# ANGLING FOR OCTOPODS.

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A Pleasing Novelty in Fishing at Puget Sound.

How a Baby Devildsh Exterialnod a Flor. ida Man-The Horrible Power Posed by the fineanny Crestares.

Fly fishing for the octopus is a pleasing novelty in the gentle art of angling. as practiced in Paget sound. Although this horrid cuttletish in such high latitodes does not attain the moustrous size it reaches in tropical or even setul tropical waters, the average weight of each other, getting their hind legs well those along the shores of Washington state is great enough to make the sport inder them, straining every muscle in their huge bodies, and squealing sav both exciting and dangerous, says the agely. They were evenly matched in New York Recorder.

Well named the "devilfish," this hideous marine animal, when hauled upon the deck of the fishing sloop, presented even when of relatively insignificant proportions-say, twenty pounds-an appearance the reverse of confidence-inspiring. It is easy enough to catch them and, after you get the hang of the thing, safe enough to handle them with tackle. The boat, with only sail enough to keep steerage muy, is guided over spots where the ectopus lies in whit under shelving rocks for his prey. As with the sponge fisherman in southern waters, a headless barrel, half-submerged in an upright position, is lashed to the bottom of the boat, and a boatman, thrusting his head into this barrel, scans the bottom closely with practiced eye, undistracted by the reflected glare from the surface of the surrounding water. With this simple device it is possible to see distinctly objects at a considernble depth.

At a signal from the man on the lookout the hoat is brought up into the wind and held stationary while preparations are speedily made to hook his octopusship, which has been sighted lying on the bottom, hideous and still, save for a reaching, swaying movement of one or more of its arms or feelers. A long sounding line is run through a pulley at the end of a boom swinging over the side, a piece of stont white cunvas is made fast at the end for a lure, and the fun begins.

Directed by the man in the barrel, the canvas "fly" is lowered to within a few feet of the lurhing devilfish and hept constantly in motion by a series of short jerks, care being taken not to let it come within reach of the fish e afraid lest the breeze, which was while he retains his position on the notion, else it would be impossible to tear it loose from its auchorage, such is the immense strength exerted by the suction disks with which its eight arms or legs are plentifully supplied The men at the rope were warned by the watcher of the signs of increasing

interest manifested by the octopus and when at last it makes a spring for the tantalizing lure and closes its peoblike jaws upon the piece of rag, strong arms heave in the line and the equirming organism, looking all arms and tentacles, is holsted to the end of the outrigged boom.

It is an operation requiring tact. promptness and akill, for the creature must not some in contact with the hull of the boot, to which it would attach itself like an unwieldy barmacle unvil such time as it suited its pleasure to let go, a period altogether indefinite for the comfort of either shipper or

KIEW Once dangling at the boom end, how-

#### BATTLE ROYAL BETWEEN ELKS Two Voluable Friends.

emashing the bushes and plowing up

stopped rather curiously. One of the

mlooking elks was a yearling, the

leave their flanks uncovered to his as-

sault, and as he approached they

spented once or twice, and I began to

SHE KNOWS A LOT.

Giri.

A Maguificent Comint Which Was Ended 1. A physician cannot be always had. by Two Well Almsed Builets. Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Bruises and In a little glade, one hundred and twenty-five yurds from us, two bull Barns occur often and sometimes when elles were engaged in dendly combat, least expected. Keep handy the friend while two others were looking on, says of many households and the destroyer Theodore Roosevelt in Wilderness of all pain, the famous Red Flag Oil, 25

Hunter. It was a splendid sight. The great beasts faced each other with 2. Many a piecious life could be saved owered horns, the manes that covered that is being macked to death with that their thick neeks and the hair on their shoulders bristling and creet. Then terrible cough. Secure a good night's they charged furiously, the crash of rest by investing 25 cents for a bottle of the meeting antlers resounding through Pan-Tina, the great remedy for coughs, thevalley. The shock threw them both colds and consumption. Pan-Tima sold on their haunches; with locked horns at G. W. Benford's Drog Store. and ginring eyes they strove against

### He Had Nothing Left.

First Footpat--there is no use tackling that fellow. weight, strength and courage; and,

push as they might, neither got the up-Second Footpad-Why? per hand, first one yielding a few First Footpad-He's being buying inches, then the other, while they Christmas presents all day.-Judge swayed to and fro in their struggles,

Bucklen's Arnica Save

the soil. Finally they separated and stood some little distance apart under The best Salve in the world for Cuts, the great pines, their sides heaving and Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rhoum, Fever columns of steam rising from their Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilnostrils through the frosty air of the blains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions. brightening morning. Again they and positively cures Piles, or no pay rerushed together with a crash and quired. It is guaranteed to give perfect each strove mightily to overthrow the satisfaction, or money refunded. Price other or get past his guard; but the branching antiers caught every vicious 25 cents per hox. For sale by J. N. Snylunge and thrust. This set-to was der.

## Staving Them Off.

other, though searcely as heavy bodied as either of the fighters, had a finer Jagway-H w do you feel over Christhead. He was evidently much exmas, old man?

ited by the battle, and he now began Travers-Very poorly. I find I am obto walk between the combatants, nodigrd, as a matter of necessity, to give my ling his head and uttering a queer, creditors a Christmas dinner .- Judge. whistling noise. They did not dare

All Free.

comptly separated and walked off dde by side a few yards apart. In a Those who have used Dr. King's New noment, however, one spun around and Discovery know its value, and those who umped at his old adversary, seeking have not, have the opportunity to try it o stab him in his unprotected finnk, free Call on the advertised Druggist but the latter was just as quick and as and get a Trial Bottle, Free. Send your before caught the rush on his horns. name and address to H. E. Bucklen They closed as furiously as ever, but the utmost either could do was to in- & Co., Chicago, an I get a sample box of lict one or two punches on the neck | Dr. King's New Life Pills Free, as well as | from the princess of Wales and from and shoulders of his foe, where the a copy of guide to Health and Housethick hide served as a shield. Again hold Instructor, Free. All of which is the peacemaker approached, nodding gnaranteed to do you good and cost you his head, whistling and threatening; nothing at J. N. Snyder's Drug store. and again they separated. This was

Measure for Measure

very light and puffy, should shift and "It's not the right sort of feeling, pergive them my wind. So, resting my haps, but at Christmas I like to give just iffe on my knee, I fired twice, putting ine ballet behind the shoulder of the as valuable presents as I receive." seacemaker and the other behind the

"So do I. My wife is going to give me houlder of one of the combatants. a hundred-dollar dressing gown and I am going to give her a hundred-dollar check to pay for it." That Is the Secret of the Really Popular

See The World's Fair for 15 The really popular girl always knows a lot, says the Philadelphia Enquirer. Cants. she knows enough not to gossip about

people who have done her favors and Upon receipt of your address and fifho are in a way of doing her favors. teen cents in postage stamps, we will he knows enough to dress approprimail you prepaid our Souvenir Portfolio tely at all times and never to be over of the World's Columbian Exposition, ressel. She knows enough not to rear diamonds, discuss religion or pol- the regular price is Fifty cents, but as we Rics, boast about her ancient lineage | want you to have one, we make the price or tell long-winded tales. She knows nominal. You will find it a work of art enough to keep silence and she knows and a thing to be prized. It centains full page views of the great buildings,

enough to talk well. She knows how to dance, swim, row, with descriptions of same, and is execu-I a boat, play the plano and ban ted in highest style of art. If not satising negro melodies and college songs. e knows enough not to "give away" tied with it, after you get it, we will reall the funny confidences that the boys fund the stamps and let you keep the ive her when in the blues or feeling book. Address meticularly good, and she knows how H. E. Brokles & Co. Chicago, Ill.

#### MILLIONAIRES' HOBBIES. A QUEEN'S EQUIPAGE.

The Favorite Team of England's Stout Sovereign.

Her Mujesty Has Grown So Estand in Her Old Age That She Prefers a Low Feny Phaston for Gen-

eral Use. However much England may have fallen off in other respects there is one thing in which it assuredly retains its apremney-namely, the number, the variety, the comfort and the beauty of its carriages of one kind and unother. They range from every kind of coach and drag down to the most diminutive of pony carriages and carts, and it is perhaps among the latter that the greatest ingenuity and aronning disimilarity are to be observed. Especialy rich in conveyances of this characer are the stables of the queen and of the prince of Wales. While it is imossible to conceive anything more lainty and elegant than the little phacton which the princess of Wales is accustomed to drive about Sandring-

ham, the some of comfort and convenience is assuredly embodied in the low pony trap used by Queen Victoria to take her daily airing at Windsor and Osborne. Her majesty has inherited the ten-

dency to obesity peculiar to the mem-bers of the royal house of Hanover, and this, together with the rheumatic ailment from which she suffers, renders locomotion a matter of some difficulty and the use of a carriage almost

perative. It is difficult to realize that the little, stout old lady, whose stature is considerably ander five feet, was once upon a time famous for her horsemanship or that she bears any relation to the young and elegant queen, whose appearance on horseback, with her hapely figure arrayed in the scarlet

and gold-braided jacket of a colonel of the guards, and a plumed hat on her head, aroused so much enthusiasm on the part of her soldiers at a certain emorable review at Aldershot shorty after the establishment of the great nilitary camp there.

As a whip Queen Victoria has never attained any fame, differing therein the latter's daughter, the duchess of Fife, both of whom are clever four-inhand drivers. Indeed, the princess of Wales is almost as much at home with her four-in-hand team of ponies as is her cousin, the queen of the Belgians. while one of the most charming and presents offered to the welcome duchess of York on the occasion of her marriage was a four-in-hand team of ponies and a diminutive phaeton in eeping with their size, given by Lord Vernon, whose wife is a daughter of

Francis Lawrence, of New York. American roads are as a rule so bad says the New York Tribane. that the very low pony carriage so much uses

by women in England could hardly be made available here. Where roads permit they should certainly be adopted by timid feminine drivers, for they are among the most luxuriously com fortable of vehicles, and it is very case to get out of them at the approach of any danger rendering the use of ono's own feet desirable.

STARTLED THE ENGINEER. The Practical Joke Played by Means of a Dummy on the Track.

A ernel joke was perpetrated on the rigado officials were consulted, the engineer of the Louisv He & Annivi former because it was feared to be the work of an incendiary.

would eclipse all others.

to many public collections.



MANUFACURER AND DEALER AND WHOLEPALE AND REVAILER OF

LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS

ever, it is virtually seenred, for surv der its hold on the rag it will not. The octopus holds fast to all it gets with a pertinucity which shames even the trusts and monopolies which have been likened to it. Now, however, the animul's own tenneity is turned against it and this very quality made to assist in landing its possessor at the final stage Both books and poles are thrust toward it and when it has fastened its unrelaxing grip upon these it is swung inboard, hurled upon the deck and dis patched with an ax.

A shell gatherer, while at work on the west coast, came upon a young octopus crawling among the rocks. It was quite small, measuring not more than three feet from tip to tip of its extended tentacies, while its body was no larger than a man's fist. It looked like a very big spider as it wabbled along on its arms, trying to reach the sorf from the part where it had been left by the receding tide, and the shell liunter thought he would try to capture it. Running up he planted his foot firmly on the end of one of the creature's "feelers," but with anearont case the octopus pulled it free and continned its march toward the sea. The man repeated the experiment several times with no better success, then taking advantage of a moment when the creature could offer comparatively little resistance, it being in the act of reaching out to lay hold of a rock on the other side of an intervening fissure. he selzed one of the tentacles and giv ing a powerful jerk tore the fish loose from the rock.

Up to this time the efforts of the octopus had all been directed to escap Now, however, it changed its tactics. Turning upon its pursuer, it laid hold of him by the arm, wrapping its tentacles about his body as well and tried to fasten its beaklike jawa in his face.

Here was a predicament. The hunter hunted with a vengeauce. Try as he would, the man could not shake off the creature, which clung to him with a claimmy, vicelike grip, but by a liberal use of a club, he saved himself from being bitten until his crics for as sistance brought friends to the scene who killed the fish with a knife.

A GERMAN COLONY AT JAFFA Hardships of a Beligious Sect That Set.

tied in Falestine.

The last number of the Gartenlaulso tells the story of a religious enterprise which has all the romance of the strange episode of Mormonism without any of its remulsive features, says the Manchester Guardian. About the middle of the present century a Swabian peasant farmer-Christoph Hoffmann conceived the notion that he was Sivinely called to build at Jernsalem a temple in readiness for the approach ing millennium. By degrees this sturdy fanatic gained considerable influence over his countrymen-an inlinence which may be estimated by the fast that he successfully contested the seat for Ludwigsburg in the German purliament in the year 1848, though the famous David Strauss, himself n native of the town, was his opponent. After spending some years in proselutizing and collecting the necessary funds Hoffmann made some overtures to the Turkish government for the acquisition of land, but the episode of the Crimeau war indefinitely postponed any chances which he might have had of success. In 1858 three members of the sect were sent out to the promised land as pioneers. By and by these were followed by others, who traveled over the country literally from Dan to to Reersheba. Many died from fever and hardship, but a nucleus still remained. These were joined at last hy Hoffmann himself in 1869, and a colony was definitely founded at Jaffa, which iloffmaun administered till his death in

Whatever the country may have been them; he has worn them when opporin ancient times, the Swabi

n could when they are stranded on an island, becalmed and without ours or a He Did Without it. tick with which to pole home. She

knows just how to eatch a fish and Miss Sweetser-Will you come up t then to cook it, and she knows enough the Christmasgathering to-night? I shall not to growl and whine and complair be there

until they are safely home. Jack Reddy-With pleasure. Am A Valuable Collection of Names.

expected to bring anything? John S. H. Fogg, of South Boston, de-Miss Sweetser-No; but you might ceased, had a collection of autographs fetch a spray of mistletoe .- Puck. valued at twenty-five thousand dollars ...... The list contains such names as Napo-

The Little Ones

the duke of Wellington, Henry Clay, Should be carefully considered, espec-John C. Calhoun, William E. Gladially when they contract coughs and stone, Dr. J. M. Hoffman, 1670; Govercolds. Croup is the demon of childhood cors William Bradford, Edward Winsow, John Carver and Edward Anchor, as many a fond mother knows. Do not of Plymonth colony, signers of the allow a cough or cold to run on. Wheth declaration of independence and the er young or old, it may be the forerun men who took part in the Boston tea ner of an untimely death. We can con party; Martha Washington, Dolly fidently recommend all readers to use Madison and Mrs. Lincoln; Joseph Ad-Pan-Tina, the celebra'ed remedy for lison, Louise M. Alcott, George Hancoughs, colds and consumption. croft, Mendelssohn, Edwin Forrest, T. Pan-Tina is sold at 25 and 50 cents at il. Huxley, Cyrus W. Field, David liume, Edwin Booth, John Boyle G. W. Benford's drug store.

O'Beilly, John Ruskin, Thackerny and Voltaire. Ender the clerical head are

A Slight Delay. Mrs, Pinkerly-The boy has just come

Songs have the power to quiet

The restless pulse of cace,

That follows after prayer.

Only Too Willing.

And come like the benediction

lev, John Newman, Cardinal Richelien, Cotton Mather, Jeremy Taylor and with that lovely Christmas present I got John Codman. All the signatures of for you to-day, dear. He is waiting in the presidents of the United States, all the hall now.

the cabinet officers from the time of Pinkerly-bow kind (kiss) and thought licorge Washington, all the governors of all the states and the United States ful of you, dear. (Kiss, kiss.) I am just senators from Massachusetts appearin dying to see what it is. (Impatiently Why don't you have the boy bring it up?

### HE WEARS PETTICOATS.

the collection.

pretty well.

such names as John Calvin, John Wes-

icon Bonaparte, Charles L. Frederick

11. of Prussia, John Bright, Mirabeau,

Life. Man Who Has a More Costly Femilain Wardrobe Than Many Womes Commander James Robbins, of the

local post Grand Army of the Republic, Cooper's Mills, Lincoln county, in Maine, is one of the prominent man of If you are worn out by that backing his community, a citizen generally escough, and wanta good night's rest, try teemed as a man of integrily and in-Pan-Tina, the great remedy for coughs. telligence, says the Lewiston Journal.

Mr. Robbins has a brilliant war record | colds and consumption ; 25 and 50 cents. as a member of the Thirteenth Maine. Pan-Tina sold at G. W. Benford's drug He has lived in the village since 1883 store. and in a jeweler. His house is a next cottage on the brow of the hill as one drives into the Mills. In the narrow

front hallway is Mr. Robbins' bench, Generous Six Year Old-Papa, there's lathe and tools, and here you will find a poor little cripple next door that hasn't him placidly working away at the tiny any use of his arms. I'd like to give wheels and springs. If you are on sufficiently intimate him for a Christmas present some of the

terms with Mr. Robbins you will find him indulging in his hobby. He has Papa (with tears of parental pride in one, like the most of us. In this case his eyes)-so you shall, my boy-so you the hobby is startlingly pieturesque, shall ! Give him that nice little drum and it may be safely said that he is the Aunt Mary tent you .- Chicago Tribune most original man in the state of Maine so far as his carious fancy i

concerned. He wears petticoats. No Wrinkles, and hollow cheeks, and dull, when he goes down street for the mail sunken eyes, don't always mean that a and to do his marketing. At these woman's old. Half the time, they only times he slips on his masculine pants show that she's overworked or suffering. loons. Yet he does not wear his trop sors like ordinary masculinity. No To such women, to every woman who is

suspenders for him. He wears a sort tired or afflicted, Dr. Pierce's Favorite of dress waist, and his trousers are but-Prescription safely and certainly brings toned tightly about his hips. He always | back health and strength. It's a legwears a woman's number six abo itimate medicine that corrects and cures; with high beels and graceful slonder a tonic that invigorates and builds up; shape. Mr. Robbins weighs something like one hundred and eighty pounds, a nervine that soothes and strengthens. and the effect produced by those shoes | For all the derangements, irregularities peeping coyly out from beneath manly and weaknesses peculiar to women, it is trouser legs is startling, to say the the only guaranteed remedy. If it doesn't

least. Mr. Robbins doesn't mince or benefit or cure, you have your money toddle, and his shoes seem to fit him back. He reserves his petticonts for the

sanctity of the home circle, for the par-It won't do to experiment with Catial retirement of his orchard and for tarrh. There's the constant danger of calls upon neighbors with whom his driving it to the lungs. You can have a acquaintance is close. Mr. Robbins perfect and permianent cure with Dr. isn't squeamish about showing himself Sage's Catarrh Remedy. in petticoats. He enjoys wearing

passenger train which reached this ity late the other afternoon, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. Several miles from the city the engineer was horrifled to see what appeared to be the form of a man asleep on the track a short distance ahead.

He frantically applied the airbrakes and blew the whistle in short, quick jerks, in the hopes of awakening th leeping man. Immediately heads be gan to pop out of the car windows, and as the supposed man in front was seen upon the track they were quickly jerked back to escape seeing the sickening accident, which it appeared could not be averted. As the engine passed over the object the engineer and fireman closed their eyes and fan cied they could feel the wheels pass over the body. When the train was finally stopped passengers and trainmen hurried back

could still be seen, but now cut into several pieces. A search was alread started for a doctor, when it was dis covered that the mutilated remain were those of a dummy, with a pump kin for a head. The figure had on a complete suit of clothes, and at a dis tange had a most natural appearance The men then returned, much dis gusted but greatly relieved, to the train, which reached the city slightly behind time.

CACTUS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

A Luxuriant Patch of the Plant Foun Growing Wild in the Woods

While a Port Jervis couple wer strolling through the Pike county woods near Matamoras, Pa., recently they were surprised to come upon a bed of wild eactus of luxuriant growth situated in the midst of several large trees, says a special to the New York Mrs. Pinkerly (embarrassed) The fact Sun. The cactus is from three to six is-er-darling, it has come C. O. D .feet in height and as green and healthy

looking as any ever seen in the cactu These exogenous plants had been in bloom during the past season and some

faded flowers still remained upon the stems, while the ground underneath the plants was covered with dead spec imens which had fallen off. No dwel ing ever occupied the site where the enctus was discovered, as far asknown, and it is doubtless a wild and natural production of the soil where it exists How this plant (of which there are more than five hundred species found almost exclusively in warmer region: should be able to exst in this high intitude and withstand our severe win ters is a mystery and famishes an in teresting study. 'The discovery ha created interest in the plant, and ef

mens to private gardens.

A Rorse Lives in the White House. A horse has a home in the white house, says a Washington correspond ent of the St. Louis Globe-Democration This is a literal fact which visitor never discover and which few Washing ton people know. The horse which shares the executive mansion with the president isn't a thoroughbred. He has either pedigree nor record. He is just a plain, everyday horse, with a white star in his forehead, a faithful companion to Edgar R. Beckley And who is Edgar E. Beckley? The man who for twenty-five years has carried to and from the white house all of the interesting and valuable mail reseived and sent. and who has never been found remiss in his duty. Rain or shine, hi all seasons, he makes hourly trips between the white house and the city post office. He is the white house mail carrier. And the horse that has his home in the white house car-

ries Beckley. The part of the mansion set spart for the horse is one corner of the c onservatory. A thin partition is all that separates the roomy stall from the orchids. There is just room enough for the stall and a temporary supply of feed, and there the horse eats and sleeps, under the same roof with the

No satisfactory result was obtained at the time as the outcome of the inrestigations, but Inspector Moran, one of the officers engaged in the inquiry, was seized with a "happy thought" while afterward pondering over the scourrence. Throughout the whole of

Thursday the sun had been shining very brightly at Hampstead, and he had ascertained that in the morning a fall water bottle had been standing in the room between the open window and a mackintosh on the wall. The iden occurred to him that the sen's rays, shining through the water in the bottle, might have set fire to the mackintosh, causing the latter in turn to lynite the bedding. Accordingly, at about noon on Friday, when the sun was again shining brightly, though not so powerfully as on the previous day, he proceeded to the house and experio the spot, where the dark object sented with a water-bottle and a mackintosh. The result clearly dem onstrated that the fire had been caused by the sun's rays being concentrated

by the water upon the mackintosh, the burning liquid substance from which had fallen on the bed and set it on fire. The removal of the idea of incendiar ism was a great consolation to the offi cers of the institution. WEDDING TOUR IN A BALLOON

A Wild and Fatal Adventure in the Italian Alps in October.

Mme. Charbonnet, who went in a alloon on her wedding tour and was thrown out, with her husband and his friend, in the Italian Alps on October II. last, arrived in Turin a few days later. Mmc. Charbonnet says that the balloon struck the glacier at three clock in the afternoon. The car went to pieces and the three occupants were thrown out, but were not hadly surt. They passed the night in the now and ice among the Cairamella cales, their only shelter being a tent which they made from what remained of the balloon.

When the next day broke they began he descent of the mountain. They and gone hardly a mile when Charsonnet disappeared in a crevasee. Ponta and Mine. Charbonnet wandered over the glacier during the rest of the day. In the evening Ponta fell and broke his leg. The couple passed a second night in the snow and les, and then Mmc. Charbonnet went alone down the mountain to a hut, where she induced two guides to go back after her husband and Ponta. Charbonnet's dead body, with skull and limbs crushed, was found at the bottom of the crevasne. Ponts was unforts will be made to transplant speci conscious, but revived after he was

taken to the hut. Going Out with Firecrachers.

An interesting case of "the ruling assion strong in death" is described y the Toronto Mail. A humorist in apan who jested all his life told his iends when he was dying that his sly was not to be washed after death. ut was to be taken at once to the family temple to be cremated. When ie died his instructions were followed. and the chief priest took the body to be cremation ground. As soon as it vas set on fire the mourners was as-

er of fear, and careful inspection showed that the humorist had stowed away a large number of firecrackers about his person before his death.

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Terrible Tides. Statistics regarding the tides in the Bay of Fundy are so startling as to seem almost incredible. At Grand Manan the fall is from twelve to fifteen feet, at Lubec and Eastport twenty feet, at St. John from twenty four to thirty feet, at Moneton, on the bend of the Petiteodiac, seventy feet. while the distance between high and

