

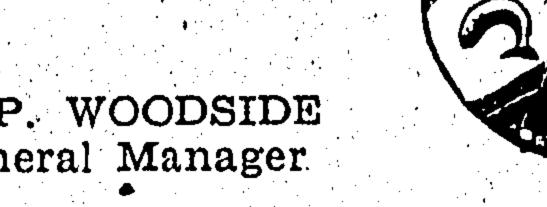
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## Informing minds school's first role

these men's minds are clear about the before the horse." purposes, the method and the content lic school graduate should have in his taught.

CARENTS of school children, the "We believe," they say, "that the students themselves and most of purpose of education is to inform the all, were they freely to concede it, the mind and develop the intelligence. Reschool and administrators of San cent pedagogical theory, however, has Francisco are debtor of the eight Stan- tended to make education for life in a ford and University of California pro-democracy' the primary purpose ... fessors who have criticized the San in a sense profoundly hostile to excel-Francisco school curriculum. lence... To set citizenship and democ-. The professors' report to the board racy in the classroom ahead of of education is compelling because academic subjects is to put the cart

Maturity—that is the quality for of public school education—in short, which the professors are looking in they are competent to say what a pub-students and in the courses they are

-The San Francisco Chronicle.

## The Packsack of Gregory Clark

Copyright: Canada Wide. its name is, what it does, what it eats, where it lives, what its job is? Not one in 10,000 of us. Who bends down to look closely at a beetle to see its fantastic irridescent colors, often as beautiful, sometimes more bizarre, than those of the most

fantastic butterfly. Not one in twenty thousand. Who looks twice at a butterfly wobbling by in the spring air? Who wonders what its name is?

What more than "a butterfly" does it need for a name? The indifference to the living

world of 99 out of 100 of us who live in city Who looks at a beetle? Who wonders what and country both, is one of the most important

> But we are without the slightest curiosity about the other creatures who share with us the miracle of life on this planet.

#### FUTURE FOR INTERCEPTOR

## Arrow information may have been incorrect

By DAVE McINTOSH

Canadian Press Staff Writer OTTAWA (1)—Military testimony before the that the air-launched missile is here. United States Congress indicates that the Canadian chiefs of staff gave the government an incorrect or incomplete intelligence es- that the aircraft, the incoming air-breathing tilnate last, year on usefulness of the Arrow

\* Prine Minister Diefenbaker told the Commons February 23, 1959, that the supersonic Arrow was cancelled because the chiefs of aff. "on the basis of the best information they can secure," determined that it didn't make sense to continue expenditures on it. Sources of Canadian intelligence on Soviet military activity are not disclosed but they fied:

age presumably American. Mr. Diefenbaker maintained on January 18 this year that the Arrow decision was still the right one because the "day of manned bombers was about to be over."

The opposite picture has been given the US. House of Representatives defence appropriations subcommittee by Gen. Thomas D. White, chief of the U.S. Air Force.

"In testimony recently released and just njade available here, Gen. White said: "We have plenty of information that their Russian manned aircraft are continuing to be exercised and manoeuvred at a very high

rate, in fact, at an increased tempo. "According to our intelligence, they are continuing production at a reduced rate of their heavy bombers. We also have intelligence that they are developing new bombers. "Well now, is there a future for the manned

fighter interceptor? "I would say definitely, very definitely.

"I still foresee a requirement... for a longrange fighter interceptor for the simple reason

historical facts of the 20th century. It is a century of enormous advance in human capacity in almost every direction. Alert, alive, active, expanding, exploring, searching outer space, probing the human mind, solving every riddle, inventing every device, the citizens of the 20th century have been insatiable in their curiosity about everything in the universe with a dime or a buck in it.

"We have it in the Hound Dog. The enemy is developing similar missiles, and it means aircraft with its missile, can launch its load long destances from the target. "That means you must be able to reach

it, reach the vehicle before the missile is "Even the Bomarc anti-aircraft missile won't do it. So I foresee a long-range inter-

ceptor, a manned aircraft." Again, at another point, Gen. White testi-

'We must be able to counter the threat of missiles launched from enemy bomber aircraft. Long-range interceptor aircraft are the most effective weapons for this purpose. They would be able to attack and destroy the bombers before they launched their missiles.

Gen. White said Russia has about 1,200 long-range heavy and medium bombers, including jet bombers comparable to the U.S. Air Force's B-47 and B-52.

"The need for a manned interceptor still exists and likely will exist for a long time to come," Gen. White said. Only the manned interceptor could identify

unknowns in the air defence system. Only the manned interceptor could meet the threat of the bomber-launched air-to-surface missile. Gen. White said the American F-108 longrange interceptor was cancelled last year be-

cause of a squeeze on funds. This is said in some quarters to be the reason the Arrow was cancelled though Defence Minister Pearkes has denied this in the Commons. He said the main reasons for cancellation were the "decreasing threat" of bombers and "lessening need" of interceptors.

#### INTERPRETING THE NEWS

## Presence of UN at Berlin may aid talks

By HAROLD MORRISON Canadian Press Staff Writer

• An idea backed by Prime Minister Diesen-, would be difficult to desend in the event of boker may form part of Western strategy in any new war. But Eisenhower has assured attempting to resolve the East-West crisis oyer Berlin at the May 16 summit conference. Officially the foreign ministers of the United States Britain, France and Germany took the position Wednesday Westorn rights in Berlin must be absolutely safegjarded and Western rights of access to the Red-encircled city guaranteed in any agreemeant with Russia.

But a Brilish source quietly hinted that Western strategy doesn't end there, that a number of alternatives were considered and that one of those alternatives might include the presence of United Nations officials in .

About a year ago Diefonbaker suggested, in talks with Britain's Foreign Minister Selwyn Lloyd that perhaps the UN could play a role A Borlin in a way that would satisfy both Etast and West to verify that both sides stuck to the terms of any agreement reached.

In advancing such a suggestion, Diofonbaker emphasized that Russia would first linve to bind itself and its associates to full freedom of access of West Berlin and agree to the UN prosence being complementary to the rights and obligations of the occupying powers. Pranco, Russia occupios Mast Berlin While France, Mulain and the U.S. occupy the Western part of the city with about 11,000 troops. Russia says those Western troops are a threat to

ponce and has proposed Berlin be turned into Troo city under United Nations sponsorship. This the West will not accept though Presidont Elsonhower has described the present Borlin situation as "abnormal." There is some fooling among his advisors that Wost Berlin

West German Chancellor Adenauer there will be no yielding of ground in that city and that the freedom of its 2,000,000 citizens will

It is known Britain favors the Canadian idea though perhaps the U.S. and France may be a bit less enthusiastic.

In any case the suggestion was aired and not rejected. The evidence points to the likelihood it may be moved into prominence when the time comes for hard bargalhing among Bischhower, Prime Minister Macmillan, French Prosident de Gaulle and Soviet Promièr

## Marriage confirmed

Porhaps the bonign influence of the Gulf Stream has shifted westward—or maybe it is: just the beginning of spring. But whatever the reason, something seems to have happened down by the Atlantic,

On the eve of the 11th anniversary of Newfoundland's entry into confederation with Canada, Premier Smallwood made this candid and public confession:

The past 11 years have been "the happiest in all the history of the people of this island." Confederation hasn't cured all the illa of Newfoundland, but "it has been a blessing, a great blessing from God."

After this, there is hope that some day Now Brunswick and Nova Scotia, too, will become reconciled. —The Financial Post.



TULIP TIME First of .700,000 tulips planted by Girl Guides in Canada last year are already in bloom in Victoria. Cecily Modedale, 10, and Gloria Coldwell, 15, admire the golden tulips, which in a few weeks will add a dash of spring color to cities and towns across the country. —CP photo.

# Time and Place.

By WIGGS O'NEILL

and \$2.50 for their berths, they RIVER BOAT DAYS bought their meals "at good During the steamboat days prices in the swank dining on the Skeena River, ever room, it was the "upper crust" since the Hudson's Bay Comwho really took a licking. pany put the first boat, the Very often our fancy passen-"Caledonia" on the river, gers and gold braided officers around 1890, the company alfound it hard to get up an ways made a trip up river at appetite and could not do justhe end of the fishing season tice to Chief Steward Doyne's at the canneries. This special preparations. trip was to give the Indian We always dreaded the anpeople a chance to make a nual "Indian trip" and were fast passage home and to also glad when it was over. One low them to make preparathing we always looked fortions to get out to their trapward to and hoped for was a ping grounds and prepare for good compliment of commerthe fall catch of furs. This trip was always spoken of as the

"Indian Trip." This trip was more or less a "Sacrifice Pitch" by the com pany, as the people were given very reasonable rate, with no chance of making the trip pay. There were always some around who always used to say "The Hudsons Bay Company had no heart," but some of us know different. They refused all revenue freight on the trip, as the steamer only handled first class passenger and their baggage on the upper deck, while the whole of the lower or freight were reserved for the Indian people and their families and belongings. With such a light load the ship did not draw much water and could steam over

the numerous rapids with ease The old Company are to be commended for making this Indian trip possible, after all were not those people their first and best customers for The company owning the

"Inlander" which was built: in Victoria in the winter of 1909, and came on the river in 1910, had among her shareholders a number of Hazelton business men and the management felt in order for their boat to keep up its prestige to also put on an "Indian Trip." As I was purser on the 'Inlander" it became my privilege to personally experience "Indian Trip."

The whole of the lower deck, was cleared and mapped out in squares of about 10 feet. Each square allotted to ank Indian family for I think about \$15. This entitled the fisher-in man and his family, his dogs, cats and all his salt water delicacles he had bought at the coast such as oolichan grease,

smoked hallbut, dried scawced and herring eggs. His 10 feet of space was his own domain and the safety of his goods and chattels were his own re-

The blg steam boller carrying 210 pounds of steam was also up front on this deck and the temeperature was always very hot. So with crying bables, howling dogs, mowing cats and the Salvation Army-band with their big drum from Kitseguecla on board, there was nover a quiet hour on other lower deck. Even at night when things should have quietened down, the dogs pilld no heed to the hour, in fact, howled longer and harder and

more mournful at night, As heat, together with foul smolls and noises, always rise they penetrated to the appear dock where the officers ! had their quarters. There also were our top dog passengers. Who had paid \$25 for their passage

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found them the champion they would be justified and knew that on the "Indian trip" have a good kick coming.

In one way the "Indian trip" was regarded highly from the pursers office, both my freight clerk and I probably were the only ones on board who had a word of praise for it—outside of odours and noise.

Nothing on the lower deck had been checked on, so nothing needed to be check off and all charges paid for in advance, so Frank and I had a salesmen. We always

kickers on any trip and we

## REPORT FROM PARLIAMENT

By FRANK HOWARD

There will be no absentee voting in the next federal election. The hope for this system ranged very high in some circles during the past year. However, the committee on Privileges and Elections decided to make no changes insofar as absentee voting concerned. I am on that committee and, incidentally was the only member to support absentee voting. The major reasons why it was rejected were ones of cost. Too much money would have to be spent in preparing a permanent voters list, which is necessary

in order to have safeguards in

the absentee voting system. Advance poll voting, however, is being given favorable consideration by the committee. It would appear that anyone who is absent from his polling division on election day will have the right to vote at an advance poll. In conjunction with this there probably will be a greater number of advance poll stations in each constituency. For instance, in Skeena there is now only one advance polling station and that is at Prince Rupert. This makes it awkward for a person in, say, Burns Lake or Smithers to vote at the advance poll in Prince upert. It is even more disicult for people in such places as Atlin or Ocean Falls to get to Prince

The proposed change may make this problem easier. The actual mechanics will be left up to the Returning Officer but there will be general

guides for him to follow. That is about all that the Committee on Privileges and Elections has done with respect to the Elections Act. We had only two meetings and will resume after the Easter recess at which time we will get down to business in a concerted fashion.

There is some other system that I intend to raise in the committee which would make it easier for a person who is unavoidably absent from his polling division on election day to have his vote east and counted. My suggestion is that

this would be done by a proxy system. The absent voter, for instance a fisherman, would sign a proxy form authorizing his wife, or some other close relative, to vote for him. This system is in effect in the provinces of Ontario for people who are classified as mariners. It would seem that sufficient safeguards could be put into such a system to prevent anyone from voting twice; once by proxy and once by

Grace is the ornament of ornaments. Without it, beauty is lifeless.—Baltasar Gracian.

Beauty without grace is the hook without the bait. -Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Grace is but glory begun, and glory is but grace perfected.—Jonathan Edwards.

What we most need is the prayer of fervent desire for growth in grace, expressed in patience, meckness, love, and good deeds.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Grace is given of God, but knowledge is bought in the market.—A. H. Clough.

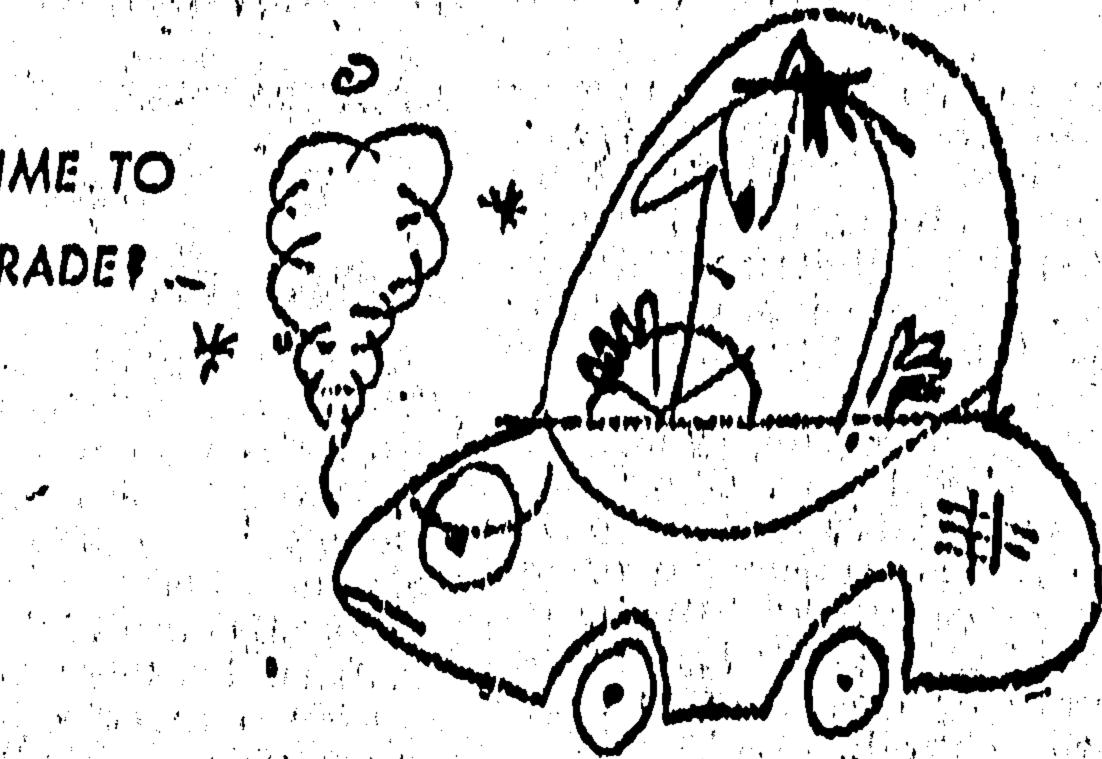
There is no such way to attain to greater measure of grace as for a man to live up to the little grace he has. -James Gordon Brooks.

### A small and walking tree

Through the white, moving

Never a star can glow; Trees rise, invisible, From their white roots below. small and walking tree Lost in its blooms, I know Night as a gardon doop With falling flowers of snow. -Norma McLain Stoop.

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## All Aboard with G. E. Mortimore

The government is always wrong. When it jumps at the taxpayers like a big tousled dog, anxious to please, someone kicks it in the jaw and someone else steps on its feet.

Not long ago the government announced that it was going to let old age pensioners go abroad as long as they liked without losing their pensions. Most of the people who had clamored for this measure remained silent, while opponents began a chorus of illtempered grumbling.

Then it was the vote for Indians. Did the Indians thank the government? From some of the comments; you might have thought that the government had offered them

Of course, the Indians were scarcely to be blamed for this response. Many of the white man's previous gifts turned out to be loaded. It was natural that the Indians held this one to the ear to find out whether it tickled, and then dunked it in the pond to be double-

But I think the time has come for someone to pat the government on its shaggy head and give it a word of praise for meaning well.

Letting pensioners go abroad and stay with relatives, and granting the unconditional vote to Indians, were good and kindly actions.

Furthermore, they weren't likely to grow a harvest of Tory votes. Old age pensioners who want to go abroad, and Indians living on the reserve, are both minority

The pensioners who go to Britain or the U.S.A. won't be voting here. So many of the Indians are hostile about the vote, fearing to lose their rights, that the government

probably lost more than it gained by the measure. Personally, I feel that the government might have been wise to attach a plebiscite

clause to the Indian vote, allowing tribes to refuse the vote en bloc if they had strong feelings about it. In the long run, though, the granting of the vote with

no niggly restrictions attached should increase feelings of brotherhood between Indian and non-Indian.

Good for the government. They did right, even though they didn't have to.

#### With the classics

Lift not the painted veil which those who live

Call Life: though unreal shapes be pictured there. And it but mimic all we would

believe With colors idly spread behind, lurk Foar

And Hope, twin Destinies; who ever weave Their shadows, o'er the chasm,

sightless and drear. I knew one who lifted it—he sought,

For his lost heart was tender things to love, But found them not, alas!! nor was there aught

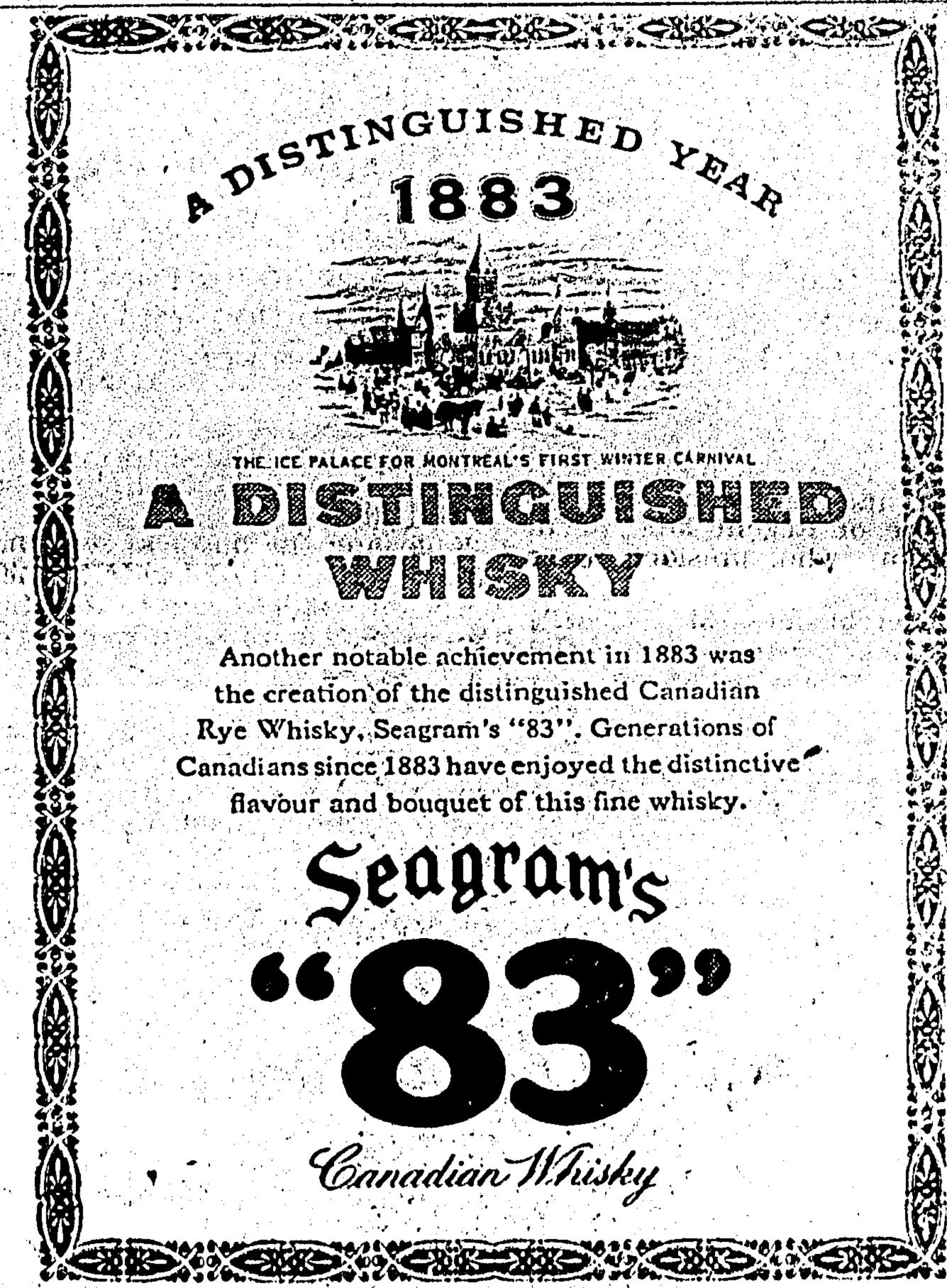
The world contains, the which he could approve.

Should my heart be grieved or

'Cause I see a, woman kind? Or a well-disposed nature Joined with a lovely feature? Be she meeker, kinder than Turtle-dove or pelican,

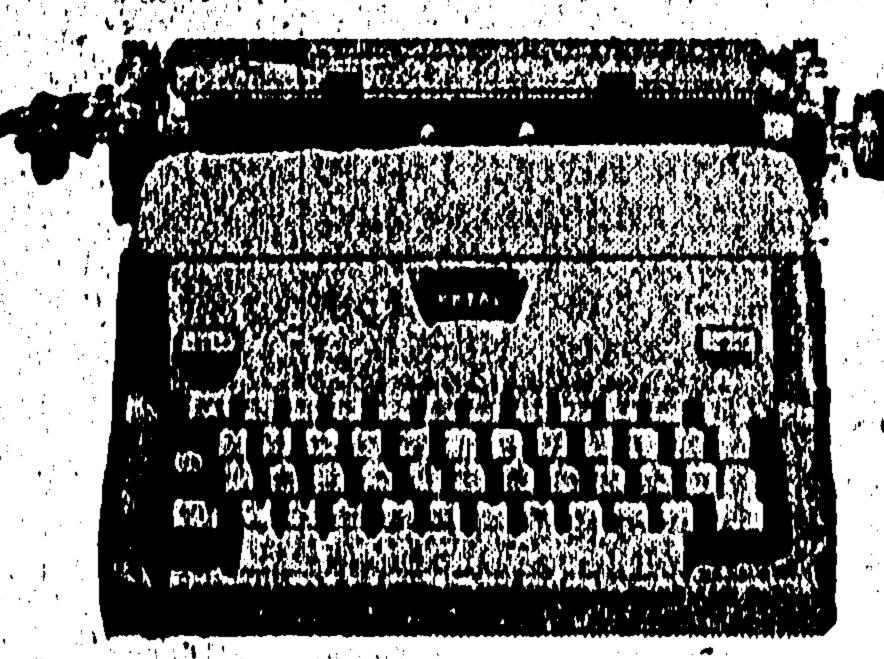
If she be not so to me, What care I how kind sho

-George Wither



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