

WINS DIVORCE



Beautiful Lady Daphne Clifton, formerly Miss Daphne Rachel Mulholland, who has been awarded a decree against her husband, Lord Clifton. Lord and Lady Clifton were married in 1912. They have two children. Lord Clifton is thirty-two years old and served during the war as a major in the royal artillery.

Haunts Scene of Crimes.

In the olden days Devon and Cornwall were notorious for their wreckers, who tricked many a gallant vessel ashore on the rock-encircled coast by false lights. In many places the spectres of ships wrecked in this manner are said to reappear. At Priest cove in Cornwall, the ghost of a notorious wrecker who was wont to lure ships ashore by moving lights in lanterns, which he hung round the neck of a lame horse, is said to appear on stormy nights clinging to the fragment of a wreck, which is dashed violently on the rocks, eventually disappearing with the wrecker in a cloud of foam.

His Classification.

A man was writing somewhat impudently in a post office while the young woman clerk discussed the gossip of the day with one of her admirers. His annoyance being evident in his countenance, she remarked, with Cockney sprightliness: "Well, you needn't look at me as if I were poison." "Not so much poison as a counter-irritant," he replied gravely.—London Tit-Bits.

Handicap Worth While.

When a handicap becomes the fulcrum over which we pry out success with the long iron bar of determination it ought to make us shake hands with the hindrance and say, "Thank you! You have helped me out fine!"

Making Gas From Wood.

Experiments on wood as part substitute for coal in gas making have been carried out in France. The wood used was sea pine in the form of billets cut from the middle of the trunk. The charge of the wood was about half the weight of that of coal, and carbonization occupied half the usual time. When running one retort with wood to every two with coal, no appreciable difference in the calorific power of the gas was noted. Of the two by-products—small coke and tar—the former amounted to 5 to 10 per cent.

Free Board.

A restaurant in Yuma, Ariz., displays a sign that reads: "Free board every day the sun doesn't shine." At first sight the offer of free board every day the sun doesn't shine might seem a reckless one, but, as a matter of fact, a day without sunshine in that desert country is far rarer than blackberries in May. If it rains at all, it is only for a very short time, leaving most of the day for sunshine, so that the sign would only catch a tenderfoot.

Great Alexanders.

Alexander Bell was the great American who invented the telephone, which is still called the Bell telephone; and Alexander Humboldt was a German traveler, statesman and the most distinguished naturalist of all times. One of his most important discoveries was the decrease in intensity of the earth's magnetic force from the pole to the equator. His most important book, "Kosmos," was written in his seventy-fifth year. He did much in his long life to further the science of the world.

Cannot Do Without Sleep.

Sleep is a necessity of life no less than is food. No man has ever succeeded in keeping awake for more than a few days continuously. If he is forced to do so, as in ancient Chinese tortures, where constant tickling of the feet made sleep impossible, he falls at last into a comatose state from which he never awakes.

To Make Attar of Roses.

After having gathered a quantity of roses, place them in a jar, then pour upon them some spring water. Cover the top with thin muslin to keep out the dust, and expose the jar to the heat of the sun for a few days, until oily particles are observed to be floating on the surface of the water. Take off this oil substance and place it in a bottle. This is the perfume known as "attar of roses."

Test of Woolens.

One test is to cut off a bit of the selvage and touch a match to it. If it shrivels up, but does not burn, it is wool, but if the fabric burns with a flame it is cotton. Another way is to put a bit of the cloth in a test tube or other glass receptacle with a solution of caustic soda. The soda will eat up the wool, leaving that which is not wool.

Preferred "Motorhouse."

In England during the early days of motor vehicles, there was a decided preference for the name "motorhouse" rather than "garage."

EX-PREMIER OF FINLAND



Oscar Tokol, ex-premier of Finland, who is now serving as a Finnish officer in the legion formed in north Russia to combat the bolsheviks. The Finns are now reported as offering stern resistance to the spreading bolshevistic factions.

A Skeptical Investor.

A woman with a few thousand dollars to invest asked a brokerage house to suggest a good investment with a minimum of risk. A partner in this house, on reading her request, proceeded to write his regular formula applicable to those who don't want any security which goes down. His recommendation was the 5½ per cent bonds of the United Kingdom and Ireland.

A few days later he received a communication from the same woman and she requested that he send another investment suggestion.

"While I have faith in Great Britain," she wrote, "I am not so sure about Ireland."—Wall Street Journal.

Orientalists Believe in 13.

Thirteen has no terrors for Orientalists. This was shown in Seattle, Wash., when the little Japanese sailing vessel Kashima Maru arrived in port from the Orient with a crew of exactly 13 men aboard. Officers of the vessel explained that 13 is considered in the Orient just like an even dozen or a score when it comes to manning vessels or inviting wedding guests.

ANOTHER OF WAR'S RESULTS

Direct Connection Traced Between Great Conflict and the Annoying Scarcity of Laundresses.

This is from Alexandria, our neighboring city down the Potomac.

Housekeepers there are having quite a time getting "help," especially some one to do the family wash. The necessity for clean clothes is one which devolves upon civilized beings. Wars may come and wars may go, but the washtub and washboard go on forever. But it has been hard to get a laundress in Alexandria. War-time conditions have enabled many who earned their living at the tub to turn to less arduous pursuits, with the result that there is a scarcity of "wash ladies." The condition is one paralleled in many other cities.

"Aunt Lucy," said one Alexandrian woman, addressing a colored woman whom she had known for many years, "don't you know some one who can do my washing?"

"No, ma'am I don't know no one," she said.

The woman made a last attempt. "Won't you do it for me, Aunt Lucy?" she asked, with a winning smile.

"Deed, chile," said Aunt Lucy, "I don't have to do no washing no more."

"Why?" asked the woman. "Well, honey, hit is jes like this," explained Aunt Lucy with a nice distinction: "De Civil war made us free. And dis here wor' war has made us independent."—Washington Star.

EAGER TO SEE ELEPHANT

First One That Was Brought to the United States Aroused the Utmost Curiosity.

Nowadays, when summer in the United States would hardly seem itself without the coming of a circus, it is difficult to realize the excitement aroused by the first exhibition of an elephant. A now-forgotten showman, Hackallah Bailey, is said to have imported the first elephant nearly a hundred years ago, and the animal was a whole show in himself. The circus tent had not yet come into being, and the elephant was shown in barns in the Eastern states that then held the bulk of the population. To prevent the public from seeing the show without charge, the elephant traveled from place to place in the night; but even so, the public refused to be wholly circumvented, and small companies gathered with bonfires ready to light when the strange creature came lumbering past on his way to the next town. Sometimes, however, the management defeated this intention by sending along the road a horse built up to look like an elephant in the dark, and when the bonfire had been lighted and had burned out, the real elephant followed.—Christian Monitor.

The Way to the Pole.

Service with the American air forces in France adds weight to the opinion of Donald B. MacMillan, Arctic explorer and leader of the Crocker land expedition, that the airplane is not adapted for a dash to the pole, and that the cost of such a trip by dirigible would be prohibitive. In his

own future explorations, Mr. MacMillan says, he expects to depend on the "ever-faithful dogs," for conveyance. The airplane is, in his judgment, impracticable for several reasons, one of which is, he says, sufficient to discount the idea of successful Arctic exploration by hardy armen. The frozen north offers no smooth fields of ice on which the explorer could make a landing. A dirigible might start from a properly equipped hangar in Labrador and hope to return, but the total cost of the expedition would probably be about \$1,000,000.

In Apple Blossom Time.

A wedding I attended was held in an orchard in apple blossom time. One of the women wore a red shirtwaist. In the midst of the service a bull in a pasture in the next field rushed in at the red shirtwaisted woman, who climbed a tree before the bull arrived. The rest of the party and myself did likewise. The bride's veil fell off, which embarrassed her exceedingly. The shirtwaist was thrown over the fence and the bull subdued, and the wedding continued in peace. The woman hastened home after a new shirtwaist, wearing her husband's frock coat.—Exchange.

Replanting Forests.

In England and in Scotland, before the war, were many hunting ranges and sporting grounds. During the war, however, these were cut down to supply munition factories at home and armies abroad. Never before, it is said, have these countries been so bare of timber as they are at present. But now they are preparing to replant their forests. The old ones were first of all ornamental but incidentally they proved useful. These which they are planting now are to be first of all useful and also, of course, ornamental.

Remorse.

"So you were in a German prison camp?"

"Yes."

"How was the food there?"

"Don't ask me to answer a question like that, but I'll say this much: If I ever run across the old lady I used to board with—overcome by the recollection of the mean remarks he used to make about those Sunday night suppers of cold ham and grits, the returned doughboy applied a handkerchief to his eyes and hastily walked away.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

NEVADA AS "GOLDEN STATE"

From Reports, It Is Not at All Improbable She May Become Thus Known.

When they began to dig out silver by the ton from the Comstock group of mines, Nevada lost its original name of "the Sagebrush State," and became known to the whole world as the "Silver State."

But recent developments in the Divide district seem to indicate another change of name, for they do say that the gold is so thick just a little under the surface that the owners of the mines refuse to dig lest they be ruined by the excess profits tax. They just take out a shovelful from time to time to pay living expenses, and sit tight over the hole where they took

it out till they need a little more. Possibly, also, these mine owners are influenced by patriotism, as not wishing to disturb values by flooding the world with gold and thus adding to the economic confusion. California has hitherto taken pride in calling itself the Golden state, but even in Nevada they are getting ready to demand the belt and title and say they are going to get it.

And with all due allowance for newborn enthusiasm and for the picturesque way in which prosperous miners are wont to express themselves, if a tenth of what is claimed is true—and it may be—we may expect the people of Nevada to change from the most loyal of silverites to the most determined and irreconcilable gold bugs. Circumstances do alter cases. That they have found a lot of gold is certain.—Sioux Falls Press.

WHEN AVIATION WAS NEW

Benjamin Franklin Evidently Had Expectations of Its Value, Though Venturing No Predictions.

Somebody has been quite naturally reminded, by events in the air, of what Benjamin Franklin said to Condorcet about aeronautics 136 years ago, in Paris. The French capital was just then much interested in the balloon ascensions of the Montgolfier brothers, perhaps even more excited, on the smaller scale of the times, than modern cities over the actual crossing of the Atlantic, and wherever men came together the future possibilities of ballooning made an immediate topic of conversation. Condorcet, meeting Franklin, asked him if he thought an aeronaut would ever be able to steer his balloon. "The thing is in its infancy," said Franklin. "It is necessary to wait." "But what is the good of it?" demanded a doubting Thomas. "What useful purpose will it serve?" "Gentlemen," replied Franklin, "it is a child just born; let us wait to judge it until its education is completed." And even now the education is far from finished.

Was Big Railroad Project.

The summer brings the semicentenary of the opening of the Mt. Washington railway, which, 50 years ago, distinguished the White mountain region of New England by making it the location for the first important mountain railroad in the country. Remarkable railroading to high altitudes has since been accomplished, but the climb of some 6,200 feet to the summit of the highest of the White mountains was then regarded almost as an achievement of the impossible. And it did, for that matter, immediately make Mt. Washington possible to many a tourist who would have spent his life at the bottom rather than try then to climb to the top on foot.

Liberty's Demands.

We honor liberty in name and form. We set up her statues, and sound her praises. But we have not yet fairly trusted her. And with our growth, so grow her demands. She will have no half-service.—Macaulay.

BRAINY BOWERS TAKES HIS DISCHARGE FROM THE MILITARY PRISON

