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The largest butterfly known in the world is the British New Guinea and specimens are worth anything from \$100 upward. The male measures eight inches across the wings and the female not less than eleven inches, a wing spread exceeding that of many small birds.

The story of the first discovery of this gigantic butterfly is a curious one, says The Wide World. A naturalist saw a specimen perched on the top of a tree and falling to capture it by another means finally shot it.

From the fragments he decided that the species was entirely unknown to science and he forthwith fitted out an expedition at a cost of many thousands of dollars to go in search of the insect.

Two members of the party fell victims to the Papuan cannibals and another was rescued only in the nick of time. In spite of this inauspicious commencement to his enterprise, however, the naturalist persevered and ultimately succeeded in obtaining perfect specimens.

A Perseverent Fox.
Much has been said of late in favor of the extensive cultivation of the black locust, and one railroad company is reported to have planted nearly 1,500,000 trees of this species with the view of utilizing their extraordinary durable wood. But Charles A. White, of the Smithsonian Institution points out, in the Popular Science Monthly, that the black locust possesses a mortal enemy in a longicorn beetle, which bores the wood through and through. It is a native of the same regions in which the tree flourishes, and depends upon the tree for its own existence. When population moved to Illinois and Iowa, the black locust was taken along. It flourished luxuriantly for some years, until its insect foe followed it, and now, says Mr. White, nothing remains of the great groves of black locust in the middle West except blasted remnants. The tree, unlike that of the Alleghenies, from New York to the Gulf, was also transported to Europe, whether its enemy has not followed it.

Air Purification.
Purification of the air of great cities is a subject which continually attracts wider attention. Recently the commissioners of works in London, alarmed by the establishment of factories consuming thousands of tons of coal a week, have asked Parliament to consider the matter. They recognize, for the first time officially, says the Engineer, that the getting rid of black smoke would not suffice to cure the trouble. Other products of combustion besides soot, such as sulphurous and sulphuric acid and solid mineral particles, are deleterious to vegetation, to buildings, to metal objects, and to the pictures, marbles and other treasures contained in museums. The elimination of these impurities from the air is an important part of the problem.

'Phone Might Have Saved Caesar.
Julius Caesar missed a great deal in not knowing the telephone, or at least in not using it if he knew it. One can see the telephone engineer attached to the Roman Post Office endeavoring, but without avail, to get an instrument installed at the Capitol and at the palace. "I am intrusted by the Emperor to say that he does not desire these barbarian novelties and so Thomas Alva Edison need not call again with his magician's apparatus." A signal blunder! We can imagine what would have happened. "Hello! 1287 Tibet! Is it thou, Artemidorus? I understand thou rangest me up this morning. 'What? Details of a plot? Go not to the Senate to-day? Beware of Brutus? Go not near Caesar? Right, and I thank thee, Artemidorus. I will have an extra guard put on instantly and the conspirators arrested." And so, although Artemidorus was unable to give his warning in the street, he gave it over the telephone, and Caesar's valuable life, and with it the fortune of Rome, was saved.—From "If They Had Thought of It," in the Strand.

Notched the Spotters.
Charlie Mann, who has been superintendent of the House press gallery, Washington, since Johnson was impeached, let go of a secret which ought to make half the travelling population of America examine their shoes.

Mr. Mann was a Pullman conductor once upon a time. He says the conductors were a blameless lot in his time and are to-day, but the porters bent most of their efforts to spotting "spotters." The "spotters" were men sent out by the company to ride on the cars and keep tab on the conductors.

"Every time a porter suspected a passenger of being a spotter," said Charlie, "he would cut a notch on the inside of the heel of his shoe. After that a man with a notched heel watched every time he rode on a train. Lots of times the porters made mistakes, and many a man got a rough deal on a Pullman car just because his heel happened to be cut by mistake."

Quiet Little Clock.
An odd little clock is in the form of a crystal ball suspended by a leather strap to the top of a stirrup iron.

The iron, which is really of silver or gun metal, stands on the desk of a dresser on the metal base on which the foot rests when one rides, and the clock swings from its tiny leather strap.

Lobsters from Canada.
The importation of lobsters into the United States in 1904 amounted to \$1,212,845 pounds, valued at \$1,491,489. Most of them came from Canada.

Division of Sexes in India.
Males outnumber females in India in the proportion of 1,000 to 938.

Age and Experience.
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The Pike County Realty Exchange proposes by legitimate advertising to bring city people in close touch with the natural advantages of Pike County and to establish headquarters for property owners to list their property and at which prospective purchasers may apply for the kind of properties they wish to obtain. Thus a medium of exchange will be established at which sellers and purchasers may be brought together.

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GREENTOWN

The work on the State road here will soon be completed. The factory at La Anna has resumed work after being idle several years.

City boarders have been numerous the last two weeks.

The Lake Paupack House boarders and the Greentown nine had a game of ball on Herbert Hebeling's grounds which resulted in a score of 5 to 4 in favor of Lake Paupack.

Mrs. Ella Meyer from Gouldsboro is here calling on friends and relatives.

The net proceeds of the Green town picnic was \$119.07.

Mrs. Lewis Simons died at Gouldsboro, Pa after an illness of several years and was brought here and buried in the Greentown cemetery. She was the daughter of John and Eliza Schall of Greentown and leaves to mourn her loss her husband, two children, her father and three sisters.

Mrs. John Macker and two daughters from Kunkelstown, Pa. are here calling on friends and relatives.

Last Wednesday night a barn of Elwood Dunning at South Sterling was burned with its contents. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin. There were several arrests made but all were proved innocent. The loss is estimated at one thousand dollars.

Roemerville is contemplating building a church in the near future.

FARM FOR SALE.

The farm now occupied by Mrs. Joseph Carhuff to Delaware township containing about fifty four acres, thirty cleared. Good dwelling, barn and other outbuildings. Also excellent fruit on the place.

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TOLLER SKATING ABOARD.

Paris Has the Craze and London Starts an Exclusive Skating Club.
All Paris has gone wild over roller skating and the various rinks are gay all afternoon and evening with performers in various degrees of perfection. Even the parks and the streets have their skaters, and the broad asphalt walks of the Tuilleries and the Luxembourg make fine practicing grounds for small boys and girls. The craze of all skaters whether roller or otherwise are the English school in Paris, and it is astonishing, says the Queen, to find how many here are of them.

In London the Olympia Skating Club, an exclusive organization for skaters, has aroused opposition among hockey players, but it has come to stay, almost until Easter.

He Was Not Hypercritical.
"I don't want to be hypercritical," said a citizen, as he was negotiating for a garage for the use of his car. "But I don't want that red-headed chauffeur to drive me. Give me another man."

"What's the matter with him?" asked the manager. "He's all right. Has your driver gone?"
"No," replied the man who didn't want to be hypercritical. "But the other afternoon when the thermometer stood at 91 he went by my place in a machine, and I'm blessed if I hadn't taken his hat off, exposing his head to a broiling sun, and kept it on—when he might have got some relief by taking off his coat and protecting his head with his hat."

"I figure it out that with a man who is no more intelligent than he displayed, it would be only a question of time till he'd land in a ditch or in a hospital. I don't want him."

First Hospital in New World.
It is said that the first hospital ever built in America was erected by the Spaniards in the City of Mexico in 1524. It was endowed out of the revenues obtained from the properties entered on him by the Spanish crown for his services in the conquest of Mexico. The endowment was so arranged that it still exists and is held at the present day. A supervisor named by the lineal descendant of the king at present.

In this hospital women occupied positions as nurses and physicians, and in their care were all cases of obstetric and women's diseases. Considerable was known by the Indians of medicine. The Mexican hospital is a building with arcades and courtyard. It is an interesting landmark in the history of hospital construction and administration.—Medical Record.

Hall of Fame.
The Hall of Fame for Great Americans is the name of a building on University Heights, in New York City, in which are inscribed the names of famous American men and women. Nominations for the honor are made publicly and submitted to a committee of one hundred eminent citizens. In the case of men fifty-one votes are required and in the case of women forty-seven. The first balloting took place in October, 1900.

Cause of Tidal Waves.
The great tidal waves observed at Marseilles on June 15, 1900, appear to have been caused by unusually high electrical charge of the atmosphere which is known to have existed during the period of the earthquake which devastated the south of France. The powerful attraction exerted on the surface of the earth by this electric charge caused earthquakes on land and tidal waves in the Mediterranean.—Scientific American.

The Gypies.
The origin of the people known as gypies remains largely a mystery. Egypt, India, Persia and Arabia have in turn been pointed out as their original country, but there is but little definite knowledge on the subject. The weight of evidence is in favor of their having originated in India. They first appeared in Europe about 1400, and from the Danube region spread all over the Continent, appearing in England about 1530.

A Tongue-Twister.
Do you read by sight or sound? Do you skim the sense or pronounce the words as you go? Inaudibly—but conscientiously? There are many readers who read by the ear, and when this writer had written the sentence—about Wick (there was an election there)—"Wick is rich in Pictish relics," he leaned back and tried to whisper it, thinking of the next, "Wick is rich in Pictish relics." Say it three times quickly.

The Torpedo.
The use of the torpedo in naval warfare was thought of as early as the beginning of the last century, but it may be said that the first practical application of torpedoes was made by the Confederates during the Civil War of 1861-65. So soon as their destructive character was demonstrated both sides used them quite extensively, and since the war between the States the torpedo has been the most dreaded weapon in marine warfare.

A Plucked Fowl should not be discarded. The fowl should be plucked or skinned, according to breed. Hens are bluish, often green, over the crop. The skin tears easily. BUFF, dry feet belong to stales.

The Ancient Regime.
In the France of the eighteenth century the privileged classes counted about 370,000 persons. Of these 150,000 were nobles, 120,000 were clergy, or about 30,000 noble families, 23,000 monks in 1,500 convents, and 60,000 curates, vicars, etc. The people (about 15,000,000) possessed about one-third of the land, out of which came all the expense of the government, the property of the privileged class paying no taxes.

AN EDUCATIONAL ROOM.

It Struck Our Colleges Along in the Early '90s.
The curves representing the number of students are astonishingly similar in the case of American institutions of higher education, whatever their character and location.

There is a normal increase in attendance corresponding to the growth in population until about 1858, when the curve takes a sudden leap upward, and in the case of the State universities, assumes a parabolic form.

The curve for German universities shows the same peculiarity, with the sudden upward bend occurring at 1871. This is easily referable to the consolidation of the empire, but in the United States there was no such political revolution in 1858.

Where the authorities in different universities have been asked to explain this sudden increase of attendance in the early '80s they have attributed it to some local cause. "Oh, that was when our college got a new president," or "That was the year of the big corn crop," or "The new school law came into effect then," or "The Legislature was unusually generous."

But there is a difference of only two or three years between Harvard and California in the date when the curve started upward, and it is obvious that when Eastern and Western institutions, private and public, high schools and universities, classical colleges and technological schools, are affected almost simultaneously in the same way the fundamental cause must be a general one. This cause, however, according to a writer in the Independent, remains to be discovered.

Politeness.
Lieut. Shackleton, in a happy and manly speech which he made in reply to the toast of his health by Mr. (then) captain at the Savoy Hotel, told an interesting story of politeness in the unpopulated regions of the Antarctic.

His party, he said, were always extremely good-humored and polite, and one professor in particular attained a degree of politeness unusual under such trying circumstances. "Are you busy, Dawson?" he called out one night to another member of the party who was in the tent.

"I am," said Dawson.
"Very busy?" said the professor.
"Yes. Very busy."
"If you are not too busy, Dawson, I am down a crevasse."
"The professor was found hanging down a crevasse by his four fingers, a position which he could not have occupied for any length of time."—London Daily Chronicle.

The Conjurer Confesses.
That "the hand is quicker than the eye" is one of those accepting sayings invented by someone who knew nothing of conjuring—or, as is more likely, by some cunning conjurer who aimed still further to hoodwink a gullible public. The fact is that the best conjurer seldom makes a rapid motion, for that attracts attention, even though it be not understood. The true artist in this line is deliberate in every movement, and it is mainly by his actions that he leads his audience to look not where they ought, but in an entirely different direction. Mr. David Devant, who for years has entertained London with his ingenious tricks, has said: "The conjurer must be an actor. By the expression of his face, by his gestures, by the tone of his voice, in short, by his acting, he must produce his effects."—St. Nicholas.

Church Choir Rows.
Time and again we have, and we shall always have, churches bled against their pastors over a choir row, for where music is there abideth also rumpus. Artistic temperament seems to bring a cross-patch disposition in which there is more counterpoint than harmony. Military bands, church choirs or grand operas are harder to manage than bags of fleas, and the poor domineers, bandmasters and impresarios are entitled to pity. If the shades of Abbey, Grau and Corfield could speak as the waters do speak while they flow, they would unfold a cynic's tale to sour and sorrow the soul.

Casey's Vacation.
Casey's wife was at the hospital, where she had undergone a very serious operation a few days before.

Mrs. Kelly called to inquire as to Mrs. Casey's condition.
"Is the restin' quietly?" Mrs. Kelly asked.
"No; but I am," said Casey.

Profitable Business.
"Hicks—is Bones doing well?"
"Wicks—Well, he has made fifty thousand dollars a year for the last three years."
"Hicks—What?"
"Wicks—Fact! He has been courtin' an actress since 1903, and she has just agreed to marry him."

Sham Campaigns Ahead.
If nations want to do great army manoeuvres in the right way, why do they not conduct sham campaigns and battles into each other's territory? Thus Germany could invade France; France, Russia; United States, Canada. "But what if such an invader forgot to leave?" said M. Yastel.

Wireless Telegraphy on Railroads.
The administration of the Prussian railroads has recently experimented with wireless telegraphic signals on the line between Berlin and Bielefeld, employing a train of four cars carrying antennae and receiving apparatus, the transmitting apparatus being installed between Berlin and Bangerhausen. The transmitting wire was suspended upon telegraphic poles for a distance of 300 feet, about a foot beneath the ordinary telegraph-wires. Within a distance of about seven and a half miles, on each side of the transmitting station, the signals were clearly and distinctly receiving on the moving train.