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POSTAL PLAN.

Under the law, it will be necessary to make all of the presidential and fourth-class offices stations and substations. The salaries paid to the agents must amount to less than \$1,000 a year, so that if Congress fails to adopt the recommendation of the postmaster general the superintendent of the Brooklyn will evidently receive only \$900.

LIVES AFTER HIS HEART STOPS.

Physicians Save a Man After Death Has Apparently Ensued. Joseph Rheinhardt, aged 50 years, a cook by occupation, was as good as dead for about 25 minutes at St. Louis the other evening, but is now alive, and hopes of his recovery are entertained.

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BREVETTES OF FUN.

First Bicycle Girl. "Oh, yes, I often fall off, but I always land on my feet." Second Dittie. "I think you said you were from Chicago." Boston Transcript.

Impossible. "See here. That horse you sold me runs away, kicks, bites, strikes, and tries to tear down the stable at night. You told me that if I got him once I wouldn't part with him for \$1,000." "Well, you won't." -Detroit Free Press.

Her Sole Qualification. Mrs. Bagrox. "Tell me, professor, will my daughter ever become a great pianist?" Herr Vogleschnitzle. "I cannot tell." "But has she none of the qualifications necessary for a good musician?" "Ach, yah, matam; she has two hands." -Puck.

Bliggins' wife doesn't insist on retaining possession of the latch-key any more," suggested Mr. Meekton. "No," replied Mrs. Meekton, "she has found a better way of making sure that her husband stays home after dark." "What is it?" "She has taken the lamp off his bicycle." -Washington Star.

A Delicate Remonstrance. "When I get to be a man," said the boy who has a good memory for phrases. "I'm going to strive to cultivate an unselfish nature." "That's right," replied the father. "How are you going to go about it?" "Well, in the first place, if I have any little boys I'll let them shoot their own fireworks instead of telling them they must let me do it for fear they will hurt themselves." -Indianapolis Journal.

WEALTH OF THE ROMANOFFS.

The Means of the Russian Imperial Family. The means of the Russian imperial family are of the richest in the world. Apart altogether from the civil list, which usually amounts to \$1,500,000 a year, but which may, of course, be increased by imperial order, the house of Romanoff owns 21,000,000 acres in different parts of Russia, which, under a system laid down in the reign of Emperor Paul, are managed by a special bureau, called that of the imperial appanages, which is controlled by a minister, who reports to the emperor alone, and takes no orders from the ministry of finance.

The revenue of the Hohenzollerns exceeds \$1,000,000, and that of the house of Savoy is more than \$600,000 a year, the British house being, among the greater sovereign houses, by far the poorest. Fifty years hence the question of appanages will be a serious embarrassment to the dynasties, and will probably lead to a great relaxation of the royal marriage laws. Then the American heiress, who by that time will possess half South America, will indeed have a chance. -Spectator.

Nordau's Looks and Ways.

Of Max Nordau, the bearded and berated author of "Degeneration," it is said that his nattiness is extreme, and with his well-fitting black frock tightly buttoned, his spotless shirt front, well manicured hands, and carefully brushed hair and whiskers, he looks more like a prosperous financier than one who regularly burns the midnight oil. His manner is unctuous, though not disagreeably so; his gestures are "enveloping," and there are in his voice those caressing notes which are acquired by all men whose profession brings them in one way or another into constant communication with women. He is never harsh and never bitter, and might be taken for a pure optimist, indulgent to a fault toward the follies and impurities of humanity.

Royal Cyclists.

When the duchess of Aosta first rode a wheel her royal kinsman, King Umberto, was so shocked that he ordered the guards not to present arms to her if she passed on a bicycle. The first sentry who did not present had his ears boxed by the angered princess. But times have changed, and now the entire royal family of Italy ride bicycles. Every day the queen, who is much more of an enthusiast than the king, takes a spin in the park surrounding the royal palace.

A TURPENTINE STUPE.

Answers the Same Purpose as a Mustard Plaster.

One very useful form of counter-irritation in place of a mustard plaster is what is known as a turpentine stupe. This is made as follows: A piece of moderately thick flannel is folded several times until it is about six inches square. It is then allowed to soak in a bowl of very hot water and some turpentine is placed in a tin cup, which is then set in another bowl of hot water in order that the turpentine may be heated without its coming in contact with the flame. (For should you endeavor to heat turpentine over a gas jet or over a stove it will probably explode and produce serious burns.)

WASPS AND BEES.

Hornets Can Do Considerable Damage to Fruit Trees.

Where hornets or wasps occur in very large numbers they frequently, at certain seasons, do considerable damage to fruit and forest trees by gnawing off the bark to build their paper nests. They destroy the fruit they attack, living as they do upon the juices extracted from it. But, on the other hand, these insects are very useful in that they likewise feed on flies and other insects, and so very materially diminish the number of these pests. Some wasps live in part upon honey, which they collect from the most open-petaled flowers, and thus to a very moderate extent they may be regarded in the light of flower fertilizers. Kirkland says, in the first volume of the American Naturalist, that "the paper hornet (Vespa maculata) often enters my nucleus hives, when I am rearing Italian queen bees, and captures the queen in the midst of her little colony, usually just after she has commenced her first laying. I have seen this predator enter the small hive, drag out the queen, and fly away with her to the woods." Some of the species of the genus polistes store up honey which is poisonous, from the fact that it has been collected from poisonous flowers. They are found in South America, where also species of the genus Chartergus occur—wasps that make a very remarkable and tough nest, with funnel-shaped combs inside, arranged one inside of another, nest fashion, but not in contact except at their points of suspension. At the apices of these cones occur the apertures of entrance for the inmates to pass up among the conical tiers. -R. W. Shufeldt, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly.

Phil Sheridan's Criticism.

The late Phil Sheridan had views of his own regarding most things, and was never averse to expressing them, no matter what the circumstances. One day Gen. Meigs, who was responsible for the form of the pension building in Washington, which is modeled on the famous Farnese palace, but has been dubbed a cross between a car stable and a brewery—asked Sheridan what he thought of it.

"I have but one fault to find with it," was the reply. "What is that?" "It is fireproof."

English Suicides.

Foreign ideas of the inclination of Englishmen to commit suicide on slight provocation will be strengthened by a recent occurrence at Hawley, in North Staffordshire. A well-to-do master builder informed a friend of his, also a prosperous builder, and some other persons, that he could not endure life, and walked away, later in the day jumping into a canal. His friend was so depressed at his statement that he at once went to the town reservoir and drowned himself. The bodies were recovered at nearly the same time.

THE STATUS OF DOGS.

As Determined by the Supreme Court of the United States.

This question has reached the supreme court of the United States, and has been settled, as far as the generalizations of that eminent body may be accepted as conclusive. A look over the judgment of the court, pronounced by Associate Justice Brown, would cause a painful sensation throughout the dog world, if nature had not, perhaps in a kindly spirit, veiled their intelligence in regard to legal complexities. The learned judge points out that the full protection of criminal laws accorded to such domestic animals as horses, cattle and sheep is withheld from the dog, because, in the light of property, he is but half a remove from creatures in a wild state. It counts for nothing in the law that the dog is peculiarly domestic, and admitted to privileges in a home that are infinitely removed from an ox, a mule, or even a sheep of mature growth. He may be fondled in the lap of beauty, admitted to the salon, and have a valet for his exclusive use, yet the law will not declare that he is anything more than a half a wolf, ranking far below the donkey as plaintiff in a criminal case.

After fixing the low domestic place of the dog the decision of the supreme court proceeds to place him in "the category of cats, monkeys, parrots, singing birds and similar animals kept for pleasure, curiosity or caprice." This would add to the howl throughout dogdom if a knowledge of its meaning could be imparted. The cat enjoys enlarged privileges in the domestic circle, but dogs have always insisted that a cat is not in their class. A feud as old as civilization has existed between dogs and cats, and the former can justly claim a superiority not only in fighting weight, but in the extent of companionship to which they are admitted by the human race. A tramp would blush to be followed along the road by a cat, but poets have celebrated the friendship between the dog and the wanderer whose home is the highway, and bed the lee side of a fence or haystack. To be coupled with the whimsical monkey is still worse. A monkey in the house is a wellspring of disorder and vexation. The faithful Tray has a million friends where Jocko has one.

But the unkindest cut of all is to classify the dog with the parrot. In the whole kingdom of nature the dog mysteriously considers the parrot the most mysterious and offensive of animals. He would call it the unspeakable parrot, but that suggests a tender point. A parrot can talk to a man, a gift just beyond the highest endowment of a dog. The parrot that would furnish no more than a mouthful for the mastiff yet treats him with condescension, pronounces his name with all the facility and authority of his master, and pursues him with that hard, cackling, satirical laugh that is the delight of a parrot's life. A parrot outlives three or four generations of dogs, and makes them all miserable by the airs of a higher caste, and the arts of a spiteful mockery surpassing belief. To be classed with the most impish, if not the most wicked animal admitted under man's roof, and by the highest court in the land, is a hard blow to the dog as a legal abstraction. But his owner will not forget the lesson of fidelity when fortune turns a frowning face. -St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Electric Navigation.

The electric launch industry is taking root much more slowly in this country than in Europe, the main difficulty being that of finding places at which to recharge the storage batteries, or get new supplies of chemicals if primary batteries are used. In this respect to-day the owner of an electric launch is often like a nation which has a fleet, but no coaling station. In Europe the rivers are so much shorter than ours, and the population is so much denser, that there are many places where launches are in demand and highly successful. The English Thames has a fine fleet, and many continental rivers are dotted with such craft. At Bergen, Norway, a regular electric ferry line has been established, with eight boats running on a five-minute schedule across the harbor. In winter, when the schedule is shortest, the boats ply from seven a. m. to 9:30 p. m. On an average the boats cover 37 miles and carry a total of 1,800 passengers daily. The boats, which are 25 feet long, six feet eight inches beam, and made to carry 18 passengers, are double enders, with a screw at each end. A three-horse power motor runs each boat and the charging station has a 30-horse power dynamo.

A Shrewd Vermont Judge.

They tell of a judge in Bennington, Vt., who, having spoken of buying a safe, was interviewed by two rival agents, each of whom had so much to say in favor of his own particular safe that the judge was quite at a loss which to buy. In a happy moment he thought of a burglar whom he had himself sentenced, and going to the jail he obtained this expert safe-breaker's opinion and then gave the order.

KILLED BY TIGHT SHOES.

Lockjaw Results from an Abrasion on the Foot.

Fate of a St. Louis Man Said to Threaten Every Man and Woman Who Sacrifices Comfort to Vanity. Tight shoes have caused the death of Philip Schreiber, of 2444 South Street, St. Louis. He died at the hospital of lockjaw in its most fatal form. Otto Sutter, superintendent of the hospital, says the same fatal disease threatens every man and woman whose vanity is stronger than their desire for comfort. It is also a possible result from the wearing of corsets too closely laced.

Schreiber's death was not the result of vanity. He was a molder, in pecuniary circumstances. Recently he purchased a new pair of shoes which seemed to him when he bought them, but proved small when he had walked in them awhile. They caused him considerable pain, but he could not discard them, buy another pair, because he had no money. Besides being tight on the foot, the part that laced across the instep bound Schreiber's feet so that a sore began to form on the side of his right foot. It gradually developed into an abscess, and Schreiber died that he needed medical attention, and the abscess seemed to affect his eye system. He applied to the city hospital for treatment, but it was too late.

That such a fate awaits a greater portion of the feminine population of St. Louis and a large number of the male persuasion seems improbable, but Dr. Sutter declares it to be a fact. "Tight shoes are more apt than not to produce sores upon the feet," said the hospital superintendent, "and lockjaw is more likely to result from such a sore than from one on any other part of the body. The reason is that a short walk suffices to fill the shoes with dirt and dust, particles of which are apt to remain in the sore and cause lockjaw to develop. Even with the advantage of antiseptics in the treatment of the disease it is still dangerous and must be taken in time to prevent death."

Another possible source of danger is the wearing of corsets. Women addicted to tight lacing are in constant danger, aside from that arising from the compression of the vital organs. An exposed corset rib (they are usually metal) may chafe the skin until an abscess forms, and, while the danger of lockjaw would be slight as compared with that in the case of a sore on the foot, it would be likely to result seriously.

WEDS HIS FORMER SERVANT.

Dr. C. E. Cadawallader Surprises Philadelphia Society.

Dr. C. E. Cadawallader, the head of one of Philadelphia's oldest and most exclusive families, was married the other afternoon in St. Paul's Episcopal church to Bridget Mary Ryan, his former housemaid. The marriage caused quite a sensation in society circles in Philadelphia. The bride came to this country five years ago from Tipperary, Ireland, and three years later entered the doctor's employ as housemaid. The doctor took more than an employer's interest in the fair Irish girl, and finally proposed marriage. She accepted, and after vainly endeavoring to have the Roman Catholic church, which she was a member, waive all restrictions, Miss Ryan gave up her religion and joined St. Paul's Episcopal church, of which Dr. Cadawallader is a vestryman.

Dr. Cadawallader is a descendant of the famous John Cadawallader, the emigrant who arrived in America in 1697. His genealogy contains the names of Lord and Lady Erskine, Gen. John Cadawallader of revolutionary fame, the Welsh Cadawallader, who fought against Saladin under Couer de Lion, and Dr. Thomas Cadawallader, who, with Benjamin Franklin, founded libraries and was prominent in early Philadelphia.

The old Cadawallader mansion, at Fourth and Spruce streets, is one of the most interesting houses in Philadelphia, from a social and historical point of view.

The bride comes of poor, but respectable Irish parents. She is 21 years of age, while her distinguished husband has passed 50.

FROGS IN HIS STOMACH.

New Jersey Man Is Relieved of Unwelcome Tenant by Doctors.

For some time past the appetite of Peter Cunningham, an employe of the Sheddakers farm, near Burlington, N. J., was enormous. He ate more than all the rest of the hired men and family. His hunger could not be appeased. His capacity for food soon threatened the Sheddakers' with being eaten out of house and home. In self-defense they finally asked Cunningham to undergo a medical examination. Dr. Stowell was summoned, and according to Cunningham and the doctor, the doctor's stomach pump relieved him of 51 small frogs.

A Great Tunnel.

The English government is seriously considering the construction of a submarine tunnel between England and Ireland. It is estimated that the cost of the tunnel will amount to \$7,000,000. Experts, however, are unanimous in declaring that the project of building a causeway between the two countries is impracticable, owing to the particularly stormy character of St. George's channel.

Her Advice.

A sweet girl graduate of Kansas City's high school recently reproved a young man for his lack of knowledge of the Puritans, and advised him to go and get Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" if he wanted to post up.

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