

THE CORDON BLEU.

At First an Order For Women Cooks Established by Louis XV.

When you hear a man spoken of as a "cordon bleu" you know he is a faster. And perhaps it does .- Chargreat cook, but few people have any idea of how and when the expression originated. The cordon bleu was at first an order for women cooks. It was established by a king-which makes it a real, proper order. Louis XV. once asserted to Mme. du Barry that only men could cook really well. The famous beauty challenged the assertion, but the king insisted that he was right-that women might be all right for boiling potatoes and performing the simpler operations of cooking, but that when it came to a work of art it took a man.

Soon after this argument the royal favorite invited the king to dinner. He praised every dish; he even expressed his august approval of the menu as a whole. Then his hostess triumphantly announced to him that the entire dinner had been prepared by women, from the arrangement of the menu and the selection of the dishes to the preparation of the sauces and the sweets and the serving of the several plats. Accordingly she claimed the foundation of an order of merit for her female cooks. The claim was at once granted, and the cordon bleu was first conferred upon the women of Mme. du Barry's kitchen.

Gourmets of today would be inclined to say that, however great the cooks of Mme. du Barry may have been in their day, the dictum of Louis XV. would be true today. There are now few great hotels or restaurants in the world in which cookery is a fine art where the chef is not a man .- New York World.

THE CRUSH OF WORLDS.

What Would Happen if a Dead Sun Invaded Our Solar System.

It is possible, though it is not proved, that stars may sometimes approach one another and even "leap madly from their spheres "What would happen were an unanown star or a dead sun to invade our solar system?" asks a writer in the London Illustrated News, who answers his query in two ways. In the first place, the star might rush straight into the sun and by the heat of the collision reduce the sun and all its planets to a nebulous mass without form or structure. But it is more mathematically probable that just as comets approach, circle and recede from the sun, so the starry invader of our system would approach our system and recede from it, having altered it beyond recogni-

But what would be its effect upon our sun? The sun as we know it today is explosively elastic. Great Proposing, amendments to sections eight

end, with legs dangling over the water. Constitutional Amendments Constitutional Amendments

sits the man acting as ballast, and this not in racing, mind you, but in election day appropriate to such office. every day sailing. The other is the In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors, and, in practice of "nodding." as I heard it confirming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered called. In moderate weather, when the skiff is only lightly gliding along, one on the journal. man will stand up alongside the cen-

Amendment Two-To Article Four, Section Twenty-one.

tion Twenty-one. tion Twenty-one. tion Twenty-one. Section 3. Amend section twenty-one of article four, which reads as follows:-"The term of the Secretary of Internal Affairs shall be four years; of the Audi-tor General three years; and of the State tor General three years; and of the State Treasurer two years. These officers shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of

or state treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecu-tive terms." so as to read:--The terms of the Secretary of Internal Affairs. the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer shall each be four years; and they shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections; but a State Treasurer, elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine, shall serve for three years, and his sucshall serve for three years, and his suc-cessors shall be elected at the general election in the year one thousand mine hundred and twelve, and in every fourth year thereafter. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treas-urer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms. Amendment Three—To Article Five, Sec-tion Eleven.

tion Eleven. Section 4. Amend section eleven of article five, which reads as follows:-

ticle five, which reads as follows:--"Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or al-dermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs and townships at the time of the election of constables. by the qualified electors thereof, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of five years. No township, ward, district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or alder-men without the consent of a majority going to send for a horse doctor, so of course I had to stay. And after I'd waited and waited he came, and, ob. mother, what do you think? It wasn't of the qualified electors within such town ship, ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next preced-

ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next pre-ceding his election. In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district. Amendment Four-To Article Five, Sec-tion Twelve

as follows:-

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMON-WEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL AS SEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. AND PUB-LISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRE-TARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION. A JOINT RESOLUTION THE CONSTITUTION. THE CONSTITUTION. THE CONSTITUTION. A JOINT RESOLUTION THE POPOSING, amendments to sections eight

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one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district." so as to read:-Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs or townships, by the qualified electors thereof, at the municipal election, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years. No township, ward, district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough; no person shall be

tion Twelve. Section 5. Amend section twelve of arti-cle five of the Constituton, which reads

a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen biennially, by the citizens at the municipal election; but the General Asmunicipal election; but the General As-sembly may require said boards to be appointed in such manner as it may by law provide. Laws regulating the ap-pointment of said boards may be enacted to apply to cities only: Provided. That such laws be uniform for cities of the same class. Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk. The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and

breach of the peace. In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service," so as to read:-District election boards shall consist of

any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled, as shall be provided by law. Election offi-cers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns, ex-

cept upon warrant of a court of record, or judge thereof, for an election fraud, for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace. In cities they may claim exemp-tion from jury duty during their terms of Amendment Eight-To Article Twelve Section One. Section 9. Amend section one, article

Section 9. Amend section one, article twelve, which reads as follows:--"All officers, whose selection is not pro-vided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law." so as to read:--All officers, whose selection is not pro-vided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law." Provided That elections of State

may be required to fill unexpired terms. Amendment Nine-To Article Fourteer

Section 10. Amend section two of article fourteen, which reads as follows:-

fourteen, which reads as follows:-"County officers shall be elected at the general elections and shall hold their offices for the term of three years, be-ginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified; all vacancies not otherwise provided for, shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law" so as to read:-

county where such officers are chosen, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and every third year there-after; and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected; any casual vacancy

in the office of county commissioner or county auditor shall be filled, by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur, by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioner or auditor whose place is to be filled." so as to read:-

Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven and every fourth year there-after; and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected; any casual vacancy in the office of county commissoner or

by law: Provided, That elections of State officers shall be held on a general election day, and elections of local officers shall be held on a municipal election day, ex-cept when, in either case, special elections Section Two.

shall be hered in such manner as may be provided by law," so as to read:--County officers shall be elected at the municipal elections and shall hold their offices for the term of four years, be-ginning on the first Monday of January

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Section Seven. Section 11. Amend section seven, article fourteen, which reads as follows:-"Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each

tongues of flame which would consume a little planet like ours at a mouthful continually leap from it with speeds of several hundred miles a second. This enormous explosive force is restrained only by the greater force of the sun's gravity. But if an approaching star as great as the sun came within striking distance of it then along the line joining the two bodies, each would begin to pull the other, as today the moon pulls up the earth's oceans

The mighty pull of the invading star would neutralize the sun's gravity in one direction, and the sun would, in a sense, explode. Out from our ancestral sun and from opposite sides of it would fly two great lengthening arms of matter, reaching far beyond the farthest planet. As the star passed, its moving mass would give a further twist to the sun and would pull the arms of matter into the shape of a great double spiral. Form and motion would thus be imparted to the nebula thus created, and from the solar system thus extinguished in catastrophe a new sun, with planets condensing from the lumps and inequalities in the projecting arms, would arise.

CAPE HATTERAS.

The Shifting Sands and Point of This Isolated Place.

There are few names more widely known in the United States or localities about which a greater ignorance prevails than Cape Hatteras. Situated as it is at the angle where the long strip of sand beach from Cape Henry south turns at a right angle to the westward, with the widest part of Pamlico sound between it and the mainland and with the beach both west and north cut into several islands by inlets from sound to ocean, its position is isolated. No means of transportation exist along the beach, and with the nearest railway station from which a regular transportation route is operated nearly a hundred miles away it is an easier place to talk about than to visit.

Like all sand promontories, the point of the cape is always meving. An old wreck imbedded deep in the sand and showing only the stumps of her masts and bowsprit and the rusty skeletons of what were once her chain plates and dead eyes is now a quarter of a mile or more inland. Twenty years ago she is said to have lain in the water, where she struck or drifted ashore, the land now outside of her having been built up since by the action of the wind and the waves.

Two features connected with the sailing of the fishing skiffs used hereabouts are new to me. One is that of using a member of the crew as shifting ballast. A plank is run out over the side, the inner end caught under the lee washboards, while on the outer

d twenty-one of article four, sections eleven and twelve of article five, sec-tions two, three, and fourteen of article eight, section one of article twelve, and sections two and seven of article fourteen, of the Constitution of Pennsyl-vania, and providing a schedule for carrying the amendments into effect. carrying the amendments into effect. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Gen-eral Assembly met, That the following are proposed as amendments to the Con-stitution of the Commonwealth of Penn-sylvania, in accordance with the provi-sions of the eighteenth article thereof:-Amendment One-To Article Four, Sec-tion Eight.

terboard on the weather side and, fac-

The Red Sea. In the Red sea reefs of bright pink

coral are clearly to be seen. Much of

the rocky bed of this sea is the work

of the coral insect. But probably the

true reason for the name of the Red

sea is because along its eastern shore

lies ancient Edom. This word signifies

"red." It was given to the region not

from the color of its sandstone hills.

but from its people. These are the

descendants of him who came in faint

and weary from hunting and said to

his brother. "Feed me, 1 pray thee.

with that same red pottage. for I am

faint;" therefore was his name called

Only a Man.

flushed and breathless.

Little Muriel flew into the house

"Oh. mother." she cried, "don't scold

me for being late to tea. for I've had

such a disappointment! A horse fell

down, and they said that they were

a horse doctor at all. It was only a

A Concise Explanation.

to appear as the leader of you people?"

tossel. "that it's simply because he's

smart enough to get ahead of us."-

The Oldest.

a copious dinner, when one of them

The bet was immediately accepted.

"Oh. dear \$5!" said the second. show

"Mine is the bet," replied the other,

producing his card, and they could

read "Mr. B. Ginning" printed on it .-

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ing his card. "I am Mr. Adam."

said. "I bet \$5 my name is the oldest."

and he produced his card, reading "Mr

Three old sports were chatting after

"How does that man always manage

"I suppose." answered Farmer Corn-

man!"-Everybody's Magazine.

Washington Star.

Judge's Library.

Abel.

Edom

tion Eight. Section 2. Amend section eight of article four of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:-"He shall nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure, a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be would next session: he shall have the office of alderman is abola is abola in the year one thousand in the year one thousand is the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the year one thousand of the office is the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola is abola in the office of alderman is abola is abola in the office is allow sime interval of the is a unit of the sort may be au three or in any other election is all be held any the office is all the is or may be au three office is the office is of may other election in a judication of the senate, is an election in the transformer is abola in the weat one thouse consenting thereto. 'so as to the senate, is an election in a suble is all down of the senate in a law office is all the members of each House consenting thereto.''so as to the senate is all allow the first Monday of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and there and law in the transformer is allow in the transformer following the first Monday of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and the transformer is allow in the senate of the first Monday of November in the transformer of the first Monday of November in the transformer of and three and and we worthrids of all the members of each the section is mediately the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred and the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred is and the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred is and the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred is and the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred in the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred is and the transformer in the year one thousand nine hundred in the transforme

election for said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election. In acting on executive nominations the Senate shall sit with open doors, and, in confirming or rejecting the mominations of the Governor, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered on the journal," so as to read as follows:--He shall nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure, a Superintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be au-thorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint; he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen, in offices to which he may appoint, during the re-cess of the Senate, by granting commis-sions which shall expire at the end of their next session; he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen, during the recess of the Senate, in the office of Auditor General, State Treas-urer, Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a judicial office, or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill; if the vacancy shall happen dur-ing the session of the Senate, the Gov-ernor shall nominate to the Senate, be-fore their final adjournment, a proper person to fill said vacancy; but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective of-fice, a person shall be chosen to said of-fice on the next election day approvisions of this Constitution, unless the vacancy shall happen within two calendar months immediately preceding such election day, in which case the election for said office shall be held on the second succeeding to

salaries, to be paid by said county; and shall exercise such jurisdiction, civil and criminal, except as herein provided, as is now exercised by aldermen, subject to such changes, not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties, as may be made by law. In Phila-delphia the office of alderman is abol-ished," so as to read as follows:--In Philadelphia there shall be estab-lished, for each thirty thousand inhabit-

ants, one court, not of record, of police and civil causes, with jurisdiction not exceeding one hundred dollars; such courts shall be held by magistrates whose exceeding one hundred donars, such courts shall be held by magistrates whose term of office shall be six years, and they shall be elected on general ticket at the municipal election, by the qualified voters at large; and in the election of the said magistrates no voter shall vote for more than two-thirds of the number of persons to be elected when more than one are to be chosen; they shall be com-pensated only by fixed salaries, to be paid by said county; and shall exercise such jurisdiction, civil and criminal, ex-ercised by aldermen, subject to such changes, not involving an increase of civil jurisdiction or conferring political duties, as may be made by law. In Phila-delphia the office of alderman is abol-ished.

The general election shall be held bi-entially on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in each even-numbered year. but the General As-sembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided. That such election shall always be held in an even-numbered year. A mendment Six-To Article Eight, Sec-tion Tkree. Section 7. Amend section three of article eight, which reads as follows:-"All elections for city, ward, borough, and township of service, shall be held on the third the section of february." so as to read:-Mal judges elected by the electors of the same and inne hundred and interes shall begin on the first Monday of December in an ode-numbered year. All gudges elected by the electors of the same and inne hundred and eleven, shall on the first Monday of December in an ode-numbered year. All gudges elected by the electors of the same and nine hundred and eleven, shall on the municipal election, as cir-the general or municipal election, as cir-for judges of the courts for the severar i judicial districts, and for county, city, ward, borough, and township officers for regular terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day; namely, the Tuesday next following the first Mon-day of November in each odd-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by haw fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of ence House consenting thereto: Provided, That such election a fall always be held in an odd-numbered year. Amendment Seven-To Article Eight, Sec- Mander and the se year.

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Amendment Seven-To Article Eight, Sec-tion Fourteen. Section 8. Amend section fourteen of article eight, which reads as follows:-"District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen annually by the citizens. Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspect-or shall appoint one clerk. The first elec-tion board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled, as shall be provided by law. Elec-tion officers shall be privileged from ar-rest upon days of election, and while en-gaged in making up and transmitting re-turns, except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof, for an elec-tion fraud, for felony, or for wanton

in the once of county commission of county auditor shall be filled by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall occur, by the appoint-ment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commis-sioner or auditor whose place is to be filled. Schedule for the Amendments.

Section 12. That no inconvenience may arise from the changes in the Constitu-tion of the Commonwealth, and in order

tion of the Commonwealth, and in order to carry the same into complete opera-tion, it is hereby declared that— In the case of officers elected by the people, all terms of office fixed by act of Assembly at an odd number of years shall each be lengthened one year, but the Legislature may change the length of the term, provided the terms for which such officers are elected shall always be for an even number of years. The above extension of official terms

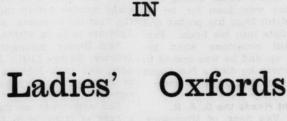
for an even number of years. The above extension of official terms shall not affect officers elected at the general election of one thousand nine hundred and eight; nor any city, ward, election division borough, township, or election division officers, whose terms of office, under ex-isting law, end in the year one thousand

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