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OTTAWA, Feb. 15.

The attempt of the Government to force the reciprocity agreement through parliament without giving opportunity for the House and country to become fully acquainted with the real intent and meaning of the sweeping changes, is one which is sure to add to the volume of disfavor in which this administration is held for its unbusiness-like methods. It is only a little more than two weeks since Mr. Fielding announced to the House of Commons the nature of the proposals, and their comprehensive character staggered parliament as well as the people. Having declared that no change whatever would be made in the agreement Mr. Fielding withheld from the House the requisite information as to the volume and extent of the business interests affected, and this was only produced on the very eve of the resumption of the debate. In this way the Government deliberately tried to prevent any intelligent criticism of a bargain to which Messrs. Fielding and Paterson committed Canada, and by refusing to permit of reasonable delay in order that everyone throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion might fully grasp the details of the agreement, the Government decided to club their "bargain" through parliament by the big stick of their servile majority. What good object can be gained by this unseemly haste is hard to see. In a matter of this kind affecting as it does all parts of the country and changing with one stroke of the pen the well-established channels of trade, every opportunity for careful study should have been granted. Is the Government so doubtful of the wisdom of the step it has taken that it wishes to secure the passage of the agreement through parliament as quickly as possible? That is what this perspiring energy of Messrs. Fielding and Paterson looks like. Surely if this is such a good business bargain for Canada the Government need not have feared the opposition request for time for full and careful consideration.

Mr. Foster's oration which closed his brilliant speech in opposition to the reciprocity proposals will find an echo in the heart of every Canadian, no matter what he may think of the individual side of the agreement. "This proposal," said Mr. Foster, "cuts square across our national ideal, challenges it at every point, will endanger it undoubtedly, may destroy it entirely. Should we not think before we enter into it? This proposal cuts our country into sections, and at every section bleeds the life blood out of it. The well-filled arteries of inter-provincial trade will be drained until the whole system grows anemic and flabby. Do not treat it lightly, the sustained pressure of 93 millions to 8 millions, the far-reaching effect of business affiliation, the close proximity and constant efflux and influx, the seductions of commercialism, the constant intercourse of business, social and official life will inevitably weaken the ties of empire, and weaken affections of our newer generations, if not ourselves towards the predominant

ant power, create new attachments until like Samson we would arise and would shake ourselves and find our strength is gone. I utter the most solemn words I have ever uttered in my life, and I believe them to the very bottom of my heart, that there is danger and deep danger ahead. This path entered upon leads us away from home to a strange country in the light of nationality and ideal. I pray that the full meaning of this first step may sink into the hearts of the people of this country until there shall burst forth a protest of such strength that the step contemplated will be recalled, and the old paths leading east and west among our own people converging on the great metropolis of the motherland may be followed without uncertainty and without doubt to the national ideal."

And to that appeal every true Canadian will say Amen.

But how will Sir Wilfrid have the face to appear at the colonial conference this year?—London Free Press.

Reciprocity at Washington

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The statement that women will run from a mouse has been made so often that it is generally taken as a fact. But next time you are about to comment on the fact just remember that a woman 71 years of age down in Philadelphia had her appendix removed without taking an anesthetic. Talk about nerve.—Calgary Herald.

There is some discussion in the St. John, N. B., papers over the disappearance of 450 loads of stone without the knowledge of the municipal authorities. Four hundred and fifty loads of stone should make a big haul. Evidently all the practical genius of the New Brunswick people does not turn for scope to the field of National politics.—Montreal Gazette.

It is a dead certainty that if this new tariff goes through Uncle Sam will pull some cards out of his long sleeve that the Canuck dogs not see at the present time. In the impetuosity of its first decade in long pants Canada is too freshly eager to give an enormous price for what we can get free by waiting. Canada is very prosperous just now, and it is wise to let well enough alone. If the proposed tariff goes through, it will wrap a band of wide crimp around the Liberal party of this great Dominion.—Greenwood Ledger.

The beauty of the "unwritten law," as practised in the States, lies not so much in its automatic precision as in its delicate observance of the forms of the cruder law embodied in statute. In Maryland, recently, a man who had been warned by another man

to remain away from the latter's house, was discovered by him as he approached his home Saturday night. There was, of course, nothing for the aggrieved man to do except to get his shotgun and put an end to the other's existence. It was then thought as well—such is the ineradicable American respect for law, even when it is written—"to comply with the forms of law by hearing what had occurred."

The story was told, and the verdict of "justifiable homicide" promptly rendered by the coroner's jury. There is only one blot upon the seemliness of the whole affair, and that is the victim's dying statement that he was merely passing the house when he was shot, and that the attack upon him was the outcome of some act of his when he was deputy sheriff four years ago. This has given his friends a pretext for calling the verdict a snap judgment, and as he was apparently at least as highly respected as his slayer, a feud is threatened. This is almost as unfortunate a consequence as any that could have followed an ignoring of the "unwritten law."—St. John Standard.

Hon. William Pugsley has a plan for a Commons chamber open to the "pure air of heaven." There are some people who would like to see a public works department open to the "pure air of an investigation."—London Free Press.

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Gifts Of The "Georges" and "Marys" to the King and Queen.

An undertaking which will appeal very strongly to the minds of all loyal British subjects is now afoot. It is to ask all throughout the Empire who bear the names of our beloved King and Queen to contribute a small sum towards a fund to be presented to their Majesties as a Coronation gift. The people of our provinces are second to none in their loyalty and devotion of our King and Queen; and all the Georges and Marys of P. E. Island will no doubt wish to have a share in such a popular movement. Every man and boy whose name or part of whose name is "GEORGE" and all women and girls whose names include "MARY" in any of the forms given below are invited to contribute. The names of all contributors will appear on the list presented to their Majesties, but not the amount given by each. The smallest sum will be accepted, but no one contribution may exceed Five Dollars. Subscription lists will be distributed throughout the Province and will remain open until Easter Tuesday, April 18th. Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Rogers who have taken this matter up asks for a hearty co-operation of all our people in bringing it to the notice of those specially interested. Contributions will only be received from men and boys of the name of George, and from women and girls who possess as a part of their Christian names, Mary, May, Marie, Maria, Marian, Marion, Miriam, or Martha. In this City subscription lists will be found at the Dominion Savings Bank, the office of the Assistant Provincial Secretary and at all the chartered banks.

From the latter point the new government wagon road enables settlers with their effects to travel with ease and comparative comfort in about one week's time to the Grande Prairie as against the much longer and more expensive routes through gullies east of Edmonton which took from a month and a half to two months.

The northbound train will leave Edmonton daily except Sunday at 6:30 a.m. arriving Edson (130 miles) at 1 p.m., returning from Edson at 3:30 p.m. daily except Sunday, arriving Edson 10:05 p.m.

Our store has gained a reputation for reliable groceries. Our trade during 1910 has been very satisfactory. We shall put forth every effort during the present year to give our customers the best possible service.—R. F. Madigan.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

The Earl Grey crossed from Georgetown to Picton today. The Minto remains at Picton.

The engineer of the Calgary electric light plant was electrocuted at his work the other day.

The bill to abolish the veto power of the House of Lords is now under discussion in the Imperial House of Commons.

Mr. John A. McLaren, of Paton & Co., crossed by the Cape today on his way to St. John, where he takes Steamer for the Old Country on the annual business trip of the firm. He goes on the Empress of Briton.

On Friday last three young men from Cape Bear went out onto the ice in the Strait, for the purpose of duck shooting. They were Louis Harris, Fletcher Jordan and Elliot Lumsden; about 4 o'clock in the afternoon the field ice began to move out and parted from the board ice at the shore. Lumsden was the first to notice this and made a dash for the shore which he succeeded in reaching at considerable risk, but the others were too late. They were cut off from the board ice and were carried seaward. There was no remedy; they were out for the night. A snow storm added to their discomfort. They were not very heavily clad and their plight was most serious. The alarm was given by their friends on shore and boats were started; but nothing could be done. Word was brought to Georgetown and the Earl Grey started at daylight Saturday morning and picked up the men about 8 miles to the eastward of Cape Bear. The men were tired, cold and hungry, but escaped being frostbitten. They were taken to Picton and brought back Sunday.

MURPHY—At FINLAY—In St. Dunstan's Cathedral, on the 15th inst., Rev. Dr. McLellan officiating. William Murnaghan to Miss Maelia Henderson, of North Wiltshire.

AFFLECK-MACLEAN—At Sealerton, on Feb. the 8th, 1911, by the Rev. Jas. MacDonagh, John Stewart Affleck de Bodeau to Sarah Pearl, only daughter of Hugh MacLean of Sealerton.

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KELLY—LAWLERS—In St. Mark's Church, Indian River, on the 15th inst., Very Rev. Mr. Gillis officiating. Malachias Kelly to Minnie A. Lawless.

COLES-NEWSON—At SOUTHERN, on the 15th, inst., by Rev. Archdeacon Reagh, Fannie Etel, daughter of Stephen D. Coles, to Gordon A. Newson of Kensington.

DIED

HENRY—In the city on February 17, 1911, Abram Henry, aged 40 years.

HIGGINS—In this city, Feb. 17th, Catherine E. Higgins, daughter of the late Simon Higgins, R. I. P.

MORRIS—At the City Hospital, Feb. 19th, Mrs. Christina Morrissey, aged 81 years. R. I. P.

DOLLAR—In this city, Feb. 19th, Miss Mary Dollar aged 78.

BULLMAN—At Rusticville, at 8 a.m., Feb. 13th, 1911, Daniel Bullman, aged 85 years.

MC PHEE—At Long Creek on Feb. 14th, 1911, Flora McPhee, in the 71st year of her age.

McCORACK—In East Boston, Mass. Feb. 11th, Margaret, beloved wife of Charles E. McCormack (a native of P. E. Island.)

SHAW—At Lorn Valley, Kings County, P. E. I., on Friday Feb. 10, 1911, Mrs. Neil Shaw (see Miss Flora Munro) aged 92.

SIMPSON—At West Lynn, Mass., on Tuesday, Feb. 7th, Prescott, infant son of R. E. and Mrs. Simpson, aged 8 months and 24 days.

WHITE—At Montague, on Monday 13th inst., of pneumonia, Victoria Jean, infant daughter of Clarence E. and Alice White, aged 1 year.

WHITE—In this city, suddenly on Feb. 13, 1911, May, wife of Alfred White, Douglas St., at the age of forty-two years.

MCLEAN—Suddenly of pneumonia, at Angle Shore on Feb. 13, 1911, Grace, widow of the late Donald McLean, aged 61 years.

FARQUHARSON—In this city, Feb. 15, 1911, Sarah, eldest daughter of the late George Moore, and relict of the late Hon. Donald Farquharson, aged 67 years.

DAVIES—On Thursday, the 16th Feb., 1911, Nathaniel Davies, aged 78.

FLETCHER—At San Francisco, Cal., on Feb. 13th, 1911, William H. Fletcher, for many years a contractor and builder in that State. He leaves two children, to mourn their loss—a boy and girl. He was a brother of ex-Governor J. H. Fletcher, of Oregon, and C. P. Fletcher, of this city.

FRASER—In this city, Feb. 15, 1911, George Fraser, aged 59 years.

MCINNIS—On Feb. 21st, 1911, Annie Monica, beloved daughter of Mary and Donald McInnis, at the early age of 12 years. R. I. P.

SUTHERLAND—At Montague Mills, on Feb. 18th, 1911, of pneumonia, Mary A. Sutherland, relict of the late James Sutherland, New London, aged 78 years.

BLAISDEL—At Little River, King's Co., of pneumonia, Feb. 16th, Mildred Blaistead, beloved wife of Hiriam Blaistead, aged 37. The deceased was esteemed in the community leaves to mourn a sorrowing husband and a large helpless family.

MISS ALICE FERGUSON, of King's Co., sends us some "out of school" institutions.

One of our ladies owns a pony called Togo. Some of us were speaking about the horse one day, when one lady observed: "What a funny name for a horse; why did she name him Togo?"

"Because he was meant to go," I suppose, was the reply.

Minard's Liniment cures Boils Cured.

Mr. A. F. McLean, Newmarket, N. B., two years ago, I understand, had boils on his head and neck, and could not get rid of them. A friend recommended me to try Burdock Blood Bitter, and after taking the bitter I was pleased to note the boils were entirely gone, and I have not been troubled with any since.

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**McMILLAN****LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS**

The Provincial Legislature will meet for the business of the session on Tuesday, March 7th.

Senator Joisah Wood of Sackville, N. B., had a paralytic stroke at the breakfast table in Ottawa on the 15th. His condition has since improved.

The Canadian Geological Survey in a special bulletin announces the presence of valuable lignite in the coal area at Edmonton, Alberta, fourteen miles in extent and estimated to contain 80,000,000 tons.

The Reid-Newfoundland steamer Bruce, plying between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, from North Sydney, in the ice for a week, was at latest accounts still in the grip of heavy does, but so far uninjured.

Five men were killed and two were severely injured on the 13th, as a result of a premature explosion in a small tunnel on the G. T. P., at Kitzeles, B. C. The men were working at the far end of the tunnel when a box of powder exploded.

The London Express, in a character sketch of R. L. Borden, Canadian Opposition leader, says he is pre-eminently the business man of Canadian politics. He has none of Laurier's airy phraseology, and has always fought for political cleanliness.

Major Sam Sharp, Ontario, has given notice of a resolution in the Commons at Ottawa declarer that since the Senate is independent of the people and uncontrolled by the public opinion of the country a plan for its reform should be evolved through the medium of the joint committee of the Senate and Commons.

The typhoid epidemic in Ottawa on the 15th, was 564 cases, an increase of 20 since the day before, and half a dozen deaths had occurred within the last 24 hours. There are also fears of a smallpox outbreak of serious proportions, and the Health Department is advising a general vaccination. There are five cases of this disease.

At the opening of the Newfoundland Legislature recently it was declared that the past year was the most successful in the history of the Island and the revenue surplus greater than ever before. Moreover the outlook for the future, said Governor Williams, was "never brighter." Yet, Newfoundland is not blessed with a Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Canadian Government steamer Montcalm which left Quebec Sunday 5th inst., for Anticosti returned on the 12th, with 35 passengers. The Captain reports the passage up as very difficult, the ice at times being two and a half feet thick. The steamer was also considerably delayed by storm and fog. This is the first winter trip to Anticosti and back.

Boston is to have a new \$2,500,000 hotel. It is to be built at the corner of Arlington and Newbury streets in the Back Bay and will have 250 rooms. It will be 100 feet high and will stand on twenty thousand feet of the highest priced land in Boston. The company financing the enterprise is headed by Coffin &amp; Taber. It is said that the hotel will be managed by a New York man.

The fourth annual combination sale of high-class short horns, selected from eight of the most prominent Canadian herds, commenced at Toronto on the 13th, at the Union stock yards. Breeders from all over the Dominion and U. S., and especially from the province of Ontario, were there in large numbers. The highest price of the day was \$725 paid by an American man, J. F. Gibson, Detroit, Ont., for a cow and calf from Draymond, Que.

A very pleasant, largely attended entertainment and dance took place in the Caledonian Club Rooms on Monday night. A fine musical and literary program was presented. A pleasing feature of the gathering was the presentation of an address and a valuable Souvenir by the Club to Mr. W. A. Scott, Barrister at Law, ex-President and ex-Chief of Club, on the eve of his departure for Western Canada to take up the practice of his profession.

**LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS**

There was not a very large attendance at the market yesterday, and prices were about the same.

Yesterday was declaration day for the recent by-election in the second district of Queens. McPhee was declared elected by 35 majority.

Baron Albert Von Rothschild, who died recently in Vienna left a fortune of \$145,000,000. He is said to have left \$10,000,000 to charity.

On Monday the winter Steamer Stanley broke the ice pack in the harbor of Port Hastings and released the coal-laden steamer Kilkeel.

The foreign mails go and come by the Capes these times. There was no crossing by the steamers between Georgetown and Picton yesterday. The Earl Grey started but had to return to port.

Holy Rood Palace, Edinburg, which the King and Queen will visit in July, is being over-hauled to the extent of \$35,000, that it may be a fit abode for Their Majesties and the court entourage.

Seventeen miles from Truro last Saturday night a freight train from Halifax smashed into the rear end of a special. The van of the special was broken up, but fortunately no one was injured.

The McCall Bill ratifying the reciprocity arrangement with Canada, was passed in the United States House of Representatives, Washington, on the 14th, by a vote of 221 to 95. All the Democrats except five, voted for it. The bill is now in the Senate for consideration.

As will be seen by advertisement in this issue, Mr. James H. Reddin, Barrister at Law, has removed from his former office in the City Hotel Building, Great George St., to new offices over Grant's ware-house, corner of Queen and Sydney Streets, where he is prepared to attend to all business in the legal line.

A bad collision occurred near Courville, France, on Western section of the State railroad, when express from Paris and Brast dashed simultaneously into a freight train which was being side tracked. The wreckage immediately caught fire. Five dead and eighty injured were removed, others were burned under the debris.

Five steamers were ice-bound at St. John's, Nfld., some unable to enter the harbor and others to leave it, as a result of the extreme cold weather of the previous few weeks. The "Almeriana," for Halifax and the "Tabasco," for Liverpool, were unable to leave port and the "Renwick," from Cape Breton, and the "Heathcote," were unable to enter.

Sir Joseph Ward, prime minister of New Zealand, while on his way to London to attend the sitting of the imperial conference, intends, it is said, to travel by way of Ottawa and Washington. He is anxious to consult the Canadian and American postal officials regarding further international extension of the penny post and the cheapening of cable tolls.

Mr. James J. Hill, in an address delivered at St. Paul, Minn., admitted that he had boosted reciprocity with Canada, but denied that he had put any money to push the agreement through.

"Now is the only time to get the measure through," said Mr. Hill, "as Imperial federation will forestall any future move. If action is taken now," he continued, "it will mean a terrible expansion of the empire."

In the Dominion Senate, on the 16th, Sir Richard Cartwright explained in detail the new government measure respecting grain.

The bill proposed the establishment of a Grain Commission of three members on lines of the Railway Commission and to a considerable extent independent of the Government. The Commission will have full power to control the grain trade, and will have large powers to determine, at what places shall be the public elevators, and to take all possible precautions of insuring the purity of Canadian grain during its transmission to Europe.

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## Winter Life of Wild Creatures.

(By D. Lange in Arkansas School Journal for May.)

To keep alive during the Northern winters, all living creatures need shelter and fuel. How animals with only their senses and instincts to guide them and with nothing but the organs of their own bodies for tools wrest a living from stern Mother Nature during the winter forms a most fascinating chapter in natural history.

Bears, badgers, raccoons and skunks have a simple way; they close up shop, so to speak, and go to sleep until Mother Nature is over her annual spell of sternness. None of the four is a swift hunter or runner, but they rather incline toward a certain aldermanic ease, which seems to fit their physique and their station in the wild life of forest or field.

Generally nature provides liberally for this quartet. Almost every thing is food for one or all of them; berries, nuts and corn, frogs, eggs, young birds, roots, insects and worms, gophers and mice, even carion when nothing better can be found. As a result of liberal feeding and a quiet temperament they grow very fat in the fall, and when the ground begins to freeze hard and digging and nosing around after food no longer pays, they just retire for a nap of several months.

The bearcurls up under a root or log or finds a small natural cave, and a blanket of snow soon completes his shelter. The raccoon finds a hollow tree, while badgers and skunks retire into burrows they have dug in the ground. Now the storms may blow and frost may split the forest trees, but the four sleepers do not care; they are wrapped in a heavy coat of fur and a liberal store of fat furnishes food and fuel for their bodies. The fires of life are banked and burn low, and who will say that the winter sleepers have not hit upon, at least, as successful a solution of a difficult problem as any of their more active competitors of field, marsh and forest?

## Many Others Sleep Away Long Winter.

Indeed, we might easily increase this list of four to the legendary seven or any greater number. Woodchucks, gophers and chipmunks also sleep away the long winter in burrows in the earth. If no accident befalls them such as untimely floods, the tracks of all these winter sleepers will again be seen when the birds return north and the buds begin to swell.

A large number of the wild do not hibernate. Wolf, fox and panther, lynx and wildcats, mink, weasels, martens and fiber now follow their hunting trails with even more keenness than during the time of abundance of summer. They have no fixed winter home or lair, but all know their territory as well as a boy knows his grandfather's orchard, and they can always find shelter in storms, and generally they find enough food to bring them safely through, though gaunt and hungry they may be, when at last spring again unlocks the great store-house of nature.

These active flesh-eating hunters could give most of us lessons in fasting; they eat when meat is plentiful and fast when there is none. Most of them can probably fast a week without special hardship. If a wolf gets one full meal a week he will come through the winter strong and in good condition.

But where hunters can live must be those that are hunted, and where there are flesh eaters there must be those that change grass into flesh for them, and it is true that a large number of the peaceful folk of nature do not go to sleep with the groundhog and the gopher.

## Rabbits Life Uncertain.

Moose, elk and deer find browse and grass all winter, if the snowfall is not too heavy. Squirrels, rabbits and wood-mice also find their daily bread the year round, and it is principally the timid rabbit and the legions of wild mice whose meat feeds wolf and fox, lynx and wildcat, as well as a host of smaller hunters. The snowshoe rabbits of the Northern woods are generally amazingly numerous for several years, then a plague carries them off by thousands, so that for a year or two one may follow the forest trail without seeing a rabbit. During these years the lynxes also grow suddenly scarce. The explanation is that the lynxes die of starvation when the rabbits die of the plague. This is nature's way of winnowing out all but the very strongest of limbs and the most keen of sense and intelligence.

Not a few wild creatures have learned the wisdom of laying in stores for a rainy day, or rather for snowy and stormy days. The mink collects in some burrow or hollow as much as a bushel of frozen game, consisting of ducks and birds, muskrat, mink and rabbits. Squirrels lay by stores of nuts and acorns and evergreen twigs with buds on them. On one winter shooting trip I found a mass of linden twigs stored away in a hollow tree. It was evident that no human hand had placed them there, and the teeth marks on them showed plainly that the animal had eaten the very ends of a red or grey squirrel.

## An Ancient Foe

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## True Conservationists.

The wild mice store up many kinds of seeds. Once while accidentally digging into a deserted mouse burrow I found a handful of small stony nutlets, which had all been cracked by some little mouse years ago. It took me several days to identify the seeds, when suddenly as I passed through my mind seed after seed that I knew, it flashed upon me that they were the stony seeds of the bladdernut, a shrub which grows profusely in the pieces of woodland where I had been scouting around during the day.

The distribution of the seeds of the bladdernut bush has been a riddle to me for many years, and it is a bit of woodlore that might well puzzle any naturalist or woodland scout. The little wild mice are better conservationists, better forest caretakers, than we humans. When they gather their crops they always leave plenty of seeds from which young bushes will grow as the old ones die.

Two animals, the muskrat and the beaver, have chosen a kind of winter quarters which certainly no human adviser would have recommended to them. Every wide-awake Northwestern boy knows something about muskrat houses. They are built of cattails, reeds and mud. The family living room is always damp and wet and is located only a few inches above the water level, while the other three entrances to the houses lie below water level. The harder it freezes, the more it snows, the warmer and safer is the muskrat's house. Lakes and rivers become icebound, but the muskrats live happy and content unless some cruel trapper cuts into their dome or drives his long-tined spear through its roof.

## Hunt for Food Under Ice.

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Occasionally, however, I think a muskrat gets lost and suffocated under the ice. In the winter of 1908 I found a dead muskrat under the ice in Lake Minnetonka. As near as I could determine he was suffocated in trying to swim from one island to another. A boy friend of mine, who is a first-class nature scout, claims that a muskrat swimming under the ice often exhales a large bubble of air, and after waiting a few seconds for the refreshing of the air, again inhales the same air and pursues its way. I have not personally observed this point, and it would be a good question for boys to investigate. Muskrats do not generally lay up large stores, but I have found a quart or two of seed bulbs in their houses.

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Later in winter when a beaver feels hungry he pulls out one of these green pickled sticks, eats the bark and pushes the peeled stick back into the water under the ice.

The most unique way of passing the winter has been hit upon by the bat. These innocent and useful creatures are true mammals, like cattle, dogs and horses, a newborn bat feeds on its mother's milk just as lambs and kittens are fed.

The adults feed on insects, which they hunt on the wing, after the manner of swallows. There are no insects to hunt in winter, so there is nothing for them to do but sleep, and that is what our northern bats do all winter. However, they use no bed or nest, not even a perch. They hang themselves up by their toe-nails, and in this position await the call of spring. In caves, in hollow trees, in hollow walls of buildings hundreds of them are sometimes found huddled together. They do not sleep very soundly, for if they are disturbed they yawn and squeak, and even try to bite with their tiny white teeth. A few years ago I photographed a sleeping bat in a cave at Fort Snelling.—Our Dumb Animals.

## Cooking Really a Fine Art

No more sensible words have been uttered by Dr. Wiley, of the Agricultural Department, who has done so much for pure food in this country, than his statement that cooking is really a fine art, whereas it is commonly made a drudgery.

The average woman makes a great deal more drudgery out of housework than is necessary. There is much that is necessary, but the truth seems to be that while an immense amount of energy is expended much of it is wasted. The faculty of doing things right—even the simplest things—is very difficult. We notice how clumsy children go about the simplest tasks. The difference between the clodhopper and the expert is not so much one of knowledge as ability to use knowledge. In the home some women have never gotten beyond the youthful stage of doing things with more than the necessary labor.

It is an art to cook well. It is a fine art, it comes only by study and practice, but like any other art, it is of high value. The French have carried this so far that they can serve up a fine meal out of what the average American wastes. There is no sense in the slovenliness which exists in so many families. Intelligently directed effort would save half the drudgery, make home happy, and result in economies which are so much needed at this time. Cooking is not such a difficult art that it need balk any person of ordinary intelligence. If women only would, they could learn easily to save themselves time, labor and money.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT 1st. GEORGE V.,**

**A. D. 1911.**

In Re Estate of Lucius Owen Beagan late of Johnston's River in Queens County in the said Province Farmer, deceased, testate

By the Honourable Richard Reddin, Surrogate, Judge of Probate, &c., &c., &c.

To the Sheriff of the County or any Constable or literate person within said County:

Whereas upon reading the petition of James A. Callaghan and James Duffy Executors of the last will and testament of Lucius Owen Beagan, the above named deceased, praying that a citation may be issued for the purpose hereinafter set forth: You are therefore hereby required to cite all persons interested in the said Estate to be and appear before me at the Probate Court to be held in the Court House in Charlottetown in Queen's County in the said Province on Saturday the Twenty-fifth day of February next coming at the hour of twelve o'clock noon of the same day to shew cause if any they can why the Accounts of the said Estate should not be passed and the Estate closed as prayed for in said petition and on motion of A. D. McLean, Esquire, Q.C., Sheriff of the County I do hereby order that a copy hereof be forthwith published in any newspaper published in Charlottetown in the said Province once in each week for at least four consecutive weeks from the date hereof and that a true copy hereof be forthwith posted in the following public places respectively, namely, in the hall of the Court House in Charlottetown aforesaid and in front of the Doshong school house in Queens County aforesaid and at or near Lower Tannery in Charlottetown Royalty East in Queen's County aforesaid so that all persons interested in the said Estate as aforesaid may have due notice thereof.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the said Court this sixteenth day of (Seal) January A. D. 1911, and in the first year of His Majesty's reign.

(Sgd) RICHARD REDDIN,  
Surrogate, Judge of Probate.

A. D. MCLEAN, Proctor.

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