

# THE DAILY MAIL

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THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1918.

## A PLANT WIZARD.

Just at present, when the world is calling aloud for an increase of food products, particularly wheat, it comes almost as an answer to prayer that Mr. Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, has at length succeeded in cultivating a variety of wheat of such productiveness as to average forty bushels per acre. After ten years of experimentation he has succeeded in raising the gluten content of the kernels to 14 per cent. During the experiments he also produced a wheat more prolific than any other up to that time—but he has now so far surpassed that achievement and at a time when success means more to the world than at almost any other time in many centuries, while to add to the value of the new grain it is said to be able to be grown farther north and farther south than any other. Mr. Burbank is possibly the greatest single human asset of his own country or any other at the present time. From a simple farmer lad he has become the most remarkable master of the secrets of plant life that ever lived. His first experiments were those of cross fertilization of flowering plants, but he soon transferred his activities to plants fitted for human food. The potato claimed his first attention, and the result of his studies and labor was the Burbank Seedling, a wonderfully prolific tuber of high quality which enormously increased the world's crop. He was not yet twenty when this great service was accomplished for the world. He painted the lily and added perfume to the violet. He produced the spineless cactus and the seedless orange; he crossed the plum and the apricot into a new and luscious variety of fruit which he named the Plumcot; brought into existence the peach-almond, the seedless apple, a chestnut tree bearing nuts within twelve months of planting, the Shasta daisy which rivals the chrysanthemum, the pie plant and a walnut tree which grows faster than any other tree in the temperate zone. Of course the amount of seed wheat of the new variety available for sowing this year must be necessarily small, but there will be a good supply for next spring, and if the war runs over another summer and winter the increased supply is bound to make a definite difference in the Allied granaries.

## THE WAR SITUATION.

German masses no longer hurl themselves at the Allied lines on the extended fronts in the west. The momentum of the Teuton advance of last week appears to have exhausted itself in striking the yielding lines of the French and British, which have now stiffened and are holding the foe except for insignificant gains here and there, especially along the front running south from the neighborhood of Soissons to Chateau Thierry. The struggle apparently is changing from a war of movement to a war of position.

Official reports show that the Germans are launching their assaults on Chezy, Corey and near Dommiers, isolated points of vantage. These attacks were roughly from five to seven miles apart. The French official statement says that the Teutonic attacks were all repulsed.

The report of operations along the British front fails to show any notable activity on the part of the Germans. At Morlancourt, between the Ancre and the Somme, south of Albert, the Germans supported by heavy artillery fire attempted to raid British positions, but were repulsed, leaving prisoners behind.

The big offensive has evidently been checked by the Allies for the time being. The Huns will haul off for a "second wind" and will probably renew the attack at some new point. In the meantime, American reinforcements are pouring in for the Allies, and they will undoubtedly be in a better position to meet the next drive than was the case with the last one.

In the days of the old regime, when members of the government visited Fredericton, they had little time to devote to the public business. They had to meet and pacify delegations of grafters and hungry political heelers, and also lend a hand in the financing of graft newspapers. The grafters and holdup men have no strings on the members of the present administration, and the public business therefore receives their undivided attention during their sojourn in the city. This being so, the work of a government meeting is put through in a more expeditious manner than was formerly the case, and it is not necessary for the ministers to spend a week transacting business which should be disposed of in a day.

Sheriff Hawthorne, registrar for York and Sunbury, says that while Saturday, June 22nd, has been fixed for registration day, it will not be necessary for people to wait until that day to register. Deputy registrars are being appointed for the different polling booths and cards may be filled out and handed to them at any time. It is necessary that all persons over sixteen years of age shall register, but it is not necessary for them to wait until the 22nd instant to do so.

Toronto Globe: The millers of Canada will not be able to sing with the miller of the Dee, "I envy nobody, no not I, and nobody envies me." A lot of people must envy the millers their excessive war profits.

N. Y. World: Two Brooklyn promoters who had a scheme to sell \$3 worth of groceries for \$1 have been sentenced to prison, but there is no law to reach their competitors who sell \$1 worth for \$3.

Quebec Telegraph: The best compliment the British observers can give to the American troops is that they look like Canadians. Canada has earned a good reputation.

## Through Our Sieve

What a married woman doesn't know, she suspects.

When taking care of a slacker she is likely to be a cross red nurse.

Some men are so unlucky that they meet with accidents that started out to happen to someone else.

It sometimes happens that a man agrees with you because your arguments make him tired.

A California professor says whale-meat is more digestible than chicken; yes, but who wants to keep a flock of whales in the backyard?

"Nobody kisses a war gardener," says the Toledo Blade. This sounds like German propaganda.

Another injustice: The bride, with a wealth of hair, is permitted to wear a veil, and the bridegroom, who hasn't any hair at all, is given no chance to cover his baldness.

Before marriage a girl spends her time trying to please a man; after marrying it takes all her energy and vitality just to manage to keep from displeasing him.

## PERSONAL.

Hon. J. P. Byrne, M. P. P., of Bathurst, Attorney-General, arrived in the city last night.

Mr. R. P. Steeves of Sussex is in the city.

Mr. Frank C. Murchie of Milltown is at the Barker House.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brankley of Chatham are at the Barker House.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Douglass of Stanley are in the city today.

## WASTAGE OF FOOD PRODUCTS

Returned Soldier Thinks That Evaporating Plants Could be Established in This Locality.

Fredericton, June 5th, 1918.

To The Editor of the Daily Mail.

Dear Sir,

Seeing an item in your paper this evening stating that the apple crop would not be as large this season as last I would like through the medium of your valuable paper, to call the attention of the citizens of N. B. to the wastage that has been going on for years.

While New Brunswick produces as fine apples as any place in the world so many of them are left to rot year after year on the ground, also crab-apples, with evaporated apples selling retail at 22 cents a pound, and jellies out of sight; surely there must be some people with energy enough to start an evaporation plant and packing shop in every village and town along the St. John Valley. That old building on the west-end of Queen Street that does not now seem to be in use, could be remodelled at a slight expense and would be an ideal locality for a packing plant.

Last year, there were no apples allowed to be imported into England, on account of shortage of tonnage. For years to come England and Europe will be short of food and the cheapest way fruit and vegetables can be shipped is evaporated. I have seen all kinds of evaporated vegetables on the Western front that were packed in Ontario, delicious foods when properly cooked; But the only kind of prepared foods that I remember seeing from New Brunswick were canned sardines.

There will be a great shortage of meat which could be largely prevented if vegetables were used to a larger extent. All our grocery stores are filled full of goods in the several lines which are packed in Ontario, while I believe that New Brunswick produces the finest potatoes, apples, sugar corn and other vegetables that can be produced on the Western Hemisphere.

With a certainty that food will be getting scarcer, is it not time that our capitalists and farmers made use of food that has been so bountifully provided for them and so ruthlessly wasted. Hoping that these remarks of mine may be the means of saving some people from going hungry, in anticipation thanking you for your valuable space,

JOHN S. KAY

A plot to smuggle into the United States the crown jewels of Roumania, valued at \$2,000,000, has been discovered by customs officials, says a New York despatch.

## Discretion is now the better part of Hosiery Buying

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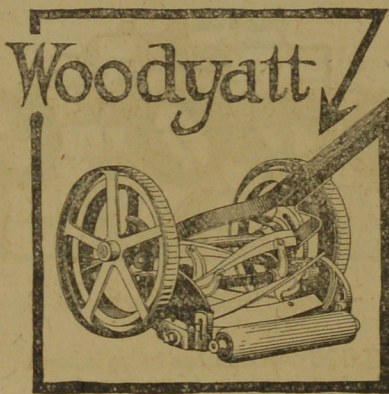
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As PEARL WALDON, she appears as the only child of Winthrop Waldon, head of America's greatest munitions factory. Her father receives a mysterious note threatening his life, and he is killed in the night by the awe-inspiring, black-cowled stranger, who has sworn to rule the WALDON WAR WORKS and to destroy the beautiful girl who through her father's death now becomes its head. Who is this creature which comes to be known as "THE HOODED TERROR?"

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