SNAKES IN CALIFORNIA.

Hogs Succumb to Their Venom the Same as Other Animals.

John Muir, the noted geologist and naturalist, talked to a reporter of the "San Francisco Examiner" as follows:

"The greatest place I know for snakes is in Fresno county," said he. "It's hot there, and that's just what snakes like. They are out in the foothills mainly, and very thick. It is often said that a rattlesnake can't hurt a hog; but this is a mistake. They kill a great many hogs, and sheep and dogs, too, in the Fresno hills and the mountaineers they are very careful how they go about.

"It makes a good deal of difference how thick a hog's skin is. Probably a little rattlesnake, if it attacked a big swine, wouldn't have much effect on it; but take an average-sized hog and medium-sized snake, and the former has no show at all.

"While the rattlesnakes there are probably not as thick as they used to be, they are thick enough yet to make things lively. They kill cotton-tail rabbits, squirrels, birds, and such things by the score, and live on them; but the sheep and hogs they simply kill. They don't eat them. They are too big. Some of the rattlesnakes are said to be six and seven feet long, though I never saw any quite so big. An old resident of Fresno tells me he saw a rattlesnake strike a hog in the throat, and the latter died in fifteen or twenty minutes. If the poison gets into them it takes no time at all to kill them. There are many other kinds of snakes there, but not so many as there are rattlers. In the upper end of the Yosemite valley there used to be, and there are yet, a great many of the latter. They are usually found in the wild, rocky spots. In the Yosemite, above Mirror lake, they were once very plentiful.

One peculiarity of a rattlesnake is that if he sees you first he will put his head down and quietly steal away. I was once above Mirror Lake with a party of ladies and gentlemen, and away off, 150 or 200 yards away, I saw something that looked like a small hitching post. It stuck some three feet or more up. I said to myself, can this be a hitching post in the grass? The others thought it was, but I doubted it. As we approached it went down gradually, and finally stole away in the grass. It was a big rattler, and had been watching us.

"The snake line is about 8,500 feet. You don't find them in the Sierras above that. The Nevada rattler, as a rule, is a pretty good natured fellow unless you attack him. The Nevada snakes look wise, and are cunning, and persons are naturally afraid of them. They never try to get away unless they think they are seen. They vary in color from dark to yellow, but are mostly rather dark, with dark mottles or blotches."

"The Woman in the Case."

As two women figure prominently in the Sheriff Flack divorce suit at New York it may be well to explain that the one whose picture is given herewith is Mrs. Raymond the sheriff's latest love.

MRS. RAYMOND.

Mrs. Raymond has succeeded thus far in eluding the vigilance of the reporters, but she committed one fatal error. She is a good-looking woman, and like all good-looking women she foolishly stood up before the deadly camera, and one of her photographs fell into the hands of a newspaper man. The lady who kindly loaned it for reproduction pronounces it a good one, although taken four or five years ago. Mrs. Raymond, the informant said, was then living on Thirty-fourth street with her friend, Mrs. Samuel Smith, where she still has or had rooms up to a few days ago. Samuel Smith, the husband of the landlady, is an old friend of Sheriff Flack, and they both are members of the Wawayanda club. Mr. Smith is chief clerk at the Sinclair house, but is on vacation now. Proprietor Ashman, of the Sinclair, is also a warm friend of Flack, and it is reported on good authority that Sheriff Flack got Smith his position as clerk. Flack used to frequent the Sinclair a great deal, and whenever he had any distinguished prisoners, such as Messrs. Ives and Stayner, they could find accommodations at this hostelry.

More Etiquette Than Dinner.

The evils of etiquette were lately illustrated at the Paris exhibition where that portion of the commission which undertook to look after newspaper men gave a banquet to visiting correspondents from abroad. There were about thirty guests and many nations were represented. For music the band of the Tsiganes had been engaged. The guests were seated, and gave every sign of hungry expectancy. Suddenly the band began to play the national air of Belgium. At once the representatives of that nation rose and remained standing until the tune was ended. Out of politeness all the other guests followed suit.

A few minutes later the strains of "God Save the Queen" resounded. These brought the Englishmen to their feet, and of course everybody else arose. As though possessed by devils, or else so that no one would be touched by jealous feelings, the indefatigable band went through its repertory of national airs, and as each tune came up, up went the people of the corresponding nationality, in special recognition of the courtesy, and up went everybody else in general recognition of the special recognition.

At 11 o'clock the concert, which had begun at 7 o'clock, ended with the "Marseillaise." Then, and not until then, the starved guests who were ready to faint, were able to attack the side dishes left on the table. Everything else had been duly served in its turn and taken away by the well-disciplined waiters.—Boston Transcript.

Most Remarkable Echoes.

Many wonderful echoes are known, but the one which takes the first place seems to be that of the old palace of Simonetta, near Milan, which forms three sides of a quadrangle. The report of a pistol is said to be repeated by this echo sixty times, and Addison, who visited the place on a somewhat foggy day, when the air was unfavorable, counted fifty-six repetitions. At first they were quick, but the intervals were greater in proportion as the sound decreased.

The echo at the Eagle's Nest on the banks of Killarney is renowned for its repetition of a bugle call, which seems to be repeated by a hundred instruments, until it gradually dies away in the air. At the report of a cannon the loudest thunders reverberate from the rock and die in seemingly endless peals along the distant mountains.—Exchange.

BUILDINGS AND MAKING THEM.

Facts of Interest to Builders and Their Employers.

Some very interesting tests of woods native to Washington and others native to other timber sections of the country was made recently at the Northern Pacific car shops. The purpose was to demonstrate the relative strength of the woods.

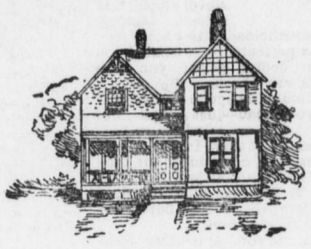
The timber tested was subjected to an actual breaking, on sticks 2x4 inches and four feet long, to centers, being one-fourth as long, thick and wide as an actual stringer as used by the railroad company in their trestle bridges. The test is important, as there seems to have been but little information on that subject, and the impression has been that ordinary oak was stronger than fir. The test show, however, that yellow fir is actually one-third stronger than eastern oak, and more than one-half stronger than eastern white pine. The breaking weight, placed squarely in the middle of each stick, was as follows:

No. 1. Old piece of yellow fir from yard, having decayed ends, six years in the weather, 3,063 pounds.

No. 2. New soft piece fine grain yellow fir, similar to the best flooring timber, 3,092 pounds.

No. 3. Old piece yellow fir, coarse grain and hard, broke short at 4,320 pounds.

No. 4. New piece from the butt of tree, coarse grain, broke with a stringy fracture at 3,635 pounds.



A SUBURBAN COTTAGE.

No. 5. New piece Michigan white pine, soft and clear, broke short at a weight of 1,610 pounds.

No. 6. New piece Michigan oak broke nearly short off at a weight of 2,428 pounds.

All of the pieces of wood were subjected to the same clear span of 3 feet 9 inches, and the weight applied exactly in the middle.

As to the deflections the following notes were made: Nos. 1 and 2, half an inch, No. 3, three-eighths of an inch, No. 4, five-eighths of an inch, No. 5, one-fourth of an inch, No. 6, one and one-eighth of an inch.

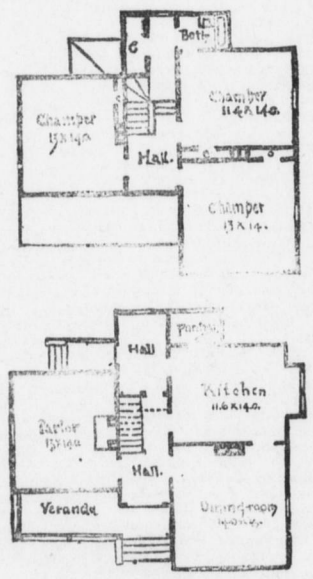
In this column is the picture of a cottage built during the present summer in the neighborhood of New York city, for $2,500.

The diagrams of the floors show that the rooms are well planned and large. The finish inside and out is the very best.

Some interesting experiments have been undertaken by Herr Herzberg, with the co-operation of Herr G. Schulze, chief engineer of the Berlin works of Messrs. Frederick Siemens & Co., for the purpose of ascertaining the loss of light in passing through window glass of various kinds in general use. The experiments were conducted with a Bunsen photometer, in which two Argand burners of equal illuminating power were placed at the two ends of the graduated bar.

After equality of illumination of the screen had been established, a plate of the glass to be tested was interposed between one of the end lights and the screen, and the extent of the displacement of the latter thus necessitated for the re-establishment of equality of illumination on both sides gave the measure of the opacity of the glass.

A simple translucent but not transparent glass showed a lot 27 per cent. of light. Cathedral glass, such as is used in stained glass work as a basis, being clear but with a slight ground tint, showed a loss of 12 2-3 per cent. Plain cathedral glass with a white tint also showed a loss of 12 2-3 per cent. Plain



white Rhenish "double glass" gave a loss of 10 per cent. Plain thin mirror glass obstructed 10 per cent. of light. The two last together, with an interval of six centimeters between them, showed a loss of 21 per cent.

Cathedral and Rhenish "double glass" together with the same interval, showed a loss of 23 per cent. A ground glass with cut stars together with a white background, such as is found in house fanlights, obstructed 60 per cent. of light. A new clean piece of ground glass without stars, together with the dusty white glass background as in the preceding experiment, showed a loss of 40 per cent.

At the workingman's house hunger looks in, but dares not enter, nor will the baliff or the constable enter, for industry pays debts as despair increaseth them. —Franklin.

All men have their frailties, and whoever looks for a friend without imperfections will never find what he seeks. We love ourselves notwithstanding our faults, and we ought to love our friends in like manner.—Cyrus.

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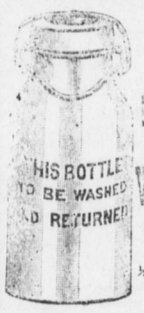

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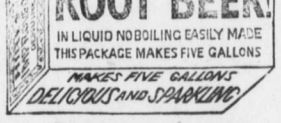

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