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years. With a six-wheeled lorry, which he drove himself, he left Boulogne for

Marseilles and crossed to Algiers on

ory. The officials here refused to let

him go on without a companion. So M. de Ramecourt invited an acquaint-

ance there to start out with him; and

when official scruples had thus been

satisfied his friend quietly slipped back into the town and left the adven-

Wandering Arab tribes furnished

another obstacle, and he was made to

wait for the Masselin mission to escort

him into the Sahara on its railway

survey. The escort did not continue

long, however, for one of the cars stuck in the sand, and the six-wheeler

companion, but emerged at Goa or the Niger safe and sound.

Nigeria to Lake Tchad and Oudday

on the Egyptian Sudan border, the northern Belgian Congo, Tanganyika, Uganda, Mombassa next passed under

his six-wheeler, and then Tanganyika again and northern Rhodesia to Eliza-

bethville in the Congo and Luanda in

M. de Ramecourt was the first man

had to leave it there and take to

cances to get into the Camoroons. For five months he lived in the thick of

After passing through Ovamboland

and part of southwest Africa, M. de Ramecourt was stopped at Otjiwa-

rango because his tires gave way. He

ad to stay there two months. More

tire trouble was encountered on the next stretch from Etosha Pan to Out

jo, for he made repairs 56 times in six

days owing to the stony ground. Finally he reached Cape Town after two

A nervous young man walked into

large store and was confronted by

salesman. "I want-I want, I really

don't want what I want; it is either a camisole or a casserole." Salesman helpfully): "Is the bird dead or

and a half years in the wilds.

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Johannesburg, S. Af.—Alone in a standard standard standard six-wheeler from Algiers to Cape Town over the most difficult routes in Africa—this is the achievement of bault, he preferred his own company to any other.

In 1919 M. de Ramecourt landed in Gebriel de Ramecourt, an adventurous
Frenchman, according to a correspondent of The Christian Science
Monitor. He has crossed deserts,
braved the dangers of the bush and
lived on friendly terms with the pygmercial attache, had to drive out and Sudan. At times he traveled by canoo, meet him on his arrival here because at others by camel, but for the greater he was uneasy about finding his way part of the three years walked at the through the city traffic by himself. through the city traffic by himself. It was in October, 1928, that the Frenchman set out on the expedition now only half finished after three

At the age of 14 M. de Ramecourt began his travels on a sailing ship. For 17 years he was driven about the seven seas of the world by the winds. He disliked steamers, and when, after spending the war years in an airship In the North Sea and the Mediterranthe North African coast. From ther he set out boldly into the desert until he reached the French military post of El Golea in South Algerian terrican, he found that there was scarcely



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Smile and the world smiles with you, Kick and you kick alone; But the cheerful grin will let you in, Where the knocker is never known

A kindly but somewhat patronizing landlady inquired of the young bride how she and her husband proposed to pend their summer vacation

The Eride (a little distantly)-"Our The fince (a fittle distantly)— Our plane, so far, are fentative."
Landlady—"Oh, how delightful, I'm sure you'll enjoy camping out more than anything else you could do."

If a pitcher is jerked out and the game is won, that's strategy. If he is jerked and the game is lost, that's plain unadulterated dumbness.

Mistress-"Why did you leave your last place, Gertie?"

Maid—"Because I did not know what this one was like."

"Just hold the receiver a minute," said a woman to another this morning, interrupting a half-hour telephone conversation, "until I tell my busband something else to do."

Mistress (indignantly)-"Just lock at the dust on this sideboard, Mary. It's at least six weeks old." Mary (calmly)—"Then it ain't noth-ing to do with me, mum. I've only

cen here four weeks." The man entered a cigar store bought a cigar and left. Five minutes later he dashed back.

The Man (shouting)-"That cigar is simply awful!" rekeeper (calmly)-"It's all very well for you to complain, you're only got one; I've got hundreds of the darn

You need make no more noise in the world than a hermit calling to its mate. Actions talk, not words.

Pretty Girl (at florist's)-"Have you my passion poppie?" Elderly Clerk (excitedly) — "Gol ding! Just you wait till I lay these

Doctor-"Now, young man, what have you got to say for yourself?"

His Son (in for a licking)—"Hovabout a little local anesthetic?"

O'Leary called at the home of his friend, O'Brien, to tell Mrs. O'Brien that her husband was locked up for being drunk. Mrs. O'Brien-"Why didn't you bail

im out, man?" O'Leary—"Bail him out! Bedad, you couldn't pump him out!"

An old-timer is one who can remem er when "Cut it out" was a slang ex ression instead of a popular cure.

Tommy-"Isn't 'wholesome' a funny ord, father?" Father—"What's so funny about it?"
Tommy—"Why, take away the
whole' and you've got 'some' left."

not daring to stop went on alone.

The six-wheeler waited for six days at the next stopping place, but the Speaking of a certain druggist, a man said: "He is a pretty good drug-gist all right, but he puts too much pepper in his chicken salad."

mission did not arrive, and so M. de Ramecourt went on into the notorious "Pays do la Soif," 'the "Thristland" of the Sahara, 1000 miles without water. 'It's the truth that I speak," He did not even have a native or Arab Says Archibald Green, "A girl on the lap Is worth two on the screen."

> Male Straphanger - "Madam, you are standing on my foot."
>
> Female Ditto—"I beg your pardon.
> I thought it belonged to the man sit-

Roarder - "Come quick-two rats are fighting in my room."

Landlady—'Well, what do you exto drive a motorcar to Brazzaville, the capital of the French Congo, but he

If we know ourselves we are pretty was bitten by one o well informed. People improve as long considerable pain. the jungle, his companions two native carriers, but he fell in with perhaps the shyest and rarest of the human as they have a desire to improve. people are usually treat courteously.

Admitted

Martin was talking at the di-table about the inconsistency of

"These girls who protest that they are never going to marry!" he broke out. "Everybody knows that will belie their own words at the first oppor tunity."

paused and evidently hoped that Mrs. Martin would come to the rescue of her sex. But that discreet woman held her tongue.

"Why, Mary," he continued, "you remember how it was with yourself. I heard you say more than once that you wouldn't marry the best man

"Well, I didn't," said Mrs. Martin.

Father's Footsteps

Mr. Smith was lecturing his son.
"My boy," he said, "you have acquired an irritating habit of saying
'I forgot.' Now, to cultivate the power
of memory is very simple. Concentials your mind on each act as you
reform it. centre your thoughts on perform it; centre your thoughts on every occurrence from the moment you awake in the morning until you go to sleep at night. When I say I have been endowed with a remarkable memory I only—"

Mrs. Smith putting her head in at the door: "John, you've forgotten to leave the car lights on, and two po-licemen are waiting to speak to you."

Big-game hunter: "Oh. yes, I've been nearly eaten by lions many times; but life without a little risk would be very tame." Mr. Subbubs: -I agree! How often when weather has seemed doubtful have I deliberately gone out without my

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Bird

The mystery of dawn which the lengthening hours dispel is finely realized in The Commonweal (New York):

By Frances M. Frost

The dawn came wan, the dawn grew gold,
The light poured downward in the early cold.

The cedars, dreaming against the sky, Leaned over water; and the small cool cry
Of crystal groped for rock and sand,

While the sky dripped blue on lake and land.

The sun rose up, a flower of gold:

The hills were petaled, fold on fold, With flame. And suddenly morning stirred—

Morning was shattered by a hidder

The song blew east, the song blev The song blew wild in the listening

While morning woke to beauty and pain. The song was a breath of silver rain A blossom of sun, and wings up-hurled Over the known and lovely world! The song was the pointed shadow of

leaf On the turning earth, and hint of grief, A shoulder of wind, and a star above A dawn-dark hill, and an answer to

Silence came. The sun grew tall; The dim woods watched the petals fall, And wind went searching each hidden

For a lost bird caught to the heart

Snakes That Start Early

There was an interesting, if possibly somewhat unwelcome, addition to the London Zoo population the other day when a Russell's viper, which had recently arrived from India, gave birth to over 100 young.

The Russell's viper is one of the

most dangerous snakes in the world not only because it is very poisonous but also because of its fierceness. In dian snake charmers, who think noth ing of handling cobras, won't touch the Russell's viper.

The young of the species are both active and aggresive, and though they are little larger than earthworms when newly born, they will bite if they get a chance—and the bite will pect to get for fifty cents-a bull produce distinctly unpleasant results. Once before, when baby Russell's Vipers appeared at the Zor was bitten by one of the mand suffered

There are other species of snakes whose young are just as pugnacious. The baby ringhals, or spitting cobra, of South Africa, sits up with expanded hood and tries to bite as soon as it is born .- Answers," London.

Planes Warned to Fly High Over American Prisons

Washington. — A warning to all aviators against flying above either ederal or State prisons at an altitude lower than 1,000 feet was given recently by Gilbert G. Budwig, director of air regulation of the Department o

Stating that complaints had been re ceived recently of planes flying near prisons, Mr. Budwig said that the amendment made to the air traffic ules in April apparently was "not un lerstood." This rule, he said, applied except when there was an established anding field nearby.

He pointed out that under the air ommerce act penalties might be asessed for violations.

Dentists in the States

With 67,000 dentists, one to every 700 persons, America leads the world in destistry and dental training, ac cording to the United States Office of Education, in spite of the fact that it has been estimated that only onefourth of the American people receive dental service. There is, however, only one dentist to every 4,000 persons in Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi and South Carolina, and one to every 3,000 persons in Arizona, Georgia, Kentucky New Mexico, North Carolina, Texas and Virginia. There is said to be only one Negro dentist to every 8,500 Ne groes.

Wife: "You were talking in your sleep last night, dear." Husband: "Well, I've got to talk sometimes, haven't 1?"

'31 To Be Record Year For Winter Fair

Increased Number of Exhibits from Prairies in June Butter Competition

Toronto.-An inmistabile proof of orfidence in Western Canadian agriculture has just been registered at the Royal Winter Fair in the remarkable entries received in the June butter competitions. Not only does the total nake a record for the ten years of the Royal Winter Fair but a more significant feature is that the whole of the increases are accounted for by the prairie provinces. These from Sas-katchewan, for example, have been increased nearly 100 per cent. The directorate of the Royal Winter Pair considers the record considers the record entry this year a Christic, Brown & Co. Limited.

In the underlying soundness of agriculture. It may be added that so far as can be judged from early intensew winnipeg plants.

Mr. Fraser was born in Arthur, Ontario, and educated in London Ontario. He has a can be judged from early intensect to exhibit, the outleek for stock entries is equally rosy.

All the June butter exhibits have business with practical experience are safely in storage under controlled in every department of the manufactonditions of temperature, etc. They

business with practical experience in every department of the manufacturing processes. Mr. Fraser's appointment as production manager for this leading Canadian company is a guarantee that Christie's Biscuits will continue to uphold the splendid tradition for quality that they have enjoyed for nearly eighty years.

are safely in storage under controlled conditions of temperature, etc. They will not be disturbed until removal for display ind competition at the Coliseum just prior to the opening of the Winter Fair on November 18th.

The Royal of 1931, its tenth year, intended to mark its "birth," and to

The Royal of 1931, its tenth year, is to be a "Commemorative Show," intended to mark its "birth," and to signalize the establishment of a na-tional centre where Canadian agricul-ture was first focussed so as to visualize its importance, and where, in the decade that has ensued, it has been given a worthy and rightful place in Dominion affairs.

Giant "Spark Plug"

New Foe of Lightning Pittsburgh engineers recently shot nough electricity through an experinental lightning-rod to lift the Wool-

worth Building off its feet.

The giant "spark plug" at the new Westinghouse high-power laboratory plazed into action for the first time as over 132 million volt-amperes leapt across the terminals to the lightning

There was a burst of flame from each end of the rod and a report like a six-inch cannon as the experimental seemed to me as if the moonlight it-self had been set to music. When it stopped, the lonely waste land lay still as sleep. Then, as the full moon climbed the sky, from faraway bogs. lightning-rod "knocked out" the terrific lightning bolt in less than 1-500 of a second. J. J. Torok, inventor of and gold-green pools came the clear voices of late bylas, like tangled the rod, is thus quoted in a Westinghouse News Bulletin:

"The results of the tests are so pre mising that we are working night and day to finish its development. We hope it will effect greater economies in the sent forms of flashover protective de vices now in service to protect insu lator strings on overhead transmission lines which supply cities with light and power. In addition, it is expected

to provide permanent protection against the ravages of lightning and save the country millions of dollars "Now, after a lightning stroke pro-

ective devices of the fuse type' mus be replaced. This requires constant patrolling of the lines. Because of the limitations of a single line, duplicate lines must be constructed. The new lightning-rod does away with this expense."

The construction of the device is simple, we are told. It consists of a hollow tube about the size of a lady's imbrela. A piece of metal at each end serves as an electrode to entice the lightning inside for the "knock-out" blow. It is supposed to work so fast that the lights in a house will not even flicker. The bulletin concludes:

"This device, technically known as 'De-Ion' lightning protector, is used o protect insulator strings on trans mission lines against flashover. En gineers have estimated that if the Torok lightning-rod is successful and had been available ten years ago, the world would have saved a hundred million dollars."

Sales Exhibit Ship To Visit South America

London.—The ship British Exhibitor will sail from the port of London on Nov. 1st with a passenger list con-sisting of commercial travelers for British goods. This is an effort to proride manufacturers and exporters with means of making personal contact with foreign buyers.

The first voyage of the British Exhibitor will follow the track of the re-cent visit of the Prince of Wales to South America and during the course of its 11 months' voyage will touch at nore than 30 ports. The ship of 15,000 tons, formerly the Leicestershire, of the Bibby line, will have space for near-ly 500 exhibits as well as room for 233 representatives of firms. There him. "Oh, yes, sir," she replied at will be an expert sales staff with a last. "Any meals taken in bed are knowledge of Spanish and Portuguese and of commercial conditions in the countries of South America. There will also be a cinema theatre where films may be shown.

The project is being supported by

the sum of £750 for an exhibit.

A very slender girl entered a tramcar and managed to seat herself in a carrow space between two men. A woman entered the ad to strap-hang. The girl, thinking to humiliate the men for their lack of gallantry, got up. "Madam," she said with a wave of her hand towards the "Thank you," replied the woman, smil-ing broadly, "but which gentleman's knees were you sitting on?"

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Midsummer Eve

tretched away in the moonlight like silvered velvet, and the leaves of the sweet gums and the swamp maples

nade a dim, green web along its

Overhead, some bird which I could

t was flying through the black-velvet

sky above.

The shadows of the waving trees

the distance, the stressed, hurrled notes of a whippoorwill pealed through

the darkness to be answered by one

the darkness to be answered by one close to the cabin. Over and over and over again those birds of the night repeated their triple notes with a little click after each one, hurying as if they

feared to be interrupted before they could fluish. As the wild, sweet mel-

edy thrilled through the darkness, it

eemed to me as if the moonlight it-

When they stopped for breath, the

wood frogs, as if they had waited for

that moment, burst out into a perfect

pandemonium of honking, quacking

When at last the clamor of the frogs

when at last the claims of the frogs stopped as suddenly as it had begun, I left my bag in the cabin and in the moonlight hurried down a winding path which led through a little dip in the soft yellow grass where, not fifty yards from my rough the wild deep.

yards from my porch, the wild deep

bed in winter. Just at the edge of this hollow I found a clump of the flowers which I had hoped to see. Red,

gold, ivory-white, and pale green, they grew from a mass of hollow, crimson-streaked leaves filled with clear water,

and I knelt down in the moonlight to

revel in the beauty of the pitche

plants, which I had not seen in blos

The sight of them brought to m

mind another discovery that I had

made the day when last I found them

blossoming, and I followed the path until it wound-through tussocks of

until it wound-through tussocks of ochre-colored grass. Parting their stems, I searched through several without finding anything. Then, as I came to the last tussock of all, a tiny

bird slipped way like a shadow, giving an alarm note sharp as the clicking of two pebbles together. Before me in the

moonlight showed a deep nest of

woven grass containing four rose

white eggs blotched with brown at the larger end and showing in the moonlight like pearls in a casket of tawny gold. Here and there through

the fabric of the nest were woven dry

leaves, the field mark of the nest of

rears a black domino and has a song

that sounds like "witchery, witchery,

witchery." As always, when I leaned down to study more closely the ex-

ting, I had the feeling that I had come

upon treasure-trove, such as he must

experience who unearths a crock of gold or stumbles upon a chest of doub-

The :.aid was showing the somewhat flashily-dressed individual to his room in the seaside boarding house. At 'he door he pau d and said: "I

presume everyone here dresses for dinner?" The maid looked dumbly at

quisite little eggs in their be

loons._

extra."

som for three long years.

chimes of my silver bells.

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Doubtful

not identify gave a strange, wild cry and repeated it a few seconds later a great distance away, showing how fast A tourist agency inserted an advertisement for a man who was required to escort parties abroad. A hard-up young man, who desired an easy post, applied and was given an

made a fretted, magical pattern on the smooth surface of the water. A pine-barren pickerel frog, all emerald and gold and purple-black, enored, and some other frogs unknown to me gave "Good morning," said the agency official. "Parkz yous Francais?"
"I—er—beg your pardon?" stama couple of lond, startling notes which sounded like the clapping of two boards together. Then suddenly, in nered the applicant.

"Parlez vous Français?" "I—ah—frightfully sorry, but I didn't quite catch . . "
"I said, 'Do you speak French?'"
The young man smiled easily, "Oh, yes," he said, "fluently."

The roung nuctioneer was conduct-ing his first sale. "Who will bid 25 for this magnificent clock?" he noked. A bid was seen obtained and the price went up gradually to £12, when a deadlock occurred. "Come, ome," said the auctioneer, warming to his work; "who says guineas?" "I do," said one of the bidders. "And a half." called another. "Tweive and a half guinens," shouted the auctioneer: "going, going—" "Thirtsen pounds." "going, going—" "Thirteen pounds," said a woman who had previously been silent. She got the cleck!

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