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BREAD THE WORLD OVER.

Various Forms of the Staff of Life in Different Countries of the Earth.

From Good Housekeeping.

"It is a curious and interesting study," says the superintendent of the baking department in a certain industrial school, "to compare the various materials which serve the different nations of the world as the basis of their bread in this country, where good bread, made from spring and fall wheat flour, is within the reach of all. Rarely a thought is given to the fact that, after all, the inhabitants of only a small portion of the earth's surface enjoy such a food.

"In the remoter parts of Sweden the poor people make and bake their rye bread twice a year, and store the loaves away so that eventually they are as hard as bricks. Further north still bread is made from barley and oats. In Lapland, oats, with the inner bark of the pine, are used. The two together, well ground and mixed, are made into large flat cakes, cooked in a pan over the fire. In dreary Kamchatka, pine or birch bark by itself, well macerated, pounded and baked, frequently constitutes the whole of the native bread food. The Icelander scrapes the 'Iceland moss' off the rocks and grinds it into fine flour, which serves both for bread and puddings. In some parts of Siberia, China and other Eastern countries a fairly palatable bread is made from buckwheat. In parts of Italy chestnuts are cooked, ground into meal and used for making bread. Durra, a variety of the millet, is much used in the countries of India, Egypt, Arabia and Asia Minor for making bread. Rice bread is the staple food of the Chinese, Japanese, and a large portion of the inhabitants of India. In Persia the bread is made from rice flour and milk; it is called 'Lawash.'

"The Persian oven is built in the ground, about the size of a barrel. The sides are smooth mason work. The fire is built at the bottom and kept burning until the wall or sides of the oven are thoroughly heated. Enough dough to form a sheet about a foot wide and about two feet long is thrown on the bench and rolled until about as thin as sole leather, then it is taken up and tossed and rolled from one arm to the other and flung on a board and slapped on the side of the oven. It takes only a few moments to bake, and when baked it is spread out to cool. This bread is cheap (one cent a sheet); it is sweet and nourishing. A specimen of the 'hunger bread' from Armenia is made of clover seed, flax or linseed meal, mixed with edible grass. In the Molucca islands the starchy pith of the sago palm furnishes a white, floury meal. This is made up into flat, oblong leaves, which are baked in curious little ovens, each oven being divided into oblong cells to receive the loaves. Bread is also made of roots in some parts of Africa and South America. It is made from manioc tubers. These roots are a deadly poison if eaten in the raw state, but make a good food if properly prepared. To prepare it for bread, the roots are soaked for several days in water, thus washing out the poison; the fibres are picked out, dried and ground into flour. This is mixed with milk if obtainable, if not, water is used. The dough is formed into little round loaves, and bakes in hot ashes or dried in the sun."

DON'T ALL ENLIST AT ONCE.

Soldiering the Safest Profession in the World.

From the London Mail.

As it is by no means impossible that all able-bodied Englishmen may have, in the near future, to become defenders of their country, it is reassuring to learn, on the authority of statisticians, that soldiering is about the least dangerous profession in the world.

Protestant clergymen are popularly supposed to be the best male "lives" going. But they die at the rate of nearly eleven per thousand each year, while the British army shuffles off this mortal coil at a rate of less than five per thousand. Even ladies' maids, who have usually a life of great comfort and little work, die faster than this, departing this life at the rate of eight per thousand.

It might well be supposed that the troops who do as much fighting as the British soldiers abroad would be carried off in large numbers. This was true in the past, when the conditions favored disease, but in these days war is by no means as dangerous. For instance, in all our wars of the past twenty years the death rate on the battle-field has been only fifteen per thousand per annum.

Now solicitors cannot be said to be engaged in very risky work, yet they depart hence at the rate of sixteen per thousand per annum. Roman Catholic priests die at the rate of eighteen per thousand, and cabmen at the rate of twenty-six per thousand. Your chances of death, then, if you become a cabman, are five times as great as if you join the army at home, and nearly twice as great as if you form part of the fighting forces in India or Africa. And there are scores of trades—such as lead working, glass blowing, match making, public house keeping, etc.—ever so much more dangerous to life than cab driving.

NAILED THE LEG TOGETHER.

A Doctor's Bungling Job Cost the City $2,500.

From the Kansas City Star.

It was only an old rusty tenpenny nail, and it lay peacefully and bent with age and usage on the desk of the court stenographer in Judge Gate's division of the circuit court today. But it was not forgotten. There were touching references to it by the attorneys, some of whom handled it fondly, while others referred to it with sneers and discredit.

But, meaningless as it looked to be, it had played an important part in the life and limb of Mrs. Ella McClain, who lives near Fourteenth and Olive streets.

It had been used to nail her leg together with.

One evening in December, 1896, Mrs. McClain ran over to a bakery operated by her sister on East Fourteenth street. They chatted pleasantly, and it was 9 o'clock before Mrs. McClain started home. On Fourteenth street, near Park, there was a sidewalk in bad condition, and, too, a contractor was repairing the street there, and holes in the latter were indicated by red lanterns. Mrs. McClain fell, and the result of her fall was that both of the bones below the knee of her left leg were broken squarely off. Mrs. McClain weighs 190 pounds.

Doctors were called to set the bones. The small one knitted all right, but the large one didn't, and made necessary a serious operation. The surgeons called at her house one day. They sawed off the broken ends of the bone to make them smooth and fitted them together again; but, being smooth, they would not stay fitted.

"I'll fix it," said one of the surgeons. "Have you a short piece of heavy wire about the house?"

One of the household brought him an old tenpenny round wire nail with a flat, round head.

"This will do," said the doctor, and, drilling a place for it, he drove the wire nail in between the ends of the bone so they could not slip.

For five long months Mrs. McClain wore that wire nail in her leg, and recently the surgeons pulled it out with nippers. It was bent in being pulled out.

The nail was introduced in evidence today in the trial of Mrs. McClain's suit for $10,000 damages against the city. The city tried to shoulder the liability to the contractor, claiming she fell in the street, and this is where the cookies come in. They were found the next morning in the gutter, crushed and broken, and their position is used by Mrs. McClain's attorneys to prove that she fell on the sidewalk.

The jury in the case returned a verdict this afternoon giving Mrs. McClain $2,500.

Truth Crushed to Death.

From Good Stories

A worthy colored deacon, who had early impressed upon his only son and heir the moral of the George Washington cherry tree story, was fortunate enough to find a fat 'possum recently. He bore it in triumph to his dwelling, and, assisted by his son, cooked it to a juicy brown.

"Now," said he, "de best way ter eat a 'possum is col', so we'll jest let him stay in de pantry, and when mawnin' come he'll be mo' juicier dan ever."

His son seemed sadly disappointed, but he made the best of it, and both retired for the night.

The old man was up early next morning, but the boy slept on.

On opening the safe the astonished parent discovered nothing but bones in the dish that had contained the 'possum. He brought the drowsy youngster to his feet with one vigorous jerk, and, dragging him to the scene of the wreck, he said.

"What does dat mean, eh?"

The boy fell on his knees, and cried:

"Daddy, I can't tell a lie; I got up in de night and eat it wid my little moul."

The old man said not a word, but, dragging the boy to the front door, he held him by the collar while he jerked a piece of weather-boarding from the side of the house.

"Daddy!" cried the boy, "is you gwine ter lick me fer tellin' the truth?"

"No, you kinky-headed debbil, you," thundered the od man, "I gwine ter frail de hide off you for eatin' de 'possum!"

Dr. Holmes and the Agent.

Charles Francis Adams told Mr. Morse that one forenoon, when he and Mr. Schurz were calling on Dr. Holmes, a copy of Worcester's "Unabridged Dictionary" lay on the latter's desk. The doctor told them that a canvasser for "The Century Dictionary" had just called, teasing him for a subscription. "No," said the doctor, "I'm too old—80 years—I shan't live to see the Century finished." To which the encouraging book agent replied: "Nay, doctor, you won't have to live so very much longer to use our book; we's already got to G." "And you may go to L, if you like," exclaimed the little doctor; and the canvasser went—somewhere.

Oldest Lock in Existence.

"The oldest lock in existence is the one which formerly secured one of the doors of Nineveh," says the St. Louis Republic. "It is a gigantic affair and the key to it, which is as large as one man can conveniently carry, reminds one of the Scriptural reference to such instruments being carried on the shoulder. The exact words are: 'And the key to the house of David I will lay upon his shoulder. The key to the lock from Nineveh is nearly three and a half feet in length and of the thickness of four-inch drain tile."

Those Dreadful Sores

They Continued to Spread in Spite of Treatment but Now They are Healed—A Wonderful Work.

"For many years I have been a great sufferer with varicose veins on one of my limbs. My foot and limb became dreadfully swollen. When I stood up I could feel the blood rushing down the veins of this limb. One day I accidentally hit my foot against some object and a sore broke out which continued to spread and was exceedingly painful. I concluded I needed a blood purifier and I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. In a short time those dreadful sores which had caused me so much suffering, began to heal. I kept on faithfully with Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in a short time my limb was completely healed and the sores gave me no more pain. I cannot be too thankful for the wonderful work Hood's Sarsaparilla, has done for me." MRS. A. E. GILSON, Hartland, Vermont.

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THE MARKETS.

Wall Street Review.

New York, Jan. 8.—There was profit taking on quite a large scale on the stock market today after an additional advance in prices in the early trading. The realizing was quite pronounced in its effort on New York Central which reacted more than a point from the high level of the morning. Notwithstanding these reactionary tendencies the general tone of the speculation continued strong and confident. The total sales were 224,400 shares.

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	Opening.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing.
Am. Cot. Oil	22¾	22⅞	22¾	22⅞
Am. Sug. Re'g Co	141½	144⅞	143¾	143¾
Atch., To. & S. Fe	13¼	13½	13⅛	13¼
A., T. & S. F., Pr	31¼	31½	31¼	31¼
Am. Tobacco Co	91	91¼	91	91
Am. Spirits, Pr	29	29	29	29
Balt. & Ohio	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
Brook. R. P	38¾	39¼	38¾	38¾
Bay State Gas	4¼	4¼	4	4
Can. South	54½	54½	54¼	54¼
N. J. Central	97¼	98¼	97¼	97⅜
Chic. & G. W	15⅞	16¼	15⅞	16⅛
Chic. & N. W	123	125¾	123	123
Chic., R. & Q	101¼	101¾	101	101⅛
Chicago Gas	96⅞	97	96½	96½
Chic., Mil. & St. P	96⅛	96½	96	96¼
Chic., R. I. & P	91¾	92	91⅝	91¾
Chic., St. P. M. & O.	77½		77½	77¾
C. C. C. & St. L	35	35¾	35	35⅛
Delaware & Hud	113¾	114	113½	114
D., L. & W	155	157¾	155	155½
N. Y., L. E. & W	15	15¼	15	15¼
Gen. Electric	33½	37¼	36½	36⅞
Lake Shore	175½	176½	175½	176
Louis. & Nash	57	57¼	57	57
Lehigh Valley	26	26	26	26
Manhattan Ele	113½	114⅛	113¼	113⅞
M. K. & Tex., Pr	36¼	36¾	36¼	36¾
Mo. Pacific	35	35½	34⅛	34⅛
Nat. Lead	37½	37½	37½	37½
N. Y. Central	110¾	111¼	110½	110½
Ont. & West	16⅜	16½	16⅜	16½
North. Pacific	21⅞	22¼	21⅞	22¼
Nor. Pacific, Pr	60¾	61½	60¾	61⅛
Pacific Mail	31½	31¾	31⅛	31⅛
Phil. & Read	23⅜	23⅜	23	23
Southern R. R	9	9	9	9
Southern R. R., Pr	32¾	32¾	32⅛	32¼
Tenn., C. & Iron	26¾	27¾	26¾	27⅛
Texas & Pacific	11¾	11¾	11⅝	11⅝
Union Pacific	28¾	29	28½	28⅝
U. S. Leather, Pr	64½	65¾	64½	64¾
Wabash	7¼	7⅜	7¼	7⅜
Wabash, Pr	18⅜	19⅛	18⅜	18¾
West. Union	92⅝	93½	92⅝	93⅛

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

	Opening.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing
WHEAT.				
May	91⅝	91⅞	91⅛	91⅞
July	82⅜	82⅝	81¾	81⅞
CORN.				
May	29⅜	29½	29¼	29⅜
July	30⅜	30½	30¼	30⅜
OATS.				
May	23⅞	23⅞	23¾	23⅞
July	22¾	22¾	22⅝	22⅝
PORK.				
May	9.35	9.45	9.35	9.40
LARD.				
May	4.87	4.92	4.87	4.90

Bank statement — Reserves, increase, $6,475,825; loans, increase, $1,495,300; specie, increase, $1,857,800; legal tender, increase, $7,270,100; deposits, increase, $1,052,830; circulation, increase, $64,700.

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations--All Quotations Based on Par of 100.

STOCKS	Bid.	Asked.
Scranton & Pittston Trac. Co.	..	20
National Boring & Drill'g Co.	...	80
First National Bank	650	...
Elmhurst Boulevard Co.	...	100
Scranton Savings Bank	200	...
Scranton Packing Co	...	95
Lacka. Iron and Steel Co	...	150
Third National Bank	350	...
Throop Novelty M'f'g Co	...	80
Scranton Traction Co	15	17
Scranton Axle Works	...	75
Weston Mill Co	...	250
Alexander Car Replacer Co	...	100
Scranton Bedding Co	...	105
Dime Dep. & Dis. Bank	150	...
Peck Lumber M'f'g Co	175	210
Economy Light, Heat & Power Co	...	45
BONDS.		
Scranton Pass. Railway, first mortgage due 1920	115	...
People's Street Railway, first mortgage due 1918	115	...
People's Street Railway, General mortgage, due 1921	115	...
Dickson Manufacturing Co	...	100
Lacka. Township School 5%	...	102
City of Scranton St. Imp. 6%	...	102
Mt. Vernon Coal Co.	...	85
Scranton Axle Works	...	100
Scranton Traction Co	100	...

New York Produce Market.

New York, Jan. 8.—Flour—Quiet and about steady; city mill patents, $5.65a5.90; city mill clear, $5.35a5.45; Minnesota patents, $5.15a5.35; do. bakers, $4.25a4.50; winter patents, $4.80a5.15; do. straights, $4.50a4.60; do. extras, $3.40a3.95; do. low grades, $3a3.50. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red, $1.01⅛, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.02⅝, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, $1.03¼, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 northern New York, $1.01⅝, f. o. b., afloat; options opened weak owing to bearish Argentine news, declined under small weekly news and local realizing and closed easy at ⅛a⅜c. net decline; No. 2 red, January, 98⅛a98⅝c., closed 98⅝c.; February, closed 98⅜c.; March, 96⅝a96 15-16c., closed 96⅝c.; May, 92⅞a93 5-16c., closed 93⅛c. Corn—Spot easy; options opened easy with wheat and sold off under big account offerings and poor support, closing ⅛a⅜c. net lower; January, 33¼c.; May, 34 ⅛a34¼c., closed 34¼c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 28⅝c.; No. 3, 28¼c.; No. 2 white, 29¼a29½c.; No. 3 white, 28c.; track mixed, western, 28a30c.; track white, 29a32c.; options quiet but fairly steady, closing unchanged; February, closed 28½c.; May, closed 28⅜c. Beef—Firm; family, $11a11.50; extra mess, $8a8.50; beef hams, $22a22.50; packet, $9a10; city extra india mess, $15a16.50. Cut Meats—Steady; pickled bellies, 5a6c.; do. shoulders, 5c.; do. hams, 7c. Lard—Firm; western steamed, $5.12; May, $5.25, nominal; refined, firm; continent, $5.25; South American, $5.60; compound, 4⅛a4¼c. Pork—Firm; mess, $8.75a9.25; short clear, $10a12; family, $10a10.50. Butter—Steady; western creamery, 15a22c.; do. factory, 12a15c.; Elgins, 22c.; imitation creamery, 13½a15c.; state dairy, 13a20c.; do. creamery, 15a21c. Cheese—Steady; large white, September, 8½a8⅝c.; small do., 9¼a9½c.; large colored, September, 8½a8¾c.; small do., 9¼a9½c; large October, 8¼a8½c.; small do., 8¾a9c.; light skims, 6a6½c.; part skims, 4½a5½c.; full skims, 2½a3½c. Eggs—Steady; state and Pennsylvania, 21a24c.; western fresh, 20a22c. Potatoes—Quiet; New York, $2.12½a2.25; sweets, $2.50a4. Tallow—Dull; country (packages free), 3½a3¾c., city ($2 per package), 3¾c. Petroleum—Dull; refined New York, $5.40; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $5.35; do. in bulk, $2.85.

Philadelphia Provision Market.

Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—Wheat—Firm and ⅝c. higher; contract grade, January, 97a97¼c.; February, March and April, nominal. Corn—Firm; No. 2 mixed, January and February, 32½a33c.; March and April, nominal. Oats—Firm; No. 2 white, January and February, 29½a30c.; March and April, nominal. Potatoes—Firm; white, choice, per bushel, 75a80c.; do. fair to good, 65a75c.; sweets, prime red, per basket, 70a75c.; do. yeloiw, do., 65a70c.; do. seconds do., 30a35c. Butter—Unchanged; fancy western creamery, 22c.; do. Pennsylvania and western prints, 23c. Eggs—Steady; fresh, nearby, and western, 19c. Cheese—Firm. Refined Sugars—Unchanged. Cotton—Steady. Tallow—Quiet but steady; city prime in hogsheads, 3½a3⅝c.; country prime in barrels, 3½a3⅝c.; dark, do., 3¼c.; cakes, 3¾c.; grease, 3c. Live Poultry—Steady; fowls, 8a9c.; old roosters, 6c.; spring chickens, 7½a8c.; turkeys, 9a10c.; ducks, 9a10c; geese, 7a8c. Dressed Poultry—Firm; fowls, choice, 8½a9c.; do. fair to good, 7½a8c.; chickens, large, 9½a10c.; do. medium, 8a9c.; common and scalded do., 6a7½c.; turkeys, choice to fancy, 11½a12½c.; do. fair to good, 9a11c.; ducks, good to choice, 7a9c. Receipts—Flour, 3,000 barrels and 8,000 sacks; wheat, 13,000 bushels; corn, 11,000 bushels; oats, 70,000 bushels. Shipments—Wheat, 1,1000 bushels; corn, 12,000 bushels; oats, 10,000 bushels.

Chicago Grain Market.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—The leading futures ranged as follows: Wheat—January, 91½a92¾c.; May, 91½a91⅝c.; July, 82⅜a81⅝c. Corn—No. 2 January, 26⅝a26¾c.; May, 29¼a29⅜a29¼a29⅜c.; July, 30⅝a30⅞c. Oats—No. 2 May, 23¾a23⅞a23¾a23⅞c.; July, 22¾a22⅞c. Pork—January, $9.25a9.27½; May, $9.35a9.42½. Lard—January, $4.77½a4.80; May, $4.87½a4.90. Ribs—January, $4.60a4.60; May, $4.72½a4.75. Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Quiet; winter patents, $4.70a4.80; straights, $4.30a4.40; spring specials, $5.25a5.35; spring patents, $4.40a4.70; straights, $4a4.30; bakers, $3.70a3.80; No. 2 spring wheat, 87¾a88¾c.; No. 3 spring wheat, 82a91½c.; No. 2 red, 92¾c.; No. 2 corn, 26¾a27c.; No. 2 yellow, 26¾a27c; No. 2 oats, 22⅞c.; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 24½c.; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 24a24½c.; No. 2 rye, 45c.; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 28½a40c.; No. 1 flax seed, $1.18a1.22; prime timothy seed, $2.75; pork, $9.25a9.30; lard, $4.77½a4.80; ribs, $4.50a4.75; shoulders, 4¾a5c.; sides, $4.80a4.90; whisky, $1.19; sugars, cut loaf, $6.14; granulated, $5.51. Receipts—Flour, 15,000 barrels; wheat, 26,000 bushels; corn, 415,000 bushels; oats, 362,000 bushels; rye, 80,000 bushels; barley, 39,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 27,000 barrels, wheat, 17,000 bushels; corn, 119,000 bushels; oats, 419,000 bushels; rye, none; barley, 26,000 bushels.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—There was the usual Saturday lack of offerings of cattle, receipts being less than 50 head; sales in all cases were at yesterday's ruling prices but quotations were mostly nominal. There was an active demand for hogs at stronger to 2½c. higher prices. Prime hogs, $2.60a2.70; common packing, $3.35a3.45. As is usual on Saturday most of the light "run" of sheep today was consigned to local slaughtering concerns. Prices were steady at $4a4 for sheep and $4a5.75 for lambs. Receipts—Cattle, 300 head; hogs, 18,000 head; sheep, 3,000 head.

Philadelphia Live Stock.

Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—Receipts—Beeves, 3,323 head; sheep, 7,259 head; hogs, 5,496 head. Beef Cattle—In lighter supply; firm; extra, 5a5¼c.; goo, 4¾a4⅞c.; medium, 4½a4¾c.; common, 4¼a4⅜c. Sheep—In fair demand; firm, extra, 5a5¼c.; good, 4½a4¾c.; medium, 4a4¼c.; common, 3¼a3¾c.; lambs, 5¼a6½c. Hogs—Higher; best western, 5¼a5½c.; others, 5a5¼c. Cows—Fat cows, inactive at 2½a3¼c.; thin cows, dull, at $8a15; veal calves, active, at 5a7½c.; milch cows, quiet, at $20a40; dressed beeves, active, at 6a8¼c.

Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Cattle—Receipts of sale stocks, 3 cars; fairly steady. Hogs—Receipts, 4 cars; fairly active; Yorkers, good to choice, $3.75a3.77; roughs, common to choice, $3.20a3.35; pigs, common to choice, $3.65a3.75. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 8 cars; stronger, lambs, choice to extra, $5.90a6; culls to common, $4.50a5.50; sheep, choice to selected wethers, $4.65a5; culls to common, $2.50a3.75.

East Liberty Cattle Market.

East Liberty, Pa., Jan. 8.—Cattle—Steady; common, $3.25a3.60; bulls, stags and cows, $2a3.70. Hogs—Steady; prime asorted medium weights and heavy Yorkers, $3.75a3.80; comon to fair Yorkers and pigs, $3.70a3.75; heavy hogs, $3.65a3.70; good roughs, $3a3.25; common roughs, $2.25a2.75. Sheep—Slow; choice, $4.65a4.75; common, $3.25a3.75; choice lambs, $5.90a6; common to good, $4.50a5.80; veal cauves, $6.50a7.25.

New York Live Stock.

New York, Jan. 8.—Beeves—Receipts, 659 head; no trading; cable quote American steers at 9¼a10c.; refrigerator beef at 7½a8c.; exports, 1,536 beeves and 205 sheep and 4,160 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 8 cars; quiet and steady; veals, $5a8; grassers, $3a3.25. Sheep and Lambs—Steady and dull; sheep, $3.50a4.75; lambs, $5.50a6.25. Hogs—Receipts, 2,805 head; firm at $3.90a4.15.

Oil Market.

Oil City, Pa., Jan. 8.—Credit balances, 65; certificates, closed offered 64¼; 65 bid for cash oil; shipments, 102,225 barrels; runs, 105,903 barrels.

He Surrendered.

A few years ago Jim Chessley was one of the best all around athletes on the coast, but he made a specialty of base ball and sprinting, says the San Francisco Post. One night, after being out with the base ball crowd, he suggested that they go up to his lodgings and look at a new suit he had bought to sprint in. Though it was 2 o'clock in the morning they accepted his invitation.

Chessley stripped and put on his new running shoes and trunks. While he was still prancing about the room before his admiring friends a commotion was heard out in the hall and cries of "Stop thief."

Chessley threw open his door in time to see a man darting down the stairway. He dashed after the fellow and after a sprint of half a block caught him. When Chessley took him by the collar he whirled around as if he intended to fight, but when he had sized Jim up from the top of his head to his spiked soles his jaw dropped, he shook his head hopelessly and said:

"I give up, pardner. When they keep a man ready in runnin' costume to chase a feller at 3 o'clock in the mornin' they're too many for me."

Two Wise Fisherman.

Congressman Charley Crisp and Solicitor General Frank Hooper decided last week, says a Georgia paper, to have a big fishing frolic before entering on their duties as congressman and solicitor general.

They went down to Captain Seals' fish pond, near Americus, procured his fishing boat, and were about to embark, when one of them discovered the fish tank in it, which is kept supplied with fresh water by augur holes in the bottom of the boat.

The fish tank attachment was a new-fangled thing to our young congressman and solicitor general, and they viewed it with dire distrust.

"We'll bail the dang thing out!" exclaimed Solicitor Frank.

"That's just what we'll do," chimed in Congressman Charley.

Getting buckets, they set to work, determined to dip the boat and tank dry before risking their precious carcasses out on the water in it.

Bucketful after bucketful of water was dipped out and splashed back into the pond, as lower sank the sun in the western sky. Still on and on dipped our gallant fishermen. Great drops of briny perspiration rolled down the manly cheeks, and they puffed and blowed like rollicking porpoises, but they were good grit and determined not to be fooled out of their fish frolic by a small obstacle.

They were mad enough to break the third commandment, but, being reminded that it would make the fish not bite, they refrained and dipped on at a livelier speed.

The glorious orb of day sank behind the western horizon and night began to spread her sable mantle over the scene, but the water in the tank remained exactly on a level with the surface of the pond as on and on dipped the patient fishermen.

Just as they were about to conclude that the boat was hoodoed and utterly unsafe, Captain Seals appeared and explained the fish tank. Then there were two very blank looking faces, and a congressman and solicitor general sneaked off to kick themselves.

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Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, worth $1.25 and $1.50, at **89c.**

A few pair Ladies' Shoes **at 39c**

MISSES' SHOES—1,500 pairs Misses' Dongola Button and Lace Shoes, worth $1.00, **at 59c.,** all sizes, 11 to 2.

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1 qt. bot. Elvira.
1 qt. bot. Niagara.
1 qt. bot. Angelica.
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