

HEIR TO THRONE OF RUSSIA



Recent Photograph of Prince Alex. Nicolaevitch, Heir to the Russian Throne.

REWARD POLICEMAN

Three Jersey Women Take Burglar-Catcher Abroad.

Hamilton Crisp, the Traveler, is the Envy of All His Comrades on the Force—To Return in the Autumn.

Trenton, N. J.—Numberless policemen have won medals for bravery and devotion to duty, but Policeman Hamilton Crisp of the local force is the first to be rewarded with a trip to Europe for displaying his courage on one specific occasion.

The burglar was scarcely in the lock-up before the Misses James had planned a novel reward for the plucky policeman.

Crisp has been the happiest man in Trenton since the three women announced that they were going to take him with them and keep him abroad for three months.

Many policemen have asked to be transferred to Crisp's old beat during his absence in the hope that burglars may give them a chance to show that they are entitled to a trip across the ocean.

The three James sisters are the last of one of Trenton's oldest families. When they close up their school each year they go to Europe and remain for the summer, returning in time to receive their pupils for the fall term.

Owing to their well-known aversion to notoriety every attempt was made to keep the matter a secret, but it became known when Crisp asked the board of police commissioners for leave of absence.

First Chinese Justice of Peace. Boston—As far as Charles K. Shu of 18 Harrison avenue knows, he is the first and only man of Chinese parentage to be a justice of the peace in the United States.

COST OF MUSICAL EDUCATION

Ambitious Singers Need Large Amount of Money During Their Season of Training.

The recent revelation of the huge cost of educating a young woman for the operatic stage should have a deterrent effect on the ambitions of the thousands of American girls who have been hoping to rank with the Sembrinis and Melchis of the future.

Gone are the old illusions of the garret and the crust, the persistently hopeful struggle with adversity, which have been associated with the making of musical artists of the fairer sex.

ONE WAY OF KEEPING A COOK

Methods of High Finance Introduced in Efforts to Solve Domestic Problem.

"What you laughing at?" grumbled Carlotta C. Crane, all in one word, as he straightened up, red in the face, with a handful of clearing house certificates recovered in fragments from the waste basket into which he had cast them, thinking they were cigar coupons.

"Not at you," chuckled John A. Gill, soothingly. "This letter here's from an old friend of mine, Capt. Hutchinson, an Englishman living down at Lindsay, near Porterville."

"Gave my Chinese cook, Ah Lut, his regular check for \$50. He took it to the bank. All they gave him was \$5 in cash, rest in certificates. He came back, threatened to throw up his job; fine cook, too; had him a long time."

"All right, I no go, you make me one check five hun dollar." "Five hundred dollars, Ah Lut!" I exclaimed. "I can't afford any such prices as that."

"No afford, I take check five hun dollar, bank he pay me fifty dollar all same he pay me five dollar on fifty dollar check."

"So he handed me back the \$5 and the certificates, and I wrote him a check for \$500 and telephoned an explanation to the bank."

Women's Food Expensive.

The question whether men eat less than women do or whether they buy more economically is suggested to a writer in Health Culture, by a comparison of the grocery bills run up by men students and bachelor girls who have clubbed together for the purpose of cutting down expenses.

In every case in which tables for comparison are given the men's menu for the week costs less than that of the women. Both seem to have reduced the food allowance to the lowest possible terms, but in footing up the amount spent the women have run into certain extravagances avoided by the men.

"Maybe," says the puzzled inquirer, "women really don't know how to shop, after all, but the more likely supposition is that no matter how strict the regimen the feminine nature requires certain luxuries that mere men can get along without."

Angels on Horseback. There are many ways of cooking oysters. "Angels on Horseback" are well known, but I should hope not very well liked. It is a barbarous conjunction, that of bacon with oysters; a tremendous compliment to the bacon, it is true, but an insult to the fish.

Nor can I praise the steak and oysters so dear to many. But as an ingredient in a beefsteak pie nothing but praise can be spoken of the bivalve. There are oysters in that most delicious of pies, the one that cooks for 24 hours and keeps a man up all night to see that it does not leave off boiling.

Coming High. "Smith is all the time talking about the desirability of having elevating experiences. Well, he got one the other night."

"What was it?" "Coming home late he was held up on the street."

BEGAN BOY'S TRAINING EARLY

Pittsburg Man of Affairs Has Good Scheme for Teaching Small Son Responsibility.

Living in the east end is a young captain of industry who is training his ten-year-old son for the same responsible position in life. Responsibility, he says, is one of the first things that should be taught a boy.

He has to see to it that nothing happens to them while on their way to school or while they are returning. He also has to see to it that the candy supply of the family is properly divided. Of course, the parents attend to the most serious matters, but John is given to understand that they look to him for reports or explanations on a whole lot of matters.

The boy's father says that he has every confidence that when John becomes old enough to enter the firm he will add strength to it from the beginning.

DIDN'T SEE ANY DIFFERENCE.

Beauty Doctor's Little Lecture and Manipulations Had Little Effect on Lady's Double Chin.

A beauty doctor toiled on a double chin.

"Let them sneer if they like," he said, "but we beauty doctors have added some 15 to 20 years to the age of the heroine of fiction and the stage."

"Dickens and Scott had heroines of 17 or so. In those days at 17 a girl was at her best. Thereafter she faded. But Dickens, the daring novelist of the day, has in the Garden of Allah a heroine of 32, and in his last book the heroine is 40."

"The doctors of medicine have prolonged life, we doctors of beauty have prolonged youth, and the world grows daily a finer place to live in."

Hundreds Burned or Drowned. Terrible scenes were witnessed at Canton on the occasion of the recent disastrous fire on the native pleasure boats.

Too Many Books to Read. We feel the deepest sympathy for those moderns who complain that so many books are now published and so noisily advertised that they are bewildered as to choice, and turn back to the old favorites.

Temperance Note. Mrs. Carrie Nation, the celebrated temperance advocate, recently entered a temperance restaurant in Dundee.

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PAPERS MANY CENTURIES OLD

Explorer's Interesting Find in the Ruins of an Ancient City in Western China.

Dr. M. Aurel Stein, in a letter he sent to the Royal Asiatic Society, described his recent excavations in western China and eastern Turkestan.

In another place he found a few feet below the surface various scrapings of all sorts, fragments of bone, lacquerware and a dozen small tablets inscribed in Chinese characters of an exquisite penmanship.

While clearing the refuse from a group of ruins he made a particularly rich haul of ancient documents. The documents, some of them three feet long, suggested that a great official had lived there.

THE HOUSE IN THREE STATES

Remarkable History of Three Brothers Born in the Same House, But All in Different States.

Montana is believed to possess three brothers with a history more remarkable than has heretofore been known.

"I believe," said Col. Marshall, "that the history of the brothers stands unprecedented in the annals of American history. That they should be born in the same house, and at the same time, each born in a different state, seems incredulous, and all the more so when it is stated that the house stands on its original site."

"These brothers are named Wright, and are now residents of Missoula county, Montana. When the elder of these three brothers was born, that particular section of the county was in Oregon, as a portion of the Louisiana purchase."

"Several years later a second boy was born to the Wright family, but in the meantime Idaho had been segregated from the original territory, and therefore he was a native of Idaho, and his elder brother was an Oregonian."

"Again a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wright, but he was neither an Oregonian nor an Idahoan, but a Montanan, the treasure state having been sliced from Idaho in the meantime. Thus three brothers were born in the same house and each in a different state."

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HOW ARTIFICIAL ICE IS MADE.

New Process, Tried and Found Feasible in Germany, is Adapted to Any Locality.

A new process of ice-making was tried in Germany last winter, with such success that it has been suggested for those sections of the United States where, on account of lack of lakes or rivers, the price of ice is high.

A large wooden framework two stories, each ten feet high, is put up. Each story has a cover of 15 parallel beams. Through the center a pipe is caused to prevent freezing runs up to the upper cover. This pipe is connected with the water supply.

At the top the water escapes over a rotating disk so that it is distributed evenly in the form of drizzling rain over the beams of the cover of both stories. The water drops continually from the beams and is changed into icicles by the cold winter temperature.

"At a sufficiently low temperature 700 cubic feet of ice can be produced in a single night from such a framework. The icicles assume and keep the form of thick, separate columns, which can be broken without difficulty."

TOLSTOI AND THE NEW LIFE.

Writer and Humanitarian Describes How He Sought for and Found Happiness.

At the time when I had lost all interest in my personal, individual life but had not yet acquired a religious interest an inspiration to the general good of humanity, I was horrified by my position.

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