

Depreciation of Kings.

To be rich as a king was, once upon a time, the parallel to being as beautiful as an angel and as happy as a god.

A CURE AT CITY MISSION.

Awful Case of Scabies—Body a Mass of Sores from Scratching—Her Tortures Yield to Cuticura.

"A young woman came to our city mission in a most awful condition physically. Our doctor examined her and told us that she had scabies (the itch), incipient psoriasis, rheumatism, etc., brought on from exposure.

Zinc Coffins.

Zinc coffins are largely used in Vienna, but the more expensive ones are made of copper, and cost as much as \$2,500.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, &c. a bottle

Women As Designers.

"There is a wide field open for women architects," said a housekeeper the other day, "and I do not see why they have not discovered it before.

Some Higher Mathematics.

"I have carefully figured it out and had that all the cattle we ship to market each year were one cow, she would browse on the tropical vegetation along the equator, while her tail was switching fleeces off the North Pole," says Homer Hoch.

COFFEE EYES

It Acts Slowly but Frequently Produces Blindness.

The curious effect of slow daily poisoning and the gradual building in of disease as a result, is shown in numbers of cases where the eyes are affected by coffee.

A case in point will illustrate: A lady in Oswego, Mont., experienced a slow but sure disease settling upon her eyes in the form of increasing weakness and shooting pains with wavy, dancing lines of light, so vivid that nothing else could be seen for minutes at a time.

"This gradual failure of sight alarmed me and I naturally began a very earnest quest for the cause. About this time I was told that coffee poisoning sometimes took that form, and while I didn't believe that coffee was the cause of my trouble, I concluded to quit it and see.

"I took up Postum Food Coffee in spite of the jokes of husband, whose experience with one cup at a neighbor's was unsatisfactory. Well, I made Postum strictly according to directions, boiling it a little longer, because of our high altitude. The result was charming. I have now used Postum in place of coffee for three months and my eyes are well, never pain me or showing any weakness. I know to a certainty that the cause of the trouble was coffee and the cure was in quitting it and building up the nervous system on Postum, for that was absolutely the only change I made in diet and I took no medicine.

"My nursing baby has been kept in a perfectly healthy state since I have used Postum.

"Mr. , a friend, discarded coffee and took on Postum to see if he could be rid of his dyspepsia and frequent headaches. The change produced a most remarkable improvement quickly.

"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Grape Nuts No. 1797.



The Wonderful Wilderness Country Whither Thousands Are Getting Ready to Travel With Rod and Camera This Spring--Inexhaustible Supplies of Trout and Salmon in the Maine and Canadian Regions--One Man's Record 13,000.

No outdoor pastime that takes the devotee away from home is so universally enjoyed as fishing. It is an exhilarating, care-destroying sport that is practiced practically from one end of the earth to the other; and in our own country hundreds of thousands who never indulge in any other form of outing and exercise religiously set aside at least a few days in the year for the enjoyment of this time-honored amusement.

Every section of the United States has its peculiar kind of fishing. In the Gulf of Mexico the mighty tarpon is king; in California waters the leaping tuna is the special quarry of the angler; along the Atlantic coast the bluefish tempts the skill and tries the patience of American citizens as illustrious as ex-President Cleveland; and nearly everywhere throughout the land some species of the most popular of all fresh water denizens, the trout, is found, and in many sections the lordly and much-prized salmon.

Nowhere on the continent, however, is there a most distinctively "fishing country" than in the State of Maine, New England as a whole, indeed, might well come under that designation, for the marvellously rich fishing country of the Pine Tree State is admirably supplemented with the lake and river-gemmed Commonwealths of New Hampshire and Vermont adjoining, while in New Brunswick, Quebec, Nova Scotia and other portions of the great Canadian wilderness contiguous, the opportunities for the angler are practically unlimited.

Even as this article is being written, a great host of fishermen (and not a few of them are of the fair sex), are quietly and eagerly making the necessary preparations for the annual descent upon the New England or Canadian wilderness, their brains on fire with visions of the "big fellows" they know are waiting for the cast of the fly or the trolling of the bait.

Down in Maine the piscatorial season will be in full blast about the first of May, for it is about that time that the annual telegram which gives to thousands of Americans such an electric shock—"the ice is out"—finds its way into the newspapers of the coun-



Five Trout Weighing 12 Pounds.

try, or is displayed on straw-colored blanks in the windows of railroad ticket offices.

And the railroads! How much they have done not only to popularize the sport of fishing, but to make it so easy a pastime, that even frail women may now journey into "the heart of the ancient wood" and have just as good a time, and just as good sport, as their husbands and brothers, without the least bit of discomfort.

Piscatorial Pilgrimages. Of the big delegation of amateur fishermen that will shortly be starting north and east from the cities and towns of the South and the Middle Atlantic States, by far the larger percentage will go to the Imperial State of trout, salmon and "big game," Maine. There are American fishermen—some of them of national reputation—who have annually been making piscatorial pilgrimages to the same fishing ground for twenty-five, thirty and even forty years.

Some of the perennial fishermen have "records" of catches that are nothing less than astounding. There is one authentic case of a gentleman who in thirty-four years, each year accompanied by the same guide, has taken from the waters of the Rangeley region no less than 13,000 trout. Many of these, of course, have been returned to their native element, on account of smallness of size, but think of sitting before one's open fire on a stormy evening in December and recalling the capture of 13,000 fish, with their accompanying train of exciting or romantic incidents!

If any one should inquire what part of Maine is the best fishing ground, the answer might both truthfully and logically be, "any old part of the State." Watered, as it is, by such long and sinuous rivers as the Kennebec, the Penobscot, the Allagash, the Fish and the St. John, and gemmed all over its smiling surface with hundreds of water-sheets ranging in size from forty-mile-long



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Moosehead Lake down to the most diminutive of ponds, Maine could scarcely be anything but a fishing country of highest repute.

Its lakes and streams, naturally prolific of the finny tribe, are kept so well stocked by the fish and game authorities that, to all intents and purposes, they are practically inexhaustible. For the thousands of trout, togue, bass, pickerel and other game fish that are taken from the waters of Maine every year by the great invading army of rod-bearers, hundreds of thousands of "fry" are carefully put into those same waters by the employees of the fish commission. This is one reason why the fishing is always good "down in Maine." Business panics and waves of prosperity may play tag up and down the spinal column of the body politic as they will, but the fishing goes on in the lakes and streams of Maine with the regularity of Tennyson's brook, and every resort in the State is "the best," if the word of its regular habitues is to be taken at par.

The "fishing fever," like the gripe, is no respecter of persons. One of the most ardent enthusiasts of the sport, and a regular victim of the "spring fever," is a noted United States Senator, who has a famous camp at the Rangeleys. Doctors, lawyers and Indian chiefs (the latter usually in the guise of professional guides), captains of industry, Wall Street bankers, merchant princes, gentlemen of leisure, bookkeepers, railroad officials, journalists and about every other profession and calling represented in this strenuous American life of ours, are found upon this outdoor roll of honor, some of them gliding in from the windy west in palatial private cars, the six-pound trout which they land, almost from the platform of their Pullman, being later done to a turn by a high priced chef of ebon hue.

Outfits may be secured or completed in Boston, the great gateway to the New England fishing, hunting and vacation country, or in Portland or Bangor.

Present indications for an early opening of the 1908 fishing season are very promising, and inquiries at railroad ticket agencies are reported to be fully up to the average.

On account of the comparative absence of snow and slush last winter, the ice in the Maine lakes formed very clear, which enables the warm rays of the spring sun to penetrate

For this reason the guides are predicting that the ice will be out of Moosehead, Rangeley and the other lakes by May 1 or earlier.

Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna acts gently yet promptly on the bowels, cleanses the system effectually, assists one in overcoming habitual constipation permanently. To get its beneficial effects buy the genuine. Manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS—50¢ PER BOTTLE.

Calculated for Himself. As benefitted a man of science, Lord Kelvin was courageous in the extreme, and there is a little known story of him worthy of being placed by the side of the famous anecdote of Nasmyth, the inventor of the steam hammer, who placed his hand under the mighty weight to show that it could be made to come down gently and remain just above his palm, says the Kansas City Star.

Kings Who Taught School. In the early part of the life of King Christian IX. of Denmark there was no prospect of his ever becoming the ruler of that country. With this in view he became a schoolmaster at the German University of Halle.

To Stop Leaking Pen. If the threads in the rubber connection of a fountain pen are worn a little the joint will leak enough to soil the fingers. Dry the threads with a blotter and cover them with melted paraffin. Turn the nozzle into the barrel while the paraffin is still warm and you have an inktight joint.

Potato Patch in Central Park. Experts from the department of agriculture in Washington have recommended the growing of potatoes in Central Park in order to get the soil in the city's great pleasure ground into the right condition for grass to grow luxuriantly.

Garfield Tea is a natural laxative—it regulates the digestion, purifies the blood, cleanses the system, clears the complexion, brightens the eyes and brings the glow of splendid health!

Hen Lays Colored Eggs. Hiram Stillings of Steelton, Pa., is telling his friends about a favorite hen with a poetic soul and an inspiration toward higher things than the ordinary egg of commerce. He has dubbed it the Easter Egg Hen, because it lays colored eggs.

Yellow Pine Forests. The leading areas of yellow pine production in the United States are no longer in the South Atlantic States, but have been shifted to the Southwest. The States of Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi and Arkansas each produced 10 per cent or more of the total cut yellow pine last year.

Americans Like Diamonds. Almost three-fourths of the world's production of diamonds are bought by the people of the United States. The declared value of these gems, covered by invoices presented at the American consulate general at Antwerp during the year 1907, amounted to \$5,230,519 for cut diamonds and \$1,053,957 for rough stones.

FROM SUNNY ORANGE GROVES. The Twice-Told Experience of a San Bernardino, Calif., Man. From Sunny San Bernardino, in the midst of orange groves, writes Lionel M. Heath, of 158 Eighth Street: "For fifteen years I suffered with pains in my back, frequent calls to pass the secretions, dropsy, rheumatic aches and other symptoms of kidney trouble. I could get no relief until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. They cured me five years ago, and this is twice I have publicly said so. The cure was thorough."

The Path of Least Resistance. If you choose to do the easy things you may always "get round" your difficulties, but you will never get through them. You will remain master of the situation indeed, but the situation will become poorer and narrower every day.

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