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## SOMETHING INTERESTING ABOUT OUR OWN HOME LAND

Idea Americans are Said to Have of Canada as Seen by a Canadian Author in U. S.

(Contributed by a Dominion Reader)  
Down in New York they have a Canadian Club and a monthly organ of publication called The Maple Leaf. In the April issue Arthur Stringer, the ex-Canadian writer has the following article:  
Omnia Mutantur, as they used to say on the Tiber. When I went from Canada to Oxford, a good many years ago, my professor Greek asked me how I got along on English roast mutton after so many winters of whale-blower. Last spring when I came from Canada to the States, every second New Yorker looked me earnestly in the eye and asked me what brand of Scotch I brought down with me.  
And that set me to thinking. It reminded me how little my native country was understood on this side of the Line. For I loved my home so appropriately called the land of the Beaver for the simple reason that the Canadian, like the beaver, has to go about damning that home a bit before he considers it fit to live in. So, being of an investigative turn of mind, I occupied my idle days—for I'm only an author and have, of course, practically nothing to do—trying to get some general idea of Uncle Sam's general estimate of Johnny Canuck.  
Canada, I found, was a large body of snow completely surrounded by run-runners. It grows the hardest wheat and the hardest liquor to be found on the continent. Along the Bay of Fundy it has the highest tides and along the St. Lawrence the highest birth rate in the world. But it's so cold that the noxious riches of Quebec still build their country palaces out of the ice blocks, the Four Hundred of Montreal wear ear-muffs, and the humble habitation grows his favorite muskmelons with fur on to keep them from freezing. It is a country made up of forests that are forever being burned down and politicians that are forever being shown up; of Mounted Police who are forever tracking escaped murderers into the wastes of the Arctic; of lovely young ladies who wear bear-skin rompers without being the least bit camera-shy and who do their travelling (since there seems to be no railways) behind a dog-team of faithful huskies; of an escogman who pursues the best of swamp-thrashes with a net; of agile old ladies who frolic up and down the Cateau Frontenac Terrace on skins and snowshoes; of an organization known as the C. P. R. which originally built the Canadian Rockies and which can comfortably carry you into the Great Open Spaces where a man, oddly enough, is always a man, and where you can buy dehydrated elk head for eighteen dollars or hook a twenty-pound rock-bass off the hotel dock; of a humorist known as Old Steve Leacock, who pokes you in the eye with one hand while he drops his bitter pill of political economy down your throat with the other; and of an optimist named Steffanson, who flirts with the lady leopards and finds them friendlier than the Royal Poineiana on a Sunday in February.  
It is a land that claims a first mortgage on the Pole, yet cut Kipling dead because he called it "Our Lady of the Snows," a land where it is as impolite to breathe a word about winter temperatures as it is to speak of the "earthquake" in San Francisco. It is a land where the visiting sportsman pursues the lordly moose through the unlimited pulp woods and at the same time a land where you can't throw a snow-ball without hitting a well-known poet. It is a land where the rapids tumble joyously and the mining stocks do the same, only with less merriment; a land where they make McLaren's cheese and Walkers Imperial, and the worst shoes, and the best Maple Syrup in the world; where they say "Choosday" for Tuesday and go curling on their frozen rivers, and where they refuse to sell you an ice-cream on Sunday; and although they still claim a high degree of civilization they still politely decapitate each other at a game called Lacrosse and let the Daughters of the Empire burn Hearst in effigy every time he raises the mailing price of the Cosmopolitan. It's a land of modest workers who discover insulin and distill Canadian Club and perfect helium gas and sell pollard, and where the New England abolitionist, and where the Blunstone is a brother to the Blonde Eskimo; where titles are officially forbidden and frowned on as

## FIVE VACANCIES IN QUEBEC ASSEMBLY

By-Elections About End of October—Opposition to Contest All Seats

Quebec, Sept. 5.—With the Federal bye-elections in Quebec province out of the way, interest returns to the question of filling the vacancies that exist in the Legislature, and already many names are being mentioned as possible candidates for these constituencies.  
In all probability, however, no official steps will be taken in the matter by the Liberal party until they have started their big convention rolling on Sept. 14th; but once the ball is set in motion plenty of candidates will be available for each riding.  
The Conservatives intend contesting all seats, it is stated, and they have hopes of capturing some of them, if not all, for the organizers here claim that the situation in the province is looking more and more rosy for the opposition.  
At present there are five seats vacant in the Legislature, St. Maurice, Quebec county, Sherbrooke, Bonaventure and St. Ann's, Montreal, the last named being the latest vacancy, caused through the resignation of W. J. Hushion to become candidate in St. Antoine.  
Writs are due to be issued for the federal bye-elections about the middle of October, with polling day on October 27th or Nov. 3rd.

## CARAQUET LADY GIVES DEMONSTRATION OF WEAVING AT TORONTO EXHIBITION

Madame Blanchard has Interesting Display of Articles Made from Flax—Exhibits Arranged by Women's Institutes.

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 8.—At the official opening of the Women's Institutes' Wing of the Women's Building at the Canadian National Exhibition Mrs. Robert Miller, wife of the president of the exhibition brought greetings from directors and from the Women's Committee. She stated that it was the management's desire to make the Women's Building of national interest.  
High lights from the Women's standpoint in the Exhibition are the exhibits of the provinces arranged by the Women's Institutes. Mrs. David Watt of Birtle, Man., president of the Federated Women's Institutes, expressed the appreciation of the outside-Ontario women for Ontario's kindness in connection with the exhibit, the first of its kind. She also thanked C. N. R. officers on behalf of the W. I. for this opportunity for the women of the Dominion to unite, exchange ideas with one another and give a demonstration of their many activities.  
Coming from Caracquet, N. B., Madame Blanchard, an interesting French-Canadian, demonstrated weaving in her province's exhibit. From showing the seed to marketing the finished product Madame Blanchard asks no more man's help. The exhibit consists of lovely linens in the belt and in curtains, towels, etc. plain and bordered, in white and in colors, and also rugs, both woven and hooked. A home-made loom on one side and a spinning wheel, both in use at different times along with samples of flax, tow, seed, thread, and pieces of spun cloth, complete this novel Maritime display. Madame Blanchard grew 10 acres of flax this year, which was pulled, retched, spun and woven under her direction. Not a bit is wasted. She showed some coarse cloths about 8 inches square made from waste tow, calling them "basin cloths" saying they were useful to wipe out tubs and clean sinks, and their rough surface seemed quite suitable for the purpose.  
For Manitoba Miss Ella Carson and Miss Elsie McKinnell, bee-keeping experts, gave what was described as an "outstanding feature" in their talk of bees and honey-making.  
"Some people think that nothing but stinks grow on cows," remarked an Ontario demonstrator as she garnished with lettuce and tomato the dainty jellied products of the little-known and greatly scorned beef shank. "Does it really taste as good as it looks?" asked a visitor. A portion was transferred to a plate and passed over the railing. Judging by the visitors' face it did.  
Miss McDougall in the Nova Scotia booth conducted a series of health talks and demonstration on the preparation of nutritious meals for the

## WOODS WORKERS TO BE VACCINATED

N. B. Lumbermen Will Not Hire Men Who Have Not Been Vaccinated

At a meeting of the New Brunswick Lumbermen's Association held at Bathurst, N. B., July 30th, 1924, the following resolution was adopted:  
"Under the head of the new business, the question of small-pox was brought up by Mr. Donald Fraser, and after considerable discussion the following resolution was moved by Mr. Donald Fraser, seconded by Mr. Harry O'Leary and carried unanimously:  
"WHEREAS by Act of the New Brunswick Legislature the employer, who engages men who have not been vaccinated, is responsible for the expense incurred by the Health Department should a case of small-pox occur in the camp or boarding house through the unvaccinated person;  
"THEREFORE RESOLVED that the members of the New Brunswick Lumbermen's Association will in future insist on all persons applying for work as above to produce their vaccination certificate and that, by way of notice, this action be made public through the press and also that each employer take this matter up with the clergy of his own diocese and request that they explain the situation to their congregations and bespeak their co-operation."

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children. Greatly admired are the hand-woven rugs and Indian baskets which they are showing.  
"Why Dad Leaves Home," Ontario's playlet of a badly-run kitchen, was so realistic that the audience got quite lost in it. As the housewife was scurrying around trying to hurry with the preparations for the meal many pieces of advice were flung to her from the sympathetic women standing by. The meat and potatoes were cooked. The table was set. The call to dinner was about to be sounded. A woman leaned anxiously over the railing, and in a stage whisper said: "Oh lady, you've forgot to wet the tea."

## YORK HYDRO MAN HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Touches Live Contact Carrying 26,000 Volts and Still Lives

Stratford, Ont., Sept. 3.—Knocked to the floor of the York Hydro-Electric sub-station at 1:10 o'clock this afternoon when his hand touched a live contact carrying 26,000 volts, William Carr escaped with his life. He is now resting in the Stratford General Hospital.  
Mr. Carr was stationed in Stratford about six months ago by the Provincial Electric Power Commission and has been employed as meter inspector for this district. This afternoon he was talking with Mr. Wheeler, of Toronto, another employee of the E. P. Company who arrived in Stratford last night about electrical matters, and during the discussion touched the contact board. Employees of the sub-station worked over him immediately after the accident and had him removed to the hospital in the city ambulance. Dr. H. B. Kenner is attending him.

## HOW FAST IS LIGHT, NEW TESTS MADE

Computed Rate is 186,000 Miles a Minute

San Francisco—Whether light travels at exactly its estimated speed is a matter that Dr. A. A. Michelson, winner of the Nobel prize for physics in 1907, is endeavoring to determine by a series of experiments. The computed rate is 186,000 miles a second, and scientists have used this figure in proportioning their light year, the yard-stick of the universe.  
Dr. Michelson recently announced that he suspected light travels a bit faster than 186,000 miles a second or possibly a little slower. He hazarded the guess that the physicists were about 20 miles off in their reckoning one way or the other.  
He said that for a month he would try, with the aid of government engineers, to time light rays flashed from Mount Wilson to Mount San Antonio, a distance of 44 miles, in Southern California.  
Special instruments were installed for the test. It was planned to reflect the rays back to their starting point by means of mirrors. The problem was to clock their passage over the round trip of 38 miles.

## MONCTON BABY WINS SECOND PRIZE

Toronto, Sept. 2.—Master John Raitford, aged 11 months, of Moncton, N. B., who mottled all the way to Toronto Exhibition with his parents, won second prize in Class C for boys between 9 and 12 months at the annual baby show on Monday.  
The father of the "Sweepstakes baby," James Taylor, of Toronto, is 22 years old. The mother of the child is his second wife.

## MAN NIB SWALLOWED THIRTY-ONE YEARS AGO, REMOVED FROM FOOT

Toronto, Sept. 8.—Thirty-one years ago Mrs. W. Cottrell swallowed a pen nib and it was extracted a few days ago by Dr. F. B. Wilson, from a swollen portion of her foot. The nib was introduced in the tissues which made it necessary to operate for its removal. The wound has healed up, and no further trouble is expected.

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