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THE DEADLY COBRA.

How Venomous Creature Is Handled by Hindoo Snake Charmers.

The creatures were on the defensive, but not one of them attempted to strike at the master, who sat serenely in front of them, so long as he did nothing to annoy them. Kullian talked to them as if they were his dearest friends. After a time one or the other of them would lower its head, collapse its hood and begin to try to wriggle away, whereupon Kullian would give it a smart little rap on the tail with his stick and bring it instantly to attention again. Whether this man possessed any special magic over these cobras or whether the description given below of how he could handle and play with them was simply due to his method I cannot say. He himself repudiated the idea of magic and asserted positively that any one who had the necessary nerve and dexterity could do exactly the same.

He used no reed instrument or music of any kind to propitiate the reptiles. He would simply squat on his haunches in front of them, and after they had been hissing and swaying their uplifted heads backward and forward for a few minutes he raised his hands above their heads and slowly made them descend till they rested on the snakes' heads. He then stroked them gently, speaking all the time in the most endearing Hindoostanee terms. The serpents appeared spellbound. They made no effort to resent the liberty, but remained quite still, with heads uplifted, and seemed rather to enjoy it. Presently his hands would descend down the necks about three inches below the heads, his fingers would close loosely around the necks, and he would lift them off the ground and place them on his shoulders. The looseness of the grip appeared to be the main secret. The snakes, being in no way hurt, would then slowly crawl through his fingers and wind themselves round his neck, his shoulders and his arms. They appeared to realize that no harm was to be done them, and they made no effort to resent the handling. He would pick them gently off one arm and place them on the other and, in fact, stroke them and pet them as if they had been a pair of harmless worms. —Cornhill Magazine.

The Story That Failed.

The story teller was telling stories.

"It is a curious but nevertheless absolute fact," he said, "that when I used to live in the sheep rearing district in Derbyshire I knew an old man who used to wander about picking up and selling the wool which the sheep scratched off their backs by rubbing against the hedges.

"The old fellow was somewhat of a butt in the neighborhood. But he stuck to his work, wandering miles over the hills every day, silent, absorbed and untiring. Well, now, how much do you suppose that old boy felt when he died? Just guess, now."

"One thousand pounds?" opined one auditor.

"Five thousand?" said another. The raconteur shook his head.

"Not a blessed ha'penny!" he replied.—Answers.

The Golden Wedding.

A servant asked her mistress for leave from Friday to Monday to visit her mother a long journey away, as all the family desired to meet to celebrate their parents' golden wedding. The mistress gave permission, and on Monday the maid duly returned, and her mistress said to her:

"Well, Mary, how did you get on?"

"Oh, splendid, ma'am, and mother was so grateful to you for letting me go."

"Yes, and your father—what did he say?"

"Lor' bless you, ma'am, he wasn't there; he died twenty years ago!"—London Globe.

Prompt.

An insurance agent was boasting that his company recently paid a life policy to the widow the day after the funeral of her husband and insisted that no company was ever so prompt in payment.

"That's nothing," replied the agent of another company. "One of our patrons recently fell from the top of a four story building, and a check for the full amount of the policy was handed him as he passed the second story window."

Sublime Faith.

"Pa, what is sublime faith?"

"When a man who weighs fifty pounds sits down beside a lady whose weight is 235 pounds and the hammock in which they are seated is held up by a rope a quarter of an inch thick it seems to me that they give an exhibition of sublime faith that would hardly need an explanation."—Chicago Record-Herald.

RECKONING TIME.

The Sexagesimal System, Which Was Used in Babylonia.

Why is the hour divided into sixty minutes, each minute into sixty seconds, etc.? Simply and solely because, in Babylonia, there existed by the side of the decimal system of nations another system, the sexagesimal, which counted by sixties. Why that number should have been chosen is clear enough, but it speaks well for the practical sense of those ancient Babylonian merchants.

There is no number which has so many divisors as sixty. The Babylonians divided the sun's daily journey into twenty-four parasangs, or 720 stadia. Each parasang, or hour, was subdivided into sixty minutes. A parasang is about a German mile, and the Babylonian astronomers compared the progress made by the sun during one hour at the time of the equinox to the progress made by a good walker during the same time, both accomplishing one parasang.

The whole course of the sun during the twenty-four equinoctial hours was fixed at twenty-four parasangs, or 720 stadia, or 360 degrees. This system was handed on to the Greeks, and Hipparchus, the Greek philosopher, who lived about 150 B. C., introduced the Babylonian hour into Europe.

Ptolemy, who wrote about 150 A. D., whose name still lives in the Ptolemaic system of astronomy, gave still wider currency to the Babylonian way of reckoning time. He popularized it.

It was carried along on the quiet stream of traditional knowledge through the middle ages, and, strange to say, it sailed down safely over the Niagara of the French revolution, for the French, when revolutionizing weights, measures, coins and dates and subjecting all to the decimal system of reckoning, were induced by some unexplained motive to respect our clocks and watches and allow our dials to remain sexagesimal—that is, Babylonian, each hour consisting of sixty minutes.

Here you see again the wonderful coherence of the world and how what we call knowledge is the result of an unbroken tradition, of a teaching descending from father to son. Not more than about 100 arms would reach from us to the builders of the palaces of Babylon and enable us to shake hands with the founders of the oldest pyramids. —Scrap Book.

Such Stuff as Dreams Are Made Of.

The materials of dreams may be enumerated as memories of waking sensations, memories of waking thoughts and new sensations received in sleep, whether from without or within. Dr. Gregory mentions of himself that, having no one occasion gone to bed with a bottle of hot water at his feet, he dreamed of walking up the crater of Mount Etna and feeling the ground warm under him. He had at an early period of his life visited Mount Vesuvius and actually felt a strong sensation of warmth in his feet when walking up the side of the crater, and he had more recently read Brydone's description of Mount Etna. On another occasion, having thrown off the bedclothes in his sleep, he dreamed of spending a winter at Hudson bay and of suffering distress from the intense frost. He had been reading a few days before a very particular account of the weather in that region during winter.—Cassell's Magazine.

A Winning Compliment.

The beautiful girl shook her head in the negative.

"No," she said after a moment's deliberation, "I can never—no, never—be your wife. But I'll tell you what I will do. Just to show you that there is no hard feeling on my part I will be present when you marry some other girl and bombard you with my shoes for luck."

Ah, here was an opportunity! Quick as a flash the young man responded:

"Please don't. If you must throw old shoes, borrow them."

"And why not use my own?"

"Because they are so small we could never detect them from the rice."

Flattery won. The beautiful girl decided then and there that the young man was altogether too clever for any other girl, so she reversed her decision, and the cards are out.—New York Times.

Not Exempt.

An evangelist was exhorting his hearers to flee from the wrath to come. "I warn you," he thundered, "that there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth!"

At this moment an old woman in the gallery stood up. "Sir," she shouted, "I have no teeth."

"Madam," returned the evangelist severely, "teeth will be provided."—Success Magazine.

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Sonora, Texas. Oct. 2, 1909.

Set Him to Work.

The smart young man—his school honors thick upon him, and his intention to teach the world in general and his father in particular the manner in which up to date commerce should be conducted—stood earnestly holding forth in his father's office.

"You may rely upon me, sir," he was saying, with fervid emphasis. "I will devote my whole life to the interests of the business. It shall be my aim and ambition to keep the family name free from stain."

"Good!" said the old man gruffly. "That's the spirit. Tell the office boy to give you the whiting and ammonia; then go and polish up the brass name plate on the door."—London Mail.

Disappointed Indeed.

In Jamaica it is the rage among tourists from England to go butterfly hunting. In a great variety of flannel costumes these subjects of Great Britain go careering about in the fields armed with green nets, to the great amusement of Americans.

Not long ago one of the most ardent of them, after a most exciting chase, bagged an insect. He gazed at it for a moment, then, turning to the look of the most

CATARACT OF THE EYE.

It May Be Prevented by the Judicious Use of Glasses.

Among the diseases which are believed to belong peculiarly and of right to old age cataract is perhaps the most frequent. It is true there are cases of cataract in young children, and one may even be born blind, the absence of sight being due to nontransparency of the crystalline lens, but nine-tenths at least of the sufferers from this affection are past sixty years of age, and most of these have exceeded the limit of threescore and ten.

A cataract is an opaque condition of the crystalline lens, the body lying just behind the pupil. The opacity may exist in the body of the lens itself, or it may form a layer on its surface just beneath the capsule inclosing it. The cause of cataract is variously stated, but most authorities are agreed in regarding the opacity as a result of the vain efforts of the lens to change its shape in order to focus the rays of light exactly at the retina and so secure distinct vision. In youth this can be done readily by the little muscles within the eyeballs, but as the years go on the lens gets harder and less readily changes its shape, and soon after forty it is so hard that perfect accommodation, as this change of shape is called, is impossible.

That is the time for glasses, if astigmatism has not made them imperative before that. Many persons seem to be ashamed of glasses, thinking that the taking to them is a confession of age. So it is, perhaps, but the scowling and the drawing up of the features, which cannot be helped if glasses are refused, are a confession much more definite than the wearing of glasses.

Even more important, the putting on of glasses as soon as the slightest indistinctness of vision is perceived is an almost certain preventive of cataract. The pulling and hauling and tugging at the hardening lens which the eye muscles must do in order to change its shape for the varying needs of near

and far sight irritate the lens and induce a low state of inflammation, which results in cataract.

When cataract is once established there is nothing for the sufferer to do but wait patiently for the so-called "ripening" of the process, when an operation will procure relief.—Youth's Companion.

The Traveling Heart.

I was at church the other night, when Dr. Potts preached an excellent sermon, in the course of which he happened to speak of "the hart bounding over the hills and drinking from the water courses." As I came out of the church Butterwick said to me:

"Pretty good joke of the old man's, wasn't it?"

"What do you mean?"

"Why, in the sermon, that joke about the heart."

"It didn't strike me as being at all facetious." "It didn't, hey? Well, when a man talks about a heart skipping around over the hills and drinking out of the creek he must either be in fun or else just a gassing for the want of something to say. Who ever heard of anybody's insides carrying on like that? Does your liver roam round over the hills? Can your ribs drink out of the canal?"

I explained the situation, and Butterwick went home to study the Scriptures more carefully.—Max Adler in New York Weekly.

Hamlet.

had melancholy, probably caused by an inactive liver. A bad liver makes one cross and irritable, causes mental and physical depression and may result disastrously.

Ballard's Herbine is acknowledged to be the perfect liver regulator. If you're blue and out of sorts, get a bottle to day. A positive cure for bilious headaches, Constipation, Chills and Fever and all liver complaints. Sold by all druggists.

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Sutton County People Will Hang a Neat Purse for the First Road There.

"The people of Sutton county want a railroad," said Judge L. J. Wardlaw, of Sonora, while discussing the building of railroads with a Standard reporter Thursday.

"I am not sure what our people will do with the Orient proposition, but it is a well established fact down our way that we are all willing to pay a reasonable amount for a railroad and be liberal in the right-of-way, but we are not going to tie ourselves up to one road unless that road will agree to build into Sonora first. We want a railroad and want it quick.

"The Sutton county people are not going to give some road a big bonus and then sit idle by and wait a good long time to let them build the road. We want a road and want it as soon as it is possible to build one. Time with us is a great big factor in the development of our part of the country. We feel that people want to come to Sutton county to live, but on account of no railroad facilities, they will not come.

"The Sutton county people are the most hospitable in the world. They want all those who will make good citizens to come. We realize down our way that railroads will bring them and for that reason we are casting about. I will not say how much we will give a company to build to Sonora but you may be sure that should the right people come along and say they will start work on a railroad into our town right now, that we will be there and glad to aid them in the coming.

"Give us a railroad! My request is that of all the good people down in my part of the Concho Country. Yes, give us a railroad, but for heavens sake, don't be too many years in doing it."

Judge Wardlaw only expressed the well-known sentiments of the progressive people of Sutton county. He is in close touch with those fine citizens and knows just how they stand.—San Angelo Daily Standard.

Many Good—One Best.

"So many Oils and Liniments are advertised it is hard to decide which to buy. I tried a number before using Hunt's Lightning Oil. After using it once, however, I had found the best. It was, and it was useless to look further. It fails its 'all off' No other liniment will hit the spot if Hunt's Lightning Oil fails.

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25c and 50c bottles.

Sonora Booster is Here Today.

E. F. Vander Stucken, of Sonora, one of the biggest general merchandise merchants in Sutton county, was in the city this morning, coming from Sonora in an automobile. Mr. Vander Stucken is a typical West Texas booster and can never be caught saying anything but nice things of his part of the state or in fact any other part of it.

In talking with a news gatherer this morning he stated that the Sonora people wanted a railroad, and that they wanted it as badly as any place in Texas. He added that the people there would be glad to aid in a financial way in getting one provided they could get it within a year or two, for the people there, according to what the big merchant said, are anxious to have a railroad so the development of the town and country can be all the more rapid.—San Angelo Daily Standard.

Cold Weather Advice.

To all is to beware of coughs and colds on the chest; as neglected they readily lead to pneumonia, consumption or other pulmonary troubles. Just as soon as the cough appears treat it with Ballard's Horehound Syrup the standard cure of America. Use as directed—perfectly harmless. A cure and preventive for all diseases of the lungs. Sold by all druggists. Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle.

Sonora a City of Twelve Hundred.

Couched in the midst of picturesque hills of the Devil's River country lies, Sonora, the county seat of Sutton county. This was the first stop made by the San Angelo Trades' Excursionists after leaving Ozona. Sonora has an altitude of 2,275 feet and is located in that pure atmosphere called the ozone belt. A railroad will soon bring the Devil's River metropolis to the trade center of West Texas, and perhaps in a few years Sonora may be one of the principal distributing points of Western Texas. She has the citizens to make her that, lacking only a sufficient number of railroads.

There are about two score substantial business houses in the town of Sonora, and the lines of business are as varied as one would find in a city of twenty-thousand. Most of the buildings are of stone, some one story and some two-story. The First National Bank at Sonora is a very strong institution. It has a capital stock of \$50,000 and the capital and surplus funds amount to \$94,274.55. E. J. Jackson is president of the bank and W. L. Aldwell, cashier.

Sonora has a population of twelve hundred people. The town comprises five square miles. The elegant two-story stone school building represents an outlay of \$13,000 and here Prof. Hickman and four assistants train the minds of the Sonora youth.

Sonora has a right to be proud of her up-to-date water works system, which is owned by T. D. Newell. It is worth \$15,000. Water supply comes from four wells on a little mountain just north of the town. The pressure is such that it will throw the water twenty-five feet over the highest building in the town. This water supply together with the volunteer fire department assures the metropolis of the very best fire protection. Sonora's Business Club is headed by W. L. Aldwell, cashier of the First National Bank.

Sutton county, cut out of Kimble and Crockett counties, was organized in November, 1890. It has an area of 1,517 square miles. The county valuations for 1909 approximate \$2,238,000, showing a nice increase over last year. Sutton's court house is one of the finest in the West.

Although Sutton county is a stock country, it is being rapidly developed by the farmers. The gin at Sonora this year will turn out about two hundred bales.—San Angelo Daily Standard.

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A. H. Jordan of San Antonio and C. H. Beaver of Pearsall, Tex. were in Sonora several days this week in the interests of the San Antonio Life Insurance Co.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch, cutting timber, hauling wood, working stock, gathering pecans, hog hunting or hunting of any kind or fishing, without my permission will be prosecuted.
E. F. SAWYER.

Santa Fe Engineers Return From Auto Trip.

W. B. Story, of Chicago, chief engineer of the entire Santa Fe system; C. F. W. Felt, chief engineer of the Santa Fe in Texas; and M. F. Temple, superintendent of the work on the Sterling City extension, returned last night from a trip to Sonora and other towns south of here. They went in an automobile. None of the party has anything new to give out, but all admit that the territory south of here must be traversed by a railroad at no distant day.—San Angelo Daily Standard.

Hagelstein Cattle.

W. A. Glasscock of Sonora is owner of the Hagelstein cattle and anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of these cattle will confer a favor by notifying
W. A. GLASSCOCK,
161f Sonora, Texas.

WHAT ABOUT THAT \$2 00?

Notice to Trespassers

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on my ranch east of Sonora for the purpose of cutting timber, hauling wood or hunting hogs without my permission, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

W. J. FIELDS,
Sonora, Texas.

Dr. Batts and Lynn, of San Angelo were in Sonora Wednesday to attend John D. Sheen who was badly hurt by a bunch of cattle running over him in the Joe Wyatt pasture Tuesday night. Mr. Sheen had his collar bone and two ribs broken.

FOR

GOOD WOOD

PHONE 96

Extracts From the

Sec 1. All the wild deer, wild antelope, wild Rocky Mountain sheep, wild turkey, wild ducks, wild geese, wild grouse, wild prairie chickens (pinnated grouse) wild Mongolian or English pheasants, wild quail or partridge, wild doves, wild pigeons, wild plover, wild snipe, wild jack-snipe, wild curlews, wild robins, wild Mexican pheasants or Quail, and all other wild animals, wild birds and wild fowls, within the borders of this State, shall be and the same are hereby declared to be the property of the public.

Game Birds, Turkey, ducks, geese, grouse, prairie chickens, Mongolian or English pheasants, quail, doves, pigeons, plover, snipe, jack snipe, curlew, robin and Mexican Quail.

Unlawful at Any Time. To kill, catch, have in possession, dead or alive, or to buy, sell or offer to sell, or to ship any wild bird other than a game bird, except as specially permitted. And no part of plumage, skin or body can be sold or had in possession for sale.

To take or needlessly destroy or have in possession nest or eggs of any wild bird, except as specially permitted. Following are exempt; English sparrow, hawks, crows, buzzards, blackbirds, rice birds and owls.

To sell, offer for sale, have in possession for the purpose of sale, or purchase or have in possession after purchase, the flesh, carcass, hide or antlers of deer, antelope, or Rocky Mountain sheep, or any of the game or game birds mentioned in Section 1.

To net or trap any wild game or bird or fowl mentioned in Section 1.

To destroy wild geese or ducks except with ordinary gun, shot from the shoulder.

To kill, trap or ensnare female deer or spotted fawn.

To hunt any game mentioned in Section 1 with hunting lamp.

Unlawful for five years from 1907. To kill, take or destroy any Mongolian or English pheasants, prairie chicken, antelope or Rocky Mountain sheep.

Unlawful except certain seasons. To kill or destroy deer, except between November 1 and January 1. Turkey, quail and doves except between November 1 and February 1.

Number allowed to kill. Deer, 3 bucks in one season; quail, doves, ducks and all game birds except turkeys, 25 in one day; turkeys, 3 in one season.

Never Worry.
about a cough—there's no need of worry if you will treat it at its first appearance with Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It will stop the cough at once and put your lungs and throat back into perfectly healthy condition. Sold by all druggists.

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To those who know themselves to be indebted to us we take this means of asking them to pay their accounts at once. Our reasons for the above action, are, that we have to pay our bills every thirty days, and unless we pay, or have the goods to show, it places us in a very embarrassing position with those who credit us. Their motto is: "Pay us or show us that you still have our goods in stock."

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CLARENCE GOSCH, C. B. WARDLAW.

J. H. Luokie was in from his
ranch Saturday trading.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross and Mrs.
De Wallace were visiting in
Sonora Saturday.

Charlie Adams arrived home
Saturday from a business and
pleasure trip to Del Rio.

D. B. Cusenbary returned Wed-
nesday from Talpa where he had
been to see his brother B. Cusen-
bary who was very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Sharp ex-
pect to leave soon on a visit to
friends and relatives at Coppert-
Cove, Texas.

Mrs. Murdock McDonald, who
has been visiting her parents Mr.
and Mrs. El Deci at Marathon
for some time arrived home Sat-
urday. Murdock met her at Juno.

E. A. Erwood and sons T. C.
and Floyd were in from their
ranches in the Juno country Tues-
day with 8000 pounds of mohair.

Mrs. C. J. Bridge sold her
property in West Sonora to Tom
Clemons for \$1,400. There are
four lots, good house and well.

The Ladies of the Baptist
church will give an Oyster supper
at the Decker Hotel, Oct. 15th
1919.

Henry Bridge will move his
family to the R. F. Halbert ranch
in Schleicher county, recently pur-
chased from Mrs. Susahana Hol-
land.

Bud Hurst the well driller who
is drilling a well for Pleas Obil-
dres in Crockett county, was in
Sonora Monday trading and visit-
ing his father Capt. Hurst, the
post master.

Dr. Oscar Huff, of Oklahoma
has located here. He is a grad-
uate of Baylor medical college of
Dallas, Tex. and has spent several
months in hospital work. He
comes from Okla. where he has
practiced medicine several years
and comes highly recommended
both as a gentleman and a doctor.

R. P. Parker of Kansas City, ar-
rived in Sonora Thursday. Mr.
Parker is the chief surveyor for the
Orient on the road from Merzon
to Sonora. His headquarters camp
is located about 8 miles south of
Merzon. Mr. Parker reports the
road from Merzon to Sonora is a
pretty smooth proposition from a
railroad point of view. Like all
other railway officials he has noth-
ing to say for publication.

Its A Top Notch Doer.

Great needs compel us to give
the world crowns its doers. That's
why the American people have
crowned Dr. King's New Dis-
covery the King of Throat and
Lung remedies. Every atom is a
health force. It kills germs and
colds and lagrippe vanish. It
heals cough cracked membranes
coughing stops. Sore, inflamed
bronchial tubes and lungs are
cured and hemorrhages cease. Dr.
Geo. More, Black Jack, N. C.,
writes "It saved me of lung trouble

A Cave Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bellows and
Mrs. A. J. Smith, chaperoned a
nice crowd of young folks to the
Felton cave 12 miles south of
Sonora Sunday Oct. 3. They
carried their dinner with them and
got to the cave at the noon hour
and spread their dinner together
on the green grass just below the
cave and they all enjoyed a fine
picnic dinner. They say they had
a good time and want to go back
some time in the near future. The
following were in the party
Misses Lillie and Stella Maddox,
Ada and Ruth Morris, Sallie
Karnes, Pearl Parkerson, Nellie
Smith, Albie Merck, Emma Chalk,
Marry Smith, Lillie Bradford,
and Jewell Decker. Messes Amor
Whitehead, Roy and Fred Smith,
Rosco Morris, Lim Johnson, Ed
Pfister, Bud Wyatt, Wallace
Keesee, Lesley Adams and Walter
Whitehead

No Others.

It is a class to itself. It has no
rivals. It cures where others
merely relieve. For aches, pains,
stiff joints, cuts, burns, bites, etc.,
it is the quickest and surest remedy
ever devised. We mean Hunt's
Lightning Oil. 50c and 25c bottles.

Born on Friday Oct 1st 1909 to
Mr. and Mrs. Allison a boy.

Born on Saturday Oct. 2, 1909 to
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Taylor, a boy.

Born on Wednesday Sept 29,
1909 to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Savage
a girl.

Jim and Ely Kaykendall, were
in from the Whitehead ranch
Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Allison ar-
rived home Friday from a visit to
friends and relatives in Borque
county.

J. W. Smith of the stock firm of
Murray & Smith of the Juno
country, was in Sonora Monday on
a visit to his family and for sup-
plies.

Has to be Cited.

"Possibly there is something on
Earth that is a surer and quicker
cure for cuts, burns, aches, pains
and bruises than Hunt's Lightning
Oil. If so, I would like to be
cited. For twenty years I have
been unable to find anything bet-
ter myself." H. H. WARD,
Rayville, La.

Mrs. W. L. Aldwell, Mrs. Jas
Cornell, Mrs. R. A. Williamson,
Mrs. J. A. Hagerlund chaperoned
a dance Friday night at the
Jackson Hall. The floor was in
fine shape, and the music was
furnished by the Mexican string
band. The following were at the
dance. Misses Tiny Do-K, Bell
Odom, Emma Chalk, Cora Roun-
tree, Rose Stephenson, Mintie
Schauer of Ozona, and Clara
Allison. Messes Roy and Lee
Aldwell, Ben Wyatt, Wallace
Keesee, Bart DeWitt, B. C. Ward-
law, Chas. Schauer, of Ozona, Jim
McDonald, Dr. W. L. Scott, and
M. R. Lawing.

Now is the time to see Kirkland
Tinner about your stove pipes.
Don't wait for the rush
right away.

KNOCKED SENSIBLE.

Dr. J. D. Sheen better known as
the "Lipan Chief," was run over
in the Joe Wyatt pasture on the
night of 5th inst., by 402 and 3-
year-old steers, raised on the
West Nueces near Bullhead. The
Dr. said that he thinks that a big
brindle steer was giving orders to
charge him again but the boys got
him out of the way before they
made the second charge. The
Chief is somewhat knocked out for
the present, but thinks it is only
temporary and will soon be able
to take charge of the tribe again.
Then you can look out for Indian
Summer, and watch the moon,
and keep your horses tied up.
Yellow Wolf Ex Chief.

Mrs. Tom Nolan, of Ozona visit-
ed her sister Mrs. E. S. Briant
Sunday.

R. B. Pass and daughter Miss
Minnie Pass left for their home at
Dorris, California Monday.

Dr. F. H. White was over from
Ozona last week on a visit to Mrs.
White.

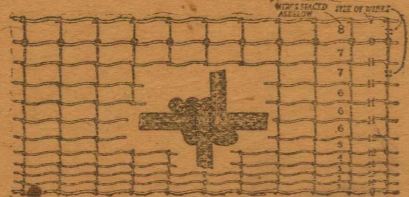
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pinchem who
ranch four miles south of Sonora
were in town Tuesday shopping.

G. C. Erwood was in from his
ranch in Edwards county Tuesday
with a load of mohair.

W. C. Page was in from his
ranch in Edwards county Wednes-
day with a load of mohair.

Higs Smith who ranches near
Juno was in Sonora Wednesday
trading. Higs has just returned
from a trip to Hot Springs Ark.
and looks fine and feels fine.

Mat Karnes was in Sonora Mon-
day on business. Mat has just
returned from a trip to the Hot
Wells in Old Mexico and is very
much improved in health, but not
in looks.



Fence Your Ranch.

With the celebrated Page Fence,
absolutely wolf proof.

Briefly Stated: The quality to
look for in wire fences are: Trem-
endous Tensile Strength, Great
Elasticity, Heavy Galvanizing,
Extreme Durability, and Economy
in Erecting.

A clear title to our claim, the
BEST Fence on Earth. Double
the strength of any other wire of
same size, adjusts itself to uneven
ground, stretches over the hill and
down in the canyon the same as
on level ground. Remember the
BEST is the cheapest.

Let me figure with you before
buying your fence.
J. B. MURRAH, Agent,
Juno, Texas.

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wants an energetic and responsible
man or woman in Sonora to collect
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Any one can start among friends
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without capital. Complete outfit
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York City, N. Y."

What about having a stock show
racing dancing etc. during the
Christmas holidays.

JOHN SWINBURN

Rock Mason.

ALL KINDS OF STONE AND
CEMENT WORK DONE IN
FIRST CLASS STYLE.
SONORA, TEXAS.

NOTICE.

By authority of my position of
Administrator of the Estate of J.
Lewenthal, deceased, I hereby
give notice to all who are indebted
to the said estate, to pay such in-
debtedness to me. In the interest
of the estate, I desire prompt pay-
ment and to avoid the necessity of
placing said accounts in the hands
of attorneys for collection.

R. F. HALBERT,
Administrator of the estate of J.
Lewenthal, deceased.
Sonora, Texas, July 21, 1909.

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The surest and most powerful water getters ever
manufactured, guaranteed to be stronger, more perfectly
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Standard Windmills.

A direct stroke wood wheel on the same pattern as
the Leader, made in Ft. Worth, Texas, and now that the
factory has rectified its early mistakes and is turning out
good smooth work, with a full cypress wheel, the best on
the market.

Help Home Industry

Stover Gasoline Engines, Plain and Pumping. The
simplest, stoutest and best on the market.

Fuller & Johnson Farm Pump Engines, a perfect
wonder for shallow wells, and light farm work.

We manufacture Hudson Bottomless Stock & Storage
Tanks and carry the largest and most complete stock in
the west of pipe, casing and fittings. Genuine Cook Cy-
linders, both Gun and Spool Valves, Baker Perf. comb
and cattle wire, American and Ellwood Fencing, Heat-
ers, Cook Stoves, Ranges and

General Hardware

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Cedar Hill Precinct No. 5.

The following parties contrib-
uted to the Llano School House.

E. E. Sawyer	\$15.00
West Texas Lumber Co.	10.00
L. J. Wardlaw	5.00
J. D. Lowrey	2.50
Sonora Mercantile Co.	5.00
E. F. Vander Stucken Co.	5.00
North & Hamilton	2.00
Theo. Savell	2.50
Trainer Bros.	2.50
Barton & Savell	2.50
E. H. Martin	2.50
First National Bank	5.00
R. T. Baker	1.00
J. E. Grimland	2.50
R. F. Halbert	1.00
W. B. Keesee	1.00
W. T. O. Holman	1.00
Max Vander Stucken	1.00
T. B. Adams	5.00
B. M. Halbert	1.00
Fred Berger	1.00
O. W. Drennan	1.00
G. C. Allison	1.00
John W. Martin	1.00
Geo. S. Allison	2.50
S. H. Stokes	1.50
Aug. Meckel	1.00
Cornier Drug Store	2.00
A. H. Nathan	2.00
Clyde Windsor	1.00
J. W. Adams	1.00
Kenneth Tallaferrro	1.00
Frank McGonagill	1.00
Mat Karnes	1.00
G. W. Sofge	2.50
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L. L. Craddock	1.00
Ed Pfister	1.00
J. S. Allison	2.50
W. A. Pullen	2.50
Dock Simmons	1.00
J. A. Hagerlund	1.00
Junior Brasher	1.00
John Swinburn	1.00
W. C. Strackbin	1.00
W. R. Cleadenman	1.00
Rosco Morris	1.00
J. C. Halbert	1.00
Lein Stokes	.50
John Bryson	.50
J. J. Ford	1.00
Eric Cloud	2.50
W. T. Teague	1.00

Mr. and Mrs. Cart Mayfield of
the Juno country, were in Sonora
Monday on their way to San An-
gelo.

We are under obligation to Bart
De Witt secretary of the railroad
meeting, for the report of the
meeting.

F. Gliede the photographer ar-
rived in Sonora Thursday from
Bracketville with his family. They
will make their home here.

Mrs. J. D. Sheen and daughter
Mrs. Albert Turner of Christoval
were in Sonora Wednesday to look
after their husband and father.

Geo. P. McCutney of Olessee,
Ok. general agent for West Tex.
Little Crator crude oil burner was
in Sonora on business this week.

W. M. Ledford the well known
travelling man from Talpa, was in
Sonora Wednesday talking busi-
ness with our merchants. Mrs.
Ledford and daughter accompanied
Mr. Ledford on the trip.

Dr. Herbert Wardlaw of Marlin,
was in Sonora last Saturday visit-
ing his cousin Judge L. J. Ward-
law and C. B. Wardlaw. The
Doctor likes the looks of Sonora
and will probably locate here.

D. B. Woodruff editor and pro-
prietor of the Sonora Sun returned
home Wednesday from San Ange-
lo where he went to see the doctor.
The Judge is very much under the
weather at present but we hope to
see him out again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Vander
Stucken and son E. still and Mr.
and Mrs. Max Vander Stucken left
for San Angelo Friday to take in
the fair. Mr. and Mrs. Max
Vander Stucken will go on a visit
to Mrs. Vander Stuckens parents
Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Tursey at
Mesilla Park, N. M. before return-
ing home.

The following are some of the
people who attended the San An-
gelo Fair: Mr. and Mrs. Jas
Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mills
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryson and
children, Mr. and Mrs. G. G.
Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. G. W.
Stephenson, Messdames J. A.
Hagerlund, R. A. Williamson, W.
Aldwell, J. C. McDonald, Ira
Ward, M. S. Briant, C. S. Hol-
comb, M. S. Harrison, Misses
Emma Whitehead, Cora Brad-
ford, Edna Wheat, Cora Radtke,
Carrie Karnes, Tacey Doak,
Messes J. S. Allison, E. S. Long,
R. F. Halbert, B. F. Bellows,
O. T. Word, D. T. Word, Jim Mc-
Donald, H. Sharp, Lea Aldwell,
R. H. Martin, J. J. Ford, J. D.
Lowrey, L. J. Wardlaw, Dr. Heb.
Wardlaw, Dutch Wardlaw, Mike
Murphy, A. C. Fambrough, J. A.
Ward, J. A. Cope R. B. Chalk.

RAILROAD TALK.

A mass meeting of the citizens
of Sonora and Sutton county was
held in the Jackson Hall at four
o'clock Saturday evening, Oct. 2.
The purpose of the meeting was to
consider the proposition of the
Orient Railroad recently made to
build into Sonora from Merzon
within two years, for a bonus of
\$100,000.00 and a right of way
through Sutton and Schleicher
counties; and to consider generally
the prospects of Sonora getting a
road.

The meeting was largely attend-
ed. The general sentiment of the
meeting was that Sonora wants a
road, and is ready and willing to
do the right thing by whatever
company gives proper assurances
to build into this section within a
reasonable length of time. "We
want a road as soon as possible"
was the slogan of the meeting. It
was agreed by unanimous vote that
a committee composed of eleven
men should make a levy or assess-
ment against the citizens of
this section, showing what in their
opinion each man should give
in order to raise a bonus of
\$80,000.00, and let the contribu-
tion of each be in proportion to the
benefit to be derived from the
building of the road. This com-
mittee is further empowered, after
having made the levy and assess-
ment aforesaid, to appoint solicit-
ing committees to raise the bonus
in accordance with the levy and
assessment made. After the rais-
ing of the bonus in this matter it
was unanimously agreed that this
amount should be offered to the
first railroad or mortgage giving
satisfactory assurance of building
a road into Sonora within a reason-
able length of time.

There was much enthusiasm
among those present, and speeches
by several of our prominent citi-
zens were attentively listened to.
The idea of becoming bound by an
indefinite contract to a road that
would and in all likelihood would
take its own time about building
after the signing of the contract
was not popular.

The Orient proposition was lit-
tle discussed, and in fact no road
in particular was seriously men-
tioned. It was decided that the
first thing to do would be to see
what the people in this country
would be willing to do; to this end
the committee above mentioned
was provided for.

Upon request of the Chairman
County Judge L. J. Wardlaw
made a short address in which he
set out the logical routes of the
different roads that were con-
templating building into this section,
and also gave a brief outline of
what had been done in the way of
railroad building in this part of
the State. In his concluding re-
marks Mr. Wardlaw said that
his opinion the road that would
be the greatest benefit to this
country would be the Santa Fe.

The report of the assess ment
committee will be heard and dis-
cussed at a meeting, the date of
which has not been determined
upon.

Money Comes in Bunches.
To A. A. Onisholin, of Treadwell,
N. Y., now. His reason is well
worth reading: "For a long time I
suffered from indigestion, torpid
liver, constipation, nervousness,
and general debility," he writes,
"I couldn't sleep, had no appetite,
no ambition, grew weaker every
day in spite of all medical treat-
ment. Then used Electric Bitters.
Twelve bottles restored all my old
time health and vigor. Now I can
attend to business every day. It's
a wonderful medicine." Infalli-
ble for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys,
Blood and Nerves. 50c, at Nath-
an's Pharmacy.

W. T. O. Holman was in from
his ranch in Edwards county this
week visiting his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Rust and
family, Mr. and Mrs. Rust Hamil-
ton and family, J. R. Hamilton,
Rufus Thomas, Bob. Gattin, Jack
Belcher, J. C. Bradford, C. M.
Cain and Sheriff Charlie Hartley,
of Del Rio arrived in Sonora Sun-
day and left on Monday to take in
the San Angelo Fair.

Notice to Trespassers.

Notice is hereby given that all
trespassers on my ranch known as
the Lost Lake ranch 12 miles
south east of Sonora, and other
ranches owned and controlled by
me, for the purpose of cutting tim-
ber, hauling wood or hunting hogs
without my permission, will be
prosecuted to the full extent of
the law.

A. F. JACKSON,
Sonora, Texas.

A Joy party left for the Vander
Stucken ranch (the Sam Merck
ranch) in Mr. Vander Stucken's
car Wednesday afternoon. The
country looks good in that neigh-
borhood. Everything went all
right till on the return trip when
about 15 miles from Sonora the
axle broke and the Joy party turn-
ed to a Jay party. Theo. Savell
and Steve Murphy walked about
two miles back to the Strackbein
ranch and got a hack and team and
we got home about 8:30 very
hungry, but, oh how dry. In the
party were: Felix Vander Stuck-
en, A. J. Callahan, Theo. Savell,
Oscar Drennen and Steve Murphy.
On our way home there was
singing and telling yarns. One of
the songs was like this.

How dry I am
How dry I am
The Devil knows
How dry I am
How dry I am
How dry I am
But nobody seems
To care a d—m
How dry I am
How dry I am
How dry I am
But the drest one
Was Callahan.

Stock News.

G. C. Erwood sold to McGona-
gill and Davi. 9 Billies for \$125.

C. S. Holcomb of Sonora, sold to
T. H. Ivy of Christoval 71 dry cows
and two-year-old heifers at \$16.

Tom Adams of Sonora, sold to
Tom McKnight of Eldorado 200
one and two year old steers at
\$17.50 and \$25.

John Bryden of Sonora bought
830 dry ewes from Keys Fawcett,
of Val Verde county at p. t.
Martin & Halcomb made the
trade.

FOR SALE.

300 head of stock cattle Herefords for
sale, only a few calves. For further
particulars see or write me at my
ranch eight miles north of Rock
Springs on the Sonora road.

R. L. MATCH,
Rock Springs, Tex.

Billies for Sale.

Six well bred Billies for sale
cheap. From 2 to 4 years old
AUGUST MECKEL,
79-f Sonora, Texas.

DAIRY BUSINESS FOR SALE

The only MILK business in
Sonora for sale with as many
cows as the purchaser may need.
The business is a paying one
but I wish to engage in other
business. Apply to,
JAMES L. TARVER,
82-f

All of my stock horses, except
Standard bred. All increases
from colts to four year old, sired
by the following stallions: Juro
Campbell, 2:15, pacing; and he by
George Campbell, 2:47, pacing;
E. bine, grandson of O. d. Election-
eer; John B. Nasworthy, he by
Parole, 2:10, trotting. All the
above stock are nice smooth stock
and will develop into fine drivers.
All the above sired are Standard
and registered. For further infor-
mation, address,
R. A. Williamson,
1-f-55 Ozona, Texas.

For Sale.

A ten foot Samson windmill and
tour. Mill good as new.
See C. J. LEWIS.

When you go to San Angelo
call on Eddie Maier, at the
Favorite Saloon, he will treat you
O. K. 72-f

NOTICE.

I forbid anybody laying or tear-
ing down my fences or driving
stock through my pastures with-
out my consent.
Sply R. T. BAKER

NOTICE.

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family, Mr. and Mrs. Rust Hamil-
ton and family, J. R. Hamilton,
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FAMOUS FLOGGERS.

Head Masters of Eton Who Loved to Swing the Birch.

Flogging is to a great extent a lost art nowadays, and the modern schoolboy ought to be duly thankful for it. Etonians in particular ought to feel grateful that Canon Lytton is not so fond of the birch as were some of his predecessors. Dr. Hawtrey, for instance, who was head master about 1826, was not one who believed in sparing the rod. He once flogged Gladstone under the following somewhat peculiar circumstances:

Gladstone was prepositor one day, and it was accordingly his duty to put down the names of those to be flogged. Three boys, however, came to him with a story that their friends were coming down to see them that day and if they were down on the flogging list they would be unable to meet them. Gladstone omitted the names, with the result that the head master noticed the absence of the three boys and flogged the prepositor for not putting them down.

On another occasion Dr. Hawtrey called out to the prepositor, "Put down Hamilton's name to be flogged for breaking my window."

"I did not break your window, sir," exclaimed Hamilton.

"Prepositor," said Hawtrey, "put down Hamilton's name for breaking my window and lying."

"Upon my soul, sir," said the boy indignantly, "I did not do it."

"Prepositor," roared Hawtrey, "put down Hamilton's name for breaking my window, lying and swearing."

More famous than Hawtrey as a flogger was Dr. Keate, who Gladstone described as "the master of our existence and the tyrant of our days." On one occasion he is said to have birched forty boys in succession and been sorry when he found that there were no more to operate upon.

Commenting on the text, "Blessed are the pure in heart," Keate once said: "You hear that, boys. It's your duty to be pure in heart, and if you are not pure in heart I'll flog you."

During his head mastership the doctor is said to have flogged over fifty dukes, earls and barons, besides an innumerable crowd of common or garden misters. And yet after his retirement he is said to have had but one regret—that he had not flogged more!—London Tit-Bits.

Too Realistic.

A gentleman had in his employ a groom who always wore an air of round his stables on his face. The gentleman was surprised to find his groom dangling in midair at the end of a rope, one end of which was tied to a beam and the other round the man's waist.

"What on earth are you up to now?" queried the master.

"I'm a tryin' to hang meself, sir," said the groom in a tired life tone.

"Then why didn't you tie the rope round your neck?" said the gentleman, disgusted with the man's foolishness.

"I did try it that way once," came the reply in all solemnity, "but it hurt my neck and I couldn't breathe."

Habit, Not Telepathy.

They were talking of telepathy. She was a believer, he a nonbeliever. "A great psychic wonder of a man, I forget his name," she said, "was in such telepathic communion with his wife that he could sit in one room with a friend, talking with him, then call her in from another room, and she could tell him everything he had said to his friend."

"That's nothing," he scorned. "They had lived together so long she knew everything he had to say and just the rotation in which he was accustomed to say it."—New York Press.

The Other Wall.

On one occasion a distinguished comedienne who was producing one of Sir Arthur Pinero's plays got rather irate.

"be?" she said to the angry lady. "If fireplace?"

"My dear Mrs. Dink," replied the equable dramatist, "the wall where the fireplace occurs."

His Plea.

Magistrate (to prisoner)—You are charged with meeting this man in a lonely street, knocking him down and robbing him of everything he had on him but a gold watch. Have you anything to say?

Prisoner—Had he a gold watch at the time?

Magistrate—Certainly!

Prisoner—Then I plead a plea of insanity.

A STRANGE LAKE.

The Peculiarities of a Body of Water in Australia.

Lake George is situated about four miles from the railway station at Bungendore, Australia, and has for many years engaged the attention of scientific men by reason of the singular and inexplicable phenomena connected with it. The estimates of its size vary considerably according to circumstances, but when moderately full about 20 by 7 miles will be found tolerably correct. At either end the land is fully 100 feet above the highest recorded surface of the lake, which possesses no known outlet, although it is fed by numerous mountain creeks.

The lake was discovered by a bushman in 1820 and was known to the blacks as the "big water." It was then supposed to form the source of a river having its mouth on the south coast, but subsequent visitors were much perplexed at the manner in which the blacks avoided the lake, of which they appeared to entertain a superstitious dread, one aged aboriginal stating she had seen it all covered with trees, another explaining that the whole of the water sank through the bottom and disappeared, while others remembered the lake only as a series of small ponds.

During the following twenty years considerable variations were noted in the depth and extent of the lake. In 1841 the lake became partially dried up, the moist portions being simply grassy swamps. A few months later large numbers of sheep were pastured in the bed of the lake, but fresh water had to be carted for the use of the shepherds, that of the lake being too salt for human consumption. The place remained more or less dry until 1852, the year of the great floods in that part of the colony, when it again became filled, with an average depth of nine feet. Since then the surface level of the lake has varied considerably, but the bed has never been so dry as in former years. There are indications that many hundreds of years ago the lake covered a far larger area than any yet recorded, remains of trees over 100 years old being found in spots formerly under water. The saline character of the lake is the more remarkable by reason of its being fed by pure and sparkling fresh water streams.—St. James' Gazette.

Laughter.

Laughter is a positive sweetness of life; but, like good coffee, it should be well cleared of deleterious substances before use. Ill will and malice and the desire to wound are worse than chicory. Between a laugh and a giggle there is the width of the horizons. I could sit all day and listen to the hearty and heartsome ha-ha of a lot of bright and jolly people, but would rather be shot than be forced to stay within earshot of a couple of silly gossips. Cultivate that part of your nature that is quick to see the mirthful side of things, so you shall be enabled to shed many of life's troubles, as the plumage of the bird sheds the rain. But discourage all tendencies to seek your amusement at the expense of another's feelings or in aught that is impure. It was Goethe who said, "Tell me what a man laughs at and I will read you his character."—Exchange.

The Air in a Room.

Given a medium sized sitting room with four people and two gas jets, the air must be changed every fifty minutes to keep it pure. As air is heated it expands and becomes lighter per cubic foot. If all the air is heated equally it remains at rest after expansion, but if hot air is in the presence of cold air the latter, by reason of its heaviness, forces its way down and drives the hot air up. The moving force of air currents is the greater weight of the colder air. This, then, is the force by which we are to drive out foul air and put pure air in its place. Pure external air will always drive out foul air if you give it a chance.

Saccharine Sarcasm.

They were at luncheon. One had a very sweet tooth. He was inserting into his demi-tasse a surprising number of lumps of sugar. His companion watched the operation quizzically.

"Say," he observed at length, "why don't you put your sugar straight instead of saturating it in coffee? It's much more healthy."—Exchange.

He Was Perfectly Willing.

Artemus Ward and a friend were one day discussing sacrifices when the friend asked the humorist, "Don't you think, for instance, that if a war should break out we should be willing to sacrifice our relations for the sake of our country?"

"Yes," said Ward. "I'll be willing for the sake of my country, to sacrifice all my wife's relations."

Frightful Fate Averted.

"I would have had a cripple for life, from a terrible cut on my knee cap," writes Frank Disberry, Miss "about Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which soon cured me." In fact, it cures Burns, Scalds, Old Sores, Boils, Skin Eruptions, World's best for Piles. 25c, at Nathan's Pharmacy.

AN IROQUOIS LEGEND.

Fantastic Origin of the Dance of the False Faces.

The Iroquois Indians on their reservations in New York state maintain many of their primitive customs, although they have adopted in general the mode of life of their white neighbors. In their famous "long house" are held various ceremonies propitiatory of the different seasons in the year, and among the most interesting is the dance of the false faces. Its legendary origin is fantastic.

According to the present version, this earth was created by Ha-wen-i-yu before mortal man was made. While this creator was admiring his work a monstrous head with glaring eyes and flowing hair drifted into view.

"What are you doing on my earth?" cried the monster.

"It is not yours, but mine," retorted Ha-wen-i-yu.

"You lie!" was the reply. "I have lived here since the beginning of the world!"

"But I made the world!" cried Ha-wen-i-yu.

"Prove it," said the monster, and to demonstrate his own power he beckoned to a mountain to approach. It moved up and took a position near by.

Now Ha-wen-i-yu asked the monster to turn aside for a moment and at the same instant commanded the mountain to approach so swiftly that it struck the side of the monster's face and twisted the features awry, giving it the expression of a modern false face. At this display of mysterious power the monster acknowledged Ha-wen-i-yu's superiority and begged for his life and that of his people. This was finally granted upon the condition that the false face people should live forever at the ends of the earth, where they would be unseen of men. In return for this permission they would aid mankind in curing the sick upon the proviso that the latter kept their memory sacred.

The Iroquois have a false face society in honor of those mysterious people at the ends of the earth, and every new year they hold a dance for them. Hideous wooden masks are worn by the dancers, who go through intricate evolutions to the beating of a turtle shell rattle. During this ceremony the sick receive the closest attention and are supposed to derive great benefit through the medium of the dance. —Harper's Weekly.

Why Girls Cannot Throw.

A great deal of fun is poked at girls because they cannot throw a stone or a snowball and hit the person or thing they are aiming at. The general idea as to why girls cannot throw as well as boys is that they have not acquired the knack by practice as their brothers have. Another explanation is given by a medical man, which tends to show that girls could never learn the knack, however much they tried. When a boy throws a stone he crooks his elbow and reaches back with his forearm, and in the act of throwing he works every joint from shoulder to wrist. The girl throws with her whole arm rigid, whereas the boy's arm is relaxed. The reason of this difference is one of anatomy. The girl's collar bone is longer and is set lower than in the case of a boy. The long, crooked, awkward bone interferes with the free use of the arm. This is the reason that girls cannot throw well.

He Had Learned.

"What's that you've got there?" asked Smith's wife sharply. "Er—um—a set of boxing gloves, my dear," said Smith. "I bought them for Thomas. I really think he ought to be instructed in the noble art of self defense. I am going to teach him. Every boy should know how to take care of himself in a time of emergency. Come, Thomas, into the garden. I will not hurt you."

Time, ten minutes later. Enter Smith.

"Maria!" he cried.

"What is it?" she asked.

"Bring some raw meat and arnica!" he demanded. "I have just sustained a little injury to my eye."—London Mail.

Too Much of a Good Thing.

"Friends"—began Mark Antony.

"We ain't!" yelled the gallery.

"Romans!"

"Cair!"

"Couns!"

"Hinsult!"

"Lend me your ears!"

"A large, green cabbage dropped forcefully on the Thespian's head. Mark Antony glanced scathingly up toward the angry "gods" in the gallery.

"Pardon me, my friends," he roared out, "I only asked for footlights. I did not bargain to receive your head."—London Answers.

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RACCOON TACTICS.

Effects of One of the Animals to Open Its Feed Box.

That animals do not reason is the uncompromising conclusion reached by Mr. E. T. Brewster in an article printed in McClure's Magazine. Incidentally he finds that men do not often reason and that many of the processes which they dignify by that word are not reasoning at all. Some of the experiments on which his conclusions rest are amusing as well as instructive—this one, for instance, with a raccoon:

The animal was fed from a box with an outward swinging door, which he learned to open in one second after it had been fastened by a bolt on the left side. The bolt was removed and the door closed by a lever on the right side. Imagine for a moment what a man would do, then compare this with what the coon did.

Although the bolt had been removed, the coon continued to work away at the place where it had been, trying to push something where nothing was. He rolled over and over in the violence of his efforts until he actually stood on his head to work. Then by accident his left foot slipped off the corner of the box and, hitting the lever, released the door.

The next time he was hungry, like a wise coon, but not like a wise man, he got in front of the box, stood on his head and pawed the corner of the box until his foot slipped again. Eight times he followed this procedure; he discovered that, after his hind foot struck the lever, an added push with his fore paws helped to expedite matters. At the twenty-eighth trial he discovered that standing on his head was not an essential part of the process. Nevertheless he still persisted in putting his hind foot on the lever before pushing it down with his fore paws.

In short, the coon hit upon the proper action by pure accident. Then, being a clever little beast, he kept repeating as many of these random movements as he could remember. Being clever, he used his hand to help out his foot. Being also scatterbrained, he forgot on the twenty-eighth attempt to stand on his head.

Obviously the coon did not reason. Yet if the right man had seen him for the first time when he was making the hundredth trial and after he had forgotten to stand on his head and forgotten to use three paws and forgotten everything else except to put out one hand and push, what a story it would have made!

Clemency in Duration.

A notorious burglar was recently tried. Among his counsel was a young attorney, for whom, despite his youth and inexperience, the accused had acquired a great liking and whom he had insisted on retaining to assist in the defense.

"About how long do you think I ought to make my speech to the jury?" asked the youthful expounder of the law to associate counsel.

"I should say about two hours," suggested the other.

"Two hours!" "Why," exclaimed the young attorney, "I thought that half an hour would be quite sufficient."

"It's this way," explained the other lawyer. "They can't sentence him until you've finished, and, of course, the longer you talk the longer he'll be out of jail."—Harper's Weekly.

The Better Book.

Grant Allen was sitting one day under the shade of the sphinx, turning for some petty point of detail to his Baedeker.

A sheik looked at him sadly and shook his head. "Murray good," he said in a solemn voice of warning. "Baedeker no good. What for you use Baedeker?"

"No, no. Baedeker is best," answered Mr. Allen. "Why do you object to Baedeker?"

The sheik crossed his hands and looked down on him with the pitying eyes of Islam. "Baedeker bad book," he repeated. "Murray very good. Murray say, 'Give the sheik half a crown.' Baedeker say, 'Give the sheik a shilling.'"

Nearly Sold Out.

A countryman was enjoying his first visit to London. He strolled about the streets and gazed with wonder and admiration at the shop windows.

Soon he came to a lawyer's office, where, of course, there was nothing for sale. This surprised him, so he opened the door and walked in. In was getting.

"What do you sell here?" asked the countryman.

One of the clerks, thinking to get some fun out of the visitor, replied, "Tools."

"You must have had a quick sale, then, to have only two left," retorted the countryman.

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TAMING WASPS.

The Way One Woman Managed to Make Pats of the Insects.

Directly I catch wasps I give them honey from my hand and then place them in a large glass jar and leave them to themselves for several hours. By that time they are generally hungry again, so, uncovering the jar, I put my hand in with some honey on it. As soon as they are comfortably settled on it I withdraw my hand slowly from the jar, so that on flying off after their meal they find themselves in free space. The first things to be explored are the windows, and then, when they have quite satisfied themselves that they cannot get through the glass, they fly about the room, slightly first on this object, then on that, until I catch them and replace them in their home. The easiest way to catch them to begin with is by inclosing them with one's hands as they are flying. Later on they get so accustomed to this that they will dodge about in the cleverest manner and refuse to be caught in this way, but as by that time they are generally sufficiently tamed to be picked up gently between the finger and thumb it does not matter. If they are never fed except from the hand they soon come to know their feeder, and all my wasps when loose in the room would fly on to my hand if they were hungry and refuse to go away from it until fed.

As an example of these creatures' intelligence I would quote the following instance: One wasp that I had for some time and that was exceedingly tame used to be loose in my room constantly, and she was so clever at dodging me when I tried to catch her to put her home that I resorted to the ruse of placing a piece of blue stuff in front of her so that when she unsuspectingly walked on it I could drop both it and her into her home.

After a time she learned this and would on no account get on to the stuff. Suppose she was walking toward the north. Directly I put the stuff in front of her she would wheel around to the south and go off in that direction, but no sooner had I altered the cloth than she was around again to the north. She knew that piece of blue stuff meant home, and so she would have nothing to do with it. This same wasp would often creep down my neck inside my collar and then go to sleep there, and on several occasions I nearly lost her in this way, for I would forget completely about her and on one occasion actually went out of the house before I remembered.—Maisy Black-Hawkins in National Review.

Does Not Play Them Now.

There was once a man who was very fond of playing practical jokes, but stammered very badly. One day he was walking with a friend by the Thames, when they met an Irish sailor with an Indian parrot in a cage.

"W-watch me," said the joker; "I w-will have some f-fun w-w-with this m-man."

Stopping the sailor, he asked, "M-m-my good m-man, c-can that p-p-p-parrot talk?"

"Well," said the Irish sailor, "if he couldn't talk any better than you can I'd wring his bloomin' neck."

Contraband.

A lady crossing from France to England was asked by the customs officer if she had anything dutiable. She assured him that she had nothing but wearing apparel in her trunks. But at the bottom of the largest one, which to him seemed the most suspicious, were found twelve bottles of brandy.

"Madam," said the officer sarcastically, "do you call these wearing apparel?"

"Certainly," she replied sweetly. "Those are my husband's night-caps."—New York Journal.

Selected Self Made This Ink.

A Chinese newspaper contains the following advertisement of a local ink manufacturer: "At the shop Tae Shing (Prosperous in the extreme), very good ink. Fine! fine! Ancient shop, great grandfather, grandfather, father, very hard; picked with care, selected self made this ink. Fine and hard, with attention. The ink is heavy; so is gold. The eyes of the dragon glitter and dazzle; so does this ink. No one makes like it."—Shanghai Courier.

Went Him One Better.

Several of the scholars had returned to Sunday school after being absent some weeks on account of the flu.

"So did I," said another. The superintendent heard them and, addressing a curly headed boy, said: "Well, Charlie, you were absent too. What did you have?"

Charlie's face flushed. He thought a moment and then sang out in high treble, "I had a little brudder!"—Louisville Times.

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