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GERMAN GREEKS.

Descendants of Followers of Bavarian Prince Called to Greek Throne.

A visitor to Athens who goes to the neighboring village of Heraclea is surprised to see children with blue eyes and light hair playing in the streets. In fact they are little folk who resemble but remotely the descendants of Pericles.

These children on the Greek soil are descendants of the suite and followers of King Otho I. When the Prince of Bavaria was called to the throne of Greece in 1832 he was accompanied by soldiers, officials, professional men, workmen and shopkeepers.

The Bavarian King and Queen encouraged the settlement of their countrymen in Greece. Queen Amelia created a model farm in Pyrgos Amalia, but the land uncultivated has now returned to a state of nature. The King founded a village upon which he bestowed the ancient title of Heraclea, and in view of the bridegroom he surrounded it with walls and gates. At the four corners he erected small forts. It had new town houses for sixty families specially reserved for Bavarian artisans, but only forty were ever occupied.

After the troubles of 1843 thirteen families quitted the township, and the German population has since then continued to decrease, but those who have remained do not seem to have contracted Greek marriages.—Munchener Nachrichten.

T. Seventh Son in Belgium.

In the early days of the reign of the late King Leopold of Belgium a seventh son was born to a Brussels woman, and when the King heard of it and was told that the boy was the seventh successive one and that no girl had come to the family he asked to be the baby's godfather. Ever since then every seventh son born in Brussels has had the same honor, and the mothers have received gifts in keeping with their station in life. King Albert, in carrying out the old usage a short time ago had some difficulty because the seventh son was a twin. He could not stand for both boys, because that would give the family two Alberts. The remedy was found by Queen Elizabeth, who suggested that her little son, the Duke of Brabant, be the godfather of the eighth boy, who consequently received the name Leopold.—London Globe.

Mrs. Judkins a Deer Hunter.

Mrs. Walter Judkins of Portland is a woman to whom the lure of the Maine woods is strong. She returned from her twenty-third season in the autumn forest, with a record of twenty-eight deer to her credit. Mrs. Judkins shot her first deer when a girl of 15 while in the woods in search of partridge in her home town of Glendale. Mrs. Judkins during her twenty-three years of hunting experience has tried many varieties of hunting costumes and has finally settled upon what she deems the most practical. She wears in the woods a stout gray sweater, a pair of very full bloomers, the stout huntsman's stockings and shoes similar in shape to a moccasin and waterproof, with top of skin and vamp and soles of heavy rubber.—Keenebunk Journal.

Wifely Solicitude.

Appealing to the police to find her husband, who went to work and had not returned home at 8 o'clock, but requesting that the officers neither arrest him nor "talk cross" to him, a woman left a note in the hands of Patrolman Hickerson at Sixth and Edmond streets containing information concerning the missing husband. The note in addition to giving a description of the missing man read that the wife "was worried nearly sick because it was the first time but he had done this." "I don't want you to arrest him," continued the note. "Tell the police to please not talk cross to him."—St. Joseph Gazette.

A Western Kansas Dust Storm.

For twenty-four hours a dust storm prevailed in western Kansas counties. The wind had been blowing sixty miles an hour and the air was filled with dust and sand as never before. According to reports of reliable men the Russian thistles of last year's growth were pushed over the prairies by the thousands, piling up against fences and houses and filling railroad cuts. Fears were entertained for the safety of the wheat crop which had already been slightly damaged by the dry weather.—Salina correspondence Popoka Capital.

T. T. Coffee Drinks Milk.

T. T. Coffee of Coffeyville, Kan., registered at the Savoy Hotel. "Which sort of your name do you like best is a drink?" Mr. Coffee was asked. "Neither," he replied. "I drink milk exclusively. Milk is the great beverage. It is a greater builder than meat or eggs. I drink a quart of milk each day. I believe every one should do the same." "Mr. Coffee is a dairymann," the clerk explained later.—Kansas City Star.

Protection for Cranberries.

The Weather Bureau at Washington has decided to establish four stations in the cranberry belt. It is announced that one will be located at Halifax near one of the biggest cranberry bogs in the State. The bureau will arrange the station so that in case of cold weather the growers in the Cape Cod district can be notified by telephone service to flood their bogs.—Halifax correspondence Boston Transcript.

Regular Habits.

It is a good plan to have a regular time for reading. One accomplishes so much more in this way, and besides establishes a kind of intellectual habit that is a good thing in itself. In an hour, or even half an hour given regularly each day to reading, a great deal may be accomplished. Do not confine yourself to serious books. Alternate light with heavy reading, and do not attempt heavy reading when you are tired. Do not read merely to be amused. Treat your books as friend. Do not follow blindly the teachings of any book.

KICKER'S WRATH DISARMED

By the Answer of the Man on the Floor Above with Musical Daughters.

"Once," said the flat dweller with musical daughters, "our neighbors living in the flat under us complained; the man of the house down there came up to see me about it."

"How do you suppose we can live down there," he said, "with your daughters forever pounding on the piano in minor, medium and major keys, but mostly in the major, and forever singing at all hours of the day and night songs that seem to be faintly in a high pitch? Your daughters are most estimable young ladies, each, I know, for I have seen them; but I wish you would come down into my flat some time and listen, listen, to that continuous pounding and singing. If it didn't drive you plumb out of your senses I miss my guess."

"My dear sir," I said to him, "I appreciate your situation, and I thank you for the candid but at the same time kindly courtesy with which you have stated your grievance, but consider."

"You," I said to him, "have between me and yourself a floor and a ceiling, which must deaden the sound somewhat, but I have to sit here and hear it right in the same apartment with it!"

"He understood; he knew that mine was the greater cross, and he looked at me sympathetically and went away quite mollified." — New York Sun.

Old Firearms in Historic House.

Much excitement prevailed when the historic old residence owned by C. E. Burd was destroyed by fire. Within the walls of the structure were hidden a small arsenal of firearms, rifles and pistols, all loaded, and when the heat of the building reached them a regular Fourth of July bombardment began. The house was one of the old landmarks of the city, having been built before the Civil War. D. Okett, a Southern soldier, had recently written to the owner of the property that the Confederates had stored guns and ammunition in the walls of the old structure during the war, but Mr. Burd was unable to get at the relics owing to the fact that the building had been remodelled and strong walls had been built around the old ones. The much prized relics, consisting of ante bellum firearms of the crudest make, were hidden in the walls of the old structure in order to get them at the end of the struggle.—Enterprise correspondence New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A Woman's Letter.

Women, it is generally admitted, write better letters than men. M. Marcel Prevost has discovered the reason for this superiority. "The obvious meaning is never the one we should read into a woman's letter. There is always a veiled meaning. Woman makes use of a letter just as she employs a glance or a smile. In a way that is carefully thought out, and with an eye to effect. And, after all, does a woman's hat serve to cover her head? Does a woman's parasol keep off the sun? Why, then, should a woman's letter serve to convey her real thoughts to the person addressed. Just like the letters of some honest grocer, who writes: 'I send you five pounds of coffee,' because he really does send you five pounds of coffee."—London Chronicle.

The Progressive Crow Indians.

Contractors have gone to the Crow agency just across the line in Montana to establish an electric light plant. The Crow Indians are among the most progressive red men in the United States. Many own their farms, adjacent to the agency, fine horses and wagons, up to date farming machinery, send their children to school, and several are engaged in mercantile pursuits at the agency. The Indians are abreast of the times. Realizing the advantages of electricity for light, power and heat, and being financially able, they are having this plan installed.—Sheidan correspondence Denver Republican.

Michigan's Big Bean Crop.

When Michigan's bean crop of 1910 had been converted into the baked article and otherwise almost \$20,000,000 will have been spent for the product of this State by the people of the world who indulge in this food. Reports show that Michigan grew 6,150,000 bushels last year easily outranking any other State in this specialty. The retail price of beans everywhere, excepting for the selected, hand picked variety, all of which is added to carry you a little higher, is 10 cents a quart.—Detroit Free Press.

Hook Instead of Landing Net.

To Lawrence Dale of East Stroudsburg has been granted a patent on a fishhook. The hook is to take the place of landing net used for catching game fish. A spring releases these hooks and they sink into the fish with lightning rapidity up to the base. All that is necessary is to touch the fish and it is secure. There is no getting away, and it is sufficient strong to hold fish weighing many pounds.—Philadelphia Record.

Telephones in Church.

Morial Church of Utica has installed a telephone system for the benefit of members of the church who may be afflicted with deafness. Six telephones have been placed in various parts of the auditorium, the transmitter being located on the pulpit directly in front of the speaker.—Telephone Review.

Cleaning Glass Vases.

Flower vases which have become cloudy and discolored should be cleaned with a mixture of vinegar and salt, poured in and well shaken about. A long piece of stiff wire, upon the end of which is a little pad of soft rag, should be poked into all the corners and crevices, and the vase then rinsed in warm water and dried with a good polishing cloth. Fly marks upon the glass frames of pictures should be rubbed with half a lemon and then polished with a chamote leather.

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And again we urge all who can to shop in the morning if they would avoid the confusion and discomfort incident to the afternoon crowds.

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Foulard Silks.

It is with great pleasure we announce the arrival of the new 1913 Foulards. There is a growing tendency of recent years to present something of a useful, practical nature. With this in mind our spring order of Foulards—shipped usually about February 1—were ordered forward December 1. What more royal or acceptable gift? These are in exclusive dress lengths and we'll put them in fancy boxes for gifts. Special display at the first center aisle booth today. Remember all new silks, advance styles and colorings for the spring season 1913.

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Through cars are operated over the lines between all important centres of population, and an excellent dining car service is available at the usual hours for meals on the through trains. The all-steel equipment of the trains adds greatly to the security and comfort of passengers.

The spirit of the holiday season stimulates the wish to travel, and the facilities of the Pennsylvania Railroad and its connections appeal with equal force to the homecoming young folks and the migrating people of maturer years.

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TO THE SOUTH.

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