

WHAT IT IS.

A fire mist and a planet
A crystal and a cell.
A jelly-fish and a saurian
And caves where cave-men dwell;

CHRONOLOGY OF THE WAR.

1914.
June 28—Assassination of the Archduke Ferdinand of Austria, at Sarajevo, Bosnia, apparently as result of political conspiracy.
July 23—Austria's ultimatum to Serbia, demanding punishment of accomplices in the murder and official disavowal of Serbia's connection with anti-Austrian propaganda.

1916.
January 17—Montenegro surrendered to Austrian forces.
July 9—The Deutschland, a commercial submarine, arrived in Baltimore.
August 27—Rumania joined the Allies and declared war on Austria-Hungary.
November 5—A new kingdom of Poland proclaimed by Germany and Austria in Polish territory formerly Russian.

conditions with all applicants.
Within this period Bulgaria collapsed and truce was granted on September 30, which provided for the evacuation of Greece and Serbia, surrender of Bulgarian boats and control of navigation of the Danube, free passage for the Allies through Bulgarian territory and all Bulgarian arms and ammunition to be stored, under control of the Allies. King Ferdinand was deposed by his own people and his son Boris IV who succeeded to the title, abdicated.

HER PRAYER WAS ANSWERED

Little Girl's Appeal for Automobile Ride Proved That Her Argument Was a Good One.

The six-year-old daughter of an attorney has been taught from infancy to have implicit faith in prayer. So strongly has this been impressed on her mind that practically all of her desires and childish wishes sooner or later find expression in prayerful appeal.

MARINE CORPS' NEW INSIGNIA

Green Instead of Blue Uniform Is Not Recognized by Those Who Are Not Up to Minute.

Surprisingly few civilians even after their country has been in the world war for nearly a year can readily identify the various uniforms of the United States service. Especially is this true in regard to the United States marine corps. The change of the marine corps' uniforms from blue to forest green has added greatly to the bewilderment of the layman who likes to recognize a military man by his uniform or insignia.

Wants Seat at Table.

New York—Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, as president of the National American Woman Suffrage association and of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance, has issued an appeal to the heads of all national women's organizations to urge joint action in an effort to insure that women have adequate representation on the peace commission.

U-Boats Have Murdered Thousands.

There is a danger lest philanthropy, even with such a monstrous crime as unrestricted U-boat warfare, should breed indifference to its enormity, says an exchange. Therefore, it is well to bear in mind that, except when the attack is made on fighting ships or transports carrying fighting men, the torpedoing of ships and sending men to their death far out at sea, is simply murder, unredeemed by any extenuating circumstances whatsoever.

As She Is Spoken.

The teacher was giving dictation for a writing lesson. She began "Once upon a time—"
"Please, teacher, what is a punny?" asked a little girl.
"Whatever you mean, Lizzie?" asked the teacher. "I do not understand you."

Cause of Cold Feet.

Cold feet may be habitual, constitutional or from general ill health, commonly they are so by habit. Tight shoes, a sedentary life and overeating are often guilty, asserts an authority. When there is too little ventilation of the feet or the stockings are too thick, the relief isn't easy. The feet are kept warm better by wearing thin hose and low shoes, cold baths and vigorous massage, active exercise outdoors—especially walking—than by inactivity indoors.

Rubber Watch-Cover.

Among the rubber novelties recently introduced, is a watch protector which covers the case entirely except the dial. It is designed for the use of workmen principally and for those who are compelled to move around electrical machinery and it renders the mechanism proof against damage. The clinging quality of rubber makes it almost impossible for the timepiece thus protected to slip out of the pocket.

"Turn a Deaf Ear."

To be able to hear well is a great blessing, but one should be able to "turn a deaf ear" to what is unwise or unfit to hear. If the angry words that stir up strife, or the harsh, critical words that hurt one's feelings, or the fame another, never found listeners, how much less pain and trouble the world would know. Learn to use the "hearing ear" and the "deaf ear" upon the right occasions.—Exchange.

Thieves Bury Auto.

Somewhat out of the ordinary in making away with stolen cars was the method of Springfield, Mass., thieves, who buried a car in a lonely wooded spot not far from the state line. Boys passing discovered what appeared to be a newly made grave and notified the police, who when they dug a short time, uncovered a windshield. The car bore a Massachusetts license.

A Legal Pun.

"A petition for an injunction, based upon a somewhat doubtful assertion of fact," says a New York lawyer, "came before one of the justices of the supreme court of this state. After consideration of the affidavit of the petitioner, the justice remarked: 'In this case an injunction will not lie, even if the relator does.'"—Case and Comment.

Kept Him From Sleeping.

Once there was an Eastern showman who said that when he went to bed, knowing there would be buckwheat and sausages for breakfast, he couldn't sleep for thinking about it. And when he went to bed with the information that there would be no buckwheat and sausages for breakfast, he couldn't sleep for worrying about it.

Colors That Fade.

Aniline colors often fade to entirely different colors, while vegetable dyes usually fade to tones of their own particular colors. The finest Oriental rugs owe their soft, wonderful colors entirely to vegetable dyes—in fact, the Persian government has for years prohibited the importation of aniline dyes.

Time for Discretion.

"Why, I've got one foot in the grave and the other foot on a banana peel, so to speak," responds a man of sixty-five, sued for breach of promise in New York. Under such circumstances there is every reason why a man should exercise discretion.—Boston Globe.

Watch and Man Alike.

The watch that works only by fits and starts is never to be trusted. Nor is the man who does his work in the same way ever capable of the highest achievement possible to his station. With men as with watches the test lies in being right and reliable all the time.

An African Belle.

In Africa a crop of the blackest, curliest, closest hair imaginable makes a girl the belle of the kraal, especially if she be plump, with piggy eyes, thick lips, a nose like an India-rubber shoe, and a skin that shines like a cooking stove.

Concrete for Irrigation Gates.

Concrete as a material for gate structures in American irrigation canals is beginning to displace wood, its durability overcoming the disadvantage of higher cost.

About Your Errors.

Remember that to change thy opinion and to follow him who corrects thy error is as consistent with freedom as it is to persist in thy error.—Marcus Aurelius.

Make a Friend of Him.

Treat your enemy as generously as you treat your friend, and it may end in your having two friends and no enemy. Which is much better.

Daily Thought.

The services of the poor and the protection of the rich become reciprocally necessary.

SENSITIVENESS HURTS A MAN

Affliction Often Results in Absolute Ruin of Persons Who Are Inclined to Be Ambitious.

In an article called "How I Cured Myself of Being Sensitive," a writer says in the American Magazine:
"Wagner, you've got ability," he cried, "but you'll never get anywhere in this world until you quit tearing yourself to pieces! I've watched you for the last three years; twice I've had it in mind to push you up a notch in the office, and every time I've passed you and picked some one else, because I knew you aren't fit to handle other men. No man is fit to handle other men until he has learned to control himself. You can't, you're too blamed sensitive."

SAME BOTHERSOME WEEDS

Pests to the Aborigines Continue to Be an Annoyance to Farmers Now Tilling the Soil.

When Samuel Champlain earned the gratitude of succeeding generations by keeping a journal as he sailed along the coast from the mouth of the St. Lawrence to Cape Ann he recorded, among other things, the appearance of the fields which the Indian women cultivated not far from the site of the present town of Gloucester, Mass. He described, relates a writer, the hoes used by them, made from the shells of the horseshoe crab, a creature which interested him greatly, and he also told of the weeds which these women grubbed up with their primitive hoes, thus saving their corn, beans and squashes.

Among the weeds he mentioned especially the purslane of which he saw enough and, if he could come back today and inspect the gardens along the Massachusetts shore he would find the same weeds flourishing in the same old way and holding their own against the most modern of farm implements. More than that it would not be surprising if he found fields in which the weeds had gained the upper hand and had smothered the planted crop, whether of beans, squash or corn, and he would well be pardoned if he wondered that agriculture, after more than 300 years, was still helpless against the weeds which he had fought in his day.

Hindoo Prince and Missionaries.

Never shall I forget a frank conversation which I had in his palace with his highness the gawkwar of Baroda, relates a correspondent. He told me of some of the measures which he has already introduced for the betterment of his subjects and of the difficulties which he had encountered. His admiration for things American is so unqualified as to be almost naive, but I think I was most of all impressed when he said: "I am thinking of calling together the missionaries and asking them to tell me their views on how we can improve the quality of the native priesthood. Then I want to call the priests together and say to them, 'Look at the missionaries. See the sacrifices they are making to help our people. You ought to go out and do the same kind of work.'" His highness has already established a professorship of comparative religions in the Baroda college for the express purpose of introducing the native religious leaders to other religions with a view of improving the quality of their own.

Mental and Physical Work.

Mark Twain wrote as follows on this subject:
"There are wise people who talk ever so knowingly and complacently about the 'working classes,' and satisfy themselves that a day's hard intellectual work is very much harder than a day's hard manual toil, and is rightfully entitled to much bigger pay. Why, they really think that, you know, is because they know all about the one, but haven't tried the other. But I know all about both; and so far as I am concerned, there isn't money enough to hire me to swing a pickaxe thirty days, but I will do the hardest kind of intellectual work for just as near nothing as you can cipher it down—and I will be satisfied, too."

Japs Can Tell Provinces by the Roofs.

Foreign visitors to Japan never cease to admire the ingenious way in which the thatched roof is treated. It is said that a well-built roof will last 50 years. The remarkable feature about the thatched roof in Japan is the fact that each province has its own style, so that one familiar with the various provinces might land in the country from an airplane and easily tell the province he was in by the appearance of the ridge poles of the houses. Plants often grow on the straw matting and a crown of blue iris completely covering the ridge pole occasionally is to be seen.