Stranger than Fiction.

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May a medical man could tell of alarming conditions resulting from improper attempts at hypnotizing by the unskilled amateur. One such case has quite recently been reported by an English doctor. An amateur at a friend's house volunteered to hypnotize another visitor, and after two trials succeeded so well that the subject became extremely excited, lost the power of speech, and then passed into the condition of catalepsy; subsequently he had severe convulsions. He had simply been hypnotized by being made to look at a diamond ring, and afterwards the sight of anything glistening threw him into a state of violent excitement. The floor of the room in which the physician discovered him was covered with cushions, as he frequently threw himself from the sofa onto the floor, and was in a condition of grave hysteria with maniacal excitement. He was treated with full doses of seadatives, chloral, sulphonal, bromides and morphine, but at first showed no improvement. After the days the convulsive attacks were replaced by periods during which he sang persistently; he would sing every song he knew without stopping. After a fortnight of this he had a high temperature for several days, and altogether was very ill for three weeks. Such cases are not so uncommon as is generally supposed.

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The story of a heroic engineer on a Pennsylvania excursion train which arrived recently at Cincinnati, Ohio, five hours late has been made public. The engine was a three-wheeler and said not to have been in good condition. However this may be, some sixty miles east of Columbia one of the drivers broke. The train was running forty miles an hour, and the broken bar at once knocked the engine cab into kindling wood. It broke one six-foot driving wheel right in two, and finally it turned its broken end into the boiler and let loose the scalding steam in two volumes. The accident destroyed Engineer Mart Winters' appliances for communicating with the pneumatic brakes and he could not stop the train. The engine wobbled to and fro and threatened to leave the track. Then the engineer became a hero. Scrambling over the tender with a monkey wrench in his hand Winters climbed down under the first car at the imminent peril of his life and set the pneumatic brakes. The train came to a stop and nobody was hurt.

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A REMARKABLE surgical operation was performed on a chicken owned by Emanuel Price, of No. 3 Paul street, a few days ago, and the little chic-a-biddy still lives, says the Auburn (N. Y.) Bulletin. The crop of the chicken became stopped up, and the bird suffered great pain. George Jacobs was called in to see what was the matter. He has quite a local reputation as a chicken doctor in that neighborhood. After an examination he decided to cut the chicken's crop open, and from it was extracted one and one-half pints of straw, gravel, paper, corn. chips, glass, hair, etc. The crop was thoroughly cleaned and sewed up again. In a few hours the chick had recovered sufficiently to eat a hearty meal, and in a day or so was around again. It has entirely recovered, and to-day is as well, apparently, as ever. It was quite surprising that a hen could stow away such an amount of rubbish in its crop and still live.

SOMEWHAT STRANGE.

ACCIDENTS AND INCIDENTS OF
EVERY-DAY LIFE.

Queer Episodes and Thrilling Adventures Which Show that Truth Is
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his little friends, so he does not mind.

The sporting citizens of Houston,
Tex., to the number of 5,000 turned
out a few days ago to witness a goatrace.
There were sixty-three entries, big books
were made on the event, and hundreds of
dollars in pools were sold. The mayor
and other city and county officials officiated as starters and judges. Some of
the goats made 200 yards in 32 seconds
in harness.

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Mr. Sandra and Mr. Carroll went fishing for tarpon at Daytonia, Florida, a short time ago, and hooked a fine tarpon about ten o'clock in the morning. The fish towed the boat around the bay in front of the town until after 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Then the fishermen succeeded in shooting it. It weighed seventy-five pounds.

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WILLIAM OBERMAN, a fisherman, while drawing a pond in Raritan Bay, N. J., the other morning, hauled up an immense stingaree. After he had thrown the fish into the boat it made a leap and struck him on the leg, near the knee, nearly severing it. He fainted from loss of blood, and at last accounts was in a dangerous condition.

PROBABLY the smallest locomotive ever constructed has just been made by Wm. Jacobs, a machinist of Mecklenberg township, Pa. Itweighs but one and one constructed of the state of the state

Trus is California's banner year for fruit, and what seems to be the inevita ble reverse of the medal is shown in Spain. It is said that this season's crop of Malaga grapes will be only 600,000 barrels, or about twenty-five per cent. below last year's crop.

Thoroughfares of Paris.

amber, but the most accurate test is by
the use of litmus paper. The blue litmus is used, and as the lime neutralizes
the acidity the paper turns purple in
color. The juice is then neutral—that
it is, neither an acid nor alkaline. It is
now boiled in a shallow tank or evaporeator as rapidly as possible. It is not
really boiled, but is brought to the boiling heat and kept there, while the gum
and other impurities are separated until no
more scum rises. The juice is then boiled
as rapidly as possible until it is thick
enough, which is a matter of experience,
or may be known by the weight of the
syrup, which should weight welve pounds
to the gallon. The syrup is then rup
into shubsw pans to cool, and is thefebarreled for sale or keeping.—[New York
Times.

FACTS ABOUT CITRON.

Agricultural Industry of the Future-How It is Prepared.

Future—How It is Prepared.

The cultivation of the citron is a growing industry in California and Florida, and the time is likely to arrive before many years when the large demand for the fruit in this country will be supplied by domestic production.

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diment, and, therefore, there is interest in a description of its preparation for mar-ket, which the Department of Agricul-ture has published for the instruction of growers in the United States. Of course it is the thick rind only that is utilized. To begin with, the fruit is cut in halves and placed in casks filled with a strong solution of brine. In this shape it is delivered by the growers at the manufactory.

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The first process to which it is then subjected is the separation of the pulp from the rind. This is done by women, who, seated around a largo vessel, take out the fruit, skilfully gouge out the inside with a few rapid motions of the forefinger and thumb, and throwing this saide, place the rinds unbroken in a vessel alongside. The rinds are next carried to big casks filled with fresh cold water, in which they remain immersed for two or three days, the object being to rid them of the salt they have absorbed.

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The rinds, upon being taken out of the casks, are boiled in a copper cauldron to make them tender and to extract from them the last trace of salt. This process performed, the peel is sufficiently soft to absorb the sugar readily from the syrup in which they are next put.

This is the most important part of the operation. It requires eight days, because the absorption of the sugar must be very slow in order to be thorough. Each batch of rinds must be soaked in eight syrups of different strengths. The first day they are put into a great earthen jar containing a weak solution of the syrup; the next day they have a stronger solution poured upon them, and soo not he eighth day, at the end of which they are ready for a second boiling. This is done for an hour in a copper vessel filled with sirup of extra strength, over a slow, coke fire.

Taken off the fire the vessel is carried to a big wooden trough, over which is spread a coarse, wire netting. The contents are poured upon this, and the sirup permitted to drain off them. Now it is considered that the peel has taken up as much sugar as is necessary.

Next comes the final process, which is the candying of the surface of the peel with a layer of sugar crystalized sugar is dissolved in water, and in the solution the peels are again boiled. A few minutes suffice for this operation, the water evaporating and the sugar forming its antural crystals over the rinds. Once more the latter are dried on the wire netting, whereupon the product is finished. Last of all, the candied peel is carried to the packing room in shallow baskets, and put up carefully by women in boxes for shipment.—[Washington Star.

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How's Your Liver

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"German Syrup"

The majority of well-read physicians now believe that Consumption is a germ disease. In other words, instead of being in the constitution itself it is caused by innumerable small creatures living in the large having to business there and

merable small creatures living in the lungs having no business there and eating them away as caterpillars do the leaves of trees.

A Germ The phlegm that is coughed up is those parts of the lungs which have been gnawed off and destroyed. These little bacilli, as the germs are called, are too small to be seen with the naked eye, but they are very much alive just the same, and enter the body in our food, in the air we breathe, and through the pores of the skin. Thence they get into the blood and finally arrive at the lungs where they fasten and increase with frightful rapidity. Then German where they laster and interess with frightful rapidity. Then German Syrup comes in, loosens them, kills them, expells them, heals the places they leave, and so nourish and soothe that, in a short time consump-tives become germ-proof and well.

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The Gills' Revenge.

Edith—My dear, I had more fun last evening than I ever had before. Some of my proposals have had a tinge of the ludicrous, but yesterday's was simply delicious! He was so in earnest; he pawed the air like a grizzly bear; he vowed great big castiron vows, and altogether was grand. Helen—Well, dear, you didn't accept, of course?

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Edith—Well, no, hardly, after what I have said; but he was so desperately in love I couldn't refuse him with a bang, and I wouldn't have dared say sister to him, so I said I would let him know to-day, but not to hope. Isn't it funny to feel you are the one and only chance of another's bannines? her's happiness? Helen—Yes, dea les, dear; but it's a great

Helen—Yes, dear; but it's a great responsibility.
Edith—I know it is. I wonder what he'll do when I tell him he must forget me and learn to love another. I hope he won't do some stupid, rash thing.
Helen—By-the-by, dear, aren't you going to tell me who it was?
Edith—I don't think I ought to do you?

Editi—I don't think I ought to, do you?

Helen—Well, I had a proposal yesterday afternoon, and if you will tell me who made yours, I'll tell you about mine. Edith—All right. Mine was made

Edith—All right. Mine was made by Jack Rivers.

"Wh-a-a-at!" fairly screamed Helen:
"Jack Rivers! The brute! the beast! the hypocrite! Why, he is the man who proposed to me yesterday, and i gave him the same answer that you did. I told him I would let him know to-day, and he was just as much in earnest with me, and he pawed the air like a grizzly bear, and he vowed vows and was altogether grand. Oh! this is too much."

Edith looked as if she had lost the power of speech forever. At last she gasped: "Do you mean to say that—"

Helen—Yes; I mean to say that he

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Helen—Yes; I mean to say that he has proposed to both of us on the same day—made fools of us both on the same day, and probably thinks it a huge joke.

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Edith (recovering, with a look of wengeance in her eye)—He must be punished.

Helen—He shall be punished!

Edith—There is but one way. He proposed to us, knowing he would be refused. Let us disappoint him; let me both accent.

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Helen—But, Edith, you're crazy!
Of course it would put him in an awful hole, but when you're engaged to a man, he thinks he has a right to-that is—well, suppose he should try to ki—kiss you?
Edith—Oh, we can postpone that.
We will only be engaged to him twenty-four hours. He will worry himself to death in that time.
And they did it, and Jack Rivers grew ten years older in that one day.
The girls think they got even. So does Jack.—Truth.

Ingentous Thermometer. A very sensitive metallic thermon eter, with electrical recording ap-paratus, has been devised by a French mathematician. The thermometer paratus, has been devised by a French mathematician. The thermometer proper consists of a bar of metal firmly fixed at one end, and at the other end joined to a short arm of a lever, the long arm of this lever being attached to another bar. A second bar, connected at its other extremity with a similar lever, operates a pointer working on a dial, which registers in degrees the expansion of the two bars. By suitable electrical attachments the temperature is recorded at any distant point, no matter what the distance. This device is of great value where a constant heat must be maintained in a manufacturing establishment, as the recording of the temperature may be read in the office.

Hard on the Squeehawkit Man.

Hard on the Squeehawkit Man. City Watchmaker—Who repaired cur watch the last time? Customer—A watchmaker down to Squeehawkit; he said he demagnet-ized it.

City Watchmaker—He should have aid he demoralized it.—Jewelers' Weekly.

Carl Hertz, a San Francisco ma-giciae, now exhibiting in London, amazes and mystifies large audiences by the novelty of his tricks. One of the most admired illusions is to drop eggs into a tub of water, from which clucks immediately arise and swim about.

ANOTHER SWINDLE SQUELCHED
The Elder Fublishing Company of Chicago
Comes to drafe.

The hot-bed of swindlers and wildcat schemes, Chicago, has furnished
the latest victim to Uncle Sam's
postal authorities. This time it is
the Elder Publishing Company, and
the instrument of its downfall was a
green country boy named Jared
(Heaven forgive his parents) Housel,
of Three Rivers, Mich. Jared paid
\$50 for his title of "General Manager
of the Elder Publishing Company for
Three Rivers." and \$5.25 for four
samples of 17 cent books. Being unable to sell the cheap literature, he
wrote to the company demanding a
return of his money. In reply be received a letter admonishing him to
"put on the armor of self-reliance
and press forward and make a name
that would be remembered with
honor." Instead of doing this he put
on his fighting clothers and made such
a row for the swindling company that
its projectors were landed in jail.
He was but one of several thousand
victims.

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Besides the scheme they worked on Housel, the "ccanpany" had another. In reply to their advertisements for agents they received from 300 to 500 answers per day. A circular would be mailed to each applicant telling him or her to furnish not less than eight references, with sixteen 2-cent stamps to cover the cost of correspondence with such references. If the applicants for agencies gave no evidence in their letters of special greenness and qualities, the smooth swindlers, without having written the references at all, would wait a few days and then inform the would-be agent that "after investigation they had decided to not appoint him;" and they were just fourteen 2-cent stamps ahead on that one "sucker." But, if the applicant appeared to be a fit subject—and hundreds of them were—then the fun began, and he was plucked unmercifully.

The scheme was ingenious, but its successful working depended upon the carelessness with which the fool-killer attended to his business. And it came to grief.

It will not be long, however, before another takes its place.

She Chattered.

It was on a street car. Two ladjedness were chattering away as only

monds!" suddenly exclaimed one.

"Is it possible!"

"Yes. My husband is going to make \$5,000 all in a lump next week, and he says I may have \$500 to put into diamonds."

"Dear me! Is it a speculation of his?"

his?"
"Yes. There's a man who wants
to sell him a piece of Woodward
avenue property for \$15,000, and h
can turn his bargain over to Mr.
Blank for \$5,000."

Blank for \$5,000."
"How nice!"
"The —— it is!" growled a man across the aisle below his breath.
"So it's her husband who is after my lot, and he can sell it to Blank for \$5,000 more. I rather guess not, old man—not this year! I'll hop off and hunt up Blank and have his option to half an hour."—Free Press.

"Tennesse can not get ahead of Georgia," remarks the Atlanta Constitution. "The petrified man story has been exploded. And now Georgia boasts a wonder in the form of a petrified bird found in the heart of a tree which was blown down by a storm at Barnesville. The head of the bird was perfect, every outline being very plain. How the bird got into the tree is a question. There was no hollow in the tree and it has caused considerable speculation."



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The was a Robel Dog.

The publication of the statement that the Germans are training dogs for war recalls the fact that a soldier of Col. Bowen's regiment in the Confederate army had a large dog which invariably accompanied him on any duty whatever and was as good as a companion. The dog was as ardent a rebel as his master, and somehow or other seemed to have a preternaturally quick nose for a blue coat. When the man was on picket duty his dog was always nosing about some distance in the front, and if there were any Federals within half a mile he would find them out and bark. He never ventured to attack them, but, like a cavalryman, took to the rear when an engagement was in progress, but after the battle was over he would reappear. The man was sinally killed

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after the battle was over he would reappear. The man was finally killed while on the picket line by going to a spring after water in spite of the warnings of the dog, and the men of the regiment tried to keep the animal but he went away. He had no esprit de corps. His devotion was purely personal to his master.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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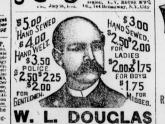
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