

Perils in the Home Told by Risk Company

Mark Twain once called attention to the peril which surrounds a bed since so many people die there. According to an insurance company, home is not an entirely safe place either.

Thus nearly one-sixth of the fatal accidents occur in an environment in which one might reasonably expect to be protected from danger of injury.

We are accustomed to consider the peril which attends traffic in the street and employment in many lines of industry. The fact that it is impressed on us may make us more cautious.

World's Smallest Book in Library of Congress

Some of the interesting curiosities at the Library of Congress in Washington are: the smallest book in the world, the longest printed work in the world and the largest book in America.

The midget Rubaiyat is only three eighths of an inch wide and one-eighth of an inch thick. Letters in the book, even on the title page, are so small that they can be read only with the aid of a powerful magnifying glass.

How Missouri Became the "Show Me" State

There have been many explanations as to the origin of the expression, "I'm from Missouri, you've got to show me." One often advanced is that the marriage laws of Missouri in the early days were so loose that anyone could get married without answering many questions.

In 1881 a law was passed making it a misdemeanor for a minister or a justice to marry persons not having a state license. It also set the age of marriageable women at eighteen.

It was thus, according to some authorities, that Missouri became known as the "show me" state.—Detroit News.

First Phonograph

History mentions talking machines as early as the Thirteenth century. In 1762 Rev. John Wesley states in his diary, he saw at Lurgan, Ireland, a clock with an automaton of an old man, which, every time the clock struck, opened the door with one hand, drew back the curtain with the other, turned his head and then said in a loud, articulate voice: "Past 1, 2, 3," and so on.

Bread Baked 4,400 Years Ago Found on the Nile

A loaf of brown "famine" bread sold during the Peninsular war has been presented to Coventry City Guild museum, together with a small and faded notebook in which the owner wrote that he intended to keep the bread as a memento of the high price of corn at that time.

But this loaf is new when compared with others that have been discovered at different times. Few people, for instance, would care to put their teeth into the loaf which is still preserved at Ambaston, Derbyshire. It is 700 years old, and was given to the Sear family with a grant of land by King John.

Several years ago, a French explorer found an Assyrian loaf, which, it was estimated, had been baked in the year 560 B. C., and was, therefore, about 2,500 years old. In shape it resembled a bun. It was discovered, wrapped in a cloth, in an ancient tomb where it had probably been put by the superstitious Assyrians to be used as food by the dead person during his journey to another world.

Many years ago an oven was found, at Pompeii, containing several loaves, slightly charred, but all bearing the bakers' name. What is easily the oldest loaf in existence, however, is the one discovered by an Egyptian explorer on the banks of the Nile in 1905. It was baked in the year 2500 B. C., and is, therefore, over 4,400 years old.—London Answers.

Star's Admirer Given Shock by Her Manager

A touring company was going the round of some of the provincial towns, and everywhere the audience waxed enthusiastic over the juvenile lady.

One evening a youthful admirer sought the manager, a tall, fine-looking man, and endeavored to obtain an introduction to the fascinating little lady. He had, he said, admired her acting very much.

"It must be very pleasant to know her," he suggested. "No doubt you who see her so often are very fond of her?"

"Yes," admitted the manager, "I suppose I am rather fond of her." "Perhaps you've known her for some time?" ventured the other.

"Yes, quite a long time," answered the manager. "But it can't be so very long," protested the admirer; "why, she's little more than a girl."

Then suddenly a horrible suspicion came to him, and he stammered: "You—you're not her husband, are you?" "No, oh, no," said the manager, with an amused smile; "only her son."

Can't Classify Bacteria

Scientists are still trying to determine whether bacteria are animals or plants. When these ubiquitous organisms were first discovered they were described as animalcules. The layman still insists on calling them "bugs."

Courtesy

Courtesy is the one medium of exchange that is always accepted at par by the people of every country on the globe. Courtesy radiates a spirit of good feeling and suggests that we are not working entirely for the material returns of work, but for the pleasure of friendly human association as well.

Out of Proportion

A spider enlarged to the size of a cat would be helpless, even if the relative proportions of all its parts were retained. Its legs would bend and break under the weight of its body because the muscular strength would have increased only as the square of the muscles' dimensions, while the body's weight would have increased as the cube of its parts.

Trouser "Galluses"

"Galluses" is an old word fast disappearing from use. It is now seldom heard except among old people or in backward districts. The word is a corruption of "gallowes," which is still used in parts of Scotland for "suspenders."

FRANCE'S AMAZING RECOVERY.

Though everybody is aware that France has been busy and prosperous, most Americans will be astonished by the scope of the recovery indicated in the French government statistics for the year 1923. Tabulations of these figures have been published by the Bankers' trust Company and the French Bureau of Information.

Naturally it is the mineral industries which, by comparison of 1913 with 1923, make the most surprising showing. By the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine and the control of the Saar, France gained the richest iron ore beds and some of the best coal seams of Europe.

In agriculture the recovery has been slower but steady. About half the Frenchmen killed in the war came from the farms, while much of the agricultural population was displaced by invasion. Live stock can not be obtained in a hurry, and 3,000,000 head of cattle had been lost.

In foreign trade there are half a dozen outstanding French industries which have now equalled or exceeded their pre-war activity. The exports of woolen goods and silks are decidedly higher. Those of automobiles, measured in either bulk or money value, are far above the 1913 level.

France's economic position is now better than that of any other continental participant in the war, and in some respects more enviable even than that of Great Britain. The figures here cited take no account of the rapid development of France's adjoining colonial empire in North Africa, with its enormous resources.

To Open Children's Camp.

A children's health camp designed to accommodate 200 children was opened at the Mont Alto State sanitarium on June 1st. Children from all sections of the State who are under-nourished or whose parents have tuberculosis are to be taken to the camp, restored to health and then returned to their homes.

The children's camp occupies the site of the former veterans' tuberculosis hospital which is located about a mile from the camp proper, in that manner, the youngsters are kept from those patients in the State sanitarium who are suffering from tuberculosis.

More Negroes migrated North from Florida during 1923 than from any other southern State.

MEDICAL.

Bad Back Today?

Then Find the Cause and Correct it as Other Bellefonte Folks Have.

There's little rest or peace for the backache sufferer.

Days are tired and weary—Night brings no respite. Urinary troubles, headaches, dizziness and nervousness, all tend to prevent rest or sleep.

Why continue to be so miserable? Why not use a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys? Use Doan's Pills.

Your neighbors recommend Doan's. Read this Oak Hall case.

Mrs. Ralph Hassinger, of Oak Hall, Pa., says: "My back was weak and lame and I tired easily. My kidneys acted frequently. I used Doan's Pills and they soon strengthened my back and regulated my kidneys."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Pills—the same that Mrs. Hassinger had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. 69-24

Atlantic City Excursion advertisement. \$12.00 Round Trip. Bellefonte to Atlantic City. Wildwood, Cape May, Ocean City, Sea Isle City, Angelsea, Avalon, Peermont, Stone Harbor. THURSDAYS June 26, July 10, Aug. 7-21, Sept. 4.

Fine Job Printing advertisement. A SPECIALTY AT THE WATCHMAN OFFICE. There is no style of work, from the cheapest "Dodger" to the finest BOOK WORK that we can not do in the most satisfactory manner, and at prices consistent with the class of work. Call on or communicate with this office.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS advertisement. THE DIAMOND BRAND. Ask your Druggist for Chichester's Diamond Brand Pills in Red and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Also see other. Best of your Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S PINK PILLS. Sold by DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

Congress Has Adjourned! advertisement. And there is a more confident feeling in business. We look for better times soon, not only for the farmer but in all industries. The First National Bank Bellefonte, Pa.

Who Can Tell? advertisement for A. Fauble. Take the average man—what does he know about the inside details of clothes? Can he really tell the difference between artful tailoring and indifferent making? The chances are that he can't. All he can do is take the word of the store. Lots of men in this locality take our word when it comes to clothes because we have gained a reputation for keeping the faith. For one thing, we have Griffon Clothes here. Famous clothes. Clothes known for their un-failing quality. When men choose clothes here, they pick the style and color that they want knowing that the rest will be all right. A. Fauble. Come to the "Watchman" office for High Class Job work. Care of the Feet. Foot Trouble is Unnecessary, unless caused by some Physical Ailment. The trouble with the average person is that they do not give foot trouble the proper attention. Ill-fitting shoes usually cause foot trouble—and fitting feet is a profession. Thirty-seven years at the game of fitting feet eliminates all guess work as to our proficiency in that respect. Mr. Wilbur Baney, our clerk, has had twenty-five years experience. We do not guess. We know how to give you the proper size, and the kind of shoes that your feet need. The Next Time you are in Need of Shoes, and your Feet are in Trouble—try Yeagers Yeager's Shoe Store THE SHOE STORE FOR THE POOR MAN Bush Arcade Building 58-27 BELLEFONTE, PA.