

MIRROR OF FASHION.

ADOPTED BY THE CREEKS.

THEFT AND CRIME UNKNOWN.

FANCY TASKS IN SCHOOLS.

FISH IN THE PHILIPPINES.

BULLET-PROOF CLOTH.

Name of the Pretty Fancies in Hats and Short Waists It Now Reflects.

Yes, pretty and cool looking are the hats and ponce-stiffed sailor hats, numbers of which are going to the country summer wardrobe. For children, and young girls they are especially recommended. A stylish little example was seen in a dull blue linen, attached with white. Around the edge of the brim and top of the flat crown was a trimming of blue linen disks embroidered in white. Merit of white fringes of white trimmed the sides of the hat. Often these linen hats match shirt-waist gowns says the New York Post.

Only One of the Five Whites Admitted to the Tribe Still Among the Living.

Capt. F. B. Severs, of Muskogee, Okla., is the only living white who ever adopted by the Creek tribe of Indians. Unlike the other nations, the Creeks were averse to the adoption of whites and the records go far back to the Creeks have records, show the adoption of but five persons of white blood, says the Kansas City Star.

Government of the Incas Is the Most Enlightened Despotism Ever Known.

The most enlightened despotism the world ever knew was probably the government of the Incas, according to modern scholars. It seems also to have been the nearest approach to a Cripple yet attained by any people. There was allotted to each man, free of charge, a dwelling site and an extended area of land for him to till and cultivate for the maintenance of his family. The surplus of products from this tract, left over from the immediate needs of the owner was given as tribute to the Inca government and used for religious, charitable and other purposes at their sovereignty of Cuzco.

Wash Time Is Taken Up by Pupils in Learning Things of No Use to Them.

The fathers and mothers of New York are beginning to wake to the fact that their children are too much fancy teaching in the public schools, and not enough of the solid sciences, that the children are drilled in the fancy branches and do not know how to read and spell. That a common school education has become something uncommon, indeed, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Meat Being Scarce a Great Deal of the Fish-Food Is Taken From the Sea.

Walter Williams writes in a special to the Chicago Record-Herald. There are 11 public market houses in Manila owned and managed by the municipality, in which you can buy almost anything you wish to eat and all sorts of cheap general merchandise, but they are barren of curiosities. There is very little native handicraft. The best examples to be found in the market are baskets, trays, mats, hats and other articles made of bamboo and the many natural fibers in which the Philippines abound.

Material Adopted by the Italian Army Is Priced at 100 Percent of Its Properties.

The world is at present intensely interested in this Italian invention, and since the Italian government is negotiating for its use it is of importance that we see just what the results are, although it is necessary to state that the invention remains a secret, and this notwithstanding attempts to discover its details. Thus, says Cosmos, we shall have to deal with a general description and with the results of experiments.

MARTYRS TO YOUTHFULNESS.

Woman Who Never Lost Sight of the Things That Tend to Its Preservation.

"Speaking of prolonged youthfulness," said a fashionable matron, "I know a woman who is 70, and looks about 30."

WHEN THE WIRES SING.

They Are Influenced by Terrestrial Changes Caused by Meteorological Forces.

Everyone has noticed at times that the telegraph lines, strung along the streets and roadways are singularly musical, emitting a humming sound that can be distinctly heard at a considerable distance. When telegraphy was in its infancy the poet used to think that the noise was made by messages passing over the wires.

IRON TURNED INTO COPPER.

Mining Implements Found in Abandoned Mine Had Passed Through That Change.

A curious fact was recently made in one of the copper mines at El Cobre, Cuba. These mines, once among the richest in the world, have been abandoned for over 100 years, because during the Cuban insurrection of 1895 the coal supply was cut off. The insurgents, and consequently pumping became impossible, so that the mine filled with water. After the Spanish war an American company bought the mines and prepared to pump out the water. In one of the shafts this material was found which once represented an iron pickaxe as well as some crowbars. The metal in these implements had, however, turned to copper.

TENDER ANIMAL MOTHERS.

Elephant, Camel, Kangaroo and Monkey Manifest Great Affection for Young.

A wild beast tamer of long experience tells some interesting things of the affection of animals for their young. He had an elephant once, he says, who did all in her power to spoil her young one. She fussed over it and cuddled it up so that when the time came for it to leave the cage, it was simply unmanageable. When out of the men made a bold move toward the baby he was promptly butted in the stomach, and howled over in a peculiar way which the tamer has learned to interpret as a protest against his disliking. At last, by a ruse, the mother and son were separated. But there was no such thing as keeping them apart. The baby rubbed the skin off its forehead and trunk, trying to get through the bars, and both wailed so long and pitifully that the keeper was obliged to put them together again.

CREAMED CABBAGE.

One Small Cabbage One Capital Cream Sauce. Take off the outside leaves of the cabbage, cut it in four pieces, cut out the hard core, and lay them in very cold water half an hour. Then wipe dry and slice it not too fine and put it in a saucepan, cover with boiling water with a teaspoonful of salt and boil it hard for 15 minutes. Do not put a cover over it, but keep the water well above it. While it is cooking make a sauce of cream and butter. Take up the cabbage and press it with a plate in the water to get all the water out. Then drain it well, and pour the sauce over it. This cabbage will have no more of those nasty smells which may have been on it. It is the cabbage that is so popular in a lot of soda as well as a pea as it is called—Good Housekeeping.

GERMANY'S MILITARY STRENGTH.

The war footing of the German army is about 585,000 officers and men, the war footing is 2,000,000, trained officers and men. All of these are on foot of a man and his arms. Every German is liable to service, and no substitution is allowed. The conscription law is the most complete in the world. It is the only one in which the ages of 17 and 27 must spend two years in active service, and four in the army of reserve. About 400,000 young men reach the age of 27 every year, but emigration, or physical or moral disability reduces the number liable to service to about 100,000. Of these only 100,000 receive general military training. More than 500,000 trained soldiers are turned out every day. Particular attention is paid to target practice, with the result that when a German battalion fires a volley every bullet finds a billet.—N. Y. Press.

THE WEALTH OF RUSSIA.

The wealth of Russia has increased most rapidly in the last 20 years. The chief financial institution of the Russian Empire is the Bank of Russia, which has 114 branches throughout the country. The paper currency of the empire is issued by this bank. Its capital is \$1,000,000,000 and its total assets of paper in January, 1904, was \$1,000,000,000, with a surplus fund of nearly \$500,000,000. The estimated total Russian gold for last year was \$2,100,000,000, 12 times more than that of Japan, and of silver \$1,100,000,000, and one third more than Japan's. The records of all the Russian banks show 1,317,342 depositors, \$19,317,022 in deposits, with an average deposit for each depositor of \$13.50.—Detroit Free Press.

RARITY OF PLAYWRIGHTS.

Bronson Howard was asked why there were so few playwrights. Said Mr. Howard:

"The aspirant must write his plays, which is one occupation, he must sell them, which is a separate occupation, he must, in the meantime, earn a living, which is still another occupation—a threefold difficulty which is practically insuperable save in certain cases."

MANILA'S NEW FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The American report that the Philippine fire department is to be reorganized is being confirmed by the Philippine government. The fire department in Manila is a striking innovation in Philippine history and it is thought that it will be a great benefit to the city.

HE WOULDN'T LET GO.

When There Was Money in Anything Mr. Trowel Held On to It as Long as He Could.

It was a most peculiar case, so the insurance men say, of a man who held on to his money as long as he could. He had a large amount of money, and he would not let it go for anything. He was a very old man, and he was very rich. He had a large amount of money, and he would not let it go for anything. He was a very old man, and he was very rich.

FOR HIMSELF ALWAYS.

Godfrey—He says he says he never gives anything to anybody but himself.

PATRIOTIC REMINISCENCES.

She'll love old times, they seem to remind one of the past, somehow. Don't you think so?

HUMAN FOOT GROWING SMALLER.

It is asserted by a scholar that the human foot is becoming smaller. The maximum foot of 20 centuries ago was about 12 inches long. The average man's foot of today is easily fitted with a No. 84 shoe which is not above 10 1/2 inches in length.

PHILIPPINES ARE RUGGED.

Physical examinations show the young men of the Philippines to be much more rugged than Americans. In an examination of 736 for the army only 26 were rejected.

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