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By Eden Phillips

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"You'd better not be there if he does come," said Tom. "If Benny has taught the parrot ten words, he betting is they are too foul for your delicate ears."

CHAPTER V AN EXPERT

Mr. Gregory Barbour was a small man of fifty years old. He already grew bald, and the result was to make his high forehead lovelier still. He shaved clean and his face was withered and lacked animation, as often happens where no sense of humour lights the countenance.

He always talked like that. Jane, however, preferred Gouldian finches to the paths of scholarship.

Angus guessed that Jane's new parrot might possibly be speaking an obsolete, South American language; but Tom reminded him of old Jacob's comment when he first pronounced that theory.

and Inca still persist, and have instructed explorers in my time to seek the remote fastnesses of foreign countries where survivals may best be hoped for.

Fortified by direct sunlight and a chill, the bird faced his ordeal in good spirits. But patience was needed, for Jane's gorgeous parrot had now turned his attention to the Kookaburra, who lived not far distant from him.

"Wait, wait," she begged. "He's only picked that up from my Laughing Jack. He'll go back to his own conversation in a minute."

"Evil communications corrupt good manners," as Menander so truly remarks," he answered. "I thought St. Paul said it," ventured Nicholas.

"Take him away," he said, "and leave me quite alone with my memoranda for the space of half an hour, please. I will take these data into the garden, Jane, and sit in the summerhouse. Should you hear strange noises, feel no concern. I shall utter these words aloud and feel how they may sound upon my tongue when it comes to fashioning the labials and dentals."

BREAK FOR WOMEN

WINNIPEG (CP)—Some of the city's parking meters have been increased to two-hour capacity. Traffic engineer Harry Burns says they are a boon to women drivers, who often "think they'll take less time to do something than they actually do."

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

This is the story of the 77-year-old grandmother who has married 14 husbands in 59 years, losing only one of them by death.

Here's a brief break down in the numerous husbands acquired by Sibbie Goodwin since she first went to the altar at the age of 18.

One marriage lasted but a day. "The male brute ate breakfast and then vanished without even helping to wash the dishes," she recalled.

Another, a minister, "didn't stick to the truth, even though he was a preacher," said the woman.

The first union lasted four years, and ended in a divorce and a couple of children.

One marriage lasted a quarter of a century, until death took her better half. From then on she kind of lost track of the "Toms, Dicks and Harrys that came into her life."

Her man of the hour, John Wilson, is both No. 13 and 14 on the list, and that's that.

The American Indian extracted pearls from oysters in the following manner. Wood was reduced by fire to glowing coals. The shells were placed on the hot coals, and they opened in consequence of the heat.

It is interesting to note that artificial jewelry is in vogue in prehistoric America even as it is in our times. The synthetic gems were made by wrapping wooden beads in a coat of mica.

The teeth of animals were also imitated. For distinguished people, copper linings were made for the nose after death. Why? Nobody knows but a copper nose might have something to do with better breathing in the next world.

In 1926, archaeologists dug up the bodies of 12 persons near the Bering Sea. All were dressed in their best clothes of fur and bird skins.

The bodies, some children, some adults, were in a perfect state of preservation due to the fact that they had never thawed out.

A second surprise was in store for the diggers. They found the ruins of houses which had been buried for centuries. These discoveries are paralleled by similar finds unearthed in Northern Siberia.

Future discoveries in this frozen area may lift the curtain that shrouds the main stem of the Eskimo racial line.

Russian explorers found some strange looking packages wrapped in sea skins and woven grass mats. When unwrapped they were found to contain the remains of human beings.

This strange custom of disposing of the dead remained a mystery until some of the oldest Eskimo natives recalled the traditions of their forefathers.

Another type of mummy, wrapped in grass bundles, comes from the Aleutian Islands, or, to be more specific, from caves tombs of the islands. One of these unique mummies was seen at the Smithsonian Institution.

The British national health service issued 8,510 artificial limbs last year.

Wellington and Vicinity

Miss Inez Gallant, Moncton, N. B., is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Gallant.

Miss Ida Phillips recently visited at the home of Mrs. Garfield Day.

Pupils of the English school returned to school on Aug. 11, to start another term under supervision of Mrs. Enid Birch, teacher.

Misses Daisy Barbour and Blanche Day recently spent their holidays at their respective homes.

Cpl. Everett Graham, Moncton, N. B., recently spent several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graham.

Miss Margot Barlow recently returned home from Hunter River where she visited with Mrs. Russell Bernard and family.

Mr. Alphonse Connell, Kensington, recently visited his sister Mrs. Alice Barlow and other friends.

Mr. Cyril G. Gallant of Ontario recently arrived here to visit old acquaintances at his former home.

Mrs. Garfield Day and daughter Blanche accompanied by Mr. Albert Phillips motored to New Glasgow, N. S., recently where they spent a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Hutson MacAusland.

On Aug. 12, a ham and salad supper was held in the English school with a large crowd in attendance. Bingo, canteen service and other entertainments were enjoyed by all. Proceeds were in aid of English school and a neat sum was realized.

Mrs. Ira Barlow recently had as guest her brother Mr. Robert Lingley of Waltham, Mass., who motored here for a week's visit after an absence of seven years.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Stephen MacNeill, Wellington, of the death of their granddaughter Catherine Ellen, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen McKinnon of Stony Creek, Ont. She was struck and killed by a car near her home.

Members of Wellington United Church Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Howard Barlow on Aug. 18. A good attendance was had and a brief business period was discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gash and children Judy and Linda of Milwaukee, Wis., who have been visiting Mrs. Gash's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Ford, Summerside, left recently on return to their home. They were accompanied by Mrs. Gash's sister, Miss Evelyn Ford and Miss Josie Wedge, who will spend some time in Toronto.

Y. P. U. met at the school on Aug. 18, with a small attendance.

Mr. Alex. McKinnon arrived recently from Boston, Mass., called by the tragic death of his brother, Mr. Colin McKinnon Jr., Southwest Lot 16.

Miss Hathy Crossman of Central Bedouque, recently spent some time with her mother, Mrs. Colin McKinnon Sr., Southwest Lot 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Bell and two children Lorna Marie and Beverly of Halifax, N. S., are vacationing with his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bell, Parkview Cottage.

Mr. Burfield MacAusland, Charlottetown, recently visited relatives and friends here.

Mr. Albert Richard and daughter of Moncton recently visited Mr. Richard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Richard, Mont Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Laperle of U.S.A. spent a vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Richard, Mont Carmel.

Miss Eufreda Bernard recently spent a few days in Moncton. She also visited her sister, Sister Marie Leonce in Sacred Heart Convent, St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Gallant and Mr. Leonce Gallant are spending their vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gallant, Cape Egmont.

Mr. Arsene Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glorice Richard recently left for Quebec where he will enter St. Claire Seminary. Previous

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stead he went head first down inside Grandfather Frog's white and yellow waistcoat.

Old Toad started for the shore. "What a monstrous appetite," muttered Old Mr. Toad and swam as fast as he could.

Contract Bridge

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suit. This, of course, was something to consider, but South worried too much. He had responded with one heart because that was his idea of the most constructive bid, and since he had a very fair hand to compensate for the lack of a four-card heart suit, there was nothing wrong with his response. In fact, when North could carry this non-committal one-heart response all the way to four hearts, South had ample values for a slam try — either four no-trump or five clubs.

to his departure his friends and neighbors gathered at his home where an address was read and a sum of money was given him. The rest of the evening was spent in singing and music and a delicious lunch was served.

Miss Clayonne Arsenault, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arcade Arsenault, Wellington, recently arrived home from a pleasant visit with relatives in Chelsea, Mass.

Miss Carol Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Perry, Summerside, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Maddix, Egmont Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford DeCoff and three young children have returned to their home in Halifax after spending a short visit at Mrs. DeCoff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Casmin. Their visit was short-

ened after Mr. DeCoff received the sad news of his brother's accidental death.

Misses Shirley and Lorraine Arsenault, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Rene Arsenault, Summerside, recently visited in St. Gilbert, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Bernard.

Miss Lauretta Gallant, Moncton, spent her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hector Gallant and sister Yvette Gallant, Egmont Bay.

Their many friends were welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Jos. J. Arsenault to the community Abram's Village. They have been living in New York for the past year.

The liver is the largest gland in the human body.

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