

COOK REPLIES TO PEARY

Binds Himself to Submit His Evidence For Inspection to Peary.

DISAPPROVES QUARREL.

To Send Sverdrop to Greenland to Bring Eskimos in for Examination.

Paris, Sept. 10.—The *Matin* prints a sign statement by Dr. Cook, in which he replies to Commander Peary, saying:

"I did not deem it necessary at first, to reply to the attacks of Commander Peary. I thought it better to maintain the reserve becoming a gentleman. Besides, if Peary has reached the pole I am glad of his success. It does not prove that I have not succeeded, and before him."

"According to Peary's statements, my Eskimos said I did not go very far north. To this I answer: Sverdrop has undertaken the command of an expedition to seek out my two Eskimos and bring them back to civilization. It is I who will pay the expense of this expedition; we shall see what they will say."

"I am asked for proof of my veracity. Well, I will give proof, for I solemnly bind myself to submit all the documents and instruments to the geological societies of America and Denmark, or to any assembly of scientists anyone likes to name. I think that declaration will suffice to prove my good faith."

"One must not be astonished that I refused to furnish proofs to various personages. I want to present the results of my work as a whole, not to private individuals, but to constituted bodies. I think those who have doubted my word will not doubt that of the geological soci-

eties, which I shall take for judges. I shall say no more. I hate this quarrel into which it is being sought to drag me. I am satisfied that I have done what I have done and know that in a little while no doubt will be possible."

BARNES NEWS.

News Items Chronicled in Northeast Christian.

Barnes, Ky., Sept.—On account of the drouth farmers had to quit fallowing for some time, but rain fell last Saturday and they are now quite busy turning the dirt.

Some farmers have commenced cutting corn. The crop is a very good one.

Brother H. C. Ford will be back and fill his pulpit at Ford's Chapel at Dogwood next Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Fruit and two daughters, Miss Goley and Mrs. Gertie Hord, of Hopkinsville, visited Mrs. Fruit's son, Joe Faut, last Sunday.

The ice cream supper at Dogwood school was rained out Saturday night. They will have it over tomorrow (Saturday) night.

Mr. Joe Fruit and family visited his mother, Mrs. Julia Fruit, last Friday and Saturday.

A great deal of tobacco was cut before the drouth was broken. The weed has revived since the showers came, looks green and is growing very fast.

Lewis Wolf, col., killed a very large blue heron on Mr. Joe White's pond last Friday. The bird seemed to be almost five feet from tip to tip.

E. M. Barnes wants to sell his large timbered farm of 224 acres cheap.

Miss Tommie Hord, of Hopkinsville, is visiting her uncle, Mr. Marshall Long, this week.

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PRIVATE HYGIENE.

What It Means to the Individual and to the Race.

Private hygiene is important and means a revolution in our habits of living. It means fresh air perpetually flowing through our houses and more of our lives spent outdoors. It means common sense in diet—the avoidance of boiling food, from which dyspepsia springs, and the re-education of normal food instincts, the avoidance of gluttony on the one side and body starvation on the other, the avoidance of alcohol, the most potent of the predisposing causes of tuberculosis, and the avoidance of dirty, infected milk and meat. It means the "simple life," free from overexertion on the one hand and indolence on the other, the habit of normal sleep and the emancipation from worry.

In giving this prescription Dr. Trudeau once said to me, "It is as simple as bathing in the waters of Jordan, and that is why people are so slow to follow it."

But today people are following, and following rapidly. When they see a man who only a few years ago was so ill of tuberculosis that he could scarcely drag himself out upon a porch now run twenty-five miles for pure love of exercise, or when they see nine college men inside of half a year double their endurance through rational diet alone, or when they learn that ex-President Roosevelt developed from a weak and timid boy into the personification of strength and courage and that Cornaro, about to die at thirty-seven, abjured all unhygienic habits and prolonged his life to 103, they begin to realize the practical value of personal hygiene.—Professor Irving Fisher in Century.

Artificial Coffee in Europe.

Horrible disclosures are made of methods in common use for the "manufacture of coffee." It seems that factories for that purpose existing in France there are 106 which turn out 24,000 tons annually, while there are 563 such establishments in Austria-Hungary, including 412 for the manufacture of coffee from figs, and in Germany nearly 15,000 hands are employed in the trade, and the annual output is 100,000 tons. It follows that a large quantity of "coffee" which is drunk has not an atom of the real berry in it. The list of substances out of which it is manufactured is alarming—cereals soaked with beer, brandy or rum, chestnuts and horse chestnuts, baricot beans and broad beans, carrots, dates and, finally, the hard roe of cod. The annual output of what is charmingly called "fauciful coffee" for Europe is estimated at over 257,000 tons.—Paris Cor. Daily Telegraph.

French Convicts' Gold Mine.

Convicts in French Guiana seem to be in luck. They are reported to be working a gold mine on their own account. Their warders have apparently so far failed to discover where they have successfully pegged their claim. The convicts in turn escape from the settlement by twos or threes and remain hidden for a day or two. They then return with their pockets full of nuggets and have a great time. Others get away in their turn, but come back eventually, also with gold. The mine is thus kept regularly working by shifts of convicts. The latter when they return to the settlement are regularly sentenced to a few days' imprisonment for absence without leave, but this is a low price to pay for a share in a gold mine. Where the latter is the authorities have never yet been able to discover.—London Telegraph.

A Tutti Frutti Cordial.

Here is a tutti frutti cordial from the recipe book of a woman who is never caught by her summer visitors without a delicious, cooling drink. She takes three oranges and three lemons and scrubs them clean, then chops them fine, after removing the seeds. She adds a pineapple, chopped, and then a quart of some good berry in season, cherries or strawberries being especially good. Three bananas, cut into slices or small dice, she adds to the mixture, and three cupfuls of powdered sugar. Over the whole she lays a great piece of ice. She leaves this for three hours, and when ready to serve she adds two quarts of ice water. A single bottle of seltzer or some other effervescent water gives additional "go" to the mixture, which is voted delicious by all who try it.—Suburbanite.

Millions From Hunters.

A deer in the bush is worth more than a deer in hand, for the live deer attracts the tourists and the sportsmen, who leave money behind, money found because it cost the state nothing. This is borne out by Germany, where 600,000 people yearly pay for hunting in the forests. The returns from hunting licenses and rentals amount to \$32,500,000 yearly for Germany. Germany is ahead of the United States in this respect. Only one state approaches Germany in revenues from hunting and tourists. Maine's 250,000 tourists yearly leave \$25,000,000 behind them. Alabama collects yearly \$25,000 in hunters' fees.—Outing.

Alfonso and the Journalists.

There are two French journalists who cannot say enough in praise of King Alfonso of Spain. He had his meals in the public dining room of the hotel, and in walking across to his table he noticed that his query exchanged salutations with two men in a corner. "Who are they?" he asked. "They are journalists, sire," was the answer. "Journalists!" said the king instantly. "Good! Ask them to favor me with their company at my table."—London M. A. P.

DIAMOND HEAD.

Uncle Sam's Great Volcano Fortress in the Pacific Ocean.

Since England instituted her vast and mysterious system of defenses in the great rock of Gibraltar the world has witnessed no project of military fortification so important as that which has been undertaken by the United States in the island of Oahu of the Hawaiian group.

In the belief that the Pacific ocean is to be the theater of the next great international struggle for commercial and territorial control, the American government has entered upon a project which is destined to give it an invincible base and outpost in mid-ocean at Hawaii. To that end it has begun to fortify what is known as Diamond head, which is a vast extinct volcano in Oahu, on which Honolulu is built, and when the works are completed the place will be justly entitled to be called "the Gibraltar of the Pacific."

Situated as it is at the lower extremity of the island, with its northern slope forming part of the city of Honolulu, says Edward P. Irwin in the *World Today*, Diamond head commands the seaward approach from all directions to the city, and the fire of its guns, combined with the cross fire of the Pearl harbor fortifications seven miles away on the other side of Honolulu, is sufficient to render the town safe from attack.

The crater itself is comparatively shallow, being only a couple of hundred feet deep. But the walls are steep and rugged, and it would be practically impossible for a ship at sea to drop a shell into the cavity. This is being taken advantage of to form a safe shelter for the gunners who are to man the battery.

The guns themselves, eight 12-inch mortars of the newest and most powerful type, are not located in the crater itself, but are mounted on the Leahi slope, toward Kaimuki, behind the mountain. Should there be occasion to use them in time of war the gunners would not see the vessel at which they were firing, but would direct their aim according to the telephoned instructions of the range finders stationed at various points on the circumference of the crater's rim.

Such is modern gunnery, a matter of mathematics rather than of accuracy of vision. But to such a degree of perfection has the modern science of gunnery attained that the crews of the Diamond head battery would be able to drop on to the deck of a battleship miles distant and completely out of their range of vision a projectile which would sink the vessel before ever it had a chance to get close enough to the island to use its own less powerful guns.

Through the thick rock walls of the volcano's crater grimy workmen, under the direction of United States military engineers, are driving a tunnel. This is to form a passageway to and from the batteries for the officers and range finders and, should occasion ever arise, for the crews of the mortar battery.

The sides of the volcano are very steep and cannot be scaled except in a few places where narrow paths lead up the precipitous heights. A few riflemen and machine guns could easily defend these passes against a force many times their number.

About the only way the volcanic fortress could be captured would be by starving the defenders out. Water would be the most difficult thing for a defending force to obtain, but it will be no insuperable task to provide a plentiful supply.

When this is finished Hawaii will have the most novel and at the same time one of the strongest fortresses in the world—a fortified volcano.

A Simple Trick.

Here is a magician with a new trick. He takes a duck from under a man's coat collar. Now, don't say that you have seen that done a hundred times. It was a rabbit that you saw taken from under a man's coat collar. This is a duck. It was time for a variation to be introduced in the rabbit trick. It is introduced in the rabbit trick. It is just as easy to do it with a duck as with a rabbit and a little funnier, because the duck can kick as hard as the rabbit can do, no matter how well trained it is. The explanation of the trick is simple. The magician simply does it so quickly that you cannot see how he does it. Nothing easier. Any one who doubts it can get a duck and try it.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Dear and Cheap Meat.

According to Health Commissioner Ritchie of Boston, if meat eaters are looking for nutriment only they might just as well buy the cheaper cuts as the more expensive ones. "The value of different foodstuffs," says Mr. Ritchie, "is largely a question of amount of heat units they contain. According to good authorities, one-half the weight of beef, the most nutritive kind of meat, is water. About 10 per cent is waste. The remainder is fats and proteids. There is no difference between the nutritive values of the better or cheaper grades of beef. The amount of fats and proteids contained in each is about the same."

A Constitutional Monarch.

Recipe for making a constitutional monarch: Take a few thousand troops, a good general and ten or eleven machine guns. Turn the latter rapidly until a white flag appears out of the palace window. Sprinkle over the quivering ruler a few threats of what will happen to him if he isn't good. Then, when you take him out, the chances are that you will find a nice, tender, constitutional monarch fit to grace any table.—Syracuse Herald.

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