

HOWLAN

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Arsenault of Woodstock, spent New Year's in Howlan at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alban D. Arsenault.

Shirley Richard of Unionvale, recently spent a few days with her cousin, Grace Arsenault at Howlan.

Miss Laurette Arsenault and Mr. Hickey motored from Summerside, recently and called at Laurette's home here in Howlan.

Mrs. J. B. Arsenault has not been so well recently. Her legion of friends hope she will be better soon.

tom of erecting zig-zag fences up- (l) wire came into general use. If by using atomic bombs we could shut off the cold air flowing through the Strait of Belle Isle, our climate in Prince Edward Island would be as mild as Florida.

In 1922 the mean temperature of downtown Rio de Janeiro was lowered five degrees by the removal of a hill which had blocked the cool ocean breezes.

Did you know that the American Congress never passed a law making English official in that country? So one could rightly say that our neighbor to the south has no official language. But certain acts of state legislatures and court judgments make English the unofficial language.

Thomas A. Edison tried more than 300 substances before finding the perfect filament for the electric light. Edison was a very persistent fellow.

Ski troops were used during the battle of Oslo in Norway in 1200 A. D.

The golden plover makes an annual flight from Patagonia to Alaska and back, eight thousand miles each way.

It is interesting to note that when the great flight of birds begins to push northward with the sun, a corresponding movement starts among the denizens of the sea. The cold-blooded fish feel the call of spring and in they come unerringly from the pathless wastes of the ocean, like the waves of countless birds we see above our heads into the rivers and fresh water ponds.

To watch the smelts come up the West and North Rivers into the salt water holes below the river dams near where I once lived every spring, is to watch one of the interesting movements of nature. When they spawned they departed. Later on, the young fry, when large enough to fend for themselves, found the path taken by their parents down to the sea. Where they went then and what they did I cannot tell, for I know next to nothing about the dark mysteries of the deep. Yet this I know, they are still doing the same things they did when I was a boy. They will continue to follow this come and go pattern until all the seas run dry.

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tom. He looked down at the black ice. The bank wasn't at all high here. He could hop down on that ice easily. He looked over at the piece of root. It lay on the ice at the edge of the water. "I've never tasted a root like that," thought Peter. "I've never had a chance. Boots here that grow only in the mud under water. Jerry Muskrat can dig them up, but I can't. I've seen Jerry eating them many times and I've always wished I could taste one. I wonder if Jerry would mind if I should take a bit out of this one. Anyway, he left it there and so I have just as much right to it as he has."

Still Peter hesitated to jump down on the ice. He sat there looking and longing and afraid. The longer he looked the more he longed to taste that root. Finally he made up his mind that if Jerry Muskrat could sit on the ice he could. He would just jump down there and pull that piece of root away from the water. He would bite it back up on the bank and eat it. That is, he would eat it if he liked it, and he had a feeling that he would like it.

He looked all around to see if anybody was watching. He looked down through the clear ice below him to see if Jerry Muskrat might be coming back. No one was to be seen either above the ice or below it. Peter still wondered if Jerry would mind if he should take that piece of root down there.

"I don't believe he would," said Peter to himself. "I'm hungry and he isn't or he wouldn't have left that root. I don't believe he'll miss that root. I think I'll just jump

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By Josephine Culbertson

CASE OF SHORTSIGHTEDNESS

It is always pleasant to sit over the dummy's K-J of a suit with the A-Q, but if it is a long and therefore menacing suit, it certainly does not follow that the defender should "grab" the first lead of that suit. Take the simple case illustrated below, and observe how very shortsighted East was.

West opened the spade queen. South ducked in both hands, and West followed up with the spade jack. Keeping dummy's entry, South won with his own king and led a diamond to dummy's nine.

Very obviously, East should have declined this trick, to immobilize dummy's long suit, but he didn't even think—he won the queen and shifted to the club ten.

South could have returned favor for favor by taking the club finesse, but he was too good a player for that. (If he had taken the finesse, West would have won and knocked out right up with the club ace and promptly cleared the diamond suit. Now East's second lead of clubs held no menace—West collected his club king, but it was the fourth and last trick for his side.)

It is remarkable how often players overlook the chance, as East did here, to kill a long suit by using a defensive hold-up play.

South was too strong to be put off by his partner's second diamond bid, which was a sign-off.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks last week declined 90 cents and closed at \$179.30.

Wall St. Review

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market started the new year with a cautious decline last week.

There was a lot to be wary about. Forecasts for the new year said that general business should do well for the first six months. After that, there was much less agreement on what is in store.

The stock market, of course, discounts the future through the com-

posite estimates of all buyers and all sellers. Consequently there were some who figured that if the U. S. economy is expected to hold at record levels in the first half of 1936 and the stock market already is at or near its peaks, then perhaps the market soon will start to discount the less enticing business outlook in the second half of the year.

Our Boarding House Major Hoople

MY WORD, SNUFFY! YOUR LARDER ISN'T QUITE UP TO THE PANTY OF THE SAVOY—I'VE EARLY TO CONCOCT AN EXOTIC OMELET—BUT THERE ISN'T EVEN ICE IN THIS BOX—ONLY A HALF LOAF OF BREAD IN A STATE OF MORTIS!

I USE THE WINDOW LEDGE FOR REFRIGERATION, MAJOR! THERE'S A COUPLE OF EGGS OUT THERE AN' SOME BUTTER! GO AHEAD WITH THAT, UNLESS YOU WANTA STEP OUT IN THIS ZERO BLIZZARD AND KNOCK OFF A WALRUS!

AND HAVE YOU AN AX FOR THE GUTTER?

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
1. To challenge
  2. Bundle of grain
  3. Decorate
  4. Cut, as meat
  5. Vampire
  6. A sign of the zodiac
  7. Before
  8. Those who mend
  9. Beadlike
  10. Cook in an oven
  11. Radium (sym.)
  12. Light brown
  13. Complex
  14. Permission to be absent from duty
  15. Negative vote
  16. Aloft
  17. Independent
  18. Factory
  19. Violent disruption
  20. Marsh
  21. Beaten
  22. Variety of sorghum
  23. An intelligence test
  24. Warble
  25. Slip
  26. Matured DOWN
- DOWN
1. Valley (post.)
  2. Jewish month
  3. Capital (It.)
  4. Silkworm
  5. Malicious gossip
  6. Strong
  7. One of the
  8. Grooved
  9. Lizard
  10. Chum
  11. Skinned
  12. Fit together,
  13. Pecks
  14. Peas
  15. Tunis ruler
  16. Holiday (Jap.)
  17. Arabian garment
  18. A reef
  19. Sailor
  20. Hall
  21. Born
  22. Grooved
  23. Lizard
  24. Chum
  25. Skinned
  26. Fit together,
  27. Pecks
  28. Peas
  29. Tunis ruler
  30. Boy's name
  31. Coins (Rum.)
  32. Two-masted vessel
  33. Eye
  34. Precious metal
  35. Openings (anat.)

Yesterday's Answer

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18

19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36

37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45

46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54

55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63

64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation

DSQ ZIQ DIPKYI RG BRSOBUVA  
PWIO QRR GSVV; OSFDYI FKMIA  
VRON JVXNSQVA—JWOWF.

Yesterday's Cryptogram: AND EVERY SHEPHERD TELLS HIS TALE UNDER THE HAWTHORN IN THE DALE—MILTON.

SECRET AGENT X9

GET ALL THE FACTS ABOUT THE YOLING KOLING. I THINK THEY'RE THE ONES!

WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS WE KNOW THINGS 'BOUT 'EM THEY'D DIE 'EM BARRAGE MENT IF THEY KNEWED WE KNEW!

BUT WE'LL TELL 'EM STRANGERS!

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Grandma

GEE, GRANDMA, WHY TH' BASE-BALL GLOVE ON A DAY LIKE THIS?

WELL, YA SEE... HEY! LOOK OUT!

WHEN I WEAR MY FIELDSERS GLOVE...

I NEVER HAVE 'EM MAKE 'EM SNOWBALLS! I THROW!

Mickey Mouse

I'LL GO OVER TO SEE DUMBO AND TIMOTHY IN CIRCUS WINTER QUARTERS!

MICKEY! HAVE LUNCH WITH US?

OKAY, TIM!

THAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH BEIN' A FLYIN' ELEPHANT! YOU GOTTA KEEP YOUR WEIGHT DOWN!

POOR DUMBO!

Henry

I KNEW IT!

IT'S HAPPENED AGAIN!

HEY, MUSS, COME AND LOOK...

IT NEVER FAILS. EVERY TIME GRANDMA FORGETS TO PUT THE CAR IN THE GARAGE!!

Muggs and Skeeter

EXTRIE! EXTRIE! READ ALL ABOUT THE BIG JAIL BREAK!

WELL, WELL—JUST AS I THOUGHT!

HERE I WENT TO A ROOMING HOUSE TELLER AND SHE SAID A RELEASE I MIGHT BE IN YEARS WOULD WORTH ME!

AND GUESS WHAT? SHE SAID I MIGHT BE IN YEARS WORTH ME!

I GUESS SHE'S RIGHT!

Bringing Up Father

I'VE LOST MY GLOVES

WELL, HELP YOU FIND THEM?

WHAT DO THEY LOOK LIKE?

THEY'RE HEATHER BEIGE, TUCK-STITCHED WITH SCALLOPED APPLIQUE

Tilly The Toilet

I'M FROM THE BOARD OF HEALTH. DOES YOUR DAUGHTER KNOW A YOUNG MAN NAMED HOWARD TUGGLE?

WHY YES, SHE DATED HIM LAST NIGHT!

SORRY, I'LL HAVE TO PUT A SIGN ON YOUR HOUSE. HE HAS MEASLES.

KNOW ANY OTHER GIRL WHO'S DATED DECIPHER?

NO, NO, REALLY. I'M TOLD ME UP IN THE ONLY ONE IN HIS LIFE!

THAT'S DO'S A ONE (MAN EPIDEMIC) SO FAR INE QUADRANT! LOVE

Erta Kent

WHY'D YOU GRAB ME?

BECAUSE YOUR PRISONERS WOULDN'T TELL WHO PLANNED THE STAGE HOLDUP

WHETHER THEY SQUEAL OR NOT THEY'LL HANG FOR MILLIN' THE DRIVER!

THEY WILL UNLESS THEY ESCAPE!

The Lone Ranger

"APAX"... NOW UNICE MORE... FORWARD... RIGHT... LEFT... RIGHT... FORWARD, MY BOY?

TURN... FORWARD... RIGHT... LEFT... VUNDERFUL... HOLD!

HOW VE REST TILL REVISION TOMORROW... TA HA HA HA... YOU HAPPY TOO, APAX? VE SHOW DEM ?

Joe Palooka

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Secret Agent X9

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BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

CARELESS PETER FAILS TO LOOK

The careless when they suffer pain. Have no real reason to complain. —Old Mother Nature.

This is true. Yes sir, this is true. Whoever gets hurt because of carelessness never complains. Most accidents happen through carelessness. Of course some do happen without carelessness on anyone's part. In such a case there may be some excuse for complaining. But suffering from carelessness is a sort of just punishment.

Peter Rabbit was over at the Smiling Pool. It wasn't exactly smiling now. It was covered with black ice, all but a small opening at the upper end. Peter had been on the bank above this, looking down, when Jerry Muskrat had come swimming out from under the ice and had climbed over it. He had brought out a piece of pond-lily root. While they talked Jerry had been nibbling at it. Finally he dived back into the water and Peter watched him swimming under the ice toward his house.

"I don't see how he does it," said Peter, talking to himself. "No sir, I don't see how he does it. It gives me the shivers just to look at that black water. He says he likes cold weather. Maybe he does, but I don't see how anyone can like it when it is so cold and food is so hard to get. I'm sure I don't like it."

Peter looked down at the piece of lily-root on the ice that Jerry had left. "I wonder what that tastes like," thought Peter.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

By F. H. MacArthur

Believe it or not, more tonnage passes through the locks of the Soo Canal at St. Marie, Michigan, than the Panama Canal and the Suez Canal combined.

If you were to stand atop Dante's View, Death Valley, California, you would be able to view the highest mountain and the deepest valley in Uncle Sam's country.

Victoria, B. C., is the most English city in North America, both in atmosphere and customs.

On Mount Olympus in Washington state, precipitation, most of it snow, attains the amazing total of from 200 to 250 inches annually.

Termites are a favorite food of the tribes who inhabit Africa's Lake Kyoga region.

New Zealand has 2½ cattle for each of its 2,088,000 people. Its sheep outnumber its population almost 17½ to one.

According to a U. N. report, harness-broken moose are being used about 518 miles from the North Pole.

Where is the most northerly post office on earth? At Alert, in Canada's north land. Here, too, you would find the northernmost land-based radio and weather station—about 818 miles from the North Pole.

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Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams

WOW! THERE'S A SLY GUY CUT RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE PLACE WE WANT TO GO! WATCH OUT, BACK THERE—BOY, WE GOT TO GET THAT SOTT!

YE GODS! IT TOOK TEN MINUTES FOR HER TO GET HERE!

AND WE SAVE TEN STEPS!

THE TIME SAVER

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Believe It or Not!

MINNIE AND GABRIELLE STERN

WERE BORN ON THE SAME DAY—LIVE IN THE SAME HOUSE AND ARE PUPILS IN THE SAME CLASS —YET THEY ARE NOT RELATED

A PEEK AND A PISH WERE BAGGED BY WILLIAM JACOBS WITH ONE SHOT THE FISH MEASURED 76 INCHES

MODERNISTIC CHURCH —Bogard, Ontario

Drive out ACHE

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