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Leave Tappahannock for Baltimore Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 8 a. m. and Thursday at 9 a. m. stopping at all wharves except will call at Bayport on Tuesday and Friday only. For Baltimore direct at 4 p. m. Wednesday, making no stops. For Fredericksburg Monday at 8 a. m.; leave Port Royal at 12:30 p. m.; arrive in Fredericksburg at 4 p.m., tide permitting. For Fredericksburg Wednesday at 12 m.; Port Royal at 4 p. m.; arrive in Fredericksburg, tide permitting, at 7:30 p. m. For Fredericksburg Saturday about 1 p. m. For Norfolk Friday 1 p. m., calling at all wharves.

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A Joke on a Professor.

Among some intensely amusing college scrapes told by "A Graduate" in The Ladies' Home Journal is the story of a certain professor not much liked by his pupils who was to be married. The lady lived in Cleveland. And the students that loved (?) him were not of course invited. But they determined that in some way he should hear from them. And he did. On the day appointed the professor took the train at 10 a. m., due to arrive at Cleveland at 12:30 p. m. About 11 o'clock Jim Townsend rushed to the telegraph office and sent off this dispatch:

"Chief of Police, Cleveland: Man coming on train No. 6, tall, well dressed, frock coat, silk hat, side whiskers. Escaped lunatic. Hold. Shrewd, therefore beware. Strange case. Will say name Finalli. Mistake. Thinks he is professor in a college. Delusion. Escort to home of friends at No. —— Euclid avenue."

This message reached its destination long before train No. 6 reached Cleveland, so that when Professor Finalli alighted it was to walk straight into the custody of three detectives. They would listen to no words of reason, but escorted him out to the house on Euclid avenue, the home of his intended bride.

The Earth's Bendings.

Little bendings are in progress all the time the world over. The "immovable" hills are bowing and scraping to each other constantly. Every evening, as the dew settles in the valleys between them, they nod to one another. So likewise do the mountains, even to a greater extent. Gravity is tugging all the time.

And in London, too, where earthquake sensations are practically unknown, the earth bends daily, and the buildings, like the hills and the mountains, nod to their friends opposite when the morning traffic begins. On Sunday usually their manners take a rest excepting in such places as Petticoat lane, where business flourishes in as lively a fashion as in Paris.

Heine said that even the trees made obeisance to Napoleon I when he entered Berlin. This was imaginative, yet truthful, for the weight of the crowd along Unter den Linden made a tilting sufficient for Professor Milne's pendulums to have recorded distinctly. One might say the crust of the earth acts like a steel spring, it bends so easily.—Everybody's Magazine.

How to Learn to Like Pictures.

The following suggestions, if you please, are not from an artist nor even from a connoisseur, the writer being nothing more than an ordinary picture lover. In general the principle to be followed is to get as much in an atmosphere of pictures as possible. Always go to the museums when you are traveling, and if you live near enough make occasional picture visits to Boston, Chicago or New York. Do not make the mistake of staying too long in a gallery. You only tire yourself. Half an hour is quite long enough. But do not endeavor to look at every picture in the gallery in that time. Look long at a few good ones and let those you look at be those you like or at least those which you prefer above the others. Also ask yourself why you prefer them. Always get a catalogue. Sometimes the pictures are not marked, and you as a student want always to know the painter of your picture.—Frederic M. Smith in Woman's Home Companion.

Whale Houses.

At one time not very long ago there was on the Lancashire coast, near Lythan, England, a cottage and boathouse that were made almost entirely from the remains of a score or so of whales that had been driven ashore some years before. The framework of the edifice consisted wholly of whalebone, and the dried skins of the huge creatures were neatly and strongly fastened as a covering for walls and roof. There is another building of exactly the same kind at Peterhead, in Scotland, and in this case the skulls of the whales and some of the heavier bones are used with great effect as outside ornaments.

Looked Like Economy.

Uncle Hiram (just back from the big city)—I don't think that nephew of our'n is got as much money as he makes out he has.

Aunt Emily—Why, I thought you said he had such a nice home in the city.

Uncle Hiram—But I didn't tell ye nothin about him havin both them little girls o' his'n playin on the same planner at once. I tell ye he's a-gettin hard up.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Crude Petroleum.

From crude petroleum are made kerosene, gasoline, naphtha, paraffin and vaseline. A still heavier oil, left as a residue, is used for axle grease, and the carbon is turned into sticks for electric lights. The sulphuric acid which is used for purifying the products of petroleum is recovered and turned into fertilizer for farms where there is too much phosphate rock, which is thus dissolved.

Writing For Money.

Fond Father—Yes, my boy at the varsity has written several articles for the magazines.

Friend—But he's not a professional writer, surely?

"What do you mean by 'professional?'"

"Why, he doesn't write for money?"

"Doesn't he? You ought to see some of his letters to me."—Exchange.

Men who though slight, yet reach the chest standard, are preferred as recruits in the British army to those that are stout, the former being considered to possess the better frame.

Butterflies are said to be very sleepy headed. They go to bed early and get up late.

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In the School of Work.

Charles A. Dana of the New York Sun was a man of extensive learning and attached great importance to college training, but was quick to recognize the value of the practical education that a man of good parts may pick up in this workaday world outside of university walls.

A young man went to The Sun office one day and asked to see the editor in chief. He would not be rebuffed by the subordinates and after some delay was admitted. He stated his business without a moment's loss of time.

"Mr. Dana," he said, "I believe I could be of some use on this paper, and I want you to give me a trial. If you don't find me of any use, you needn't pay me any salary, and if you do I shall want a good salary. If I don't find my proper groove in a month, you can drop me out."

Mr. Dana looked him over.

"Young man," he said, "I like your looks. Have you ever attended any institution of learning?"

"Yes, sir. I am a graduate of two newspaper offices, one a country weekly and the other a daily paper in a city of 100,000 inhabitants."

"I'll take you. Go and report to the managing editor."

And Mr. Dana turned again to his work.—Youth's Companion.

Tennessee's Wealth of Oak Timber.

One of Tennessee's richest fields of natural resources is in its forests. Most of her timbered land is as yet virgin, and at the top of the list of the varieties to be found is oak. That tree is one of the most valuable that ever grew, and this state is more than usually rich in it.

Oak timber is practically indestructible when not exposed to the elements of the atmosphere. I mean that oak timber can be submerged in the ground or buried in the water, where the atmosphere does not affect it, and it will last for so many years that the man who had put it there is dead and forgotten by the time it has decayed.

It is a growing favorite, and deservedly so, in many ways of manufacturing furniture and in finishing fine houses. The price on it is always firm, and every now and then it makes a spurt and climbs up a point from which it never will fall. If the forests of this tree to be found in Tennessee today are here 90 years from now, this will be one of the richest states in the Union.—Knoxville Sentinel.

An East Indian Verdict.

In a case in one of our Indian courts a jury had before them evidence that could not be in any way shaken. When the concluding stage had been reached, the following interchange of conversation took place between the judge and his colleagues in the administration of justice:

"Gentlemen, are you ready to give your verdict?"

"Yes."

"What is your verdict?"

"Our answer is, sir, that you can do as you like with the men that have confessed, but we acquit all the rest."

"But is it possible that you have weighed the evidence?"

"Evidence like this can always be fabricated."

"Do you find that as regards these prisoners it has been fabricated?"

"Evidence can be fabricated."

"So the evidence is untrustworthy?"

"Unless a man confesses who can tell if he is guilty?"—Bombay Gazette.

Close to a Fool.

A farmer was working in his field when a sewing machine man came along.

"Good morning," said the sewing machine barker.

"Mornin."

"Your corn seems to be pretty yellow."

"Yaas; I planted yellow cawn."

"You don't seem to have more than half a crop."

"Waal, I planted it on the halves."

"You seem pretty close to a fool."

"Yaas; there's only a fence between us."

When the sewing machine man came to, it required the services of two doctors to get him into such shape that he was able to make the next town.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A Pound of Swallows.

How many live swallows go to a pound? This question lately formed the subject of a bet in the little town of N——, in Baden. A swallow was caught and its legs and wings tied up with a piece of silk thread and placed on the scales. To everybody's surprise it was found to weigh only ten grams, so that it takes 50 of them to make up a pound.—Karlsruher Nachrichten.

The Suspension Bridge.

There is no doubt that the first idea of a suspension bridge was suggested to primitive man by the interlacing of tree branches and parasitical plants across rivers. Probably monkeys used them before men did. In very mountainous countries, such as Tibet and Peru, they have apparently been used since the dawn of history, possibly earlier.

A Tour of the Escurial.

It requires about four days to make an investigation of the Escurial, the great Spanish palace, there being such a multitude of rooms and apartments. To travel all the halls, chambers, corridors, lengths and depths of the great palace would require a tour amounting to over 100 miles.

Healthy Trees.

The time in the summer at which the leaves begin to turn is a tolerably sure indication of the soundness of the tree. Some trees will keep their foliage green until September, while the leaves of unhealthy trees will begin to show signs of turning brown or yellow in August.

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The Water Beetle.

The great carnivorous water beetle, the dytiscus, after catching and eating other creatures all day, with two minute intervals to come up, poke the tips of its wings out of the water and jam some air against its spiracles before descending once more to its subaqueous hunting grounds, will rise by night from the surface of the Thames, lift again those horny wing cases, unfold a broad and beautiful pair of gauzy wings and whirl off on a visit of love and adventure to some distant pond, on to which it descends like a bullet from the air above.

When people are sitting in a greenhouse at night with no lamp lighted, talking or smoking, they sometimes hear a smash as if a pebble had been dropped on the glass from above. It is a dysticus beetle whose compound eyes have mistaken the shine of the glass in the moonlight for the gleam of a pond.

At night some of the whirligig beetles, the shiny beanlike creatures seen whirling in incessant circles in corners by the bank, make a quite audible and almost musical sound upon the water.—Spectator.

She Showed Him Her Work.

The woman had her arms in the tub and was fiercely scrubbing one dirty garment after another. Book agents don't often penetrate to that part of Chicago, but this one did. He knocked on the front door until he was tired, and then he went around to the back door. The woman was bobbing up and down over the washboard.

"Good morning, madam," said the book agent pleasantly.

"Good mornin," said the woman shortly.

"Pleasant day," observed the book agent, sparring for an opening.

"Good enough," answered the woman.

"Excuse me, madam," said the book agent, "but I have here a work that I would like to show you."

"Have you?" answered the woman. "Well, I've got a lot of work that I'd like to show you." She took one soapy hand out of the tub and waved it at a great pile of dirty clothes.

"That's my work," went on the woman. "If your work can beat that, all right; if it can't, why, skip out."

The book agent skipped.—Chicago Tribune.

Beavers' Teeth.

Of the cutting power of the beaver's teeth Frank H. Risteen says in Rod and Gun:

"The beaver is really a sort of portable pulp mill, grinding up most any kind of wood that comes his way. I once measured a white birch tree, 22 inches through, cut down by a beaver. A single beaver generally, if not always, amputates the tree, and when it comes down the whole family fall to and have a regular frolic with the bark and branches. A big beaver will bring down a fair sized sapling, say three inches through, in about two minutes and a large tree in about an hour.

"One of the queerest facts about the beaver is the rapidity with which his long, chisel shaped teeth will recover from an injury. I have known beavers to break their teeth in biting a trap, and when I caught them again ten days afterward you couldn't see a sign of the break. The teeth had grown out to their former perfection in that short period."

Curiosities of the Cacao Tree.

The cultivation of cacao, says a writer in The Scientific American, is an inviting agricultural pursuit in Trinidad and parts of Venezuela. The cacao tree cannot withstand strong sunshine, and the young plants have to be shaded by banana or plantain trees and later, when they attain their growth, by tall trees known as "immortelles," or the "mother of the cacao." These make a kind of canopy over the entire plantation. The fruit of the cacao tree is a pod resembling a cucumber and growing on the trunk or large branches, where it "looks as though it were artificially attached." The seeds are like large, thick lima beans imbedded in pulp. These form the cacao beans of commerce. The processes of curing and drying require much attention.

Handy Things to Carry.

Few people carry pocket scissors of the folding sort. Those that do never part with them. Convenient for manicure use, to cut a clipping from a paper at a moment's notice, a string, etc., they answer almost every purpose of the pocketknife and are much more convenient to handle. Give a person accustomed to their use a knife and the pocket scissors, and he will part with the former first.—Hardware.

So They Do, Some of Them.

The teacher had been giving a class of youngsters some ideas of adages and how to make them, and to test her training she put a few questions:

"Birds of a feather—do what?"

"Lay eggs," piped a small boy before anybody else had a chance to speak.

Unappreciative.

"You find spring water a very great advantage in dairying, I presume?"

"Oh, I don't know," said the milkman. "The average person buying milk doesn't know the difference between spring water and any other kind."—Detroit Journal.

A Good Bargain.

Minister (reading wedding service)—And you, Hans, take this woman for better, for worse?

Hans Frankfurter (conscientiously)—For better, sir! She haf $40; I got nottings!—Brooklyn Eagle.

Reciprocal Help.

Doctor—Well, my good woman, what do you want?

Beggar—A quarter, doctor; give me a quarter, and I'll tell everybody that you helped me.—New York Times.

White Man Turned Yellow.

Great consternation was felt by the friends of M. A. Hogarty, of Lexingaon, Ky., when they saw he was turning yellow. His skin slowly changed color, also his eyes, and he suffered terribly. His malady was Yellow Jaundice. He was treated by the best doctors, but without benefit. Then he was advised to try Electric Bitters, the wonderful Stomach and Liver remedy, and he writes: "After taking two bottles I was wholly cured." A trial proves its matchless merit for all Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. Only 25c. Sold by M. M. Lewis, Druggist.

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