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### USE FOR HOUSEHOLD PETS

Psychologist Says Cats and Parrots Would Keep Lonesome People From Committing Suicide.

A new use for cats, parrots and other household pets has been discovered by Dr. Colin A. Scott, professor of psychology at the Boston Normal school. He is reported to have said to an audience of public school principals in Chicago that one reason why people commit suicide is that they feel they are useless, and that if an unmarried woman has a cat or a parrot to care for it may give her something to live for and prevent her from taking her own life.

Anything else that awakens and holds interest in life would serve the purpose equally well—a fad of any sort, plants, a garden, whist, novels, history, charitable work, crocheting, votes for women. The number of possible objects to keep a woman interested in life is unlimited. Even for elderly and disillusioned bachelor-maids, there are countless fascinating subjects of interest.

Perhaps cats are among the least promising of such subjects, for cats generally are selfish and self-centered. They take all they can get and give as little as they can. No woman really ever owned a cat. The cat owns the woman. And possibly that is why the psychology professor suggested cats as preventives of suicide.

### BLOODHOUNDS IN TRIALS.

#### Court Holds Testimony of Hounds Competent in Corroboration.

The rating of the bloodhound in American criminal jurisprudence is not settled, it appears, despite the able and exhaustive opinion derogatory to the dogs rendered by Judge Sullivan when on the Supreme bench of Nebraska.

That opinion was so favorably regarded and was shown such respect by courts in other States that its character as a precedent seemed to be fairly well established. But now an opinion of precisely the opposite import has been handed down by so near a tribunal as the Supreme Court of Kansas. The ruling is that the "testimony" of bloodhounds is something that may be properly considered, especially in connection with other evidence concerning the competency of which there is no dispute.

The court refuses to set aside a verdict of murder against a man convicted solely on the evidence of shoe prints and the trailing of footsteps by hounds. The dogs took the trail from the tracks around the body of the murdered man and followed it for six miles to the home of the man, who was then accused and later convicted. The shoe tracks around the body and the home of the man accused corresponded with the shoes he wore. It was contended that if the trailing by the hounds were eliminated from the evidence the evidence from the shoe prints alone would not be sufficient for conviction on a capital charge, but the court held that the "testimony" of the hounds was competent to corroborate that of the prints.—Omaha World-Herald.

### Wild Cattle in the Olympics.

Although the State has its "no trespass" sign tacked on the elk in the Olympic mountains, guides are returning from the wild regions with large game—wild cattle unprotected by law. Grant W. Humes brought in the hide and horns of a wild bull he killed in the plateau region at the headwater of the Dusewallps River. Humes, who has lived in Olympia fifteen years, says several hundred wild cattle are at large near the source of the Dusewallps.

Indian legend says the stock was brought to this country by Scotch settlers who landed from a sailing vessel in the early 40s. The colony did not thrive and its members returned to civilization leaving their stock.

Guides say the wild cattle and horse are more timid than deer and more difficult to hunt.—Seattle correspondence Chicago Inter Ocean.

### Where Asparagus Grows Wild.

Asparagus was not introduced into Britain by the Romans, who applied the term asparagus to tender shoots which according to Juvenal, grew on mountains (Montani asparagus). The plant is certainly native with us and occurs sparsely or the eastern and southern coasts of England at Anglesey and Pembroke in Wales and around Wexford and Waterford in Ireland. It is no longer found on Asparagus Island, near the Lizard, as all text books of English botany assert but still grows profusely on some neighboring cliffs of Kynance Cove.—Westminster Gazette.

### Drink Traffic in France.

France is well supplied with places for the sale of drink. We read in a Paris newspaper that there is one drinking place for every eighty persons; in other words for every thirty men. In certain departments we find one "debit" for every thirty-six persons, and in the Pas de Calais there is one for every fifteen inhabitants, which in other words means a drink shop for every seven men. In Paris there are 30,000 such places; in London 5,800; Chicago, 5,740; Edinburgh, 440; and Moscow, 314.—London Globe.

### Expensive Telephone Items.

A fact not generally known by operating telephone men is that precious metals, such as platinum, gold, silver, and even precious stones, such as diamonds, are used extensively in the manufacture of telephone apparatus. The Western Electric Company, the largest manufacturer of telephones in the world, uses upward of one ton of platinum each year.—Electrical Record.

### Sparrow a Coal Office 'Pet'.

A sparrow is kept as a pet in a Lewiston coal office and furnishes lots of entertainment. Jonah is the sparrow's name and the office of the D. Williams Coal and Wood Company is the only home that he has known since he fell out of the family nest last June. He can sing and scold, and when he is mad ruffles his feathers in a most indignant manner.—Kennebec Daily Journal.

### Clean Towel Specialties.

Among the numerous concerns engaged nowadays in the clean towel supply business there are many that specialize. Some run to office supplies, some supply barbers and there is at least one concern that makes a specialty of supplying clean towels to dentists and drug stores.

### No Chance for Sentiment.

"What was the happiest moment of your life?" asked the sweet girl. "The happiest moment of my life," answered the old bachelor, "was when the jeweller took back an engagement ring and gave me sleeve links in exchange."—Canadian Courier.

### The Oasis.

By steadily bearing in mind that what you know and think, you know and think not for yourselves alone, but for others, you may become the center of a little green spot of intelligence in the midst of this arid waste we call society.—Phillips Brooks.

### Unworthy Men of Wealth.

The men who have not realized the responsibility of wealth are imperiling the social system of the present time.—Exchange.

### GROWING SOUTHERN WEALTH.

#### Increased Output of Everything From Pig Iron to Cabbages.

Southern manufacturing is rapidly approaching an annual production of the value of \$3,000,000,000. That sum is more than twice the value of the products of Southern manufacturing in 1900.

Between 1904 and 1909, according to the "Manufacturers Record," the value of the factory products in the five States of Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Maryland and North Carolina increased from \$732,000,000 to almost a billion dollars. The total value of the output of the whole South in 1909 is estimated at almost two and a half billions.

Another direction in which the South is wonderfully increasing its output is the shipping of winter vegetables.

Cabbages are shipped to Northern markets from the lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas at the rate of twenty express carloads a day. Large shipments of Bermuda onions have been made from Laredo and other points in the same State. Peppers, egg plants, tomatoes, lettuce, celery, cauliflower and beans have been sent from Florida for years. Potatoes and other vegetables from Florida; beets, carrots, turnips, parley, radishes, &c., from Louisiana and Mississippi; and asparagus from Georgia, Carolina and Alabama appear upon the Cincinnati markets, and Boston enjoys the first fruits of the kind from the South.

### Illinois Pundsters at Work.

When Axel Conrad Lemon left the Circuit Court of Winnebago county he believed he had heard the last of puns on his name and gibes which had caused him anguish since the slang application became popular. His hope was based on the fact that Judge Frost, at Lemon's request, had just named his name to Lemon.

"So the court handed you one, did he?" an acquaintance asked as Lemon left the court room. "I see the court has become a Lemon aid," another chirped. "I don't see why the court, himself having become a beverage, should create another by adding 't' to his name." "Well, don't get sour about it," a third said. "First thing you know you'll be looking seedy. No use to show the 'ellow and peel your eye for trouble."—Bloomington correspondence St. Louis Republic.

### Semi-Indirect Lighting.

A well known company that specializes in lighting fixtures is at present experimenting on what may be called a semi-indirect lighting system. In this, instead of throwing all of the light to the ceiling, from which it may be diffused and reflected a portion only of the light will be so directed, while the rest of it will be allowed to shine downward or outward through the inside reflector and the outer glass casing. Various physiological and psychological tests are being made to determine the proper ratio between the indirect and the direct lighting.—Shop Notes Quarterly.

### A New Way to Listen.

They evidently were spending their first night at the concert, and the young man was telling the young lady about it. They talked loudly, for the young man was trying to make an impression on all within a 10-foot radius. He always anticipated the performers, and finally held his hand to his mouth as he said in an undertone: "Dear, did you ever try to listen to music with your eyes shut? It's heavenly." Thereupon a man two rows behind leaned forward and said: "Young man try it with your mouth shut. It'll be a relief."—Philadelphia Times.

### New Jail System.

One effective result of the suffragette invasion of Holloway jail in England and the constant complaints of the "votes for women" prisoners as to their treatment there, is a new scheme which has just been framed by the home office. In future women prisoners between the ages of sixteen and twenty-two will be separated from hardened criminals and will receive lessons in sewing and dress-making. A committee of ladies will also assist them to obtain situations when their sentences have been served.

### With the Tide.

It had been raining for twenty-four hours, and the ground was more like a lake than a foot-ball field; but the referee could not see his way to postpone the match.

"Surely you aren't going to make us play in this?" asked the visiting captain. "Of course you must play," declared the man with the whistle. "Now, don't get mad. You've won the toss. Which end are you taking?" "Oh, well," came the reply, with a sigh of resignation. "I reckon we'd better kick with the tide."—Tit-Bits.

### Woman Member of School Board.

Mrs. Mary Agnes Cunningham was the first woman to be appointed a member of the school board of St. Paul, Minn. She had taught in the schools of St. Paul for twenty-five years and was the president of the Teachers' Federation. During a fight she conducted for teachers' pensions she saw a good deal of the mayor, who was so impressed by her character and ability that he appointed her a member of the school board.

### In Desperate Mood.

"That prima donna has a voice like an angel's." "You think so," responded the impresario, resentfully. "Well, I don't know how an angel talks when thoughts don't go to suit her. But if I thought they all sounded like this prima donna, I'd think twice before wanting to go to heaven."

### Lingon's Lament.

Oh, how hard it is to die and not be able to leave the world any better for one's little life in it.—Abraham Lincoln.

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## FLINN DOESN'T TRUST PENROSE

### Sees Possibility of Bull Moose Petition Being Rejected

#### HOLDS UP COMPROMISE PLAN

Flinn Will Not Allow Roosevelt Electors to Resign Until Nominating Petitions Have Been Accepted.

The aftermath of the conference in Washington between C. D. Hilles, chairman of the Republican national committee; Henry G. Wasson, Pennsylvania state chairman, and William T. Tilden, president of the Union League club of Philadelphia, concerning the electoral vote situation in the Keystone state, disclosed that no compromise of any kind was reached, but that the political situation is as follows:

Chairman Hilles believed that the Republican fight in Pennsylvania had been unnecessarily delayed by the refusal of the Roosevelt electors named in the Harrisburg convention last spring to resign and permit the Republican state committee to name their successors.

It developed, though, that ex-State Senator William Flinn, the new leader of the state, does not propose to have these electors resign until Sept. 30. It turns out that Mr. Flinn is perfectly willing to trust to the political integrity of Mr. Hilles, but he is not willing to trust to the political integrity of Senator Penrose.

The conference between Mr. Hilles, Mr. Tilden and Mr. Wasson was called for the purpose of hurrying the resignation of the remaining twenty-three Roosevelt electors, so that their places might be taken by twenty-three Tatt men.

Flinn, who controls the regular Republican organization of Pennsylvania, will not permit the twenty-three Roosevelt electors to resign until the fifteen other Roosevelt electors to make up the complement of thirty-eight is accepted by the secretary of state, who is a Penrose man.

Mr. Flinn also controls the Washington party, which intends to nominate by petition two state officers. It will require the signatures of 30,000 voters of Pennsylvania to nominate these men and the thirty-eight Roosevelt electors on the Washington party ticket. The latest day that nominating petitions can be filed is Sept. 30.

If on Sept. 30 the secretary of state accepts the petition of the Washington party the regular Republican state committee will be called together, the twenty-three Roosevelt electors will resign and their places will be immediately filled by twenty-three Tatt electors. The names of the twenty-three Roosevelt electors will already be on the nominating petition of the Washington party.

It was learned that Mr. Flinn's attitude is dictated by a fear that the nominating petition of the Washington party might be thrown out by the secretary of state of Pennsylvania on the allegation that it was irregular in spots, or that the law, through haste or accident, had not been complied with in all of the 30,000 names necessary to make it a perfect document.

Five Die in Train Crash.

Five men were killed and six were seriously injured when a train on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania railroad crashed into a work train in the Conaway yards near Rochester, Pa. The dead were: A. L. Coughlan, Cleveland, engineer; Sabatino Volaroso, laborer; Antonio Perriokatta, laborer; C. L. Vaughn, Cleveland, fireman; Joel Neusch, yard clerk.

Two Brakemen Killed.

Stepping from behind his train in the path of a fast freight brakeman Seybert, aged fifty-eight, a Pennsylvania railroad employe, was killed near Herrs Island, Pittsburgh. A few hours later Philip Huth, a brakeman on the same train, fell from a car at Denny station and was killed.

Should Have Waited.

Adolph Colt, aged eighty-one years, of McKees Rocks, Pa., died from organic heart trouble. It is said that on Aug. 18 Colt shot himself twice, one shot taking effect in his head and the other in the left side. The hospital authorities say the bullets did not hasten Colt's death.

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CONDENNS THE MOTOR CAR

English Writer Says the Automobile Tourist Misses All the Charm of Journey.

A writer in T. P. O'Connor's London Weekly holds that the claims of the motor car to minister to our pleasures and our education are pretentious, exaggerated and absurd, and as such are to be condemned. He boldly asserts that the motor car highteer may travel hundreds of miles and return home with no other impressions of his journey than that he stopped for a few moments at this or that place for luncheon, and supped and lodged at some other place, from which he flashed next morning sounding his "honk-honk" to drive the bewildered people of the country to the side of the road, that the destroying motor might pass in safety. He says:

"As the motorist whisks through Enfield does he ever think how Charles and Mary Lamb 'played truant and wandered among the hills' there, making believe that the scenery was as good as that of Westmoreland? And 'Christopher North'? Do you remember how he set off to fish in Loch Tulla, thirteen miles away; arrived there, found he had forgotten the top joint of his rod, walked back, breakfasted, tramped to the loch again, fished all day, and then began his journey home? But a friendly farmhouse drew him from his track, and midnight found him finishing a bottle of whisky and a can of milk. When he reached home he had covered seventy miles. But could your modern tourist, with his flabby muscles and his love of ease, do as much? In his passion for speed he never deigns to understand the charm and suggestion of a half-obscured milestone or a decayed signpost, to drink in the spirit of the countryside, or attempt to sense a life that harks back to the beginning of our history."

**Plumber Rat.**

An old story used to go around of a plumber who kept a lot of rats in his shop in a trap, and when he had a call always took one along. The rat was frightened or forced to take to the drain, and he burrowed through to his liberty in the sewer. Of course, it was not necessary to take the pipes all to pieces, but the big bill came in, anyhow.

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