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## EASY TO TELL POISON IVY

Dangerous Plant Has a Characteristic That Is by No Means Hard to Mistake.

Someone has said that it is hard to distinguish between poison ivy and Virginia creeper.

to do this. Poison ivy has a threeparted leaf, Ampelopsis or Virginia to aid the latter in his movecreeper a five-parted leaf. The latter is of rampant climbing habit.

The ivy seldom grows to a greater height than three feet. It may overrun an old stump, or a heap of stones, and have the appearance of being a vine, but a close examination will show you that it does not really climb. It generally makes a bushy growth,

sending up a mass of slender stems from its spreading roots, and covering a considerable amount of space. If one studies the structure of the

peculiarities of the two plants, it will be impossible to mistake one for the Some persons complain that they

find it difficult to exterminate poison ivy. They mow it down, and in a little white it sprouts, and before long there is more of it than ever. It cannot be killed by simply mow-

ing it. But if, after mowing it, the ground in which it grows is sprinkled with kerosene and burned over it is not a difficult thing to kill. All the roots may not be killed with one application, however.

If some of them send up sprouts, cut these off close to the ground, and pour kerosene over the stub and about itenough to saturate the soil well. This will generally put an end to the nuis-

# FRUIT IS LARGELY WATER

In Strawberries the Amount Is 90 Per Cent, with 5 Per Cent Sugar.

For those who in the summer fruit season like to know what they are eating it may be of interest to learn that you "eat" very little, for fruit is practically nothing but a lot of water and a little sugar, remarks London Answers.

Strawberries, for example, are 90 per cent water and between 5 and 6 per cent sugar. The small balance is accounted for by a little protein and acid. But strawberries are antiseptic-a valuable quality-and are deservedly favorites.

Grapes have twice the quantity of sugar compared with strawberries and not so much water.

In currants we get a change-a fourth of the sugar and four times as much acid as strawberries.

Oranges have five times as much sugar as lemons and the same sort of acid, but only a sixth of the

Prunes (dried) have twenty-six parts of water, sixty-six of sugar, no acid and some protein. Their excellence is apparent. But for value as food the apple easily comes first. Now when you eat fruit you know that water, sugar and acid are what you are really eating.

## Gentle Sarcasm.

Caddie (to golfer, who has been lifting the turf all the way around the course)-You'll be a stranger in these parts. I suppose?

Golfer-Well, not exactly a stranger. I was born here and all my folks are buried hereabouts.

Caddie (as the golfer lifts another pice of dirt with his driver)-I doot you'll no get deep enough with your driver; you'd better ta' your iron .-Tit-Bits.

Department Store Episode. "That new man is a salesman, all right."

"What did he do?" "He had a lady in tow just now who looked at refrigerators, desks, portable bungalows, bathing suits, porch furniture, imported rugs, fireless cookers and grand pianos. Nothing suited her. Some fellows would have let her get away."

"And he?" "He sold her a spool of thread."

Soldiers' Drinking Water.

Distilled water is supplied to the men in the United States army. An ingenious sterlizing and distilling apparatus is mounted on an army wagon and carried wherever the troops may

Force of Habit.

"She's an incessant worker. Broke her arm knitting socks for soldiers." "And now?" "Now the bones are beginning to

Misanthropic.

"When Bliggins is happy, he tries to | Plain Dealer. sing." "Yes. Some of us don't care how miserable we make others so long as we're comfortable."

Persiflage. "There's a police detail going to the

"To arrest the progress of the flames. suppose.'

At the Ball Game. "Look at 'em all in that mud! How will they ever get clean?" "Huh! What do you suppose the scrub team is for?"

COUNTY NEVER GOT ITS BELL

Francis Vigo's Bequest to Indiana Community Named After Him Disregarded by His Heirs.

The phrase "the Vigo bell that was never rung nor hung" refers to an incident connected with the early history of Vigo county, Indiana. That county was named in honor of Col. Francis Vigo, a man of French or Spanish birth, who came to this country before the Revolutionary war, became a prosperous trader at St. Louis, and widely known as "the Spanish mer-It is the easiest thing in the world chant." In 1778-79 he advanced considerable money to George Rogers Clark ment to capture the Northwest territory, then held by the British. The money thus advanced was used by General Clark in procuring supplies for his campaign, and it constituted a just claim against Virginia, in whose service and behalf General Clark was acting. After the Revolutionary war this claim against Virginia held good against the United States, and was finally paid to Colonel Vigo's heirs, but not until long after his death. He died in 1836 and his will, dated December 9, 1834, contained the following provision: "Whereas, the county of Vigo has been named after me, and I feel toward it and its citizens a great degree of esteem and affection for many favors conferred and services renderd me, especially by the inhabitants of Terre Haute, it is my wish, will and desire, and earnest request, that if the claim aforesaid (the Virginia claim), is recovered,, and the amount due me paid to my executors, they, or some of them, shall pay out of the same \$500 to the county of Vigo, to be laid out by the commissioners of said county in the purchase of a bell for the courthouse of said county, on which shall be inscribed: 'Presented by Francis Vigo." By an act of con-

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gress of June 2, 1872, the claim of

Vigo's heirs was referred to the court of claims for adjudication, and it was

allowed and paid in 1877, nearly 100

years after the money was advanced.

The Vigo bell was never rung, though

the language of the will shows it was

the testator's earnest desire that it

Real Thrills in the Pursuit of the African Elephant-Beast Not Afraid of Anything.

"For many reasons the chase of the elephant stands at the apex of sport. As a man-killer in open combat he ranks with the lion and the African buffalo. He is the only beast that fears no other. While he will almost invariably run from the scent of man, he is as invariably ready to attack on the slightest provocation. Fear does not exist for him. His overwhelming bulk, power, speed and intelligence make him supreme beyond the range of rivalry.

"As though this were not enough to establish his pre-eminence, he alone carries a trophy which is one of the staple products of the industrial world. The value of ivory rises; it never fluctuates. Nor is this all. In the mind of the East the elephant is intimately associated with dignity, pomp, pageantry and kingship; but in the mind of the native African he is king-a king in his own right.

"In this regard, let it be affirmed that no elephant born in Africa has ever docilely paced a hippodrome stage, trundled a circus wagon, or taken children for a ride in the park. Those sleep-walking cattle known to the American public as elephants come from India, and are mere bastard cousins to the king. You may have seen the African elephant in captivity, but never in subjection. Chain him to the floor behind iron bars, and after ten years he is still quick to throw muck in the face of the man that jeers at him."-George Agnew Chamberlain in Century.

## Progress by Kicking.

A naval lieutenant, assigned to command a submarine, found the storage batteries in what he considered an unsafe condition and reported to his superior, a rear admiral. The superior considered the lieutenant's action merely a "kick." He refused to have all batteries examined, even after investigation showed that the subordinate officer's "kick" was based on fact, and accepted the vessel as it stood.

The matter went to court-martial, and the rear admiral was acquitted of negligence. Secretary Daniels disap-

proved the finding of the court. Any superior who objects having his subordinate kick occasionally is not deserving of his rank. Bureaucracy, wherever it has developed to curse democracy, is based on precisely the theory this rear admiral appears to have adopted; that all wisdom is centered in the heads of chiefs, and that the only thing that need concern subordinates is the following of orders without questioning or protest. The world advances by kicking.—Cleveland

Soils and Wheat.

The influence of different soils on the composition of wheat is the subject of an investigation undertaken by the United States bureau of chemistry. The effects of several kinds of soil will be tested under identical atmospheric conditions. The program contemplates transporting to the Arlington experimental farm 1-320 of an acre of soil, three feet deep, consisting of about 16 tons each of sandy clay, marl, muck and a good agricultural soil, and in each of these plant the same kind of seed, will be grown.

How Schwab Rebukes His Men.

Charles M. Schwab has written an article for the December "American Magazine" in which he says:

"When I want to find fault with my men I say nothing when I go through no departments. If I were satisfied I would to. praise them. My silence hurts them more than anything else in the world, and it doesn't give offense. It makes them think and work harder.
"Many men fail because they do not

courteous to the men under them. Kindness to everybody always pays for itself. And, besides, it is a pleasure to be kind. I have seen men lose important positions, or their reputations-which are more important than any position-by little careless discourtesies to men whom they did not think it was worth while to be kind

Stewards Must Live.

Knicker—"Smith regards himself as the steward of his wealth." "Many men fail because they do not Bocker—"That's just the trouble; see the importance of being kind and he expects tips."—New York World.

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