AN OLD SRIPPER TELLS ABOUT THEIR CAPTURE.

Catching Them at Night on the Florida Keys-Turtles that Weighed Two Thouaands Pounds-Monsters of the Past.

An old skipper told a New York reporter how turtles are caught. He the cones. They're the biggest and said : "We run down to the Keys and turdes a-livin', but there am't neu h lay the smack off, and late in the call for 'em except for curiosities. Th afternoon put ashore in the dingies and make camp in the bushes. Then one hand takes a walk round the beach clost to the water ; in that way he strikes the tracks up, at once fol-lows 'em up, and so finds the nest. Eggs good ? Wall, it's a matter o' taste. galley stove forty-eight hours, and Several years ago some workmen they never changed a bit; cookin' don't affect 'em a mite, and the only dia, when they came on to what was way I ever saw 'em eaten, was when they were taken out of the turtle half natives considered it. It was careformed, lookin' like yellow grapes, and dried in the sun until hard, and eaten the shell of an enormous turtle that

ashore until after dark. Every twenty high, and competent naturalists exminutes or so one of the hands takes a pressed the opinion that when alive it round, and when he comes to a track must have been twenty-five feet long. easy to see by moonlight or stars up he It was a land tortoise, and crawled rushes, and if the turtle is layin' she about like our common wood tortoise won't move, and you've got to wait of to-day, making footprints as large as those of an elephant. In the Westthrough or about diggin' she'll turn ern country known as the Bad Lands and make tracks to the water in a way hundreds of fossil turtles have been as is caution to sinners. The first found, their interiors filled with solid time I tackled one she got the start on rock, once the sand or muddy lake or me, and I ran up behind jest in time sea bed in which they lived. to catch about a barrel of sand. She But a good hand will slip up, and with and left right there. If it's a big yet known.

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turtle the turner gives a sing out, and a couple o' h ds go on the run to give him a trive been one o' these men, and I ain't no babby, a-tryin' to lift a big loggerhead over, and couldn't. She struck my mate over time I raised her, and he went down tread-mill-all gormed'up. The next the one whom you just shaved ?" lift she took hold o' my foot; and talk asked the reporter. "Very often," the me overboard, the other men beatin' on the lather. "You see it ain't conher with scantlins. But, bless ye ! she was a-movin' for the water all the time, takin' us right along, and throw- and he is compelled to ask for credit. she got, and the only satisfaction I got things one sees in the streets making that ran off about two hundred yards, they pay their weekly bills. For inthan I even went through the water expenditures :

Turtles ain't so stupid as peopl thinks. I've often watched them, a sometimes they come up in front of the camp. Eirst you hear a kind o sigh-kind o asthma-like; then in th moonlight you'll see a black hea a-lookin' 'round. Up she comes, little at a time, but afore she leave the water she makes sure there ain' no one around; then goes for th beach, crawls right up to the bus the water never reaches and Candy, French, to chew..... where during the day it's almost red hot. Then she picks out a place and commences to dig with her hind feet. until a hole about three feet deep is arrives he has not the required lips into proper position, and widen dug, and into this the eggs are dropped dime with which to pay for a shave. -sometimes a hundred, more or less. When she's done, she covers it up, and, instead of goin' right back- and there you see the cummin' o' the brutesshe crawls along the edge of the bush are careful never to trust a young man always, and then strikes for the water, of this class for more than one shave, perhaps two hundred feet from where for were we to do so it would be ut. she come up; so all ye know when ye terly impossible for him to ever catch position of the hand at this stage of find tracks is that the nest is some- up, and then we would not only lose where between 'em, and a green hand the twenty cents but the patronage as across his mouth so that he was unis like to make a still hunt for it. turned in a night, and sometimes nary bouquets, 'shines,' candy and such a tube inserted. After some days the one. nights, though. The next morning we tell me that they would be no good as git 'em into the dingy and then rig a mashers if they were to do so. You trimmel and made to units with the block and tackle and fat 'em aboard ask what a 'dickey' is, why bless my tlesh on the cheeks on either side. the smack and run for Key West. heart, you are a green one. A 'dickey' Most skippers that make any business of turthin' have crawls on the flats on the easily mistaken for a \$3 shirt. Oh, in one of the city hospitable, and few the northwest side of the Key. Crawls? Wall, crawls's a place where turtles can't crawf out. Nothin' but a fenced in place in four or five feet of water, and into this all the turtles is out it to be ket till could for ' as a place where fenced in place in four or five feet of water. and into this all the turtles is put 'to be kept till called for,' as Capmin Kida said when he buried the pot o' gold. On these crawls, or those of of a fire at a certain place in the State dead body in an upright position in an the Conchs, we call when we work up along. The turtles are taken out and burned for more than fifty years, and stowed on their backs and dashed with is likely to continue for years to come, New York Trabune. water, and live for any time. they're a part of the population of Key mining "drift" (or passage for an West, livin' in a part called Conch- underground road) into a mountain town, and supposed to live on conchs. about four miles from Pottsville, and But I never see one cat one, and I that it was usual, at that time, to build reckon nothin' but groupers would a large fire at the mouth of the drift tackle 'em. The Conchs have a curious in midwinter to prevent its being way of catchin' turtles with a peg. Spearin' ye might call it, but the spear is a peg. lookin' jest like about two left unguarded, but Monday morning inches off the end of a three-sided file. disclosed to the miners the result of That ere is made fast to a long grouper line about as big as our cod line, and made to fit into a long pole. With communicated to the coal in the mine this rig they scull over the reef with The mine had to be abandoned, and all a dingy, and when they see a turtle efforts to quench the fire, which conasleep on the bottom or lying on top, stantly grew more intense, were they let him have it. You'd think soon given up. The underground such a plug would pull out, but it don't; suction keeps it and a big loggerhead will and boat a couple o' miles afore they git it alongside. Then, the flames were nearer the suragin, it don't hurt the critter; only face than now, the sky was lighted sticks in the shell, and can be worked up with a ruddy glare at night, while right out, which a barbed spear rain and snow disappeared in clouds couldn't. "There's another turtle they git on the reef-the hawkshill; they're fine eatin', but the shell is the most value eatin', but the shell is the most valu- have been repeatedly driven out by the able, bein' made into combs and the lire .- St. Nicholas. like. On the South American coast they take the shell off by roastin', and The average consumption of postal lettin' the critter go to grow another. cardy is 1,250,000 a day.

HOW TURTLES ARE CAUGHT. Did ye ever see a Galiapas turtlet Well, there's a terrapin for you No. Land turtles four feet long and three feet high that'll tote along a man or three of em, just like a horse. I landed on the islands in '61, and brought away a half a dozen of 'ein. The whole island is marked with their tracks leadin' from the water up into

biggest sea turtle to-day is the leather turtle, sometimes weighin' 2,000 pounds. The lack is made up of one piece, bavin' no scales like the others. They are pretty rare, bein' found only out to sea.

The Gallapagos turtle mentioned by I've seen turtle eggs on the the skipper is from gigantic stock were making excavations in lower Inevidently a house; at least such the fully unearthed, and turned out to be like cheese; they kind o' taste like it. lived during the tertiary period. It "Turtles don't generally come was fourteen feet long and nine feet

On one of the government expedithrew it with all her four flippers like tions a turtle, perhaps thirty feet in a Mississippi stern-wheel steamer, length, was found, which, curiously fillin' my eyes so I jest sot down and enough, had rudimentary characteryelled, while she slid off into the water. | istics, showing it to be a missing link, as it were, connecting other forms. a grip jest behind the fore flippers send It was a forefather of the great a big one over. This done, the flippers leather turtle of to-day. Its length are slit with a knife and made fast from flipper to flipper was over sevenby rope yarn, and she's ready to ship teen feet, making it the largest turtl

Stati: s of a Masher.

"Charge that," said a well dressed, part-his-hair-in-the-center young man to one of the barbers in a prominent Superior street shop yesterday mornthe head with her foreflipper the first ing. The barber yelled "next," the young man passed out, and a Leader just as if he'd been sent for, and his reporter took a place in the chair. "Do jaw looked like the gang-plank of a you often get swindled by men like about bulldogs! she nigh on to tuck barber answered, as he began laying venient at all times for a gentleman to spare ten cents on a Sunday morning, in' sand like a windmill. At last, in As a usual thing these pert young was a ride. There was a shoal piece mashes, are hard up, especially after and as she hinged off I grabbed her stance, the average corner pet gets about \$5 per week. When Saturday me to the edge of the channel quicker night comes he makes the following

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A Dresden artist has made a watch entirely of paper which keeps good time.

A silver dime was found in the yolk of an egg recently broken at the Plankinton house, Milwaukee.

French policemen in Paris are paid rewards of from \$1 to \$5 for making arrests and capturing offenders.

About forty-five per cent, of the land of the United States remains unsurveyed to this day, very nearly 1,000, 000,000 acres in all.

The museum at Reading, England, contains among its curiosities a bridle formerly used to stop the mouths of scolding women in that town.

Investigation has developed that the game of draw poker was invented somewhere about 1846 or 1847, by Mr. Kirkman, of Tennessee, a turfman of some note.

The block from which was cut the pedestal for the statue of Peter the Great at St. Petersburg weighed about 1,500 tons, and yet it was transported four miles.

Mucilage is a handy thing to have in the house. But if the bottle is empty, and the stamp or envelope does not stick, probably not one in a hundred knows that honey is a very good substitute.

Persons who tell of the marvelous speed of railway trains should bear in mind the engine moving at the rate of sixty miles an hour passes over eightyeight feet of ground each second. A horse trotting at a speed of 2:10 covers more than forty feet per second.

Making a Nose.

In an obscure part of the Bellevue hospital yard there is a photograph gallery which has become an important adjunct to that institution. The photographer is O. G. Mason. He has a long beard which, with his round velvet cap and apron, gives him the appearance of an alchemist of the middle ages.

"I have been here since 1868," said the photographer. "Before that time rare cases in the hospital were photographel by amateurs, but the results were not satisfactory. The use of photography in making permanent records of the various stages of diseases and of their treatment has become a very important feature of surgery-so important, indeed, that it would not now be easily dispensed with. Not only are patients suffering from various forms of disease brought under the camera, but also the surgical instruments used, their construction and the method of their application."

Mr. Mason showed the reporter a series of photographs illustrating the successive stages of an important operation. The first picture should the condition of a boy who, when brought into the hospital, had no nose. His mouth was distorted and partly absorbed and the flesh beneath the eyes was drawn down upon the cheeks.

"The boy's face was in 1 al shape, as you see," the photographer continued, " and the surgeons began to make his face over for him. The next picture shows how they build up the lower borders of the eyes, which then

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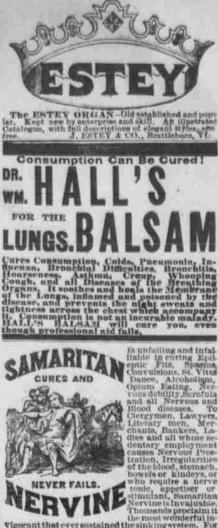
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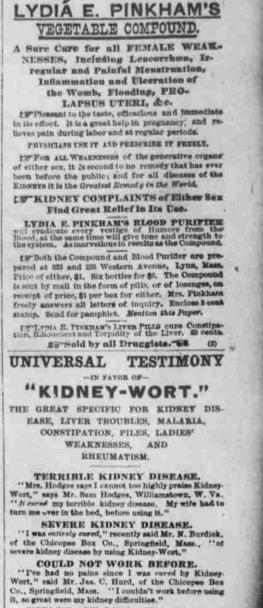
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The hospital photographer also takes photographs of all the unknown deal who are brought to the morgue. A friend sends your Jack an account He places the comin containing the makes a photograph of the face .-

Rough on the Police,

Sometimes the easiest things supposedly prove the most difficult. A country clergyman who visited the police headquarters in Brooklyn can testify to the truth of this fact. Being desirous of seeing the Boston rogues' gallery he seemed to be satisfied with a frame containing photographic busts of the police captains. Having examined these portraits carefully, he remarked, says the *Journal*, with an air of conviction, "It's easy to tell crimi-nais; there is depravity in every line of their countenances."

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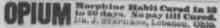
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