

Keep in the shade, but not shady. These are busy days for electric and base ball fans. It will be difficult to make a fool-proof automobile. The man-birds are beating the other birds in their own specialty. Halley's comet and Theodore Roosevelt are now retired from the spotlight.

In the economy of modern civilization the fly has no place. Swat him, and swat to kill! Does any one remember the big snowstorm of last winter and the fearful oaths that were uttered then? Aviators now get \$10,000 a day, but the prospect is that their wages will be cut down at least ten per cent.

The man-bird who sees his supply of gasoline running low becomes a subject of ridicule to the other birds. That Texas man who has adopted dollar bills as his calling cards will probably find the folks at home at any time.

The back-to-the-farm movement is very popular with those who could not go if they would and would not go if they could. In hot weather, too, the iceman has an exasperating habit of falling to see the card placed conspicuously in your front window.

The sultan of Sulu will visit the United States, bringing \$250,000 worth of pearls. He'd better bring a body-guard, while he's about it. Showers of sandbags and monkey wrenches will mark the course of aviation. The pedestrian suffers at every turn from every innovation.

Reckless aeroplanists may yet run down innocent automobilists leaving them helpless and bleeding on the road. The world do move. While it may be cruelly to microbes, the human society announces that there will be no prosecutions against bakers who wrap their bread.

Correspondent asks anxiously why so many weddings take place in June. Because in this season the contracting parties aren't so likely to have cold feet. That was a Solomon of a market reporter who stated that eggs have recorded one cent a pound. He neglected to say how much sugar was a dozen.

New York makes it unlawful to catch more than ten pounds of trout in one day. This is farcical. Who could catch 48 trout in New York in one day? In the interest of public health, those who are determined to make way with themselves are requested to keep out of the lakes that supply the people with drinking water.

The queen of Bulgaria asked for a cigarette and the French ambassador didn't have a single one in the house. Being a diplomat, he restrained himself from offering her a nice five-cent cigar. A society has been formed in New York which proposes to reform the calendar. We trust it will be able to prevent February and May from trading places up in this section of the country.

A steamship which is to be nearly 900 feet long has been launched in Germany. Owing to the fact that it is not to be a war ship it will not be necessary for England to hasten to launch a larger one. A Milwaukee woman is to get a bequest of \$100,000 if she marries, and only the interest from that sum if she remains a spinster. Her decision may depend a good deal on the rate of interest the money is drawing.

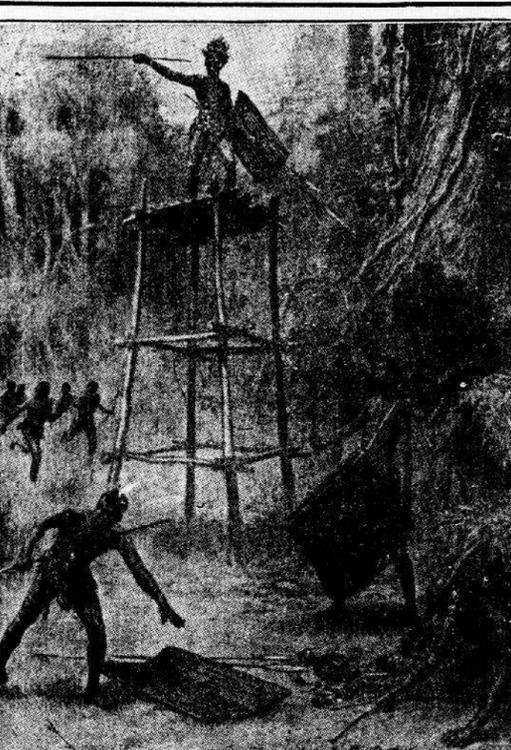
A Tibetan hootookato, who was beheaded by mistake three years ago, is to be reincarnated by Chinese imperial decree. That is easy as falling off a log when you know how. They just take an innocent baby and appoint it to fill the vacancy. A Milwaukee girl, according to the terms of her mother's will, is to get \$100,000 provided she wins a husband. Of course, that is a terrible handicap, but she may be able to find some fearless young man who will assume the responsibilities of wealth for her sake.

A hotel porter at Helena, Mont., found a quarter and laughed so hard over it that he died. If it had been a "tip" he would probably have grumbled because it was so little. The south has resented the intimation that the hookworm disease is exceptionally prevalent in that section and practically unknown in the north. Now that a pronounced case of hookworm ailment has been found in Philadelphia some of the southerners will be inclined to indulge in "I told you so" comment. Now people want cool weather and rain. When but a few days ago they had both, they were calling for seasonable heat and dry days. It is for the weather man to laugh.

A French physician has invented a cure for all the ills that flesh is heir to, consisting simply of exposing the naked body to the direct rays of the summer sun. It is easily seen that some real sunny days this treatment would produce such a blistering as would make the patient forget all the other ailments.

The World's Wonders STRANGE THINGS FOUND IN VARIOUS PORTIONS OF THE EARTH

When Head-Hunters Come



In the Congo one of the most industrious peoples are the Batetela. In gathering rubber they go into the forests inhabited by the Baukutu head-hunting cannibals. Whilst the men are in the forest the provisory camp is guarded by a man who surveys the surroundings from a scaffold, and a drummer. When Baukutu are seen to approach, the drummer beats the alarm, and all the men return to the camp to fight. The weapons used are spear and shield or bow and arrow. A man thus employed earns about two pounds a month, which soon enables him to buy a wife.

HE WAS A USEFUL CORPSE

The body of Sydney Lascelles, who died eight years ago, was cremated in New York only the other week and the ashes handed over to the representatives of one of his wives. Deceased had a strange career and posed under various aliases, his favorite title belonging to some member of the English peerage. He had a natural gift for courtship and intrigue and although there is a record of only sixteen wives it was stated before the police court, where he was arraigned as a common thief and swindler, that he had married right and left indiscriminately for years. Eight years ago Lascelles died of consumption in North Carolina and he made such a fine, handsome corpse, with his English features and neat Vandyke beard, that the undertaker, despairing of ever being paid for the work of embalming him, had a glass cover made for the coffin and exhibited Lascelles throughout the United States as an advertisement. Judge Jones, the lawyer who made the arrangements for the cremation, averred that the body of Lascelles was the most natural eight-year-old corpse it had ever been his pleasure to look upon. "It may be rather stretching the case," he continued, "to say that the body was used as an advertisement. It was kept in a room upstairs and only visitors who expressed curiosity could take a look if they chose. I have no doubt it acted as an advertisement, because it was such a fine specimen."

COUGHED TOOTH FROM LUNG

Mrs. William H. Miller, of Lock Haven, Pa., whose illness for eleven months puzzled physicians who had been called to treat her, had a violent fit of coughing the other night during which she remarked to her husband that something had torn loose from her lung. The next instant she was seized with another coughing spell, when she ejected a hard, bone-like particle from her mouth. On examination it proved to be a tooth. Since then the patient, who had suffered much, is improving and hope is now entertained for her recovery. A year ago, Mrs. Miller, while under the influence of an anaesthetic, had a number of teeth extracted and one of them must have slipped down her throat and entered the lung.

WHEN THE HENS GOT TIPSY

When Mrs. James Burnt, of Hancock county, W. Va., threw out some spoiled blackberries her four hens feasted on them until they became helplessly inebriated. Mrs. Burnt thought they were dead and thrifly plucked them clean for the feathers. Next morning she was astounded to find the hens, shivering from cold, racing about to keep warm, naked as she had plucked them. Mrs. Burnt made blankets for her featherless hens. Wild geese, which William Stabley, of Pelton, Pa., thought he had domesticated, proved still untamed when they attacked and frightened almost to death Miss Ophelia Paine and Miss Araminta Scentz, who were gathering arbutus. The flock surrounded the two girls, picking at them and hissing in an alarming manner. The girls fled, but the geese continued the chase almost to the town.

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WEDDING OF CENTENARIANS

A remarkable wedding has just been celebrated at Bralla in the Balkans. The bridegroom was Joseph Stopt, a centenarian, and he married Maria Liga, whose age was 101. These aged people had loved each other in youth, eighty years ago, but their parents would not consent to their marriage, and the girl was married to another man. This man died a few months ago, and now the sweethearts of eighty years ago are man and wife. The bishop of Bralla officiated at this strange marriage, and several thousand people assembled outside the church. Both the bride and bridegroom are in good health and comfortable circumstances. In the Shadow of Columbia. Letters curiously formed and written with red chalk on a card in the window of a frame building not three hundred yards from Columbia university announced: "Day Bored and Vokel Music Taught."—New York Press.

DOG'S STRANGE PREMONITION

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HOW THE SNAKE WAS FOOLED

The unaccountable loss of a newly acquired rubber frog several days ago in a park at Youngstown, O., is inconceivable. The toy disappeared and search as she might for the frog, the child's nurse was unable to find it. It was believed the frog, a bright new and natural looking product, had been stolen. The mysterious disappearance has been explained. A black snake was found by a caretaker dead in the grass in the park the other day. Its body was unnaturally distended and he decided to investigate. The post mortem disclosed the fact that the snake had swallowed the rubber frog. The make-up of the frog was so lifelike the snake was fooled into grabbing it as it lay in the grass, and having gulped it down the reptile could neither disgorge it nor digest it. A Texas man was arrested in New York for hugging two women at once. The east believes in taking 'em one at a time.

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DOINGS AT THE CAPITAL

Odd Answers to Teachers' Questions

room under lock and key in a little bottle and the cork in so it can't be got out and hide the key and have skeleton on the bottle and not let nobody go in there." "A good any dose for poison," said one, "is to take a teacupful of soap suds every ten minutes to make you vomit till the doctor comes." (It is awful to think of the doctor's being delayed several hours.) A class of six-grade pupils were asked to write a short biographical sketch of Longfellow. One member of the class proudly submitted the following: "H. W. Longfellow was a grand man. He wrote both poems and poetry. He graduated at Bowdoin and afterwards taught the same school where he graduated. He didn't like teaching and decided to learn some other trade, so his school furnished him money to go to Europe and learn to be a poet. He wrote many beautiful poems for children. He wrote "Billy, the Blacksmith." The following brief but pithy composition was handed in by a youngster who had been asked to write on his favorite holiday: "I like the Fourth of July best 'cause it's the day America was discovered." A hasty look into a dictionary is presumed to have conveyed to the mind of one embryo cynic that "charity" means "alum" instead of "alms." "Ambush" was defined as a kind of bush and "habitation" was judged to refer to one's habits. It was also decided that a "patriarch" wears feathers "same as any other bird."

Rural Free Delivery Is Growing Fast

THE rural free delivery service of the United States means the distribution of nearly 3,000,000 letters and parcels annually along the highways and byways of every state and territory from Maine to Alaska. A force of 41,000 carriers daily go over the routes assigned to them, says a writer in the Bookkeeper. Bringing the mail to the farmer now costs the nation \$36,000,000 a year in salaries for the carriers, expense of examining new routes, maintaining postoffices, payments of inspectors, special agents, clerks and chiefs of bureaus. To secure information to make changes in routes and carriers, where deemed necessary, to establish new routes and to record and tabulate statistics and data for the postmaster general as well as for the public, a force of only 110 persons is required in Washington, in spite of the great amount of office work and correspondence that must be finished daily. More than a million letters are received and answered by the department of rural free delivery in a year. Many of those received are merely addressed to the department. To save

Baseball and the Declaration Mixed

Promptly at ten o'clock a baldheaded man in a frock coat arose on the flag draped stand in front of the city building cleared his throat and began: "When the course of human ev—" Across the way the megaphone man interrupted with: "Milan is at the bat—Ball one!"—"vents it becomes necessary," continued the baldheaded reader. "Foul—Strike one," roared the megaphone. The masculine portion of the listeners became restive. Their attention turned in the direction of the megaphone man and their backs toward the baldheaded patriot. "for one people to dissolve the polit—" "He hits to left—For two bases—Lelivelt at the bat—" By this time 794 male members of the Independence day audience had dashed madly across to Newspaper Row. Of the original audience of the "safe and sane" celebration, 134 women and 22 children, a sabbatically intoxicated cab driver and the police guard remained. "Lelivelt sacrifices—Eiberfeld slagues—" "Hurrah!—Wow! Wow!" belated the crowd and the remainder of the reading of the glorious document was interspersed with "Good boy, Doc!" "Oh, you Gabby Street!" for 14 hot innings. But Boston won.

Why Burton Didn't Climb Mountains

tourists down zee mountaine zide, and boze times he have come off wizeout so mooch as zee one leetle zeratch." Burton did not climb any mountains during his sojourn. Representative J. Harry Covington of Maryland represents that section of the Terrapin state known as the Eastern Shore. The Eastern Shore is famed for producing not only the highest living in all America, but it numbers among its population many of the highest livers. "The most notable instance of gourmandizing which our section has produced," said Mr. Covington to a group of newspaper friends, "is old Joe Nicholson of Talbot county. One of Joe's friends asked him if he liked turkey. "Sure I like turkey," responded Old Joe. "But a turkey is an inconvenient sort of a bird. It's a leetle too much fer one and not enough fer two."

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Wise—Why did that woman's club disband?

Sharp—The majority adopted a resolution limiting the time of each member for speaking on any topic to two hours.

The Deacon's Parable.

A self-conscious and egotistical young clergyman was supplying the pulpit of a country church. After the service he asked one of the deacons, a grizzled, plain-spoken man, what he thought of his morning effort. "Waal," answered the old man, slowly, "I'll tell ye in a kind of parable. I remember Tunk Weatherbee's first deer hunt, when he was green. He followed the deer's tracks all right, but he followed 'em all day in the wrong direction."—Housekeeper.

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