

**UNIQUE WAR RECORD OF DOG.**

Once Owned by Both and Followed Irish Troops in Boer War—Was Given Medal.

Unusual interest centered in a case heard in the Dublin police court, in which the leading figure was a bulldog that formerly belonged to a Gen. Philip Botha and went through a good portion of the South African war, says the London Telegraph. Ernest Warrington, canteen manager for the contractors, was summoned for cruelty to the animal, which has been stationed for some time past with the Royal Irish Rifles at Richmond barracks. The bulldog, which now belongs to Color Sergeant Edwards, Royal Irish Rifles, was accommodated with a seat in the witness box, from which point he seemed to take a languid interest in the proceedings. He was dressed in a coat with green facings, and wore several South African medals with clasps. The animal's record is an eventful one. During the Boer war he was captured by the Second Royal Irish Rifles, mounted infantry, from Commandant Philip Botha's farm in the Doornburg, in September, 1900. From that time until the end of the war he trekked with the Rifles' mounted force from Griqualand in the west to Basutoland in the east, and he still bears the scar of a wound received in action. Later he was with Gen. French's column in Cape Colony. For his services the bulldog now wears the queen's South African medal with two clasps. Mr. Drury remarked, when the case was called, that this was the most distinguished dog in the country, as he had medals.

**THE CAT OBJECTED.**

Accidentally Imprisoned in a Vacant House—Released After Considerable Official Red Tape.

French official red tape led to an amusing scene recently in a provincial town, says Golden Penny. An old man having died, the Judge de Paix formally sealed up the house till the heirs should take possession, in accordance with Gallic law. But the neighbors were soon disturbed by the most frightful noises and "mooeings," and found that the house cat had been sealed up inside with the rest of the lead man's property, and, as the judge had done his work most conscientiously, not a single exit remained for poor puss.

The neighbors dared not break the seals to let puss out, so, after some days, applied to the nearest magistrate. He was equally powerless, and a formal petition had to be handed in to the president of the civil tribunal for legal authorization to open a single crack in the building. The Judge de Paix and his official solemnly proceeded to the house, and formally broke the seals, with the result of liberating a very starved cat, which, being exceedingly wild and spiteful from its long imprisonment, ungratefully flew at the unlucky judge as he opened the door.

**EDUCATION IN ENGLAND.**

London Journal Says It Is the Worst of Any Highly-Civilized Country.

Whatever the explanation may be, there is unfortunately a contempt for education throughout all classes in this country. Naturally, therefore, our education is the worst of any highly-civilized country, says the London Statist. And because it is so we are gradually losing ground and our competitors are forging ahead of us. We are losing ground, not alone in trade and manufactures, but in every department of life. Our whole government system is inefficient to a surprising degree. What our army is we saw in South Africa. What our administrative departments are we have had of late several disconcerting illustrations.

If, then, we are to recover our old place in the world it is in the highest degree desirable that we should reform our system of education and supply all classes from the highest to the lowest with a real and scientific mental training. In order to oppose logically Mr. Chamberlain's proposals there is no need to deny that this country does not hold now the position of preeminence which it held formerly. Indeed, we venture to think that reasonable and thoughtful men like Lord Rosebery rather injure the cause they have at heart than promote it by making such a denial.

**NO THIEVES THERE.**

In Bermuda They Couldn't Dispose of Plunder If They Stole—An Idle Community.

The capture of the two negroes in this city charged with having looted a jewelry shop in Hamilton, Bermuda, will be the chief topic of conversation for the winter in that idyllic community, says the New York World. Bermuda is not accustomed to thieves. No experienced Bermudian will enter the profession of pilfering, at least of taking things that cannot be immediately eaten.

For what can be done with them? If any property is taken the officers of the law have only to watch the steamship docks. The stuff cannot be disposed of on the islands. They are too small and everybody knows everybody. It is a Bermudian legend that once a bicycle was stolen. It was the talk of the town. The next ensuing problem of the thief was how to get any good of it. He did not dare use it; he could not send it out of the country. That he finally "gave it up" was proved when six months later a fisherman brought up the missing wheel from fairly deep water upon his hook.

**FREAK COINS HAVE GONE.**

Few of Those Issued by the Government for Special Purposes Now Remain.

Recent mention of the disappearance of the \$2.50 gold piece from circulation and the premium this coin commands as a curio have set many to rummaging in old pocketbooks and the bottom of cash boxes and drawers in search of odd or out of date coins. Some have found a two-dollar piece, but not many, says the Portland Oregonian. The two dollar piece, once quite common, but always a sort of curiosity, is often found, and many have specimens of the little gold coins representing 25 and 50 cents, which were not minted by the general government and probably have not so much gold in them as they represent. They used to pass as coin, but were never in general circulation, being so easily lost that they soon became scarce.

One of the handsomest coin relics seen is a \$10 gold piece bearing the mint stamp of 1799. It is larger than the present \$10 gold piece. The owner has it hung in a band and wears it as a charm on his watch chain. The owner says he refused an offer of \$150 for his relic. The old octagonal \$50 pieces were quite common in California in early days, when gold dust was largely used as a circulating medium. They were made of pure gold, and while they had not the elegant finish of the gold coins minted by the government in those days, many still remember them as the handsomest coin they ever saw. Many people now would consider them handsome on account of the \$50 in them.

**TELLS HOW TO TAME LIONS.**

Danish Woman Has New Theory About Controlling Wild Animals—Her Sensational Feat.

The terrible tragedy which was enacted in a lion's den near Berlin has revived the question as to whether a lion tamer can ever hope to die a natural death.

At the present time Miss Ella, a Danish woman lion tamer, is giving a sensational exhibition at the Royal Music hall, Holborn, with seven African lions, says a London dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean.

She concludes her performance by throwing away her whip, lying down on the stage, and putting her head and arm in the mouth of the large African lion, Siegfried, who killed a keeper in the Vienna zoological gardens four years ago.

In an interview Miss Ella said she was not at all nervous in the den, and had handled wild beasts since she was eight years old.

"Nearly all accidents which happen to tammers," said this daring young woman, "are caused by forcing lions to do tricks against their will, instead of letting them rest until they get into a good temper, but fatal accidents are very rare. It is an old belief," added the lady tamer, "that it is necessary to look wild animals straight in the eyes, but this is a great mistake, as it makes the lions savage. I always turn my back on them, and have no fear of their turning on me."

**Marvelous Exploit of a Picture Dealer in Munich—Used Dictionary, But No Grammar.**

The following notice, says the London Outlook, appears in the shop window of a picture dealer in Munich:

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This, says the correspondent who kindly sends us the foregoing, rather emphasizes an experience of my own in Munich, where a shopkeeper, trying in English to excuse himself for not having in stock an appliance I needed, said: "I have not; I am very disagreeable."

"The poor have exceedingly warm affections, and are easily guided by them. On one occasion," says a woman philanthropist, in Everybody's Magazine, "When I had argued for an hour with a quarrelsome husband and wife, without bringing reconciliation any nearer, I said: 'Well, you must go your own way, but you are simply breaking my heart with your foolishness.' I believe my voice trembled, or I was tired and discouraged. The man and the woman looked at each other, and then the woman said: 'Indeed, miss, we didn't know we were hurting you—we wouldn't do that for worlds. John and me, and if it will make you happier, we'll try again.' As for their goodness to each other, it is beyond all praise. The nights spent in watching sick neighbors, though no rest can be looked for on the day that follows—the meals shared—the nameless unremembered acts of kindness and of love—one has to live among them to realize these."

**The Eternal City.**

Excavations conducted by Prof. Airolli in Rome's Forum prove, he says, that the Eternal City existed long before the time of Romulus, its supposed founder. Prof. Airolli asserts that Etruscans established the city of Rome on Aventine hill, from which they descended to fight the Sabines.

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**HOTTEST PLACE ON EARTH.**

Islands in Which a Breath of Cool Air is a Rare Luxury—No Relief at Night.

Undoubtedly the hottest place on all the earth, if the testimony of travelers is to be credited, may be found on the Lval islands, which cover a fairly extensive area of the Persian gulf, lying off the southwest coast of Persia. It is the largest of them which enjoys the doubtful distinction of leading all perishing competitors in the matter of heat. The mean temperature of Bahrain for the entire year is 99 degrees. July, August and September are unendurable save for the natives. Night after night as midnight comes the thermometer shows 100 degrees. By seven in the morning it is 107 or 108 degrees, and by three in the afternoon 140 degrees.

It is stated by veracious travelers that 75,000 Arabs inhabit the Aval group, fully 25,000 living on Bahrein, in which connection Sir Henry Layard adds: "It would seem that a man can accustom himself to anything." The following are the temperatures at some of the hottest places in different countries: Hyderabad, 105 degrees; Lahore, 107 degrees; El Paso, 113 degrees; Mosul, 117 degrees; Agra, 117 degrees; Death Valley, 122 degrees; Algeria, 127 degrees; Fort Yuma, 128 degrees; Jacobabad, 122 degrees; Bahrein, 140 degrees.

**DEER AND SLEEP.**

Foresters Say Animals Sleep About Five Hours in Daytime—Not at All at Night.

Deer reverse the apparent order of nature, for they sleep in the daytime and feed at night, says the Scottish Field. How much sleep they do take is a matter of contention, even among experienced stalkers—some say little, others much. On the whole, we are inclined to agree with the former, for it has to be remembered that they chew the cud when lying down. Two most experienced and observant foresters, the one in Argyleshire, the other in Aberdeenshire, thus gave their opinions: "Deer sleep or rest from about ten or eleven a. m. to four p. m.;" "Deer sleep from noon to five p. m.;" "It is not uncommon occurrence to come on deer asleep; a stalker in the Black mount had the rare experience of coming upon a parcel of seven stags, all sound asleep. A herd was seen to move in Glenfeshie, but one stag remained behind, lying motionless. On a careful approach he was found to be asleep. Perhaps, however, the oddest occurrence of this nature happened in Braemar, when a stalking party, on going up to the stag which had just been shot, found a three-year-old close to it fast asleep. In fact, it is by no means rare to get within a yard or two of a sleeping deer."

**MRS. PYMACHER'S PIE.**

Here's an Idyll of the New York Stock Exchange—Speculators Appreciated Toothsome Dainties.

Pymacher was a telegrapher employed by the stock exchange firm in which John W. Gates is a special partner, says Everybody's Magazine. Pymacher brought for his lunch a noble pie, a composition of Mrs. Pymacher's. The manager of the office tasted that pie, found it good, and gobbled it. Such are the notions of property in the street. "Is there any more where that came from?" asked the manager, a man of delicate tooth. "There is more," said Pymacher, "and better, if possible." "It is not possible," said the manager. He told all the Chicago capitalists, who came to that office. He made their mouths water. The next day Pymacher brought in a lemon pie, an iridescent dream, a tender flosser. Half a dozen millionaires ate of it, with tears of joy and thanksgiving. "What shall we do for Mrs. Pymacher? Shall we build her a monument?" "Buy her a hundred shares of Northern Pacific," says Gates. So they bought her 100 shares at 113 3/4, sold it at 135. The next day came the corner, and a share of Northern Pacific was worth \$1,000. But Mr. Gates had showed his eagerness to reward a supreme artist. If old Rembrandt were alive "the Gates crowd" would "let him in" on the best thing it had.

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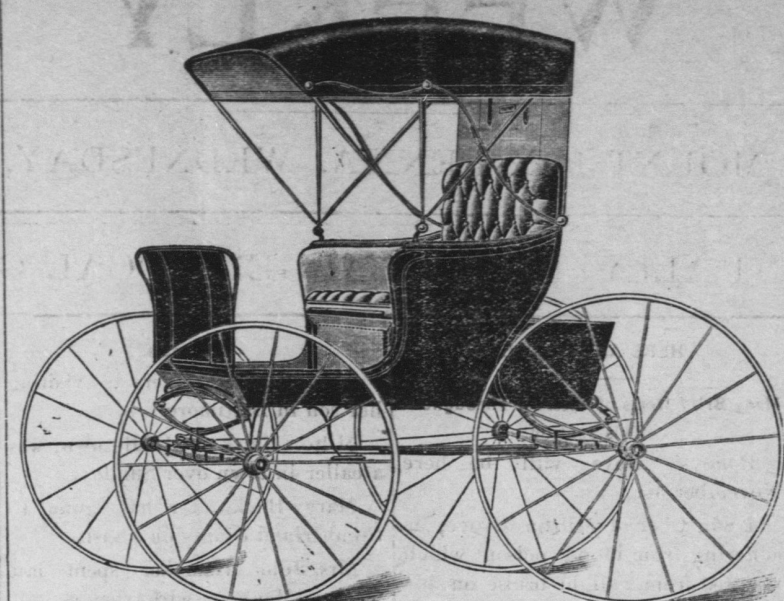
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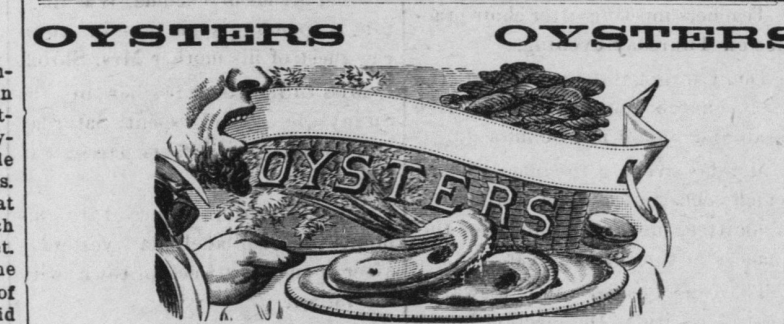
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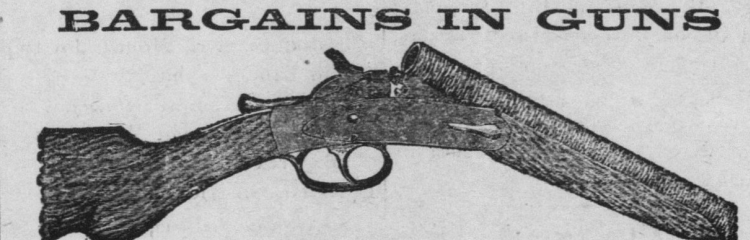
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