Skill and Ingenuity Displayed by Unintered Children of the Porest in Producing Baskets and Fancy Boxes from Grass and Bark.

The manufacture of fancy boxes and baskets and the polishing of pebbles, corals and stones has developed into two important industries in Northern Michigan, says a Petoskey (Mich.) correspondent of the Chicago Herald. The Indians are the chief workers in the basket industry and skilled lapidarians follow the other. Tourists who visit these regions during the summer season buy baskets and stones to take home as souvenirs, and while but little capital is invested in either branch of the business the aggregate sales amount to a surprisingly large figure. The baskets most popu lar with tourists are made of black ash Some of the work displays remarkable taste and artistic ability on the part of untutored children of the forests. A few years ago the Indians busied themselves making baskets and boxes of birch bark, with gayly-colored porcupine quills sewed into the fiber. The baskets were far from beautiful, but possessed an aboriginal attractiveness that pleased those who never saw such work. Sweet grass had a great run as a material for baskets and boxes, the fragrance of the grass remaining for years. But the rude birch bark boxes and the sweet smelling grass baskets have given place to the far more attractive black ash

. The ash tree, after it has been cut, is sawed into pieces four or five feet long, while still green, and then chopped into bolts three or four inches by an inch thick, the grain running with the narrow edge. The bolt is laid on the top of a stump and vigorously pounded with a wooden maul in the hands of a lusty Indian. The wood, under this process strips off into shavings the length of the bolt and as thick as the grain Each year's growth of the tree represents a shaving and the slower the growth of the tree the thinner the strip With a sharp knife the Indian smooths off one side of the strips and soaks them in water until they have become pliable. Then they are woven into baskets of every imaginable shape and size, into mammoth kampers, little boxes, shopping bags and work-boxes, both useful and ornamental. The squaws and girls are the chief workers in this industry, even chopping down the trees and preparing the wood for the various manipulations while the beaves and bucks sit around looking on

or quietly smoking. The work is done largely during the winter months, and instead of keeping the stuff until the summer season opens, when visitors are numerous and the demand for that kind of work is brisk, the squaws carry the baskets to town and dispose of them to the best dry goods and other supplies, realizing very little from the sale compared with what the merchant gets for the goods. The polishing of corals and pebbles gives employment to a score or more hands in this city, and the volume of business transacted aggregates \$15,000

or \$20,000. Corals are washed up on the beach of Little Traverse bay by waves and picked up by boys sent out for the purpose. When polished the corals have a gray black appearance, not very attractive and with no lively colors, but odd, and nice for pins and paper-weights. At no other point along the shores of the lake are they to be found, and five miles away on either side scarcely a specimen can be secured on the sand. There are only two or three other places. in the country where they are found, but in no place are they so numerous or so large as here. The supply of corals, however, is beginning to run short. A few years ago a boy could pick up enough of the very choicest corals in an hour to keep the machinery running for days. Tourists have been so industrious in picking up and taking home the rough stones that now choice specimens are scarce. The fact that the corals would take a fine polish was discovered about ten years ago by John L. Shaw, a wealthy capitalist of Grand Rapids, who was sitting on the steps of the only hotel that existed at this place then. In an idle moment he rubbed one of the wrals on a piece of railroad iron to see what the effect would be. The result as most gratifying, and a young man sitting near lim appropriated the idea and started a shop for cutting and polishing the stones. There are now four places in town polishing the stones, all run by steam or water power and all working the year round. In winter they prepare for the summer rush. Large quantities of corals are shipped to other points. Agates are sold at all of the bric-a-brac stores. Some of these are very besutiful, but an exceedingly small number of them ever bathed in the v sters of the big lake. The agates are brought from Germany, South America, Mexico and the West, but they are

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perior article and as such sell at fancy

Ten Rules of Politeness for Little Prince and Princes: Charming. A writer in the New York World

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Resist the desire to caress the face with the hands. Either the face or the hands is sure to suffer in appearance by being brought together. Rubbing the eyes, smoothing the forehead, and patting the mouth add nothing to personal beauty.

Never sit with the legs crossed, When asked to play or sing, do not refuse if you intend to perform. It is bad manners to urge a guest, and worse manners for a guest to show trity and caprice by "waiting to be

Overcome the habit of nudging neople, or catching them by the arm or by the othing, when you wish to attract their

Do not bore strangers by discussing family affairs with them. Don't chew a toothpick. 1

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THE COWBOY'S ROPE

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Wherein Cigarette Pictures and Wild West Shows Fail to Give a Thoroughly Accurate Idea of Life on the Range-The Cowboy's High Heels.

The modern management of cattle does not offer so extensive a field for the use of the lariat as the old system, says the Kansas City Star. Up to within five or six years, to be a good roper was ever a question in making one's estimate of a good cowboy, and the boys were very dexterous. Now, months may go without a rope being taken from the saddle, and there are people in the business who could not rope their own horses. A lariat is usually of half-inch manilla rope and is about sixty feet long. At one end the rope is bent backward and spliced into itself, making an eyelet for the rope to run in and form the loop. This eyelet is called the hundoo, and as the loop is grasped for throwing this hundee is two feet forward of the hand and by its weight assists in spreading the loop as the roper whirls and throws

The cowboy bred on the plains throws a big loop-twenty feet of rope in itbut the boys from Southern Texas, who had their novitiate among trees and brush, use a much smaller loop. In throwing nothing but the loop is handled with the right hand, the reserve rope being coiled loose in the left. While 60 feet is the usual limit of a lariat, I have witnessed an exhibition of roping wherein a slim boy of twenty tied his rope to a steer at a distance of 104 feet. The rope is now nostly confined to the branding pens and the horse corrals. In the latter one might as well be no roper as not, because the horses have such a fear of being choked and thrown that any of them will stop still as a statue in the midst of the maddest charge the moment a rope falls across his back. The bronco regards himself as a prey and a speil to nan the moment he feels a rope and renders himself captive, rescue or no rescue. The roping in the branding pen does not call for a high grade of skill, as the infant bovine, who is the bject of the meeting, is generally standing, sad and downcast, immediate y between your pony's front legs. The 'go" has all been run out of his little legs and the gayety driven from his youthful heart long before he was crowded with his wee-begone companions into the circle of torture. It is frequently necessary to run a

road-brand on a herd of grown cattle

which are intended to take the trail for

long distances. This road-brand assists

in their recovery in the event of a stampede, and even after a year or two. It is now put on while running the cattle through a chute, but in the times which ante-dated chutes it was among a cowpuncher's most exhaustive and exasperating duties. Think of roping, tying down and branding every member herd of 4 000 head of wild and full grown cattle on a fenceless plain! It was like facing 4,000 rounds of catch as-catch-can wrestling with an expert. In roping big cattle a great percent age of success is dependent on you pony. He must understand his part of the business. A common accident to careless cowboys and green ponies is to have the saddle turned by a side pull This means that you are pro tem. scoff and jeer to other cowpunchers, to say nothing of having your \$60 saddle torn to flinders by your agonized pony. Outside of Wild West shows there is scarcely any of this headlong throwing of heavy cattle which has common illus tration in eigarette pictures. Making a weak and grass-fed pony which weighs less than 600 pounds swap ends with a 1,200-pound steer is not lawn tennis. and a cowboy knows a better way. When his lariat is safe about the victim's horns he, by a steady pressure, brings him to a sullen standstill; then, with the rope loose on the ground, he rides clear around the steer and incloses all his feet. This done he spurs off like a thunderbolt and the steer is tripped on his side. The moment he is down the pony faces around so as to make the rope pull straight over his shoulders and permit him to watch the steer. The boy has to have his pony at this point and it is the pony's duty to keep the steer from regaining his feet. This he does by backing and by keeping a steady strain on the rope, thus holding the steer's head along the ground. While thus posed the boy ties his helpless legs, casts off his lariat and the trick is

It is matter of laughter in the Eastthe high, sharp heel of a cowboy's boot It is a popular fallacy that he affects this heel in a gust of pride and to assist in producing that jaunty waddle which naturalists discover in the movements of a cowboy when on the ground. This is not so. His sharp heels are as much a part of his outfit as his leggins or his "Colt." Many of his combats with his tumultuous wards come off on foot and if he did not possess these heels to dig into the ground in resistance he might as well have on roller skates, as a steer would drag him all over the landscape. It may have escaped the touring eye but this man of cows carries a pair of heavy gloves all summer tied at the cantle of his saddle. They are not present as a result of fad or whim, nor to go to dinner in; they are used in the afore said combats to prevent the lariat blistering his sensitive palms.

AN AMUSING WEDDING.

A St. Louis Man Who Was Married Un-

der Adverse Circumstances.

About the funniest wedding on record was that of a friend of mine, a well known St. Louis gentleman, writes a Globe - Democrat correspondent. He narried a girl who was visiting a town ess than one hundred miles from here. His flancee visited St. Louis about a week before the wedding was to take place. My friend learned that her sister was preparing to make the wedding a grand affair, and this he was opposed to. A license was obtained, and that night he left the city with his girl bound for the town she had been visiting. After the train started he asked her if she was willing to get married that night. She consented, and a telegram was sent from the next station notifying her brother-in-law to have things ready. The telegram reached there at ten o'clock and the couple at eleven o'clock. Every one was excited but the groom. The minister was pres ent and ready for the ceremony. The ladies were upstairs, and no one

seemed to think of my friend. He had left the city hurriedly, had traveled on a hot night, his shirt and collar were a hot night, his shirt and collar were soiled, he had no cuffs, his shoes were unshined and he was badly in need of a shave. He at last found a tin basin on a bench in the back yard. He washed and wet his hair, but, finding no brush or glass, went to the parlor and forgot all about himself. After the ceremony was over his wife turned to him and said: "Why, Charlie! You didn't comb your hair!" What makes it more funny, is the fact that usually the gentleman

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steam. We might have run into almost any thing, for I did not look ahead at all. My eyes were strained until they pained me looking up the track for the runaway. It might shave been ten minutes, more or less-it seemed like years to me. "Finally we heard the rumble and roar of the monster. It didn't take her

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long to heave in sight, and she was coming a humming. For the first time I confess I lost my nerve. It was only momentary, however, and then I opened my throttle and away we went. There was a good mile of straight track between us when I first caught sight of her; then we turned a curve and she was

out of sight, if not out of hearing. When she did come she had gaind on us pretty nearly half a mile. I shut off stear a trifle, and when we struck a level piece of track but a quarter of a mile separated us. I told Irish to keep up pressure, and the way he did it it's a wonder the boiler of seventy-six didn't

burst. She kept gotting nearer and nearer, and it was all I could do to keep from throwing wide the throttle and speeding away. "Finally she closed in upon us, and assure you that so nearly equal had I

neceeded in making the speed that the shock was little if any greater than that felt upon the coupling of two cars. I did not hesitate an instant, but jammed down the steam valve tight-a difficult task even for an athlete, as I then was. and from there swung myself upon the runaway. It was the work of scarcely half a minute to clamber in the cab and jab down the steam valve there. We ran possibly a mile before we came to a standstill, and by that time I was as limp as a rag and shaking like a man with the ague. A good drink of whisky fetched me around in a few minutes We coupled the engines, and in half an

hour had them both safely housed in Galveston." ROOTED TO THE SPOT.

Cruel Practical Joke Played on an Unsuspecting Clergyman. I heard a story the other day, says a rriter in Brooklyn Life, about the former assistant rector of one of the largest Episcopal churches in the city. The gentleman in question is now the president of a college so far away that he can not mind if I relate the incident. He was a jolly good fellow when he lived in a boarding house here, and in his off hours was accustomed to join in with the other good fellows of the house at a friendly game of whist or a smoke. One evening when he was out at service two of the wags of the establishment emembered that it was his invariable habit upon returning home to doff his roundabout vest and cierical coat, put on an old smoking-jacket and encase his feet in a pair of moroeco slippers, which latter always occupied the same position on his bedroom floor, preparatory to his coming. Accordingly, they firmly nailed these slippers to the floor, and awaited results in the next room.

Presently the dominic returned. They heard him moving about; they heard the thud of his shoes as they were taken off and thrown down, and then all was silence. They peeked cautiously in, and there beheld the young clergyman standing in his slippers, his face white as a sheet, and a look of horror upon it, his eyes staring straight ahead. he light was too much for them, but they managed to suppress their laughter and ask in a tone of amazement what the matter was.

move hand or foot. For mercy's sake, The man did actually, such is the orce of imagination, believe he was paralyzed for a moment or two, but he guaranteed to give satisfaction. finally set 'em up, in a manner appropriate to his calling, by buying cigars

for the crowd.

"Matter!" he gasped, "there is matter

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high good humor, recently, says the

of the office and told me the news.

The track had been cleared, he said,

and there was nothing to stop the mad

rush of the runaway locomotive until it

ton and plow its way through bricks and

mortar until both the building and loco-

"I had plenty of nerve then, and I

suppose by your laughing you think I

have lost none of it, but I am free to

confess that I would not now dare to

undertake the task that I successfully

accomplished that day. Perhaps it was

the excitement and enthusiasm of the

moment which led me to volunteer to

lasso that locomotive. I always smile

when I recall the look of incredulity

that met my confident assertion that I

could catch and arrest the mad flight of

the runaway, but I was so confident that

they gave me a hearing, and I finally

secured the services of a sturdy Irish lad

"In less than three minutes after the

dispatch had been received I was on my

engine, with steam slowly coming u

again, and pulling out as rapidly as pos-

sible to meet the on-coming terror. It

was impossible for the train-dispatcher

to give me any accurate idea as to where

the runaway was. The best be could

do was to say that it had passed a small

station about seventy-five miles up the

road some ten minutes before, moving

at the rate of about ninety miles an

half miles between us, but you can im

agine that the last five miles I covered

running direct at the oncoming monster

were any thing but pleasant. Well, I

reversed my engine and started running

away, gradually increasing my speed un-

til we settled down to a comfortable

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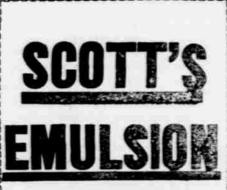
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of the Earth. what to Do When You Meet a Sloux, a Zuni, a Polite Jap, a Haughty Per-

stan, a Proud Spantard or a

Native of Hot Orinoco Land.

The North American Indians do not have many conventional forms of all tation. Their etiquette generally is meet in silence and smoke before a ing, the smoking being the real tion. But a number of tribes-e.g. Sheshoni, Caddo and Arikaraword or sound very similar to How in proper literation Hau or Hao. of the Sioux use the saure sound is munication with the whites, from y the error has arisen that the caught up and abbreviated the are you?" of the latter. But the wor is ancient, used in councils, and means "good" or "satisfactory." It is a sponse as well as an address or salus tion. The Navajos say, both at meeting

and parting: "Agafani," an archaic wor the ctymology of which is not yet as retained. Among the Cherokl colloquy is as follows: No. 1 says: "Slyu" (good). No. 2 responds: tahigwat-u" (good; are you in process To this No. 1 says: "I am in peace, and how is it with you?" No. 2 ends by "I am in prace also." Among the Zuni happiness is always asserted as well as imstored. In the morning their greeting is: "How keep you passed the night: in the evening: "How have you come into the sun at?" The reply always in Happily." After a separation of even hort durations, if more than one day the question is asked: "How have you passed these many days?" The reply is lovariably: "Happily," although the person addressed may be in severe suffering or dying. In quaint contrast with 532-536 WASHINGTON this Zuni custom is that of the Japanese, where the party visited asserts the propecity of the visitor. The host and

is stess politely ejaculate "Ohayo gozarismasu!"-"you have come quickly!"which welcome is given even if the visitor has suffered delay and all kinds of mishaps. It is never contradicted. Perhaps our expression: "You have been long in coming," as indicating longing and waiting, is no more artificial. The wish of salute is often specific connected with circumstances of envi onment. The people of Caire anxious y ask: "How do you perspire?" a dr; kin being the symptom of the dreader fover. In hot Persia the friendly wist s expressed: "May find cool your age?" -that is, give you comfort in declining ple of sedentary he rears. In the same land originates the

plumpness of the body as indicating ro bust health, but to deprecate exposur; to the noon sun, when all shadows are least. The Genoese in their time of pros perity used the form "Health and gain!" In some of the Polynesian isles the ion, it being the highest politeness to fling a jar of water over a friend's bead. According to Humboldt the morning salute on the Orlnoco is: "How have the conquitoes used you?" The old religious views of the Persians are found in their vishes: "Live forever!" and (still retained in Spain, probably a direct legacy

maint form: "May your shadow nove

e less!" which does not apply, as ofter

now used in Europe, to the size and

from the Moors), "May you live a thou-sand years!" They believe only in this life, and that through Divine favor it might be unlimited. The Chinese sojourners in Utah fell into a curious blunder in using some of our phrases. On meeting a resident at any time of day or night they called out "Good-morning!" and on parting Good-night!" even if it were before reakfast; A similar error in imitation was made by the Zuni. When the offeers from Fort Wingate visited the 'ueblo they were naturally anxous to reach the trader's store, so ey called out to the first person me ow are you? Where's the store: The Zuni enught up all the sounds as ne greeting, and in the kindness of their hearts shouted them to all subse-

quent visitors. The salutation "Howexplanation Mostems, while scrupulously saluting he meanest of their own communion, refuse all friendly greetings to the Jews. If inadvertently they have accosted one of that people with "Peace be unto you," or the like, they will hastily add "Death to you!" to which the Jew may respond, pretending to have heard only the beginning, by "The same to you In a spirit somewhat different from that in which the same words are used by us in answer to "Many happy returns!" on birthday and other anniversaries. It may be mentioned that where the Jews are in power they give no salute whatever to one of the Goim, but scowl

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these anecdotes in the Philadelphia

Times, at six o'clock sharp there came a

knock which startled the occupants of

the entire house, and Bridget's dulcet

voice exclaimed: "Yez needn't wake up, sor. The water is that cold yez couldn't bathe at all, at all!" One morning the letter-carrier brought a letter whose destination was doubtful, as the street and number were illegible. He tried at our house, and waited to be informed whether "Mr. Jones lived within." Bridget gave the letter-carrier a seat in the parlor while she carried the missive to my wife. "No, Bridget," said the latter, "the letter is not for us. Put it upon the mantle piece, and when the carrier comes in the norning give to him." Faithful to in-

structions, Bridget placed the epistle

upon the shelf, and, going to the impa-

tiently-waiting carrier, said: "Yes

needn't wait no longer. It's on the fireplace, and if yez would stop in to-morrow, yez can get it back again, but not My wife had occasion to send a note to a friend living some two miles away. "Bridget," she said, "I want you to go to Twenty-second street and Montgomery avenue." "All right, mum," replied Riddy, and disappeared. When the note was written the girl was not to be found. Herrman's vanishing lady could not have dematerialized more completely. An hour later Biddy reappeared clothed with smiles and per spiration. "Why, where have been?" asked my wife. "Didn't I tel you I wanted to send you out to Mont-

gomery avenue?" "Shure, an' haven't I been there?" was the offended reply. "What did you do when you got there?" "Why, I turned about and came back

again.' The Struggle of Life. Of the great prizes of human life at is not often the lot of the most enterprising to obtain many: they are placed on opposite sides of the path, so that it is impossible to approach one of them without proportionably receding from another; whence it results that the wisest plans are founded on a compremise between good and evil, where much that is the object of desire, the aim and hope of years, is finally relin quished and abandoned in order to secure superior advantages. -Robert Hall.

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