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Democratic Watchman.

**BASKING SHARK NEVER BITES** 

This May Have Been Fortunate for Men Who Caught Monster Off Long Key.

The 40,000-pound sea monster caught off Long Key has been identifled as an Indo-Pacific basking shark by L. L. Mowbray, vice president of the fancy dictates. This necessitates the New York aquarium. The bask- a complete removal of the hair and ing shark, Mr. Mowbray announces, is harmless when let alone. Permit him to bask placidly on the undulating bosom of the sea, and he bears no creature ill will.

It is fortunate for those who go down to the sea in ships or down to lip turn up, giving it an alluring pout. the surf to swim that the creature is thus disposed. It required an all-day struggle and 50 shots from a high-powered rifle to subdue him, once his wrath was stirred by the stab of a only. harpoon. He was 35 feet long, 28 feet in greatest circumference and had a tail snan of 12 feet.

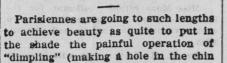
Were such a creature of an aggressive nature the sea in his vicinity would be hardly safe for the average submarine, while pleasure hoats would afford no protection whatever from his fury, and if he used the waters of the North Atlantic coast as a basking ground surf bathing would soon become obsolete.

Hitherto the children of the earth have found abundant reason for gratitude that rattlesnakes cannot fly like hawks, or tigers run like antelopes, or houseflies sting like wasps. To this list of blessings we may now add the fact that basking sharks do not bite -New York Times.



Nevertheless,

According to our modern scientific ideas as to the careful treatment of babies, those of Japan would seem to have a hard time, and yet there are no healthier, nor fatter looking little mortals on the face of the earth. We msist on a fixed temperature, on sterilized milk, on all sorts of improved things, while the Japanese baby gets a good dose of nature, and seems to thrive on it. It is dressed and undressed in a frigid temperature in winter, and in summer its tender little eyes are always exposed to the full glare of the sun, as it is carried on its mother's back. It is to be feared. however, that this latter treatment often does affect the eves of the children, though they get over it later in life. At Nagasaki, among the women coalers who coal the ship, you may see many with habies on their backs. The



SIAND TORTURE FOR BEAUTY

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and Reset.

by means of a drugged needle). Many women think nothing of having their noses broken and reset in a different shape, says a Paris correspondent. Others actually have the eyebrows moved upward or downward, as either a false and forced growth in a different position or makeup.

One beauty expert, who undertakes to change the form of a woman's lips, has performed many operations. His latest experiment is to make the upper To do this he stretches a thin hair from the upper lip to the tip of the nose. This effect, naturally, is limited to actresses, who use it on the stage

Some fashionable women are being laughed at for their insistence on having their cosmetics flavored. One has her lip-rouge tasting of banana.

## HOW REED ACQUIRED TITLE

#### Why Famous Speaker of House War Given Name "Czar"-Conduct

Julius Chambers, at one time managing editor of the New York World, tells in his book, "News Hunting on Three Continents," how Thomas B. Reed, one-time speaker of the house of representatives, acquired the title of "Czar."

When the house of the Fifty-first congress organized in December, 1889, with the narrow majority of 164 Republicans to 161 Democrats, Reed, of Maine, was elected speaker. He insisted upon a new code of house rules. The Democrats assisted in passing them, probably under the premonition that Reed would embarrass their opponents. And that was exactly what he did. One day the speaker insisted on counting a quorum by including all members present in the chamber, whether or not they answered to their names at roll-call. Several members denounced the arbitrary conduct as undemocratic, even Russian, in character. The next morning in the New York World appeared the words, "Czar Reed," an inch high across the front page.

words became indelibly en-The graved upon American political history.

#### Lincoln Was a Whittler.

Whittling sticks and telling stories vere Abraham Lincoln's resources. Bismarck's wife, when Beethoven's noticed the first tear in his eye, and present there are more than 700, but fet "He is not so hard as he seems," and "passionate, heroic music" made his recreations, side by side with hunting in youth, long country drives in old age, conversation and his pipe. The Reform Earl Grey had a passion for dancing, and, as premier in the midst of a political crisis, cried out one night at 10 Downing street, "What would I not give to dance like Taglioni !"

Every Variety of Bird Known in California is Said to Be Found There.

An uninclosed aviary exists in the center of a thriving California city. One block from automobile row, where humming motors and clanging street cars make the life of pedestrians precarious, a family of feathered creatures live in perfect harmony. The rear yard of this unusual city home is covered with oak trees and shrubbery. An artificial stream runs through its

grounds. Birds of every variety known in California, including the timorous little wild quail that find a haven of safety in town, gather on a common feeding ground each morning. The timidity with which the quail enter the family feast is interesting, says Caroline Boone in Our Dumb Animals. They arrive in pairs. If they were humans we would call them clannish or exclusive. The male quail gives the call to his mate for breakfast and if she fails to respond instantly he shows great impatience with her deliberate ways. After they have finished their meal they adjourn in pairs to some low roof and apparently talk over the day's program.

Bluejays have proved the most avaricious, while the smaller bird family is meek and gracious. The trees and shrubbery are filled with the nests of the jays and the cry of the babies can be heard until their mouths are filled. A close study of the quail and the affection that they show for each other would lessen the desire of hunters to slay these most appealing feathered friends.

## WATCH FOR BABY PLANETS

Experts at the Naval Observatory Constantly at Work Taking Cal-

culations and Photographs.

Those who imagine that astronomy is a finished science will be astonished to learn that at the naval observatory there are daily calculations and photographs taken of tiny planets whose number is not yet ascertained. These, called asteroids, spin about in our solar system like wee beads each in its own orbit, but follow in between the track of Mars and that of Jupiter. Studying these asteroids and discovering new ones is the work of pho-

tographic-telescopy. The finest instruments are those in the possession of the naval observatory, and are the work of George Peters. In taking negatives there is a new exposure about once a minute, so that the course of the planet, or rather asteroid, is plainly shown by successive negatives. These negatives are studied under

a microscope and then compared with maps of the heavens. If any new little planet or asteroid appears, it is "Moonlight" sonata was being played, at once named by the discoverer. At

#### HAVE PEST OF CATERPILLARS AVIARY IN CENTER OF CITY

## Myriads of the Insects Strip Trees in

Bohemia-Peasants Carry Umbrellas in Woods. Oscar John, a New York musician

who returned recently from Czecho-Slovakia, said that the great forests of northern Bohemia were being destroyed by a caterpillar pest, according to the New York Times. "The caterpillars in northern Bohe-mia," said Mr. John, "originate in myriads from the black butterfly called the nonne, or nun in English, which

lays its eggs on the ground in the forests. Directly these insects are hatched they swarm up the trees, sap-ping its life as they climb up the trunk by eating all the green shoots and leaves. "On reaching the top the caterpil-

lars swing by their own saliva across to the next tree and destroy it as they go down to the ground. Millions of these crawling pests make a miss when they are doing the aerial trapeze act and fall to the ground so thickly that it is just like rain. "Peasants walking through these

dense forests have to carry great cotton umbrellas to prevent themselves from being smothered by the caterpillars. There are no picnics under the trees, because a soup basin would be filled up before there would be a chance to eat the contents.

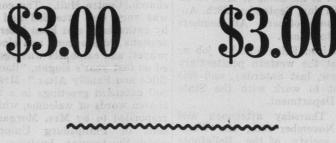
"The only thing that can be done with the trees after the caterpillars have finished with them is to cut down the dead trunks and saw them up into logs for firewood. "It gives one an uncanny feeling to

walk through the great dark forests of northern Bohemia and hear the gloomy croak of the buzzgloak from the lofty branches of the trees and the pitter-patter of the caterpillar rain on the big umbrellas carried by the pear ants."

### MOTOR CAR CAMPERS MANY

They Are Doing Good Work Building Great Fraternity of Outdoor Sports Lovers.

We have heard the lure of the outdoors preached as long as we can remember, says the Sportsman's Digest, and while no one disputed the value of time spent close to nature, it remains a fact that only since the motor car has come into universal use have appreciable increases been made in the number of people who spend a part of their spare time in the open. A few years ago the motor car Camper was a rare specimen—a curi camper was a rare specimen-a curiosity that would attract attention at any cross roads. Today he is a fixture to be found on every highway and byway of this broad land. Each season he is carrying more and more of his fellows out into the open, thus aiding, to a great extent, the purpose that the outdoor press has so long advocated.



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# Called "Russian."

mothers work all day in the rain or in the sun, or the snow, and there baby sleeps, indifferent to everything, the top of its head alone visible, while the movements of the mother do not seem in the least hindered, and she as if the babies of this class were born stoics!

#### Modern Jerusalem.

The ancient city of Jerusalem, where Christ did so many of his mighty works, now has a modern waterworks system. The reservoirs known as the Pools of Solomon were not really Solomon's at all, but were made by Roman engineers. These have been cleaned out and their leaks stopped. Now two of them are at work again. They hold 40,000,000 gallons.

The pools are supplied from a spring in a cavern called Bir Darash. A large quantity of gravel and stones has been removed, and the aqueduct and tunnels between the spring and the pools repaired; and Jerusalem has its up-to-date waterworks—a splendid tribute to the science of ancient Rome. For many years the origin of Jerusalem's water supply was a secret. During the siege of Jerusalem the beslegers were disappointed in their hope of the city surrendering through lack of water.

Uncle Jasper.

"Proverbs ain't always correct," becan Uncle Jasper. "I'll cite you a case. Some years ago Rothschild decided to add to his collection of mosses and lichens from many parts of the world, but he wanted more. He wanted moss from the Urals, from the Arctic circle, from the tip end of Patagonia. He was ready to pay a good salary. And who did he employ to gather this moss? A rolling stone."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

#### Blue Law.

When they closed the bar on one of the transatlantic liners bound for the land of liberty one of the passengers protested. "Seems like you're closing up awful soon; how far are we from land, anyway?" "Just about three miles," answered

the steward politely.

"Funny we can't see it !" "You could. If the water were clear

enough."-Los Angeles Times.

#### No Treepassing.

On a farm in South Georgia is postod this sign :

"Trespaser's will be persekuted to the full extent of 2 mean mongral dorgs which ain't never been ovarly soshibil with strangers and 1 dubbel barlet shotgun which ain't loaded with no sofy pillers. Dam, if I ain't tired of this hel raisin' on my proputy."-Everybody's Magazine.

-For all the news you should read the "Watchman."

Root Cause of Nearly Every War. During the World war a well-known French publicist was invited to address a large audience of children from the elementary schools of an American city. Walking quickly onto the stage, he commenced speaking in his own tongue, and then smiling at the bewildered children, he said, in perfect English: "You do not understand me, do you? There, my dear children, you have the root cause of this and nearly every other war. Only through a lack of proper understanding of the point or view of other nations are wars possible."-Christian Science Monitor.

#### "Santos" Coffee From Sao Paulo.

It is against the law now to label as "Java" coffee that does not come from Java or Sumatra. Real Mocha is grown in Arabia, and after the coffee became well known and very popular some unscrupulous dealers applied this name to coffee from other countries. Coffees frequently take their names from the ports from which they are shipped. The most widely used variety in this country is called "Santos," after a port of Sao Paulo, the great coffee-producing state of Brazil.

#### Volcances in United States.

While there are no active volcanoes in this country, there are a number of extinct or dormant volcanoes in the West. These include the San Francisco mountains of Arizona, Mt. Taylor in New Mexico, Mt. Shasta in California and the following peaks in the Cascade mountains: Pitt, Mazana, Union, Scott, Three Sisters, Jefferson, Hood, Adams, St. Helens, Rainier and Baker. The Spanish peaks of Colorado are also the remains of ancient volcanoes. Most of these mountains have visible craters on their summits or on their sides.

### Origin of the Dollar.

The dollar was introduced into America by the West India trade before the Revolution. The coinage act of the 2nd of April, 1792, legalized it and established it as a unit of American currency. The inconvenience of the English system of money led congress in 178: to instruct Robert Morris to devise a system of national coinage. His suggestions were not adopted, but those proposed by Jefferson were approved. He proposed the dollar as a unit to be equivalent to we hundred cents.

the number is increasing every year Any day Uncle Sam is likely to catch a new one in his naval observatory net with its magnificent lens. Planet photography is now a specialty.-Washington Star.

Buried Five Minutes, and Lives. Buried alive by a landslide for about five minutes, a laborer of Mitchell, S. D., though severely bruised and injured. lives to tell the tale. He was working in an eight-foot ditch in which water mains are being laid, when a landslide occurred in which he was caught. He called for help as the soft gravel pinned him down, but it was five minutes before he could be dug out. The gravel caught and pinned him in an upright position and the dirt was piled three feet above his head. The landslide broke his shoulder, fractured his pelvis and dislocated his right hip, and his fellow laborers, in digging him out, made numerous bruises and wounds on his head, face and body with their sharp shovels.

#### Feminine Ways Unfathomable.

"I notice that many of the girls on cheir way to work carry their hats in their hands," remarked Mr. Brown. "So I have noticed," replied his friend.

"Why is that?"

"Well, the days are warm. And their hats, I take it, are more or less oppressive," carefully explained friend Jones. "In that case why do they not leave

their hats at home and save all the trouble of carrying them?" "Now, my friend, you are asking me

to follow you into the realms of the unfathomable."

Immense Ore Region in Brazil. One of the world's greatest iron ore regions is located in the inferior of Brazil. The ore-beds are pure and abundant and the only drawback to development lies in the lack of transportation. The natives smelt the ore and fashion it into utensils and farming implements by the crudest process known to medern man. With the abundant waterpower to develop current for electric furnaces, the economic development of this area will soon be solved. Brazil now imports large quantities of iron and steel from other countries.

#### The Addict.

Among Jimmie Maiden's favorite stories is the one concerning two gentlemen who were getting acquainted through the medium of casual conversation. "Do you play golf" inquired one of them.

"No." said the other. "but I can't give it up."

The camper is to be encouraged, for through him a great fraternity of outdoor sports lovers is being built. The community which has not made provision for the camper and is not ready to welcome him is far behind the times, not only in the way of failure to co-operate in a growing movement. but from a selfish standpoint also. The camper, depending on the treatment he receives, can become a great asset to a community. Yes, the camper is a fixture and it

seems to be up to the various communities to receive him well and to send him on his way pleased with the courtesy shown him-an ardent booster for the communities which he has visited.

#### Wilder Than the Animals.

dvilization, we have not learned much about dress," said one park bench philosopher to another, wiping the perspiration from his brow and from beneath a wilted collar.

roving eye catching a glimpse of a feminine apparition as it flitted by, "some of the styles in women's dress I've seen would make Mark Anthony weep."

"What I was about to say," the other continued, "was that a sweltering day like this is no time for a coat." He began to shed that part of his raiment. "Speaking of extremes, I just passed a woman wearing a heavy cape and furs about her neck. Even wild animals shed their fur in summer time."

"The trouble is," said the other, "some women are wilder than the animals."-Exchange.

Effects Not Pleasant.

An Evansville young woman, teach mg her first term at school, was not only impressed with the nobleness of her profession but had determined that all her friends should so be impressed.

"Oh, it is wonderful work," she said when at a friend's home, "this teaching the young to shoot."

The friend pointed to her kitchen window, which had been broken earlier in the day by a shot from a slingshot.

"Yes," she agreed, "it is wonderful work, but you must make it still more wonderful by teaching them how to take poorer aim."-Indianapolis News.

Canada's Urban Population. The population of Canada is about equally divided between city dwellers and country dwellers. The total urban population is given as 4,352,773 and the total rural population 4,435,710.

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