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Boiestown News

The death of Clarence E. Boies which occurred on March 23rd., cast a deep gloom over this community, and caused many to remark about the uncertainty of life he had not reached a very great age being still two years and two months short of the allotted span of three score years and ten, rapidly recovering from attack of the flu, he was optimistically looking forward to better health and fairer days but seemingly it was not to be in a very unexpected moment the end came, he was a man of genial disposition, dearly, beloved by his family, and many friends who feel their loss most keenly. In the home the vacant chair is a constant reminder of the loss sustained and during those lonely days the prayer most frequently on their lips is: Oh for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still.

Numerous letters of sympathy were received by the bereaved family including one from the Premier of the Province Hon. A. A. Dwyer of Fredericton.

The funeral service was held at the home on the afternoon of March 25th. a large number of relatives and friends gathered at the home, to pay their last respects to a true and loyal friend.

A number of beautiful floral tributes were placed upon the casket by sorrowing friends and relatives, mute ev-

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MORE TO OYSTERS THAN YOU THINK

Suppose, for Instance, You Had to Absorb as Much Water as One Bivalve Takes In!

NEW YORK, N. Y., May 4—The oyster dredger's life hereabouts is not a happy one in bitter winter months, but no matter how choked with ice the oyster farming grounds around New York may be, or how cold the temperature, one will find the oyster boats at their daily tasks, gathering fresh supplies for metropolitan tables, for oysters R in season until May and the metropolitan appetite never flags.

Perhaps it would be more accurate to say the demand never flags; at most oyster bars they will tell you that the heaviest oyster consumers are visitors from the interior of the country, where it is difficult to obtain them fresh.

Oyster production is one of the major "fishing" industries, the annual "catch" being about 11,700,000 bushels which net the fishermen approximately \$5,000,000.

R. H. Fielder of the United States Bureau of Fisheries is the author of a monograph on the oyster, just issued, which starts like this:

"Nineteen centuries before the walrus and the carpenter in 'Alice in Wonderland' made their feast on oysters from the briny deep the Romans in their banquet halls were singing the praises of oysters in poems . . ."

From this start he goes into the relations between oysters and the Indians to the oysters. The Indians used to smoke the oysters. Not in pipes but in bonfires, in the smoke of which they preserved them like dried fish. The Chinese in Louisiana still dry their oysters, and the canning industry of late has taken to marketing oyster pures, chowders and soups. Some enterprising manufacturers are turning out "oyster powder".

All this is only a part of the interesting information to be had about oysters. For instance, does the average reader know that:

If a person had to drink an amount of water proportionate to what an oyster passes through its gills every twenty-four hours he would have to swallow 100 quarts?

The oyster's age may be determined from the layers making up his shell—one layer for each year?

Oysters one day are so minute that 1,000,000 of them could be placed into

idence of sympathy and love.

The pall bearers, were: Percy Boies, Claude Boies, Chester Boies, Clair Hunter, Billie Scott and Festus Fairley.

The hymns were "Shall We Meet Beyond the River", "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere", and "Abide With Me". The remains were tenderly laid to rest in the Boiestown cemetery.

a bottle the size of an average man's little finger?

If all those 1,000,000 baby, free-swimming oysters grew up they would make more than 4,000 bushels of commercial size

The oyster grows from a speck almost invisible to the eye to a succulent full-sized adult in two to four years?

It is merely a superstition, dating back to the Middle Ages, the oysters can be eaten only in those months in which there is an R? It is also then more difficult to keep them fresh. But they are quite edible. It is a good thing for the oyster, perhaps that custom imposes a "closed season" upon him during the months he is engaged in raising a family.

After a short period of weeks the baby oyster settles down to the bottom of the sea, fastening himself to anything fixed, such as rocks, piles, old debris or other shells in fact old oyster shells, dumped back into the "farming" areas, provide the best anchors for young oysters. In early life young oysters are known as spat, which reminds one that the oyster industry has a vocabulary of its own. Shelling oysters is properly referred to as "shucking" and raking them off the ocean floor with specially constructed implements is known as "tonging". Oysters grow best in bays and sounds where the salinity of the water is not as great as in the open seas.

In Southern waters the black drum, a fish which has stone crushing machinery in the back of its mouth, preys upon oysters, and various kinds of marine animals, which bore through the oyster's shell, also are its natural enemies; there is a snail, for instance, which first bores a hole, then inserts its proboscis into the hole and finally devours the unfortunate oyster. Hereabouts the starfish is the bivalve's worst enemy. The starfish, having vacuum cup attachments, attaches itself to the lip of an oyster's shell, squirts a fluid over the oyster which anesthetizes it, pulls the shells apart and into the opening so made the starfish inserts its stomach, digesting the oyster in its own home. Oyster beds to catch and destroy the starfish.

Since oyster contain iodine, they are good for those humans who live in so-called goiter regions and the people in such regions apparently know it, for the consumption per capita is highest in cities where the threat of goiter is greatest. The oyster's calcium and phosphorus makes it important in the growth of bone and children who have oysters will never have rickets.

CROW DESTROYS YOUNG AND EGGS OF WATER-FOWL

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONCTON N. B. May 4 — There have been more inquiries with regard to fishing and hunting in Canada from anglers and big game hunters, this year to date than for several years past, due principally to the improvement which has taken place in the economic situation and the fact that Canada offers some of the world's best fresh and salt water fishing and big game stated E. G. Poole, fish and game representative of the Canadian National Railways, Montreal, Quebec, who with C. K. Howard manager of the railways Tourist and Convention Bureau, was a visitor in Moncton recently looking into fish and game possibilities in the Maritime Provinces. "One of the big factors in the increase in fresh water fishing, such as salmon and trout, has been the wise conservation methods adopted and the stocking of streams by the Federal and Provincial Governments", Mr. Poole said. "An outstanding example of fish stocking is Jasper National Park where, in some streams just a few years ago there was no sign of any fish, while today, anglers are taking some beautiful specimens of rainbow trout there should be an abundance of game fish this year both salmon and trout, in the Maritime Provinces and there should be good fishing throughout Canada in general. There would appear to be great possibilities in the way of deep sea fishing in the waters of Nova Scotia, particularly tuna and swordfish. The type of boat used in the water off Florida and Catalina Island for tuna fishing with other equipment should prove admirably suited to Nova Scotia waters and by making it possible for visiting sportsmen to be able to hire such equipment should draw many to Nova Scotia".

With regard to big game, Mr. Poole stated it was on the increase. "Ten years ago in Jasper National Park, if you could count 60 to 75 elk you would be doing well. Today it is nothing to see herds of from 50 to 150. Moose, Deer and Caribou along with big horn sheep and goat are also on the increase. Grizzlies are about holding their own being hunted extensively, and black bears are more than plentiful. The establishment of game sanctuaries has been a great factor in building up stocks of big game in Canada". It is of the greatest importance, however, that the regulations with regard to big game are properly enforced. Another factor in building up big game stocks is preventing an undue increase in predatory animals. The prospects for wild fowl shooting are good. The eelgrass on which they feed appears to be coming back and the migratory birds act which was consummated between Canada and

SOVIET CHILDREN REVOLT AGAINST GOV. TOY OUTPUT

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., May 4 — A Children's revolution in revolutionary Russia! A silent, bloodless uprising in protest against the kind of toys they are given to play with is reported to be taking place among the Soviet Union's citizens of tomorrow.

The alarm is being spread by Tihon Holodny, well-known student of child psychology. He asserts that Russian children between the ages of 3 and 12 years are tilting their little noses at crude playthings which lends little or no inspiration to the imagination and which are obviously primitive reflections of real objects primitive in every-day life.

Assails Toy Selection

Furthermore Holodny declares that the toy selection committee of the People's Commissariat of Education is acting like "a bunch of old women".

"Russian children are 'fed up' with their toys", says Holodny. "They demand absolutely perfect working models of things but they resent representations which seem to be the outcropping of warped imaginations combined with the worst of taste. Thus today our toy store shelves are lined with one-legged chickens, Red soldiers and baby dolls that resemble pollywogs."

"Children can distinguish between all the makes of automobiles they see on the streets, yet they are offered crude, painted boxes on wheels, drawn by a string, in lieu of toy motor cars. Every game requires a certain amount of fantasy, but think how much imagination a child seven years old must have when instead of a motor there is a piece of wood, instead of a chassis a plain board. Taxis, busses, railroad engines and cars, these are all being turned out in the crudest fashion".

As an example of the "old womanish" attitude of the toy committee, Holodny declares that it will not approve of a toy cannon of modern design—only a pop gun modelled after some antique piece of artillery from the siege of Sebastopol. As for an army tank—horrors! It is approved only if it is obviously of whittled wood and looks like a cross between a steam roller and a circus calliope.

the United States, has proven of great value in safe guarding our wild fowl. Woodcock appears to be on the increase in the Maritime Provinces and Alberta and Saskatchewan offer some exceptional Hungarian partridge shooting. The common crow is one of the most destructive of the agencies operating against the conservation of bird life, particularly with regard to the young and eggs of water fowl.

Science Club Meets

(May 1st, 1936—119th regular meeting)

A meeting of some 25 members and guests recently held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Miller and heard a very interesting talk, illustrated with a three reel moving picture show, from Dr. Warren J. Maxwell on "The Eyes of Science".

As usual, the reading and approving of the minutes of the preceding meeting, opened the proceedings, followed by the reading of the Secretary's report, held over from the last annual meeting. This showed the club to be solvent and to have held eight meetings and a joint picnic with the Historical Society since the last annual meeting. The very catholic range of subjects of these meetings was enumerated and is here reproduced: The Rose—Maynard Harrison. Our Judicial System—C. R. Hawkins. The Religions of India—G. Alvah Good.

The Eyes of Science—Dr. W. J. Maxwell (On this occasion the films arrived one day late).

Medical Entomology—R. E. Balch. Tuberculosis—Dr. Cameron. The British Royal Family—William G. Quinn.

The Siege of Quebec—Dr. Alfred Bailey.

The subject of another possible joint picnic with the Y. & S. Historical Society was broached and discussed. On a motion by Dr. Wightman to that effect being carried, the president, who was acting as chairman, appointed a committee to make contact with the Society and make any arrangements necessary for such a picnic. The committee consisted of Dr. F. A. Wightman Major F. A. Good and Mrs. S. S. Miller. Mrs. F. A. Good extended an invitation to the club and society to hold the picnic at "Sunny Slope Farm", Major Good's farm at Island View.

Dr. Maxwell was then introduced as the speaker of the evening and at once gripped his hearers with the enthralling details of this most interesting phase of science letting much of the talking be done by the graphic details of the "moving picture". The reels, with occasional interpretation by Dr. Maxwell, first introduced the mechanical theory of LIGHT and its behaviour, followed by the manufacture of glass and of optical instruments particularly the microscope. It's impact on a great number of varied phases of life and work was briefly touched upon while the great number of places in which optical instruments contributed to work, amusement and scientific research was given attention. In conclusion Dr. Maxwell was made the target of a hall of questions all of which were answered at more or less length as the shortness of time did not permit doing justice to any, not to say all.

On conclusion of the address delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Miller, assisted by Mrs. W. A. Haines.

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HE WAS WRONG

It was believed that Machiavelli wrote "The Prince" in the year 1514; that the work was published in the year 1532. This would mean that four centuries and four years have elapsed since readers first encountered words in the section of that treatise headed "Of Maintaining a Principedom", which have been translated thus into English:

A Prince, then, who would be powerful should have no care or thought but for war, lest he lose his dominions. . . . Any one who would act up to a perfect standard of goodness in everything must be ruined among so many who are not good. . . . Men are less careful who they offend him who makes himself loved than him who makes himself feared; yet should a prince inspire fear in such fashion that, if he do not win love, he may escape hate; remembering that men will sooner forget the slaying of their father than the loss of their patrimony. . . . Princes who set little store by their word, but have known how to overreach men by their cunning, have accomplished great things, and in the end got the better of those who trusted to honest dealing. The prince must be a lion, but he must also know how to play the fox. In those four hundred and four years men have said a lot of harsh things

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