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WOMEN APART FROM MEN FOR FIVE MONTHS

That is the Custom Annually Among Eskimos of Island of Nunivak

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 20.—On the barren island of Nunivak off the coast of Alaska, where only 170 Eskimo souls spread their habitations over 2,800 square miles of semi-Arctic wastes, scientists have discovered a bachelor's paradise, at least for five months of the year.

During this period, so they found, the entire male population of the isolated island, from the "weaned infants to the oldest patriarch," is separated from the women for the singular reason, given by the inhabitants themselves, that it insures "a good catch of seals," on which they are largely dependant for food, clothing and light.

These facts together with other data, have been brought back to Washington and made public by Henry B. Collins Jr., Smithsonian ethnologist, and T. Dale Stewart of the National Museum, who undertook an expedition to Alaska in co-operation with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Council of Learned Societies.

CONTINUE TO COOK The only break in the barriers of Nunivak's "No Woman Land" is at meal time, when the women carry food to the Kachee, a semi-subterranean ceremonial lodge, where the men live during their traditional exile.

A feast at which the bladders of all seals caught during the year are thrown back into the sea to propitiate the seal tribe, concludes the male isolation, the scientists say, adding that numberless taboos as to hunting, skinning and general handling illustrate the high regard the Eskimos have for their watery prey.

Because of their isolation, it was said, the Nunivaks represent the most conservative Eskimo tribes left in the world. The Bureau of Education maintains a teacher and his wife on the island and the only other representative of the outside world known to the inhabitants is a trader at another village 30 miles away.

Prior to the arrival of the Smithsonian expedition the Nunivaks had not been visited by a boat in two years.

LITTLE KNOWN OF LAND Mr. Collins is of the opinion that Nunivak has been inhabited for only a few hundred years. So little is known about the land, he declared, that its shores have not even been charted.

Although no burials or other evidences of ancient man were found, the expedition reported obtaining the first skeleton material and anthropological measurements ever to come out of the island. Physical measurements also were made and bones and other material collected all along the barren coast of Alaska from Bristol Bay to the mouth of the Yukon.

Some kitchen middens which seemed fairly old also were discovered on Nunivak and natives everywhere, the scientists asserted, were found "most tractable and friendly."

CAPE CODDERS PAY TRIBUTE TO SEA GULLS

WELLFLEET, Mass., Dec. 20. — "We couldn't live without them. They're a Godsend!"

That is the tribute grateful Cape Codders pay to their industrious and public-spirited beach citizens, the sea gulls. It is no idle remark; they mean every word of it. The gull is an indispensable part of Cape Cod life, one of the cape's most valuable birds. Close observation proves that he is a very remarkable bird—resourceful, clever, courageous, artistic, affectionate and sociable. The gull is even credited with a sense of humor.

Their tribe has safeguarded human life for many years. They are still on the job, faithful and active as ever. By keeping the sands clean they protect health, keep down disease and eliminate much discomfort for inhabitant of the cape. They prevent wrecks in fog, assist fishermen in making big hauls, aid farmers by removing destructive insects. And during the world war they were immensely valuable allies in that they trailed submarines and promptly betrayed the presence of submerged craft and perched upon drifting mines.

PROTECTORSHIP The state, recognizing their usefulness, has established a kind protectorship. It is not only unlawful to kill gulls, a fine being imposed for each bird killed, but it is a sacrilege. The State of Massachusetts has nothing but admiration and reverence for this feathered friend.

There is one fascinating trick that illustrates the keenness of the gull's eye. The bird will swoop down and pick up a sea clam or quahaug. Then, soaring 60 feet above the shore, he will drop the victim so that it lands on a rock and smashes. Darting to the rock like a rocket, the gull snatches up the food and is off, the whole procedure consuming only a few seconds. If he should drop the morsel while flying over land, he will invariably not bother to recover it, but will continue on and find

SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS

Vacant, unreserved, surveyed Crown lands may be pre-empted by British subjects over 18 years of age, and by aliens on declaring intention to become British subjects, conditional upon residence, occupation, and improvement for agricultural purposes.

Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emptions is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 3,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 5,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner. Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of \$10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be secured.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price for first-class (arable) land is \$5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land \$2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of stampage.

HOMESITE LEASES Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free or partly free permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

a fresh bit of food.

A Wellfleet housewife had an amusing experience with a pair of knowing gulls while digging clams in Duck Creek. The birds watched her solemnly as she toiled with her rake. The woman placed a few clams in the shallow, foot-wide channel and left them to be cleaned of the mud while she resumed her digging. Returning, she discovered that every one of the clams were gone. And so were the two gulls.

An old Wellfleet resident cites an instance to prove a total lack of shyness on the part of the gull. An old ship was being dynamited. As the first charge was set off, a flock of gulls on the beach close by instantly rose in the air. Instead of fleeing from the scene, they headed directly for the ship and circled it, industriously dipping into the water to pick off the fish that had been blown to the surface.

FORMERLY SLAUGHTERED

There was a time when the gull was slaughtered and its feathers used to adorn milady's headdress. Their eggs also were eaten, and the young, when salted, made a palatable winter dish. But the great value of the gulls was gradually realized. They consumed shoals of fish and other sea animals stranded on the beaches. They continue to perform this valuable service.

Some leave the shore and keep vigil behind the farmer's plow, snapping up grubs and other destructive insects. They devour grasshoppers and locusts, field mice and other rodent pests. Fishermen are indebted to them, for the gulls by their presence, indicate where the food fish are. And in foggy weather they send a warning cry to fishermen and fishermen from their feeding places among dangerous rocks and ledges.

There are 50 species of gulls known, 26 of which are found in North America. Many of the American species flock in great hordes to Wellfleet Bay and to other ocean shores and ponds in the vicinity.

BURIED THIS AFTERNOON

The funeral took place quietly at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the chapel of the B.C. Undertakers to Fairview Cemetery of the late Andrew D'hlin, local fisherman, who died last week in the Prince Rupert General Hospital. Rev. J. H. Hansen, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, officiated.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SAILING FOR SOUTH

In order to accommodate those desiring to go south for Christmas, Canadian National Steamships announce that the ss. "Prince Rupert" will sail southbound Thursday, December 22, at 10:00 p.m. instead of on the regular schedule Friday morning. This boat will arrive Vancouver 9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 24, making connections with boats and trains for Victoria and Seattle.

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day, December 24, making connections with boats and trains for Victoria and Seattle.

In order to perform this service, this steamer will sail for Anyox and Stewart at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 21, instead of the usual sailing hour of 10:00 p.m., returning from the North, arriving here 7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 22.

Accommodation on southbound sailing is fast being taken up, and it is suggested those going South, make reservations early at City Ticket Office, Third Avenue, Phone 260.

Dr. Alexander

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DENTIST