

### RIVER OF SALT WATER.

Flows Inland in a Greek Island and Then Disappears.

One of the most curious phenomena of geography is found on the southern coast of the island of Cephalonia, in Greece. It is a stream of salt water which for an unknown period left the almost tideless sea and flowed inland with a volume sufficient to furnish water power to two mills. For some generations the mills were operated by undershot wheels which took their power from this little river of ocean water. They supplied flour to the people of the island until recently, but now they have been dismantled owing to the competition of larger and better equipped mills.

The sea enters the land at four points where the coast is practically on a level with the salt water surface. The four initial streams unite to form the little river that flows inland in a broken rocky channel until it finally disappears in the limestone rock and sinks into the earth.

This inland flow has continued almost certainly for several centuries. It is far too great for removal by evaporation, chemical combination, or even physical absorption by pores or caverns in the rocks. What becomes of the water that is constantly flowing inland and disappears finally in the fissures that have opened in the limestone?

The question has been the subject of much study, but no conclusive answer has been given. It is probable that there is an underground channel which carries the water back into the sea at no great depth below the surface. The constant influx of salt water at Cephalonia is duplicated, as far as is known, at no other point of the world.

### HARD TO BEAT THIS.

Husband's Claim to Be Meanest Man Has Good Foundation.

He said: "I'm the meanest man in the world; I know I am. I went home the other evening and I was feeling pretty good, you know. My wife didn't say a word, but about 2:41 a. m. I woke up and observed a ghostly figure going through my clothes. I glanced gently. In a minute or two the figure drew something from a vest pocket, looked at it in the faint moonlight, appeared to ponder for a short time, went to a bureau, secured something, put it in the vest and came back to bed. I was still snoring. The next morning I found a dollar bill and 40 cents in change in my vest."

"Well?" demanded the listener.

"Well, you see, she thought I would suspect something if there wasn't anything at all in my pockets, and when she took the ten-dollar note she put in the \$1.40."

"Don't call that so mean, to let her do that?"

"Maybe not. But I would have liked to have seen her expression when some clerk handed her back that ten dollar confederate note today."

### His Wall Paper Lure.

George Tidwell, of Sparrowbush, N. J., returned from trout fishing with a basket filled with "speckled beauties" weighing half a pound each. His friends quizzed him as to where he caught the fish, so even in size, and how.

"Well, you see, last summer I was at the brook during huckleberry time and was carelessly throwing some of the berries in the water and was surprised to see the trout rise and eat them."

"I ran across a piece of wall paper the other day having huckleberries printed on it. I went to the brook and pasted the piece of wall paper on a rock just above a pool. Soon the pool was full of fish. They eyed the beautiful clusters of huckleberries with mouths watering."

"It didn't take long for a trout to begin athletic jumps to get the berries and as fast as they jumped for the luscious clusters and were stung by the contact with the rock I picked them up and put them in my basket until it was filled."

### Down on the Farm.

The unsophisticated chap from the city had passed his first night in the old farmhouse.

"Wall, neighbor," drawled the farmer at breakfast, "how did you sleep last night?"

"Sleep?" burst the city chap in disgust. "Why, man, I was turning and turning all night."

The old farmer laughed uproariously.

"Kept turning, did you, neighbor? Well, I told you that you would sleep like a top."

"Dunny, eh? Well, do you know there was so much loose straw in the mattress it kept getting in my ears and nose all night?"

"Just so, stranger. When you asked about the bed didn't I say it would tickle you to death?"

And then the old farmer passed over the left-over pie and black coffee.—Chicago Daily News.

### As Others See Us.

A day or two ago it fell out that an actor with a purpose was cinematographed on the stage, and was vastly pleased with the result.

Said he gleefully to a prominent critic:

"It was the most extraordinary experience I ever went through—actually to see myself acting."

"Now," replied the prominent dramatic critic, "you understand what we have to put up with."

### THE RAKING OF THE GREEN.

New Haven Rightly Claims First Village Improvement.

Many years ago there was observed a unique custom in the little town of Guilford, Conn. On one day in the fall of the year the women of the town assembled on the village green. Each carried a wooden rake, decorated with her favorite color, and each was dressed in white, decked out with colored ribbons. It was a day of fete, and it was called "The Raking of the Green."

Then with song and laughter and with many a jest this band of women cleaned the village green of all the leaves and refuse and dirt of a year's accumulation. When the job was done they adjourned to the town hall, where they were joined by their husbands, and brothers, and the village fathers. A public banquet celebrated the occasion.

While this was not the first chartered village improvement association in the country, it was probably at that time the most enthusiastic, and had perhaps the largest attendance. New Haven, Conn., can rightly claim the first effort in village improvement, while Stockbridge, Mass., should be remembered as offering the second.

More than a hundred years ago James Hillhouse, of New Haven, organized what he called the "Public Green association." He raised \$1,500 for grading the green and for planting elms. One man is said to have donated five gallons of rum for this purpose. James Hillhouse was also United States senator for 20 years. Almost every one has forgotten what he did at Washington, but no one is ever likely to forget his services in making the city of New Haven classic by the beauty of nature's gothic architecture. The whole country owes him a debt of gratitude that can only be paid by planting elms in his memory.—Woman's Home Companion.

### CROWS HIS FIRST THOUGHT.

Humorous Story of Farmer's Act Told As a Parable.

Vice President W. C. Brown, of the New York Central railroad, said in Syracuse that he believed in governmental supervision of the railroads.

"Such supervision, conducted as it is bound to be, with fairness, will benefit the whole country," said Mr. Brown. "It is an error to think that the government is going to take chances with the railroads as the farmer did with his son."

"The farmer's son was plowing, and a great black cloud of crows followed the plow, picking up the worms that wriggled in the rich, chocolate-colored furrows."

"The farmer ran into the house, got his gun, fired at the crows, and peppered his son's legs with shot. The young man fell down, and when his father ran up to him, he groaned:

"'Didn't ye see me, father?'"

"'Yes,' said the old man, 'I saw ye well enough, but I didn't like to miss the chance at the crows.'"

### "To Be or Not to Be."

He was a small, shrimpy individual, much like Mr. Heapeck of the joke papers. Somewhat under the influence of liquor he muttered and growled to himself as he walked in the midnight silence of Spruce street. At Fifth street he placed himself in the middle of the trolley track and began to recite in a surprisingly vigorous manner, with all its elocutionary details, the famous Shakespearean soliloquy: "To be or not to be."

No sooner had he uttered the first phrase than the car came up. Much to the amusement of a little crowd that had gathered, the passengers and the residents who stuck their heads out of the windows, he would not stir from the track until he had finished the soliloquy.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Those Signs.

Some very funny effects result from the dropping of one or more letters from window signs. This often happens when the signs are in white china letters and are apparently glued on by some process. On the window of a store in West Baltimore there was sometime a nicely lettered sign reading:

"Shell Fish for Sale Here."

Whether by malicious intent or purely by accident, now the passerby is startled by the announcement: "hell fish for Sale Here."

### For Life.

"Young man," said the stern father, "you have married against my wishes. Now take the consequences."

"What do you mean by 'consequences?'"

"Why, that you'll dig up the costs of the divorce suit yourself."

Then the groom realized that he was tied for keeps.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Pleasant for Clarence.

The sharp, penetrating voice of the young woman's mother rang out on the still night air:

"Marie, come in the house this minute! Haven't I told you—"

"Mamma," interrupted an equally sharp voice, appearing to come from somewhere on the front porch, "this isn't Jack! This is Clarence."

### At the Summer Resort.

Polly—What makes that little Mrs. Jinkaby look so sad?"

Dolly—Why, didn't you hear? She lost her husband last winter.

Polly—How careless!

### AS CHINESE SEE SEVEN AGES.

Oriental Philosopher Pictures the Course of the Life of Man.

A French officer, Louis de Chantilly, tells in Paris *Le Blaz* of his discovery in a Buddhist convent in the mountains of Tonkin of a dusty manuscript containing the Chinese version of the seven ages of man.

"At ten years old," says the writer, whose name has long been forgotten, "the boy has a heart and a brain as soft as the tender shoots of a young bamboo. At 20 he is like a green banana; he is just beginning to ripen in warm rays of common sense."

"Thirty years sees him developed into a buffalo. He is strong and lusty, full of bodily and mental vigor. This is the true age of love; the age for him to marry at."

"At 40 years, the prosperous man has grown to be a mandarin and wears a coral button. But it would be truly indiscreet to confide in him at this early age any functions calling for judicial intelligence or calm."

"When he reaches 50 years, however, although he has grown stout and fleshy, he is fit to hold any municipal or state office; he can administer a city or a province or perform any official duty."

But at 60 years he is old. Handicrafts and all active bodily activities are beyond him: He gives his dependents and clients advice. That is all he is fit for.

"At 70 he is just a dry rice straw. He has only one care; to husband the breath of life that is left to him, to preserve it, even by artificial means. His sons must assume the care of his estate and the performance of his duties."

### ALL METALS HAVE LIFE.

As Expert Puts It, Statement Is Beyond Argument.

"Metals have life," said a metallurgist firmly. "Not much life, but a little. As plants' lives are to ours, so are metals' lives to plants."

"Here's the proof: "You know how a strip of muscle will contract under the electric current, and how, finally, it grows tired and contracts no longer? Well, with a strip of platinum it is the same thing. The platinum, too, grows tired and refuses to contract."

"And metals can be stimulated, depressed, poisoned. Thus: "Platinum wire, immersed in water, gives off an electric current that may easily be measured. If you put bicarbonate of soda in the water, the stimulated wire gives off a weaker current. Put in bromide of potassium, and the depressed wire gives off a weaker current. Finally put in oxalic acid, and the poisoned wire gives off no current at all. It will never again give off any current. It is dead."

"Now, I leave it to you. If you can tire a metal, depress it, exhilarate it, and finally administer to it a fatal dose of poison, have you not a right to say that the metal has life?"

### Schemed for His Taffy.

When Andrew Carnegie was a young man, he was inordinately fond of taffy. And when he learns the scheme he adopted to keep himself supplied, it is easy to understand why to-day he is able to build libraries.

Andy suggested to the other clerks in the office in which he was employed that they organize a club for mutual improvement. One of the rules provided that any member guilty of using an improper or slangy word or violating any of the numerous regulations laid down for gentlemanly conduct, should pay a fine of one cent for each offense. Tobacco was not allowed in the office, so under the skillful wire-pulling of Carnegie, it was voted that the fund should be used for the purchase of taffy. Carnegie was elected treasurer and disburser of the fund, and, as he never had to pay fines for misconduct, his taffy cost nothing.

### Unanswerable.

Dr. B—rarely met his match, but on one occasion he fairly owned that he had. He was sent for by an innkeeper, who had had a quarrel with his wife, who had scarred his face with her nails, so that the poor man was bleeding and much disfigured. Dr. B—thought this an opportunity not to be lost for admonishing the offender, and said:

"Madam, are you not ashamed of yourself to treat your husband like this? The husband is the head of all—your head, in fact, madam."

"Well, doctor," fiercely returned the virago, "and may I not scratch my own head?"

### Original Colors of Hair.

Red is believed by Dr. Beddoe, a European anthropologist, to have been the original color of the hair of Europeans, and he attributes the brown pigments to the action of heat. Red hair is occasionally found among the negroes, and dull dark hair among the pigmies of Central Africa. Chinese and Japanese adults always have black hair, but Japanese children sometimes have dark reddish yellow hair, and Chinese children may have brown hair.

### Not Game.

"Did you see where a girl in Chicago had a man arrested for kissing her, not so much on account of the kisses as because of the facial irritation of his whiskers?"

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Notice is hereby given, That letters testamentary on the estate of Thomas Shelby deceased, were granted to the undersigned, on the 1st day of July, 1907, by the probate court of Lafayette county, Missouri. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the executor within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication, they shall be forever barred.

J. B. SHELBY,  
Executor.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of John I. Oliver, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 22nd day of June, 1907, by the probate court of Lafayette county, Missouri. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the administrator within one year after the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication they shall be forever barred.

JAMES W. OLIVER,  
Administrator.

### FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and other persons interested in the estate of Elizabeth Wernix, deceased, that the undersigned executor will apply to make final settlement of said estate at the August term, 1907, of the probate court of Lafayette county, Missouri, to be begun and held at the probate court room, in the city of Lexington, on the second Monday in August, 1907.

JOSEPH J. JONES,  
Administrator.

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### SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a special execution issued from the office of the circuit clerk of Johnson county, Missouri, and in favor of Cora A. Chamblin and against Frank E. Chamblin to me directed and returnable to the October term, 1907, of said court, Johnson County, I, the undersigned, sheriff of Lafayette county, Missouri, will on

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13th, 1907,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, and in front of the court house door, in the city of Lexington, Lafayette county, Missouri, sell publicly, by auction, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right title, interest claim and estate of said Frank E. Chamblin, defendant, in said execution, in and to the following described real estate to-wit: Three hundred and twenty acres (320) being the north half of section two (2) and two hundred and forty (40) acres being the northeast quarter and the north half of the southeast quarter of section three (3) all in Township forty-eight (48) range twenty-six (26) in Lafayette County Missouri, also twelve (12) of block (1) of Higginsville, Missouri, also lots numbered seven (7) eight (8) nine (9) in Block Two (2) and lot numbered five (5) in Block Three (3) of Astor's Addition to Higginsville, Missouri, also the north half of lot numbered ten (10) Chamblin's Addition to Higginsville, Missouri; also lots numbered one (1) two (2) three (3) five (5) seven (7) eight (8) nine (9) twelve (12) thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) in Chamblin's Addition west of Chamblin's Addition to Higginsville, Missouri; also lots numbered thirty-three (33) thirty-four (34) thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36) except sixty feet of the west side in West side Addition to Higginsville, Missouri; also lots numbered forty-two (42) and forty-two (42) in West side Addition to Higginsville, Missouri, all being in Lafayette County Missouri, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the judgment against said property as set forth in said execution with interest thereon and costs.

Witness my hand this 13th day of July 1907.

7-39d CHAS. F. KINKRAD, Sheriff

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