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BADGER STATE FURS.

Some of the Varieties of Furs Secured by Trappers in Wisconsin.

American trappers said that the grey wolves of upper Wisconsin were the largest in the United States. They drove the deer a good deal. A pack of seven wolves had twice crossed their lines that winter, and they had taken out for them. Wolves travel across a great deal of country—20, 40, 50 miles or more—and did not remain long. They also traveled a great deal. A lynx usually came around again in about seven days, and the wolves once in two or three weeks, though not so regularly as the lynx. The other also traveled a great deal, but not so regularly. It would sometimes leave the water courses and travel miles across dry divides to entirely new country. The best place to trap martens was along the high ridges between waterways, and that was best also for fishers. They often caught fishers, but never a water snake.

American trappers rated the fox the hardest animal to trap, the wolf next, and the otter third. To catch a fox they often made a bed of straw and got him to lying in it or hooting around it, the trap being set under the straw. Or a trap was set at a place where several foxes seemed to stop for a certain purpose. Or a fox could be caught sometimes by putting a bait a little way out in the water and then putting a pad of moss between the bait and the shore, with the trap lid under the moss. The fox, not liking to wet his feet, would step on the moss.

For wolves the usual way was to put out poison (strychnine). Often they would not touch the poisoned meat. For others it was necessary to use great care, not leaving any chips or litter around. Our trappers usually caught them either on a slide or at a place where they came out of the water, not where they went in, as the other slides with his feet doubled under and would be apt to spring the trap with his body. It was a good way to drop a stick or limb on the side of the slide, cutting it down and letting it fall naturally, so that the otter would not escape the trap so easily. The trap should never be set in the middle of the slide, but on one side, as the otter's feet are so wide apart and he would not be caught should he bring the trap with his body.

For otters and beavers, if they were trapped near deep water, a sliding pole was usually used, arranged with the small end stuck down into the deep water. The animal when trapped plunges into the water, and the slide of the trap slides up the slope along the pole. The little slide of the trap is so arranged that it will not be set in the water over an otter's head or the fur will slip. A few days' work no difference. All traps should be visited about once in six or eight days.—Forest and Stream.

TRIALS OF A WOMAN EDITOR.

Abused by a Rival Who Thought She Was a Man.

The beautiful young girl who had graduated only a year before with the highest honors rushed to the family sitting room and flung herself, with a scream of sob, upon the sofa.

"What is it, my dear?" asked her father, nothing less gently. "Has anything happened to discompose you?"

"Yes," said the maiden, raising her tear-stained face, "I am done with journalism forever. When you allowed me to purchase that weekly newspaper, I thought that no occupation on earth could be so noble, so elevating and powerful to scatter good and wisdom throughout the world. When I began editing the paper, everything appeared bright and rose colored.

"My editorials were praised by the entire Texas press, and I got flattering words of encouragement from even the large dailies. I was, oh, so proud of the fact that although a woman, I had been admitted as an equal member of the great brotherhood that exercises such an influence upon the minds and morals of the people. Last week I wrote a gentle criticism of an article that appeared in a little weekly in another county. This, papa, is what I find in the next issue of that horrid paper."

"The lovely girl handed her father the paper and buried her head upon the sofa pillows while he read the following:

"We would be to the loathsome, knock-kneed, yellowish, jobbercrack that infests the editorial dignities of the Weekly Herald, keep your shirt on! The disgusting, idiotic drivel that emanates from the clapper jawed, squinted, head, slab sided puddle duck that spouts paper for that some sign of journalism should get a pair of buckskin, kick-proof pants, or else quit squinting such jobs of backhanded, putrefied slime at decent papers. If the hump-backed, nutty faced vermin referred to doesn't like our remarks, we will call any day and weather a few boxes of hair and brass buttons around said Herald office, or forfeit a year's subscription."

"Papa," said the girl graduate in a small but decided voice, "I want you to buy me a book and some long aprons. I'm going to stay at home and help mother about the house."—Houston Post.

WHAT POWER DOES HE POSSESS?

We do not know; doctors cannot explain it. Mr. Kellogg and his associates will at Ferguson's theatre, Saturday, January 10th.

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Happening Throughout the Country

throughout the country. M. K. Moore, president of the Municipal League, and prominent non-unionist, of Pittsburg, is dangerously ill.

H. G. Deane, of Brooklyn, escaped from the Eastern Sanatorium on Monday night, and yesterday his home body was found at Howell's station.

An ingenious arrangement of gun boats to represent the form of a multi-atriate considerable attention at the Factory Shoe store. Three valuable horses, belonging to Cox & Co., of Drifton, broke loose yesterday morning and were killed by a train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Harry W. Seigrist has been chosen treasurer of the Central and Lebanon Railroad, to succeed Alvin D. Hoyer, who resigned because of his brother's stealings.

At a conference between representatives of the Farmers' Union and Factory Inspector Campbell, at Pittsburg, Pa., yesterday afternoon, it was decided to hold a convention at Pittsburg, Pa., on the 15th inst.

Thomas J. Butler was yesterday confirmed as justice at Mount Jewett.

Mrs. L. Shoemaker was yesterday appointed fourth-class postmaster at Sherman's Dale.

The 9-year-old Annie Spillier, of Ashland, fell into a boiler of hot water and will probably die.

John Sawyer, of St. Paul, fell forty feet from the High Traction bridge at Drifton, and was seriously injured.

Infringed James Hodgkins, of Reading, through a lighted lamp at his wife's. It missed her, but he is in jail in default of bail.

Stopping to de avoid a passenger train at Mount Jewett, truck-walker James Wilhelm of Colport was killed by a shifting engine.

THERE IS BUT ONE KELLOGG. And he will be at Ferguson's theatre, Saturday evening, January 10th.

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Coal Miners' Strike Ended.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 13.—The strike of the coal miners of the Wheeling division of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad is ended. All of the men returned to work yesterday, according to reports. The fifty-four cent rate offered by the operators. The decision of the men was reached at a meeting held last night to consider whether or not the strike should be continued.

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Hard Times Increased the Sale of Diamond Dyes—Black for Cotton, Wool and Silk That Does Not Croak—Makes Old Cloaks, Gowns, and Suits Look Like New.

"It is really marvellous," said a Main street druggist, "how the hard times have increased the sale of diamond dyes. Ladies buy one package as an experiment, and find the dye so easy to use that they color all their old clothing, and come out with new gowns, cloaks, and suits for the whole family. The diamond dye bleeds seems especially popular. I often sell half a dozen packages to one customer."

Diamond dyes are set up for every color, with special dyes for cotton and wool so simple and easy to use that even a child can dye a perfect color with them. One that will not fade, croak, or wash out, equal to the handsomest shade made by the professional dyer.

Court News.

James Canfield, who conducts a public house at Cambria, charged by Ignatius P. E. Devine, now in jail, with selling to minors and selling on Sunday, pleaded guilty to both charges. He was sentenced to pay the costs in both cases, a fine of \$50 in each, and serve twenty days imprisonment in each case.

The case in which Gordon Reed is charged by Dr. Gray with assault and battery has not yet been called for trial.

The will of Catherine Dwell, late of Tanawaga, and the will of Joseph Reese, late of Lost Creek, were probated and registered in the Register's office.

David Starr was appointed guardian of Jane Gertrude Starr and Samuel Oscar Starr, minor children of David Starr, late of Branch township. Bonds were filed and approved.

John White, fruiter at the salubrious, was yesterday acquitted of the charge of assault and battery made by Dr. Gray.

Anthony Britts was yesterday convicted of assault and battery with intent to kill before Judge Albright. During a Sunday row on East Centre street Britts fired a shot at Martin Pasmu, who was saved by a silver dollar he carried in the pocket of his trousers, the bullet glancing off on it.

George Strapiński and Peter Barrow were tried on charges of assault and battery perpetrated by Patrick Shack, a motorman on the Schuylkill Traction line, and found guilty. They received a sentence of \$1 fine, costs, and two months imprisonment. Strapiński was also sentenced to pay \$1 fine, costs and two months imprisonment on a charge of malicious mischief made by Constable Joseph Peters.

There! This is Just the Thing.

Red Flag Oil—for greases and brushes. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss Maggie Carroll went to Philadelphia this morning to spend a few days with friends.

Joseph W. Parrell is doing jury duty at Pottsville.

Charles McCreary, of Central, was a town visitor last night.

Mrs. Dillon, of Girardville, spent a few pleasant hours among friends in town yesterday.

School Director John J. Price visited friends at Ashland today.

Mrs. John Bootham and Miss Sallie Bootham returned to their homes in Blackwood today, after spending a vacation with the Scory family, on West Oak street.

Miss Sierstahl returned to her home in Minersville today, after a pleasant sojourn among town folks.

Thomas Campbell, the Philadelphia salesman, who is well known in this community, left town today, after a few