158,859 head of cattle had been shipped to that market up until June 1st.
Motorist (stopped at bridge by country boy)—What's the matter? Something wrong with the bridge? Boy—Naw! Me brudder's got a nibble.
Two more miracles of healing are reported from the shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre last week. An 18-year-old girl from Detroit, who has suffered from birth with a dislocated hip, and a French-Canadian youth from the New England states, threw away his crutches, both being effectively healed by prayer at the sacred shrine.
Arthur Wees of Sarnia hauled a 200 lb sturgeon from his net on Monday. The fish was taken to the Port Huron market and the caviar will net about \$100 it is estimated. Sturgeon appears to be quite plentiful this year, several large ones having been taken from Lake Huron this spring. Mr. Wees also caught two smaller ones on Saturday.

A lone bandit coolly walked into the Thorndale branch of the Bank of Montreal shortly after closing time on Thursday afternoon, herded the staff of four into the small vault and quietly drove away with all the cash which amounted to about \$7,000. No trace of him yet.
Lightning descended one hundred and fifty feet into the bowels of the earth and killed a miner at his work at Joplin, Mo. The bolt struck a steam boiler with a deafening crash at the minehead, dazing the hoister man, who was tending the firebox. It followed the course of a steam pipe leading into the bosom of the earth and killed a man twenty-one years of age.
A buggy void of lights on the highway near Seaforth cost a young lady in a motor car a broken limb, when the driver, not seeing the buggy until almost on it, turned out to avoid a collision, struck loose gravel and crashed into a telegraph pole, completely wrecking the car. The whole party were taken to Seaforth hospital for treatment, while the buggy and its occupants escaped unharmed.
Charles Brown, a young farmer near Seaforth, who was married last Wednesday to Miss Mary Walker, of Brucefield, on Monday purchased strychnine at the drug store to kill crows and securing a glass of water at an ice cream parlor, drank it. He was found dead an hour later, sitting in a sedan in a salesroom further down the street. No reason can be assigned for his rash act. A strange coincidence is that Michael Fletcher, of McKillop tp., committed suicide in the same way last Monday.
Meetings are held under great difficulties in some of the small townships on the Pacific coast, where earthquakes are common. Recently during a shock, the whole Council jumped to their feet, and left the Town Hall. The clerk, a man of rules and regulations, was hard put to give his minutes the proper official tone. To have stated that the committee were frightened out of their lives would be unorthodox, to say the least of it. Finally, he wrote, "On the motion of the Town Hall, the Council adjourned."

Rev. R. A. Brook, wife and family are leaving this week, for Bruce Beach, where they will holiday for several weeks. Rev. Kerr of Lambeth will have charge of the Sunday services.

Permits to sell 4.4 beer must be renewed on or before October 31st. The public's reception of the new beer seems to vary with the localities. Some dispensers claim it a "dud", others extol it as a revenue-producer, while all agree that the tourists' demand is the large percentage of sales. Ontario consumers would no doubt be satisfied with its palatability, had not the revenue taxes boosted the price to the ridiculous figure of twenty cents a pint.

Andy Pepall arrived back in Toronto from Los Angeles on Sunday in company with two special officers, after a year's fighting extradition from United States; was charged on six counts with theft, obtaining and receiving, etc., in connection with the Aemilius Jarvis—Peter Smith case against the Ontario Treasury, and was refused bail on the request of the Attorney-General's dept. The preliminary hearing will probably be held on July 14th.

The resignation of Rev. R. J. Bowen as secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Western Ontario on account of poor health is a matter of regret. It was surely no desire of Mr. Bowen or of the public in this district that he should cease his activities. It is very doubtful if there is a man in Canada who knows the dominion as thoroughly as Mr. Bowen, or who is as capable of telling an audience of its remotest corners from the Yukon to Labrador.

Kingsville Reporter—Quite a number of people from here went to Rond Eau yesterday to spend the day and were delighted with the park and its surroundings. There are plenty of deer and fawns, wild ducks, etc., and all the wild life at the park has become quite tame, undoubtedly because it is protected. This is another proof that Jack Miner was correct when he said "It is man that is wild, not the birds and animals."

Two accidents, one serious, early Sunday morning, marred the otherwise clear record of Petrolia's old home week. During Saturday evening's carnival, Jack Hastings, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hastings, former Petrolia residents and now of 718 Dougall avenue, Windsor, was riding on the running board of a motor car when he lost his hold and rolled over the front fender in some unexplained manner. The lad struck his head heavily on the pavement and he was rushed to the C.E.E. Hospital, where it is believed, he is suffering from a fractured skull.

Around the world on foot is the objective of Gysbertus Scourbring, a Dutchman. He left home in Haarlem, Holland on May 1, 1921 and just cast aside his thirteenth pair of boots in Nairbui, India, having completed the first lap of 25,000 miles. Scourbring is 6 feet 6 inches in height and speaks ten languages. He intends to tramp through Africa, then up the west coast and along the north of the continent to the Suez Canal. Then he will walk across Asia, America and England and so home—about 9 years hence, taking thirteen years to accomplish the journey.

July is the month of drowning accidents. Two sad boating mishaps occurred on Monday, in which eleven lives were snuffed out. James Falconer, aged 16, Margaret Falconer, aged 7, whose parents reside in Petrolia, and Jimmie Bell, aged 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bell, Corrunna, were drowned in the St. Clair river on Monday evening, when the row-boat capsized within a few feet of the dock. Miss Edith Bell and a girl friend from Detroit were rescued by her brother, Robert Bell, who was standing on the dock at the time, but the others sank before he could get back to them. At the Anglican S. S. picnic in Pinafore Park, St. Thomas, on Monday evening, seven children and one woman were drowned when the swan pleasure boat capsized within 100 feet of the landing stage. The swan boat had been carrying groups of S.S. pupils all day on pleasure rides about the lake and with 21 children and two women on board was returning to the landing after the final trip for the day, when the children, all of whom were under twelve years of age, spied a large snapping turtle and the rushing to that side caused the boat to list sufficiently to take on water and quickly capsized and sank. Utmost confusion followed and mothers who could not locate their children in the park, thought them drowned in the small lake. Later, when a check-up was possible, the actual missing became known.

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In response to Brant County's offer to pay 10 cents for every ground hog killed the boys of that county have brought in 8,240 of the animals.

The Ontario department of health has seven engineers and eight district health officers busy inspecting tourist camps and refreshment places throughout the province to protect the health of tourists.

A full report will be made by the inspectors to enable the Government to bring in legislation or make regulations for the governing of the conduct of camps, etc.

Every motor camp in the province whether public or private, is being inspected as to its sanitation and water, D. W. Bell, deputy minister of health explained today. Refreshment booths are being inspected also and the source of water, milk and "hot dogs" are the subjects of minute inquiry.

The O. R. E. C. summer training school for Sunday school teachers will be held at Wellington's grove, two miles west of Camlachie, from August 3 to 10. Rev. William McInnes of Thedford, is dean, and the secretary is Miss K. M. Lowrie, of Inwood. The staff includes Rev. C. A. Myers, M.A., associate secretary of the board of Sabbath schools and young people's societies of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; Miss B. Laine, superintendent of children's division O. R. E. C.; Miss Marion Royce, of Toronto; Rev. A. E. Wagborne, of Mandaumin; Rev. D. W. Williams, B. A., of Thedford, and the dean, Rev. W. McInnes of Thedford.

The revised scale of Government grants to counties for road purposes whereby subsidies of 40 and 60 per cent, are replaced by a uniform subsidy of 50 per cent, has been brought into effect in 21 counties by an order-in-council passed at the Parliament buildings. When the plan was being embodied in legislation at the last session of the Ontario Legislature the Government took the power of proclaiming it in any part or parts of Ontario to which it might be deemed suitable, and the proclamation of it in the 21 counties follows these counties' acceptance of it at the June meetings of their councils. Prior to this plan of subsidy two classes of roads existed, namely, county-provincial and county, which were given grants of 60 and 40 per cent, respectively. These two subsidies worked out to an average one of 47½ per cent., so that in merging the two classes of roads into one and giving a subsidy of 50 per cent, the Government is facing increased payment on subsidy accounting. The aim of the consolidation of the county-provincial and county roads is the development of a system of connecting county roads which will cover the province. The advisory highway committee of the Ontario Legislature has made a careful survey of the province with this end in view, and has submitted tangible designations to the various counties concerned, whereby a network of connecting and useful highways will be linked up. The 21 counties which have considered the 50 per cent, subsidy plan and agreed to it by resolutions of their county councils are: Leeds and Granville, Prescott, Russell, Lanark, Victoria, Ontario, York, Peel, Halton, Dufferin, Grey, Bruce, Norfolk, Perth, Waterloo, Wentworth, Welland, Elgin, Prince Edward, Oxford and Frontenac.

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Civilized races have no monopoly on matters of etiquette and custom. The Kafir in his leaf-covered hut is hedged around with even more unbreakable customs which demand his implicit and unswerving observance.

Among Kafirs greens or vegetables are regarded as woman's food, while the woman on her side would never think of eating certain parts of the meat killed by her husband. That is "man's food."

No Kafir would dream of eating Kafir corn or drinking sour-milk with anyone who was not of his own sur-name or clan-name. To do so would prevent all future intercourse with any lady of that clan, she would have to be regarded as a sister.

When a man visits his mother-in-law, he must be very careful indeed what part of the meat he is eating. The mother-in-law must also be very careful what she eats when visiting her son-in-law. Certain parts should never be eaten by such a visitor.

These are different reasons for these abstinences. Sometimes it is the staple diet of a people which may not be eaten, when a person is in any state of uncleanness. Thus no Kafir who has killed a man, even in battle, may eat until he has been cleansed. Mothers of children must refrain from sour-milk or millet during the first week of their child's life. A boy who is being initiated into manhood may not touch milk, he lives on porridge.

Another reason is that the person may assimilate the properties of whatever he is eating. In this way a Zulu will eat the heart of an ox that he may become brave and strong. The Bushman is afraid of eating slow-footed animals lest they should hinder him in the chase. The Fans, of West Africa, will never touch tortoise for the same reason.

About a hundred years ago Sir Charles McCarthy was killed by the Ashantee warriors, and his heart was eaten by the chiefs present, to inspire them with his bravery.

Another reason for refraining from eating certain animals or plants is the belief in totemism, the belief that a tribe is descended from some animal or tree. Thus a man of the Kangaroo tribe in Australia will not touch the kangaroo. On the other hand, it is his duty to see to it that the kangaroo goes on being prolific that other tribes may eat of him. He does this by magic rites.

This belief is found in South Africa, and in fact all through Africa, and has a very wide distribution all over the world.

Amongst the Baganda of Central Africa, each man has two totems; he may destroy neither. Each clan has here a special place in society. The lion clan may never bear a king. Should a woman of this clan marry the king all her male children are strangled at birth.

The same strong ritual is built up round Kava and Betel, in the South Sea Islands, as is built up round port wine in our own country. The kava must go round in strict order. The chewing of betel with lime and pepper leaves is also a ritual.

Tobacco, too, has its rites. No man would smoke a cigarette without first tapping it on the box. To offer a cigarette to a man immediately forms a friendship, perhaps for a journey only, but still it breaks the ice.

So also with the Kafir, he also takes a pinch of snuff from his host before saying a word about his business, however important it be.

Millet and sour milk are to the Kafir what corn and wine were to the ancient Greeks—regular sacraments, only to be partaken of when spiritually clean.