

PARIS LIKES WHITE CANARY

New Songbird is Most Popular in the Gay Capital and Fetches High Price.

The Parisian has an amiable little weakness for the canary. Every street echoes to the song of this noisy bird, and in the holiday time, when families are away, there are concierges whose more or less restricted quarters are positively cumbered with cages of canaries left in their charge by absent tenants.

But in or out of the season the bird market is held every Sunday in the year in the City Island and a lively trade in canaries is always done. The best songsters in the market come from an old house close by the market, where lives an ornithologist who spends his life in teaching canaries to sing, and he has now, after some years of effort, produced a pure white canary with a song as powerful and sweet as any yellow or green bird ever sold.

The supply of the white canary being at present strictly limited, those that were sold last Sunday fetched comparatively high prices; but they had all the honors of the day, and for the few hours that they adorned the stall they were the center of an admiring and wondering crowd. There are plenty of canaries that are nearly white, but this bird is as white as a dove, without any speck of yellow on his plumage.

The Parisian has his own special way of transporting his canaries to the cage that awaits them at his home. The bird is placed in a small paper bag and pinned to the lapel of his coat.—Paris Correspondence London Standard.

UNCLE HIRAM TO HIS NEPHEW

He Hopes the Boy Will Turn Out to Be Good Judge of Men, When His Turn Comes.

"Stevy, my boy," said Uncle Hiram to his hopeful nephew, "I hope it will turn out that you are a good judge of men, for by virtue of that quality a man is able in effect to multiply his own power.

"It is a common thing to hear people say that the more pay a man gets the less work he does, and as to the doing of actual labor this may be true; somebody else saws the wood while he sits by the fire.

"As a matter of fact there are plenty of men high up who still work hard, and of them certainly worked hard when they were younger, and if they are doing less actual labor now it is because they are good judges of men, able to pick out for the business under their direction just the right men to do the work and carry it forward successfully.

"Really it is in the exercise of this gift that we find the greatest value in a manager; it is just this that makes him worth his high pay. We want him to sit around and take things easy and give himself time to think and keep his head clear. We don't want him to get out and chop down trees; we want him to be able to select men who can do that work to the greatest advantage and with the greatest economy.

"Some of us know men on sight and some don't. I hope, Stevy, that you will turn out to be a good judge of men."

Always a Fly in the Ointment.

The two old cronies happened to be taking an automobile ride through the fruit belt.

"Rammage," observed the man with the cropped mustache, "this is a land of plenty. I could be perfectly happy here."

"You wouldn't though, Ruggles," returned the man with the auburn beard. "I'll bet you a dollar that the first man you congratulate on his prosperity will put up a howl about his hard luck."

"You're on."

Ten minutes later they stopped at a farmhouse, ostensibly to get a drink of water.

"You've got the finest yield of grapes in that vineyard," casually remarked Ruggles, "I ever saw in my life."

"Yes," gloomed the fruit raiser; "I've got too gash-blamed many grapes this year. I can't git half enough bask 's to ship 'em in."

"Rammage, you win," said Ruggles. And they rode on.

She Knew Harry.

"Now, Harry, go to Smith's, the grocer, and get a pound of the best syrup," said his mother, and she handed the young hopeful a couple of good-sized jugs. When the boy had gone the vicar's wife said:

"You didn't tell him to get anything in the other jug. Is he going to leave it at the shop?"

"No, ma'am; he's going to bring it back here again."

"But why send two jugs to get a pound of syrup?"

"Well, you see, it's this way. If he has a jug in each hand, he can't go dipping his finger in the syrup and eating it as he comes along."

Empl'ed.

Father—Satan always finds some work for idle hands to do.

Tommy—Wonder if that's why Mr. Soapy is so awfully busy holding sticks.—Judge.

TAME GULLS OF SHETLAND

Each Family in Lerwick Has its Own Flock Which the Children Feed.

There are many small villages in the world that have only one street; but Lerwick, in Shetland, besides having only a single street possesses only one tree, and it is not a very tall one either. There are no land birds there, not even a sparrow; but the sea gulls are plentiful.

The inhabitants of Shetland are very proud of their tree and very kind to the gulls, of whom the children make pets. Children who are brought for the first time to see the wonders of one-streeted Lerwick are always shown, as a great curiosity, "the only tree in Shetland."

The sea gulls are the sparrows of Lerwick; and as such they have a greater share in the town's life than the sparrows of London. In the morning you will note that a sea gull sits on every chimney-pot. Sea gulls swoop and hover over every roof in town. The air is full of their strange high, plaintive, haunting cries.

Every house has its own familiar sea gull and every street its own band of them. But, according to the Fruit Magazine, they never mix. The children in each house have a pet name for their own particular sea gull; and, having called them by those names, they feed them every day.

Each sea gull knows what is meant for him. No bird attached to one house ever seeks to eat the food scattered from the house next door. He does not dare to do so. So all day long the sea gulls hover and call over the roofs of Lerwick.

The people of the town if they come across a little pile of rice laid upon the roadway step over it with care. They know that it has been placed there for some sea gull. And at night the sea gulls leave their appointed chimney-pots and fly gracefully away to their resting places on the rocks of the Isle of Noss.

OLD FASHIONED FAMILY PEW

In That Rested the Strength of the Church, and It Should Be Restored.

One sometimes hears a deal of non sense about the danger of creating a prejudice against religion in the mind of a child by making him attend church once a week. The danger would seem to be about one-tenth as great as that of arousing a prejudice against education by sending him to school twice a day. In both cases the remedy lies in the good sense of the parents and their estimate of the value of religion and education carefully instilled into the child's mind.

The strength of the church has been in the old-fashioned pew, with father at one end and mother at the other, and a stairway of more or less restless children. From that pew have gone out the upright, devout, consecrated men and women who have loved the church and maintained her worship and done her work in their several generations. For the sake of the church, and especially for the sake of the children, let it be restored.

If it be impossible for the children to attend both Sunday school and the church service, this writer would by all means teach them the catechism at home and bring them to church that they may learn to worship God in the congregation of his people.—Southern Churchman.

Valuable Jamaican Woods.

The most valuable of the Jamaican woods are the yaca, the bully tree, ironwood, hahoe, juniper, cedar, mahogany, lignum vitae, ebony, siddle-wood, yoke, prickly yellow, broad leaf, soapwood, cashew and calabash. Hardwood is used principally for railway sleepers, telegraph poles and fence posts, cedars used chiefly for native shingles and furniture, and other woods are used in building houses in the highlands. Unfortunately the streams are not large enough to log them to the coast, but there is no reason why portable engines and saw-mills should not be utilized so as to turn these woods into the market.

How Perfume is Weighed.

It was the Italian physician Salvioni who devised a microbalance of such extreme delicacy that it clearly demonstrated the loss of weight of musk by volatilization. Thus the invisible perfume floating off in the air is indirectly weighed.

The essential part of the apparatus is a very thin thread of glass, fixed at one end and extended horizontally. The microscopic objects to be weighed are placed upon the glass thread near its free end and the amount of flexure produced is observed with a microscope magnifying 100 diameters.

A note weighing one thousandth of a milligram is said perceptibly to bend the thread.—Buffalo Courier.

Cheap Mode of Living.

With no rent to pay, no street car fares or other of the usual unavoidable city expenses to meet, the hango and canal boat men of the Netherlands live possibly the most frugal lives of any of the urban working classes in Europe. They, with their families, exist in the hulls of their craft. The rooms are small, with little ventilation, and necessarily low to enable the boats to pass under the bridges. The decks form the children's playground. Chickens are sometimes kept on the boat and consume the garbage.

THAT CLINGING REST HABIT

Hard to Break, but It Can Be Done, Says the Amiable Mr. Glimmerton.

"For that don't feel like work feeling, with which," said Mr. Glimmerton, "I fancy we are all of us more or less likely to be afflicted, I would in some cases prescribe rest, though in most cases no doubt the proper prescription would be exertion."

"The trouble with the rest cure is that it is like taking opiates; the more you take the more you want. The rest habit is easy to acquire and hard to break."

"The habit of exertion, on the contrary, is one that commonly we do not take to so kindly; it does not, as it were, spontaneously permeate us as the rest habit does; it may in fact require quite a man to acquire this habit in a completely saturating and permanent form so that he is proof against attacks of the rest habit, which, if he has a trace of it left in him, is sure to develop on the slightest provocation."

"Exertion is the only real cure. It may be hard to take at first, but you'll come to like it. Persist and you'll find it vastly strengthening and then delightful; and then, while in taking the rest cure you are all the time paying money out, in taking this one you have money all the time coming in."

"Try work, continuous, steady, hard work. Once get the habit of work embedded in your system and you won't be troubled any more by that tired feeling."

Merchant Told of the Strong Attachment of King Edward for John Bright.

An interesting account is given for the first time of an incident which began the friendship that existed between John Bright and King Edward VII. The story was told by Mr. Bright in the hearing of Mr. Connah, a merchant in Manchester. Mr. Bright, it seems, had, at a meeting in St. James' hall, rebuked those people who were criticizing Queen Victoria for her rare appearances at public functions after the passing away of the prince consort. On the following morning the private secretary of King Edward (then Prince of Wales) called upon Mr. Bright with a special request from the prince to call upon him at Marlborough house. Mr. Bright at first demurred, but yielding to the pleading of the messenger, he went, and he was received in the most friendly manner by the prince and introduced to the family circle. The prince took Mr. Bright aside and as a son thanked him for his kindly words on behalf of the mourning queen, and asked to

be granted the privilege of being counted among the tribune's friends. "Whatever may be my personal opinion of kings and princes," Bright said, concluding his narration of the incident, "the man before me was a son making an appeal on behalf of his mother, and I could not resist it. We shook hands, and have been close friends ever since."—Christian Science Monitor.

New Heat Unit.

The use of gas for heating as well as lighting has made obsolete the old unit the candle power, owing to the fact that this unit rates merely the brightness of the flame, not the heating power.

Devile and more recent experimenters discovered a remarkable proportion between the light and heat of a mantle, and using this, makers are rating burners according to the units of heat given to them per unit of time in standard calories. Gas of 5,200 calories efficiency a cubic meter has been recommended as the standard.

The latest designs of burners for heat and lighting require that the gas have a fairly constant consumption, since the maximum efficiency of the burner is attained only when the relative quantities of air and gas are closely regulated. Water gas may be added to prevent excessive variation in calorific value.—American.

An Incident of the Road.

"Stop!" cried the man in the road. "You are exceeding the speed limit."

"That's all nonsense," retorted Binks, bringing his car to a standstill.

"That's what they all say," said the man in the road, cl. bing into the car. "You can tell your story to the magistrate at Hinktown—seven jest miles up the road. Start along, please."

"They drove on in silence to Hinktown, where, as the car drew up in front of the courthouse, the man in the road got out.

"Much obliged for the lift," said he. "You can settle that matter of speed with the magistrate if you want to. As a stranger in these here parts I don't think my word would go for much."

White Heron in New Jersey. Local naturalists and bird lovers are interested in a number of white heron which are making their headquarters at Avis' Pond, Woodstown, N. J., about a mile from town. The birds were first noticed about a week ago. These are the birds from which aligrettes are obtained. Extinction of the species is feared because the aligrettes can be obtained only when the bird is raising its young, and its death at the hands of the hunter also means starvation of the young heron.

Why is it Thus? "We often wonder," says the Springfield Union, "why anyone should put himself to the trouble and expense of going to the Adirondacks or the Maine woods to be shot in mistake for a deer when it is so much easier and more convenient to pick a few mushrooms in a nearby field and die at home surrounded by one's sorrowing relatives."

Medical.

Don't Over-look This. A CAREFUL PERUSAL WILL PROVE ITS VALUE TO EVERY BELLEFONTE READER.

The average man is a doubter, and there is little wonder that is so. Misrepresentations make people skeptics. Now-a-days the public asks for better evidence than the testimony of strangers. Here is proof which should convince every Bellefonte reader.

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