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prospect as that would frighten the and raised on milk. best physician who ever lived the moment he entered a sick room, and yet

of the law have to face in every case that you try. "What sort of a figure would a law-

without any knowledge of his case? But a physician can flounder mentally being the wiser, though the patient

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decide what line of experiment he will \$1.75 quality and the handsomest follow, return the next day, hoping to \$1.75 quality of Double Damask we find that nature is working the cure that he doesn't know how to effect, and being ready and willing to take all of the credit that comes his way. "Why, the very first thing that nurses are taught is to observe the utmost se-

crecy about doctors' blunders. If they much confidence in physicians where they are heard. Ask a nurse of experience about this when you have the opportunity. "Yes, sir, I repeat that the publicity and chance for criticism in your profession, if applied to medicine, would

result in the discovery of a small amount of science as compared with the large amount of empiricism."-New York Herald.

FRUITS AND FLOWERS. It never injures an orchard to ma-

nure lt. Judicious annual pruning is essential

with the peach. Low headed trees resist the wind better, and the fruit is more easily picked. In grafting a large tree it is best not

to try to graft the whole tree in one Budding on certain slow growing and

omewhat incongruous stock is the best way of dwarfing. In most cases the cause of moss appearing on the stems of apple and oth-

WILD ANIMALS.

The Dealars Get Most of Their Lions From Nubia.

Dealers in wild animals get most of cine I can speak of the profession in a their lions from Nubia. There the nafashion that I would not if I was still tives search for a lioness with newborn in the practice," said a gentleman who | cubs, kill the mother and bring up the has been known as a successful physi- young beasts on goats' milk. When cian in New York for years as he sat | they are two months old they are taken to the coast on the backs of camels and "Of course I don't care to have my shipped to Europe. Lions are also obname mentioned, for I have lots of good tained from Abyssinia and Senegal. friends in the profession, but the fact Formerly the Atlas mountains furnishis that the profession of medicine would ed the finest lions, but the species now be nearly ruined if it had to be con- no longer exists except a few speciducted as you gentlemen of the bar mens in menageries. Adult Nubian lions are worth \$1,000 apiece, while "We have a great advantage over Senegal flons range in price from \$500 Tigers vary in price from \$375 to \$1,-

500 apiece and more, according to the ment. Just suppose that in our cases variety and rarity of the animal. Siwe had a judge who knew as much as berian tigers, for instance, sell at the or more than we did presiding over our latter figure. They are large, beautiactions and, worse than that, had an- fully striped creatures. In the winter other physician, whose interests were they grow a long, woolly winter coat. not ours, watching and criticising us Some full grown tigers are captured in at every step and blazoning every er- pitfalls, but most specimens of these ror that we made. Dear me, such a animals are caught while small cubs

The hippopotamus, the rhinoceros and the giraffe are difficult to secure. that condition is just what you men. It is practically impossible to capture a full grown beast of these species, and the young ones are hard to rear. A baby hippopotamus will drink thirty yer cut floundering around in court pints of milk a day and a baby rhinoceros almost as much. Thus it requires the presence of a large herd of in a sick room without a second person goats in the wilderness to supply milk for such creatures. A hippopotamus is worth from \$2,500 to \$3,000, a rhinoceros slightly more, while giraffes sell at

and condition.

Jamaica Crocodiles. There are a good many crocodiles in the more distant reserves of Kingston harbor and at the mouths of the Jamaica rivers, but they are exceedingly wary, and a most cantious approach is necessary if one wishes to get close

enough for an effective shot. Just as the lion has his jackal and the shark his pilot fish so the crocodile is almost always accompanied by a small plover, which perches upon the scaly ridge of its back and is just visible above the flithy water in which its ig patron loves to wallow.

On the approach of man or any other danger this tiny bird flutters into the air and utters a shrill cry to warn its 'chum.

The crocodile dives, and you may sit in your cance and nurse your rifle for an hour without a chance of a shot. The Jamaican crocodile is shyer of man than most of its kind.-Chicago News,

The Dinner Hour. The hour for dinner has undergone several changes. About 1400 it was 10 a. m. Henry VIII. dined at this time and supped at 4. In the sixteenth century dinner was at 11, breakfast at 7 and supper at 5 or 6. In the following century meals were an hour

later. Disraeli tells us that in the reign of Francis I. of France folks rose at 5, dined at 9, supped at 5 and went to bed at 9, which, according to a popular saying, made them live to the age of ninety-nine. Louis XII., it is said hastened his death by altering his ing to yourself," answered the other. hours to please his young wife. Instead of dining at 8 a. m and going to bed at 6 p. m., he took to dining at noon and often sat up till midnight.

Understood His Art. Baron von Steuben was the drillmaster of the Continental army at Valley Forge. At first the men in the ranks did not know the manual exercise; many of the officers knew little or nothing of maneuvering. One of the latter turned out for inspection in a dressing gown. "Himmel und erde!" cried the baron. "What kind of creature is this?" Baron von Stenben was choleric and profane, but he understood his art. He swore at the ragged Continentals in both German and French, but he taught them the value of drill and discipline. When he had exhausted all the French and German oaths he knew he would roar to his aid, "Come here, Herr Hauptmann, and help me curse these blockheads." But he turned the undisci--plined militia into well drilled troops. Never again was the enemy able to laugh at "Mr. Washington's rotten regiments of ragamuflins."

Burial by Degrees.

The few old ex-slaves now left in the West Indies have many curious customs, but the most curious is that of burying themselves on the installment plan. When they comb their hair they are careful not to pull more hairs from the head than they can help. Those which come away they roll into a ball and put into a bag of white muslin. They do the same with the parings of their nails and any other portions of their anatomy which become detached. When the bag is full they bury it. If asked why they do this they reply: "When me dead, massa, you oury me body. Me hair am part of me body, so me bury it now when it dead."

Wagner as an Acrobat.

Ferdinand Praeger related an incident of a visit to Wagner at his Swiss home. The two men sat one morning on an ottoman in the drawing room talking over the events of the years. Suddenly Wagner, who was sixty years old, rose and stood on his head THE "OLD upon the ottoman.

At that moment Wagner's wife entered. Her surprise and alarm caused her to run to her husband, exclaiming, "Ah, Richard, Richard!" Quickly recovering himself, he assured her that he was sane and wished to show that he could stand on his head at sixty, which was more than Ferdinand could

Frogs and Sankes,

The common snake is very fond of water. Its food consists exclusively of frogs and fishes. All snakes eat either living food, including eggs, or creatures they have themselves killed. When pursued by a snake the frog seems to be half paralyzed with fear, leaping less and less powerfully as the snake approaches it more nearly and uttering feeble cries. If a stick be so pushed through the grass toward a frog as to imitate the movement of a snake the frog will exhibit the symptoms of terror just noted.

Contradicted. "I never waste words on a fool," said

the pompous person. "That doesn't correspond with your wife's statement," replied a member of the skeptical faction.

"What did my wife say?" queried the P. P.

True Gratitude.

At Wichita a woman passing along

dropped her purse, containing \$750. A

gentleman found the purse and return-

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she exclaimed. And then she impul-

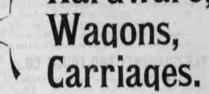
Plenty of Practice.

"Yes, father, when I finish my edu-

Kansas City Journal.

"That you were in the habit of talk-

J. C. Scowden, Hardware,

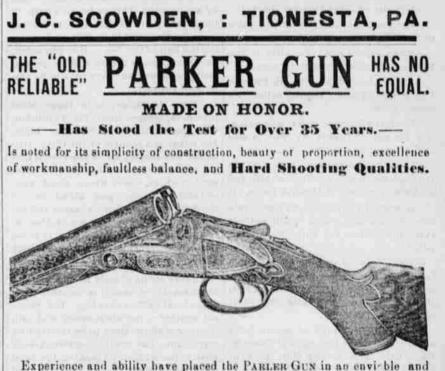


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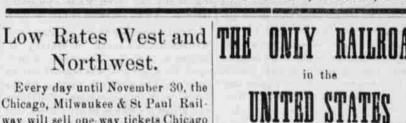
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The First Post Houses.

The first posts are said to have originated in the regular couriers established by Cyrus about 550 B. C., who erected post houses throughout the kingdom of Persia. Augustus was the first to introduce this institution among the Romans, 31 B. C., and he was imitated by Charlemagne about 800 A. D. Louis XI, was the first sovereign to establish post houses in France owing to his eagerness for news, and they were also the first institution of this nature in Europe. This was in 1470, or about 2.000 years after they were started in Persia.

In England in the reign of Edward IV. (1481) riders on post horses went stages of the distance of twenty miles from each other in order to procure the king the earliest intelligence of the events that passed in the course of the war that had arisen with the Scots. A proclamation was issued by Charles I. in 1631 that, "whereas to this time there hath been no certain intercourse between the kingdoms of England and Scotland, the king now commands his postmaster of England for foreign parts to settle a running post or two between Edinburgh and London to go thither and come back again in six days."

Helter Skelter,

"Helter skelter" has been suggestively defined as a jingling expression, vaguely imitating the hurried clatter of feet rapidly and irregularly moved. Most dictionaries, however, led astray probably by the ordinary orthography,

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have missed the true etymology of this phrase. It should be "helter kelter." "Helter" is an old word for "hang." probably connected with halter, and "kelter" is used by old writers in the sense of "order" or the proper state. Thus Barrow, the divine, says, "If the organs of prayer be out of kelter how

can we pray?" "Helter shelter," therefore, is literally "hang order" and means, "Oh, hang order; let up do it, or let it take its chance." Pen Jonson in "Every Man In His Humor" writes, "Helter skelter. hang sorrow, care'll kill a cat." and Shakespeare, using it to express rush and burry, says, "Helter skelter have I rode to thee."

A rest.

"He has been mentioned as a candidate for office very frequently." "Yes," answered Farmer Corntossel. "The only trouble is that every time anybody mentions him the other fellers laugh,"-Washington Star.

His Opinion.

"Yes, he's a confirmed bachelor. He thinks there is safety in numbers." "Safety in numbers?" "Yes. He says two run a good deal of risk when they become one."-New York Times

A Take Off.

Harry (looking at his whitened coat cleeve)-That isn't much of a compliment to Carrie's complexion. Esther-I should say not. It's a regular take off .- Boston Transcript.

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old should be cut out from the currants and gooseberries. They will produce more fruit, even if the vines are not so large.

An Economical Mother.

Small Katherine, who had been forbidden to touch the ink bottle, had accidentally spilled its contents not only all over her mother's desk, but on the rug, several chairs and her own apron. Her mother, on discovering the state of affairs, had expressed more surprise than pleasure. When the father of the family returned at night his little daughter met him at the door and asked: "Papa, how much does a bottle of ink

cost?" "Oh, about 5 cents." "Five cents!" exclaimed the aggrieved

oungster in a tone of deep disgust. "And to think that mamma would make all that fuss about one little bottle of ink!"-Lippincott's.

"Are You Ready? Go!" Mrs. John Peters was the mother of a family of restless children, and she found difficulty in reducing them to quiet when the moment came for asking a blessing at the table. So her course of procedure was something in this fashion: "Alice, be still! Eddie, not another

word! Maud, don't you see your father is waiting? There-now, John; now!"-New York Times.

A Run of Luck. Tom-I asked old Goldman for his daughter last night. Dick-What luck?

Tom-Well, it was what you might call a run of luck. I got away .- Exchange. Purely Ornamental.

Charlie-How in the world, Gawge, do you manage to see with that single eyeglass of yours?

Gawge-My dear fellah, I see with the other eye .- San Francisco Wasp. The Twins. "Faith, Mrs. O'Hara, how d' ye till thim twins aparrt?"

"Aw, 't is alsy-I sticks me finger in Dinnis' mouth, an' if he bites I know it's Moike."-Harvard Lampoon,

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The Ladder Dwarf.

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getting the bird every time."

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York Weekly.

The Penalty.

Mrs. W .- Surely some of the grocers

Mr. W. (sadly)--No; I have no credit

anywhere. We always paid cash,-New

Quite a Linguist.

with whom we have dealt for so many

dent of some kind in the mine." The Rattle as a Decoy. That the rattlesnake uses his tail to

decoy birds has been observed a number of times by a correspondent of the Scientific American, who says: "The SEND snake hides himself in the tall grass and imitates the buzzing of a bee. The Insectivorous birds, such as the phoebe and kingbird, are attracted by the sound and become an easy prey for his snakeship. I have seen rattlesnakes concealed in the dense foliage of trees twenty feet from the ground practicing

the same deception on the birds and of hide or skin, and let as tan it with the hair on, soft, light, odorless Mr. Workhardd-My dear, I have lost and moth-proof, for robe, my situation, and it just happens that I rug, coat or gloves. haven't a dollar ahead. We must go to But first get our Catalogue,

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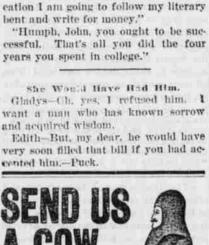
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