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Maori Children and Lovers. Betrothal of Maori children was common among people of high birth. If no betrothal, there was generally a lot of talk and squabbling, every one in the tribe thinking he had right to interfere, till at last the young couple, if lovers, would flee to the bush until their living together was agreed

A Singular Advertisement. vertisement: "To be let, a beggar's the telescope, for by its means have stand in good, charitable neighbor- been discovered dark, planetlike bodies bood, bringing in about 13 shillings per week. Some good will is re- a telescope thousands of times more quired."

The Occidental Amethyst. The occidental amethyst is a species of quartz, bluish purple in color, generally occurring crystallized in hexahedral prisms terminated by corresponding pyramids. Its fracture is conchoidal or splintery. Its color is due to the oxide of manganese or to iron and

Bothersome. It always bothers a Frenchman who is learning English to read one day that a murder has been committed and the next day that the murderer has been committed.

Iodine.

The presence of that valuable substance, iodine, in various zoophytes caused them to be employed in medicine with great success in the removal of tumors, and formerly burned sponge, also centaining iodine, was much used in prescriptions.

When Kettledrums Were New. Kettledrums as used by cavalry appear to have been a comparative novelty in 1685, when Sir James Turner wrote. "There is another martial instrument," he tells us, "used with cavalry, which they call the kettledrum. There be two of them, which hang before the drummer's saddle, on both of which he beats."

Arctic Divorces.

In the arctic region a man who wants a divorce leaves home in anger and does not return for several days. The wife takes the hint and departs.

A Broken Thumb. The great Zeno lived a quiet and hapby life until the age of ninety-eight.

when one day he accidentally stumbled and broke his thumb. He interpreted the accident as a summons from earth and so hanged himself.

Queer Laws About Stealing. In the Isle of Man it was formerly the law that to take away an ox or a horse was not a felony, but a trespass, because of the difficulty in that little country of concealing or carrying them off, but to steal a pig or a fowl, which is easily done, was a capital

A person who has totally lost the sense of hearing in one ear cannot locate the direction of sound, even when the center of disturbance is quite near

How the Dress Coat Was Formed. The present dress coat was the reresult of a compromise. The ordinary surtout coat being found on occasions inconvenient it was the practice to fasten back the lapels to two buttons at the back, with the result that in time the same were cut away altogether and the coat eventually made without them.

To Polish Wood. To polish wood use pumice and water, then take boiled linseed oil for a bright surface.

Petronius Arbiter.

Petronius Arbiter, the poet and man of pleasure in Nero's court, having fallen into disgrace, went home, wrote a satirical poem describing Nero's debaucheries and then opened his veins.

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Fatal Joy. Overcome with joy at his unexpected release from prison, a convict collapsed and died as he stepped out of the jail door to freedom at Leutschau, Hungary.

Women In Finland. In Finland more than in any other

country women enter into the business of life. They are clerks, doctors, dentists, builders, managers of small companies and bank cashiers. For the latter office they are especially sought on account of their reputation for hon-

A Mighty Man In Thessalla. Polydamus of Thessalia, an old time Samson, was almost the equal of Milo, both in prodigious feats of strength and enormous appetite. One day (so it is recorded) he seized a bull by its hind feet. The enraged animal finally managed to escape, but is said to have left both hoofs in the athlete's hands.

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British Finance Debate Develops a Peculiar Situation.

Kinisters Secure Irish and Liberal Support Against Their Own Followers-Mr. Balfour's Announcement Before Debate Began-Chaplin's Amendment to the Budget-Free Trade and Protection Advocates Collecting Their Forces.

London, June 10 .- The approach the first serious parliamentary brush in the free trade-protection fight filled every soat in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. Before facing the situation, which must largely place them at the mercy of the Liberal and Irish votes, the members of the Government attended an important Cabinet meeting, at which all the Ministers were present except Gerald Balfour, the President of the Board of Trade, who was ill.

Nationalists With Government. Before the debate opened Premier Balfour ascertained from John Redmond, the Irish leader, that the Nationalist members of Parliament would support the Government as against Mr. Chaplin. The Liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, had already announced that his party would also uphold proposal of Chancellor of the Exchequer Ritchie to remit the grain tax. This practically ensured the Government from possible defeat at the hands of its own supporters. The curious situation created the

keenest interest. Mr. Chaplin's Amendment.

Henry Chaplin (Conservative), former President of the Board Agriculture, and the malcontent Unionists were actively engaged early in the day in and around Westminster in rallying the supporters of Mr. Chaplin's amendment to the budget bill, which declares that the removal of the tax on grain "involves a needless and injurious disturbance of trade and a serious loss of revenue, without substantial relief for the consumer," and that any taxes are removed it should be those levied on tea and other articles of general consumption.

Mr. Chaplin referred to the extraordinary position in which the lowers of the Government had been placed by the indecision of the Ministers. It was useless, he added, to seek guidance or leadership from He concluded with formally moving his amendment, on which, he said, he meant to divide the House. Hicks-Beach Supports.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach (Conservative), invited the Speaker's decision as to whether the opportunity could be taken for debate on Mr. Chamberlain's amendment. Speaker replied that it was not relevant to the Budget Bill, as question of preferential tariff rates between Great Britain and her colonies was not raised in the bill. scope of the debate was thus largely curtailed at the outset. The motion was seconded, and Sir

Michael Hicks-Beach followed. He began by saying that his view of the general fiscal and political situation was different from the view of Mr.

Sir Michael said his colleagues were perfectly aware that the grain duty might be unpopular when he inaugurated it. But it had been a success and he had heard the proposal to repeal the duty with surprise and re-He considered that the duty was necessary, because of the growth of expenditure against which he had protested. It was impossible for a Chancellor of the Exchequer to reduce expenditure without the hearty and continuous support of the Pre-

Sir Michael said he was opposed to Mr. Chaplin's amendment, though he sympathized with the latter's objection to the repeal of grain duty, but he believed the ternative policy to be a greater evil. Would Wreck Empire.

Referring to the suggested preferential tariff, the former Chancellor of the Exchequer declared he yielded to no one in appreciating the splendid work of Mr. Chamberlain. The repeal of the grain duty appeared to the speaker to be a direct bar to the adoption of preference principles. continuance of the Premier's attitude of suspended judgment was impos-

Mr. Chamberlain's proposals would do more to disunite than to unite the Empire, and if he persisted in them they would destroy the Unionist party.

Mr. Ritchie Is Firm. Mr. Ritchie, who made a general reply, read a carefully-prepared statement. The Government, he said, thought there should be an enquiry into the matter of preferential tariffs, but he would be surprised if the inquiry showed any practical means of carrying out a policy of preferential duties. He avowed himself to be an out-and-out free trader, and added that with his present knowledge he could not be party to a policy which he believed would be detrimental to the interests of both Great Britain and her colonies, and he believed that the enquiry, from which he would not shrink, would confirm his present

Mr. Ritchie's outspoken repudiation of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals caused an immense sensation in the lobbies of the House. No such situation had arisen in the parliamen- Milos. tary world since the memorable split on Home rule bill and the keenest interest was manifested in regard to the possible developments.

afternoon that the Government will relegate the thorny question of tariff preference to a royal commission. which will insure time for a full consideration of the matter and for testing the growth of popular opin-

The debate was adjourned after severe criticism' on Premier Balfour's

Tattoo marks can be removed by the use of tannin and nitrate of silver.

The Lion Sea Bridge. The bridge which crosses an arm of the Yellow sea at Sangung, which is known as the Lion sea, has a total of five and one-quarter miles. This enormous stretch is supported on rather more than 300 pillars of stone.

Cranberries. Cranberries are used internally and externally in cases of erysipelas.

A Well Kept Secret. In 1859 a Milan student is said to have discovered the secret of petrifying human flesh. In 1866 he was drowned in a shipwreck on the Mediterranean sea, the wonderful secret perishing with him.

Stalk and Stock. Stalk is the stem of a plant; stock is the stem or trunk of a tree.

Deft Smokers. Japanese jugglers are deft smokers. Several of them will sit before a curtain and from the tobacco smoke which issues from their mouths will form a succession of readable letters.

Perthshire Men. Perthshire men possess the largest and heaviest brains in Scotland, declares Professor Ramsay.

Land In Russia. Of the land in Russia, as shown by the government report, the nobility own 181,000,000 acres and the merchants 36,000,000, while the peasants own but 85,000,000.

Run by Compressed Air. One of the largest locomotives in the world is run by compressed air, with a pressure of from 600 to 900 pounds per square inch. It runs between Alamogordo and Canon, New Mexico, a fiftyone mile stretch up the mountains. It weighs 140 tons.

Aluminium. Aluminium is superior to any stone for sharpening cutlery.

Kissed Her Thumb. Because she kissed her thumb instead of the Testament when being sworn at a Sunderland (England) police court a prosecutrix was impris-

Butterflies. New kinds of living butterflies can be produced from existing forms by greatly increasing or decreasing the temperature of the place where the butterflies are kept. A difference in coloring and even in form has thus been obtained.

Oranges. Some exceedingly fine oranges come up out of Mexico-the orange maggot is aware of that-but they quickly go to pith. Floridas and Californias almost alone have staying qualities and that deep, satisfactory bouquet which a touch of frost imparts.

Deer In New Zealand. The red deer of New Zealand are estimated to number between 4,000 and 5,000 individuals, the offspring of two stags and six hinds that were turned out in 1868.

The Cuckeo. The cuckoo is the subject of the oldest of English songs which have been

preserved from the earlier part of the thirteenth century and is remarkable for being accompanied by musical notes, thus forming the oldest example of English secular music. The Redwoods.

A curious characteristic peculiar to the California redwood tree is that if the head is cut off by lightning a new one will gradually grow out in its place as shapely as the first.

Gas Lighting. Gaslight was first exhibited as curiosity at the Boylston museum in Boston Nov. 28, 1815. The Boston Gaslight company held its first meeting July 14, 1826, and began to lay pipes in the streets Oct. 16, 1826. The first light was in Dock square Jan. 1, 1829.

Strong Tea and Coffee. It is a bad plan to drink either strong tea or coffee except in moderation. There are plenty of healthful substi-

Cork In a Bottle. A cork which has slipped inside a bottle may be removed by means of a little patience and a piece of stout string. Make a loop in the string and project into the bottle. By turning the bottle around the cork can be caught in the loop, when a quick jerk will ex-

The First Organ. The first organ was the hydraulicon or water organ, invented by Ctesibius, the Greek, about B. C. 150. It was built at Alexandria.

Venus de Milo. The Venus de Milo has been in the Louvre since 1821, when it was presented to Louis XVIII. by the French ambassador at Constantinople. He obtained it from some peasants who found it on their farm in the island of

Accidents. Among any 100,000 people 15,000 experience during the year an accidental It was freely predicted yesterday injury of some kind severe enough to cause a claim on an accident policy.

> The Bayonet. The bayonet is so called because it A Basque regiment, having exhausted their ammunition, placed long knives in the barrels of their muskets and made the original bayonet charge.

The Island of Oreco. The island of Crete was referred to Fr Homer as having "a hundred cities." Its population according to the last census was only 810,363.

Pancakes.

Pancakes baked on a soapstone griddle are much more digestible than those cooked on iron. A soapstone griddle should be heated very slowly to avoid the danger of cracking. It is never greased, but is rubbed therough. ly with dry salt.

Paper Money. Paper money developed from the bills of exchange or certificates of the banks and was probably first isued by the Italian bankers of the fourteenth cen-

Wrote Sermons While Asleep. It is reported that a young French clergyman frequently arose in the middle of the night, while asleep, and wrote several sermons. Not only did he compose them, but he spent much time in making profuse grammatical and other corrections on his manuscript, which he would find perfectly legible the next morning.

The Women Rebelled. In 1549 Henry II. of France interdicted trimmings, borders, gold lace, gold and silver cloth and satins. Great lamentations from the women ensued, and the edict was modified.

The Alhambra Palace.

The most curious palace in the world is the Alhambra, in Spain. It was originally a fortress so great in extent as to be capable of bolding 40,000 men. It was begun in 1248 and finished in 1314. It contains numerous halls and courts, all decorated in the highest style of Moorish art.

Indigo. Indigo was first used as a dye in Europe in 1570. Cochineal came into use about the same time.

Water and Earth. The amount of water within the crust of the earth is enormous, amounting to 565,000 million million cubic yards. This vast accumulation, if placed upon the earth, would cover its entire surface to a uniform depth of over half a

Rembrandt.

Next to money Rembrandt loved nothing so well as his monkey. shed tears when the ape died and painted a portrait of his pet from memory.

The Footbath.

It is customary throughout Spain for the waiters of cafes to fill a glass with wine or liquor so that it overflows upon the saucer. This custom, in which it is desired to show an appearance of liberality, is called the footbath.

The Cost of Esting. A German statistician calculates that the average man when he has reached the age of seventy has eaten food that would cost \$10,000 in the markets.

Predicting Winter.

It appears that in the hog is an article-it cannot lay claim to the dignity of an organ-that is called the melt. If the large part of the melt lies forward, there will be an early winter. If the large part lies backward, the winter will be tardy and prolonged.

Ecuador Marriages. In Ecuador a marriage must be made by the civil authority before it is made by a clergyman.

Treason In England.

The ancient English law of treason was very stringent. Thus in Plantagenet times the proprietor of a tavern called the Crown was put to death for making the jocular remark that his son was heir to the Crown.

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