

LINKING LAKES TO LAND

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH
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GREATEST FRESH WATER
FLEET OF BOATS.

Complete communication with the land at all times while on lake trips will shortly be an accomplished fact. The attention of the world was directed to wireless telegraphy and its surpassing benefits to mankind most nobly and convincingly when the appalling loss of life which would have otherwise ensued when the ill-fated Republic was stricken far from help became apparent. The disaster served to demonstrate that vessels voyaging the pathless wastes of the ocean should be well equipped with this means of summoning help in the hour of dire distress, and wireless telegraphy is the only known means of communication when hundreds of miles of water intervene. The United States government requires tugs on the high seas to carry the fullest and most complete installation of the wireless system of telegraphy, but no provision is made as to lake vessels. It is probable that the comparatively short distances from land which the ships of our inland waters go does not impress the government officials as offering an element of danger sufficiently great to make this legal requirement necessary. The system can be maintained and operated only at great expense, but no complaint from the companies operating the leviathans of the sea has ever been made. Recognizing in this modern triumph of man's skill and inventive genius the most efficient protector against loss of both life and property so far known, the vessel owners willingly assumed the burden of the large expense incurred by the installation and operation of the system. The government maintains the shore stations and with the utmost vigilance skilled operators ever are alert for the first click of the signal key. Work already is under way for the installation of the wireless system of telegraphy on a number of ships sailing to and from Chicago, says the Inter Ocean.

The advantages accruing from having the wireless system on lake vessels have been abundantly proven. The big steamship Theodore Roosevelt, owned by the Indiana Transportation Company, has had the system in operation for some time, being the only boat up to date to be so equipped. On one or



occasion the Roosevelt encountered a small steamer far from shore, the rudder of which had become unshipped. She was consequently helpless and was rolling heavily in the trough of the sea when found by the Roosevelt. A wireless was sent to Chicago informing a tug company of the accident. A tug immediately was dispatched and the ship towed into port in safety. On another occasion a dead body of a man was found and taken aboard the Roosevelt. This ship was met at the wharf by a wagon from the morgue and the body immediately removed, when much delay otherwise would have ensued.

As to wireless telegraphy overland, little progress has been made in bringing it into practical working condition. Signals were at one time passed between Chicago and St. Louis, but the effort to use the same commercially was pronounced futile by reasons of interferences in many directions. Chicago had at one time communication with Milwaukee by wireless, but it was abandoned as a business enterprise. The demand for a wireless telegraph overland is insistent in the business world, but the scientists do not seem to have overcome the numerous difficulties in the way of successful operation.

MEMBER WHEN YOU HAD TO TAKE SULPHUR AND 'LASSES'



Four one-half pound of powdered sulphur and one pint of molasses into a thick, yellow bowl, and mix thoroughly. Dose: Two teaspoonsful every morning before breakfast for nine days. Look pleasant.—Cleveland Leader.

'CLASS' IN ENGLAND.

Equality Is Hardly Known and Social Lines Are Sharply Drawn.

One line of work which women have recently taken up is accounting. There are said to be about twenty-five women engaged in this work in the United States. They have come into this field within the last two or three years and have met with unexpected success.

It is hard work, but it is far more remunerative, according to a writer in the Bookkeeper, than any other of the professions in which women have hitherto engaged. A director in a leading commercial school of New York says:

"I know of two women in well-known colonies who have mapped out and put into operation a complete new system of financial methods for their employers and who have ever been intrusted with big funds for profitable investment and whose advice has been followed in many other important business undertakings. The number of such women who have proved their ability and fit for this responsible and remunerative work is steadily growing. It offers a splendid field for the woman who is not too anxious to accept responsibility and who has a liking for the hard work it entails and who is ambitious."

Nearly all the commercial schools show a steady increase in the number of women students over previous years, the number of reports that four-fifths of them in the regular business course this year, which includes stenography, commercial law, banking, English and kindred subjects, are won-

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rigid routine. In spite of his desire to snooze in the morning he finds himself rising at 6 o'clock and is at the police station when the "rest of the boys" report. When the squad starts out to begin the day's work Michael becomes restless, and by the time the last of the men has filed from the building the "millionaire" has "fallen in" and steps at a light step and as proudly as he did twenty years ago. He passes the greater part of the day in his old seat with his successor. "It's great to be rich," says the former patrolman, "but what good do I get out of retiring if I can't quit the best? My heart is in the work and my feet won't let me stay away."

CONQUERING THE TARPON.

Sensations of One Who Has Hooked a Fish of That Kind.

The best sport still: you're a swirl on a wave and a sweat, dark body, with a greenish back and large protecting fin appears above it; it is a breathless moment, says a writer in Oating. "Look out, dad," yells "Tony"; there is a splash about thirty yards away, your line becomes taut and is gilding like lightning before you can apply the brake. When you do it is almost jerked from your grasp and simultaneously the tarpon leaps and writhes above the water again. There is no sight more beautiful to the angler than the graceful, silvery form of the tarpon, like a gleam of light from darkness, leaping forth from the green sea.

That moment when the tarpon has the bait and you strike is the one of all others most fraught with intense ex-

Earning It.

"My wife kisses me whenever she wants money."

"Gee! If she was like my wife she'd have your face kissed off by this time."

Houston Post.

Mr. Henpeck.

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"That's more than he can do to his wife."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Wheelhouse in a Prison.

The treadwheel is still in vogue at many English prisons. Within the walls is a little building built of blue-gray stone, standing somewhat apart from the main structure in a corner of the exercise ground and prison garden. On the chocolate-colored door is painted in white letters the two words, "Wheel House." As the door opens the dull, grinding sound that was heard

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