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Secret of His Madness. "Yes," said the actor, "Starr, the tra-gedian, is mad, hopelessly mad." "Overstudy?" maked the critic.

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Delays Are Dangerous. "Ah, Gracio, dear," she said to the duke, "why don't you go to papa to-Delays are dangerous, you

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DRUMMING OF GROUBE. 1"

The Process as Described by an Ob

servant Weedsman. A particular description of the man-In which the male grouse drums In given by Edward Banks, of Price County, Wis., who has spent some putting in all of the day hours with axe and saw.

Harly in May be heard a groune drumming. As usual the sound seemed how much to to be long way off, but he decided to didn't take it. investigate and began moving softly among the trees. He found the bird within fifty pards, got within twenty yards of it, hid behind a big birch and watched it.

The grouse stood upon a dead log nearly three feet through and have of bark. It was standing motionless when Banks saw it, apparently half

Boon it began to show signs of uneasiness, poking its head first to the left and then to the right. Then it squatted, bringing its breast within an inch of the log and began to drum. The drumming lasted for sight or ten seconds, then ceased, and the bird became once more erect. Pully five minutes elapsed before it drummed again. So long as he watched it, intervals of from three to five minutes passed between the drummings.

It always preceded the drumming by the signs of uneasiness, moving its hend to right and left, sometimes shifting it feet upon the log. Just before the drumming started, when it had aquatted into position, it spread out the gray feathers of its tail as widely as they would go, making a fan just as the turkey gobbler spreads its tall when it struts.

This fan the grouse brought down upon the log and held it there, pressing its against the timber as tightly as possible, and it kept it so while the drumming lasted, not relaxing the the dramming much list sound had at a man't maybe a stranger, and lend ceased. While drumming the head on his judgment of the man as well was stretched far forward and the

The bird always began its drum ming by two or three tentative flaps, given slowly and producing only a softly murifed noise. It seemed to be doubtful of its ability to drum and appeared to be trying how it would go. After these two or three flaps if brought its wings sharply against its body and sailed out into the full tide of its instrumentation. The strokes, at first slow, increased swiftly in rapidity, finally merging into the thunderous roll made by the wings of the grouse when in full flight. Then the drumming ceased abruptly, not shading down into slowness and softness, as it had begun.

Sometimes, having completed its beats, the grouse would walk up and down on the log for two or three feet, evidently immensely proud of it-self. Always when the drumming was resumed, it took its original position standing with its feet in exactly the

In making this sound the rear edges of the wings were brought down and forward. The grouse, in fact, seemed to be scooping its wings forward and slapping itself upon the breast in much the same manner as a man slaps himself upon the chest in cold weather; only, of course, the wings were not ed. The wings were brought as far forward as possible and out-stretched before they were slammed

On every clear day since then this grouse has drummed on the same log. up for hours in the morning, goes away shortly before noon and returns about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, drumming nearly until sunset at intervals of five minutes.

Banks is certain that it does not brush the log with the tips of its wings and that such contact has no part in producing the hollow, thunderous notes of the drum. There is short green moss on the log where the grouse stands, and though the bird has drummed there not less than a dozen times this moss shows no sign

of having been disturbed. Banks is certain that the female is nesting somewhere near. When the ben is sitting the male bird does not wander far from the next.-N. Y.

Yellow Back Hero Alive.

"Deadwood Dick," the famous hero of yellow back novels, has come out of the obscurity of eighteen years' peaceful work on a railroad and is about to accept a position as guard in the express cars of transcontinental trains, says the Chicago "Tribune."

This will bring him back, under different conditions, to the life in which be was prominent during the border days. To must of the people who read the "Deadwood Dick" stories the chief character is believed either to have been a myth or to have been dead for years. He has been quietly working for the Frement, Eikhorn and Mismouri Valley Railroad for the last eighteep years, taking a week or so off now and then to go prospecting for

He will pever wour buckelin and high boots again, and he never will ride the pony express across the prairies, as 1962, when Charles II. first enstopping now and then to rescue a maiden in peril. Now he wears over before the public alls and handles freight. He does not care to talk about the

It is strange to see how few people seem to have been on hand when England in 1565, by hir John Haw-brains were given only and how aura kins. we all are that we were there.

When you want a physic that is bardly yet be called a "closed incimild and gentis, easy to take and certain to set, always use Chamber." there is danger yet for some of the gentry. It has been remarked the gentry. It has been remarked the gentry. It has been remarked that these postal officials who have For alle by Balch & Son, Matamoras, all general stores in passed through the statute of limits.

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PAWNED A SKELETON.

The Oddest Thing Eyer Taken as a

Pleage. . The oddest thing I ever had of fered to me," said a pawnbroker, "was a skeleton, and I didn't take R. hadn't any doubt that it was all right has been building a cabin amid the and had a right to sell it, but 1 hemical words near Long Lake, going didn't want it. I suppose he was a vancement has been progressing all to his work just after daybreak and medical student who wanted money through the South for many years. just then werse than he wanted a skeleton; but I didn't know anything about the value of human bones, and how much to advance on them, so I

"Of course, you understand that not all pawabrokers take everything. There are men who advance money on nothing but watches and diamonds and jowelry and pictures and that sort of things, and who wouldn't give any thing on the handsomest satisdized overcoat that ever was, because it is not in their line. They have no conveniences for keeping such things Then there are pawnbrokers doing a general business who take all sorts of things-practically any and overything that is offered them. They might occasionally run across some-thing that they wouldn't take, as I did with the skeleton, but not often there's practically nothing but what is offered at one time or another.

"I like to deal with these fellows

who follow the races, for they are among our best customers. I've let many a man of this character have more than the value of the article pawned, simply because I know that he would come back and make good. They generally name the amount they than the value of the article pawned, simply because I knew that he would come back and make good. They generally name the amount they want, and I make out the ticket and hand over the money. The question whether a man who wants a loan is likely to redeem what he pledges is often taken into account. It is a common thing for a pawabroker to look as on is knowledge of the value of the article the man puts down on the counter. Of course, mistakes are made, but the pawnbroker takes the chances, and the most of them are good judges of human nature. I have things in my safes that I know could never get my money back on if forced to sell, but I know the parties who pledged them will come and get them. When I get a customer I try to keep him, and I have people who have been dealing with me for many years. Of course, when one of these comes in and offers an article and asks for a certain advance, he gen erally gets it unless it is out of all reason. Now, if that had been a reguar customer who offered the skele ton, I guess I would have managed some way to let the man have the money, even if it had been necessary to let him keep the skeleton. Well, the fact is, I didn't want the thing around the place here anyway."-

Pilfering London Clubwomen

Washington Star.

The club spidemic which is aweeping through the world of women has developed some extraordinary propensities. When the various clubs for women in London could be counted on the fingers of one hand, each with a very moderate members' list, the fact petty farcencies were now and then ommitted-a handkerchief here, an umbrella there-was a matter of comparatively small importance. Now that fashionable quarters abound in women's clubs, that more than one of standing in the same place, it keeps it | these clubs rejoices in a members' list of close upon two thousand women and that another will occupy a club house which contains three hundred bedrooms, the quality and quantity of women belonging to them can no longer be regarded as nogligible.

It is an open secret-althouh it is of course in the interest of each club to avoid an open scandal within its own gates—that no day passes without. the disappearance of articles varying in value from a few pence to a few pounds, the loss of which, from the time and manner of their disappearance, can in no single instance be ascribed to venality of the staff. They are advoitly "lifted" in the ebb and

flow of members and their visitors. In some clubs so complete is the understanding that "findings is keepings," that it is considered inadvinable to leave a tempting sable cape, an engaging muff or a particularly small umbrella under the envious gaze of ommandeering eyes. A new version of the house carrying snall is suggested in the spectacle of wrap laden memhers who prefer the certainty of their property in their own hands to the chance of seeing it multiplied to their neighbors.—The Gentleman.

How to Make French Coffee. The peculiarly delicious flavor of offee as served by the French heatcan is said to be due to the fact that when reacting the bean they cover it butter and sugar, instead of egg, as is often done in this country.—Table

Women usver appeared upon the stage among the ancients. Their parts were represented by men until as late couraged the appearance of women

Tobacco was first discovered at St. Domingo, in the year 1400, and was used freely by the Spaniards, in Yuswian, in 1500. It was introduced into

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TEMPERANCE.

Growth of the Spirit Shown in Recent Legislation.

So much noise is made over the emperance question and the enforce ment of anti-liquor laws in our Northern States that the general public has time in observing if at this pastime. that the mas who offered it owned it, been able to been able to bear and know but little men to attract special attention, but if it may be called a postime. Ranks and had a right to sell it, but I didn't about the progress of such laws in I am inclined to believe that, if he had been building a capit supply the and had a right to sell it, but I didn't about the progress of such laws in I am inclined to believe that, if he the South, where more actual advancement has been progressing all served. until the larger parts of the States of Kentucky, Alabama, Georgia, Mississimi and Louislana have been brought practically under prohibition. One may travel entirely across some of these States, it is said, without easing through a single saloon dis riet. Even Texas, which in years cone by very unjustly gained the eputation of being loose and lawless, has been almost captured by the pro-hibitionists. Three-fourths of the State is now said to be under the Local Option law excluding all liquor To be more precise, of the 238 coun ties of the State, 104 are wholly dry save the county seat, and only fifty-eight are wholly wat. And the counties that are either wholly or largely dry represent a total population of 2,-218,030, while the wet countles represent only 725,825. A movement is now on foot in Texas to pass a prolibitory law applicable to the whole State, and on the basis of the figures quoted it looks as if the thing would se done. It may thus happen that while Vermont and New Hampshire on our Northern border, have actually bandoned probibition, the great Commonwealth on the Southwest will take it up; and, what is more, will be likely to enforce it, affording the rest of the country a unique object lesson Leslie's Weekly.

Simple Way to Get a Husband, Any Chicago girl who has exhaust d her stock of wiles and general in enulty in the attempt to find a mate night try the plan by which so many Kane County girls have been and

Out at Geneva, the county seat of he prosperous county, all that is nec mary for a young woman to enter he married state is to get a position n the county clerk's office.

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Officers of Kane County say that alnoat every woman who has entered this particular office, in any enpacity has emerged only to become a wife. Upward of a dozen stald Kane Counly men have found in this room the partners of their lives, and more are looking around in that direction every day. Cupid is busy with a case there

omed to pay occasional visits to lady and hoard money with almost trust is some unexplained quickening influence that brings perfumed notes, a license, preacher, old shoes and rice in such alarming succession as to set people to wondering what kind of a pirit has hold of the place anyway .-

Chicago Tribune, Proud "Will Crooks, M. P." the Metropolitan Asylums Board, and speed than twenty-eight miles an now member of parliament for the bour. Woolwich division.-London Tit-Bits.

An Unfortunate Heir.

Notice to Treasure Hunters. Nearly one hundred years ago the ecults were banished from Mexico. t was known that they had immense pards of gold, but frared to temp upldity by taking it all with them. What they did with the bulk of their avogs has just been revealed by until it seems a hopeless tank to go terre Guirre, who says that treasure o the value of over \$20,000,000 was effective thing to do is to moisten is he little town of Typogottan, and is powder, which will all the peats, but believed to be there yet.-Exchange

THE WOOD RATS' INDUSTRY.

Constructed, a House of Kindline Wood and Kept It in Repair. In the natural history coming under my observation I have not seen any thing concoroing the wood rat. It may be that the redent is too con is widely distributed he is rarely ob-

About two years ago I became in terested in a pair of wood rate that selzed upon and possessed themselves of my wood house for a habitation The house is thirty feet long and one end of it used for a work bouch, repair shop and tool house. The other and is mod mainly for storing dry hoow west Hame has boow gallbain The rate moved to when I was away for a period, and the pair found good supply of dry pine sticks a foo to sixteen inches in length split from widths from one to five inches, and there were a number of heavy sticks of scantling in a corner. With note ble industry the row had piled the small effects into a fair'y regular oyra mild, miles the heavy please they build not move for foundation and frame, adapting to Ur architecture to the conditions of the location with remarkably income ty. Their architecture fitted in with the

andscape in the mondhouse so wel that it was some tour before I notice: that the kindling wood was multiodi-cally placed. As was weather came and the kindling was needed, I fre-quently took an armful into the house without realising that I was taking surgoyles and corniccs from a private

In removing the sticks I often sulled down a quantity of the pile is selecting. After doing this for some lays I began to notice that each morning the pyramid was reformed the scattered sticks collected and placed methodically. As the wood was used the pyramid grew smaller and smaller, but each morning all the scattured sticks, except some that be came wedged and fastened in the larger and beavier wood, would be ound replaced upon the spex of th Siminishing pile, When the wood bad een about half removed I began is cet occasional glimpses of the rate When I removed sticks they dodged n and out of the plie, as though they would defend their castle to the extent of their power.

The wood was never entirely renoved, and that which remained was kept in a fairly shaped pyramid until it was not more than three feet in diameter. The rats, of which I had nover seen more than two, became so ame that they would remain in sight on the sills near their house within an arm's length of me at times. Lat er in the season the mistress of the pyramid appeared with two young

I now began to miss some of my ortable property. Files, small chisels, nails, measuring sticks, patterns, pleces of leather and such articles would disappear from my work beach These from time to time I would find mixed in with the sticks in the build now, and for that matter the little god lng material used by the rats Since, has had no rest for many a day. The I am informed, this is one of the people in the court house say of a traits of the animal. They are so exyoung woman who becomes attached cessively industrious that they annex o the office, "she comes, she's en almost anything they can carry or gaged, she's married," all in one drag with very indifferent ideas of property rights or ownership. They Another feature of this queer state are partial to bright and gittlering of affairs is that young men of Aurora, things, such as bits of grass, tin and Elgin and St. Charles who are accusmetal. They would doubtless acquire friends are not particularly attracted. like perspiculty and acumen if they but let one of the girls, or a widow, if were not so much addicted to twigs you please, take to this room, there and kindling wood.-Forest and

English Special Trains. Special trains are nearly altogether the luxury of the rich, who like to travel precisely at the hour that suits them and not to be tied down by the irksome restrictions of time tables, says the London Tatler. The charge From workhouse to House of Com-mons is the proud record of Will Crooks. When only a child of nine he of course, only a first-class carriage came an inmate of Poplar work in addition to the guard's van and enhouse. It was only sheer hard neces- gine is run. The specials travel at a sity that drove his mother and her very high rate of speed. One of the five children there, but a few months smartest bits of work ever done in afterward they were able to get their this way was performed by the Great discharge, and young Will then first Western Railway Company when commenced to earn money by deliver. Lord Roberts was conveyed from Bas ing cans on a milk route after school ingstoke to Paddington in fifty-three hours. At eleven he left school and minutes, parts of the journey being went to work at a blacksmith's. To made at the rate of seventy-eight day he is chairman of the Poplar miles an hour. The whole distance is Borad of Guardians, member of the fifty-two miles, but in parts the train London County Council, manager of cannot travel at a greater rate of

A King's Book. King Victor Emmanuel, whose The irony of fate is pathetically great hobby to coin collecting, is just lituatrated in the case of a young man putting the finishing touches to his great hobby to coin collecting, is just was helr to \$75,000,000. His magnificent work on the coins of Haly father. M. Tereschtenko, the Russian the cost of which will be 6,000 pounds sugar king, recently died, leaving his sterling. Some idea of the magnitude entire fortune to his eldest son, who of the book may be gathered from was tying ill at Cannes of consump the act that there have been no fewtion. It has just been announced that or than 227 mints in Italy at one time # PECE-BENEZER

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