## A DILEMMA.

My ideal girl has golden hair, A downoast glance, a modest ate. Her even are blue and sweet and shrr she knows the guile nor enquetry.

Her maiden heart, her soul merene, In all her words and looks are seen. The more I think of her, the more All her perfections I'd adore

If for one hour I could forget the witch who has no in her net, Whose dusky tair, whose saucy smile And gay caprice my heart beguide she has each fault which I abhor, she's not the girl Pin looking for.

Alast the number I disapprove-

# HER LOVE LETTERS.

Jeanie Campbell came back from the tiller's shop where she worked and and a company of boys and girls conregated round the doorstep of the tall mement house in which she rented one and back room. They were booting and jeering at a man seated in his shirt deeves on the doorstep placidly smoking a huge German porcelain pipe. The man did not seem in the least disturbed attheir jours and shricks, but smoked on with his eyes fixed upon the one strip of metaky visible above the grupy roofs. Jeanie pushed her way in,

"What's the matter?"

"Yah, Dutchy! L'u't 's a bloomin m? titvo a boy a shillin to go and ich 'm somethin to eat and is w'itin are for 'm! I'n't 's a style? Wonder ow Iong he'll w'itef?"

Who is hor "A blooming Dutchy! 'E carn't pask no Euglish, 'e carn't-'as to mike me-and nobody 'ere carn't speak

othink class. I'n't 'o a softw?" The girl paused and looked at the san. There was something in his paant attitude that aroused her pity. some softer remembrance of the days store she came to this great, wicked ender came over her. The man's eyes, ablue, clear and bright, and the bealthy inge of his wholesome face smote upon or with a pang of recollection of the mest Scottish faces she had left with entempt for their content when she ad started forth to see life in London. She went up to the man and signed a him to follow her indoors. She tried simile him understand that he had and robbed. The soft, gentle tones not answered her were quite unintelligible. He smiled, shrugged his shoulher, spread his hands and looled at her with that calm trustfulness one sees in

legs and children. she smiled, modded, pointed up the with a sharp oval for a face underneath. dairs and then ran out of the house. he returned with a loaf of bread and shalf pound of sausages for him and sil for horself. She would make that do. le was a stranger, alone and friendless. She put the things in his hand, pointing down the street as if to indicate that de had brought the things from the tey. He seened to understand, took her hand and raised it to his lips. The action was so simple, so grateful that like to see some papers which had been be felt ashamed and ran op the stairs s her own room.

Her comfortiens breakfast of a dry ell the next morning made her a little regretfel of her charity the night besent out to her day's work.

When she returned in the evening, ds found tring standing outside his cor. He bowed and smilled, opened his figure. dor and showed Ints various purchases a his table. He had evidently found

#### too," she thought, and tossed her head as he appeared.

He stopped, and drawing a notebook from his pocket rapidly sketched a church front upon it. She shook her He looked puzzled. Then his quick fingers drew the outside of one of the commonent type of meeting house. She shock her head again and moved off. Somehow she did not like to show him how she spent her Sunday ovenings.

The weather became very hot. Jeanie drooped more and more in the unhealthy workroom and stuffy streets. He seemed to notice it, for on one Saturday night she found a drawing of trees and a path and figures walking about, and underneath the figures 2:30. Could be be asking her to go for a walk? She waited In to neo.

At 2:30 a knock came at her door. There he was, with his square, ngly, good natured face smiling at her. She felt awkward going down the stairs with him. What could they do during a whole walk if neither could speak to the other?

But that walk did not take place. The smart tie around her neck had been the price of her dinner. She turned faint and reeled, then sat down on the stairs and burst into tears.

She hardly knew if she was voxed or pleased to find herself picked up like a baby and carried up to her own room and laid upon her bed. She sat up and drank some water, while he stood looking perplexedly at her, and she blushed that he should see her untidy, disorderly route.

He went out. In a few minutes she heard her door open and something pushed along the floor. It was a little jug of hot coffee and milk and a plate No. 2, which makes a very attractive of German rolls.

The next day another picture was It represented a large workshop, left: with men sitting at tables, all busity engaged over some mechanical work. Underneath was written the figures 30 abillings.

With unskillful fingers she drew an ontime of a coat and waristcoat and a needle and thread and posted it at his door as she went out, but she had to come back again, she was so ill, and all day she lay there alone waiting for what was the only friendly signal in the world to her-the scrap of paper of the foreign artist.

She heard it pushed under the door at last and feelily rese and groped for it. Her head was throbbing so that she could scarcely see that it contained a whole line of portraits-an elderly man and woman and younger faces, among which was his own, his family doubtless. She made a rough ontline of her hat,

She was too ill to get it down to him. She pushed it out and trusted that he would fetch it. She heard him in the merning come up again, and then she heard no more, for the fever seized upon her, and when next she woke to conactommens she was lying on a hospital For days she was too weak to bed. speak or think, but when she was able one of the nurses asked her if she would brought to the hospital for her, and the

nurse spread them out before her. The first was of a man following a stretcher through the streets, then the same man sitting alone in a solitary room with his head bowed upon his hand ture. "He must shift for himself, as I room with his head bowed upon his hand have had to do," the thought, and she and weeping; the next, the same man at a door, evidently asking questions of a porter within; the next, the man was beside a bei on which lay a deathlike

" Has he been to see me?" "Yes; it was when we thought you is way round to shops. She went up were dying he came every day, but we is stairs, feeling the least little bit dis- could not tell him anything. No one sponted that he did not require her could speak his language, but at last ip any more. He seemed different we found it was Wendish, from the boram the jaded, vulgar men and wom- ders of Saxony and Bohemia, and one subscame in contact with in her city of the doctars here got him a book in it

## A BUDGET ABOUT BOXES.

### Tseful Pieces of Bedroom Furniture That Can Be Easily Made.

One of the most useful pieces of fur niture in a well equipped bedroom is a shushox, a clotheshox or receptacle for children's toys. Every family has them.



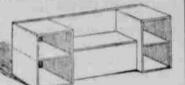
They're as popular as sofa cushions, and yet very few business stores keep them. and the carpenter has to be looked to for their manufacture.

A simple and neat box is shown in No. 1. It is the size of an ordinary wooden shoebox, arranged with the lid on hinges and covered with some light, fancy material, such as cretonne, silko-



line or denim. Illustration No. 9 repre sents a box with the lid raised, showing on its underside a series of pockets for slippers, overslices, etc., and also a pocket for buttonhook, shoehorn and other sundries pertaining to footwear. Another suggestion for a combined shoebox and window seat is shown in

and comfortable piece of furniture. It can he made of two small boxes and one long box or other equally good boxes of about these propertions, made of strong boards. The proportions should be carefully preserved. Remove one side from each small box, leaving the ends, top, bottom and one side. Place them on the floor a distance apart, with the open end



at the front. Between these place the long box, having a lid fastened on at the back with hinges. Screw the sides of end boxes fast to the sides of the middle box, and across the back of the three boxes fasten a board to act as a back to the sent -Upholsterer.

## Rules For Stout Women. Firstly .- Wear soft, clinging materi-

als. Leave heavy stuffs and fluffy stuffs . to the slim. Secondly .- Don't line your skirts.

Crinoline is for the willows. Thirdly-Don't put balloons on your arms. Full drooping sleeves expose you

to less ridicule and are just as fashionable. Fourthly .- Don't tighten the waist. It makes you look stoater. Moreover, it gives you tremendous hips and a big bust, and these this winter are out of

fashion. Fifthly .- Don't wear a velvet bodice. It increa

## WEDDED IN A VAULT.

chant registered at the St. James said to William and Viola Clasped Hands In the Dark, and the Justice Did the Reat. a Tribune reporter: A marriage in the inky darkness of a

vanit is something decidedly unique, but that is the sort of a wedding that occurred in the courthouse the other Morning. About '11 o'clock a fine looking

roung man and two decidedly good looking and stylishly dressed young women entered the recorder of deeds office and asked for a marriage license, and one was issued to William Dray and Viola Roderick. They said that the marriage was to be a surprise and requested that nothing be said about the granting of the license. Then they consuited together and finally asked if they could be married right there. Recorder Queal hastened to the telephone and called up Justice Ebert. Before the justice arrived word had passed around that a wolding was to occur, and the room was filled with uninvited guests. The groom did not relish this; neither did the bride; neither did the bride's sister, who was of the party. The door to the large vault where the records are kept stood invitingly open, and the

groom said: "Let's step in here," and the bridal party entered the vault. It was brilliantly lighted and filled with the dull odor of musty records. The bride glanced about, frightened a bit, but then looked at the groom and smiled sweetly. The groom, evidently a brave man, was not as nervous as the justice, who fumbled to get from his pocket a paper upon which he had written the words of a simple marriage ceremony. The door was shut softly behind the party, and the wedding was screened from curious eyes.

the same terms as the men, and accompanying the bill was a petition favoring The justice was getting along fairly the bill signed by 300 representative well and had just reached that part in lawyers of the state. The bill was rethe ceremony where he asked the couple to join hands when something hapgave a hearing on Jan. 29, Mrs. Florpened. One of the clerks had slipped to the switchboard and turned off the lights in the vault. Everything was as any honorable calling they chose. Miss Philbrook made a forceful and able arblack as darkest midnight. The bride and groom could not see each other. The justice could not see them. It was no time to stop to falter, however.

"Find her hand," snid the justice, and the hands came together as though they had met in the dark before.

By the authority vested in me by the law I pronounce you man and wife."

It was over, and Mr. and Mrs. Dray came out into the light of day as happy as though they had been married in the noonday glare of a thousand suns --Kansas City Times.

## WORST DURING THIS GENERATION.

### Cold Weather Occasioned Unusual Hardships and Sickness In Great Britain.

The misery caused by the severity of the weather throughout Great Britain and all European countries has been unprecedented in the present generation. Even well to do Londoners have been compelled to endure extraordinary annoyances. The gas and water pipes of the city are laid only 2 to 216 feet deep, which is beyond the reach of an ordinary frost. This time the icy visitor , did not relax his hold till he had closed nearly half of them. Fully a third of the street lights failed to burn for a whole week, and almost half of the honseholders of London were obliged to get their water supply from the stand pipes, which were put up in the streets throughout the metropolis.

The departing frost left a worse evil in its train. The influenza became epicludes 45 women, who are very intellidemic. If private inquiries furnish an accurate indication of its extent, then fully 15 per cent of the population 1 been stricken. Its type is severe, but not so persistent as five years ago. The attack is usually sudden and often accompanied by such complete collapse that the patient falls in a fainting fit. Recovery, however, in many cases is rapid. I met two or three victims who felt able to venture out, although they were carried home utterly helpless when first attacked five or six days before. The sudden ontbreak declared itself especially in the house of commons where a large number of members fell victims, and in several of the great schools, some of which, it is feared, will have to be disbanded for the term. New York Sun's London Letter.

She Raises Tobacco

or winter to make hor own sales.

cutting of the stalk as the men who

come on the breaks from day to day.

With all this, though, she is in every

sense a woman, not even the least mas-

culine in her tastes. Her case is one

which forcibly illustrates what we can

do if we are only compelled to. Ordi-

narily a woman would give up in de-

of tobacco."-Cincinnati Tribune.

spair if told she must cultivate a crop

Miss Philbrook Tries Again.

Jersey in the case of Miss Mary Phil-

brook of Jersey City, who is employed

in the office of the city counsel of

Hoboken, and her application for ex-

amination to be admitted to the bar.

This application was made nearly a year

ago and then denied by the supreme

court. Miss Philbrook had a bill pre-

pared for presentation to the legislature

at the present session. It provides for

the admission of women to the bar on

ferred to the judiciary committee, which

ence Howe Hall of Plainfield spoke in

favor of the right of women to follow

gument on her case. Mrs. C. Kilgore of

Philadelphia, who secured the admis-

sion of women to the Pennsylvania bar,

Dainty Face Veils.

Dress" in The Ladies' Home Journal.

improve a boundy one if bought with taste and skill. Black, brown, white

and navy bine veils are all worn, but

the favorite veil in Paris is one of a

black ground having small white sprays

and border. A cream white is becom-

ing, unless the wearer is very pale and

with faint colored eyes and hair. Black

goes with all hats and is very fashion-

able, but it is the common opinion that

becoming than the plain, and if the

A Colored Woman's Club

and fortunate are these few.

made a long legal argument.

Much interest is felt throughout New

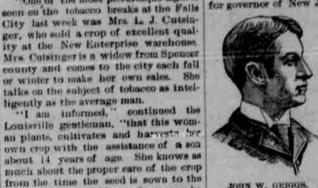
ligently as the average man.

A prominent Louisville tobacco mer-

'One of the most picturesque figures

Candidate Griggs Fromises an Active Can vasa 'to New Jersey.

John W. Griggs, Republican candidate for governor of New Jersey, is 46 years of age, but looks



yonnger. He is an able lawyer of moderate wealth, is a politician and legislator of nearly a score of years' experience and has considerable local reputation as an adroit parliamentarian, and as an orator whose cutting sarcasm is enjoy.

able when it is JOHN W. GRIGGS. leveled at some man other than the hearer. He was born near Newton, Sussex county, N. J., July 10, 1849, and was graduated from Lafayette college in 1868. He studied law with Socrates Tuttle in Paterson and displayed such talent in his profession that a year after his admission to the bar he became Tut-

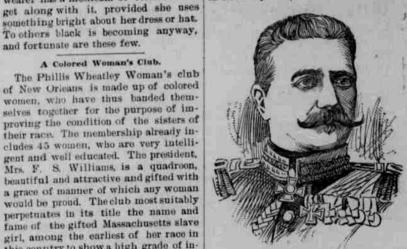
tlo's partner. He was an active Republican long before he could cast a vote, and at the age of 26 was induced, much against his will, to run for the New Jersey assembly. He was elected, and although new to the intricacies of parliamentary dehate he at once became one of the conspicnous figures in the assembly and impressed all who hande his acquaintance with his ability for legislative work. When he stood for re-election, however, his district failed to return him. Undannted by defeat, he secured the city attorneyship of Paterson, an office he held four years, and continued his active participation in politics. In 1882 he was elected to the state senate and served there as a senator for six years. At the beginning of his second term he was chosen president of the senate, and during his entire six years of service in that body was a power in the legislative councils of his party.

About a year ago, when there was a vacancy on the bench of the supreme court of New Jersey, the place was offered to Mr. Griggs, but he declined it. He has a large practice as a lawyer, and is a man of great energy and inexhaustible resources. He began his campaign Select your veil as you do your best gown, writes Emma M. Hooper in an atticle on "The Minor Accessories of the state before the polls are thrown the state before the polls are thrown open in November. The governor of It may make a pretty woman homely, if New Jersey receives a salary of \$10,000 a year and serves three years. taken at haphazard, and certainly can

## GERMANY'S FOREMOST SOLDIER.

#### Von Waldersee Generally Regarded as the Congrander In the Next War.

If Germany goes to war in the near future, Count von Waldersee will withont doubt command the armies of the kaiser. His ancestors have been soldiers for 200 years. He is a veteran of two wars, and is generally regarded as the it ages one. The spotted black is more greatest living strategist and tactician in Germany today. At the recent Stettin wearer has a modicum of color she can



## A LIVELY CAMPAIGN.

his. The air of the fields seemed to by which he could study English. You ing to him still. She thought as she | will see by the sketches. tilled up the weary stairs how sweet the country must be looking now. Was besun shining on the hills at home and making the waters of the loch parkle, the bonny trills that she would ever see again? Friends were dead, and to a tailoress at 12 shillings a week it was indeed a far cry to Lock Awe.

Something was on her table, a little skatch of a sweep of wide hills, with fir brests clinging to their sides, a little duster of houses with wide overhangis toofs and shutters to the windows. A figure was standing in the doorway done of the houses.

"That is his house," said Jeanie to breself. "What a fanny thing to do, to give me a picture of it! I wish I could and him back one of Loch Awe and our house up on the bracs.

The next day was Sunday. She usuilly passed the morning in hed, tired at with her week's work. When she sime down about the middle of the day, the met him coming in, evidently in his Sunday best. Could be have been to church? Well, it was clear he had not eatned the manners of Eureka court

She tried to express her thanks by coks and smiles. He seemed to understand and laughed, and then she felt with a quick touch of dismay that he glanced in surprise at her untidy dress and tousled hair. Jeanie did not "tidy" berself until afternoons; then in an mormous bat and feathers and much searled head she perambulated the adlecent streets in company with girls of ber acquaintance, not yet vicious, only ignorant, vain and craving for a little I that happiness which seems to all girls their birthright.

That same hair was in papers nowthe blushed as she recalled the facther hands were grimy, her face unwashed. His eyes poted it.

They did not meet again during the week, but next Sunday morning found leanie with her hair out of papers and her hands washed. She was loitering at the street corner when he came back in his spruce clothes. She gave him a pert nod. She felt annoyed with him or some unknown reason and that evening made hereelf as resplendent as pos-sible in her cheap, gandy finery. "He shall see that I can be smart,

The next one represented the man

with the book m his hand. The next showed the man in a train, and then on board a steamer, and then in another train.

Jeanie dropped the papers.

'He is gone!'' she said, with a little woak cry. "Oh, why have 1 got any

better? 'There is another picture, '' said the nurse, and she unrolled it for the trem-

bling girl. The man had arrived at the little village Jeanie remembered in the first sketch; then the interior of a house was shown; a coffin lay in the middle of the room; an old woman, two girls and

three men knelt around it. His father is dead," said Jeanie. And she turned to the next. The man

was at the hospital door. "Oh, he is coming back!" she cried. "See, this is the last, " said the nurse, and as she held it up she laughed. It was the man on one knee before a girl -Jeanie in her outrageous hat-but there was in a little sketch up in the right hand corner, as if it was yet in the distance, the same little village with the pine forests around, the two figures the man and Jeanie-walking arm in arm up the village street. The surse

held her sides for laughing. "It's the funniest thing I ever saw in

my life!" she said. Jeanie gathered her papers together

with some dignity. "I don't call it funny." she said. "I -think it was just the nicest thing

that ever was done to any girl.' 'My loofe!'' said a voice at her side, And there was the man. Jeanie gave a

"My loofe!" said the man again, "It little cry. is my first English to you, and it will be my last. My loofe!" And Jeanic, with all the dreams of her girlbood back upon her, put her arms round his neck, and sobbing said, "And I don't even know your name, but I don't care for anything in the world but you,"-New York Tribane.

A Dear Horse. Jack-What did that horse cost you? Tom-It cost me all the respect I ever entertained for the man I bought it from. -Exchange.

Sixthly .- Try satin. It lessens the Seventhly .- Wear dark colors.

Eighthly and Lastly (for long sermons have gone out) .- Try always for up and down lines. Eschew cross effects,

## An Indian Schooltencher.

Miss Lucinda Gore of Lackbarabad was standing in her schoelhouse one day when, turning around, she saw in the open doorway the glaring eyes of a tiger. She did not scream or faint, but seized a broom and drove it full in the tiger's face, brush foremost. Some of the bristles entered the tiger's eyes, and with a howl of pain he drew back to make a spring at her. Then she slammed the door in his face. The supports of the door were but slender and would not resist the tiger's attacks long, but while he banged his head against it she lowered one of her boys through the window to alarm the neighbors. Assistance soon arrived, and the tiger was shot .- Times of India.

## Lady Charlotte Screiber.

Lady Charlotte Screiber, just now dead in London at the age of 82, was an indefatigable but most discriminating collector. Her valuable collection of English porcelain she gave in life to the South Kensington museum, and her collection of English fans was bestowed on the British museum. Besides these splendid displays she possessed a superb collection of foreign fans and an exhaustive and interesting showing of playing cards of all nations.

Merit Won.

The American Board Journal publishes the portraits of a considerable number of state school superintendents who have lately been elected. In North Dakota, Colorado and Wyoming these high officials are ladies, and we add with satisfaction that there is not a single pretty one among them. They all owe their places to their educational merits and not to personal beauty or any flirtatious abilities -- New York San.

## South Carolina Women.

The South Carolina Equal Rights association has elected as president Mrs. Virginia D. Young, Fairfax; vice presi dent at large, Mrs. Viola Neblett, Green ville; secretary, Mrs. Marion Morgan, Buckner; treasurer, Mrs. Georgia Bailey, Greenville; press reporter, Miss Mary Hemphill, Abbeyville. General Hempbill's paper, the Abbeyville Medium, was made the organ of the state society.

#### The Inevitable.

Tim Campbell called at the White House just before congress adjourned and then went up to the capitol. And, according to Tim, here is what was said at the White House:

"'How's your babby,' says Cleveland to me. 'Foine,' says I. girl walks around the libr'y now and looks at all the books."

" 'Surely that's foine,' says the president. 'My babbies are doing well, but they don't do that. But it's a great thing, ' says he to me, 'for us old folks to have the babbies around us.'

"Faith and it is,' says I to him; 'it is a great thing. But, ' says I, 'we have to accept the inevitable, Mr. President, we have to accept the inevitable." Washington Post.

## Imported Politeness,

A man walking along a street in Rockland one of the cold days last week was surprised when a stranger stepped up to him, grabbed his shoulder with one hand, and with the other began to vigorously rub his nose with a handful of snow. Was he offended? On the contrary, he was profuse in his thanks as soon as he recovered his breath and his wits from the attack, for the assailant quickly explained that he was a native of Russia, and, noticing that the man's nose was freezing, had only attended to what was a matter of course and of etiquette in that country.-Lewiston Journal

### A Necessary Exception.

hasten the spelliing reform by omitting senate committee reported on it "inex-the letters "ugh" from words ending pedient to legislate." There are several with them, such as though, through, al though, etc. It makes an exception, however, in the case of cough. -Chica to Tribuna.

beautiful and attractive and gifted wi a grace of manner of which any woman would be proud. The club most suitably perpetuates in its title the name and fame of the gifted Massachusetts slave girl, among the earliest of her race in this country to show a high grade of intellect and capacity. The club has the excellent ambition to establish free kindergartens for colored children and to train young colored girls for teachers. -New Orleans Letter.

#### Women as School Commissioner

Education is, to say the very least, quite as much woman's work as it is man's. It is, in fact, the mission for which she is best suited and in which she has always accomplished the best results. She is an educator by nature. She is constantly educating, in a moral sense, those around her at home and in society, and in addition to educating her children by precept and example she has frequently to educate her husband up again to the high standards which he has learned, but has forgotten. She is not going out of her sphere, therefore, hut simply enlarging it when she gives official aid and counsel to the cause of public education. If she may properly be a schoolteacher, why may she not just as properly be a school commissioner?-Baltimore Sun.

#### The Fine Point of Fashion

A woman with a genius for dress said to a woman just from Paris, "I've found out one thing-that is, that if we don't put these side rosettes on our collars back of our ears, they make us look round shouldered." And the woman from Paris said: "My dear, I congratulate you on the discovery. The French always have put them back of the ears, but the trouble about transplanting fashion is that the dressmakers who adopt it miss some subtle little point like that that makes all the difference between success and failure.

## Ungaliant New Hampshire.

The judiciary committee of the New Hampshire senate has dealt ungracious ly and unjustiv with the bill to enable omen to till the office of notary public. This bill was introduced by the judiciary committee of the house and pass-The Utica Herald is doing its best to ed that body without opposition, but the women notaries in the state, and this measure included a provision to legalize their appointment and their acts - Woman's Journal

#### COUNT VON WALDERSEE.

maneuvers he displayed generalship of a high order, turned the military programme topsy turvy and won so many unforeseen advantages from the kaiser himself that he received the hearty congratulations of the kaiser, Prince Bismarck and King Humbert of Italy. The kaiser, although ontgeneraled, did not content himself with words, but promoted Von Waldersee to be a field mar shal.

Von Waldersee is a soldier of particular interest to the people of this country because of the fact that his wife is an American woman. She was formerly Miss Mary Lea, daughter of a wealthy wholesale grocer of New York city. She was born in 1838, and at the age of 26 married Prince von Noer, a septuagenarian, who very obligingly died six months later, leaving his young widow a fortune of about \$4,000,000. The emperor of Austria created her a princess in her own right, and after two years of widowhood she married the dashing Von Waldersee. She has since been a power in German political circles, and is said to be fully as ambitious and fully as brilliant a courtier as her husband.

Von Waldersee was born in Potsdam in 1832 and entered the army at the age of 18. He has been a soldier ever since and has made the most of his 45 years experience. He served with distinction in the war of 1866 and in the Franco-Prussian war, and when Field Marshal Von Moltke resigned as chief of the general staff, in 1888, Von Waldersee was appointed to the coveted place. Two years later he resigned, to the great surprise of the emperor, it is said, and has since been commander of the Ninth Army corps. That he is again high in imperial favor is shown by recent events. His wife is a cousin by marriage of the empress and is said to possess great influence over both the empress and emperor.

## Proposed Canadian Celebration.

An endeavor is being made to organize a celebration in 1897 of the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of Canada, which is reported to have taken place June 24, 1497.