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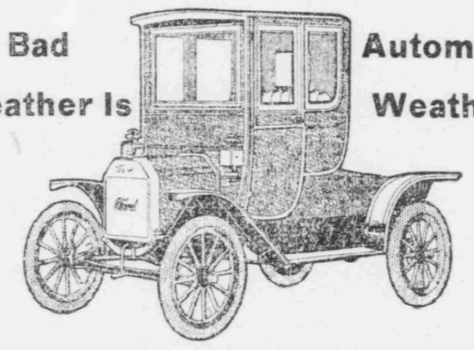

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its registration provisions, as does, for example, the law of the State of New York.

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"To take a concrete example, suppose that one were to start in his motor vehicle at New York to make a trip to his National Capital at Washington to transact business with his government. He will have no sooner left the ferryboat on the Jersey shore before he will be stopped and notified that he can proceed no farther. He will find that what he had always assumed to be his natural right to use the highways of the country, so long as he scrupulously regarded the rights of others upon the highway, has been erected into a privilege, to be purchased only by the payment of money and the expenditure of time and trouble in seeking out one of the government officers and paying fees for a so-called 'license.'

"He must find the proper officer at the place where these fees are received, fill out and sign an application blank, pay his money, and receive four tags, each one of which is good for two days' enjoyment of this grand privilege of using the highways; and after he has done all these things, he will find that the State is not yet satisfied.

"He must, before he may proceed, fill out and execute a regular power of attorney, making the secretary of state his agent to receive process in any proceeding which may be brought against him while he is enjoying this so-called inestimable privilege.

The Disadvantages.

"When he reaches the borders of the State of Maryland he will be again held up and obliged, before he will be allowed to continue his journey, to go through very much the same process as he did when he attempted to cross the borders of New Jersey. He will be put to pretty much the same annoyance, inconvenience, and expense when he attempts to cross the line into the District of Columbia, and it will be very likely that when he reaches the seat of his national government he will be so incensed as to have entirely forgotten the business upon which he came, and be possessed only with the idea that there should be some power in the national government to remedy the evil of which he has been a victim, and that if there is such power it should be speedily and effectively applied.

"There seems to be no reason why regulations applicable in one section of the country should not be equally applicable to every other section of the country; why the provisions of law adequate for one State should not be equally adequate for every other State. It would seem that in this country of ours, if we are really a nation, there is no reason why a license to operate a motor vehicle good in New York should not be equally good in San Francisco, and in every portion of the highway between these two cities, and why one knowing thoroughly the law under which he has secured such license should not be able to proceed from New York to San Francisco in the perfect confidence that if he obeys that law he will not be violating the law in any of the jurisdictions traversed by the highway upon which he travels.

"The automobilist claims no special privileges, but he claims the right to fair treatment, and to that end that the laws which regulate the use of his highways shall be so plain and reasonable that he who runs an automobile may read them and may obey them, and still may travel with comfort and freedom from intolerable exactions and needless burdens."

NEW ROADS MOVEMENT.

Reo Echo Tells of Highways in the South.

To any one interested in good roads and touring, the article, "A New National Highway," in the current midwinter number of the Reo Echo is intensely interesting. This story fairly bristles with many new things concerning the growth and customs of the new South.

Of equal interest are the other timely articles, such as "Left Hand Drive," "Motoring in the West," and "How to Win Success," by Edwin Hawley, the financier. It is brimful of wit and fun, while every page is brightened with timely half-tones. The limited edition of this artistic brochure is mailed, free of charge, to all motorists, by R. M. Owen & Co., 1759 Broadway, New York.

In conformity with their belief that an automobile to give satisfaction must be easy riding, the makers of the Franklin motor car, in their 1910 models, continue many features designed to make motoring comfortable. Among them are the light weight of the entire car, full elliptic springs, a laminated-wood chassis frame, and large wheels and large tires.

The Franklin idea has been to produce a motor car without unnecessary weight, and with great strength and simplicity. The air-cooled engine used, the wood of the chassis frame, tubular axles, and aluminum body, all tend to make the weight small, and at the same time provide a car that is strong, and in addition is usable every day in the year.

The wood frame serves to absorb a large part of the road shocks, whereas a steel frame conducts vibration instead of absorbing it. The Franklin chassis frame is built of second-growth white ash. Full elliptic springs not only increase the comfort of the passengers, but also protect the motor and the whole automobile from shocks. The springs are so hung that they take up the shocks from every direction, not merely up and down. Large tires serve both to prolong the life of the tire and to increase the riding comfort of the car, and large wheels minimize the jolting effect of the unevenness of the road.

Pudding Unknown Among Japanese.

From the Philadelphia Telegraph.

The Japanese have no puddings, creams, pies, or custards, or anything in which milk and butter are essential; and in actual cookery sweets do not play an important part. Candy and cake stores abound in all their cities and villages, for tea and cakes are always set before every guest. The foundations of all their sweetmeats are either of finely ground rice flour, sweetened or sugared beans. Centuries ago the Portuguese taught the Japanese to make sponge cake, which is much in favor. It is called Kasutera.

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From Cologne, Germany, without warning, has come the most staggering blow struck at American national pride in this generation. The police authorities of that city say that Americans are easy to swindle.

But that is not all. Americans are so "easy," in the opinion of the police authorities, that the police have felt impelled by a sense of duty to ask the American State Department to issue a notice which will put citizens contemplating European trips on their guard against European swindlers and confidence men.

And even that is not all, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. The State Department has actually done this! It has issued the warning and by its co-operation has given a certain official sanction to what would otherwise have been regarded as a mean, underhand, baseless fling of the Germans against this great and growing country.

With the allegation partially supported by his own government, it is no wonder that the average American feels himself the prey to painful and conflicting emotions. No wonder he asks himself in a sort of daze if it can be true that the legend of the American's innate ability to take care of himself under any and all circumstances is only a delusion and a dream!

The popular idea of the shrewd American's proceedings among the down-trodden and unsophisticated subjects of European kings—how different from the picture furnished by the police of Cologne! We can almost see him now telling swindler after swindler that his little game is ancient history in his country and has been extensively exploited in connection with "gentleman criminal" heroes not only in magazines and books but also on the stage.

And even when the game proposed possesses the element of complete novelty, is the American traveler of our dreams the least deceived? Not much. It is but the work of an instant for his native shrewdness to go to the core of the whole business, thus discomforting the swindler and showing once more to down-trodden Europeans the ineffable advantages of birth and rearing under a free Republican government.

Now we are asked to raze this picture from the tablets of the mind and substitute therefor another and less inspiring one. The nation which has adopted as its own the expression of Lowell's character:

> And of I've one peculiar feature
> It is a nose that wunt be led—

is asked to realize that its citizens who travel abroad have not only noses that can be led, but also pockets that can be bled by shrewd and designing persons.

This is too much!

Humiliating as is the charge, unpatriotic as was the official act giving it currency, the free unbought, unterrified, and enlightened American people will never admit that European swindlers without titles can overreach them. No, sir! Not while grass grows or rivers run!

Immortal Nelsons.

From the Chicago Tribune.

Battle of the Nile.
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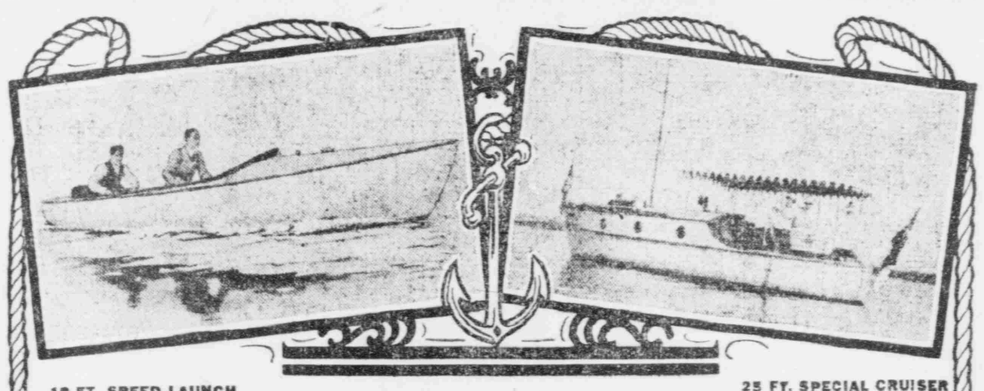

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THE COLLEGE SWAN.

Intelligent English Bird Found Strangled in Pond.

The opening of the term at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, England, has been dimmed by a fatal accident which has overtaken one of the most valued possessions of the college, the male bird of the pair of swans which for many years of constantly succeeding undergraduates have sailed the waters of the Paddock pond. It had been found with its neck caught in the fence of wire netting which surrounds the pond, strangled while attempting to eat the grass on the other side. The body now lies in the gardener's toolhouse, and a strong feeling exists in the college that the bursar should have it stuffed, says the London Daily Mail.

Emmanuel is famous among Cambridge colleges for its water fowl, which by constant association with undergraduates passing the pond on their way to the hotel are occasionally led into dissipated courses.

Some time ago certain Emmanuel men took to scattering bread crumbs on the lawn surrounding the pond. The unsophisticated college ducks, mistaking this action for one of pure benevolence, used to receive them thankfully. When they had come to look for them as a matter of course their benefactors one day soaked the bread crumbs in brandy. The unfortunate birds quickly ate themselves into an advanced state of intoxication, and the dean of the college, who happened to pass at the time, was scandalized to see six ducks reeling back to their pond with a staggering waddle which left no doubt as to their condition.

The deceased swan, although the parent and even grandparent of many swans at other colleges, was frequently compelled to participate in college "rags," its usual function being to lie, securely trussed, in a man's bed, with a view to pecking him as he got in. The intelligent bird is stated to have come in course of time to take a noticeable delight in these disorderly proceedings.

To Mark Clothing.

From the Philadelphia Telegraph.

To mark underclothes satisfactorily, write your name on linen tape and outline it in red or blue fast cotton. You can, of course, buy them ready woven, but if you have your strip of tape so that you can pick it up at odd moments you will soon have plenty of markers for little money. Write the name in ink so that it will not rub off while working. It doesn't show under the cotton. For handkerchiefs the best way is to outline your name with white embroidery thread. It is always unmistakably plain.