

CERVANTES TRICENTENARY

MIGUEL DE CERVANTES-SAAVEDRA, Spanish novelist, poet and dramatist, was born at Xalapa, Mexico, in 1547.

I should appreciate it if other observers here and throughout the country would make a note of the arrivals of birds during the month of May and send me the list at the end of the month.

Having recently had many inquiries from friends in the town and vicinity, about some of our most common birds, I am going to mention in brief the possibilities for a few by which you may distinguish them.

Several of Cervantes's lyrical poems survive, among which are some sonnets and a verified letter to the secretary of state, Vasquez, written during the poet's slavery in Algiers.

It is, however, as a novelist that Cervantes has endeavored to discover in Don Quixote a great political satire; but the truth of Cervantes' own assurance is now generally admitted, that his sole desire was to write an amusing book to give the coup de grace to the absurd books of chivalry imitating Amadis, that had done so much to pervert Spanish character.

In 1613 Cervantes issued his twelve Novelas Exemplares (Eng. trans. by MacColl, 1902, etc.), short stories written in considerable intervals. They abound in wit and vivacity, rivaling even Don Quixote itself, and have maintained their popularity to the present day.

Mr. J. B. Pease, Fellow and Bursar of Emmanuel College, has been appointed manager of the Printing Department of the Cambridge University Press, in succession to the late Mr. John Clay.

At Sotheby's a large paper copy of the first edition of R. L. Stevenson's "Virginibus Puerisque," 1881, the only example on large paper, done specially for the late Mr. Alfred Nutt, sold for £84 (B.W. Stevens).

BIRD-LORE

I am watching for the arrival of our summer birds I have made the following list for March and April: March 31, song sparrow; April 1, robin, Canada goose, slate-colored junco; April 3, Woodcock; April 6, fox sparrow; April 7, rusty blackbird; April 14, purple grackle, American osprey; April 20, wood thrush, ruby-crowned kinglet, bluebird; April 23, vesper sparrow; April 25, purple finch; April 27, Savannah sparrow, flicker; April 30, chipping sparrow.

I saw what I believed to be a palm warbler on April 30, but as this bird is rarely seen here, and as I was unable to make very close observation, it is not included in the above list.

There are a few of the sparrows you all know: The English sparrow, we have it with us all the year. The only other sparrow seen here in the winter is the vesper sparrow, sometimes called the native sparrow. It is smaller than the English sparrow, has white bars in its wings, underparts light gray with a brown spot in the center of the breast and a red tinge to the tail.

The vesper sparrow shows two white tail feathers which are not seen in the English sparrow. The latter is slate-colored above and almost white beneath. The Savannah sparrow is seen about fields. It is streaked above and below with gray and brown and has a brown blotch on its breast. It is a fine singer. The fox sparrow is larger than the English sparrow, and is bright rusty colored on the back. It also is a fine singer. It is here only for a few days in the Spring and again in the Fall, as it nests farther north.

St. Andrews, N. B., May 2nd, 1916.

CANADA'S DEBT

Net debt of the Canadian government at the outbreak of the war was approximately \$360,000,000. This was practically all held in England. Since then the following loans and credits have been arranged; or are pending:

ENGLISH CENTENARIANS

Mrs. Mary Sophia Bucknill, of Braintree, born Rugby, has just celebrated her 100th birthday. She was one of 12 children of Vice-Admiral Sir Francis Macon, K. C. B., and the Hon. Lady Mason, and great-granddaughter of the famous Admiral Samuel Lord Hood.

GERMAN BARBARITY

London, April 21.—A Reuter dispatch from Capetown, dealing with the report of a commission of inquiry into the treatment of prisoners of war by the Germans in Southwest Africa, follows: "A sensation has been caused by the publication of the official report of the commission of inquiry into the treatment of prisoners of war by the Germans in the Southwest African campaign, revealing another story of the shocking treatment of British prisoners, and showing a lack of organization or central control."

RED ROSE TEA "is good tea"

ing to unfavorable ripening and harvest weather some of last year's seed crop may be low in both percentage and vigor of germination. This seed should not be planted until the soil is warm and after a number of people drop in to St. Andrews on Sunday last to attend the funeral of Mrs. Otis Reid.

BLACK'S HARBOUR, N. B.

Easter Monday has once again become a thing of the past, and the residents of the community have settled down to their summer work. During the winter we have had a most successful season of germination. This seed should not be planted until the soil is warm and after a number of people drop in to St. Andrews on Sunday last to attend the funeral of Mrs. Otis Reid.

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BOCABEC COVE, N. B.

Private Raymond Cunningham, Curtis Lowery and Clarence Craigdon, of the 115th Bn., after spending their Easter holidays at their respective homes, returned to their duties in St. John on Monday April 24.

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TRAVEL

Mrs. Stanley McCollough intends spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Creighton.

MINIATURE ALMANAC

Table with columns for Day of Week, Sun Rises, Sun Sets, H. Water, L. Water, etc. for the month of May.

PHASES OF THE MOON

Table showing moon phases for May: New Moon, First Quarter, Full Moon, Last Quarter.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS

Thos. R. Wren, Collector; D. C. Kollins, Prev. Officer; D. G. Hanson, Prev. Officer.

SHIPPING NEWS

Entered Coastwise: Motor St. Ramble, Simpson, St. Stephen; Motor Schr. Page, Barker, Beaver Harbor; Motor Grand Manan, McKinnon, St. Stephen.

CHANGING OF TIME

Grand Manan S. S. Company. After October 1, 1915, and until further notice, the steamer of this line will run as follows:

ATLANTIC STANDARD TIME

On March 3 and until further notice, the S. S. Connors Bros. will run as follows:

MARITIME STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

ST. ANDREWS, N. B. George F. Hibbard, Registrar. Office hours 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., Daily. Sundays and Holidays excepted.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE ST. ANDREWS, N. B.

R. A. STUART, High Sheriff. Office of Sittings of Court in the County of Charlotte.

COUNTY COURT

First Tuesday in February and June, and the Fourth Tuesday in October in each year.

ST. ANDREWS POSTAL GUIDE

ALBERT THOMPSON, Postmaster. Office Hours from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Money Orders and Savings Bank Orders issued during open hours.

CHURCH SERVICES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. W. M. Fraser, B. Sc., Pastor. Services every Sunday, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School, 2:30 p. m. Prayer services Friday evening at 7:30.

ANGELIC CHURCH

Rev. Father Leahan, D. D., Pastor. Services Sunday at 8:00 a. m., 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Rev. Geo. H. Elliot, R. A., Pastor. Services Holy Communion, Sundays 8:00 a. m. 11 a. m. 7 p. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon on Sundays 11 a. m. Evening Prayer and Sermon on Sundays at 7:00 p. m. Fridays, Evening Prayer, 7:30.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. William Amos, Pastor. Services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School after the morning service. Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:30. Service at 8 o'clock except the last Sunday in the month when it is held at 7 in the evening.

PLANTING WEAKE SEED CORN

Although seed corn has tested fairly well at the Otago Laboratory, corn growers, whose seed has not been tested, would do well to take special care this season that their seed is of strong vitality. Or

Advertisement for B.B. A LETTER that speaks for itself. GENUINE WHITE LEAD. Includes logo and contact information for Brandram-Henderson.

Large advertisement for 'Production and Thrift' with the headline 'CANADA'S CALL FOR SERVICE AT HOME'. Includes sub-sections: Produce More and Save More, Make Your Labour Efficient, Do Not Waste Materials, Spend Your Money Wisely, and THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA.

Large advertisement for 'CANADIAN PACIFIC HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSIONS'. Includes details about Western Canada and Eastern Steamship Lines, and a 'BAGHDAD OF RUSSIAN SUCCESS' article.