

MANY REPTILES ARE DEAD

Safety of Man Frequently Due to That Cause.

ATTRACTED BY LIGHT

Not Because of the Heat, However, as They Have Been Known to Leave a Safe and Warm Retreat in Winter for the Sunshine.

It is a little known fact—it has, indeed, but recently been discovered by naturalists—that a majority of the venomous reptiles with which the world is infested are wholly or partially dead, while their sight is often deceptive.

On certain points the conclusions of M. Werner are very surprising, and in all they are worthy of notice. M. Werner has observed 136 individuals, of which one-third were at liberty, and he took all possible precautions not to let the creatures know they were watched.

Twelve Russian Proverbs.

Eat the honey thou canst find, drink the vermouth thou canst not avoid.

If thou sayest snow is dirty, what wilt thou say about chimney soot?

Even the stupid man is clever enough to make an excuse.

When the nightingale's voice was raised, the cart horse began to neigh.

"What a pity to lose my splendid coat!" cried the ferryman as he and his passengers were drowning.

When the avaricious man has sold his forest he wants to sell the trees.

The bees gather wax and honey; the warlike man asks that they should also prepare his meal.

Do not look too long at the holes in our coat; but put patches on them.

He who receives too much praise grows donkey's ears.

Spin flax if you canst not weave silk.

Dull silver is better than shining brass.

No brass is prouder than that which is lately been coined.—Westminster Gazette.

Origin of "Cad."

"Cad," it is pointed out by a writer as a word furnishing "a pathetic instance of verbal degeneration."

Roses That Change Color. The Chinese, Japanese and Slaves are peculiarly skillful at botanical feats.

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SINGING MICE IN LONDON.

Strange Melody Similar to That of Canaries.

A resident of London writes as follows about singing mice: "We had never heard of their existence until a fortnight ago, when we arrived from the continent and went into lodgings in an old house just off Oxford circus."

Disposing of Seized Tobacco.

English customs officers for years have made a special search of travelers' luggage for contraband tobacco. The early practice was to bury it when confiscated.

Bedroom Suite in Solid Silver.

One's thoughts turn to the Arabian Nights when mention is made of a bedroom suite in solid silver, but such is the character of an order just placed at Sheffield.

A Touching Tribute.

In a tiny country village in New England a woman died recently and her relatives, friends and neighbors decided that a woman who had been so popular in life deserved something out of the ordinary in the way of a funeral.

The village did not boast of a band, but it had a drum corps, which was hired to do honor to the occasion.

But the drum corps had made a specialty of serious music and knew only one lively air. However, it was perfectly willing to play the only cheerful bit of music it knew, and the funeral procession went cheerily home to the strains of "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

Long Lives of Birds.

Why do birds live so much longer than mammals, which are often a hundred times their size? Possibly, among other things, because they have beaks instead of teeth.

Recovered After Eighteen Years.

Eighteen years ago Capt. John Ingersoll of St. John, N. B., lost a masonic charm. It was supposed that it was lost during the progress of the fire that destroyed the steamer Flushing.

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FORGERY EXPERTS' WORK

How They Can Discover the Work of Criminals.

DEEP STUDY REQUIRED

Knowledge of Handwriting Essential to Anyone Who Would Make Detection of Forgery a Business.—Minute Details Tell Tales.

"I am not an expert in chirography, but have at least made enough of a study of handwriting to tell why it is often easy to detect the forgery of a name, though even the man whose name has been forged may declare the handwriting a perfect replica of his own."

"When a child is taught how to write, at first its penmanship is severely stiff and cramped; then it becomes very much like that in the copy book, but after this is discarded the child's character begins to creep into its handwriting."

"Then, again, a man's mental condition will impress itself upon his writing. If he is nervous, bubbling over with joy or depressed, the fact will be apparent to the expert in writing."

Cobra Hunting.

Tales of tiger shooting in India are common enough, but one does not hear much about king cobra hunting. A. Mervyn Smith tells how, accompanied by two natives, he went to a spot where a pair of king cobras were known to be.

The Beds of Royalty.

Though the beds of the royal personages of England were elaborately carved and hung with rich curtains, even so late as the Tudor period it is recorded that King Henry VIII's bed contained only straw beneath all its finery.

Cattle That Never Drink.

There are said to be hundreds of horses and thousands of cattle in the Hawaiian Islands which never take a drink of water.

ANGRY ARCANUMITES.

Oppose New Rates Despite the Firm Stand of Their Officers.

New York newspapers say that plans are being perfected to have a great mass meeting to take place in that city the latter part of this week or early next week to emphasize the protest of many members of the Royal Arcanum, as recently stated in these columns against the new rates adopted by the Supreme Council at Atlantic City in May.

In the "Royal Arcanum Bulletin," the official organ of the organization, which has just appeared, members are told that in no circumstances will there be any revocation or even modification of the decision of the Supreme Council. It is asserted that unless such a decided increase in the premium rate as was ordered had been made it would be only a short time before the order would have to go out of business.

Most serious of the objections is that old men who have for many years been paying assessments will after October 1, when the new rates become effective, have to pay greatly increased premiums or forfeit their policies.

While it is true the older members are doing most of the protesting, they are supported by the younger men, who take the stand that if the old men are now deprived of the protection they paid for for more than 20 years, no guarantee can be extended the young men that the same thing will not happen them.

Don't Violate the Law.

The Government is entailing a very heavy expense in establishing and maintaining rural free delivery of our mails, and it is proving such a convenience to the people that very few who have experienced its advantages would be willing to do without it.

But the Government expects to be reimbursed for its great outlay, by an increased amount of mail to be carried, on which postage is to be paid, and it expects everybody to play fair in this matter. It is, therefore, required that all mail matter dropped into a box must have the requisite amount of postage stamps on it or a sufficient amount of money in the box to pay the postage, and anything found in the box, which is not thus stamped or has not enough cash with it to pay the postage, is to be lifted by the carrier and brought to the post office where it will be "held for postage" according to law.

We have published the fact before, but there are some who, it seems, have not learned the fact or else think they can slip in a letter to a friend by dropping it into his letter box, their line of reasoning probably being that as the letter need not be handled by any government official, there need be no postage paid on it.

Carriers, who are expected to be obliging and accommodating, have no choice in the matter, as their instructions are imperative, to lift every piece of mail matter found in a box, for which there is not provision for postage, and if the postage is not forth-coming in a specified time the missive is sent to the Dead Letter Office.

Let everybody play fair, therefore, with the government, and if there will be no cause for complaint if intended notes dropped into letter boxes fail to reach their destination.

More Relief Associations.

One of the results of the four counties firemen's convention will be the organization of relief associations in towns and boroughs where such do not exist. These associations are entitled to a pro rata share of the tax paid to the state by foreign insurance companies doing business in the Commonwealth.

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3,500,000 Eggs in Storage.

Accumulation Held Until Prices go up Next Winter.

A York dispatch says: The buying and storing of eggs in York county by agents for York and Baltimore cold storage houses has come to a close for the year. The prices at present asked by the farmers and poultry raisers are too high to render buying profitable.

In addition to the 200,000 dozen in this particular warehouse several other country dealers have large holdings in cold storage houses in Baltimore and Philadelphia. These will aggregate over 1,000,000 eggs, so that at the present time there are about 3,500,000 York county eggs in storage.

Peach Crop no Failure.

With the recurrence of the peach season its utter failure is yearly prophesied. This prophesy is made as regularly as the advent of the season. Indeed it has come to be recognized as one of the yearly predictions, and the people look for, expect and are prepared for it when the time for it arrives.

"On the 10,000 little three-year-old trees on Col. W. F. Reynolds' farm near Bellefonte, there are so many peaches that workmen are pruning them off to prevent breaking down the trees; yet there will be 5000 bushels."

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office July 11, 1905. Persons calling for these letters, will please say that "they were advertised June 29, 1905."

Mr. Jack Fields, Miss Thursa Miller, Miss Lena Rogers, Miss Ida Russell, Mr. M. C. Webster, Mr. A. E. Wright. Cards: Soul M. Levenson, Ethel Horn, Mr. John A. Tiger.

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RAILROAD NOTES

Special Excursions and Reduced Rates.—Of Interest to our Many Readers.

REDUCED RATES TO BALTIMORE via Pennsylvania Railroad account of the International Convention United Society of Christian Endeavor, at Baltimore, Md., July 5 to 10, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round trip tickets to Baltimore, at greatly reduced rates, from all stations on its lines east of and including Pittsburg, Erie, and Buffalo.

The rate from Pittsburg will be \$9.00, from Altoona \$7.49, Erie \$12.00, Williamsport, \$6.33, Buffalo, \$11.00, Canandaigua \$9.70, Elmira, \$8.50, New York, \$6.50, Newark, N. J., \$6.10, Reading, \$5.15, Wilkesbarre, \$7.05, Dover, Del., \$3.90, with corresponding reductions from all other points.

Tickets will be sold on July 3, 4, and 5, good for return passage leaving Baltimore until July 15, inclusive. On payment of \$1.00 to Joint Agent at Baltimore an extension of return limit to August 31 can be obtained.

Tickets via Philadelphia permit stop-over within limit, if deposited with the ticket agent at Broad Street Station.

Special excursion tickets are on sale every Saturday and Sunday from Baltimore to Washington and return at rate of \$1.25 for the round trip. These tickets are good for return passage until the last train Sunday night, affording ample opportunity for delegates to visit the National Capital. 22 2t.

REDUCED RATES TO ASBURY PARK

via Pennsylvania Railroad, account meeting of National Educational Association. For the benefit of those desiring to attend the meeting of the National Educational Association, to be held at Asbury Park, N. J., July 3 to 7, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Asbury Park from points more than one hundred miles from Asbury Park, i. e., Chester, Pa., Wallingford, Pa., Villa Nova, Pa., Spring Mill, Pa., Carpenterville, N. J., and Monroeville, N. J., Bridgeport, N. J., Waterford, N. J., and all stations beyond these points, at reduced rates. These tickets will be sold July 1, 2, and 3, and will be good to return leaving Asbury Park not earlier than July 3 nor later than July 10 and payment of fee of fifty cents, an extension of return limit may be obtained to August 31 inclusive. Tickets will be sold to Asbury Park via direct route and also via New York City in both directions, and will be honored only as they read. Stop over will be allowed at Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia within transit limit on going trip, and within ten days not to exceed final limit, on return trip, on all tickets reading via these cities. Stop-over within final limit will be allowed at New York on return trip on tickets reading through that city by deposit of ticket with Joint Agent at New York within one day after validation at Asbury Park and payment of fee of \$1. For specific rates, routes, and stop-over conditions consult nearest Pennsylvania Railroad ticket agent. 2t

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