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WHY FOOD IS HIGH.

When asked the price of a nice fat dressed hen, your grandmother would say hesitatingly to her friend from town. "Why—would twenty-five cents be too much?" and that lady would reply cheerfully, "Oh, no, that's all right"—but she had half expected your grandmother to say, "Oh, what's a chicken between friends?" Today the meat market man will ask two dollars for the same kind of a fowl, and never bat an eye.

Your grandmother's hens laid eggs at eight cents a dozen in trade at the village store. Grandfather sold pork on foot at three cents a pound; oats and corn at twenty cents, wheat at sixty cents and potatoes at ten cents a bushel. The wayfaring man who stopped for a meal at your grandparents' home got all he could eat for nothing. It would have disgraced the house to ask pay for it.

A western paper claims that one reason why food was cheap fifty years ago is that half of it was stolen. Your godly old grandfather was unconsciously robbing his land of its fertility, which is but another way of saying that he was stealing bread and butter from his grandchildren. Harsh as it may seem to say it, our forefathers were pasturing on us and pasturing wastefully. We are buying commercial fertilizer at big dollars a ton to replace what grandfather took.

Another reason why the 25-cent hen has flown up to two dollars is that grandfather bought his land outright for less than the annual interest on the cost of it today. It takes 50-cent eggs and two-dollar hens to pay six per cent. on \$200 an acre.

Grandfather hired the best farm-bred boy in the neighborhood at twenty dollars a month and board, or less. His grandson is bidding sixty dollars and board for almost anything that wears overalls, and he goes up to a hundred in harvest time.

Grandfather never knew exactly whether he ever made any money on a crop or not; but if his grandson does not know his creditors will furnish him with some disagreeably accurate information regarding it. Producing food is a business today. It was just a way of getting along in grandfather's day.

HUNS ARE WEAKENING.

Less than a full-sized drive, the blow just delivered upon the German line between the Aisne and the Oise, has its place as an intermediate operation. For its size it had unusual success. The relative shortness of the front involved, the relative fewness of the attacking troops did not prevent the attack from gaining important ground. The outcome displayed German weakness as much as it illustrated French efficiency.

The pulse of Germany is to be felt in the varying results of the attacks upon the German line. Its beat decreases. The greatest revelation of the period of the Foch counter-offensive is the failure of the enemy, recently so vigorous, to react. Here is the best augury of early victory, and the greatest argument for the utmost possible early increase of the force that is to crush the German menace.

London Chronicle: One effect of the war—the shortage of leather—has affected the lawyers of Lincoln's Inn and the Temple. No longer can they get their books bound with what Dickens described as "underdone piecrust covers, technically known as law calf." Buckram is its best substitute, which, however, the bookbinders love not, as its stiffness requires an inordinate amount of soaking and manipulating with paste which is now nearly worth its weight in gold. A fortune awaits the genius who can invent a method of binding books without the use of paste, glue, millboards or thread—all expensive things now.

Quite frequently the report is revived that the German high seas fleet is about to come out of the Kiel Canal.

The only way to bring out the German fleet is to withdraw the British grand fleet from the North Sea and instal in its place a number of hospital ships with wounded soldiers and nurses on board.

The Allied forces are steadily rolling back the German line on the western front, and are redeeming scores of French villages which have been in a state of bondage for the past four years.

The wily Kaiser is generally supposed to have a number of trump cards up his sleeve. He recently played one of them by granting the Crown Prince six months' leave of absence from his military duties.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

It is not nearly so far to Berlin as it was last month.

When a man marries he merely stops fooling a lot of women and begins concentrating all his energies on trying to fool one.

Much useless argument might be avoided if people would candidly admit their ignorance.

When a young man really enjoys hearing his best girl practicing on the piano, that is love.

Henceforth let us hope all the "explaining" will be done in the German language.

The average girl is a queer creature. She'll make fun of a young man one day and marry him the next.

The maps used to tell us how far it was to Paris, but now they tell us how far it is to Berlin. The information is far more satisfactory.

No, it doesn't mean that! "Chemin des Dames" means the road of the ladies, not the other thing. Besides, we are told that they aren't worn any more anyway.

The fellow who says "It costs a great deal more to travel than formerly," ought to add that it also costs a great deal more to stay at home.

Moths, says a contemporary, were known to the ancient Egyptians. They had fleas, too, we understand; but seem not to have been worried by Germs or Germans.

ENGLISH IS A GROWING LANGUAGE

(Minneapolis Journal)

Anyone who has trouble in expressing himself should take heart, when he reads that the English language is growing at the rate of about five thousand words a year. The big dictionaries are carrying about four hundred and fifty thousand words, and so many have been added since these great compilations were last brought down to date, that it is safe to say that the English language today contains a good half million words.

The great struggle and the machinery of war have added from five to ten thousand new words and the growth of air navigation is rapidly coming along with a harvest of its own.

The first English dictionary was published about three hundred years



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GR. F. MILLER OF MARYSVILLE COMING HOME

MISS NELLIE STAFFORD TO TRAIN AS NURSE

Surprise Party Given Her—Leaving for Toronto Exhibition—Personal and Social News.

Marysville, Aug. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. James Miller received word from their son, Gunner Frank Miller, yesterday, stating that he was at Liverpool awaiting passage to Canada. Gunner Miller was a member of the 58th Battery and was wounded while on the firing line in France and has been since receiving treatment at various hospitals in England.

The ladies of the Methodist church are holding a sale and tea on the lawn of Mrs. J. Gibson this afternoon.

Miss Josie White has arrived here from an extended visit to Maine cities and is the guest of her brother Mr. William White.

Mr. Joseph Dolphin is on a business trip to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Foley of Waterville Me., arrived here yesterday by auto and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brewer and family.

Mr. Clair Downing will leave tomorrow for Toronto to attend the fair. Miss Sadie Walker is visiting friends at Penniac.

Mrs. A. Glasier of Lincoln was a visitor here yesterday.

A number of friends of Miss Nellie Stafford held a surprise party in her honor at the home of her parents the Mayor and Mrs. Stafford last evening. Miss Stafford will leave this week for Worcester, Mass., where she will undergo training for a nurse.

HUNS WILL COMPENSATE NORWAY

London, Aug. 27.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Copenhagen says that the German government, replying to Norway's protest against the sinking of Norwegian government ships outside the danger zone, has declared it will compensate Norway if that country can prove that the ships were sunk without warning.

Norwegian newspapers, the correspondent adds, point out that Germany in any case must compensate Norway, but that neither lives nor ships can be compensated for by money, and that Norway must demand German ships for Norwegian ships destroyed, as well as full compensation to the families of seamen killed.

Marriage Announced.

The announcement is made of the marriage of Walter H. Vail, of Marysville, and Alice K. Scott, daughter of Mr. Chas. Emery Scott of this city. The couple were married on August 2 by Rev. J. W. Wilkinson, rector of St. Peter's Church, Springhill. Mr. Vail is a very popular young man, holding the position of clerk at the Queen Hotel for some time.

Mr. John A. McDougal of Ottawa was in town yesterday. Mr. E. J. Robinson, of Montreal is registered at the Queen today.

ago and contained five thousand and eighty words. Then came old Dr. Johnson with his fifty thousand words, and the world marvelled. Noah Webster in 1828 collected one hundred and sixty thousand words. And today we have about half a million!

Sometimes the after-dinner orator states that "words fail me," but with this great collection to select from, it is evident that they should not do so—and as a rule they do not.

With a language so flexible and so well equipped as English, there is little excuse for the invention of new languages, which appear almost as frequently as new religions—and are about as useless.

SIGN MORE TREATIES

Copenhagen, Aug. 28.—German and Russian plenipotentiaries Tuesday, according to an official telegram from Berlin, signed three treaties supplementary to the Brest-Litovsk treaty. The new treaties include a treaty supplementing the treaty of peace as well as a financial agreement and one dealing with the civil law. The treaties are the result of negotiations which have been going on in Berlin for several weeks between the Germans and the Russians. The treaties were signed at the German ministry of foreign affairs.

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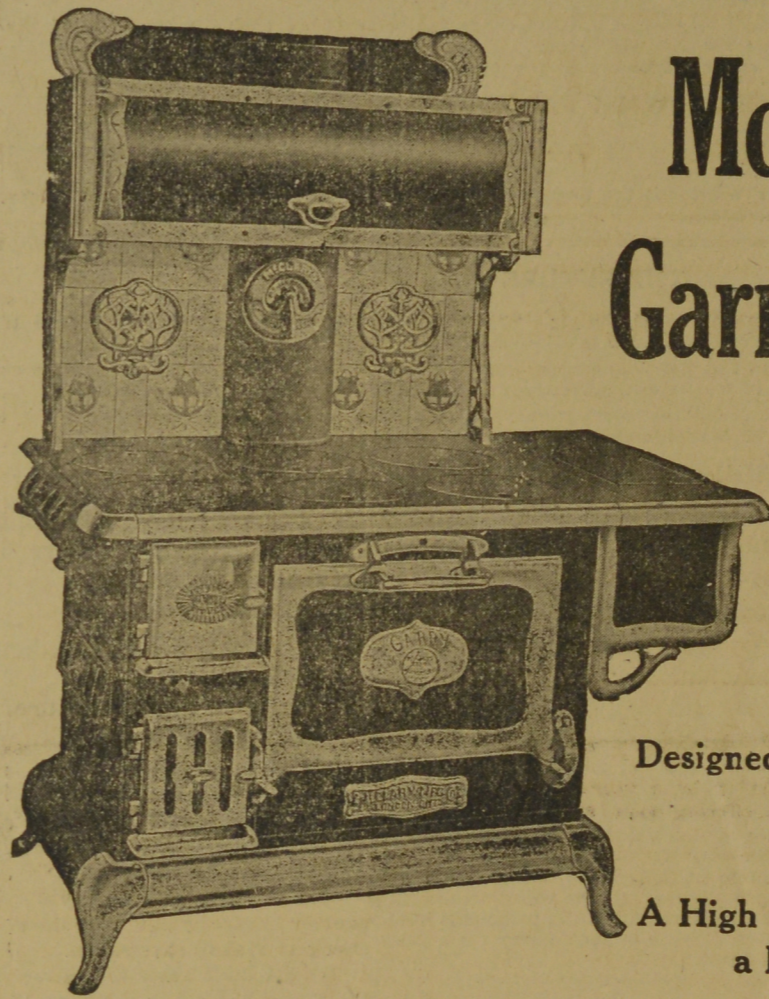
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The sale of the expired Timber Licenses as advertised in the Royal Gazette on the 24th of July, 1918, and embracing in all four hundred and fourteen and one-half (414 1/2) square miles, WILL NOT TAKE PLACE.

Further information will be given the public in due course.
E. A. SMITH,
Minister of Lands and Mines.
Crown Land Department,
Fredericton, N. B.,
August 27th, 1918.

HIGHWAY INSPECTION SOON ENDED

Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works, arrived here this morning and devoted his attention to departmental business. Hon. Mr. Veniot will return to the North Shore tomorrow, going via St. John and Moncton. At St. John he will inspect the new work on the Marsh Road.

The Minister has yet to cover some sections of Gloucester and Restigouche counties before his inspection of the highways of the province will be completed.

Hon. Mr. Veniot stated this morning that the work on the highways of the province although not as extensive this year as he would like, was of excellent quality.

There has been a shortage of labor but difficulties on that account have not been as great as was anticipated. However, in some sections the road crews had to be let go to attend to farming.

SCHWIEGER NOT TAKEN

Paris, Aug. 28.—The ministry of Marine denies that a French patrol boat has captured Lieutenant Schwieger, who commanded the submarine which sank the Lusitania. It is believed that this German officer died some time ago.

As one grows older one is more patient in the face of trouble—when his acquaintances tell him of it.

PROBATE COURT, COUNTY OF YORK.

To the devisees, legatees and creditors of Margaret Ryan, late of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, widow, deceased, and all others whom it may concern:

THE executors of the last will of the above named deceased, having filed their accounts in this court, and asked to have the same passed and allowed and order for distribution made:

You are hereby cited to attend if you so desire, at the passing of same at a Court of Probate to be held in and for the County of York, at my office in the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, on FRIDAY, the Sixth Day of September next, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, when the said accounts will be passed and order for distribution made.

Given under my hand this thirty-first day of July, A. D. 1918.
(L.S.) (Sgd.) PETER J. HUGHES,
Judge of Probate for the County of York.
(Sgd.) JAMES HOLLAND,
Registrar of Probates for
8-24 31 the County of York.

PROBATE COURT, COUNTY OF YORK.

To the next of kin and creditors of Helenora Hanson, late of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, widow, deceased, and all others whom it may concern:

THE Administrator of the above deceased intestate, having filed his accounts in this Court, and asked to have the same passed and allowed and an order for distribution made:

You are hereby cited to attend, if you so desire, at the passing of same at a Court of Probate to be held in and for the County of York, at my office, in the said City of Fredericton, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of September A. D. 1918, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, when the said accounts will be passed upon and an order for distribution made.

Given under my hand this 23rd day of August, A. D. 1918.
(Sgd.) F. H. PETERS,
Judge of Probate, pro hac vice.
(Sgd.) JAMES HOLLAND,
Registrar of Probates.
(Sgd.) McLELLAN & HUGHES,
Proctors.