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DEVELOPING DYE INDUSTRY

The Senate Committee investigating alleged monopolies will not get much public sympathy in its attack on the du Pont interests for their alleged control of the American dye industry. Whatever may be said in criticism of the enormous business holdings of the du Ponts, there can be no disposition on the part of the public to frown on their efforts to protect themselves in the development of what we are bound to consider as a legitimate infant American industry. During the war the value of German dyes was clearly demonstrated. The relation of the dye industry to high explosives brought the lesson of foreign domination home to thousands of Americans, quite apart from the fact that we learned American dyes were of inferior quality and unsalable. When the guns began to roar America learned to her sorrow what it meant to have to depend on a foreign country for dyes. The manufacturing interests suffered severely. Even today, with all the millions that have been invested in experimenting and in developing American dyes to a proper standard, the American people are not convinced of the merit of the home manufactured product. German dyes are fast getting their old grip on the country. The dollar sign has taken the place of the flag very largely now that the fever of patriotism has waned. It will require courage and great investment to make America independent of Germany in the matter of dyes, and the government should do all it can to encourage rather than hamper American enterprise. Whatever of monopoly the du Ponts may have in other lines is quite another story. In their effort to develop the American dye industry they should be raised and helped. It is no piker's undertaking, and the nation will not suffer if a broad view of the situation is taken.

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"DICK" COWLES IS EIGHTY YEARS YOUNG

R. B. Cowles reached the eightieth anniversary of his journey thru life, Monday and his daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Johnston quietly planned a little surprise on him. A feast was prepared and guests invited. One cake was decorated with 80 candles. Those present besides the family were: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hawkins and Dale Blackmer, of Howell; Edward Cowles, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Cowles, Miss Prudence Cowles, Marshal Cowles, Mrs. Spencer Cowles and Mrs. Chas. Brown. Several cards of congratulation were received from friends not present.

The day was very pleasantly passed taking over the past and comparing the present mode of living with that of 70 and 80 years ago. Mr. Cowles was born in Canada and says sweet cake was a very rare thing in his young days and children were not allowed to eat with older people when they had company but that after the older people were through chairs were cleared away and then the kids marched up to the table and stood up while they ate. A piece of bread and butter with a little sugar sprinkled on it occasionally was about all the sweet cake the kids got then.

When 12 years of age Mr. Cowles with his older brother, Charles, drove a herd of cattle and sheep thru from Brant Co., Canada, to Ionia county for a brother-in-law, a distance of 300 miles being 16 days on the road. When they reached the Detroit river at port Sarnia, the only conveyance to bring them across was an old scow propelled by horse power which looked quite shaky, but they got across without anything jumping overboard. Six years later their father sold his farm in Canada and Richard and Charles made the trip to Ionia county again, driving 2 teams through, loaded with household goods.

Mr. Cowles says he doesn't expect to see as much improvement in the next 80 years as he has in the past 80 years.

Too Bad! Little Helen, aged six, was taken to her first baseball game. She became quite excited when her father cheered some particular play and waved his arms, Helen followed suit. At the critical stage, in the eighth inning, the batter got to first and then scooted for second, which he managed to reach just in time by a perfect slide. Helen was quite distressed and turning to her mother she said: "Oh, mama, what a pity! The poor man slipped."—Boston Transcript.

To Remove Panes of Glass. Remove panes of glass by laying soft soap over the putty which holds them. In a few hours the putty will be soft and the glass easily removed.

DARING HUNTER FILLS MUSEUM

California Man Gathers Thousands of Specimens in Two Years.

CLOSE TO DEATH MANY TIMES

Film Story of Adventure Goes With Donation to Oakland Museum—Wife and Two Children Also Share in Hardships.

Oakland, Cal.—One night about three years ago a boosters' meeting was being held in this city. The project under discussion was a public museum for the edification of the local populace and the attraction of tourists. Much oratory had been spilled as to the value of such an institution when up rose H. A. Snow and spoke about as follows: "By Jingo, I'll fill her up," he said.

Mr. Snow Has Just Returned. Since then Mr. Snow has traveled 80,000 miles—around the world and half again; he has spent \$125,000 out of his own pocket; he has grappled with death a hundred times in places where no other white man ever set foot; he has braved every kind of fever and deadly ailment that pesters the globe; he has swum around man-eating sharks; he has lived among cannibals; he has sweated on the equator and frozen on icebergs; he has slain tigers and lions and elephants and giraffes and rhinoceroses and hippopotami and buffaloes and ant-eaters and humming birds and butterflies until the photographs of his slaughter are positively appalling.

Mr. Snow is a ranchman, but for thirty years he had made big game hunting and the fauna of the world his hobby. It has been his dream for a long time to have a great museum in Oakland, and because of his interest in the project he has been made honorary curator of the Oakland Public Museum.

Family Always With Him. He started out from Oakland in December, 1919, taking with him his wife, Mrs. Dolly Snow, his daughter, Norma, now nearly seven years old, and his son, Sidney. All of them, even to little Norma went with him through all of his adventures which carried him across the equator half a dozen times, into the South Sea Isles and through thousands of miles of African jungles.

Mr. Snow regards his trip as successful from the point of view of "filling" the Oakland Public Museum, and beyond his dreams as an adventurer and hunter.

He has shipped back to Oakland representatives of practically the entire fauna of Africa and a vast number of specimens from other parts of the world. They include 800 specimens of mammals to be set up in the Mammal hall of the museum; 30,000 butterflies, 500 mounted birds, 1,000 skins, 15,000 bugs, beetles and insects, a complete collection of heads of African bucks, sixty-five complete habitat groups of animals and a complete motion picture of the entire journey and work.

Gasoline Left in Caches. Mr. Snow traveled mostly by automobiles, sending supply wagons ahead of him to leave caches of petrol along trails over which a motor vehicle never before had traveled, and over some of which another probably will

never go in a hundred years. He carried with him a crew of motion picture men, although, he said, they were in such tight places at times that the professionals took flight and operation of the camera fell to his son, while he operated a high-power rifle to stop charging beasts.

The adventures told by Mr. Snow are innumerable and Mrs. Snow and little Norma not infrequently figure in dangerous situations in many of them. Once he hauled Mrs. Snow and Norma to the top of a high rock to get them out of the path of a herd of 400 charging wild elephants. Sidney, he said, stood in the path of the herd and ground his camera to the last possible second and got what he thinks is probably the most remarkable elephant picture ever made. The herd was diverted a moment later by the rapid pumping of high-powered rifles into the front ranks.

Through the use of blinds Mr. Snow said he was enabled to obtain a picture of hundreds of buffaloes in a great swamp, conducting themselves in a manner as natural and undisturbed as cattle in a barnyard.

He has photographs, enlarged from motion picture films, of lions and tigers and all manner of wild beasts charging the camera man; of animals dropping from bullets in the midst of enraged efforts to get at members of the party; great shaggy lions hiding in tall grass unaware of the presence of the camera man, and any number of pictures of his gigantic kills.

He and his whole party were laid out once in the swamps of the Tana river, Africa, with fever, which nearly carried him off.

Qued Government. Governments can never be well administered, but where those entrusted make conscience of well discharging their places.—William Penn.

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



The Other Character in this cartoon is out of the Office and Four Blocks down the Street, but the Editor is still Telling Him what he thinks of being called a Profiteer because he hasn't cut the Price of his Newspaper yet. The Editor is charging Fifty Cents a year more than He did Twenty-Five Years ago!

Oysters Trap Fuzzy Mice. Chesterton, Md.—Thomas H. White, merchant, deals in fresh oysters. He is bothered by mice. On closing his store he leaves newly fished bivalves about. Curious mice peep into the oysters, their shells tickle the mollusks, the shells slam shut and the mice are no more.

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