

A GIANT IN FEATHERS

The Experience of a Young Frenchman in Madagascar.

(JOHN R. CORYELL, in St. Nicholas.)

PIERRE CHARTONNE was not by any means the least excited person on the French fleet which cast anchor in Rafala bay, Madagascar, on a certain day some 300 years ago.

"I never saw such a thing in my life before! Maybe you won't believe me, but that bird made so much noise as it came through the bushes that I thought it was a herd of cattle.



the shooting party that consent was given.

Pierre, blunderbuss in hand, and three sailors started for the forest.

An hour later, the three men hurried down to the beach laden with game, but without Pierre.

"Here he is now, suddenly exclaimed one of the men.

And there, indeed, he was, hatless and in haste. As quickly as his short legs could carry him, he was tearing through the underbrush;

When he reached the alarmed sailors, he sank, panting and exhausted, on the sand.

"After we had gone about two miles into the forest," he began, "I left the others, because I thought we would see more game in two parties than in one.

"A little while after I had left them I saw what looked like a large round white stone in the thick brush. I thought I might as well find out what it was, and made my way to it, and, I give you my word, it was a great big egg—almost as big as a tar-bucket.

"I got behind a tree near by and stooped down so that I could see through the bushes what kind of a bird was coming.

LATE LOCAL BRIEFS

Mrs. B. M. Muzzey and little daughter arrived Wednesday morning from Los Angeles, Cal., where they have been since Jan. 1.

In Honor of Judge Adams

On Tuesday, July 12, a stag dinner was given by L. W. Stanley at his home, 112 Gilbert avenue, in honor of Judge Amos Adams, of San Francisco, Cal.

Gone to His Long Rest

Rev. Washburn, of Chicago, father of Dr. A. S. Washburn, of Downers Grove, died last Friday at his home in Ravenswood.

The New Theatre Project

The new theatre project is still being agitated. J. W. Tucker, the real estate agent, has become a moving spirit in the enterprise and no doubt will bring the matter to a focus soon.

Frederick Hatch, of Lisle, Dead

Frederick Hatch, one of the oldest citizens of Du Page county, died at his home, about three miles from Downers Grove, on Thursday of this week.

Cass Boy Dies from Lockjaw

Frank Johnson, the 14 year old son of August Johnson, living on the Orchard Road a little west of Cass, died from lockjaw, or as the physicians term it tetanus, on Saturday of last week.

Disappointed Purchasers

There seems to be some dissatisfaction over the new county atlas, just published, among those who subscribed here.

Home Advertising

A western editor hits the nail on the head when he says that "Too many merchants look upon advertising as a scheme to help the editor."

Former Citizen is Dead

W. H. Smith, a former citizen of Downers Grove, died at his home in Chicago, Wednesday, and was buried yesterday.

A Union Sunday School Picnic

Some of the town Sunday schools are planning to hold a union picnic Saturday, August 6th.

Macabees Social

The ladies of the Macabees will give a basket social at the home of Mrs. J. H. Clappitt, 25 South Main street, on Saturday evening, July 16.

For sale—New milk cow.

Inquire corner Garfield and Ayres avenues, Hinsdale, near Fullersburg.

Novel Method of Profit Sharing.

A shirtwaist manufacturer in the local wholesale market surprised the employes a few days ago by announcing that he intends to retire from active business in their favor.

Pay in Parliament.

There is a strong feeling in England against the payment of members, on the ground that it would tend to create the class of professional politicians seen in foreign countries.

Your Hair

"Two years ago my hair was falling out badly. I purchased a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor, and soon my hair stopped coming out."

Perhaps your mother had thin hair, but that is no reason why you must go through life with half-starved hair.

\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

Benefit for Clement Scott. Clement Scott, the dean of the London dramatic critics, is to have a benefit. Mr. Scott has been suffering from an incurable illness for the last year, and although he once wielded enormous influence, he has now fallen upon evil times.

World's Swiftest River.

British India has the swiftest river in the world. It is the Sutlej, which, in 180 miles, has a descent of 12,000 feet.

SUPPORT

SCOTT'S EMULSION serves as a bridge to carry the weakened and starved system along until it can find firm support in ordinary food.

Send for free sample. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 499-515 Pearl Street, New York.

Bilious?

Dizzy? Headache? Pain back of your eyes? It's your liver! Use Ayer's Pills.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use Buckingham's Dye

Fits.

Baby Had Two to Six Every Day.

Suffered Terribly—Doctors Failed.

Dr. Miles' Nervine Cured Him.

Weak, nervous, fretful, puny children require a treatment such as only Dr. Miles' Nervine affords. When neglected these symptoms lead to epileptic fits or spasms.

THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS

Regularly maintains its Special Correspondents in war or peace at

TOKYO, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, PORT ARTHUR, PEKIN, SHANGHAI AND HONGKONG.

As well as at the principal capitals of Europe. Its normal service, therefore, for covering the

Russo-Japanese War

not only in the field of war but also in that of diplomacy, is more complete than that of any other Chicago newspaper.

OWN SPECIAL WAR CORRESPONDENTS IN THE FIELD.

No other paper in Chicago has so complete an equipment for printing the war news promptly and fully.

320,000 a Day.

The largest similarly attested daily newspaper circulation, morning or evening, in America.

Use Royal Poultry Mixture

It beats all: the greatest egg producer on earth. A sure cure for Cholera, Roup, and Gape.

FOR SALE AT THE DOWNERS GROVE FAIR. E. L. CLEMENT, Gen'l Ag't

ROYAL CO-OPERATIVE CO., Sole Man'rs Indianapolis, Ind.

At Your Finger Tips

is the instant control of your business if you install a

Chicago Telephone

IT REACHES EVERYWHERE

OHIO TELEPHONE COMPANY

AN AFRICAN BIRD VILLAGE.

Wonderful Architectural Ability Displayed by the Weaving Grosbeak and His Family.

Birds are clever home-builders, but perhaps none known to American bird lovers make quite so curious a structure as do the weaving grosbeaks of Africa.



the edge of the rain-proof umbrella, they build their nests, each with its separate entrance. As barns are multiplied in Africa, who can say whether or not the sociable grosbeaks will abandon their umbrella villages and seek the protection of buildings as the barn swallows do, and at length lose their skill as roof weavers?—Little Chronicle.

Virginia's Big Arsenic Mine.

What is said to be the largest arsenic mine in the world, and stated to be at present turning out 70 tons a month, is situated in Floyd county, Virginia, 17 miles from Christiansburg, the nearest railroad point.

Trapped by Clever Method.

A London postman was mean enough to steal stamps from the letters he carried from boxes. Finally he was caught by an invisible, sensitive net.

THE SELF-TAMED MUSKRAT.

Shy Little Animal Made Friends with a Farmer's Family and Became a Pet.

The muskrat is very shy, and it seems strange that of its own choice it should elect to become a pet; but this is the story told in the Christian Endeavor World:

The family lived on the banks of a stream, where the water flowed swiftly, free from ice, until it emptied into the pond nearby. Along the shores of the pond the muskrats each season built their huts. In the winter they frequently swam about in the open stream, and the boys threw apples into the water for them.

At length one rat ventured to climb up the steep bank and prowled about the house. Not being molested in his visits, one night he crawled under the kitchen floor and gnawed through into the kitchen. After that he was the pet of the family.

He took food from the boys' hands and allowed them to stroke his fur. He did not object to being taken in their laps. He preferred, however, to lie behind the stove; there he would stay for hours. The hole he gnawed was boarded up, and he was taught to come and go through the door.