Under a Lion's Paw.

"While trapping lions in the Hottentot country, for the Hamburg animal house," said Lawrence J. Raymond, a wild animal hunter, "I had opportunities for seeing the king of beasts at his best, and for making close observations of his character. No two lions are alike except in a few leading traits, any more than two men are alike. Every lion is supposed to roar at night when abroad after prey, but not half of them do so.

"When you read of one charging into a camp you praise his courage; but for every one such case I can show ten where the lion skulked about like a dog. You never find him twice alike. There are plenty of instances where men have been seized by lions and have lived to relate the particulars, though no two agree as to the sensations. I had been out one afternoon with some of the natives to prepare a bait in a rocky ravine. We had built a stout pen of rocks and logs and placed a calf as a bait. The sun was nearly down as we started for camp, and no one had the least suspicion of the presence of danger until a lion, which had been crouched beside a bush sprang out and knocked me down.

"I can say without conceit that I was fairly cool. It had come so suddenly that I had not had time to get 'rattled.' Had I moved my arm to get my pistol the beast would have lowered his head and seized my throat. So long as I lay quiet he would reason that I was dead and give his attention to the natives.

"All of a sudden I barked out like a dog, followed by a growl, and that beast jumped twenty feet in his surprise. He came down between me and the natives, and I turned enough to see that his tail was down and he was scared. I uttered more barks and growls, but without moving a hand, and after making a circle clear around me the lion suddenly bolted and went off with a scare that would last him a week."

A Chicken's Growth.

The mysterious development of animal life from the egg, as revealed day by day during the progress of incubation, is a most interesting study. Usually on the third day after heat is applied to a fertile egg the "germ" is visible. The eye and brain first assume form. Veins radiate from this speck. By the fourth day these vessels are marked distinctly, appearing to emanate from the eye. The head is given shape on the fifth; the body on the sixth; the heart, liver and other internal organs developing rapidly from this time. On the ninth and tenth days the bones of the chick, and the legs with small scales upon them are discoverable. Life appears on the twelfth day. Heat is envolved from the atom of a creature. The circulation of blood is noticeable. Thereafter the egg throws off a certain amount of heat and the incubator needs less artificial warmth to maintain the required 102 degrees. Up to the fifteenth day the chick's eye has been the most prominent feature, but from that time on the growth is seemingly proportionate. To the nineteenth day the chick enlarges in its several parts, with legs, incipient feathers and beak. The following day that beak is used to batter down the lime wall that confines the bird; and during the ensuing six or twelve hours of imprisonment the little fellow's system absorbs the yolk of the egg, which furnishes sustenance during the first day.

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The Speed of Fishes.

The speed of fishes is almost an unknown quantity, being, as Professor G. Brown Goode says, very difficult to measure. "If you could get a fish," said Professor Goode to a *Post* reporter, "and put him in a trough of water 1000 feet long and start him at one end and make him swim to the other without stopping, the information could be easily obtained, but fish are unintelligent and they won't do this. Estimates of the speed of fish consequently are only approximated, and more or less founded on guessing. You can tell, however, at a glance whether a fish is built for speed or not. A fast fish looks trim and pointed, like a yacht. Its head is conical shaped, and its fins fit down close to its body, like a knife blade into its handle. Fish with large heads, bigger than their bodies, and with short, stubby fins, are built for slow motion."

"What are the fastest fishes?"

"The predatory fish, those which live on prey, are the fastest swimmers. The food fish are generally among the slowest, and are consequently, easily captured. Their loss is recompensed, however, by the natural law which makes them very prolific in reproduction. Dolphins have been known to swim around an ocean steamer, and it is quite safe to say that their speed is twenty miles an hour, but it may be twice as much. The bonito is a fast-swimming fish. Just what its speed is I do not know. The head of the goose fish is very large—twenty times as big as its body. It moves about very little, and swims at the bottom of the ocean. The Spanish mackerel is one of the fastest of the food fishes. Its body is cone-shaped and as smooth as burnished metal. Its speed is as matchless as the dolphin, and in motion it cuts the water like a yacht."

Kaiser Wilhelm's Habits.

Accounts are given of the German Kaiser's manner of life on his yachting excursion to Norway. He was accompanied by a large suite of army and navy officers and by two artists, one of whom sketched and photographed the natural scenery while the other devoted himself to the living beings. The Kaiser, we are told, appeared on deck at 8 o'clock, and the ceremony of hoisting and saluting the flag was performed. Immediately afterward a breakfast of eggs and meat was served. The Kaiser then walked the deck with a telescope under his arm and paid attention to all that was going on.

At 1 o'clock a second breakfast was served, after which cigars and coffee were taken on deck. The Kaiser then retired to his glass pavilion near the bridge and remained busily engaged in reading and writing until the dinner hour of six. At dinner the whole company appeared in full uniform. The dinner was very simple, but there were four kinds of wine, and the observer of the imperial company informed us that the occasion was one of great hilarity.

What Royalty Eats.

In Italy, the court dines around a table covered with a magnificent service in gold; it is the only luxury; there are no flowers, and the dishes of the country are invariably served—above all, the fritto, composed of a foundation of artichokes, liver, brains, and cocks' combs. At the German court, the finest table is that of the Grand Duchess of Baden; she has an excellent French cuisine and a Parisian chef. The Queen of Sweden has a very tempting table and bill of fare—soups, almost always milk, and beefsteak; one of her favorite dishes is composed of balls of mincemeat, cooked with oil and surrounded with a garnishing of poached eggs; then there is almost at each repast the national plate, salmon preserved in earth. Queen Victoria's favorite wine is pale sherry, which she drinks from a beautifully carved silver cup, inherited from Queen Anne. The royal dinner is very complete. The table is lighted with gold candelabra, furnished with candles; orchids, placed in epergnes, rise up to the ceiling. The Queen eats a special bread, square, well cooked, and of a mastic color.

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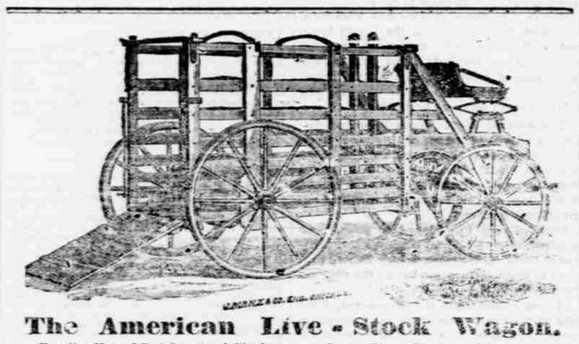

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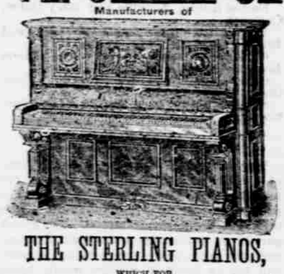

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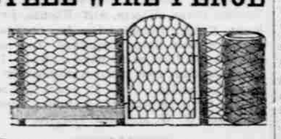

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It was not until 1590 that any permanent Spanish settlements were made. The Spaniards then literally took possession of the country, built towns, laid out roads, increased the commerce of the country and especially increased the yield of the mines by extensive workings. They literally enslaved the natives, compelling them to serve them in every way. In 1646 the Spaniards made Santa Fe the capital of their new dominion, which they called New Mexico. But the Indians rebelled against their new masters, especially because of the toilsome labor in the mines, and in 1680 they rose in numbers, massacred nearly all their oppressors and drove the remainder from the country as far south as El Paso del Norte. After several attempts the Spaniards regained possession of the country in 1698. Santa Fe was a Mexican city until it was taken by the United States, under General Kearney, in 1846. A Confederate army from Texas captured the city March 10, 1862, but were forced to evacuate it on April 8 following.

Haymaking in Finland.

A curious way of making hay is very generally adopted by the Finns. Poor men who own no meadows have long been accustomed to cut what grass they can find in the forest glades and other waste lands. Owing to the lack of roads and farmsteads the hay was stuffed among the branches of neighboring trees to await the winter frosts and snow, when it could be easily carried off by sledges. After a wet season some farmers noticed that this was actually better in quality than that which they themselves had made from much better grass. The wild crop, so to call it, had dried much better in the tree branches exposed to a free circulation of air than the rich herbage which had lain long on the sodden ground. Hence it occurred to them to make temporary trees upon which their own crops might be dried.

This experiment was attended with such success that the plan has been widely imitated and bids fair entirely to supplant the old-fashioned methods. After the mowing is done a number of poles about ten feet in length and provided with long transverse pegs are set up at intervals and the grass is loosely heaped upon them. The result is said to be excellent. Even in wet weather only a small portion forming the outside of the pile is discolored, while the inner portions, exposed to the air beneath and protected from the rain above, are dried in perfect condition. Mowing can be carried on in spite of wind and rain, and when once the grass is placed upon the dryings poles it may be left without fear of serious damage until the weather changes.

Busting a Coincidence.

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"Madame, are you going to use that pen for the next five minutes?"

"Yes, sir," she replied. "I am just going to write to my husband."

"And I am just going to write to my wife. Curious coincidence, eh?"

"I don't know about that. My husband ran away, and I have just got his address and was wondering whether I should tell him to stay or ask him to come home."

"By George, madam, but how singular! My wife also skipped out and I was wondering what to say to her. We are in the same boat. Shall we write: 'Come home, darling,' or, 'I never want to see your face again?' What a curious coincidence!"

"Yes, I think it is!" remarked a woman who came up behind him. "Trying to make a mash, are you! This is the way you hunt for work, is it? Come home with me or I'll pull all the hair out of your head and scratch that woman's eyes out!"

He went humbly along in tow, and a newsboy who sat on the window-sill looked after the pair and soliloquized:

"That's what I call busting a coincidence and catching a liar at the same time. Better write for your darling to return by telegraph, ma'am."

The Whip-poor-will.

The whip-poor-will, an American bird of the goat sucker family, is heard not only in the Gulf States but in the latitude of St. Louis and far to the northward. It travels northward in the Spring, returning southward in the autumn, though it is frequently found in the South all summer. It is seldom seen in the day unless startled from its repose on or near the ground. Its flight is low, swift, zigzag, noiseless as it seeks the insects on which it feeds. According to Audubon it always sits with its body parallel to and never across the branch or fence which supports it. The notes are clear and loud for several hours after sunset, and then unheard till daybreak, when it again becomes vocal till the sun is fairly risen. The first and third syllables of its cry are given with great emphasis.

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The Suez Canal as a War Route.

It is becoming generally recognized that whatever may be the commercial advantages of the Suez canal in peace time, it is not, and never can be, the war route to the East. Assured communication is the first necessity of war, and a channel that can be blocked at any moment by accident or design will not serve the purpose of imperial defense. Transports carrying an army corps for India arrive at Port Said to learn that a vessel has sunk at Chalons and that at least three weeks will be needed to clear the waterway. This is what might actually occur, and no first lord of the admirability would accept such a risk for a possible gain of only a few days in the voyage to Bombay. Block the canal and uncertainty ensues, while we fall back on the ocean route, where Great Britain, if she chooses, can be strongest. Egypt, in the permanent possession of a hostile naval power, able to use it as an advanced base, would be an evident source of danger; but so long as this condition remains unfulfilled we have no real interests whatever in the delta of the Nile, and the purchase of the canal shares, though doubtless a sound commercial transaction, had no military importance of any kind. Broad tracts of desert guard Egypt on either side, and, given the dominant navy, no foreign power could place a soldier in Cairo without the leave of England.

Ginseng in the Catskills.

Large quantities of ginseng are now being gathered in the Catskill Mountains of New York. The root commands a high price, being considered of great value as a medicine by the Chinese, who believe it to possess extraordinary powers in the preservation of health and the prolonging of life. At certain seasons the Chinese ginseng is said to be worth its weight in gold at Pekin. Large roots gathered in the Catskills were sold to New York dealers last year as high as $3.10 per pound. The large roots are considered the most valuable.

It is a perennial root, and it is claimed that its age must be from twenty to forty years before possessing any value. The fruit is a kidney-shaped scarlet berry, the root fleshy and from one to three inches in length. When dried the color is yellowish white and the taste slightly aromatic, resembling that of licorice root. It grows on the sides of the mountains, and is said never to appear twice in the same spot.

One of the roots was shown to a Chinaman at Kingston, N. Y. He expressed delight and immediately began chewing it, exclaiming as he did so, "Mellican ginseng velly good."

A Judge's Courtship.

The shortest courtship I ever heard of was that of an eminent jurist. He was on his way to hold court in a town when he met a young woman returning from market.

"How deep is the creek and what did you get for your butter?" asked the Judge.

"Up to the knee and ninepence," was the answer, as the girl walked on. The judge pondered over the sensible previty of the reply, turned his horse, rode back and overtook her.

"I liked your answer just now," he said, "and I like you. I think you would make a good wife. Will you marry me?" She looked him over and said: "Yes." Then get up behind me and we will ride to town and be married."

See did get up behind and they rode to the Court House and were made one. It is recorded that the marriage was a pre-eminently happy one.

A Snug Little Holland Isle.

Texel, or Tessel, is a low, flat island in the North Sea, belonging t Holland. It is separated from the main land by Texel strom, a body of water two miles and a half across. Here, in neutral waters, Paul Jones found food and refuge while he recruited his shattered fleet and prizes. The island is about thirteen miles long, and its greatest breadth six miles. It contains a population of about 6200, engaged in agriculture, fishing and boat building or piloting. It has rich pasturage, and rears large numbers of cattle and sheep of superor quality. The Island is a favorite resort of wild fowl, which lay immense quantities of eggs there. For this reason its northern part is known as Eyerland or Eggland.

Fun in the Sierras.

The high Sierras are described as quite Elysian at the present time. The "elysium" is not confined to Tahoe, Rubicon, Donner, Hope Valley or any other few such noted spots, but is scattered all along up and down the range. There is enjoyment to be found wherever there are valleys, brooks and springs. Many campers are now in the mountains and more are constantly going thither. The hunting is not what it once was—nor are the hunters. The majority of the hunters of the present day do not care to find that monarch of the mountains, the grizzly bear, nor to be found by him. In the old golden days in the shady canons of those silent heights the grizzly did the hunting and the Argonaut the climbing.

True and False Embalming.

A man who handles a great many human dead bodies states that the ordinary process of embalming as adopted by undertakers is of almost no value in preserving bodies. The simple washing and injection of fluids intended to stay decomposition, he claimed, was of no merit, and always backed up by a liberal use of ice until the body is hurried out of sight. He maintained that the proper way to embalm is to remove the viscera, and the heart, liver, etc., wash the body repeatedly with alternate baths of turpentine and alcohol, fill it with oakum, and saturate that with turpentine. The embalming process now adopted, he said, cost less than $1, and is used by undertakers for no less fee than $10.