

A WARSHIP'S RECORD.

The Varied Service Performed by the Flagship Chicago.

Some Interesting Facts Concerning a Four Year Cruise of the Most Remarkable Ship in the White Squadron.

Of all the war ships in the world, there is probably not one so well known throughout the two hemispheres as the white cruiser Chicago. The flagship of Rear Admiral Eberle, she is being sent to uphold the honor and dignity of the United States in London. She is the most extensively known war vessel for many reasons. Not only has she visited more ports and more nations, but she has carried the stars and stripes into more harbors in a given space of time than any vessel in the history of the world; she has been saluted by more people of different nationalities and has fired more salutes, burned more powder in peaceful festivities, and received more honors and distinctions from foreign nations than all the other ships of the navy combined. The Chicago, in addition to having been the pride of the United States navy longer than any vessel in the world, has held a distinction, has made the longest recorded single cruise and has participated in more international naval demonstrations in a given period of time than any other war vessel of modern times.

During a cruise extending over four years and a half the Chicago traveled the coast of the old and new worlds and covered a distance of 46,825 nautical miles, made port 21 times, entered 2,975 harbors, came to anchor 3,562 times on foreign stations, and fired over 4,000 salutes, varying from thirteen to twenty-one guns, and received the honors and distinctions of 1,147 nations in the way of expended powder. Among the lands visited were Spain, France, Italy, Portugal, Algeria, Tripoli, Greece, Egypt, Brazil, Venezuela, Nicaragua, Barbados, Uruguay, Argentina, the Azores, Great Britain and Ireland. During this extended period the Chicago carried the pennant of one admiral, although she had three different captains and several complete changes of officers, owing to the operation of naval regulations as to sea and shore service.

The Chicago is also a remarkable ship in many other respects. As the flagship of the famous white squadron she did great service to her country in popularizing the United States navy among the nations of the world, and among the people of the United States. She was the most popular ship in the navy, not only with the officers, but also with the bluejackets and marines. With the bluejackets she was popular because she was a comfortable ship, and while the discipline was perhaps, somewhat strict her crew had more than the usual privileges in the way of sports and amusements. They got more shore liberty and more chances of rewards for good conduct. They had the use of the ship's band forward of the mast twice a week when the men were allowed to receive visitors and have dancing with their friends. This was a most popular feature of bluejacket life on the Chicago. The popularity of the Chicago among the nations of the world is further shown by the fact that the average number of applications for transfer to her from other ships was invariably about 400. With the officers she was a favorite because of her comfortable quarters and being the flagship, she came in for more than the usual amount of receptions and attentions from foreign powers, in ports visited. The officers of the Chicago have been entertained and received officially by the representatives of nearly all the chief European and South and Central American governments, and the Chicago in return has had the honor of having entertained the representatives of many foreign governments than any naval vessel afloat.

The recent reception given to her by the representatives of the government of Great Britain and the return reception to be given by them may be considered crowning honors in her career.

DEAD LANGUAGES. Tongues Usually So Called Are Far from Being Really Dead.

"The expression 'dead language' is almost constantly used in a misleading connection," says Dr. Arthur Patton, of Boston. "There are doubtless hundreds of dead languages, of which none but antiquarians have any knowledge, but the dead languages taught in our universities and colleges have a good deal of life left in them yet. The name is almost universally applied to Greek, Hebrew and Latin. A quarter of a century ago it certainly looked as though Greek was dying out of existence altogether, but since modern Greece has surprised even its best friends by the new life it has taken up the ancient Greek is being spoken in an amount Athens. It is quite a mistake to suggest that modern Greek differs so much from that of the former rulers of the world that the man who knows no common modern language can not bridge over the differences, and the Greek now spoken is very pure. Not only is Latin in use now among church dignitaries, with the exception of a variation since the days of Virgil and Caesar, but there are thousands of people in Europe who use it in their everyday life, although, of course, it is not at all like the language of the Italians. As to Hebrew, it has always been maintained in its purity, and cannot by any stretch of reasoning be regarded as a dead language."

A Valuable Manuscript. The pope lately presented to the Vatican library what may be regarded as a rare treasure of scientific value, a manuscript given by the celebrated Fra Giocondo, of Verona, to Lorenzo de Medici, known in history as the "Magnificent." Vassari, in his life of Fra Giocondo, writes of this work, and notes that Politan makes mention of this book in his "Muggelliane," and describes the author as "the most learned man of the old days." This work had been lost for a long time, and its recovery is looked upon as fortunate. The name of Fra Giocondo crops up from time to time in the more recent studies of the Italian Renaissance—that period when learning, science and art made such immense strides in the highest degree of excellence. He was known as a man of great learning, and is sometimes compared with that most remarkable scholar and marvelous artist, Leo Battista Alberti.

Over Plants in America. There are odd finds in the plant and flower line for people who look for oddities. On the top of Garret rock, in Paterson, N. J., the prickly pear grows in abundance, probably the only instance of its extensive appearance as a wild plant in this part of the country, although small and scattered plants are found in Bronx Park, being all the traditions of cactus growth by rooting among the rich grass of the meadows. In Bay ridge and on the rim of Prospect park reservoir, Brooklyn, the shamrock grows wild. The true shamrock, by the bye, is held to be the hopelover, that is, the clover, trifolium agrarium, that is in blossom everywhere about just now.

ROAR OF SUN SPOTS.

Nothing has been heard lately of Mr. Edison's attempt to make the roar of sun spots audible by means of an electro-magnetic device connecting the earth currents with a telephone. The New York Sun. The idea was nipped, from the sun to the earth when great spots are forming on the solar surface might be translated into sound waves, thus, in a sense, enabling us to listen to the voice of the god of day when his temper is disturbed.

Recently an experiment of a similar nature has been tried in England by W. H. Preece, and apparently with success. The apparatus consisted of a coil of last March, which seemed to be connected with disturbances in the sun. Telephones were inserted in some of the principal telegraph circuits, and they gave out a heavy magnetic hum, sometimes the noise was like the twanging of musical strings or wires; then again it resembled whistling. Some observers heard reverberations in the telephone lines in nature of heavy music. Occasionally, high-pitched notes and screeches were emitted, followed by low musical sounds like the laps of waves upon the beach.

For some time the telephones were given forth from telephones attached to telegraph lines—one was the Liverpool-Hamburg wire—aural lights, white, green and red-colored, were seen in various places playing up and down the sky, and the earth appeared to be tingling with electric currents.

Evidently there is still a great opportunity for discovery concerning the relation between the sun, magnetic storms and their relation, if any, to the sun. So far speculation has held the field in this direction, but a few facts are beginning to emerge, and they may illuminate the whole mystery with a flood of light. Then, perhaps, we shall know whether it was the earth or the sun that made Mr. Preece's telephone sing and whistle and shriek, while the heavens shimmered with light that was not of the stars.

OLD ROMAN PERQUISITES. Immense Amounts Contributed by Offshoots of the Roman Race.

When L. Capernius Pico was appointed governor of Macedonia for one year he drew for his outfit from the public treasury the sum of 500,000 sesterces. He did not want the money for that purpose. Everything required by a provincial was supplied to him by the province. Pico simply took the money for himself and left it out of the province's high interest. C. Verres was charged by Cicero with having robbed Sicily of 200,000,000 in three years, besides many valuable works of art, statues and pictures. He was convicted by Cicero and fled from Rome without attempting any defense. Cicero, as governor of the poor province of Cilicia, found himself the richer in one year by the amount of the bribes he received from the provincial who ever handed over his surplus to the state.

There can be no doubt that Cicero and the younger Piny received large sums from their clients while these clients were in Cilicia. But he is likely to have secured the argument "Pro Balbo" for a mere trifle, and the gratitude of Sicily for the prosecution of Verres was not a very important matter. Apart from all such honoraria, it is recorded that Cicero and the younger Piny received legacies from clients to the amount of 470,000 sesterces, or 1,175,000 dollars. Several of the Olympic senators had an income of 100,000 a year—without computing the stated provision of corn and wine.

AN INJURIOUS HABIT. "Salt-Eating" Is the Latest Aberration in the History of the World.

A new habit has asserted itself which suggests a curious train of thought as to direction in which human aberrations in the matter of personal habits may be naturally expected to develop. It marks the Chicago Israelite, that the new habit, that of "salt-eating," is not only greatly on the increase, particularly among women of all classes, but that it is not merely a passing fancy, but a disease. It begins with a desire for large quantities of salt with the food, and if not checked reaches a stage in which the patient carries salt crystals about with herself, and she is continually nibbling at them. The symptoms are a peculiar yellowness and shrinking of the skin, which is followed by the falling out of the hair, even that of the eyelids, until the sufferer resembles one of the wretches who have been condemned to work in quicksilver mines. The desire for salt said to be not confined only to human beings but in all vertebrate animals, but the degradation of this taste into a positive disease is entirely new, while the immediate cause remains extremely obscure.

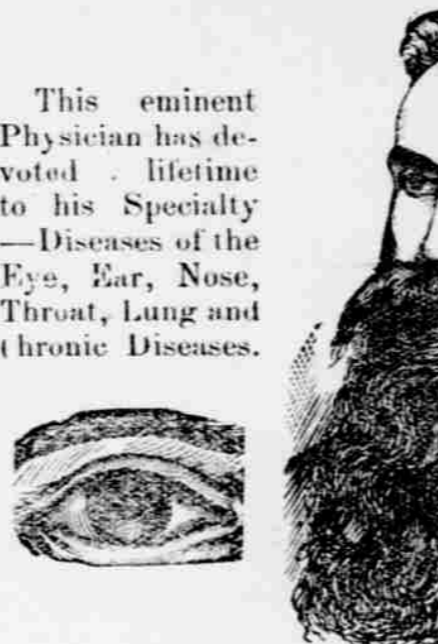
FOUND IN THE PEAT BEDS. Remains of Prehistoric Animals Discovered in England.

From time to time the peat beds at Newbury have yielded abundant remains of prehistoric animals which in primitive ages roamed along the Kent valley. When the physical conditions obtaining in western Europe were altogether different from those which obtain now, the animals which were in the peat beds, according to a London dispatch, have been found the remains of the colossal mammoth, including the horn of a stag which, when cut out, must have been ten to twelve feet in length, together with the bones, teeth or horns of other animals which have utterly disappeared from the face of the earth. The fragments which are now being carried on in the towers of Newbury have brought to light, mostly in a high state of preservation, numerous bones, skulls, and other fossil remains of animals which lived on subsequently to the disappearance of the post-glacial mammals, such as the wolf, bear, wild boar, red deer, roe, goat, dog, fox, horse. Various objects of flint, of the same age as the peat, have also been found. The lower layers of the peat, from which it is evident that the prehistoric inhabitants of the river valley possessed great dexterity in the fabrication of these primitive weapons and tools, some of the "knives" being beautifully clipped and presenting an edge almost as fine as a razor. Several articles of a later epoch have also been found, including various weapons and tools, some of which have been found, including portions of swords, stirrups, spurs, bridles, horse shoes and many other things of this date.

Villain's Trademark. "Here is one more way of telling the villain of a melodrama as soon as he puts in his appearance," said a veteran actor the other evening. "Look at his feet. If he wears patent leather boots he's a villain. No matter where he may be at the time, in Africa, Asia, or anywhere on the hospitable globe, the stage villain of to-day must wear patent leather boots, and his horse must be a steed as the cigarette used to be."

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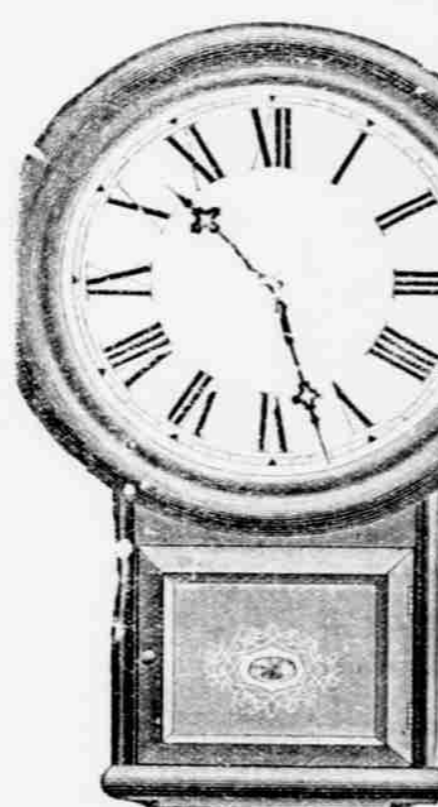
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The young Jersey was game, and for a moment stood watching the reserves, pawing the earth and shaking their sharp horns at them. Then, with a flourish, he lowered his head, and, raising the log of wood and prepared to do battle. "Backstep," came the order from Ensign Goodridge, and backstep he did in lively order, soon getting out of range of the heifer's horns. As soon as order was brought about in the ranks the naval reserve were marched into the city, leaving the pretty twenty-year-old Jersey to enjoy her daisies and buttercups unmolested.

COLUMBIAN DOCUMENTS. The Duke of Veragua's Valuable Gift to the Lenox Library.

The duke of Veragua made a gift to the Lenox Library of forty-six original documents of the Columbus family, which were exhibited at the Chicago world's fair.

He has made this gift, says the New York Times, by the intermediary of Mrs. Louis Winmiller, in a letter charmingly expressive of his pleasure at the Columbus exhibition.

Among them are a letter of the king of Portugal to Christopher Columbus, written in 1493, conveying to the latter the assurance of the former's consideration; a bull of Alexander consecrating the discoverer's sovereignty of the Indies in 1493; and several charters of the king and queen of Spain.

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PAT WAS PUZZLED. He Was Not Posted on the Duties of an Artist's Model.

Some years ago a class in the San Francisco academy of art was started by the sudden appearance in its midst of a dilapidated Irishman who, with tears in his eyes, begged for money enough to get him a bite.

The first impulse of the presiding genius was to request him to move on. But his picturesque qualities suggested that he might be given a chance to earn his supper by sitting as a model.

"Sit down," said the instructor, kindly. "If you will permit the painter, kind ladies to paint you, we will pay you four bits. What do you say?"

"All kinds of trades are on record, but it probably remained for the painter to produce a case of two men trading official positions. When the Cherokee strip was opened last fall, says the Chicago Times, Frank Dimon was appointed sheriff of county Q and James Lee county clerk. After serving six months each man had become convinced that he would like the other's office, and so concluded to make the change. They went to Guthrie, saw the governor, and gained his consent to the exchange. Then each signed, and the governor appointed Dimon clerk and Lee sheriff."

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There are some thirty islands in all, and they are all very fertile. The people who live upon them are very happy and contented. They have a great deal of food and clothing, and they are very well off.

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