Democratic Matchman Bellefonte, Pa., January 16, 1914.

Hardening Soft Iron.

To harden soft iron wet it with water and scatter over its surface powdered yellow prussiate of potash; then heat to a cherry red heat. which causes the potash to melt and coat the surface of the soft iron; then immerse quickly in cold water and repeat the operation. A white heat must not be used, as this would not harden, but oxidize the iron. Care must be taken not to use red prussiate of potash instead of the yellow; it will not answer.

Granted the Request.

The Irishman in France had been challenged to a duel. "Shure," he cried, "we'll fight wid shillalahs!"

"That won't do." said his second. "As the challenged party you have the right to choose the arms, but chivalry demands that you should decide upon a weapon with which Frenchmen are familiar."

"Is that so, indade?" returned the generous Irishman. "Then we'll foight it out wid guillotines."-New York Times.

First Hunger Strike.

Cleopatra seems to have been the first hunger striker. Shakespeare represents her as saying when she was captured:

Sir, I will eat no meat; I'll not drink, sir; I'll not sleep neither; this mortal house I'll ruin. Do Caesar what he can. Know, sir, that I Will not wait pinioned at your master's

-Argonaut.

Ominously Strange.

The dear girl said to her father:

"Papa, George Beecham has proposed."

"Humph!" her father returned. "What's his income?" The girl started.

"How strange! How very strange!" she said. "That's the very question George asked me about you."-Exchange.

A Business Asset.

"Now," said the professor, "when you have taken a few lessons in acting I think I can commend you as a highly competent dentist."

Why do I want lessons in acting?" "After you have assured a patient that you are not going to hurt him you must show great skill in displaying grief and surprise when he yells."-New York Globe.

Rain From a Tree.

On one of the Canary islands there is said to be a tree which dispels from its branches actual rain to such an extent that a cistern placed at its base is never unfilled. This tree grows in of the dryest islands, through which no water ever flows. The branches of the trees are a cloud that changes into moisture frequently and sheds clear water.

A Source of Glory. Islands In a Volcano. All Scotsmen take a pride in their The crater of Halemaumau, Hawaii. native land, but none more than the presents a particularly impressive sight, for the surface of the boiling old gardener of Duddingston, of whom lava supports several boating islands. the New York Tribure tells the follow-According to Frank A. Perret. most ing story: of the larger islands seem to be caus-The gardener was showing to a toured by the fall of masses from the craist the beauties of the loch and of the ter wall, and some of them last for a

year or more before they are finally

melted. The phenomenon bears a cer-

tain resemblance to the formation and

melting of icebergs. When the islands

finally sink the lava surface oscillates

like boiling molasses. When one is-

land disappeared it caused a huge sau-

sage shaped, gas inflated bubble of

black lava glass no less than 170 feet

A Legacy of the Distant Past.

"Did you ever notice." asked the ex-

perienced restaurateur. "that when one

man is giving a dinner to another the

waiter upon opening a bottle of wine

generally pours a little into the glass

of the host and then proceeds to fill

the other man's glass to the top? If

you asked the waiter why he did that

he probably would be unable to tell

you, but as a matter of fact it is a sur-

vival of feudal days, when life was

held somewhat more lightly than to-

day. It is intended to give the host

an opportunity of taking the first taste

of the wine in order to assure his

guest that it is not poisoned."-New

In Extremis.

Late one night a clergyman was

called out to minister to an old man-

who was supposed to be dying. The

summons was brought by another old

man, the elder brother of the stricken

one. While he was bustling about.

making preparations for departure, the

clergyman forgot momentarily the so-

cial status of his visitor and asked.

The old man was not going to be

beaten. "Aye, he's right in, your rev-

erence." After a pause he added as a

clincher: "Clean in, poor chap; right

up to the neck. sir."-Cornhill Maga-

Fire Terms In Japan.

this destructive agency has estab-

lished itself as a national institution.

and a whole vocabulary has grown up

to express every shade of meaning in

matters fiery. The Japanese language

has special terms for an incendiary

fire, an accidental fire, fires starting

from one's own house, a fire caught

from next door, a fire which one shares

with others, a fire which is burning to

an end, the flame of a fire, anything-

for instance, a brazier, from which a

fire may arise; the side from which to

attack a fire in order to extinguish it;

a visit of condolence after a fire.-Lon-

Fires in Japan are so common that

"Is he in extremis?"

zine

don Mail.

a worker upon the adjacent railway-

York Tribune.

long.-Youth's Companion.

he explated on the lovely scene and on now all reverence is given to children, the glories of his country. the moon rose over a hill. The old man stopped short in the

middle of a speech and gazed at the moon in admiration.

ye! I tell ye, mon, we're a grand nation!"

Altered the Case.

"Henry, what is this underworld he is really to step onto the top rung of underworld is a general term that is lower rungs will be empty. applied to the class which is made up This however is not a paper to criticise of people who trade on vice and live the methods of training the child, it is by criminal practices." "Dear me! Why is such a class permitted to exist?" "Oh. it serves its purpose." "In what way. I should like to know?" "For one thing, if there were no such class I'm afraid I'd have to go out of in the heavens of which they know noththe law business right away, and 1 ing. don't know of anything else that 1 | As a rule the average child's knowlcould make a living at." "Well, of edge of the starry heavens begins and course, that being the case, I suppose ends withwe ought to look at it sensibly, but 1 almost wish you had studied to be a doctor."-Chicago Record-Herald.

Sharks and Divers.

The fully equipped modern diver does not dread sharks in the depths. though there are cases on record where these monsters have bitten savagely at the air pipe, causing a serious leak and almost drowning the man before he could be hauled up. Sharks are, howperienced diver has to do to frighten them away is to open one of the air valves in his dress and cause a stream of bubbles to rise up all around him, whereupon the "tiger of the deep" will make off in abject terror.

Carrot Pudding.

One cupful of grated carrots, one cupful of grated potatoes, one cupful of sugar, one cupful of flour, one-half cupful of raisins and currants mixed. two teaspoonfuls of all kinds of spice mixed, one teaspoonful of soda, one teaspoonful of salt. Mix all together and steam for three hours. Grease a small pail and put the dough in it. Set the pail in a kettle of boiling water, keeping the water well up near the top of the pail. Cover kettle over so all the steam may be kept in as much as possible.-Boston Post.

How Frozen Insects Revive.

Experiments in reviving frozen insects by a naturalist show some surprising results. A large cecropia moth, frozen in the center of a snowball untwenty seconds when held near a stove. knew the different kinds of birds. He retil it was perfectly brittle, revived in Several newly hatched io moths reviv- plied, "I know a robin-a, and I know a

THE CHILD, THE STAR AND THE, through the sky and settle for the night BIRD.

This might be called the Child Age, a much more vital one than the Stone, Bronze or Iron Ages.

An old gentleman avers that when he was a boy some eighty years ago, all little village. It was evening, and as reverence was given to old age, while so he has missed it altogether. Special legislation is being made for the child. The hosts of Boy Scouts that marched to Washington were treated with almost After a moment he turned to the the same consideration as the Army or cures. tourist and said: "There's a moon fur Navy. A command has gone forth that

every child shall be educated. no help so sure, no cure so complete, as that which follows the use of "Favorite Some people complain that he is being turned out a too finished product, that Prescription."

there is so much talk about?" "The the ladder at the start, so that soon the

on the other hand to ask for more for

While the children are being taught

almost everything else, there are worlds

him

on the trees at the "Turn." Each one apparently has a twig of its own for a roost.

Shoes.

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Hats and Caps.

SUITS At a Fourth Off

Clothing.

Up above the world so high Like a diamond in the sky.' One beautiful winter night when the stars were shining I pointed out, to a boy walking with me, the Big Bear and

'Twinkle twinkle little star

How I wonder what you are

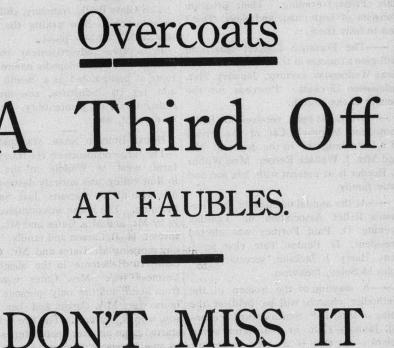
the Little Bear and the evening Star. The boy exclaimed "Is that what they are? I thought they were just stars.' Some parents ridicule their children as ever, notoriously timid, and all the ex- they look at the planets and call them "star gazers," and the boys most likely turn to the pool table and strike a ball to cool their injured feelings. The worst feature of the pool table is its being indoors. Any recreation that takes the children into the open'air has a double advantage. Please do not discourage them from hitching their wagons to the stars, "they will come to earth soon enough." Again our trees are peopled by millions of feathery inhabitants, that the average boy knows as birds; good targets for his

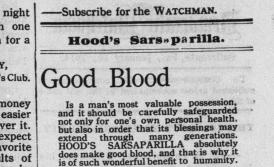
sling shot. His literary knowledge of the

bird is "Who?killed Cock Robin ? I said the Sparrow With my bow and arrow I killed Cock Robin.'

A very scientific tale it is, for who has not seen the outrageous enmity towards the robins exhibited by the sparrows? The latter will tear down one nest after another built by the robins and finally appropriate the materials for one of their own.

I once asked a little boy whether he





Pretty Warm. Once a visitor was narrating a case he had just heard in court. This was his way of expressing his meaning:

"At this point," said the narrator, "she broke down and wept scalding tears."

"My goodness," exclaimed a listener, "she must have been boiling over with rage!"-London Telegraph.

Well Trained.

Miss Wilkins, the primary teacher, was instructing her small charges.

"Name one thing of importance that did not exist 100 years ago," said the teacher.

Ralph Franklin, an only child, who was seated in the front row, promptly arose and answered:

"Me."-Harper's Magazine.

He Had Been There.

Rodrick-Howdy, old man? We are going on a camping trip soon. . Did you ever enjoy a camping trip where you had to do your own cooking and sleep beneath the stars? Van Albert-Nope. Rodrick-What? Do you mean to say you have never been on a camping trip? Van Albert-No. I mean to say that I never enjoyed one. - Chicago

News.

Crazy. "We find the prisoner not guilty by reason of insanity."

"But the plea was not that of insanity," remarked the court.

"That's just the point we made," rejoined the foreman. "We decided that any man who didn't have sense enough to know that an insanity plea was the proper caper must be crazy."-Philadelphia Ledger.

Their First Meeting.

"I am very glad to meet you again, Miss Dowsley," he said when they had been introduced to each other. "Again?" she replied. "Why, have

we met before?" "Well, perhaps we haven't exactly met before, but you tickled my chin with your feather for about an hour one evening in an elevated car."-Chicago Record-Herald.

CHEERFULNESS.

It is generally supposed that a light and buoyant temperament tends to frivolity and to fickleness, but no man is so well qualified to discharge the duties of life as one who acts through a temperament that is glowing and genial.

Sterne's Destitution.

Laurence Sterne, the writer, was the victim of the intensest poverty. A lit tle time before his death, being in a state of destitution, he went one evening to borrow £5 from his friend Garrick. Upon arriving he heard music and knew that a party was going on. He heard the merry laughter and, gently replacing the uplifted knocker. retraced his steps.

We never feel our miseries so keenly as when contrasted with the joys of others, and it is only then that we realize Wordsworth's picture: And homeless near a thousand homes I stood

And near a thousand tables pined for food. -Exchange.

Some Satisfaction.

During the staging of a series of Shakespeare's plays in one week at Stratford-on-Avon not only were the performers tired out, but the heavy shifting and many changes had also wearied the scene shifters and property men. One night just after a strong death scene, when F. R. Benson as one of the English kings had drawn his last breath, one of the stage hands was heard to observe in a growling undertone to one of his fellows, "Well. Bill, thank heaven there's another bloody king dead!"

Women In England.

In the seventeenth century Englishwomen were recognized as possessing an economic and political status side by side with Englishmen. There was written an interesting entry in the church warden's accounts of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, proving that one Elizabeth Bartlett was intrusted with the casting of the second bell and that all the women employed thus were paid at the same rate as men for the same work. Another instance is to be found in the records of the Fleet prison, of which the first female warden, appointed in 1217 on the death of her husband Robert, received the same salary "as the said Robert had been accustomed to during his life."

The Right Bone. "Fred, dear. I feel it in my bones that you are going to take me to the theater tonight."

"Which bone, darling?" "I'm not sure, but I think it's my wishbone.'

Very True. "Dere am nufin' in dis worl' mo' easier t' git dan de t'ing we doan' happen t' want."-Puck.

Work. Let a broken man cling to his work.

If it saves nothing else it will save distinction of being the best educated him.-Henry Ward Beecher.

Yellowstone Park. There are between 5,000 and 10,000 hot springs of every variety in the Yellowstone National park.

ed in a similar manner after being sparrow-aj and I know a hawk-a," and ilar experiments with ants, butterflies and houseflies gave the same results. But the naturalist noticed that recently hatched insects resist cold better

than older ones.

Pulled Out His Own Teeth. An inmate of the lunatic asylum at tail. How many of us have not spent Chalons, France, had the obsession many a futile hour with the salt in our that his breath smelled so bad that no hands hoping for success. There is nothgirl would accept him as a husband. Brooding over this totally imaginary we tried to convince ourselves that we defect, he decided that his teeth must did not want the robin after all, and gave be the cause of it. He abstracted a forceps from the surgeon's case and, when he found himself alone, carefully us to know." Most children with a little pulled out all his teeth. The wounds

Some Sentence!

healed rapidly, and the poor maniac

confessed that the operation had been

very painful.

azine.

The champion speller of congress has on tap a great assortment of stories dealing with words and spelling.

One of his linguistic feats is to reel off a sentence of twenty-six words. each word beginning with the successive letters of the alphabet, like this: "A boy cannot dig easily for gold; hence, if just keeping lead melted needs oxygen put quicksilver, rapidly saturated, timidly under vitriol, when xebecs yean zeolites."-Popular Mag-

The Walking Stick.

Are Your Kidneys One does not look to one's walking stick to tell the date, but earlier sticks often combined the functions of almanacs and staffs, for our first almanacs MANY BELLEFONTE PEOPLE KNOW THE were simply "the courses of the moones of the whole year engraved upon sticks." and those who went on distant pilgrimages soon saw the advantage of turning the heads of their staffs into almanacs. Their sticks were at once props and guides to assist them in arriving at the recognized assembling places of pilgrims at the correct time.-London Globe.

Poor Angel.

"I wonder," said the sweet young thing, "why a man is always so frightened when he proposes?"

"That," said the chronic bachelor. "is his guardian angel trying to hold him back."

The Pigeon. Many birds form their sounds without opening their bills. The pigeon is a well known example.

Switzerland and Scotland. Switzerland shares with Scotland the

country in the world.

The Poor Poet. "The poet is born, not made," sayeth the proverb. In other words, it isn't his own fault.

frozen stiff and then thawed out. Sim- that ended his knowledge. Since I put the question to him I notice he is much more observing of birds and has added quite a few to his first list. No doubt many children become dis-

couraged by their failure to catch the robin when trying to put salt on his ing so discouraging as failure, in the end up all interest in birds, a pity! for the birds must certainly have been sent to encouragement would be glad to know them and would train themselves to learn much by observation, and at the same time would be breathing good, pure, fresh air. Any boys or girls interested in crows will have a fine opportunity of seeing them by walking to the "Pretty Turn" between Nittany Furnace and Axe Mann about five o'clock in the evening," when thousands upon thousands of crows fly like? black clouds

Medical.

Well?

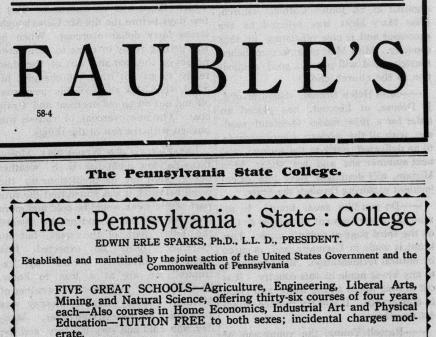
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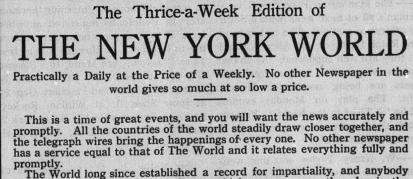
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