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Agents Wanted

DANGEROUS FREIGHT. Cargoes That Are a Source of Danger to Vessels.

Exhaustive experiments by the New South Wales government have now proved—that what has all along been suspected—that wool will under certain conditions ignite spontaneously and that consequently it is a dangerous cargo to carry.

Probably, therefore, it will be added to the list of commodities which the board of trade decrees must be stowed with extra care, commodities which include such diverse articles as matches, acids, gunpowder, coal, wheat and timber.

It is, however, will be but poor consolation to the harassed sea captain, since all these things have to be carried anyhow, somehow. Besides, the danger frequently lies not so much in cargoes known to be dangerous as in those supposed to be safe.

Thus a cargo of glass bottles came within an ace of wrecking the sailing ship "Caledonia" off the coast of West Africa, and a patent paint drying preparation sufficed to send to the bottom of the strait of Magellan the "Dorset" and the "Lionel Lincoln."

The other day a bark put out from Cadiz with a huge block of granite poised near her after hatch. This through some mismanagement fell into the hold, broke through her bottom and sank her, and the crew were all killed.

Three huge vases filled with furniture caused the "Marie Rose" to capsize and founder in the Atlantic.

Finally there is the extraordinary case of the Southern Belle, lost last spring between Tahiti and the New Hebrides, the cause of the wreck being officially described as due to "keys, gnawing cordage,"—Bermuda Royal Gazette.

English Not Wanted. It is an exceedingly significant and a by no means infrequent experience to read advertisements in Canadian papers that end up with "No English need apply." Sidney Brooks in Harper's Weekly.

Food Hoppers For Fowls. With good food hoppers well supplied with dry mash and a good grain ration would only need to go to the houses once a day to gather the eggs and see that everything is all right, and one good man could take care of four or five thousand birds housed and cared for in that way.

It depends upon the pill you take. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills known for constipation and sick headache. Sold by J. McKellip, Drugist, Taneytown, Md.

The Best Squabs. It seems to be the rule that beginners in the squab business have a desire to own white birds, but those that have followed the business for any length of time care little what the color may be so long as the birds produce a light skinned squab. White birds are a rule as not as hardy and do not generally do as well as colored birds. Some of the best squabs are from pure white and colored, red preferred, mated together.

Black Cayuga Ducks. The Black Cayuga is one of the coming breeds of ducks. Though not so large as the White Peking, the Black Cayuga is an excellent layer, a great forager and an excellent breeder. Be-

fore fowls are placed in fattening pens they should be given a thorough dressing of sulphur. Use either insecticide to kill the vermin. It is particularly essential, as the fowls kept in coops have no opportunity to take these baths. Laying hens and other fowls which are provided with dust baths, but when fowls are placed in close confinement for fattening it is not feasible to provide baths. Cleanliness is of the utmost importance for these confined fowls. The coops or pens should be kept clean and allowed to become filthy; neither should they be too hot in summer or too cool in winter.

Inbreeding and Vigor. The fancier who is striving for the highest prizes inbreeds to keep his strain pure, but keeps up the size and health of his birds by the most careful feeding and management. But fanciers do not know how or cannot give this care to their poultry. It cannot be denied that there is often much disappointment when this inbred stock is subjected to unfavorable conditions. A fancier finds it necessary to keep four or five hens to one cock, while with free range and no inbreeding one cock is sufficient for fifteen to twenty hens, the chances for fertile eggs in favor of the latter.

Take Care of the Eggs. It is to be deplored that one-third of the entire amount received for eggs goes into the hands of the handlers as profit. If those who produce eggs would apply the same care and attention to the hens, the cleaning of the nests, caring for packing and shipping the eggs that are applied by the handlers when they come into possession of them more than \$50,000,000 additional income would go into the pockets of the owners of the hens.

Her Way. Kathryn—Miss Neurox puts on a great many airs, does she not?

Grayce—Airs? Why, she just piles cyclones on top of hurricanes.—Chicago News.

Sour Stomach. No appetite, loss of strength, nervousness, headache, constipation, bad breath, general debility, sour risings, and catarrh of the stomach are all due to indigestion. Kodol cures indigestion. This new discovery represents the natural juices of digestion as they exist in a healthy stomach, combined with the greatest known tonic and reconstructive properties. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does not only cure indigestion and dyspepsia, but this famous remedy cures all stomach troubles by cleansing, purifying, sweetening and strengthening the mucous membranes lining the stomach.

Mr. S. Ball, of Ravenswood, W. Va., says: "I was troubled with sour stomach for twenty years. I used Kodol and am now using it in milk for baby."

Kodol Digests What You Eat. Records show that apparently the matter in mystery except to tell that she was the wife of the first man who owned and occupied its site.—New York Herald.

New York City is receiving daily about 300 alien children.

New York City's street cleaning department is spending about \$20,000 for each working day.

Bronx borough, in New York City, has expended \$30,000 in dwellings of all kinds in the last year.

There is an average of eight persons injured in the streets of New York City each hour in the day, and one person is killed by such injury every seven hours.

Who was Ann after whom Ann street in Manhattan is named? The mystery apparently leaves the matter in mystery except to tell that she was the wife of the first man who owned and occupied its site.—New York Herald.

During the recent strike in Morocco the Moors one day found in their camp at Casablanca an unexploded shell, and, wishing to find out how it "worked," they summoned their most proficient armorer, who, although he knows everything about hand guns, is most ignorant in regard to projectiles. This man thought that the best means of opening the shell was to use a hammer. At the second blow the shell exploded, killing and wounding many of the Moors who were crowded around him.

Where Lindley Murray Was Born. The house in which Lindley Murray, the author of the first American grammar, was born is still standing and is a favorite subject of the amateur photographer. It is located about two miles northwest of Baltimore, in a county—Philadelphia Record.

By THESE SIGNS YOU MAY KNOW AND WILL FIND SINGER STORES EVERYWHERE

Keep the Cellar Dry. In many farms the cellar is not cemented so that when heavy rains come in the spring water is apt to make trouble. There is just one way to keep such a cellar dry, and that is by putting in a cement floor and having the drainage for the outside of the walls.

Banish the Scrub. If there is any improvement made in breeding the scrub through the drymen think they will not raise the calves, so are not particular what kind of a bull they use. Some of the stock, however, is raised, and we have more poor cows.

What the Grange Wants. Ex-Governor C. J. Bell of Vermont, asked recently in a newspaper interview, "What does the grange hope to accomplish in the next few years?" said:

"Among the reforms for which we will strive are: The parcels post, the national postal savings bank, national aid for good roads everywhere as one of the things very essential to the farmer, centralized schools in localities where conditions are unfavorable, the introduction of agricultural studies in the public schools, not entirely for a commercial purpose, but also for educational advantages. The grange always stands for good citizenship, and as much as any organization stands for the things which will produce it. Its policy will be nonpartisan, but always for the best. Good citizenship means that it is all that is said and done that line. The organization is not recognized by congress and taken into consideration on legislation affecting farmers."

"Will the grange get all the things for which it is now striving?" was asked.

"Yes, everything, and I say this because the things for which we stand are right."

Prize Speaking Contest. A grange prize speaking contest was held in connection with the state fair at Concord, N. H., this fall. Contestants were present from five granges and all under fourteen years of age. The first prize of \$10 was awarded to Ida M. White of Bow grange, and the third to Helen Gidd of Derry.

Why the Newspapers Persist in calling the meetings of the national and state granges "conventions?" That word does not appear in the grange vocabulary.

Shelter For the Sow. The individual hog house is the best of all shelters for the brood sow and her pigs. By individual is meant a house which will shelter only one sow and her young. The apartment hog house is about as unhealthy as the crowded apartment houses in cities. Individual houses can be put up very cheaply and will be found much more satisfactory.

Rapid changes of temperature are hard on the toughest constitution.

The conductor passing from the heated inside of a trolley car to the icy temperature of the platform—the canvasser spending an hour or so in a heated building and then walking against a biting wind—know the difficulty of avoiding cold.

Scott's Emulsion strengthens the body so that it can better withstand the danger of cold changes of temperature.

It will help you to avoid taking cold.

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Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Jan. 12, 1908.

By REV. S. H. DOYLE.

Topic—The true center of life.—John xv. 1-10.

Every human life revolves around some center, some supreme idea or ambition, whether the person is conscious of it or not. Our lives are very much like the solar system, which has the sun, around which the planets and satellites revolve. This is not their only movement. All sweep through space. The satellites revolve about the planets, and each planet rotates upon its axis. But the center of their existence is the sun. By it they are held in place and around it they move in regular orbit. So every human life has its central sun. There are other interests in life, but around this center the life revolves, and the character is determined by the character of the center of its life. Moreover, there are centers and centers, and therefore it behooves us to find, if possible, what should be the true center of our lives.

That the true center of life is not to be found in any merely earthly enterprise or ambition has been demonstrated time and time again. Life is broader than time. It stretches beyond time to eternity, and the temporal never fully satisfy that which is eternal. Life is more than physical. It is also spiritual, and the spiritual can never find supreme satisfaction in that which is physical. Cardinal Wolsey centered his life about his king and died broken hearted at the king's ingratitude. Solomon centered his life about earthly things and when an old man declared that they were vain and empty, he was left with nothing. The world alone, with all its greatness, attractiveness and possibilities, affords no true center for our lives, and from the many who have tried to find it so have made a sad mistake. They have lived the young should take warning and guard against following in their footsteps.

The only true center of life is Jesus Christ. His own parable of the vine and the branches is conclusive proof of this fact. He is the vine, and His disciples are the branches. The life of the branch centers in the vine. Cut it from the branch, and it dies. Make it inaccessible to life of the vine, and its own life and usefulness cease. It is cut down and destroyed instead of being tenderly cared for, for it is barren instead of fruitful. A barren branch on a living vine is a sad sight, but infinitely more sad is the sight of a barren life, made so by failure to abide in Christ and to find in Him the center of its life. His aspiration and hopes, its very different one from those of the world, are not in the center of the world. In Christ alone can we comprehend life in its relation to the world and rightly fulfill the purposes of our lives not only toward God, but only so far as our personal lives are concerned, but also in relation to the world about us. The man whose life is centered in Christ will find the most joy in the world, and he will make and will accomplish for man in the elevation and uplift of mankind. Is your life Christ centered, world centered or Christ centered?

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## Lesson II.—First Quarter, For Jan. 12, 1908.

## THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, John i, 19-34. Memory Verses, 29, 30—Golden Text, John i, 29—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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The record or testimony or witness of John—for it is the same word—was wholly concerning Christ. When the priests and Levites asked, "Who art thou?" he had nothing to say of himself except that he was a voice in the wilderness preparing the way of the Lord, and thus fulfilling prophecy. We, too, are witnesses, and our testimony must be concerning Him who is the faithful and true witness (Acts xiv, 18, 19, 20). We do not bear witness to Moses or to some other, but unite with them in bearing witness to Him, that through His name whose ever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins (Acts x, 43). Moses attended to Moses or some other, but John, that through His name whose ever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins (Acts x, 43). Moses attended to Moses or some other, but John, that through His name whose ever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins (Acts x, 43).

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## TANEYTOWN LOCAL COLUMN.

Items of Local News of Special Interest to Home Readers.

All copy for ADVERTISEMENTS on this page must be in hand early on Thursday morning of each week, except Special Notices and short announcements.

Mr. Clyde Hesson entered College, at Gettysburg, this week.

The College boys and girls left, on Monday, to resume their studies.

Ommer Brown, of Philadelphia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown, of this district.

The funeral of Mr. T. H. Eckenrode was largely attended, on Monday. His estate will be settled by Justice John H. Diffendal.

Jos. E. Roelkey has been elected a member of the Town Commissioners, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of T. H. Eckenrode.

Luther N. Hiltbrich, wife and daughter, of Littlestown, spent several days visiting relatives and friends in town this week.

Mrs. Sarah Babylon fell on the icy pavement, on Sunday, and badly sprained one of her wrists. Her sister, Mrs. James Fair, is now with her.

Regular communion services will be held in the Reformed church, on Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock. Preparatory services Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

"Enclosed find \$1.00 to renew my paper. This has been a fine winter; so far it has not been very cold and we have had no snow to speak of."—Geo. P. SITES, Clearmont, S. Dak.

An electric light contractor was in Taneytown, the first of the week, looking over the ground, and is likely to come again and do some figuring. See advertisement in another column.

Cards received from M. O. Sloaner, who is on a visit to Vermont marble quarries, say that cold weather and marble are plenty up there, and little danger of the supply becoming exhausted.

Mr. George Benner, of near Taneytown, entered his 90th year, on New Year's day. He walks to town, in almost all kinds of weather, and is wonderfully vigorous in many ways. May he live to be a centenarian!

Next Thursday night, the 16th, the P. O. S. of A., will hold its semi-annual installation of officers, to be followed by a banquet. On Tuesday night, the installation of officers and annual banquet of the K. of P. will be held.

Ice dealers are beginning to get anxious about the ice harvest for 1908. The open water, so far, and the very flush condition of the streams, together with the lengthening days, contribute toward a discouraging outlook.

At the recent Civil Service examination of over 200 applicants, in Baltimore, for appointment as clerk in the postal service, H. Clay Englar passed ninth with a percentage of 86.3. He is therefore eligible to appointment after eight aged of him have been disposed of, which is likely to be within a few months.

Week of prayer services have been well attended, considering the weather. The topic, to-night (Friday) is, "Intercession, the Master's touch." By Rev. W. E. Wines, of the United Brethren church, "Christian Unity" by Rev. A. C. Cron, Saturday night, in the Reformed church, and "God Revealed," by Rev. H. A. Goff, D. D., Sunday night, in the Reformed church.

Taneytown Grange, No. 184, recently elected its officers for 1908, as follows: E. F. Smith, Master; John A. Harman, Overseer; Fannie E. Hiner, Chaplain; E. O. Garner, Lecturer; S. Taylor Feagly, Treasurer; W. E. O. Hiner, Sec'y; L. E. Hiltbrich, Steward; J. D. Overholzer, Asst. Steward; J. A. Nail, Gate Keeper; Mettie M. Harman, Ceres; Sarah E. Ohler, Pomona; Edith B. Fox, L. A. Steward; Annie A. Overholzer, Flora. Installation will take place, Saturday, January 11, at 10 o'clock.

At a recent meeting of the officers and directors of the proposed Washington, Westminster and Gettysburg railroad, held in Washington, D. C., Messrs. E. E. Reindollar and Geo. H. Birnie were elected directors. These gentlemen will serve providing the road goes through or near Taneytown, and otherwise not. It is said that the prospects of the road being built are brighter than formerly, and that there is already sufficient capital promised to start the road, as soon as certain stipulations are complied with, which include securing rights of way.

It is very important and in fact it is absolutely necessary to health that we give relief to the stomach promptly at the first signs of trouble—which are belching of gas, nausea, sour stomach, headache, irritability and nervousness. These are warnings that the stomach has been misused; it is doing too much work and it is demanding help from you. Take something once in a while; especially after meals; something like KODOL FOR DYSPEPSIA and Indigestion. It will enable your stomach to do its work properly. Sold by J. McKellip, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

### A New Year's Social.

(For The Record.) A New Year's social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hawn. The evening was spent in playing games, instrumental and vocal music, and was highly enjoyed by all present, especially the little folks. During the evening the guests were invited to the dining room where a table "groaned" with all the delicacies of the season, to which all did ample justice.

After spending a delightful eve watching the old year depart and the new one enter, and wishing their host and hostess a happy, prosperous New Year, the guests returned to their respective homes. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Hawn, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Beckey, Mr. and Mrs. John Englar, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Englar, Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Messier, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dayhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Romper, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fritz, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brandenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Butler, Mrs. Thos. Grindler, Mrs. Wm. Messier, Mrs. John Kootz, Mrs. Nathan Englar, Misses Addie Messier, Lottie Englar, Mary Kootz, Kate Taylor, Emma Spelman, Bertha Drach, Olive Englar, Fannie Englar, Maggie Ertler, Lulu Ertler, Janet Michaels, Birdie Gilbert, Lillie Hawn, Ethel Dayhoff, Catherine Bowers, Thelma Englar, Bessie Lambert, Messrs. Hollie Englar, Raymond Dayhoff, John Messier, Levi Hawn, Harry Spelman, Robert Ertler, Claude Ertler, Roy Englar, Nathan Smith, Verley Kootz, Charles Messier, Kertz Warner, Howard Caylor, Claude Kootz, Fay Fritz, David Bowers, Russell Weitz, John H. Messier, Frank Messier, Earl and Carroll Hawn, Arthur Dayhoff, Raymond Drach.

Do you have backache occasionally, or "stitches" in the side, and sometimes do you feel all tired out, without reason and without energy? If so, your kidneys are out of order. Take Dr. Witt's Kidney and Bladder Pills. They promptly relieve backache, weak back, inflammation of the bladder and weak kidneys. Sold by J. McKellip, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

## A NEST HARD TO FIND.

Remarkable and Artistic Home of the Humming Bird.

The home of the humming bird is one of the most remarkable and artistic creations of all bird architecture. It is a tiny, delicate cup, made of the softest plant down, sundered upon some rather slender branch so deftly that it seems a part thereof. The saliva of the birds is used to compact and secure the material and likewise to coat the exterior with the gray green lichens so generally found upon trees. This makes it so assimilate with the surroundings that it is a very difficult object to discover. And thereby hangs a tale. A gentleman had told me that if I would call upon him he would show me an occupied nest of a humming bird in his orchard. When I came, he was out of town, but I thought I would see if I could not find the nest myself. So I made inspection from tree to tree, and presently the female humming began to fly about me anxiously. We played a game of hot and cold until it became evident that the nest must be in a certain low apple tree which I had seen. I then looked down near to the ground, and for quite awhile I stood by the tree, running my eyes along each branch in order, trying to make out the nest, while the female kept darting frantically at my head. It must have been nearly a quarter of an hour before I discovered that I was standing almost touching the nest with my hands, having been leaning right over it all the time. It contained two fresh eggs, this being in the early part of June. The branch upon which it was built was completely overgrown with lichens, and the nest, being covered with them, too, was wonderfully well hidden, though there were no leaves to hide it. From "Experiences With Humming Birds" by H. K. Job, in *Outing Magazine*.

## THE SMALLEST SCREWS.

To the Naked Eye They Look Like Specks of Dust.

The smallest screws in the world are those made in watch factories. They are cut from steel wire by a machine, but as the chips fall from the knife it looks as if the operator was simply putting up the wire for his own diversion. One thing is certain—no screws can be seen, and yet a screw is made by every third operation. The fourth wheel screw is next to invisible, to the naked eye resembling a speck of dust. With a glass, however, it can be made out quite distinctly. It has 200 threads to an inch. The little screws are four one-thousandth of an inch in diameter, and the heads are double in size. It has been estimated that an ordinary thumb would hold 100,000 of them. About 1,000,000 of them are manufactured in the course of a month, but no attempt is ever made to count them. In determining the number 100 of them are placed on a very delicate balance and the number of the whole quantity calculated from the weight of these. All the small parts of the watch are counted in this way, probably 50 out of the 120.

When they have been cut the screws are hardened and put in frames, about 100 to the frame, heads up. This is done very rapidly, but entirely by the sense of touch instead of by sight, so that a blind man with a little experience could perform the task.

The next step in the process is to polish the heads in an automatic machine, 10,000 at a time. The plate on which this is done is covered with oil and a grinding compound, and on this the machine moves them very rapidly in a reversing motion until they are in perfect condition.—Chicago Record-Herald.

## The Drama of London's Fog.

There is a whole world of drama bound up in the chronicles of London's fog. This misty and mysterious visitant, far older than Gog or Magog, which used to visit the watches of the night when the metropolis barely lifted itself out of the surrounding marshes, has a fund of comedy as well as tragedy. Countless murders have been committed under its sheltering cloak, and women have been waylaid, children have been torn from their mothers and wives from their husbands, but on the other hand there are a few incidents of the best harrowing character.—Strand Magazine.

## Curved Spokes.

There is no doubt that an iron wheel with curved spokes is much more attractive to the eye than the ordinary variety, but it is not on account of its appearance that it is constructed in this manner. Wheels that are cast invariably contract a little in the process of cooling, and those made with straight spokes are always liable to crack. The curved variety, by allowing a certain give and take in the metal, avoids this danger.

## But It Went.

"Prisoner at the bar," said the magistrate, "for the crime of overspeaking you will pay a fine of \$10 or be took to jail for ten days."

"That's not a correct sentence," murmured the prisoner.—Philadelphia Ledger.

## The Way to Draw an Elephant.

Little Gladys—Granny, go down on your hands and knees and kneel, please, Fond Grandmother—What am I to do that for, my pet? Gladys—Cause I want to draw an elephant.—Chicago News.

## Love of Money Is the Disease which renders us most pitiful and groveling.—Longinus.

True blessedness consisteth in a good life and a happy death.—Solon.

## The Reason of It.

"What do you think, George?" began Mrs. Stiles. "I dreamed last night that I was in a box party at the opera and—"

"Ah," exclaimed her husband, "that explains why you were talking so loud in your sleep."—Philadelphia Press.

## Everybody loves our baby, rosy sweet and warm.

With kisses places on her neck and dimples on her cheeks. "Well, come, she was so thin and cross, used to cry with pain—Mother gave her Cascasweet, now she's plump and rosy."—Sold by J. McKellip, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

## Pretty Tough.

"Walter, what kind of a steak was that you served me just now?" demanded the dissatisfied guest. "Well, don't," responded the waiter, with a low bow.

"H'm! Do you mean me or the steak?"—Detroit Tribune.

## The Other Side.

Landlady—Are you so particular about having a quiet room because you sleep in the daytime?

Do Toot—No, ma'am. I practice on the flute several times a day, and any other sound jars on my sensitive soul.—Harper's Weekly.

## A Fine Discretion.

Colonel Coltes—Why did Majah Blue come without me to the convention?

Judge Hildew—He said he was afraid if he remained he would shoot something he would afterwards regret.—Puck.



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## Selections

### TAILLESS CATS.

Considerable Doubt Still Exists as to Their Origin.

M. Gustave Loisel, a naturalist charged with a mission to the Isle of Man, has just published a long report of a visit to that island, where he was able to observe the existence of tailless cats, about which there is a lack of precise data and which Darwin studied for some time.

It is rather surprising that there is a divergence of views on the characteristics of the animal at present. It is nevertheless recognized that it is rare. M. Gustave Loisel had difficulty in procuring a Manx cat, the seller asking from 375 to 625 francs each.

There is much discussion about the coats of these cats. Some people say they are black, others sandy, others again variegated. As for the tail, some say they have tails without having them; others say that, though there is no tail, yet there is some. M. Loisel says the tail is lacking, is reduced to a shewy, knotted, twisted fillet under the skin. The posterior part of the animal is well developed, as if that part had been nourished by the tail and had absorbed it. This gives the animal a distinctive form.

Did the species originate locally? This is possible. On the other hand, in a Dorsetshire village there is a number of tailless cats, progeny of a female cat which lost her tail through accident.

Did the species come from a distant quarter? This again is possible. The common cat is mentioned in a text dated from the ninth century ("Laws of the Welsh Prince Hoelida") as a rare animal of recent date. The tailless cat is only mentioned at the beginning of the nineteenth century. Or did this species come from a wrecked vessel coming from Prussia, where cats of this kind do not seem to have been abundant, or from Japan, Malaya or the Crimea, where the existence of cats without tails is on record?

As a matter of fact, nothing is known for certain. M. G. Loisel reverts to a recent theory, namely, that cats are the antithesis toward the ordinary cat. He has, moreover, come across another interesting variety in the Isle of Man, a species of chickens without rumps. Possibly the climate is unfavorable for the development of posterior appendages.—From L'Etendard Egyptien.

### An Elective Monarch.

A million of men have died to preserve the constitution as it is. Providence has passed no law exempting Americans from the pressure of events or the operation of necessities. They will have to accept them, willingly or unwillingly, and gradually, until they feel that the only effect of the changes is to make their choice of a president, and therefore of his cabinet, for cabinet ministers in America are legally only clerks—more and more a part of the machinery of the government of the United States will in no long period of time be the greatest elective monarchy history has ever known.—London Spectator.

### Lime to Protect Oysters.

One of the greatest foes to the oyster industry is the starfish, which frequently covers large areas of the sea bottom to a depth of eighteen to twenty inches, sometimes blanketing entire beds of oysters. The starfish is very hard to destroy, says Popular Mechanics, but it has been discovered that their steady advance can be checked with lime. The lime is placed in paper bags and scattered about the head of the oyster bed. A paper bag causes it to descend through the water, and beyond the lime barrier thus formed not a starfish will pass. A better means for getting the lime to the bottom is being devised.

### Life Saving Clothes.

A Norwegian inventor has patented a suit of clothes which will protect its wearer against drowning. The clothes are constructed of a non-absorbent material made of specially prepared vegetable fiber which without being too heavy will effectively hold up the weight of a man in the water. Twelve ounces of the new material will, it is claimed, save a person from sinking. The invention has been tested with favorable results at Christiania. Successful trials were also made with rugs made of the same material capable of supporting two persons in the water.

### Three Raisers.

It may be interesting to recall the names given to the three great presidents of the United States. The first was "der gese kaiser," the second "der wise kaiser," and the present "der reise kaiser." It is perhaps hardly necessary to say that the "gese" means "the gray emperor," the "wise emperor" and the traveling emperor," but, at any rate, the names are a happy inspiration.—London Globe.

### Having Fun With Eagle.

All that the fun is being poked at the eagle on the new ten dollar gold pieces. It is declared that the bird wears pajamas. Some people call them pants. Ornithologically speaking, the absurd bird, however, is pretty nearly perfect. The adult eagle in life has the pantaloons appearance. The bird can't help it, and why should the artist turn nature faki?—Chicago Post.

### Decline in Manners.

There is said to be a decline of manners in the present day, but it might be hard to equal the following instance of bygone courtesy quoted by a writer in an English magazine: "Lord and Lady Spencer request the honor of a company at dinner at half past 6 o'clock on —. An answer is particularly desired. Nobody waited for after 7 o'clock."

## SHORT STORIES.

Of all callings the writer's shows the greatest mortality, 23 per 1,000.

The Connecticut supreme court will shortly put gowns on the reporter and clerk.

Shower baths will be used by the Cleveland police to sober up drunks before trial.

Between Jan. 1 and Nov. 1, 1907, the fire loss of the United States was \$180,750,000 compared with \$224,600,000 in the same ten months of 1906.

A father and mother left their baby on a street car in Cleveland. The child rode to the end of the line and was cared for till the frantic father arrived.

The Lackawanna Railroad company has issued an order to the clerks at Scranton, Pa., that they must not sneeze on their books, as tuberculosis may be transmitted.

Fire recently destroyed the house in the town of East Peoria, Ill., where the prima donna Emma Abbott lived. Recently the building was used for a dwelling, but it was formerly a schoolhouse.

A girl was so interested at a dance at Riverside, N. J., that she did not know that her arm had been broken by a fall on the floor. A surgeon said it was the worst fractured elbow he ever treated.

## PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Florence Roberts is playing "Zira" on the road, and she is doing well. Herbert Kealey and Edna Shannon are reported to be doing well in their new play, "Bridge."

Frederick Paulding has written a play, "The Great Question," in which Jessie Bonstelle will appear.

Madge Lessing has one of the leading roles in "The Prince of Pilsen," now being produced at Paris.

William A. Brady is to produce a new political play, called "The Intruder," by Thompson Buchanan.

Grace Van Studdford, Camille D'Arville and Helen Bertram are some of the singers now appearing in vaudeville.

Lillian Albertson, the stately beauty who attracts much attention as the goddess in "The Silver Girl," is to be the star of "Pald In Full," which was originally intended for Annie Russell. Ralph Delmore and Hattie Russell will be in the cast.

## TALES THEY TELL.

Secretary Shields of the water board in New Orleans has a spaniel that delights to catch bugs and take them to the yard for the chickens to eat.

A Sturgeon (Mo) man says he sent his overalls to a laundry, forgetting to remove his watch. The watch, he declares, went through the wringer and continues to keep good time.

Mrs. Scholler of Manyunk, Pa., bought a life size marble statue of Venus, which was placed in the parlor. When her husband came home late at night he thought the statue was a burglar, and Venus was smashed.

A Greenfield (Mo) citizen says that when his dog saw two preachers approaching his house he trotted around the corner and returned with two pump chickens, which he deposited near the door and then went to sleep.

## MODES OF THE MOMENT.

Panels of very deep tucks are inserted at the bottom of evening gowns. The plain portion beneath the tucks shows embroidery designs.

Braid is seen everywhere on street and in house costumes alike. The dark silk skirt of plain weave are preferred to more fancy kinds.

The return of the tailored shirt waist—and its return is assured—bespeaks for the trotter skirt the severest simplicity, as anything else naturally would be out of place.

Shaded satin and velvet have been revived and are being used for trimmings on cloths, as also are cords formed of silk and wound into fanciful border and other effects. In black silk latter idea is particularly pleasing.—New York Post.

## PITH AND POINT.

Lots of men are their own Jonahs. Wise is he who knows when not to be patient.

The man who lives for himself alone dies unremembered.

When some men start out to look for the deserving poor their first stop is in front of a mirror.

Greatness will show up in a great man just as certain as littleness will show up in a little man.

Every man believes there is a reward laid up in heaven for him, but he is never in a hurry to claim it.—Chicago News.

## DON'TS FOR YOU.

Don't imagine you know everything, for you don't.

Don't expect acorns to become oak trees in a day or a year.

Don't lose faith in humanity because you find an occasional "bad egg."

Don't quarrel with circumstances or fret over what cannot be altered.

Don't laugh over other people's mistakes. You soon may be caught tripping.

Don't decide that charity is a good mistake because you have sometimes been imposed upon.—Home Notes.

## Superstitious.

"I fine you \$13."

"Make it thirteen and costs, Judge; thirteen is an unlucky number."—Harper's Weekly.

## Another Thing.

"I hear Stairleigh took a new play out for a run. Did he strike it?"

"No; he beat it."—Boston Herald.

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