HORNED TOADS AS PETS.

THE REPULSIVE REPTILES ARE VERY POPULAR IN THE WEST.

they Can He Tamed and Afford Much nacment-They Are Real Interest-Creatures-Remarks by a Dealer

Who Sells Many of Them Annually. "Of all the curious objects for pets,"
said the curio man, "I think that the
Borned toad will take the palm."

PLUMBER AND "Are they popular as domestic ani-

mark was offered.

"I guess you'd think so if you knew how many we sell in the course of the year, to say nothing of all those that are saught on the spot and carried home in triumph by those who fancy such thinge."

"Who does?" asked the reporter.

"Well, children are very fond of them.
They seem to think that it's no end of them to see them run around, eat flies,

fun to see them run around, eat flies, and burrow themselves deep in the

"Pretty much as we treat them, I suppose. You can see for yourself, said the curio man, leading the way to one side of his crowded store, where in a great, round, deep glass tank were half a dozen or more of the funny little fellows sprawled out upon their sandy do-main. One seemed asleep, the others were moving with more or less degree of

One was trying to hount an elevation furnished by the back of a comrade, and having attained that height the rogue balanced himself upon his hind legs and tried to climb up the glassy sides of the tank. But in this he was not successful, and after slipping back a most discouraging number of times he gave it up as a bad job. Two others semed to be assuming a belligerent at-litude, to which the owner at once called the attention of his visitor.

THEY ARE QUEER PETS. you see that?" said he. "Some of those fellows are the greatest fighters imaginable. They take a dislike to each other, and never rest until they have fought it out to the death. The old one

ere is especially vicious.
"These herned toads are to be found in sandy wastes. I have heard of their being caught out at the Mission, but of that I can't speak positively. These here came from Arizona, although we have received them from much nearer home.
"At Rediands the boys catch ever so

many, and the Chinese eat them. They just skin off that coat of mail and eat the inside. Besides, they highly prize the oil, which is contained in a little pouch somewhere within the anatomy

"The toads are shipped to us by ex-ress in boxes, sometimes as many as wenty or more in the same box, and by the time they are released from their confinement they are all wound togeth-er, until they look like a writhing, animated mass of wriggling legs and quirming tails.

squirming tails.

"As soon as they seem to consider it a safe thing to do they unlock their traveling grip and begin to look about. Then I sell them. They bring from four to six bits. 'How long do they live?' Oh, I don't know. I have known them to live three or six months in perfect health, and with every prospect of continuing in that state, when they were brought to an untimely end by being stepped on. If there is one thing above stepped on. If there is one thing above another that a horned toad cannot stand it's being stepped on. It seems to flatter him out, as it were." "Aren't you becoming very facetious?"

asked the reporter.
"Not at all; that is the usual fate of a pet horned toad. You see, they are at travelers and like to keep running bout. Nearly everybody who has a him try to climb up out of his box, and the first thing you know he has succeeded in getting out of his box and is running about on his own hook."

HOW TO KEEP THEM. "Can they be tamed? Do they seem to know one human being above another? were the next questions.

"Those who buy them maintain that they do. Why, I sold one to a lady who lived at the Palace hotel, and she al-lowed him the freedom of her apartments when she went out, and she told me that on her return he would run to meet her. no matter where he had hidden himself. He was finally stepped on. Another, a dear old lady, said that her grandchildren made fun of her, and declared she thought the horned toad scratched his toes on the floor in response to her chir-rup, but she said he really did not go quite so far as that, although he

wery knowing.
"What do they live on? Oh, on flie and insects. I have known them, though to go for a month without eating anything. There is this that must be re membered if you wish to keep your toach alive—give him plenty of sun. The best house for him is a fish globe filled with deep bed of nice clean sand. Set this in the sun, and throw in some live flies now and then, and Mr. Toad will thrive If he wants the flies he'll catch then and devour them quicker than a wink.

If he doesn't do so you may know it's because he's not hungry.

"And I must not forget either to tell you that while they are perfectly harm-less they get themselves into towering rages. It makes them mad to be tickled under the chin. They like to be smoothly stroked down the back. If you poke him on the side he will bend way down as if in response to your touch."—San Francisco Call.

A Brain Disturber. A Neosha county farmer sent this mixed order to a Chanute merchant: "Bend me a sack of flour, five pounds of cofe and one pound of tee. My wife gave birth to a big baby boy last night, dso five pounds of corn starch, a screw driver and a fly trap. It weighed ten pounds and a straw hat.—Kansas City

The intelligent compositor is some-times wiser than he knows, and that was the case when recently in setting up a list of persons whose claims against the city had been allowed by the board of supervisors he substituted a k for an l and prefaced the list with the statement

that "the following bilks were ordered paid." Good bless the intelligent com-cettor! He has a bad heart, but his hand is true.—San Francisco Examiner. A class in natural history was called up for recitation. The teacher talked to

them a while about the relations of friendship between man and animals, "Do animals really possess the senti-

ment of affection?" "Yes, almost always," said the little

"And now," said the teacher, turning to a little boy, "tell me what animal has the greatest natural fondness for man."
"Woman!" said the boy. — Youth's

Mr. Lake Streete (on his first visit to London)—Say, cabby, what's that statue? Çabman—That's the H'Albert memo-

Mr. Lake Streete—Oh, yes; heard him play the fiddle at home. The British must take more stock in him than we

Aid.—Texas Siftings. Mother—I am glad to hear you went to church today. What was the sermon Adult Son (a reporter)—I don't know, other; I haven's written out my notes



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An Interesting Description of How a Cable Is Secured on Land. We steamed off and anchored as near in shore as we could get, opposite the place intended for the landing place. All was now activity on board. No sconer were we at anchor than a couple of boats were dispatched for the beach, with a were dispatched for the beach, with a party of men and the necessary tools and implements for use on shore. On board both picking up and paying out gear were being made ready for action, as they both played their part in landing the shore end; huge coils of rope and a number of collapsed air bailcons made their appearance from below.

These ballcons were inflated with air to their full diameter of three or four feet, and the quarter deck of the Dalmatia began to assume the appearance

matia began to assume the appearance of a giant's toy shop. Meanwhile the shore party had firmly anchored to the beach two large "spider sheaves," or skeleton fron pulleys. These were placed some two or three hundred yards apart, forming two accelerate forming two angles of a parallelogram, of which the bow and stern sheaves of the ship made the other two.

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A rope was now carried from the stern of the ship to the shore, and, passing round both spider sheaves, brought back to the ship and taken over the bow sheave to the picking up gear. The cable was made fast to the rope and paid out slowly over the stern, the picking up gear meanwhile heaving in on the other gear meanwhile heaving in on the other end of the rope, and so hauling the cable gradually ashere. The rope was wound four or five times round the big drum of the picking up gear, steam was turned on, and the drum, rumbling and rever-berating, hauled the rope in. Aft the cable was wound four or five times round the paying out drum, also revolved by steam in order to ease the strain, which, with about a mile of rope out be-tween the ship's stern and her bow, is

ween the simp stein and her bow, is something considerable.

As the cable leaves the stern the raison d'etre of the air balloons becomes apparent. At intervals of about fifteen or sixteen yards one is securely lashed to the cable, and in this way the cable is the cable, and in this way the cable is floated from the ship to the shore, and not dragged along the bottom to run the risk of being damaged by rocks. An-other advantage is that, if the cable is sagged by a cross current or tide, it can readily be straightened by stopping the paying out and heaving in at the bows. —Herbert Laws Webb in Scribner's.

I have seen many days of joy, but I remember no such exhibitantion as that which I felt when I mounted my first To appreciate such an era in life one

needs to be brought up in the country. Boys in town come to this crisis before they can appreciate the height and depth of such an acquisition.

I felt that robust schoolboys could n longer strike me across the check, and when I turned cry, "What are you look-ing at?" Nay, the time was past when worse than any possible insult could happen, and that was for anybody to

chuck me under the chin and call me I do not think there is any law, huma or divine, demanding that a boy should submit to the school bully. I remember with what deep satisfaction, after Jim Johnson had knocked my hat in the mud and spat in my face and tore my new coat, I felt called upon to vindicate the

majesty of my new boots. That, how-ever, was before I had any idea of be-coming a minister.—Dr. Talmage in New York Journal. Some years ago a blind boy residing in Chleago constructed a miniature house

inside an ordinary four ounce medicine bottle. The building was made up of forty pieces of wood, all neatly fitted and glued together. It would have puzzled a man with two good eyes to put the pieces in the bottle without the task of putting them together. As wonderful as the above may seem it is only a part of the remarkable achievements of this sightless lad.

After completing the house to his satis-

faction he set about fastening the cork in the bottle, but how he accomplished the startling feat has ever remained a mystery. Inside the bottle below the neck a small wooden peg was driven through the cork, which extended far enough on each side of the stopper to prevent it being removed from the bot-tle. The boy is unable to explain the astonishing piece of ingeniousness.—St. Louis Republic.

Wages of Cincinnati Teachers.

A principal of a district school gets \$1,900 salary; an intermediate principal, \$2,100; the high school principals, \$2,600, and the superintendent, \$4,500. There is but one man in the city getting as low as \$750. The superintendents of music and drawing get each \$2,100, and the principal of the normal \$3,000, or \$10 per day.

The average daily wages of the teach Wages of Cincinnati Teachers.

The average daily wages of the teachers is \$4.13, or \$625 per year. They teach six hours per day, and get from 35 cents an hour up to \$2.50. In other words, some of the principals make more money in one hour than many workingmen do in two days.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

A Banyan Grove. Near Gifford station, on the Staten Island railroad, there is a peculiar piece of woodland, a spot where the roots of the trees all attach themselves to the trunks at from four to six feet above the level of the ground, giving to the stumps an odd, spidery appearance. The soil of the vicinity is very porous, which lends weight to the opinion that the banyan like grove has been formed by the action of frost and water.—St. Paul Republic.

Cleaning Lamps by Machinery.

A machine for rapidly cleaning the gause of miners' safety lamps has been introduced into the Wombwell collieries at Barnsley. It is driven by a belt and pulley, and the two brushes seen at the end of a shaft have a reciprocating motion. Two other brushes have a circular motion, and are intended to sweep the ends of the gause and various parts. the ends of the gause and various parts of the lamp.—New York Journal.

"But't ice very high just now, Mrs. Codhooker" inquired the young gentle-man boarder enviously of the landledy man boarder enxionsly of the landledy at breakfast.
"I should say it was," she gushed.
"My ice bills are so frightful I don't know which way to turn to meet them."
"I was going to say," responded the young gentleman boarder hesitatingly, "that these boiled eggs are so cold they would keep meet." See York Talken. MAYOR GRANT'S DEMAND.

Working for a New Pederal Census of New York. New York.

New Your, Oct. 22 — Mayor Grant has sent this letter to Secretary Noble asking for a recount, together with all the papers connected with the recent police on unerstance.

"John W. Noble, Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. G.:
"Dram Sin-Inclused herewith are copies of the correspondence between the consusbureau and myself. In the name of the people of New York I sak you to honor their demand for a recount, and ask that the federal authorities make an accurate numeration of all of the inhabitants of thiscity. The census office has in its possession the reports of its accredited representative in the present enumeration of this city.

sentative in the present enumeration of this city.

"Mr. Olcott came to me at the beginning of our enumeration with written credentials from the census bureau which said that he was the credited representative of that bureau.

"All the facilities of the police department and this department were placed at his disposal. All the census books, tally sheets and other papers were given to him as the representative of the federal authorities. He was here constantly during the progress of the enumeration, and I am informed that he made daily reports to the census bureau. This bureau took official cognizance of our enumeration, and I should act upon the information which is already in its possession. Very respectfully, Hugh J. Grant, Mayor."

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"WASHINGTON, Sept. 27, 1890.

"Hon. Hugh J. Grant, Mayor of the city of New York:

"Sin—I beg leave to introduce to you in the person of the bearer, Mr. W. H. Olcott, of this office. Mr. Olcott is visiting New York city for the purpose of personally conferring with you as to the municipal census that you have ordered to be taken, and of informing himself as to the methods that will be pursued in the enumeration in order that this office may be in position to judge how far the results of such census should be considered as verifying or otherwise those of the United States census.

"I beg, therefore, to bespeak for Mr. Olcott such official courtesies as you may see fit to accord him. Yours very respectfully,

"Acting Superintendent of Census."

Philadelphia on the Warpath.

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Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—The mayor has decided to have a police enumeration of the population of Philadelphia. Basing an estimate upon the police department's report concerning the number of houses unoccupied during the summer and allowing for errors on the part of the census enumerators, the mayor believes there is an omission of 100,000 persons from the late count.

The Governor Removes Sheriff Burroughs, of Madison County, for Dishonesty.

ALBANY, Oct. 22.—Governor Hill has removed from office the sheriff of Madison county, Leander W. Burroughs, and appointed in his place William T. Manchester, of Hamilton. Sheriff Burroughs is a Republican, as is also his successor. The removal is based upon charges filed alleging the presentation to the board of supervisors of false, fraudulent and illegal charges against the county of Madison of moneys not disbursed and illegal fees exacted. In his opinion the governor says that he is satisfied that charges in this bill amounting to at least \$3,500 are false and fraudulent, and were illegally allowed.

There are charges for services never rendered; for disbursements never made, and for which not even the pretext of a voucher was furnished; different charges for the same services under different devices; board of prisoners charged which was not furnished, and board twice charged that was furnished.

The Return to the Pipe. DECAPITATED BY D. B. HILL.

A Madison street cigar man is authority for the statement that the better class of smokers is returning to the pipe for comfort. This is not only shown by the demand for such goods, but by the novelties that are being gotten out by French factories as well as those in America. "There is no use of an American shut-ting his eyes to it. The French still lead in everything that is novel and artistic, and we follow. Here is a French nov-

pipes. You see the variety of stems and mouthpieces. It reminds you maybe of a fine fishing tackle. You can have your stems long or short. You can have them straight or crooked. The artistic smoker doesn't confine himself to one and smokes it one evening with a long stem. He takes another the next even ing with a short stem, and so on. You will notice, too, that by a curious arrangement these stems are so constructed that it is impossible for the smalles

particle of nicotine to reach the lips of the smoker. The outfit I show you costs

It contains four French sweet briar

\$36. Then there are others that contain fewer pipes, and some contain but one with different stems."—Chicago Tribune. A Chemical Lung.
A "chemical lung" is the latest thing proposed for the ventilation of tunnels. It was lately tested in London by four-teen scientists. A room 15 by 18 was kept for an hour at a temperature of 82 degs., and the air was loaded with impurities. The men of science were impurities. The men of science were now called upon to enter, and the air was made still more impure by burning sulphur and carbonic acid gas. Then the "chemical lung," or punkah, so called, measuring 4 by 2.6, was set in

The temperature was soon reduced to 65 degs., and the air freed from all impurities. Then fat was burned, to test the machine for organic substances and the "lung" was started up just in time to prevent the examining gentle-men from running out for fresh air. It is proposed to use the invention during the construction of the channel tunnel. -Philadelphia Record.

Great Generals and Newspaper Mon. Joe Howard says that Gen, Sherman was largely responsible for the feeling that obtained for a long while in the army against newspaper correspondents. Gen. McClellan always welcomed them. Burnside was as gallant and courtly a man in his tent as in his home in Washington. Meade, although a strict disciplinarian, understood and recognized der discipline. Grant for a long time was averse to entertaining correspondents, but his rare common sense came to his relief, and under proper, legitimate and absolutely welcome restrictions cor-respondents found themselves always at home where Grant was in command. Ben Butler was a very prince of hosts.

Expensive Cable Messages. The present rate for telegraph mes-sages to Australia is about \$8 a word. Mr. Heaton thinks that can be reduced to \$1 a word. Frequent messages are sent, he says, costing £1,000, and one was sent a short time ago by a Londoner that cost \$16,000.—Chicago Times.

New York's Population. New York, Oct. 15.—The police have finished their count, which makes the population 1,710,715. The census fig-ures were 1,513,501, which is over 197,000 short of the police count.

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TIME TABLE.

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ocnester, 9.55—News Express (daily : for .ock Haves and intermediate stations. and intermediate stations.

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5.30 p. no. Past Line (daily except Sunday) for Renovo, Watkins and intermediate stations, with through passenger coaches to Renovo and Watkins 9.15 p. m. Williamsport Express (Jaily) for Williamsport and intermediate stations. THROUGH TRAINS FOR SUNBURY PROM THE EAST AND SOUTH. Nows Express leaves New York, 12.15 night, Patiadelphia 4.50 a.m. Baltimore, 4.50 a.m. Har-risburg, 5.10 a.m. daily arriving at Sunbury 2.53 a.m. risborg, 3.10 a. m. daily arriving at Sunbury 9.53 a. m. Niagare Express leaves New Yorks. 30 a. m. Philadelphia, 8.50 a. m. ; Washington 8.10 a. m. Baltimore 8.00 a. m. (daily except Sunday arriving at Sunbury, 1.42] p.m. with through Parior car from Philadelphia and Battimore.

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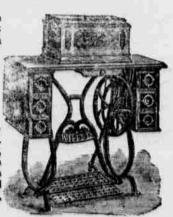
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