

Easter Island Statue

May Be Earth's Oldest

The world's most ancient statue is to be found outside, not inside, the British museum.

It is said that it took two hundred men from the crew of H. M. S. Topaz, and three hundred natives, to drag the statue from its original site, although it weighs only four tons. It is the work of a race of huge builders and was one of many similar colossal statues, some of them weighing as much as a hundred tons, scattered over Easter Island, in the Pacific.

These hideous images were originally supplied with hats, in some cases weighing another five or six tons, which were red because they were made of tufa or volcanic rock. All the hats have fallen off now and are found lying around the huge statues as though there had been a high wind.

This race of ancient builders left traces in the shape of immense stone monuments right across the Pacific, and many archeologists think that the island on which these monuments are found is the last remnant left above the surface of a vast submerged continent. There is nothing which fixes the exact period of this achievement, but it is possible that the statues are at least as old as the pyramids of Egypt.

Daddy Evidently Had

Some Things to Write

Willie (very seriously)—Papa, I had a strange dream.

Papa—Indeed! What was it?

Willie—I dreamed, papa, that I died and went to heaven; and when St. Peter met me at the gate, instead of showing me the way to the golden street, as I expected, he took me out into a large field, and in the middle of the field there was a ladder reaching up into the sky and out of sight. Then St. Peter told me that heaven was at the top, and that in order to get there I must take the big piece of chalk he gave me and slowly climb the ladder, writing on each rung some sin I had committed.

Papa (laying down his newspaper)—And did you finally reach heaven, my son?

Willie—No, papa, for just as I was trying to think of something to write on the second rung I looked up and saw you coming down.

Papa—And what was I coming down for?

Willie—That's what I asked you, and you told me you were coming for more chalk.—After Dinner Stories.

Left Fatherland Behind

Marie Antoinette's eventful life in France began at Strasburg, or rather upon a small island in the Rhine in front of the Alsatian capital. There, in a pavilion decorated with Gobelin tapestries, she paused on her way to become the wife of the dauphin, afterward Louis XVI. She entered by a door on the east side. After a complete change of clothing, symbolic of her renunciation of all connections with her native country, Austria, she emerged on the west or French side. Her Austrian escort remained behind, replaced by a guard sent by Louis XV. The chief magistrate of Strasburg addressed her in German.

"Don't speak German," she said, though she had just learned the new tongue she was henceforth to speak "From today I understand only French."—Kansas City Star.

Teaching Lip Reading

For the benefit of children whose hearing happens to be defective, it is the custom at present in many states to give those thus afflicted the benefit of some special instruction in lip reading. The best way of handling this problem, it has been demonstrated, is by having teachers who are especially trained to go from school to school for this purpose. The classes are small, usually not more than six or eight students, and the advantages of the plan is that it enables children to continue their regular work in the school classes which suits the parents better than sending them to special schools. It is also more economical from the standpoint of the educational authorities.

Interesting Fossil Area

The Joggins section of Nova Scotia has been recognized since the days of the great geologists, Logan and Lyell, as affording the finest example in the world of fossil coal measure forests. The section is now represented in Canada's national museum at Ottawa by a series of upright trunks with a background of a carboniferous landscape and a panoramic view of the Joggins section. The stumps with their great expanse of roots form what is considered by many familiar with foreign museums to be the finest exhibit of its kind in any museum.

Heaters for the Ocean

Artificial heating of the ocean is to be tried out at Westerland, Germany, a popular seaside resort, in order to provide all-the-year-round bathing. Huge electric heaters will be installed to raise the water's temperature and rob a winter dip of its chill. Heated bathing cabins and covered ways leading to the water, says Popular Science Monthly, will be provided for the bathers' comfort.

Benefit of Thorough

Training Made Plain

Once upon a time there was a little boy who was imbued with the ambition to become a great novelist. One day he said to his father:

"Dad, I wish to become a great writer, the author of books which will entertain the world. What shall I write about?"

"Son, you should write about a venture," replied the loving father.

The parent, who wished for his son a great success and a place in the Hall of Fame, gave his entire time to the education of the offspring.

The boy was taken all over the world to get first-hand information regarding every sort of land and every kind of people. He was shown everything that had to do with adventure. He was taken to Iceland and to the South Sea Islands so that he would know every clime and every country.

He was taken across plains and deserts and ranges of mountains. He was taught, from actual experience, about typhoons and hurricanes and cyclones. His education was lacking in nothing that would form a ground work for wonderful stories of the adventures of men under the most trying circumstances.

And so it came to pass that the son repaid his father for all that he had done for him, out of the proceeds of the sale of his first book, the title of which was, "Her Passionate Hour."—Boston Globe.

Apologetic Man Gets

Little Out of Life

A really gifted financier can coin the golden sunshine and the silvery laughter and make two bank accounts grow where but one grew before, all on a capital as ethereal as the blue dome overhead, comments the Muncie Evening Press.

But the apologetic man can't exchange a \$10 gold piece for \$5. Any dominant personality with blue-shaven, square jaws can look the little fellow over and after piercing with a glance the latter's shifting eye, tell that the honest but bashful man is a crook. The grocer looks over the self-apologist coldly and bites the coin that is handed over the counter before condescending to accept it.

And, somehow, the apologist always has a way of wearing his clothes like he had stolen them off a clothesline somewhere, and he can't put up a "front" without he has better attire than he can afford.

The humble man never gets credit for anything until he dies, and then the preacher, casting around for something good to say of him, puts in the worst knock of all by saying: "He hadn't an enemy in the world."

A Cold Day

Going through Montana, recently we got into conversation with a native son of that great state. "Gets pretty cold up here in the winter, doesn't it?" we observed, with considerable originality.

"Well," replied the Montanian, "there's a statue of Old Man Willough, the pioneer cattle king, on a little hill over in Golden valley. There he stands with his hands hanging helplessly at his sides, while he gazes forever across the plains he loved. But, believe me or not, it got so blamed cold up here once last winter that the old man had to keep his hands in his pants pockets all day long."—Harry Daniel, in Thrift Magazine.

Training French Sailors

Salt water is three hours from Paris by train, and longer still by boat, but there is a school there that promises to teach all about deck or engine room duties. Correspondence courses are open to lads in the provinces, far up in the mountains away from the smell of the sea. The marine school in Paris has begun to placard the country with the French equivalent of the American slogan, "Join the navy and see the world." The professors, in grading papers, may look from the school's windows upon the peaceful Seine, whose Parisian bosom supports nothing more important than tugs, barges and excursion boats.

Huge Python

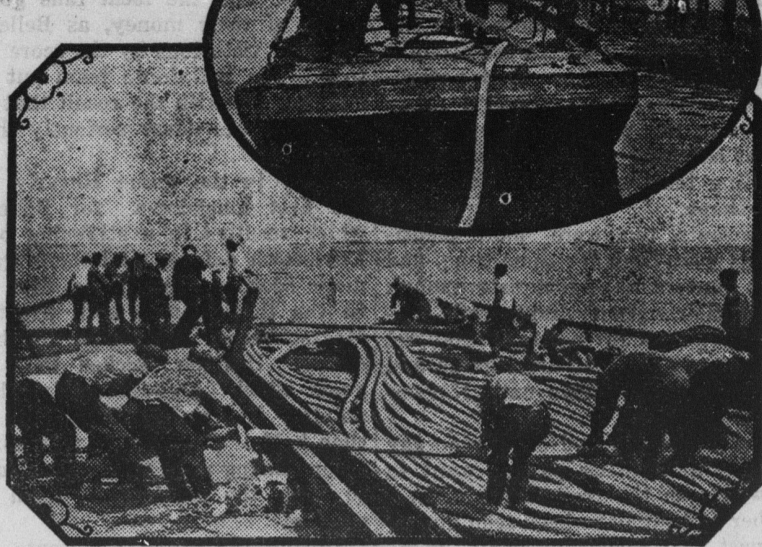
The longest snake of which there is authentic record was a python captured in Malaysia and shipped to the Tierpark at Hamburg, Germany. This snake died immediately after reaching port, and was stretched on the deck of the steamer and measured by Dr. Arthur Irwin, then director of the Philadelphia Zoological society. It measured a few inches over thirty feet in length and weighed close to 300 pounds. This species, the regal or reticulated python (*Python reticulatus*) is the largest species of serpent. It is alleged to attain a length of 35 feet.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Silent Pearl Peddlers

Chinese pearl peddlers are the talk of Paris, because they seem to avoid talk themselves. People become interested in the small, quiet merchants who stand silently out of the way of sidewalk traffic with many strings of false pearls on their arms. Their eyes alone are in motion searching the crowds for customers. As soon as they notice a slight hesitation they smile, and the smile seems to bring the prospective buyer to them. A hundred of these sidewalk sellers have formed a colony in Paris. They come from the province of Chekiang.

Thickest Cable in the East Laid in South New Jersey Waters

Lower view shows the cable being loaded on the barge and the upper view shows it being paid off from the rear of the barge into the harbor.

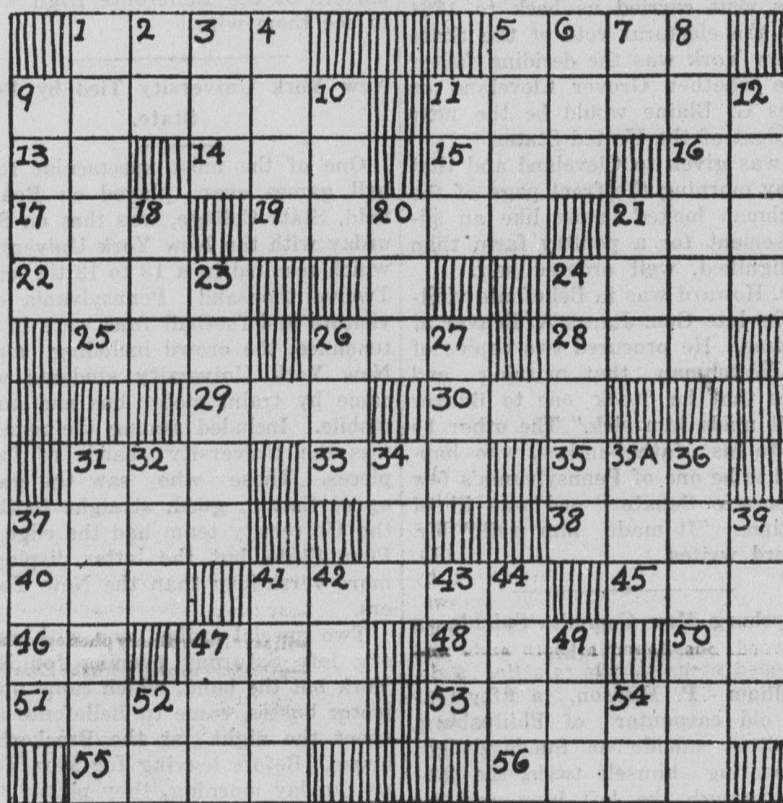


Almost two miles of heavily armored submarine cable was recently placed by the Bell Telephone Company across the harbor between North Wildwood and Stone Harbor, N. J. This cable, which was laid in record time, is the thickest cable of its kind in the East and is the final link in a greater system of inter-connecting telephone lines joining Philadelphia with South Jersey resorts. The cable is four inches in diameter and contains almost a hundred pairs of wires.

HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 1.



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Horizontal.

- 1—To detest
- 5—Heroine of an opera bearing her name
- 9—A farce
- 11—Drill hall for troops
- 13—Conjunction
- 14—Fuss
- 15—Ribbed material
- 16—Preposition
- 17—To worry
- 19—Plant with long pointed leaves and large white blossom
- 21—That woman
- 22—Christmas song
- 24—A hole in the skin
- 25—A beam
- 26—Organ of head
- 28—A scout
- 29—To hasten
- 30—By way of
- 31—Japanese sash
- 32—Female deer
- 35—To permit
- 37—Minority group
- 38—Bare
- 40—Horse drawn vehicle
- 41—Water in the bottom of a boat
- 45—Meadow
- 46—Avenue (abbr.)
- 47—Consume
- 48—Cereal
- 50—Like
- 51—Longs for
- 53—A pact
- 55—To be submerged under water
- 56—Meshed material (pl.)

Vertical.

- 1—Emotion of fear and abhorrence
- 2—Part of "to be"
- 3—Beverage
- 4—Small whirlpool
- 5—Extent
- 6—Scamp
- 7—To achieve
- 8—Major blood vessel
- 9—Piece of money
- 10—Personal pronoun
- 11—Part of a circle
- 12—In time long past
- 13—New Zealand parrot
- 20—Shy
- 21—To jump
- 23—Song poem
- 24—Hymn of praise
- 26—To finish
- 27—The night before
- 31—Green fruit used as relish (pl.)
- 32—A marsh
- 34—A lubricant
- 35A—Snake-like fish
- 36—Deals with
- 37—To cry like a donkey
- 39—Not difficult
- 41—Side of a stream
- 42—Impersonal possessive pronoun
- 43—Obtained
- 44—To merit
- 47—Sea eagle
- 49—Mound of earth
- 52—Three-toed sloth
- 54—Preposition

Solution will appear in next issue.

AARONSBURG

Albert Hill, of Austin, was a recent guest of his brother-in-law, Wm. Wance.

Ammon Steffen, of Danville, spent Sunday with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Armagast.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pike, their son, daughter and granddaughter, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. King over the week-end.

Mrs. Herman Haupt, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Mohr Otto, at the homestead on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Shem Aurand, of Milroy, spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Aurand's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Stover, on north 2nd st.

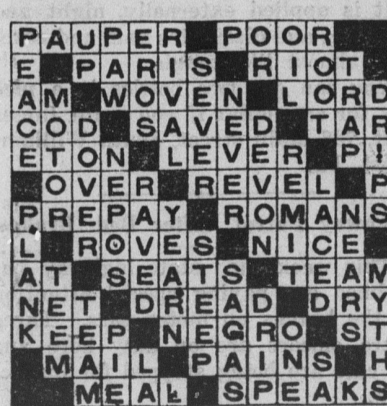
John Burrell, of Akron, Ohio, accompanied by his cousin, Mrs. Horace Stover, of Youngstown, were recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Burrell and Mrs. Anna Bower.

Mrs. J. G. Eisnehauer, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks, is very little better. Her children have returned to their respective homes, leaving her son and his wife in charge.

Mrs. C. I. Bower motored up to State College, Sunday morning. From there she accompanied her sister and family to Altoona, where they spent the day visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward Taylor.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Finley Bell and their niece, Miss Kessinger, of Englewood, N. J.; Mrs. C. C. Bell, Mrs. Frank B. Patton, C. Earl Bell and Richard Laird, of Huntingdon; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. S. Chambers and daughter, Miss Martha, Mr. and Mrs. Cal-

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle.



Small Bank Accounts.

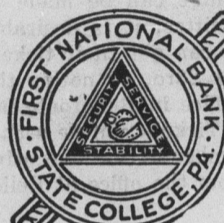
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