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# Selecting a Wife.

What Science Says About It.

W theories of unconscious selection on the part of man and wife -like mating with like-as opposed to Darwin's idea that men and women depend upon their perceptive and intellectual faculties in choosing each other, were propounded by Prof. Karl Pearson, of University College, London, at the Royal Institution. He maintained that man has an unconscious tendency to

select a wife of his own height, with eyes of his own color, a proportionate span from forefinger to forefinger, a forearm corresponding to his own, and a constitution of like physical vigor.

Among every 1,000 men the color of the eyes is divided as follows: 

212 Green .....

Hazel ...... 127

having blue eyes. If these blue eyed people married at random the result would be that they would mate at the rate of 104 per 1,000; but he had discovered that the actual number of marriages per 1,000 of blue-eyed persons was 140, or 36 above the random average, thus proving that the blue-eyed man and blueeyed woman are unconsciously attracted toward one another

In the same way men with greenish-gray or hazel eyes tend to marry women with eyes of the same color.

The average height of a man he gave as from 67 inches to 68 inches; that of a woman as 621/2 inches, and he contended that the average tall man has a tall wife, and the short man a short wife.

"One could hardly imagine a man choosing a wife by measuring her from forefinger to forefinger," said the professor; yet his diagrams demonstrated that as the span of one increase so did that of the other.

A like result was produced in the measurement of thousands of forearms. his figures showing that there was a distinct tendency on the part of men with long forearms to marry wives with proportionately long forearms.



#### By Henry A. Castle. Formerly Auditor for the Post Office Department,

CONSERVATIVE estimate fixes the loss to the postal revenues from the free-mail facilities enjoyed by the various departments at \$15,000,000 every year.

Unfortunately no adequate accounting methods are provided for ascertaining the magnitude of this free business or what should justly be charged to it; approximate estimates only can be made. Nobody seems to care to know definitely what this incubus amounts to, but if the administration of so great an enterprise were in private or corporate hands there would unquestionably be a provision for knowing exactly what proportion of the cost this element of the equation should bear. A deplorable incident of doing private business under public auspices is the utter indifference which prevails as to questions like this, which ought to command general interest.

The "frank" is a menacing evil of our mail service, saturated with fraud, deceit, and demagoguery. Its utter depravity has been known and commented on for twenty years. Efforts have been made to curtall it, but in some particulars it is worse than at any previous stage of our history.

Every branch and department of the government loads the transmission of its mail-matter, legitimate and illegitimate, on the postal service. Congressmen and the departments not only send free of postage letters, reports, speeches, and all kinds of so-called "public documents," but often shipments of machinery, fire-proof safes, and other articles scarcely less ponderous than pig-Iron, on the pretext that they are in some mysterious way connected with r public business -- Harper's Weekly,

## S Inborn Inconsistencies.

#### By Lee Rising.

duty for American men. Always bla-

tant, always cool, always resourceful,

always ready with dreadful funni-

ments in the manner of Max Adeler,

that stock-figure duly creaked its

joinfs under the label of "Hawthorne,

this figure. But nowadays, when Lon-

don, throughout every summer, is

overflowing with real Americans, it

certainly does seem strange that our

playwrights can give us nothing bet-

So far as I know, the one play-

Superman," is an admirable study,

Not only has Mr. Shaw used his ears,

and delicately reproduced typical

speech, instead of offering us a jargon

striped waistcoats from reality, he

has also entered thoroughly into a

typical modern American soul .-- Lon-

Required a Lot of Educating.

A young Brockton physician tells

Upon his graduation from Brown

University he went home to the west-

ern part of the State for a few days,

and on the street met a young French-

ish war. This conversation ensued:

man, one of his comrades of the Span-

"Hello, Fred; I hear you got

"Yes. I finished there Wednesday."

"Well, what you going to do now?"

"I'm going to New York to study

don Saturday Review.

the following about himself:

through down at Brownse's."

medicine."

crum.

ERE MAN spends three thousand dollars for an automobile, and begrudges his wife a professional nurse to haul her from the clutches of the grip.

He wishes her gowns to be the latest creation of some fashionable modiste, and insists upon her wearing a last year's hat. He orders grouse, partridge or pheasant for a quiet dinner

between themselves, and badgers her at table over the butter wasted by the children.

#### NOTRIS AND COMMENTS.

The great American public will forgive anything except poor ball playing asserts the Baltimore American.

In adopting France's different standpoints and in showing herself ready to support them in the manner which we consider best, England has certainly rendered eminent service to the cause of European peace, declares the Paris Deheche Chronicle.

When we were boys, says the Haverhill Gazette, and didn't dare to settle our quarrels in any other way, there used to be a lot of satisfaction in calling names, appeasing temper, doing the other boy no harm, and being safer for all concerned.

It is just a hundred years since an Englishman of original fancy promenaded the streets of London in a cylindrical hat covered with beaver and was hissed and hooted home by the crowd, relates the Paris Desbats. This frightful, ridiculous, cumbrous, and uncomfortable headgear, heavy and fragile at once, has succeeded throughout the world by its suprious appearance of luxury.

The general report to the London Board of Trade on railway accidents in 1904, issued on July 17, states that the danger of railway traveling has been reduced to such a point that in 1904 the chances against a passenger being killed in a train accident in the course of a given journey were more than 200,000,000 to 1.

It is only natural to suppose that Russia will turn her attention to the direction of Central Asia with pressing earnestness, says the Tokio Jiji. In view of this trend of affairs, the Jiji perceives that the British desire for the enlargement and solidification of the Anglo-Japanese alliance is not based entirely on the admiration and appreciation of Japan's prowess.

The most notable feature in the statement of our foreign commerce for the fiscal year 1905 is the increase in our exportation of manufactured goods, remarks the New York Sun. From \$452,415,921 in 1904 to \$543,620,-297 in 1905 is indeed a goodly jump. The increase alone is about equal to the total of such exports in 1875.

Canada is grievously disappointed with the results of her foreign trade for the post fiscal year, notwithstanding the fact that its total volume was double that of the total volume in 1896, observes the Milwaukee Wisconsin. The reason for disappointment is that the gain is in imports, and that exports show a heavy falling off from

## THE KEYSTONE STATE Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in

Short Order.

Frank Strock, a furniture dealer of Carlisle, has made an assignment in bankruptcy

Joseph Moyer, a well-known Wayne Township farmer, died at his home of géneral debility, aged 82 years. Joseph J. Kehler, tax collector for

Eldred Township, near Pinegrove, has tendered his resignation.

Lewis Clees, of Montoursville, aged 27 years, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

Mrs. Eva Gray, widow of the Rev. E. J. Gray, former president of Williamsport Dickinson Seminary, died while ungoing an operation.

The borough council of Kennett Square has refused the request of the Chester County Gas Company to lay their mains in the streets of that town.

Watson Lommis was lodged in the Berks County juil for the alleged theft of Jonathan Strausser's team of a horse and spring wagon.

Cyrus Becker, a well-known farmer of Spring township, near Reading, hanged himself from a rafter in his barn. He was 50 years old and left a large family. E. Lockert, of Alloway, N. J., has pur-chased of J. Herbert Smith, Hotel Pollock, in Doylestown, for a consideration not made public. The transfer will be nade within a few days.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians of West Grove have decided to erect a fine new building. The first floor will be used as a fire engine house and the second floor will be used as a meeting place for the society.

The total valuation of Reading real estate has been assessed at \$48,933,485. The personal property valuation is \$104,-975 and the poll tax \$5,716.00, making a total revenue from the ten mill tax rate \$406,100.60.

Edgar O. H. Richards, of Easton, aged 6 years, son of E. J. Richards, treasurer of the company, pressed the button which started the machinery in the Northampton Silk Company's new mills. Fifty thousand dollars have been invest-

The Chester County court has granted a temporary injunction restraining the Avondale, West Grove, Oxford Trolley Company from building a bridge over the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad near Baker's Station, between Avondale and West Grove.

S. H. Kratzer, of Newberg, accompanied by his two daughters, went into the mountains near the Buckhorn, to pick berries. Sadie, aged 16 years, tread among some bushes and angered a rattlesmake by tramping upon it. Instantly the snake wrapped itself around her right arm and she screamed. Her father came running. Seeing the reptile about to strike, he seized it by the neck and beat its head off with a club. The snake

measured 6 feet and had ten rattles. Upon returning from work, Patrick crnon, of Cronshocken, found his three months old infant, Alice, cold in death from suffocation during the night The child had been smothered by the covers on its cradle becoming disarranged, the mother sleeping soundly in DEMOCRATIC CO. COMMITTEE----

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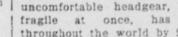
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and for thirty-eight years of his life. was a member of the First Unitarian Congregational church of Norton, Mass., and for twelve years one of its honored deacons. He was a devout worshiper, and I can well remember that he and one other, Judge Leonard, used to stand up in their pews with bowed heads during the prayer service while all the other members of the congregation remained seated.

In those days there was a row of sheds back of the church, built by people who wished to protect their horses and carriages from the driving storms of winter, and the scorching suns of summer. One of these sheds belonged to my grandfather.

One Sunday morning the old gentleman was sick, and, instead of going to church, the family horse was turned into the yard to graze awhile. The ank mal no sooner heard the ringing of the church bell than off he started at his usual Sabbath day trot, took his place in the familiar shed, where he stood still until the service was over. when he joined in the procession of the other homeward-bound teams .--Boston Hrald.

He orders seven different suits at the tailors, and rails next morning the eggs used by the cook.

He spends five hundred dollars in a week's bout with "the boys," and returns chastened and stingy to pore over the grocer's pass-book and hunt out possible economies

Winsome Woman spends three dollars for matince tickets, but in a sudden shower, not even to save her new spring suit, can she bring herself to take a fifty-cent cab home.

She invites some woman who she wishes to impiess to an elaborate hotel luncheon, and discovering an error-on her side-of five cents in the bill, mentions it gleefully to the woman, but not to the waiter.

She prides herself on telling the truth to her little children, and declares to their father she can't imagine how Johnnie caught cold, when she knows full well that she forget his leggins yesterday.

She hates and abhors a thief, but she goes through her husband's pockets in the dead of night and flickes therefrom a modest two-dollar bill "which he will never miss.

She scorps to read so much as a postal card not addressed to herself, but pounces on any open note found in runninging her lord and master's pockets. whether the handwriting be feminine or masculine.

She wishes her tradespeople to consider her the soul of honor, and asks her milliner to tuck an extra five on the bill and give her the ready cash.

If, as the Concord poet has told us, Consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds, let Mere Man and Winsome Woman clap their hands in glee. They are on the road to greatness: it is a neck-to-neck race with each. All true reatness glories in inconsistencies -- Life.

"Huh! You going to be a doctor? The Stage American. A real American would have help-How long dat take?"

ed the play in place of that ridiculous "I'll have to study four years, anystock-figure which on the English way."

stage has for so many years done "Four years! Gee! Didn't you graduate from the high school here?" "Yes."

> "And didn't you go four years at Brownse's?"

"Sure thing."

"And now you mean to tell me you U.S.A." Thirty years ago, before the got to study four years more to be a development of steamship navigation. doctor?" it was natural enough that English

"I certainly have, and after that playwrights should be content with there will be two years in a hospital." "Well, you must be tick-headed."---

#### An Ungenerous Question.

The first slice of goose had been cut and the minister of the Zion ter than this one old battered simula- Church looked at it with as keen anticipation as was displayed in the taces around him.

wright who has made an attempt to "Dat's as fine a goose as I ever saw. Brudder Williams," he said to his portray an American from actual experience of Americans is Mr Bernard nost. "Where did you get such a Shaw. Hector Malone, in "Man and fine one?"

"Well, now, Mistah Rawley," said The carver of the goose, with a sudden access of dignity, "when you modern American peculiarities of preach a special good sermon, I neber axes you where you got it. Seems which is as remote as starred and to me dat's a triv'al matter, any way." -Youth's Companion.

> Before Formosa passed into Japanese hands, 20,000 Chinese coolles were imported every year during the tea picking season.

> The most common name for a place in England is Newton, which occurs

> no fewer than seventy-two times. Fifty per cent, of the insanity in

> England is ascribed to heredity by recent official investigation.

> English automobile manufacturers are experimenting with wire wheels.

It is calculated that 4,000 persons make a living in London by begging. UD.

the figures of the preceding year.

A man who had been in the gold rush of '49, had survived shipwreck off South America, had escaped by the smallest possible margin from a burning hotel, and had lived to tell the tale of his escape from a serious mine disaster, was finally killed the other day by a locomotive. It was a conventional ending to a romantic existence, comments the Boston Transcript. He was walking the track.

No man is more unreservedly called a shameless liar than the newspaper reporter, and no man considers the slanders against him more lightly. says the Louisville Times. His conscience is usually clear, his motives disinterested, his knowledge of human nature comprehensive, his sense of humor keen and his knowledge of his traducers complete.

The progress of good road making in the prairie West has encountered peculiar conditions and some new kinds have been developed states the American Cultivator. First class road material is sometimes not to be had at reasonable cost. But the resourceful Westerners have found that in such cases much may be accomplished by the use of a split log drag just after rains. The drag fills the ruts and puddles, packs the soil which rapidly dries out at the top, making a smooth, even cement-like surface. Eastern farmers have plenty of good gravel and are not likely to need such methods on the public roads. But on cart roads over soft land where ruts and mud cause trouble, the plan might be worth a trial.

If the Army and Navy Journal correctly translates an article in the Artillery Journal of St. Petersburg, the wonder is, not that the Russians were whipped in Manchuria, but that they made so good a showing as they did, comments the New York Press. The article referred to gives an account of an examination held last year at the Esarkoe-Selo School of Application, where Russian captains of artillery go through an eight-months' course before taking over the command of a battery. The examinations were taken by forty-six officers, some of them having twenty-five years of service. Of these eighteen had never read the authorized text book on field artillery firing, and of the twenty-eight who had, only six asserted that they understood the principles therein laid down. To the question whether they knew the rules of firing, sixteen replied in the negative and twenty-eight had never read even an elementary book on field tactics. Fourteen thought they had some hazy notion of artillery tactics; and the rest gave it

bed by the side of the cradle

Richard Davis, aged 50 years, was instantly killed in the mines of the St. Clair Coal Company by a fall of coal. Two foreign laborers escaped with slight

Children playing along the tracks of the Lancaster & Quarryville Railroad found the mutilated body of Maris Clark. a farmer of Providence Township, lying in a ditch near Hess Station. The man's neck and limbs were broken, and it is evident that he had been hit by a train during the night while walking on the tracks. Deceased was 63 years of age and a veteran of the Civil War.

Lewis Ludwig, in this country only two weeks, was struck and killed by a Pennsylvania Railroad passenger train at Mocanaqua. The shrieking of the whistle confused him.

An unknown man was seen lying on the street car track at Wilkes-Barre and rescued just in time to prevent a car run-ning over him. Half an hour later, at

the same spot, a car killed him. Ex-Sheriff A. F. Mogel, of Berks County, voluntarily paid \$300 into the County Treasury as fees received while in office. He proposed to test the salary law to decide whether he is entitled to \$6000 or \$6500 a year.

After an idleness of three years the Eleanor Iron Works at Hollidaysburg are to be placed in operation October 1. Employment will be given 250 men. The immediate cause of the resumption is the improvement in the iron market.

Clarion County fishermen are becom ing greatly agitated on account of the death of the fish in the Clarion River by the action of the chemicals from mills. The river banks are lined with dead fish in some places, and many are seen float-

ing down the stream. The Bucks County coroner's jury in an inquest over the body of Samuel Small, who was killed by being struck by an engine on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, at Rockhill, exonerated the company of all blame, but recommended that the grade crossings be cleared of bushes.

The Pennsylvania Railroad is experimenting with a powerful magnet in its South Altoona foundry plant. The magnet will lift two ton, and is used to carry castings, the magnetism being supplied by electricity, which, when shut off, releases the object carried.

Frank Iklesburg. 29 years old, who was arrrested at Tamaqua on the charge of the larceny of a horse and carriage, at Norristown, was held without bail by Burgess Roberts, of the latter place. The team was recovered at Coatesville where it had been abandoned. Ikleburg resided at Bridgeport.

Ex-Congressman M. H. Kulp, of Shamokin; ex-Judge R. H. Koch, of Pottsville, and William Pascoe, of Allentown, drove from Shamokin to Treverton and were so pleased with the prospects that they planned to build a trolley extension from Edgewood Park to Treverton, traversing five miles of excellent territory.

William Yates of Norristown dreaded to go to a hospital for treatment. He had been ill for several weeks and friends insisted that he go to the County Hospital. The man finally consented and the trip was undertaken. As the attendants placed Yates on a cot he died.