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American lanterns are exported to all the countries of the world where lanterns are used. Many are sent to South Africa and to South America, to Australia and New Zealand, and some are sold in Asia. Few, proportionately, are sent to Europe.

Kerosene oil is now commonly burned in lanterns all over the world. There are no lanterns made nowadays for candles only, but there are exported to South America some lanterns made so that either candles or oil may be burned in them. These are provided with a candle socket, which may be set down into the oil reservoir, the wick holder having been removed. By removing the candle socket and screwing in the wick holder the lantern is made ready to burn oil. Excepting railroad and other lanterns for special uses, substantially all the lanterns made nowadays are of the kind known as tubular, first introduced about thirty years ago, and now made in various modifications as to detail, the tubular part of the lantern being designed with a view to producing better combustion and a brighter light. The lanterns made for ordinary uses are produced in about forty styles.

The American lanterns are the lightest, the slightest in appearance and the best adapted to their use, and they are sold cheaper than lanterns of equal quality produced elsewhere. There are large establishments in this country making lanterns only. It is probable that more lanterns are now exported from this country than from either England or Germany, and the exports of American lanterns are increasing.

Rice Bread as a Staple.

Rice bread is the staple food of the Chinese, Japanese and a large portion of the inhabitants of India. In Persia the bread is made from rice flour and milk; it is called "lawash." The Persian oven is built in the ground about the size of a barrel. The sides are smooth mason work. The fire is built at the bottom and kept burning until the wall or sides of the oven are thoroughly heated. Enough dough to form a sheet about 1 foot wide and about 2 feet long is thrown on the bench and rolled until about as thin as sole leather, then it is taken up and tossed and rolled from one arm to the other and flung on a board and slapped on the side of the oven. It takes only a few moments to bake and when baked it is spread out to cool. This bread is cheap (1 cent a sheet); it is sweet and nourishing.

On the Battlefield.

For absolute disregard to wounds no soldier can rival the Turk. His abstemious life (for your Turk will not touch intoxicants, and eats very sparingly of meat) makes him proof against wounds which would be fatal to most Englishmen.

During the recent Graeco-Turkish war one brave Turk, who was shot completely through both legs and one arm, fought valiantly for twenty-four hours after he received his wounds; and then it was only by force that he was carried off to the hospital. Another Turk who received a bullet in his abdomen fought on until the battle was ended, and marched a distance of ten miles before he even reported his wound.

Kites in the Polar Regions.

It is proposed in Germany that the various expeditions expected shortly to visit the antarctic regions should carry with them scientific kites, by means of which the upper atmosphere may be explored. In this way, it is thought, not only could the temperature prevailing at a great height around the poles be more accurately learned, but light would also be thrown on the direction of the air-currents, and if photographic apparatus were sent up with the kites, additional knowledge of the parts of the surface not otherwise obtainable might result.

Horseback Riding.

Horseback exercise possesses, according to some physicians, the faculty of both increasing and reducing weight. This is an apparent contradiction, but it is explained by the difference of the time at which the riding is done.

If meals are taken immediately after riding, additional flesh is gained, but if a space of an hour and a half is allowed to intervene between the ride and the meal a decrease of flesh results.

Economy in Shoe Laces.

Shoe laces are to be made with a core of hemp or other strong cord inclosed in a loosely woven casing, the core extending into a tongue of coiled wire or soft brass at either end, thus forming a string which will not wear out easily.

PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN TREES.

The Strange But Gifted Inhabitants of New Guinea in the South Seas.

Of all the islands of the south seas New Guinea is in some respects the most peculiar. With its towns built on the water, its native castles in the trees and its strange native inhabitants, who have been steadily dying out since the advent of the white man, it is an intensely interesting bit of the world. The natives are gifted with such remarkable powers that they can see into distances far beyond the vision of the white man; they can track the wild beast by signs that the white man cannot learn; they can find food and drink in deserts where white men would perish of thirst and starvation.

The accompanying picture represents one of the treehouses built by natives



HOUSE IN THE TREE TOPS

of the island. Among the savage tribes are warriors who are known as the "head hunters." The aerial houses are built as refuges from the head hunters. When the cry is raised that the head hunters are coming the feeble and the women flee to the tree huts and the able men arm for the fight.

Safety Paper.

A new kind of safety paper for banks, &c., is announced, though the inventor's name does not appear. It is a foreign idea, one feature of the invention consisting in printing or otherwise impressing on the paper employed a plurality of sets of lines or marks, one or more of which sets are indelible and the remaining sets delible; these lines or marks are made so fine and so closely alternating or relatively disposed that, in ordinary observation with the naked eye, no single line or mark is distinguishable. Again, the indelible lines or marks are made of a color differing from those complementary to that of the delible lines or marks, so that, owing to their close juxtaposition, they will convey the impression of a color differing from those of either of the sets of lines or marks. Thus, any chemical action or erasure on such paper would, it is claimed, be at once discernible, and the shade made by the two color combinations would be hard to duplicate.

New Uses of Aluminum.

Aluminum has lately found its way extensively into vibrating and reciprocating machines, both large and small," says the Engineering and Mining Journal. "Here the advantageous use of the metal is entirely a matter of reducing the weight. Probably the best illustration of the use of aluminum in revolving machinery is in using an oil cup on the driving-wheel of a locomotive in connection with a driving-rod. With the increased speeds that the roads are now aiming to attain, it is necessary to increase the diameter of the driving-wheels, and consequently the tendency to break the shank of the oil cups materially increases, and with some of the large engines which have been built, cups made of composition are frequently broken. These cups are now, and have been for some time, successfully cast in aluminum, and have given great satisfaction."

Protection for Railway.

On the new Russian military railway from Europe to Andijan, on the borders of the Chinese empire, a tree like shrub called the sasacaul had to be planted all along the line through the desert to prevent the rails being covered by sand. For further protection a ribbon of wild oats runs along both sides of the railway.

Fruits Which Are Injurious.

Bananas are very bad for some people and so are raspberries and rhubarb. Indeed, all fruit like gooseberries, that have numerous tiny seeds, are very often undigested where the person is not strong and cause various disagreeable complaints.

The Mushroom's Life.

The mushroom's life is measured by hours, but it flourishes long enough for an insect to hang its egg on the edge of the "umbrella" and for the eggs to become an insect ready to colonize the next mushroom that springs up.

Wonders of the Turnip.

A turnip seed increases its own weight fifteen times in a minute. On great ground turnips have been found to increase by growth 15,999 times the weight of their seed each day they stood upon it.

Waste of Time.

Before a fire brigade can start for a fire in Berlin the members must all fall in line in military fashion and salute their captain. This proceeding wastes at least three minutes.

Tobacco Patents.

The necessity of preparing tobacco for the consumer has developed 2,274 patents

Three 200,000 into the River.

There is one interesting incident in the career of Sir Herbert Kitchener which is not generally known. After the fall of Khartoum in 1885, an enormous quantity of stores had to be destroyed owing to the want of transport. Among them was about a million rounds of ammunition, which was ordered to be thrown into the Nile. The duty of superintending its destruction fell to Kitchener, and when it was finished he found to his dismay that the contents of two of the boxes thrown into the river were not ammunition, but 10,000 gold sovereigns apiece. It is hardly probable that any attempt will be made to recover the lost treasure when the expeditionary forces reach the spot, for after the lapse of thirteen years it must be buried beyond all hope of recovery in the mud of which the bed of the Nile is composed.

A Wealthy Beggar.

A well known beggar, who for more than twenty years has frequented the neighborhood of the Paris opera house and the Church of St. Roch, was prostrated by sunstroke. He was taken to the hospital of La Charite, where bank notes amounting to 300,000 francs were discovered in a leather belt the mercantile patient wore.

Fastest Swimming Animal.

The otter is the fastest swimming quadruped known. In the water it exhibits an astonishing agility, swimming in a nearly horizontal position with the greatest ease, diving and darting along beneath the surface with a speed equal, if not superior, to that of many fishes.

Growth of a City.

Melbourne, which consists of thirteen huts, and was known as Beargrass at the time of Queen Victoria's accession, is now classed as the seventh city of the British empire, coming in after London, Liverpool, Glasgow, Manchester, Birmingham and Calcutta.

Reversible Envelope.

Envelopes are being manufactured with an auxiliary back, which can be addressed by the sender in order that the receiver may reverse it to cover the front of the envelope to return it to the address already written.

Memory Rings.

Memory rings are the latest. They are designed especially for the use of the absent-minded woman, and for the man who ties bits of string around his finger to remind himself of his wife's theatre ticket, of his sister's bicycle lamp or of his engagement to take Miss Smith to the Wagnerian recital.

In appearance the memory ring strongly resembles its first cousin, the key ring. It is made of gold or silver, and its usual form is a circle about three inches in circumference.

For every item that one wishes to remember, a charm is placed on the ring.

Tiny silver pigs, turtles, cats and rabbits, frogs and lizards, an elephant holding a wee green enameled shamrock in its trunk, silver sleighbells, golden lears-de-lis and miniature books, bird cages and flags, all stand or dangle—for something which the memory ring's owner particularly wishes not to forget.

Penny-in-the-Slot Pump.

One of the latest applications of the penny-in-the-slot principle is a bicycle pump which can be thrown into gear for filling a tire by inserting a coin. As soon as the filled tire is removed a lever locks the pump, which can be caused to work again only by dropping in another coin.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that having this day purchased of Philip D. Rider, one cook stove, pipe and fixtures, one room stove and pipe, three bedsteads and bedding, 2 stands, 1 bureau, 1 set of chairs and rockers, 1 sewing machine, 1 hog, 1 lot of canned fruits, potatoes, and all the personal property of the said Philip D. Rider, and have left the said property with him and all persons are hereby cautioned not to meddle with said property in any way.

L. H. Beck, Sonestown, Oct. 12th, 1898.

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8 bars of Lenox Soap for 25c.
No. 1 mackerel per pound 8c.
Best Sugar Coated Hams @11c per lb.
Buckwheat Flour 25 pound sack 50c.
Buckwheat Flour 100 pounds, \$1.90.
Yellow Corn per 100 pounds 75c.
Corn Meal or Cracked Corn 80c.
Corn, Oats and Barley Chop 85c.
Wheat Bran 200 pounds \$1.50.
Flour middlings, 140 pound sack \$1.40.
Fine middlings 200 pounds \$1.60.
Flour per sack \$1.20.
Winter Roller per sack \$1.15.
Good Flour 90c.
Rye Flour 25 pounds, 50c.
Graham Flour 1 1/2 pounds 30c.
Common Fine Salt per barrel \$1.20.

The State Normal School of East Stroudsburg, Pa., furnishes its students' rooms complete. The only school to carpet its students' rooms with fine Brussels carpet. The first and only school to introduce plain and fancy sewing, without additional cost to pupils. See advertisement in another column.

J. W. Buck has a nice line of horse blankets.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

New lot of rubbers at J. W. Buck's this week.

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Go to J. W. Buck, Sonestown, for dry goods, boots, shoes, caps, underwear etc.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

For shoes and rubbers go to J. W. Buck

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

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Buy Good Goods! And you will be surprised how cheap they are in the end.

We have just unpacked such a stock of coats and capes to which we are pleased to call your special attention. We do not pretend to handle the cheapest coats in the market, but we do say we have the BEST and neatest fitting garments made. Our coats and capes are made to order, and in the latest styles with prices to suit everybody.

IN DRESS GOODS WE WERE NEVER BETTER PREPARED TO PLEASE YOU THAN AT THE PRESENT, AS WE HAVE THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT IN THAT LINE EVER DISPLAYED IN THE COUNTY.

Ladies and Misses, Boys and Men, you need not go half frozen this winter for we have plenty of underwear for you all, both in cotton or wool, red or gray and the prices are very low, so low that when you see the goods you will be astonished that we are able to give you such bargains.

One word in regard to foot wear:

Our shoe department was never more complete and if you will favor us with your attention for a few minutes when in town we will convince you that we have the most carefully selected line of fine and heavy boots and shoes ever brought before the public. On crockery we have just received some very pretty designs in Decorated Dinner Sets to which we invite your attention.

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