The Pilotage System Under Strict Government Surveillance-Work Done by Pilots and Their Pay.

The lives of some of the New York pilots tell a story of the sea more dramatic and interesting by far than ever fell to the pen of a novelist to relate. They are, for the most part, a set of hardy men, bred, almost from their birth, to the pursuit of their precarious professions and inured to hardships which the most heroic landsman would shrink from experiencing.

The pilotage system of this country is governed by strict rules, enacted by Congress and administered by a Board of Commissioners of Pilots, consisting of five persons, having offices at No. 40 Burling slip. Three of the members are usually appointed by the Chamber of Commerce and two by the Board of Underwriters, which has so much at stake on the safe coming and going of our foreign and domestic craft. Through rain and shine, summer and winter, the pilots are ever on the watch, some cruising close to shore in the vicinity of our harbor, while others go as far east as Halifax, N. S., and south to Cape Henry. These two routes are called the Eastern and Southern cruises respectively, and cover most of the waters of our coast inside the Gulf Stream. Strange to say, no pilot boat ever crosses that singular sheet of water, and the only vessels of the sort to be met with off shore are the daring little clippers, with their intrepid crews, who hail from New

Sometimes our metropolitan pilotboats cruise around for weeks without sighting a vessel. At other times ship after ship is picked up in rapid succession until the supply of pilots on board is exhausted five and she is compelled to return to New year. York and take a new and fresh force. When a vessel is hailed by a pilotboat the law requires that a man from that boat a week. e taken on board. Some shipmasters, however, prefer piloting their vessels in for themselves, although by doing medicine. this they risk their claims for insurance in case of disaster. If they reject a pilot after being hailed they must still pay at the regular rates at the office of the Pilot Commissioners.

While a pilot is on board a vessel within the pilot grounds he has the control of it, and is answerable for any injury that may happen through his fault, and this liability was carried to such an extent by the early maritime law of some European countries that the pilot, if unable to render full satisfaction, atomed for his negligence with his life. While the pilot is on board the power of the master of the vessel is not, as is erroneously supposed, wholly superseded. It is his duty, in case of obvious and certain disability or dangerous ignorance or mistake on the part of the pilot, to dipossess him of his authority. So it is the duty of the master to see that a lookout is kept, and generally while the orders of the pilot are imperative as to the course the vessel is to pursue, the management of it is still under the control of the master.

When a great ship, half dismasted and deep laden with precious freight, is feeling its way through storm and rain, like a blind man, toward its goal, when every moment threatens destruction, the pilot's voice coming through the darkness, in which only a couple of dancing lights denote the pilot boat, sounds like the salutation of a specter.

"Ship ahoy! Do you want a pilot?" through a fog so thick that no sign of a frocks. vessel, if we may except the little light, tle craft at the risk of his life. His cockle | handles. shell of a boat dances on the huge waves ander the streaming side of the laboring little girls, the embroidered band or ribship. A rope is thrown him, at which he grasps, and is hoisted up the ship's waisted effect. side, while the boat disappears in the darkness. Sometimes he misses his hold and plunges into the black water to rise no more. At others the miserable shell of a yawl perishes midway between the pilot boat and the vessel for which it is bound and all hands are lost.

the post of pilot, in due turn, if he can tan and dove gray. pass an examination and demonstrate a proper knowledge of the obstructions of of navigation. Even if he has not money enough to purchase a share in a pilotboat, he is appointed to service on one, and usually, in the course of a few years, saves money enough to buy a portion of

The average gain of a Sandy Hook pilot is \$2000 a year. The pay of a boatkeeper is \$30, of a seaman \$25, of a steward \$50 a month. This money is first subject to a reduction for expenses The 2 per cent, is deducted for the Board of Commissioners and a small sum for the owners of the boat for rent and repairs.

The pilot boats in the New York serened with copper, and rarely cost their when warm weather comes. owners less than \$40,000. They are usually manned by twelve men-six picommanded by one of the seamen, who soft rosettes of comete ribbons. is known by the generic title of "boat-

The pilots are classed according to their service and record. The B class is the highest, and comprises men who have seen the longest term of active service in these boats. Others are rated at 16 feet. eighteen feet, etc., which means that they are restricted from piloting vessels of greater draught than that to which to their merits.

There are two schedules of rates for pilotage, governed by the seasons. In summer, when the service is a comparatively easy one, the rates on merchant vessels are a little less than those expected during the severe weather of winter. The deficiency in amount is made up for, how ever, by the increased number of vessels arriving and departing. In winter the number of vessels arriving at this port falls off at least one-quarter. Vessels bound hither are frequently forced by stress of weather to seek refuge in intermediate ports and transfer the cargo Others, again, meet the fate of the Dan-mark, and add their timbers to the blenching ribs of other stately ships which strew a tree very much, she hangs a poem on r coast from Plorida to the borders of it, and sonnets and rondels written on

The fees for summer pilotage, as estab-lished by law, are as follows: For every merchant vessel inward bound and drawtween fourteen and eighteen feet the rate Strange to my, Miss Edwards is very is \$3.35 a foot. Between eighteen and handsome and very fe ainine,

twenty-one \$4.18 is charged, and for any ship with a draught of twenty-one feet of over \$4.88 per foot must be paid. It boarded out of sight of Sandy Hook onefourth of the above rates are mided. For outward pilotage there is a reduction made of about a dollar a foot. In winter time, from November to April, an additional sum of \$2 is charged on every vessel. This the pilots call "mitter money."-New York Star.

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Green remains the color most in vogue A new shade of pink is called raw

The peacock's feathers are no longer in There is a society of lady artists in

London. Spring willow is a lovely shade of gold-

Seven ex-mistresses of the White House are living. Morning toilets show many varieties of

Directoire redingotes. The favorite rose for white rose tulle

bonnets is the eglantine. The Lady Guide Association in London is proving to be a success. Pompeiian blue looks royal and beauti-

ful in velvets and plushes. Black mull, drawn hats and bonnets

are in fashion for country wear. The yellow mimosa is a favorite trimming flower on black hats and bonnets.

Round waists and belts are gradually displacing pointed bodices and basques, Princess Christian and Princess Louise

often drive about London in hansom cabs Mrs. Mona Caird has organized a scheme of neighbors' clubs in England. Miss Morstock, an English painter, had five pictures in the Royal Academy this

Chicago has a home for self supporting women where board is to be had for \$2.25

Mme. Rukmabai, a prominent woman of India, has gone to London to study

Dresses of pale green crepe de chine are now fashionable with black gloves and ribbons.

Dainty petticoats of nainsook and cambric are finished with tiny tucks and insertion of point d'esprit. Mrs. Sarah Oates, of Kansas City, has

ade a fortune of \$2,000,000 from a real estate investment of \$2000. Children may wear sun hats of pale rose, blue and white chambery, shirred

upon extremely heavy cords. Rich brocades, antique in color and design, are used in various ways to brighten

up dresses of black surah or faille. The organization known as "The

King's Daughters" is only six years old, but it has forty thousand members. Worth has returned to the use of plain grenadine and the old-fashioned Hernani

for handsome black summer gowns. Mrs. Celia E. Wentworth is said to be the only lady pupil Cabanel, the famous French artist, ever received into his studio For occasions of ceremony the Queen

Regent of Spain sometimes puts aside her black garments and wears a lilae gown, Mrs. Spurgeon, wife of the celebrated London preacher, sends books to poor country clergymen and bonnets to their

wives. Turned-downed plaited frills of embroidered muslin are the favored finish is the usual cry which often rings out for the neck and frills of little girls'

New glove buttoners are in the form of can be seen anywhere about. At such large gold initials. Others have attached times the pilot leaves the deck of his lit- to them tiny knives with blue enameled

> Short waists are no longer popular for bon sash being used to give the short-

> The accordion-plaited skirt, notwithstanding its objectionable features and the difficulty it requires in managing it, is very popular.

Corded silks are still retained for evening wear. The favorite shades are golden Every sailor on a pilothoat is eligible to willow, apricot, Parma violet, golden

Black trimmings, especially black moire or satin ribbons, more than hold the harbor and the elementary principles their own against all the colors of Paris

and Persia combined. Soft low-crowned toques are the most popular head covering of the season. They are worn en suite with costumes of

nearly every description. Oskaloosa, Kansas, under its women officials, has got ten clear of debt, and now has a balance in the treasury for the first time since the war.

Brussels has distinguished herself by a bonnet show. The first prize was given to a "flat, oyster-shell sort of contrivance, decorated with raspberries.'

Silk gloves, fine, clinging and long vice number twenty-two. They are built wristed, come in all the new shades, and of the best material, shenthed and fast- will more than divide honors with kid

Among the recent importations are toques of lace and straw lace is nearly lots, live seamen and a steward—and are flat shapes, the frimmings being small,

> Shot stuffs, either silk, satin or silk and wool mixed, are made up into Directoire coats for wear over skirts of piece lace, either white or black.

> Mrs. Evelyn O. Tome has been elected President of the Tome Seminary for Girls at Deposit, Md., recently founded by a gift of \$1,000,000 from Jacob Tome.

Wraps are small and extremely varied, their rate assigns them. These latter are including jackets, pelerines, visites and all young pilots, who, as they gather exporience, are rated higher in proportion Galant and Pyrennean peasant capes.

Delicate mask veils are worn on all the stringless bonnets. The Hading veil appears on Princesses bonnets, English turbans, Directoire hats and English-walking hats.

 Λ novelty for personal adornment is the gemmed hairband, an arrangement of fine netting to match the hair, with little jewels fastened thickly in it so that the hair seems to be sewn with jewels. Suede slippers and gloves and tan-

colored stockings will be worn by some graduates this season, while others will retain the black slippers and stockings, with cream-colored Suede gioves. When a Japanese young lady admires

strips of silk or rice paper flutter from blossom-laden branches in every forest. Miss Amelia B. Edwards, novelist, scientist, traveler and lecturer, who is ing less than fourteen feet of water \$2.78 about to visit this country, is said to be per foot draught is paid. For vessels be- the most learned woman in the world.

THE FARM AND GARDEN.

REMEDY FOR ROSE BUGS. Rose bugs are killed by means of a spray of water in which insect powder is nixed in the proportion of one teaspoonful to a gallon. This is sprinkled over the foliage by a hand-spraying syringe. The most effective fertilizer for flowering plants is a solution of a pound of nitrate of soda in a barrel of water, of which a quart is poured around the plants directly after a shower or when the shower is falling. In dry weather this solution is injurious, as it rapidly increases in strengthby evaporation of the water. A good liquid fertilizer is made by infusing wood! ashes and hen manure in water; about one shovelful of each to a barrel of water. New York Times.

NITROGENOUS FEED FOR PIGS. Experiment appears to have proven he benefit of supplying such a proportion of nitrogenous food with maize pigs as will render the feeding fully nutritious and healthful. The effects of such feeding have been that the growth of bone was larger, the vital organs-the heart, lungs, liver and spleen-were heavier and more vigorous; while, as might be expected from this better development of these organs, the carcass heavier and the proportion of lean meat to fat was larger than on exclusive maize feeding. It may be sufficient only to point out these facts mentioned to lead feeders of pigs to make use of such nitrogenous foods as bran, milk and linseed cake meal along with maize, so as to avoid disease and secure more and better meat, greater profit in feeding and exemption from losses by disease.

Bees can be shipped long distances if only precautionary measures are taken to confine them to the hive. They also need ventilation while in transit. hives are Lanstroth with porticoes, and in preparing some colonies for transportaion to Nebraska lately, good, strong colonies were chosen, in which the frames vere securely fastened with propolis or ce-glue. A couple of thicknesses of old blanket were wrung out lightly of warm. water and spread over the frames, plenty hives, and then a board nailed on. The dampness in the blanket served the double purpose of keeping the bees cool and furnishing water while in transit. Wire gauze was nailed securely over the front of the portico. Bees fixed up in like manner, missing their destination. and that were knocking about as freight for three weeks, yet finally arrived at their destination all right. The bees we shipped were sent by express .- Prairie

ISHMAEL OF ANIMALS. The mule is a hybrid with no pedigree, belongs to no genus or species, has a bad reputation, and has been abused all his life, says Galen Wilson in the New York Tribune. If persistent treatment of any kind will finally breed that characteristic into the blood and bones he has sufficient excuse for being an Ishmael among other animals, with his heels against all of them. Even in the questionable sawdust circle he has no place of "trust, honor or emolument," but is ever compelled to be a guy and a clown, and yet he possesses many solid virtues. He matures quicker than the horse, is hardier, will sabsist on less and oarser food, is less liable to disease, is stronger in proportion to weight, needs less care, will do as much work every day and live-twice as many years, and as such commends himsels to all who have occasion to employ beasts of burden. His ample, elongated, auricular appendages denote acuteness of hearing, and the bones, muscles and sinews of his physical anatomy are noted for their flexibility and aptness at sudden impulses of accelerated impetus.

CHICKS ON THE PARM.

Poultry reared with free range of orchard and meadow are the largest and also finest in plumage and symmetry. They have a prouder carriage and a look of thrift and health not often seen in chicks reared within the limits of town lots. If the breeder must, of necessity, limit the range, he must provide artificially the advantage which the country naturally supplies. Insects he must replace with chopped meat, and, lacking grass range, he must cut grass and clover daily. Shade must be provided during the summer, otherwise failure is sure.

Poultry raising and fruit culture go hand in hand, and may be combined on the same ground. An orchard is much benefited by allowing fowls free range, as the crop of harmful insects is kept down. In the heat of summer the young chicks will grow and thrive in the shady orchard and pick up much of their living in it. If the breeder lacks these advantages and is compelled to raise his fowls in confinement he may by extra care raise fair birds. but even with the best attention they will never equal in beauty of plumage and vigor of constitution and size the country reared chicks that have developed their muscles in many a foraging expedition .--New York Herald.

PLOWING WET GROUND.

Nothing is gained by beginning plowing too early. Important as early seeding may be, and hurrying as farm work may prove after it fairly begins, it is better to wait until the ground will turn up pliable rather than sticky. Underdraining is a great advantage to the farmer in enabling him to plow early. The soil is made porous by the sinking away of superfluous moisture, so that where the drainage is thorough the plow may be started almost as soon as frost is out of the ground. Once plowed with the furrow much more thoroughly exposed to air than before. But if the soil is wet stirring only puddles it and makes it harden into clods during the summer. Clayey land is often injured for years by being once plowed when too wet. Fall plowing with the surface left rough is the best corrective to such land after it-has been brained. Without drainage the wet mass runs together and the sun hardens it as bad or worse than before. If the land is in sod it will bear plowing when somewhat wetter than if it were naked. The sod under the furrow will not press down closely, and this leaves chances for the warmer air from above to enter and dry it. Early plowed sod ground brings much better corn or poitatoes than that plowed just before plantng, provided the land was not too at the earlier plowing. The mistake of too early plowing is more apt to be made in hurrying to get grain sown. Better wait a few days later, put on more teams, or merely cultivate the surface and then sow or drill in the seed .- Boston CultiTRAINING TOUNGSANDMALS.

It would be impossible to compute the mense loss that is sustained each year by farmers, owing to the cimproper train ing of young stock gendering the animals in many cases vicious and unsafe ever afterward. Some suggestions on this subject are given by accreespondent: In most sections of agricultural practice we have made a decided advance, and it is somewhat singular that in the rearing, training and breaking of animals-what we might style the education of animals, so conductive to the comfort for discom fort of man-we still pursue accourse that is closely associated with the darkinges. One common foundation cause forms the basis of our non-success in the education of animals, and it is the root and the resultant cause of the evils that follow. We assume that all animals out birth possess hereditary vice, and that vice nust be eradicated before the animal can become a useful servant to man. / This is most certainly a mistake, and fone that The same leads up to numerous evils. rroneous practice prevails in the training of horses, bulls, dogs, etc., but it is probably in the case of horses where the greatest mischief results.

In the education of a coltsor a filly, or young bull, the same careris needed as that of a child. The disposition should be studied, and defects eradicated by kind yet firm treatment. At present, if a foal is of a lively temperament, it is at once put down as victous, and if either of its parents have showed what is miscalled vice, the result of mistaken brutality in their education, then the foal's iveliness is put down as heroditary vice. and a prolonged courses of harsh conduct and beating is deemed/necessary to effect a cure. If, on the other hand, the young animal is of a slow and heavy nature, it is erroneously supposed to be the result of vicious sullenness, and the same treatment as in the case of the lively foal is undertaken-harsh treatment and beating to bring them into so-called sub-In each case this cruel disjection. cipline had just the opposite effect to that sought, and hence we have sadly too many kicking, biting, jibbing and bolt-In place of having horses ing horses. which entertain affection for man'we have them in constant fear of man, ever expectant of a blow, and their worst actions, often leading up to accident or death, are too often the result of this fear; possibly some movement of the driver not connected with them being misconstrued into the intention to inflict a blow. In the breaking and education of all young animals firmness should blend with kind ness, but never with harshness or brutality, London Live Stock Journal.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES. Begin early on the weeds.

Sunlight is as necessary as corn. Silage is not a substitute for hay. Exercise is cheaper than; medicine. Fresh water is abundant and cheap. Carbolic acid is cheaper than cholera. Did you ever sow beans inidrills? Try

Lime is cheaper than rupetand fumigaion than lice. Parsnips sown early make an excellent

food for stock. Don't neglect to prune the rose bushes, utting them well back.

The wild cherry trees form a breedingplace for the tent caterpillar. The hen is a scratching bird; therefore

let her scratch-but not in the garden. The best stock is the cheapest; therefore never sell the best and never buy anything but the best.

A crop of buckwheat will ridtland of

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If a lamb dies in a flock where there are twins of the same age, take the dead out of the sight of the mother, strip ofl its skin and sew it upon one of the twins. Put the latter with the bereaved ewe, and

she will quickly adopt it. One of the most important; matters in farming is to have your seed entirely clean. Wheat should be cleaned of cockle and oats of sunflower seed before sowing. And where the land is foul it may be easily cleaned by summer fallowing.

Good sheep, good land and good roots generally go together, at any rate it is not often they are very far apart, for wherever land can raise a good crop/and is dry enough to carry sheep through the winter it must very soon get into good heart and be able to grow almost any-

Galileo observed the oscillations of a lamp in the metropolitan temple of Pisa, and it suggested to him the most correct method of measuring time.

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Of course he got the salt.

Human nature is always lacking something. Oftentimes it were better off without its wishes, yet it is universally conceded that no permanent enjoyment can be had without the saver of health, which keeps good cheer fresh and preserves and sweetens life for the future.

The great, ruddy farmer pines because he has not won fame or position. The famous man longs for the lusty health of the sturdy

farmer.

The grain of salt is wanting.

How to secure and retain the savor of health in the midst of this rushing, nervous over-worked generation is a problem worthy of our closest attention. It cannot be done with stimulants, which but spur on the over-worked nerves to fresh efforts, only to leave them more jaded and shattered. Nor with narcotics, which temporarily sooths, but to create an unnatural appetite, the terrors of which a De Quincy has so graphically portrayed.

create an unnatural appetite, the terrors of which a De Quincy has so graphically portrayed.

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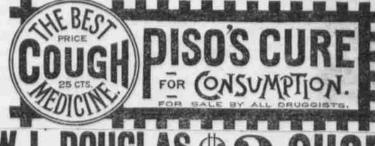
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