

HOW EYESTONES ACT. The druggist took a small bottle

from a drawer and emptied from it a few tiny objects that looked like flat. round bits of polished bone. He picked up one and handed it over for inspection. One side of it was marked with numerous concentric grooves.

"That is an eyestone." said the druggist. He poured a tablespoonful or so of liquid out of a bottle into a saucerlike dish and diluted it with water "And this," said he. "is a weak solution of lime juice." The druggist took one of the eyestones and placed it in the solution. Presently it began to move as if it were alive. It made its way slowly about in different directions in the liquid in a mysterious manner.

"That strange movement of the eyestone," said the druggist. "when placed in a weak solution of lime juice or vinegar has given rise among ignorant and superstitious people to the noticu that it has life and that it loves vinegar and loves to swim in it above all things. But there is no more life in an eyestone than there is in a paving stone. It is composed of calcareous material and when placed in the solu tions named is made to move about by carbonic acid gas, which is evolved by contact with the liquid acid.

"These little stones and all genuine eyestones once were the front doors. so to speak, of the shells of a little molluscous animal that lives along the South American east coasts. The shell of that little creature is a univalve. This calcareous formation is on the tip end of the mollusk, and when it draws itself into its shell to escan danger or go to sleep the end. of course, is the last part that is drawp into the cavity or mouth of the shell. where it fits so closely and is so hard that it affords perfect protection to the animal against its enemies from without.

"The natives collect these little molusks in large numbers for no othe: purpose than to secure the eyestones as we call them, and they hold then in great awe, believing them to persess supernatural attributes. Saliors on the vessels engaged in the frutt trade with those regions obtain the stones from the natives and briug them here for sale to the wholesale druggists, and there was a time when the demand for them generally way quite large.

"There is nothing better to remove foreign substances from the eye that one of these South American eyestones, which use is what gives them their name. Many people think that before using them it is necessary to put them in vinegar 'to give them life.' but it is not necessary at all. The stone is inserted at one corner of the eye, with the grooved side next to

"Suncet" Cox Pronounced the Eulogy and Wrote the Epitaph.

Adlai Stevenson in his reminiscences tells some stories of the witty New York congressman, "Sunset" Cox. One relates how Cox got even with a new member who tried to crush him, and another gives Cox's retort to Samuel J. Tilden's effort to win the dyed in the wool Republican state of Vermont in 1876.

nation is as follows:

the pressure is evidently five pounds

to the square inch. Now take away

one of the square inches, and there is

just as evidently a pressure of ten

pounds to the square inch. Decrease

this surface to the dimensions of a

needle point and put a five pound

blow on the usedle head. The pres-

sure to the square inch at the point is

tremendous So, of course, it can be

forced through almost anything, pro-

vided the needle is kept from break

ing. For this purpose the cork is sup-

plied, which keeps the needle from

starting to bend, having for this pur-

pose what might be called an infinite-

This phenomenon explains several

things of frequent occurrence. · Cy-

clones sometimes drive straws through

trees three and four feet thick. The

compressed air round the straw keeps

it from bending, and the enormous

Of course in the case of the needle

and, in fact, any pointed instrument

gradually getting larger from the point

the advantage of the inclined plane is

made use of in continuing the motion

As it takes much less force to roll a

barrel up an inclined plank into a door

than to lift it directly from the ground

to the door, so we can separate two

things or two parts of the same thing

easier with a pointed instrument

(which is the same thing as a round

wedges than with an instrument of the

same size all the way .- St. Louis Re-

No Such Thing as Any Animal Having

More Than One Life.

All animals have the power to re-

cover from injury occasioned by shock

-from being stunned. Insects are in

no sense an exception to this, and

most of them possess what has been

called tenacity of life to a remarkable

degree. A butterfly will sail away with

a pin through its body, an ant will go

floundering around after being cut in

two, and all insects will quickly re-

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A new member from a sparsely settled district entered the house. His avoirdupois was in keeping with the vast territorial area he represented. As a wit he was without a rival in his section. The admiration of his constituents over the marvelous attainments of the new member scarcely exceeded his own. Only the opportunity was wanting when the star of the gentleman from New York should go down and his own be in the ascendant. The opportunity at length came. In the great speech made by the new member Mr. Cox was the victim of the hour, the recipient of many compliments much more fervid than kin The seven vials of wrath were opened upon him. A vast storehouse of wit. ancient and modern, was literally exhausted for the occasion. Even the diminutive size of the New York member was mentioned in terms of dispar agement.

The speech caused much merriment in the house during its delivery, and its author, with an air of self satisfaction rarely witnessed even in that body, resumed his seat. Mr. Cos at once took the floor. No attempt will be made to do justice to his speech. The manner, the tone of voice, which caused an uproar upon the floor and in the galleries, can never find their way to print. Referring to the ill mannered allusion to his size, he said "that his constituents preferred a representative with brains rather than one whose only claims to distinction consisted in an abnormal abdominal development." In tragic tones he then pronounced a funeral eulogy over his assailant and suggested as a fitting inscription for his tombstone the pathetic words of Byron:

"'Tis Greece, but living Greece no

Soon after the nomination of Tilden for president Mr. Cox was invited to attend a political meeting at the state capital and address the Democracy of Vermont. When the scarcity of Democrats in the Green Mountain State is taken into account the significance of Mr. Cox's reply will readily appear. His telegram was to the effect that pressing engagements prevented his attending, but "i.' the Democracy of Vermont will drop into my library any afternoon about 4 o'clock I will address them with great pleasure."

A Tragic Wedding Ring. A tragic story of a forgotten wed-In such cases the inside parts are mostly out of use for a short time. ding ring is told in the "Lives of the somewhat similar to the case of your Lindsays." He should have been at arm when you have struck the "funny church when Colin Lindsay, the young belie" or to your foot when it is Earl of Balcarras, was quietly eating his breakfast in nightgown and slippers. Reminded that Mauritia of Nassau was waiting for him at the altar, he hurried to church, but forgot the ring. A friend present gave him one, which he, without looking at. placed on the bride's finger. After the ceremony was over the countess glan. ed at her hand and beheld a grining death's head on her ring. S' fainted away, and the omen made such an impression on her that on recovering she declared she was destined to 7. die within a year, a presentiment that probably brought about its own ful fillment, for in a few months the care-

It Explains How Cyclones Drive Strawn "asleep." But after a few moments Through Tree Trunks. rest the wasp can again resume its If a needle is shoved into a cork un actions.

til just the tip end shows on the oppo A wasp is well armored. Its exterior site side and the needle is then broken covering is hard and almost unyieldoff so that the upper end is flush with ing. When it is struck a severe blow the soft, delicate inner parts yield to | then been terminated beyond any or hidden under the top surface on the the impact: the nerves and muscular cork an interesting thing may be tissues cannot operate in unison, and shown, known as the increase of presthe insect may be said to have been sures. If this cork be now placed needle point down ou a copper cent or rendered unconscious as well as incapable, for the "mind" actions depend other small colu a light blow on top of the cork with a hammer will drive the upon its entire nervous system. needle through the copper The expla-But there is no such thing as an ani

mal's having more than one life. When Everything has its limits of resist crushed, dismembered, poisoned or ance, and we may define this in terms smothered beyond recovery, when its vital organs are injured so that they to the square inch that will overcome cannot again resume their regular it. Take a ten pound weight and place it on a surface of two square methes

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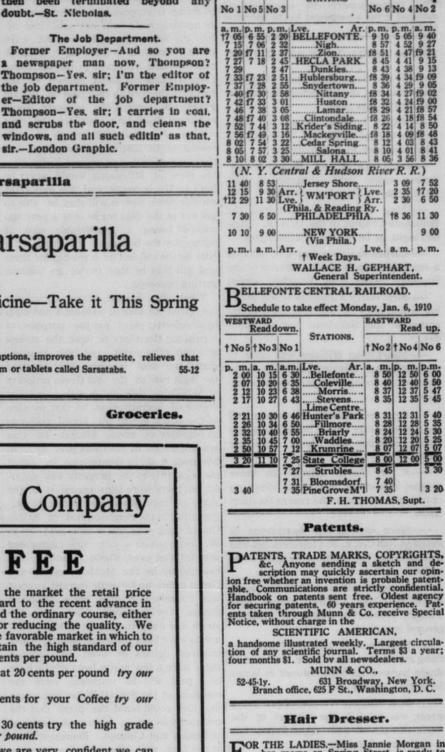
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days or weeks of life. Its one life has

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READ DOWN

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Clothing.

Clothing.

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the lid. The pressure of the eyebali forces it to move about in the eye, and the grooves collect the foreign matter and retain it. After making a thorough circuit of the eye the stone will come out at the corner next to the nose. No inconvenience is caused by its presence.

"There are other eyestones. In the head of our common crawfish there are two little bones, just back of and beneath the eyes, which resemble the South American eyestones, about the only difference being that they are smooth all over instead of grooved on one side. These crawfish bones are known as eyestones and are used as such in the west, but they have none of the virtues of the real eyestone. Their proper name is crab stones. In Poland and parts of Russia quite a trade is found in the collecting of these crab stones. The crawfish are taken and buried in deep pits, where they are left to die and rot. The refuse is then washed and the stones are picked out. They are not used in those countries as eyestones, but are taken internally, faith in their beneficent stomachic properties being great." -New York Press.

Only One Message. The lady of the house where they use a "party line" told the new maid to repeat to her any message. Then the lady went shopping. When she returned she summoned the maid.

"Did you receive any message for me. Jane?" she inquired.

"Only one, ma'am. 1 thought I heard th' bell ring, ma'am, an' 1 took down th' receiver, ma'am, an' just then a voice said. 'Listening again, are you, you old snoop?""-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Old Mill.

Tourist in Holland-1 suppose, my good man, that mill has ground out your living for a good many years? Gentleman of Marken-Bless you, no! The old shack hasn't run for twenty years. I make a better living renting it as a model to American artists .-Judge.

Papa Enjoined. "I call this the limit." "How now?"

"A young cub has enjoined me from interfering with his attentions to my daughter."-Kansas City Journal.

Philosophy is nothing but discretion. -Selden

Not Guilty

It was 4 a. m., and Bilkins crept softly into the house and removed his shoes, but as he tiptoed up the stairs one of the treads gave a loud creak. "Is that you, John?" demanded Mrs. Bilkins from above. "No, my love," replied Bilkins; "it's the stairs."-Illustrated Bits.

less Colin was a widower. The Old Way of Passing Bills.

A document found among the Duke of Rutland's papers at Belvoir castle throws a curious light upon the mode of getting private bills through the English house of commons in the days of King Charles II. The case in hand was the divorce bill of John Lord de Roos, an affair that caused a great deal of gossip in its day. One of his lordship's agents wrote in January. 1667: "On Wednesday last 1 got six and forty of the house of commons to the Dog tavern. in the palace yard at Westminster, when were present Mr. Attorney General and Mr. George Montagu. As soon as they had dined we carried them all to the house of commons, and they passed the bill, as the committee, without any amendments, and ordered it to be reported the next day."

News In Olden Times.

Not many minutes after a statesman has finished a speech nowadays the news is selling in the streets and has been flashed to every capital in Eu-

It was different in the elections in the time of Pitt. He made a memorable speech one March, and the eager public only learned exactly what he said from the Gentleman's Magazine of the following November.-London Saturday Review.

Over the Mark.

"Does he aim at realism in the sto ries he writes?" "He may aim at it, but he doesn't hit within a million miles of it." "How's that?" "The hero of his last story is a spendthrift Scotchman." - Houston

Post.

A Conscientious Declaration. Drummer-Will you be mine? All my life I will worship you from Febuary until April and from August until December. The rest of the time I am on the road.-Fliegende Blatter.

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