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WAKE ISLAND AND ITS PECULIARITIES.

It Is Certainly the Freak in Our New Possessions—Is Often Completely Submerged—Life on It Not Likely to Be Wildly Exciting.

From the Washington Star.

In many respects the freakiest of the more than 1,400 islands of which Uncle Sam has come into possession as a result of the war is Wake Island, or Wake Island, as it is more commonly known.

"Presto! Change! You see it! Now you don't."

So says the Providence of Neptune. For, alas, this new possession is an island one day, another a treacherous reef hidden beneath an enticing sea.

Wake Island, as it has never been inhabited by human beings, at least not within the memory of mariners or explorers. How, then, can any one dwell there for the protection and preservation of Uncle Sam's interests.

When it was announced the other day that Wake Island was to be placed on a map to be found in Washington, no one who could venture any information as to its history.

The hydrographic office, the government bureau of information concerning islands, has naught but a few lines giving latitude, longitude and sailing directions.

Since then, however, your correspondent has persistently ransacked libraries and old records with some success. In an old volume of charts kept in the library of congress was found a map of the disappearing island.

Moreover, the war department contained among its records a brief description of it in a letter written by Brigadier General F. V. Greene, who planted an American flag there last Fourth of July.

Accompanying this letter is a rough sketch of the southern part of the island drawn from a compass survey made by two army officers. Compared with the chart in the congressional library, this sketch suggests that Father Time must have wrought many changes in the outlines of the dot of land.

Wake Island was first discovered from the deck of the British ship Prince William Henry in 1796. There is a tradition that it was christened Wake in honor of a British naval officer of that name, but all the Wakes in the official list of the British navy furnished a generation or more subsequent to the date of discovery.

In 1841 the United States exploring expedition under Captain Wilkes sighted the little sand hill and explored it. The old French charts call it "Eoueli," which means "rock," while some English charts label it "Fathoms." But according to some authorities, Wake was discovered by an American captain, yet the two seem to be identical, since Wilkes and subsequent explorers state that Wake Island is the only spot of land to be found near Wake Island's assigned position.

WORK OF CORAL INSECTS.

In fact, there would never have been any point of land if this lonely spot had not been the result of intricate work carried out. The coral insect is responsible for the upbuilding of the sea bottom there. The very highest spot is only fifteen feet above sea level. This is required only a moderately rough sea to submerge it.

Therefore our new cable station will have to be mounted upon a structure similar to the skeleton light towers erected upon more treacherous shoals along our Atlantic coast. Those in charge of the edifice will find it safe to venture below when the sea is normal, but when it rises they will have to climb to the top of their little perch. Here they must sleep, lest a sudden storm blow in the night and engulf them.

TRANSFIXED WITH PAIN.

How aptly that sacred type of womanhood, the "Virgin Mary," is depicted in religious art as the Mother of Sorrows transfixed with seven nails.

Some times when we stop to consider the sorrows and sufferings which are continually inflicted by so many thousands of our American women, it seems as if the gentler sex had been particularly chosen to endure the most poignant miseries of human kind.

Countless suffering women throughout this land will feel an eager sympathetic heart-throb in reading the frank and earnest letter of Mrs. Josie E. Clark, of Enterprise, Mo., addressed to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y.

"Your kindness to me I can never forget," she writes. "I cannot express half my feelings of gratitude to you. I had despaired of ever getting well. I had been in bed for twelve years. Had swollen legs, my hands were cold feet, everything I ate distressed me; my bowels were constipated. I was very nervous, increased and despondent. I had thought I could never be cured. I have taken bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and my health is now good. You have my most commendable thanks and if I think there is no medicine in the world as good as Dr. Pierce's."

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ships ahead, landed at 11 o'clock in the morning, left three hours later and caught up to his feet before sundown. The report of the exploration remained in the records of the war department unmentioned until a few days ago, when it was remembered and laid before a cabinet meeting during a discussion concerning the proposed 7,000-mile cable to connect San Francisco and Manila.

ON MEASUREMENTS OF PAIN

Result of Experiments Made by Dr. Arthur MacDonald.

From the Washington Post.

Dr. Arthur MacDonald, a specialist in the United States bureau of education, read an interesting and remarkable paper before the American Psychological Association, in New York, yesterday, upon measurements of pain. Dr. MacDonald's study in this unusual direction has resulted in the collection of numerous facts relative to the sensitiveness to pain of persons of both sexes, from which he has deduced the following:

Women are more sensitive to pain than men, and the American professional men are more sensitive to pain than American business men, and also more sensitive than both English and German professional men. The laboring classes are much less sensitive to pain than the non-laboring classes, while the women of the poorer classes are less sensitive than those in more comfortable conditions. Young men of the wealthy class are much more sensitive to pain than the men of the working class, and young women of the wealthy class are more sensitive than the young men of the same class.

In general, women are more sensitive to pain than men, but it does not necessarily follow that women cannot endure more pain than men. The left hand is more sensitive to pain than the right, and in general the sensibility to pain decreases as age increases. The left female is more sensitive than the right. From the ages of ten to eleven there is an increase of obtuseness to pain, and from eleven to twelve there is a decrease, with another increase from twelve to thirteen. From thirteen to seventeen the right sensibility increases in obtuseness while the left increases in acuteness.

In his experiments Dr. MacDonald examined, and caused to be examined, more than 1,400 persons, including able students in public schools, the most self-educated, working and business women, and university women. Dr. MacDonald says that girls in private schools, who are usually of wealthy parents, are much more sensitive to pain than girls in public schools, from which it would appear that refinement and luxuries tend to increase sensitiveness to pain. University women are more sensitive than washerwomen, but less sensitive than business women.

There seems to be a necessary relation between intellectual development and pain sensitiveness, obtuseness to pain being, apparently, due more to hardness in early life. Self-educated women who are trained in music, art and literature are more sensitive than business women, the greater sensitiveness of self-educated women as compared with university women being due, probably, to the overtaxing of the nervous system of the former in their struggle for knowledge. Girls in public schools are more sensitive at all ages than boys.

The experimental measurements of sensitiveness to pain were made by Dr. MacDonald in collaboration with the aid of a temple altimeter. The device is used by being pressed against the temporal muscle, amount of pressure being indicated on a scale.

A SEWING CROW.

An Industrious and Amusing Feathered Pet from Venezuela.

From the Cornell Magazine.

Perhaps of all my birds the one I called the sewing crow was the most amusing. It was a glossy black bird about the size of a thrush, with pale yellow feet and wings, and very curious light-colored eyes. It was a great friend in a little "moriche," black and yellow also, but of a more slender build, and with a very sweet whistle. The "moriche," too, was perfectly tame and flew all about the house, and it was very comic to watch its efforts at learning embroidery from its friend. It arrived at last at some sort of ease and quietude, but quite different from that of the crow, who evidently disapproved of it, and often ruthlessly pulled the work of a laborious morning on the "moriche's" part to pieces. Now the "moriche" knew better than to touch the crow's work, though he often appeared to carefully examine it. One day the crow, in very anger, snatched the "moriche" to help him roll and drag a reel of coarse white cotton from the corridor of the workshop across the floor of my sitting room into the veranda. I saw them doing this more than once and had unintentionally interfered with the crows.

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