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MARING HABITAT GROUPS

font Minute Details Are Reproduc At Great Expense.

Stuffing the skins of birds and mnimals is no longer the method used in up-to-date taxidermy, The latest thing is the manikin system.

This is the method employed in the preparation of the so-called habitat groups, showing birds and animals in their natural surroundings. In making these groups expense is not spared.

Pieces of rock, stones, shells, plants, and even earth are brought from the localities whose general characteristics are to be produced. The artist who to paint the background goes to the very place itself and paints from na-

If leaves or small, soft twigs are to be reproduced, plaster impressions are taken of the real objects and melted wax is run into these molds, so that every line and vein is shown. The wax 'leaf or twig is then sprayed with paint, says a writer in Fur News, the operator using an air brush, so as not to put on more paint than is necessary.

In some instances the leaves are punctured to represent injuries inflict seed by insects. The finished leaves are attached to the stems of the plants or if trees so skillfully that they have evory appearance of growing there." Two men and two women are employed at the museum continually in this branch of the work alone.

In representing water, sheets of celfuloid are used, which are so strong that when placed in position in the case they will bear' the weight of a man This substance is used to great advantage in this branch of the work, as it may be cut to any shape and may also he bored full of holes to admit the stems of water grasses, cattalla, etc., without danger of breaking,-New York

#### LOCKED OUT.

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The feminine mind is never entirely Surgiar-proof. One night, contrary usual custom, Mrs. Brooks, who had just read a hair-raising tale daring burglary, locked and boited her front door on her way upstairs to bed, looked to the fastenings of the and sitting-room windows suddenly woke with a start, to remem her that her son Victor had mentioned his intention of staying out late that inight to rehearse for a coming con-

"Dear, dear!" mourned Mrs. Brooks enessily. "I must have locked se that poor boy out, and I don't think he what money enough to go to a hotel. ifflow could I have been so thoughtloss !"

The remorseful mother, unable to go hours over her locked-out son.

Vletce, however, appeared at breakfast time, looking little the worse for any discomfort he might have suffered. "Do forgive me!" apologized other. "I forgot all about that re-

sarsal and locked you out." "Locked me out?" said Victor, sur imd. "Why, I didn't know it. The ront door was locked, but the shed heling wide open, I helped myself half a ple out of the ice box. Then found that the pantry window was open, so I climbed in after crackand made lemonade on the kitchen Me. After that I slipped into the fifting room, took a rug from the closet id a pillow from the window seat and of his the partor couch.

"The only reason I didn't go up to bed was because I didn't want to wakyou. You see, when I found that or locked I said, "There! Mother's een reading another burglar story."

AGED IN FIVE THARS.

Worked Portod, Great Bautmon's Hair Turned White. At half-past 9 o'clock on the morn ing of November 7, 1886, at Oraigel lachie, British Columbia, an old man, whose hair was snowy white, drove ; golden spike into the cedar tie upge which the rails met from east and west

The man was Donald Smith. The apthe completed the Canadian Pacific. In the terrible five years of its build ing, from 1880 to 1885, he had changed from a strong, black-bearded, sturdy man to a white-haired veteran.

In the following year Mr. Smith was rewarded for his services with knightbood in the order of St. Michael and St. George. His cousin, Mr. Stephen has already been recognized with baronetcy, and both had been immortalised in the names of two of the greatest mountains of the Canadian rockies, Mount Donald and Mount Ste-

Since the completion of the Canadian Pacific ratiway Lord Strathcona's appearance has scarcely altered. At the age of 84, says a writer in The World's Work, his eyes are as clear as they were thirty years ago. His form slightly bent with age, but he still walks with firm and steady step. He talks freely and brightly on the topics of the day, though never committing himself on matters of state, and he al ways makes his visitors feel at ease from the moment he begins conversation to the time when he bids him a cheery "Good-bye."

It is this sense of persistent kindliness that has won for him such a host of friends. Once you have experienced it you can well understand why the king and queen of England dispense with all formality where he is concerned-why they call him "Uncle Donald." You feel that he is "Uncle Donald" to you and to all the people who come within the circle of his friendship. This characteristic sums up the man as he is to-day.

There is one little feature which may mean much or little, but which a visitor to Lord Strathcona cannot but notice. When indoors he always wears a little brown mat of silk, daintly crocheted, on the top of his head to cover the place where the once abundant hair has

Why he wears this little cap nebedy seems to know, but there must be some reason of no ordinary nature, for it gives him a great deal of trouble, slipping over his head whenever he turns with a quick movement, as he often does when engaged in a conversation which interests him. He always balances it again carefully.

It may be some gift of the olden days, some memento of a faithful Indian friend during his long and lonely sojourn in the Canadian wilds, or it may be the work of his wife's hands. Certain it is that some interesting hisfory attaches to it and that Lord Strathcong sets a high value on the litthe square of worked silk.

Lord Struthcons sits close by his visitor and sometimes lays his hand on your knee with a gesture of paternal frienditness. At other times he will lean back with folded arms, his bright, deep-set, keen eyes twinkling with a merry light. The bushy, overarching white eyebrows but add to the kindliness of the man's whole countenance.

Trained Nurses in France.

The trained nurse idea has caught on tremendously in France, where at last a training school has been opened Hitherto the French nurse has been a person to be dreaded. Either she was a "Sairey Gamp," with no more medical knowledge than she could tuck away in her apron pocket, or she a Sister of Mercy, trained in a convent with a view more to the healing of souls than of bodies. The nurse a l'Anglaine was a capable, businesslike person, with a wholesome respect for herself and her profession and a practical skill in excess of many a country physician. To know her was to approve, and the French, with their good practical sense, have decided to duplicate her. Hence the new training school at Bordeaux, where the nurses well housed and well instructed are under the supervision of an English woman, a Miss Elston, who has been trained in the London hospitals. The work seems to appeal to the better class of French girls of good bourgeois stock and with a good lycee training. The French nurse, new strie, will soon be seen in every hospital in France.-New York Tribune



Meantime, Standard Oil remains the world's greatest indictee, obrves the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

In Kansas they insist that drug store whisky does not come within the terms of the pure foed law, notes the Birmingham Age-Herald, because it is neither pure nor a food.

Gambling, defines the Christian Register, is an effort made in the hope of getting something for nothing, or least of taking up more than one

The latest type of battle ship proposed by British designers, declares the Buffalo Courier, is to be run by gas engines and will have no funnels. Should this new departure prove successful, ships that have cost various governments hundreds of millions probably would soon be regarded as obsolete.

Brains stand next to integrity upon the list of judicial qualifications, insists the New York Times. A judge be dull, slow-minded, imperfectly ring. learned in the law, and of uncertain judgment, he is an upprofitable ser-

Every time anybody says anything about the burning of witches, Massachusetts throws a fit. She wants it \$2.00. clearly understood, suggests the Atranta Journal, that they were mere-

Lecturing in London the other day Gen. Baden-Powell said the Zulus and Basutos were not the men their fathers were. The Zulus of today were the best fighters among the black tribes, but they were not the Zulus of 1879. All the blacks, with increase of comforts, were becoming less warlike.

It is fortunate and gratifying to the Boston Post that Massachusetts leads in the matter of pure food. Dr. Harrington, of the State Board of Health, states that less than 10 per cent of the milk sold today in our State is impure, whereas in 1883, when the first serious effort was made to establish its purity, 75 per cent was unfit for food.

"Our President," says the Indian apolia News, "Is a veritable Mar! Tapley-not that he is only happy when he is miserable, but that he only feel himself, so to speak, when the fighting edge has just been freshly whetted. Then he does so thoroughly enjoy himself that he needs no helper. And likely enough the people enjoy it also. At all events the merry war is on.

The railroads are fighting tooth and nail the laws being pushed in various States to limit fares to tears in their eyes that if they cut fares they will lose money. And yet, urges the Pathfinder, when Uncle Sam reduced letter postage from three cents a half ounce to two cents an ounce the receipts soon jumped enough to more than make up.

If the military charges weighed on the world in 1899, they weigh much more heavily in 1907, for those of the United States have more than kept nace with the progress of those of Europe. To stop these charges altogether, protests the Boston Transcript, or even to cut them in half, is Utopian dream which those who look forward to the conference hopefully are too wise to permit themsolves to cherish. Rather it is their Bush & Simonson, cor. Main and Curties, hope that for the immediate future these expenditures may be kept at least to their present proportions by concerted international action,

Sentiment and utility are not always opposed to each other, argues the Washington Post. In fact, the sentimental more frequently is the strongest promoter of the useful. For instance, patriotism is a sentiment. But for love of country an American citizen would behold the Stars and Stripes with as little interest as he would feel in looking on a piece of white muslin. The usefulness of love of country will not be disputed. Although patriotism, or profession of it, is sometimes "the last refuge of a scoundrel," it is normally a most potential stimulant of great and good

Asia Minor Opportunities. Consul Ernest L. Harris is a believer in the future of Asia Minor-"one of the richest agricultural countries in the world." Soil and climate alike excite his admiration. Back from the coast there are pine clad hills, streams waiting to be harnessed, medical springs and mineral deposits. Asia Minor's wool and goat hair are renowned. Asia Minor raises yearly about 3,400,000 head of livestock. At the latest census taking it had 1,100 hogs, 10,500 mules, 21,-500 camels, 30,000 buffaloes, 66,500 horses, 97,000 donkeys, 120,400 cows, 131,000 oxen, 1,262,000 sheep and 1, 600,000 goats. "The awaking of Asia Minor to the need of modern implements of agriculture," writes Consul Harris, "will present a great opportunity to America manufacturers. Everything needed on a farm will find sale."—Hartford Courant.

Been for Housewives. If the Builders' Exhibition at Olympia had possessed no other point of special appeal to the housewife, the exhibits of window frames and sashes would alone have sufficed to make it worth her while to go there and study them. There were several types of revelving sash window frames enally manipulated, enabling the pane to be swung inward or outward for cleaning purposes, but it was the fold-ing casement which appealed to the columns sense of every one as being the ideal thing in window fittings.-

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