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tion Routes-No Idle Land in Vast Empire-Meth-

"I was amused," said Minister Wu,

"My friend seemed to be under the im-

'It is difficult to imagine the care that

is taken of the streets and common roads, the latter being generally eighty feet broad and kept in perfect condition. In Pekin almost all the streets are built in a direct

line and are more than 100 feet broad, so

you see I will have good places to use my

China, none do my people so much honor as their cauals, roads and bridges. By means of these cauals almost the whole

trade of the empire is carried on, with the advantage of water carriage, and in this manner one may travel from Canton, the most southern city, to Pekin, the most

northern, without traveling above one day

by land.
"The number of canals is surprising; they are often lined on both sides with square

stone, and in some places with marble. At

proper distances many of these great canals are covered with bridges of three, five or

seven arches, so that barks may pass through

without taking down their masts. Some of

these bridges are the finest in the world.
"Mountains have been leveled and

bridges made from one mountain to anoth-

er, and, when valleys were too wide, pil-

lars were elected to support the bridges. You must remember that this great work

has been going on a long time, and many

of the bridges were built more than a cen-

tury and a half ago. There are in China

some of the strangest and most extraordi-

the Chinese have always been engaged in

better way of rendering the whole country

continual drought and the rest under water.

pair of stairs, from the top to the bottom,

in breadth as they gain in height, afford a

very entertaining landscape. The plains

neither hedge nor ditch.

tions of China.

assigned it.

course, not on such a large scale.

different provinces and sold by measure to

those who had fish ponds. In a few days

the young fish would appear in great shoals.

This work is still carried on in many por-

"The Chinese display great ingenuity in

pointers in this sport. Besides the line,

this country, which the Chinese employ as

well as Americans, they have two methods

"One is practiced in the night by moon-light. They take two long straight boats,

and fasten them together, a board about

two feet broad is painted white and is fine-

hoats. This hoard slopes outward, and

almost touches the surface of the water. They turn its surface toward the moon, that the reflection of that luminary may

increase its brightness. The fish, mistaking its color for that of the water, spring up toward it, and either fall upon it or into the boat. The fishermen, with very little trouble, fill their boat with good

"Another mode, not now very largely

practiced, seems at first equally surprising. Cormorants are trained to catch fish. One

fisherman can easily look after 100 of them.

He keeps them perched on the sides of his

hoat, waiting patiently for their orders un-

ing in, and then at the first signal each

takes flight and flies away to the locality

"The birds seek up and down; they dive,

til they come to the place designed for fish-

that may appear extremely odd.

"Many mountains are cut out like a

"I may say that of all public works in

pression that my country was not provided with streets and roads suitable for such

"when a newspaper man asked me the other day if I could use my bicycle and

automobile in China

wheel aud auto.

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come up again, and hover over the water until they see their prey, when they in-stantly dart upon it and seize it with their beaks, and bring it to their masters. When the fish is too big for one to handle, the birds help one another, one taking the fish by the tail and the other by the head, in which manner they carry it to the boat. The birds are given nothing to eat until their work is done. The throat of each cormorant is tied with a small cord to prevent it from eating the small fish, for when the birds are not hungry they refuse to

hunt for fish. "There is scarce any kind of fish in America but what is to be found in China -lamprys, carp, foals, salmon, trout, stur-geon, bass, perch, and, in fact, every kind almost, and there are many in China which

you do not get here. "One of China's most esteemed fish is the armor, so called from its back, belly and sides being covered with sharp scales, reguarly placed in rows one over another, much like the tiles on the roof of a house. It is an admirable fish, of about forty pounds in weight, with flesh exceedingly white,

meal fish. There are such prodigious shoals of these in some places that 500 pounds of them are frequently taken out at one drawing of the net. The Chinese gold and silver fish are very beautiful and are abundant. They are commonly of a finger's length, and proportionately thick, the body being finely shaped. The male is of a beautiful red, and the female is white. - Boston Herald.

Curious Ceremony by Russian Pilgrims in the Holy

The traveler in the Holy Land will witness few sights which will interest him the festival itself crowds of these Slav peas come by sleep and fatigue, are lying prone along the roadside. But somehow the whole lot, young and old, manage to reach the banks of the river in good time for the

They spend the night, perhaps, in the Russian hospice at Jericho, where they simply huddle together like a flock of sheep Before dawn the rooms are empty and the whole crowd has gathered on the bank, where Greek priests, who will presently drive a most lucrative trade, await them. The principal articles sold are branches of trees from various sacred spots, stones from the mountain of Temptation hard by, plants from the wilderness and rosaries with olive stones for heads. To whatever religions value is claimed for these articles the Russian peasants implicitly give credence, and they willingly pay their money to ob-

During the hours immediately preceding the ceremony the motley crowd is occupied in prayer and silent devotion. To many pilgrims this occasion is one of the greatest life can bring, namely, to be permitted not only to visit the Jordan, but actually to bathe in its sacred waters. Suddenly chanting is heard, and the crowd quickly opens to let a procession of purple clad ecclesiastics pass to the waters; then the pilgrims close in again and station themselves along the bank, eager and watchful. And now, nary pieces of bridge architecture in the "The United States is just now paying a great deal of attention to the question of irrigation, which fact reminds me that for

All dripping with water each shroud is now wrung out and stowed away to serve actively engaged in irrigating. China is of great extent in area and the nature of the as the cere-cloth when the pilgrimage of "The land, like all others, is divided into hills and plains, but the latter are so even that a stranger would imagine that like peasants, bedraggled with mud and fatigued by constant sleeplessness, plodding along toward the holy city, chanting and singing as they go, and leaning on their sticks of reed. But there is now a smile leveling them. Their manner of ameliorating their ground conditions being to let water through it, they could not think of a fertile than that they have taken for, if it on their faces, and joy in their hearts, for have they not bathed in the waters of Jorwas not for the numerous canals, those parts that lie highest would be subject o

Sympathetic luks.

Rabelais compiled a curious list of inks that the rain water may spread equally and not wash down the earth. A long series of of a sympathetic nature, which were largely in vogue in his days. In his book entitled "Pantagruel" he makes his readers such hills, surrounded with terraces, losing acquainted with Panurgrue's exploits in very entertaining landscape. The plains are extremely beautiful and are all cultivated, and so afraid are the inhabitants of losing an inch of ground that they have are extremely beautiful and are all cultiwritten with spirits of ammonia mixed with "When I read in the papers of the great water. Then he placed it in water to discover if the writting had not been done with syrup of tithymal. When this would not work, work of the United States Fish Commission it reminds me that in China this work has been carried on for centuries, although, of he held it over a candle, which would have brought out the characters had they been "About the month of May the Chinese, in the years long gone, would draw mats written with the juice of white onions. By rubbing a part of it with nut oil he tried across the great river Yang-tse-Kiang in o find whether it had not been written order to stop the spawn, which they knew with the sap of a fig tree. And if frog's blood had been used in the place of ink the how to distinguish at first sight, though the water was scarce altered in appearance milk from the breast of a woman suckling by it. With this water mixed with many her firstborn daughter would have betrayspawn they would fill vessels and sell to ed the secrets of that letter." the merchants, and it would be sent into

The Butcher's Superstitions.

"Hog killing time is now at hand," said a butcher in town "and fishing. I venture to say some of my peo-ple could give Mr. Cleveland valuable tion. Are you aware that nine farmers out

nets, reels and other instruments used in the moon? "It is said that meat killed in the dark of the moon will shrink. In fact, there are innumerable cases that I could cite which dark of the moon does shrink. I believe in this superstition firmly. You can not hire me to kill hogs in the dark, or wan-

ing, and practically all our American farmers wait for it. I understand the English and Irish farmers do too. The new moon saves the bacon and ham, but the old moon—the dark of the moon—shrinks the meat about 30 per cent."

Why She Said Yes.

"I wanted to show," she said "that voman is maligned, that brevity is quite

suggested.
"Not at all," she protested. "When you say 'No' you have to explain why you say it, and tell how sorry you are, and it would have spoiled everything."—Chicago Post.

Swept in Drift of ice.

Wilson R. Mizner, who has just returned to St. Louis from an involuntary trip which he says he took to the Arctic in a vessel caught in a mass of moving ice and borne, he states, to within 600 miles to the today submitted to Governor Stone. North Pole, relates a thrilling tale of his adventures. The vessel in which he sailed

was the steamer Portland.
"We started from Seattle April 26th," said he in describing the journey, "expect-ing at the time to avoid the ice and reach Cape Nome in 14 days. We got to Dutch Harbor, in the Aleutian islands, all right, but two days out from there we encountered huge fields of slush ice. Nevertheless, we were enabled to steam through, aided by strong southerly winds. About May 13th we began packing trunks and writing letters expecting to reach Nome on the mor-

"On the 14th we became aware that we had drifted into a different species of ice. Great icebergs loomed up on either side of us, 1,500 feet thick and as far as the eye Nome. Two days later we passed through the Behring straits at the rate of 16 miles plied. an hour without steam, the huge drifts of ice moving with us, carrying us along and rendering escape out of the question."

Mizner's account of the perils and experiences of the trip with the icebergs is de-

was sighted in the Arctic ocean about 150 miles northwest of Cape Lisborne 70 or 80 days after leaving the Aleutian islands. They were in need of food which was furnished them.

The two vessels lay in sight of each other for several days, when the drift parted them and Mizner and his comrades drifted on and on, nearer and nearer the pole, the sun never sinking below the horizon and the weather being unendurably cold. Finally, he says, a gale from the north set in which parted the ice and enabled the vessel to escape.

winter is not to secure a place to protect them from cold or even from freezing, but for security against sudden changes of conditions and of temperature. It is a protec-tion in some cases similar to that of the plants on the lawn that were covered with straw by the gardener when he made them ready for winter. In some places of the kind, for instance in the squirrel's nest, there is undoubtedly real animal warmth and coziness. Fish seek the deepest parts of pools, where the temperature of the water is a little above freezing, and where it remains very near this point until spring.

-From Nature and Science for Young Folks in Christmas St. Nicholas.

Novel Headache Remedy The Scientific American says that a neverfailing remedy for nervous headache consists simply of the act of walking backward, but the method of walking is an important factor in the cure. The pace should be very slow, letting the ball of the foot touch the floor first-then the forward, is driven away by a simple process | delphia.

A Nourishing Drink. The whites of raw eggs are very nourishing. A good way to prepare the drink, according to one who knows, is to break the white into a jar with what milk is desired and shake the two thoroughly together. A pinch of salt should be added. An English specialist recommends to adult natients suffering from anæmic condition the daily consumption of eight or ten egg whites. They can be taken clear and with ease if the eggs are kept very cold, broken into a cold glass and used at once. Another excellent drink is made by beating the white of an egg to a froth and adding a tablespoonful of rich cream and a spoonful of brandy. This is a very nourishing cordial for an invalid.

Economical. Farmer Skinflint (reading sign)-"Eyesight Tested Free of Charge." Gracious! Mandy, in I go an' find out if it's hurtin' my eyesight tew read the

Mandy-An' if it is are yew goin' tew squander good money on spectacles? Farmer Skinflint-No; I'm goin' tew give up the paper.

Gold Only For Royalty. It is a notable fact that in Abyssinia none but those who are related to the monarch is permitted to wear gold in any form. They may deck themselves with diamonds and other precious stones, but the jewels must not be set in gold. The penalty for infringement of this law is death by decapitation.

Thanked.

She-Yes, I told you I'd always be a sister to you, and I'll be glad to hear anything you have to say to me. He-Six months ago you told me I'd

thank you some day for refusing me. Let me do so at once. You can't hold a candle to the girl I'm engaged to

His Embittered Existence. Checks-You're the sourest, worst tempered man in town. Black-Well, you see, I live next door

to a public school.—Chicago News. The Cast Was Made. "Do you cast things here?" inquired a smart youth the other day as he sauntered into a foundry and ad-

dressed the proprietor. "Yes, we do." "You cast all kinds of things in iron, eh?"

"Certainly. Don't you see that is our business?"

Makes Some Suggestions

Mizner's Story of How He Almost Reached North Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer's An

HARRISBURG, Nov. 25.-The annual re port of Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, superintendent of public instruction, for the school year ending the first Monday of last June, was report recommends that the number of school directors in townships be reduced from six to five to avoid the frequent deadlocks in the election of teachers and the

selection of text books. The report also suggests that some legis-lation be enacted to avoid the clash between the compulsory education and vaccination laws so that parents may be required to have their children vaccinated. It also suggests that one enumeration instead of two during the odd years of all children between 6 and 16 years for school assessment purposes would be a saving of

money in every county. Dr. Schaeffer commends the teachers who spend much of their time at summer schools. He recommends some provision could follow from the crow's nest on the cannot afford to attend summer schools at topmast ice banked up 50 feet above the a great distance from their homes. He could follow from the crow's nest on the topmast ice banked up 50 feet above the decks of the ship. Finally we became aware that we were caught in the Arctic aware being borne away from their nomes. It to be a great distance from their nomes. It is a great distance from their nomes are great distance from their nomes. It is a great distance from their nomes are great distance from the great

The appropriation of \$50,000 has stimulated the establishment of high schools in a number of townships. Dr. Schaeffer rec ommends that this appropriation be doubriences of the trip with the icebergs is de-tailed. He says that the whaling ship Ge-thing should be done to raise the mini-

For the first time in the history of the government, a woman is to be represented on one of the postage stamps. On the first of December the post-office department began sending out a new eight cent stamp, on which will be used the head of Martha Washington. The design is considered one of the most beautiful ever put out by the department. The head is encircled with a wreath. At the bottom, on the left, With many forms of life the readiness for interior in the right, 1792, the year in which Martha Washington was born; on the right, 1792, the year in which she died. The innovation will meet with general approval.

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Cure is that the reflex action of the hory brings about a reflex action on the brain; Studds, passenger agent Southeastern District, Washington; or Geo. W. Boyd, Asis said to be the result of too much going sistant General Passenger Agent, Phila-

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of 10 won't kill their hogs in the dark of would prove to you that meat killed in the

ly varnished, and is connected with the hoats. This board slopes outward, and "The new moon is the time for hogkill-

as much her attribute as it is man's, and so when he propossed I had to say 'Yes.'" "You might have said 'No.'" it was

"Ah, well, cast a shadow, will you?" He was cast out.

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