

**JOHN R. HEGEMAN.**

Who Acted as Guide to Admiral Togo on Sightseeing Tour.



New York, Aug. 15.—In between banquets and dinners Admiral Togo strolled forty-five minutes to see the sights.

The admiral went to the Metropolitan tower under the guidance of John R. Hegeman and William J. Tully, where he watched the swift elevator as it took him aloft. He turned to Commander Taigush, his aid, and asked:

"Why don't we go all the way to the sky and be done with it?"

He was then only a matter of forty-four floors up. The view from the tower was somewhat obstructed by the hazy atmosphere, but he was up for an hour and a half and seemed to take in the whole show with much zest.

While watching the tiny forms far below him a young girl who had a camera turned it toward him. The palatial sailorman doffed his hat—an ancient Panama that has been no part of the high cost of living for this season at least, and smiled at the girl. She clicked the shutter and bowed.

"Oh, thank you, sir," she said. Two bicycle policemen escorted the admiral's automobile back to the hotel, where a police detail kept the streets clear for him. Everywhere he went he found that the people crowded the curbing and gave him noisy evidence of his welcome.

**DIES SEARCHING FOR HEALTH.**

**Liner Brings Body of Pennsylvania Woman Who Died at Sea.**

New York, Aug. 15.—The bodies of Miss Kate Brice, daughter of the late Senator Calvin S. Brice, who died in France, and Luis Eugene Lefette, who died while taking a trip through Switzerland, arrived from Cherbourg by the North German Lloyd liner George Washington.

Miss Matilda Bright, sixty-five years of age, of Pottsville, Pa., a passenger on the liner, died of heart disease. Her body was embalmed and brought in for burial at Pottsville, Pa. Miss Bright had been traveling in Europe with her nephew, George Bright, in an effort to regain health. Finding that there was no chance of her recovery after consulting experts, she started home, hoping to die in her native land.

**They Couldn't Help It.**

During the American invasion of Porto Rico, in the course of the war with Spain, General Tasker H. Bliss with his troops, was stationed near a village held by an overwhelming force of Spaniards. Orders were to keep his "eye peeled" and, if he heard anything suspicious, to fall back about eight miles. Instead of this his men turned in one day and captured the village, chasing the Spaniards out. The next day the commander of the American forces came along to find Bliss sitting in front of the home of the chief man of the village. The commander asked him why he had attacked the Spanish force, when he knew that he was outnumbered. "Couldn't help it," said General Bliss. "You see, my men have been hungry for some days, and the wind blew toward them from the village, and some squaw was frying onions over there. And so"—Argonaut.

**Jefferson as an Inventor.**

Not many people know that Thomas Jefferson was a great inventor. His inventions were all of articles of everyday use. He devised a three legged folding camp stool that is the basis of all camp stools of that kind today. The stool he had made for his own use was his constant companion on occasions of outings. The revolving chair was his invention. He designed a light wagon. A copying press was devised by him and came into general use. He also invented an instrument for measuring the distance he walked. A plow and a hemp cultivator showed that his thoughts were often on agricultural matters. His plow received a gold medal in France in 1790. Jefferson never benefited financially by his inventions, but believed they should be for the use of everyone without cost.

**Pen and Sword.**

"Do you believe the pen is mightier than the sword?"  
"Of course it is. Who ever had to pay \$25,000 damages in a breach of promise case on account of the sword he carried?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

**SIRES AND SONS.**

Viscount Dangan, the eldest son of Earl Cowley, is working as a scenic artist at a salary of £2 a week.

Thomas W. Lamont, who recently became associated with the banking house of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., was formerly a financial reporter on a New York daily paper.

Andrew Fisher, prime minister of Australia, has declined to receive a degree from Oxford on the ground that he is an uneducated man and the honor is not suited to him.

Representative Henry H. Bingham of Pennsylvania is the oldest member of the house in point of service, having served continuously for seventeen terms. He lives at Philadelphia, where he was born not quite seventy years ago.

Hermann Hatzfeldt, who once served for a time as charge d'affaires of the German embassy at Washington, recently fell heir to valuable estates and titles by the death of Prince Alfred Hatzfeldt-Wildenburg, an uncle far advanced in years. The former charge d'affaires, among his other inheritances, gains a seat in the Prussian house of lords.

**The Royal Box.**

The dowager Queen Maria Pia is the only queen now alive who was married by proxy. She was married in October, 1862, at Turin to a bridegroom who merely represented King Luis.

Princess Maria of Sweden, wife of Prince Wilhelm, the king's son, is an unusually democratic woman and is endearing herself to the Swedish people because of her unassuming manner and her patriotism.

Princess Patricia of Connaught is fluent with pencil and brush and does not hesitate to record wittily her impressions of the highest in the land. In a more serious style she is a painter of more than average ability.

**Tales of Cities.**

At a cost of about \$2,500,000 the German city of Hamburg is building twin tunnels under the River Elbe for vehicles and pedestrians.

In London today there are 16,000 fewer paupers than there were a year ago, as a consequence of which at least one big workhouse is to be let or sold.

Quebec is a city without pawnbrokers, the last person in that business having died about thirty years ago. Since that time, it is said, no person has applied for a license. The high license fee is held responsible to a considerable extent for this unusual state of affairs.

**Size of Alaska.**

Alaska has 590,884 square miles, 378,165,790 acres.

Alaska is more than twice the size of the German empire.

Alaska is nearly thirteen times the size of New York state.

Alaska would make nearly 500 states as large as Rhode Island.

Alaska is something more than one-fifth the size of the United States proper.

Alaska is larger than all the states north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers and east of the Mississippi.

**The Writers.**

Lord Morley received \$50,000 for his "Life of Gladstone."

E. Phillips Oppenheim wrote his first story at eighteen and had his first novel published when he was twenty.

Amelia E. Barr is seventy-nine, has written fifty-nine novels and is still turning them out, two a year. She has had fifteen children.

Hugh Fullerton has been writing baseball for twenty-one years, but the one fretting, consuming ambition of his life, says the Magazine Maker, is to write a cookbook for brides.

**Facts From France.**

In 1859 there were over a million births in France. Last year there were only 774,358.

The number of flax spindles in France is about 500,000 and of linen looms about 18,700.

Submarine photography is being practiced by the French. Pictures of the sea bottom have been taken, the flashlight being furnished by an alcohol lamp fed from a reservoir of oxygen.

**Recent Inventions.**

A penholder for bookkeepers which will hold one, two or three lines has been patented by a New Jersey man.

An implement has been invented for slicing a boiled egg evenly—a more difficult task than generally is supposed.

A patent has been granted a Kansan for a portable metal roof, made in sections, to be fastened over a haystack when rain threatens.

**Pert Personals.**

Somehow or other it's hard to imagine King George looking dignified in a hobble kilt.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

There is this consolation, neither Hans Wagner nor Ty Cobb will have to send his proofs to the University of Copenhagen.—Indianapolis Star.

We are awaiting the intelligence of the placing of the tablet to mark the spot where John Hays Hammond stood when he nudged the king.—Houston Post.

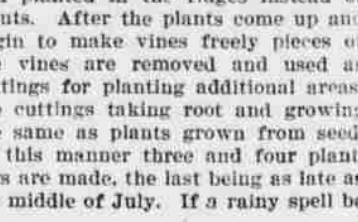
**Farm and Garden**

**GROW SWEET POTATOES.**

That They Thrive Only in the South is Now an Explored Fallacy.

While the sweet potato is of a tropical nature and is generally considered a vegetable to be grown only in the south, experiments by the department of agriculture show that it will grow, and grow well, as far north as Michigan.

The ridges for planting sweet potatoes should be three to five feet apart and the plants about fourteen inches apart in the row. Cultivate sufficiently to keep the surface soil loose and free from weeds, and the vines will soon cover the ground, after which no cultivation will be necessary. In the warmer parts of the country the seed is not bedded, but is cut in small pieces and planted in the ridges instead of plants. After the plants come up and begin to make vines freely pieces of the vines are removed and used as cuttings for planting additional areas, the cuttings taking root and growing the same as plants grown from seed. In this manner three and four plantings are made, the last being as late as the middle of July. If a rainy spell be



HOW SWEET POTATOES GROW.

selected for making and planting the cuttings very few will fail to grow and an excellent crop may be produced.

In the north sweet potatoes are dug as soon as the vines are nipped by frost. In the south the potatoes are allowed to remain in the ground until a convenient time for handling them, and in Florida or Texas they are frequently left until required for use. Sweet potatoes should be dug on a bright, drying day, when the soil is not too wet.

On a small scale they may be dug with a spading fork, and great care should be taken that the roots do not become bruised or injured in the process of handling. It is desirable that the roots should be exposed for two or three hours to dry thoroughly, after which they may be placed in a warm, well ventilated room to cure for several days. The proper temperature for curing sweet potatoes is from 80 to 90 degrees F. and 45 or 55 degrees F. afterward. A small crop may be cured around the kitchen stove and later stored in a dry room where there will be no danger of their becoming too cold. Sweet potatoes should be handled as little as possible, especially after they have been cured.

**Her Early Resolutions.**

This story was told by an Englishman who lived a century ago. He was dining out in London and sat by a lady whom he did not know. Their conversation turned upon early resolutions and how very seldom they were kept, and the lady said: "Well, when I was a girl I made three resolutions—first, I determined that I would never marry a soldier; second, that I would never marry an Irishman, and, third, that I would not be long engaged. And all those three resolutions I broke. Whom do you think I did marry? The Duke of Wellington! He was a soldier and an Irishman, and I was engaged to him for twelve years." This was Lady Katherine Pakenham. It was an unhappy marriage, and the couple mostly lived apart.

**Between Them.**

"Yes," said Mrs. Catchem, "those are my daughters over there on the sofa. They have half a million between them."

It was not until they were married to those daughters that the young men overheard the remark found out that Mrs. Catchem referred to the rich old gentleman who sat on the sofa between the girls. Mrs. Catchem could not tell a lie, but she knew how to speak the truth to the best advantage.

**Suited to the Occasion.**

Nurse Girl—Oh, ma'am, what shall I do? The twins have fallen down the well. Fond Parent—Dear me, how annoying! Just go into the library—very gently so as not to disturb Fido—and get the last number of the Modern Mother's Magazine. It contains a fine article on "How to Bring Up Children."—Town Topics.

**Making It Pleasant.**

"How does your sister like the engagement ring I gave her, Johnny?" "I think it's a little too small, Mr. Lover. She has awful trouble getting it off when the other fellows call to see her."

**The New Composers.**

A correspondent reports that at a recent function in his town Miss Daisy Defoe presided at the piano and beautifully played Mendel & Sons' Wedding March.—Missouri Sharpshooter.

**Make the Best of It.**

Make the best of everything; think the best of everybody; hope the best for yourself. By so doing you will be lifting yourself and those about you to a higher plane of living.

**His Standard.**

"Pa, were you always good?" "Eum—well, my boy, I will say that I've always abided by the decisions of the United States supreme court."—Detroit Free Press.

**Good manners are made up of petty sacrifices.**—Emerson.

**Waking the Sleepers.**

In a diary kept in 1640 it is asserted that "Allen Brydges has been chose to wake the sleepers in meeting and, being much proud of his place, must needs have a fox tail fixed to the end of a long staff, wherewith he may brush the faces of them that will have naps in time of discourse." This energetic individual was likewise armed with "a sharpe thorne" for the benefit of those who "be most sounde." There is a record of the use of this implement upon Mr. Tomkins, who was sleeping comfortably in the corner of his pew when Allen "thrust his staff behind Dame Ballard to give him a grievous prick upon the hand, whereupon Mr. Tomkins did spring much above the floor and with terrible force did strike his head against the wall and also to the great wonder of all 'prophane'le' exclaim in a loud voice, 'Buss the woodchuck' he dreaming, as it seemed, that a woodchuck had seized him and bit his hand."

**Packed at Home.**

As the new district visitor looked at Mr. Leahy and noted his determined chin she had a momentary sensation of reluctance to question him, but she overcame it and began her appointed task.

"Where do you deposit your wages, Mr. Leahy, if you've no objection to telling me?" she asked. "I am trying to interest the neighborhood in the excellent People's bank, lately started."

"Sure, I'd as soon tell you as not," said Mr. Leahy cheerfully. "Tis tin dollars a week I earn. Whin I've paid the rint, the provision and grocery bills an' the milkman an' bought what's needed for Celia an' me an' the five children I deposit the rist o' the money in barr's, ma'am. I uses sugar barr's mostly. They're a bit larger and so holds more. But whin I can't get them I make shift wid plain flour barr's."—Youth's Companion.

**Curious Forgetfulness.**

It is difficult to combine the attributes of the bean and the business man, and the famous Lord Alvanley did not attempt the task. Largely as the result of that philosophy which led him to cavil at a friend's weakness in "muddling away his fortune in paying tradesmen's bills," he one day found himself in financial difficulties and asked Charles Greville, the author of the "Journals," to put his affairs in order. The two men—Mr. Lewis Melville describes the incident in "Some Eccentrics and a Woman"—spent a day over accounts, and Greville found that the task he had undertaken would not be so difficult as he had been given to understand. His relief was not long lived, however, for on the following morning he received a note from Alvanley saying he had quite forgotten a debt of £50,000.

**An Innocent Query.**

At a dinner party in England the host introduced to the favorable notice of the company, amid murmurs of admiration, a splendid truffled pheasant. "Isn't it a beauty?" he said. "Dr. So-and-so gave it to me; killed it himself."

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