

COMET IS SOUTH AFRICAN EMBLEM

First Appearance on National Flags of the World.

DEFEATS OSTRICH FOR HONOR

Symbol of New U. S. A. Has Four Pointed Head and Tail of Orange, Green, Blue and Scarlet Bands—Successful Designer Dies on Day He Hears of Victory.

For the first time in the history of the world a comet has been given a place on a national flag.

The British ensign is in the upper left hand corner, and emblazoned across the field is a device in the likeness of a comet.

The strange flag design was chosen by competition. The successful competitor died on the day his design was selected.

The flag board was headed by Admiral Egerton. The anchor, the chain, the diamond and the plow were among the devices submitted.

The initials of the Union of South Africa, U. S. A., are causing the postal officials of America and Great Britain lots of trouble.

The authority in Johannesburg and in London are jumping with both feet on the coast of writing "U. S. A." on the African subcontinent mail.

The Filial Chinaman.

Many examples of Chinese filial piety strike the occidental reader as ridiculous. There is the famous story of Lao Laitau.

A similar case is that of Wang P'ou, whose mother had an unaccountable dread of thunder and lightning.

Making a Gunstock. A party of men were out hunting, and an old woodsman who was with them broke his gunstock in some way or other.

Bathing Machines.

Somebody has inquired why "bathing machines," the comfortable privacy of which for ocean bathing has never attracted bathers in this country.

NO JOKES CAUSE INDIGESTION

Indianapolis Auctioneer Mayor to Try Goats' Milk Cure.

Mayor Shank of Indianapolis is preparing to drink two quarts of goats' milk daily as a cure for indigestion.

The Measure.

"Bring forth the royal treasure!" he cried, and the hurrying slaves poured into the huge pan sacks of golden metal.

"Add now the men of power and high position," said the judge, "and the scale will fall." But all in vain.

Why They Got the Freedom of the City. Extracts from old records, showing how people had earned the honor in former days.

A Narrow Escape.

"What! you a widow, dear cousin?" "Yes."

PARKER'S HAIR BALM

Restores and beautifies the hair. Promotes its healthy growth. Never fails to restore gray hair to its youthful color.

INTERFERENCE WIRELESS OPERATORS CANNOT OVERCOME.

How are the steamer passengers who fail to visit the wireless office aboard ship to watch the operation of the instruments and to question the operator.

"Oh, here's the wireless! May I come in? Isn't it wonderful to think of sending those—those waves—"

"The receiving telephones." "Then you have telephone connection too. One can hardly keep up with the times these days."

"Wonderful! Does it keep out all interference?" "Not all," replied the operator wearily.

EIGHT CENTS A DAY.

Workers' Pay in England When Board Was a Shilling a Week.

There was a time when a workman in England received 8 cents a day as an ordinary wage.

That sounds paradoxical. But the explanation is this: The workman who sold his services for 8 cents a day could buy good beef or mutton for 1 1/2 cents a pound.

Under these circumstances 8 cents a day—increased to 12 cents in harvest time—was a fair wage.

Opera in Dumb Show. The late Clara Novello in her reminiscences tells how Madame was approached in "Sensational" without uttering a note.

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LANDLORDS

IN THE RECENT DEATH OF MELVILLE DE LANCEY LANDON AT YONKERS, N. Y.

The United States lost the last of a galaxy of contemporaneous humorists. Landon's pen name was Eli Perkins.

Eli Perkins began avowing his humor at a time when many men now little known to readers were in the heyday of their popularity.

"What becomes of our bodies?" asks a soft-eyed scientist, and we answer in stentorian tones that they get inside a red flannel undershirt as the maple turns to crimson and the sassafras to gold.

"That's the inductance helix." "What are those things over your ears?"

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DIED AT SEVENTY-ONE.

Mr. Landon was seventy-one years old, and the disease which killed him had so undermined his health that for the last five years he had done no writing.

Mr. Landon was born in Easton, N. Y., in September, 1829. He was educated in the public schools and was graduated from Union college in 1851.

The lure of opportunity took him into the south at the close of the war, for he saw the possibilities of a little capital invested in cotton lands.

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"Ladies and gentlemen," I said in reply, "I feel justly flattered by your Laramie humorist's tribute to my veracity."

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AGRICULTURISTS

There are about 2,000 redskins on the reservation, which is eighty miles long and forty miles wide.

From this land the Indians this year raised approximately 100,000 bushels of wheat, 78,000 bushels of oats, 40,000 bushels of corn and 4,000 bushels of flax.

There are thirteen churches on the reservation, the Episcopal, Presbyterian and Catholic denominations predominating.

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THE ELECTRIC FAN.

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HOW TO EAT LEAF

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When the electric shown to us we turn and laughed his when he offered to for a few thousand dollars.

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THE HESSIANS.

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