

# PLANET MARS NEXT TO DIE.

## Venus and Mercury Already Dead Worlds.

### INSISTS LIFE IS ON MARS.

Percival Lowell says Earth is the only other planet inhabited—Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune are big baby worlds, too young to sustain life—Jupiter and Saturn Red Hot.

Mercury and Venus are already dead and dried up worlds, Mars is rapidly approaching a state of wrinkled old age, and the earth is next in the procession headed toward the extinction of all life, according to Dr. Percival Lowell, head of Lowell observatory, who recently addressed the New York Electrical society.

Mars is certainly inhabited by some character of organized life, Dr. Lowell said, and the Martians have far greater reason to deny that there is life on the earth than we have that they exist. Dr. Lowell was sure that there was no life on any other planets besides the earth and Mars, all other members of the solar system being either already dried up, so that life, animal or vegetable, cannot exist, or else, like Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune, much too young in world evolution and therefore much too hot from interior sources to admit of life of any kind.

Assuming the sun to be the source as well as the center of the solar system, Dr. Lowell began at the outermost orbit, working inward. Jupiter and Saturn, he said, are still actually red hot. They were gradually cooling off, however, as the world is now doing. Jupiter no longer shines, though red hot, but its color, glimpsed now and then through its clouds, is a bright cherry red, and Dr. Lowell spoke of it as a huge baby of a world still in its swaddling clothes.

City Smoke Affects Rainfall. On Mars, he said, the clearing of the atmosphere, which had been going on here since the paleozoic era, had reached perfection. Man, indeed, he said, must be the source of constant annoyance to an orderly Creator, for he was constantly interfering with the natural course of events. With city chimneys always belching forth smoke and making it rain, man, Dr. Lowell declared, was responsible for more than half the bad weather of which he complains. On Mars the sky is perpetually clear from morning till night and from spring to fall.

While the water on the earth was slowly but surely disappearing through sublimation into the heavens and sinking into the earth, on Mars the seas had already disappeared, though there appeared to have been seas there ages ago.

In expressing his confidence in the existence of organic life on Mars Dr. Lowell said:

"Only self centered ignorance sustains our self conceit that we are something peculiar in nature's scheme. Our peculiarity consists in so thinking. Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune are too young yet; Venus and Mercury, though ostentatiously open, are too old to have anything to reveal. Only we and our next neighbor, Mars, are in a position to testify, and the study of those qualified to give an opinion is emphatic as to the evidence of organic life there as here, though the two are probably quite different. "It is certainly suggestive that Martians could from the aspect of the earth make out a much more plausible case for doubting the existence of the earthly doubters than these can for doubting them."

### STILL WANT LOWER BERTHS.

Reduction in Price of Uppers Has Not Increased Demand.

Although reduced Pullman berth rates have been in effect since Feb. 1, passenger traffic officials declare there has been no appreciable increase in the demand for upper berths, the price for which was lessened to 80 per cent of lower berth rates.

It was believed at first by a number of railroad officials that the cut in tolls by the Pullman company would be eagerly taken advantage of by the traveling public. A number of passenger traffic managers have expressed the opinion that the public generally has not been fully acquainted as yet with the fact that upper berth rates are cheaper than those for lowers and that it will be several months before this information has been fully disseminated.

### TILLMAN AWAITING THE END.

Can Never Recover, Says the Senator, Though Looking Well.

United States Senator Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina admitted that he is in a hopeless condition of health and that all that remains for him is to await the end. The senator when told that he was looking better than might be expected from the newspaper accounts of his condition said:

"My appearance misleads every one. I look well, and I tell people I am well, but I find when I try to do the things that I formerly did and wish to do now that I am weak and not able to do much. I shall never recover from the stroke which caused my collapse at Washington."

# NEWEST "HOPE" IS REALLY AND TRULY ONE GIANT.

Six feet nine inches of height and a reach greater than any man who ever fought give Oscar Stuckley, the latest man to be boomed as a heavyweight "hope," some consideration. This Florida person looks bigger than the giant that Jack killed. Here are his measurements:

Neck, 16½ inches; across shoulders, 32 inches; over shoulders, 23½ inches; chest (normal), 42½ inches; chest (deflated), 39 inches; chest (inflated), 45½ inches; waist, 37 inches; abdomen, 41½ inches; wrist, 8 inches; forearm, 12½ inches; upper arm, 13½ inches; biceps, 14½ inches; calf, 15½ inches; thigh, 24 inches; weight, 236 pounds; height, 6 feet 9 inches; reach, 81½ inches.

## DUGAN TO GET \$8,000 AS JOCKEY FOR BELMONT

Crack Rider Re-engaged to Pilot Millionaire's Horses at Big Salary.

Eddie Dugan, one of the cleverest jockeys in the country, was re-engaged recently by August Belmont to wear the famous maroon colors during the coming season. For his services Dugan will receive \$8,000, which is equal to \$1,000 per month. Considering the unstable situation of racing this salary is remarkable and proof



EDDIE DUGAN, WHO WILL RIDE BELMONT'S BOISSES NEXT SEASON.

positive that the chairman of the Jockey club considers Dugan the same "old champion." Dugan has ridden the Belmont runners for several years and has given satisfaction to their owner and to the turf world.

Dugan is now at Garnet, S. C., where Belmont winters his string. There are thirty-five thoroughbreds down at the farm under the care of John Whalen. The rider will break in the two-year-olds to the saddle and also teach them the tricks of the barrier. At the same time he will have plenty of opportunity to get down to riding weight, 107 pounds.

### GOLD CUP FOR YACHTS.

Will Give Incentive to Racing During the Coming Season.

One of the chief incentives to big yacht racing the coming season will be the Commodore Clark gold cup for an ocean race for schooners from New London, Conn., to Marblehead, Mass., as announced at the annual meeting of the Eastern Yacht club recently in Boston. The cup is ten inches in height, and the top is in the form of a Spanish galleon. It is to become the property of the yachtsman winning it three times.

### COMING SPORT EVENTS

The horse meeting at Tampa, Fla., which was originally scheduled to close March 11 has been extended to March 25.

Wealthy New York turfmen are raising a fund of \$250,000 to continue the sport next summer. Admission at the gate will be \$5, but there will be free admission for the public.

Harvard added another big game to her football schedule for next fall when the Carlisle Indians were given the date for Nov. 11. This game will take the place of that at Cornell.

Alfred W. Dunlop, the Australian international tennis player, captain of the Australian team that won the Davis cup for the first time in England, will visit this country the coming summer and may take part in the all comers' tournament at Newport, which will be played in August at the casino.

### Erdbebenforschung.

Ein internationales Institut für die selbe in Aussicht genommen.

Es soll am Behn erachtet werden, dass man sich große Versprechungen lassen.

Auf dem 4. Naturwissenschaftlichen Kongress Italiens, der jüngst in Neapel abgehalten worden ist, hat dort anlässlich vulkanologischer Anknüpfung ein internationales Vulkaninstitut entwickelt, das in Neapel oder am Behn unter Beförderung aller Nationen errichtet werden solle, um den Gelehrten der gesamten Welt Gelegenheit zu geben, die Beobachtungen der vulkanischen Vorgänge zu geben. Friedländer hat bereits auf dem internationalen Geologen-Kongress in Stockholm, im Verein zur Förderung des Gewerbetreibenden zu Berlin und anderwärts für seinen Plan der wissenschaftlichen Kreise gerufen; auch in Neapel fand er die denkbar günstigste Aufnahme, und die dort versammelten Naturforscher beschließen nach einer lebhaften Erörterung, woran die Professoren Faranelli, Della Vedova, Ricciardi, Platania, Vossani, Mercalli und Lombardi sich beteiligten, ihre Zustimmung zu dem Projekt mit dem Wunsch, dass es allenfalls die finanzielle Unterstützung finde, die es gemäß seiner hohen wissenschaftlichen und wohl auch wirtschaftlichen Bedeutung verdient. Da das bestehende kleine staatliche Observatorium auf dem Behn nicht ausreichend mit Mitteln ausgestattet ist, so wird es die Aufgabe des internationalen Vulkaninstitutes sein, zum ersten Mal eine dauernde und systematische Unternehmung der vulkanischen Erscheinungen zu ermöglichen. Zu diesem Zweck sollen die nötigen Laboratorien und Instrumente beschafft werden, insbesondere sollen am Behn regelmäßige Temperaturmessungen an verschiedenen Stellen ausgeführt werden, die Gase sollen regelmäßig beobachtet und analysiert werden, was ein eigenes gasanalytisches Laboratorium nötig ist, und die lokalen Erdbeben vulkanischen Charakters sollen dauernd während der Ruhepausen des Vulkans und auch während der Tätigkeit registriert werden. Die Zahl der eigentlichen Vulkanologen im engeren Sinne ist in Italien und auch in jedem anderen einzelnen Lande gegenwärtig sehr gering, was sich leicht dadurch erklärt, dass überhaupt nirgends dauernde Stellen für einen Vulkanologen als solchen vorhanden sind. An dem neuen Institut sollen ein Direktor und wenigstens drei Assistenten angestellt werden, und außerdem soll eine größere Anzahl von Arbeitsplätzen für solche Gelehrte eingerichtet werden, die auf längere oder auf kürzere Zeit dort arbeiten wollen. Unsere jetzige Kenntnis der vulkanischen Erscheinungen beruht auf vereinzelten Beobachtungen und reicht durchaus nicht aus, die kommenden Ereignisse vorauszusagen, aber immerhin lässt sich auch schon jetzt absehen, dass bei den meisten Vulkanen eine regelmäßige Folge der Erscheinungen auftritt, und es liegt durchaus im Bereiche der Möglichkeit, ja, sogar der Wahrscheinlichkeit, dass man bei einer sorgfältigen und gewissenhaften Registrierung vulkanischer Erscheinungen an einem Vulkan bald dazu gelangen wird, die Zeit und den Umfang eines Vulkanausbruchs ungefähr vorherzusagen. Von welcher praktischen Bedeutung dies wäre, ist klar. Es gibt aber noch eine zweite Beziehung, in der diese vulkanologischen Untersuchungen einen ökonomischen Erfolg haben können. Wenn man die Zumarolentätigkeit und die Umwandlung der Gesteine genauer beobachten wird, so wird man sich eine richtigere Vorstellung auch von der Entstehung der Ergalagerstätten bilden können. Es gibt mehrere jüngere Vulkane, die in ihrem Zumarolengebiet kleine Ergalager beherbergen, die noch in der Entstehung begriffen sind. Wenn unterrichtet sind diese Verhältnisse bisher nicht. Es ist aber nicht zu bezweifeln, dass eine eingehende Kenntnis der Gesteinsumwandlungserscheinungen an Zumarolen und in den vulkanischen Gebieten auch auf unsere Kenntnis der Ergalagerstätten von Einfluss sein muss. Nachdem das wissenschaftliche Interesse an Friedländer's Plan geweckt ist, bleibt nur zu wünschen, dass sich in den verschiedenen Staaten, zunächst Europas, auch die finanzielle Unterstützung finde, um das zukunftsreiche Werk in Angriff zu nehmen. Friedländer selber ist mit gutem Beispiel vorangegangen, indem er für den Baufonds die einmalige Gabe von 100,000 und einen jährlichen Beitrag von 10,000 Lire für sein Leben gezeichnet hat. Nun gedenkt er die Baukosten auf 1,500,000 Lire und die jährlichen Unterhaltungskosten auf 50,000 Lire.

### Not an Inviting Ideal.

"My son," said Harker as he pointed to the ivy in front of the cottage, "always be like the vine—climb."

The little boy was thoughtful. "I don't think I'd like to be like that vine," he responded seriously.

"And why not, Tommy?"

"'Cause if I was I'd be a porch climber."—Chicago News.

### REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE HONESDALE NATIONAL BANK AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MARCH 7, 1911.

RESOURCES. Loans and Discounts \$ 220,200 37

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Banking house, furniture and fixtures 40,000 00

Due from National Banks (not Reserve Assets) 3,631 13

Due from State and Private Banks and Savings Banks, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks 306 97

Due from approved reserve agents 112,688 25

Checks and other cash items 2,234 22

Notes of other National Banks 855 00

Fractional paper currency, tickets and cents 250 72

Legal Money Reserve in Bank viz: Specie \$1,243 50

Legal tender notes 9,825 00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation) 2,750 00

Due from U. S. Treasurer 600 00

Total \$1,884,887 92

### HORRORS OF SIBERIA.

Sufferings of Exiled Women Revolutionists of Russia.

One of the most picturesque figures among women revolutionists of Russia is Vera Figner, whose father was one of the distinguished generals of the Napoleonic wars. Betrayed by a traitor, she was condemned to twenty years in the Schilseburg fortress for alleged participation in every one of the attempts on the life of the late czar. Those incarcerated in this fortress are considered as buried alive, no intercourse or communication with the outer world being allowed, not even with their own nearest relatives. But Vera Figner survived the horrors of twenty years' solitary confinement and exile in Siberia and is still working for the enlightenment of ignorant Russians.

A name revered by all Russian revolutionists is that of Mme. Sigida, who, aroused to a frenzy of indignation through seeing an invalid female prisoner in the Siberian colony of Kara, to which they had both been exiled, flogged by a warder, was herself flogged to death because she struck him. In the prison records it is written, "Mme. Sigida committed suicide by poisoning herself," but truth, like murder, will out, and the crime of the warders of Kara has been fully proved. Terrible indeed were the tortures and cruelty meted out to Marie Spiridonova, who three years ago shot Colonel Lushanovsky, who flogged the peasants when they were unable to pay taxes or ordered the Cossacks to shoot down the strikers and to torture their wives and children. She was condemned to death, but the inhuman treatment she had suffered before her trial induced the authorities to commute the death sentence, although it would have been more merciful to have carried out the extreme penalty of the law, for today she is working out a miserable existence in a Siberian mine and is said to be the only chained woman convict in Siberia.—London Tit-Bits.

### Thrifty Harry Lauder.

There are many stories told of the wonderful thrift of Harry Lauder, the Scotch comedian. Once when Lauder was in New York he was in a wine buying party at the Astor. Everybody but the Scot bought wine. When it came his turn to buy he sighed.

"Well, boys," he said, "it's my turn to treat. Come along with me. I've got a fine bottle of old Scotch up in my room. I brought it over with me."

On another occasion he was with a drinking party and instead of liquor he took cigars, for which those who treated him paid 50 cents apiece. Harry put all but one in his pocket. He spent two hours smoking that one. After the drinking was over the little comedian went to the cigar counter and said to the man in charge, "I say, man, wud ye mind givin' me ten cent cigars for these fifty cent ones?" The exchange was made, and Harry went to his room with five times as many cigars as he had at the start.

### Blending the Odors.

It has been proved that two odors which do not seem to have anything in common, that of putrefied cheese and that of pineapple, are so closely allied from the chemical standpoint that it takes but a few minutes to transform an intense stench into a sweet fragrance. This curious experiment is easily made and requires but a small amount of three chemicals—valerianic acid, sulphuric acid and amylic alcohol. Care must be taken not to spill over the fingers or dress any drop of the first two named liquids. Sulphuric acid is exceedingly caustic and the stench of valerianic acid, besides being unendurable, is very difficult to get rid of.—London Family Herald.

### The Caddie's Advice.

A famous woman golfer was talking about the St. Andrews links. "And as wonderful as the links," she said, "are the caddies. The Scotch caddie is the quaintest of mortals. For instance: 'I had skied a lot of balls one morning, much to my caddie's disgust. Finally he teed a ball for me and then, handing me my driver, remarked: 'Noo, leddy, let's see a guid shot, and nae mair o' yer glory ballenjans.'"

### Trimming Him Down a Little.

Elderly Swell—What has become of the aw—the other pretty manœuvre lady I used to see at this hotel? Comely Damsel—I presume you mean my mother. She's looking after a husband and a houseful of children. What can I do for you, sir?—Chicago Tribune

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