

Buy Thermometers in Changing Weather

An Eastern dealer in notions sold thirty-three thermometers one day when the mercury went up to 84 degrees.

Hanna Not Anxious to Get Noah's Ark

Senator Hanna receives many curious letters, but the proposition which was made to him the other day takes the palm for uniqueness.

What's in a Name to English Footman?

Prince Munster (then only a Count), together with Count Beust and Count Schouvaloff, was attending a Foreign Office reception in London.

Frills of Fashion

Mercedized denim is one of the smart materials for shirt waists and entire costumes. It is said to wash well and also to retain its gloss.

FIENDISH WATER CURE PRACTISED ON FILIPINOS

Washington, April 21.—The Senate Philippine Committee this morning heard the testimony of Grover Flint, of Cambridge, Mass., who described the infliction of the "water cure" torture on several occasions when he had witnessed it.



GEN. SMITH.



GEN. CHAFFEE.



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MAJ. WALLER.

The Macabebes, when administering the torture, were not under the command of a commissioned officer, but under a sergeant of the United States Army.

Senator Patterson—About how many were subjected to the torture when you first saw it?

Witness—I cannot say. I can only guess. I think about thirty.

Senator Patterson—They did not appear to be soldiers?

Witness—No; they were, to all intents and purposes, country people—peasants, or whatever you want to call them.

Senator Beveridge—Of course you knew perfectly well that you, as the officer on the ground, had the right, and that it was your duty, to stop any barbarity until you could report to your superior officer?

Witness—I simply regarded my duty there as being to prevent anything excessive or extraordinary. I let several men off who did not look to me as insurgents.

The request of Edward Atkinson, the anti-imperialist of Boston, to lay his views before the committee was taken up and by a party vote the committee declined to hear him.

The committee then voted 5 to 4 to go into executive session. After the doors were closed it was decided to summon several witnesses

who had seen service in the Philippines, particularly petty officers and privates of the Volunteer army.

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son had no personal knowledge of conditions in the Philippines, and it was not worth while taking the time of the committee. Facts, not theories, were what the committee wanted.

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The Small Farmer's Chances in Puerto Rico

FRUIT. SILKWORMS. STRAW HATS. POULTRY.

San Juan, P. R., April 21.—Torsely put, the question most frequently asked of Americans in Puerto Rico by friends in the United States and the tourists who visit the island is: "How can I make money in Puerto Rico?"

Mr. Magdaleno also stated that his family in Venezuela had been offered \$75 for one hundred pounds of the rough cocoons by a silk weaver of Lyons, France.

Intelligent farmers from the North with one-half the effort they now make to gain an oftentimes meager living in Puerto Rico can soon become independent. Land is plenty and cheap, and so is native labor.

It is now an assured fact that orange growing will pay, it having passed the experimental stage. The end of the year will see at least five thousand acres of orange groves in the island, the oldest of the groves being three years.

Limes grow wild in abundance, as do lemons. Pineapples are attracting considerable attention, one weighing twenty-five pounds and of fine quality having been raised near San Juan.

The greatest fortunes are promised in the field of silkworm culture. Important experiments in raising silkworms have been going on in San Juan for three months.

Several months ago, Juan Magdaleno, a native of Venezuela, came to Puerto Rico and noticed the presence, in immense quantity, of a certain leaf, a small plant which is also peculiar to the interior of Venezuela, upon which he knew the silkworm would grow and rapidly thrive.

While traveling from Toulouse to Bordeaux, an inspector of the railroad fell fast asleep and was not aroused until the conductor called out the name of a station.

The South African war has occasioned an enormous number of marriages. Officers married hurriedly before they went out; some have espoused the fair enemy out there; many have succumbed to the charms of the plucky young military nurses; great numbers invalided home have been promptly wedded by their patriotic and grateful feminine contemporaries.

powerful jaws, which bristle with needle-like teeth. The other species are fat, flabby-looking customers, with fantastic markings of black and brown, and many shades of gray.

There are three well-known varieties of eel found in our waters. The largest is the big gray fellow, which so closely resembles his cousin, the conger.

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How Pointer Dogs Inherit Their Color

Sir Francis Galton proposed in 1889 a statistical law of heredity applicable to bisexual descent. Briefly stated, it was that one-half of the offspring's characteristics are derived from the parents (an equal amount from each), one-fourth from the grandparents, one-eighth from the great-grandparents, one-sixteenth from the great-great-grandparents and so on.

Madagascar Gives Boers Cheap Land

Excitement was recently caused in Tananarivo, Madagascar, when several Boers arrived and asked for an audience with the commander, General Gallieni. Their request being granted, they told him that they desired to form a colony in Madagascar, and he promptly gave them a concession of more than two hundred thousand acres for the sum of two francs an acre.

M. le Vicomte Jay de Castellane

Paris, April 27.—Comtesse Boni de Castellane has decided to give her newly born son the name of his grandfather, Jay. The youngest—pardon, M. le Vicomte Jay de Castellane—starts his career under the aegis of one of the most distinguished titles of France, the Duc de Luynes being his godfather.

END OF OLD VERMONT

New York, April 27.—The old receiving ship Vermont, which for over a half century was one of the features at the Navy Yard in Brooklyn, is near her end. In a few days she will be towed up the Sound and beached. Then she will be set on fire and burned for the purpose of getting the metal she contains.

HOW HE PROPOSED

He wished to propose to the girl of his choice, but he was nervous. First he thought of the old romantic style: "By my halidom, fair one, I would fain take thee for my bride. Say thou wilt be mine, and ere the sun glids the turrets of yonder castle the friar shall unite us in holy bonds."

TENORS ARE NOT CHEAP

While traveling from Toulouse to Bordeaux, an inspector of the railroad fell fast asleep and was not aroused until the conductor called out the name of a station.

CASTELARRAZIN

"Castelarrazin," was the reply, whereupon the inspector said, rather angrily: "Why didn't you call it out more distinctly? No one could understand what you said."