

PAPERS BY THE PEOPLE

PUBLIC OPINION STRONGER THAN LAW.

By Secretary Root. In the vast majority of cases men refrain from criminal conduct because they are unwilling to incur in the community in which they live the public condemnation and obloquy which would follow a reputation of the standard of conduct prescribed by that community for its members.

KEEP IDLERS OUT OF COLLEGE.

By Dr. J. H. Canfield of Columbia University. Extraordinary care should be taken not to admit applicants who are unfit to profit by university education. Not everyone who is scholastically prepared ought to be permitted to take up a college course, much less encouraged to do so.

ence and dissipation, or in any way condone failures which result from these. Any university can well afford to have fewer students, if needs be—which does not at all follow—if it can be rid of those who are idle and vicious and really ignorant.

A university degree not only ought to guarantee a certain amount of intellectual training, activity and success, but should be reasonable proof that the holder has been so accustomed to industry and responsibility that he will be neither idle nor inefficient nor irresponsible at the beginning of his life work.

SHAKING HANDS WITH CHINA.

By Minister Wu Ting Fang. It is my fond hope that the United States will get a large share of China's trade, but in order that this hope may be realized the present friendly relations between the two nations must be maintained, which I have no doubt will be, and all causes of friction be removed.

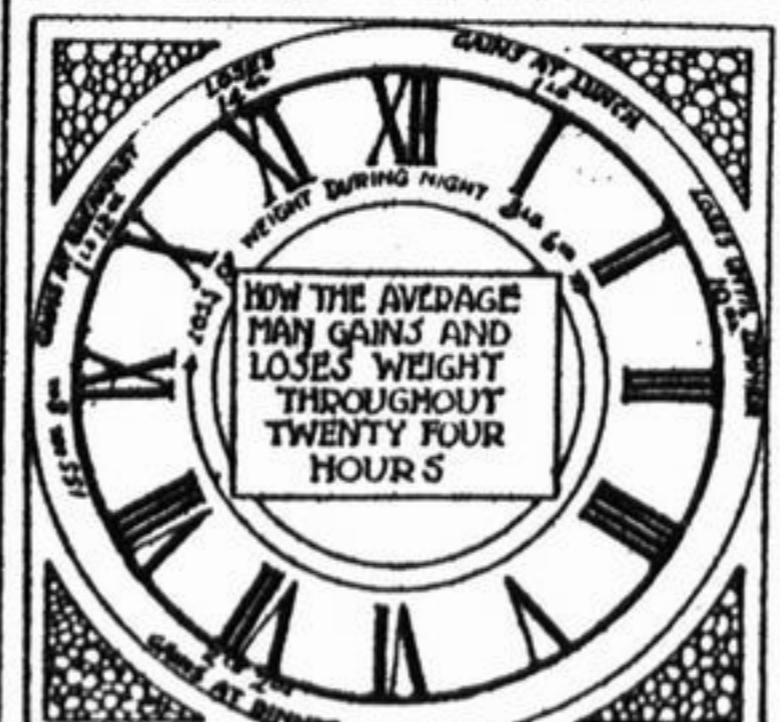
SQUARE DEAL FOR THE CHILDREN.

By Judge B. B. Lindsey of Denver. The child is a wonderful creature; a divine machine. We have much to expect from him, but he has much to expect from us, and what he returns depends largely upon what we give.

IS AN AVOIRDUPOIS CLOCK.

Diagram Shows How Weight of Normal Man Fluctuates. Every person's weight varies, not merely from day to day, but from hour to hour, and, indeed, from minute to minute, and dinner or any other meal increases it. Except when we are eating or drinking, we are always losing weight more or less rapidly, provided we are in health.

As a result of experiments made with scientific precision, it is now possible to say how far such variations go in the case of the average healthy man engaged in ordinary work.



14 ounces of this, only immediately to make it up and to add 2 ounces by lunch, which brings his weight to 157 pounds 6 ounces. Then, again, the fall begins, and slowly continues till dinner time, then the chief meal of the day puts on 2 pounds 2 ounces, fetching him up to his maximum weight.

fronted by similar walls from which the icebergs break off. He has seen ice of this very formation near Graham land and has no doubt that he will find the fixed ice not far from his winter quarters and that it will supply an ideal route to the south.

The explorer does not minimize the dangers that deep snow and low temperature may offer, but all the obstacles that can be named do not shake his faith that the problem of the Antarctic is to be solved by automobiles.

If he reaches land on this southern journey he has no idea that he will be able to use his automobiles over the rough land ice; but he will have found new land at any rate, and this is one of the main purposes of Antarctic exploration.

JUST LIKE A WOMAN!

Asked the Question that Was Near—est to Her Heart. Seeking to know how best to interest her in my conversation, I bled me to the wise man, who spoke and said: "Speak thou of many things. So long as she ejaculates, the subject thou must change; but when she asks a question, then will you know the topic that is nearest to her heart."

"I was talking to a friend of mine as I came along the street," remarked I unto her. "He is a writer of books and has seen the strangest sights and scenes." She turned to me the face of innocence, but nothing said.

POPULAR SCIENCE

In parts of Alaska is found a kind of fish that makes a capital candle when it is dried. The tail of the fish is stuck into a crack of a wooden table to hold it upright, and its nose is lighted, according to the Fishing Gazette, and it gives a good, steady light of three candle power, and considerable heat, and will burn for about three hours.

It is reported that a student of the Electro-Technical Institute of St. Petersburg named Frendlinberg has invented an apparatus for exploding mines by wireless telegraphy. Numerous experiments already made are said to have proved remarkably successful.

At a recent meeting of the Royal Society of Canada, Sir James Grant, M. D., presented a paper on the nervous and cells of the brain in their relation to the faculty of memory, and, after stating that, as with the other tissues of the body, so with the cells of the brain, evidence of lessening power and activity appears with the passage of years, he added the very interesting statement that the line of present investigation demonstrates that the electrical current through the brain rotates its molecules to such a degree as to produce a most notable physiological response in the direction of improved memory.

Everybody knows that the water of the Great Salt Lake is very dense as well as very salt, but many will be surprised to learn that its density varies to a remarkable degree from time to time. For instance, in 1885 the density was 1.1225, and the percentage by weight of solid constituents was 16.716; in 1903 the density had increased to 1.2206, the greatest ever recorded, and the percentage of solids to 27.721; in 1907 the density had diminished to 1.1810, and the percentage of solids to 22.920.

The famous Neanderthal skull found in Switzerland in 1856, and other similar skulls and parts of skulls found elsewhere in Europe, have been regarded as representing a distinct species of the human race, to which the name Homo Primitivus has been given. Prof. W. J. Sollas undertakes to show that there are no grounds whatever for regarding the Neanderthal type of man as a separate species.

THE CALL OF THE SUMMER RESORT.



"My husband doesn't realize how run down I am, Doctor; can't you prescribe a change of climate?"

PATRICK HENRY'S HOME.

Virginia Manston, Shero of Former Glory, is Now a Bat Nest. Once one of the most hospitable homes in Virginia, scene of some of the most notable gatherings that followed the surrender of Yorktown, whose spacious parlors and broad halls have been graced by the most gallant heroes and most beautiful belles of the Old Dominion, "Montville," one-time home of Patrick Henry, is now the rendezvous of countless thousands of bats.



"MONTVILLE."

and cranny of the walls. At night they loosen themselves and literally swarm about the grounds. For years it has been impossible to live in the one-time mansion. Now the heirs of the Aylett estate have decided to burn the house. The pest of the bats began six years ago, after the death of William Aylett, when the house was closed for a time, the furnishings undisturbed. When the house was closed a year later the lease could not occupy it. A literal swarm of bats greeted his entrance. Every known means of extermination has been exhausted without result.

TO THE SOUTH POLE BY AUTO.

Dr. Charcot Will Make First Part of the Trip in His New Ship. Fourquois l'ast? is the name of Dr. Charcot's new exploring ship which will start with his party for the Antarctic in July. He sees no reason why the stanch vessel, specially built for polar exploration, should not lead him to more discoveries than he made on board the less efficient vessel Francais, which carried him safely through the ice and enabled him to map all the seaward coasts of the chain of islands extending along the shores of Graham land for over 100 miles.

But he plans to penetrate much farther into the unknown than his ship can carry him. The fact is interesting that though Dr. Charcot is one of the most scientific of polar explorers no one holds more enthusiastically than he to the belief that the automobile will carry explorers to or far toward the south pole.

MASQUERADE FOR RICHES.

Romance of an Oklahoma Teacher Involved a Cuban Estate. On the roll of the Cherokee teachers' institute, held at Tahlequah in 1884, appears the name of J. R. Huertas. J. W. Chandler of this place relates an interesting story of Huertas, says the Vinita (Okla.) correspondence of the Kansas City Star.

The suspicious of the patrons of the district school were well founded. Huertas was a woman. She was held by the military authorities for investigation. The young woman, to obtain her release, wrote at once to her father, who lived in Cuba. The father asked that the girl be cared for until he could reach Fort Gibson. Upon his arrival he offered an explanation that was satisfactory to the military authorities and the young woman was released, returning to her home in Cuba.

Miss Huertas' family was reputed to be one of the most influential in Cuba. A large estate was descending to the first son of a certain line. This estate was in Spain and was to be secured through this young woman as the male heir. Her sex had been carefully concealed from birth, and to guard the secret with greater safety the girl was sent to the United States and educated in a private school. Upon her matriculation she was sent to Indian territory to get a position as a teacher in the Cherokee schools, where she could remain hidden until her majority, at which time the estate would come into her possession.

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