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Fires Which Never Go Out. There are domestic fires burning in England today which have never been out for hundreds upon hundreds of

At the old fashlened farmhouses in the dales of Yorkshire peat is still burned. The fuel is obtained from the moors, and stacks of it ere kept by the farmers in their stack garths.

its "girdle cakes," which are made from dough baked in quaint pans suspended over the peat fires.

generation to generation, and the son warms himself at the fire which warmed his sire and his grandsire and his grandsire's sire and which will warm | point aimed at, he was on each occahis son and his son's son.

Whitby district, which has been burning for over 200 years. The record motherby, in the same district. This bird! fire has been burning for 500 years, and there are records to show that it has not been out during the last 300

Could Not Pass the Examination. A southern woman speaks with pride of the many years of faithful, loving service rendered by her dusky housekeeper. Not only is "Aunt Ca'line" valued for her executive ability, but her judgment is so wise in most cases that her mistress has come to depend greatly upon her opinion in certain matters.

"Do you think James would be good man for us to take up into the mountains with us this summer. Aunt Ca'line?" she asked one day, referring to a handsome young darky who had been for six weeks in her employ.

Aunt Ca'line folded her arms and assumed her most judicial aspect. "Missy Kate," she said firmly, "I done watch dat boy eber since he come hver, an' done test him. When I tested him in de case ob de spring bed I foun' out dat when it come to liftin' dat boy was all take hold an' mighty little raise M'ssy Kate, an' dat's a pore sign ob character, in my opinions."

Like Any Other Man.

The following story is told in reference to Mr. Lowell's second marriage: At the time when rumors of the event became current among his friends one p. m. Special attention given to diseases of them, a stanch admirer of the first Mrs. Lowell and a firm believer in her husband's permanent widowerhood every time it met her. Finally, how ever, the announcement came to be from such extremely good authority that her faith was shaken.

She wrote frankly to Mr. Lowell that she had heard the reports and persist ently denied them, but now began doubt her right to do so. She begge him to let her know the true state affairs, whether she was to believ him a never-to-be-consoled husband of after all, "just like any other man."

The answer was prompt and brief: "Dear Madam

They Don't Like Rain. "There's a queer thing about Italia laborers," said a contractor who en ploys a great many of them, "and the is that they absolutely refuse to v in the rain. Stop a minute and thin Did you ever see a gang of them wor ing in the streets, digging trenches doing any other manual labor in the rain? Well, you never did and protaer sets in, no matter how slight, the will scramble for cover. If the rai continues, they will soon complain of feeling sick and knock off for the day One fellow will have a sore throat, an other will be doubled up with pains is his stomach, and others will suddenly acquire severe ailments of all sorts It is useless to attempt to do anythin with them, and pretty soon they will all go trooping home."

Living Indelible Ink. If the shell of the Purpura lapillus broken there is seen on the back of th animal, just under the skin, a slender whitish vein which contains a yellow liquor. When this liquor is applied to linen with a small brush and exposed to the sun it becomes successively green, blue and purple, and finally set tles into a brilliant unchangeable crim Housewives of New English have growing abundantly on the sea side rocks in their neighborhoods little living bottles of indelible ink, no to be excelled in beauty or durabil. by any manufactured product, sin

juice of the whelk.

neither acid nor alcohol will affect the

Managing John. "John," she said softly, "have you been saying anything about me to

mother lately?" "No," replied John. "Why do you,

"Because she said this morning that she believed you were on the eve of proposing to me. Now, I do not wish you to speak to mother when you have anything of that kind to say. Speak to me, and I'll manage the business

with mother." And John said he would.

The Rib.

The Living Church quotes this from a Connecticut woman's diary, dated said Sister Patty, 'and it's from very much the same kind of critter."

To Show It. Bingo Bingo-I'm going to bring my wife round to call on you tonight. Winterby-That's right; but do me a favor, old man. Don't let her wear her new dress. I don't want my wife to see it just now. Bingo (grimly)-Why, that's what we

are coming for.

AN OWL STORY.

Showing the Tyrannous Effect of Habit Upon a Wild Animal. An English publication tells this in-

teresting story of an owl: A vague figure appeared out of the clouds, traveling against the wind toward the spire and looking more like a ragged piece of newspaper whirled The country roundabout is noted for about the heavens than any living thing. It was a white owl, and after watching him for some time I came to the conclusion that he was trying to These fires are kept glowing from get to the vane of the spire. A very idle ambition it seemed, for, although he succeeded again and again in getting to within a few yards of the sion struck by a fresh violent gust and There is a fire at Castleton, in the driven back to a great distance, often quite out of sight in the gloom. But presently he would reappear, still probably is held by a farmhouse at Os- struggling to reach the vane. A crazy

But I could not help admiring his pluck and greatly wondered what his secret motive in aiming at that windy perch could be. And at last, after so many defeats, he succeeded and grasped the metal crossbar with his crooked talons. The wind with all its fury could not tear him from it, and after a little flapping he was able to pull himself up, and then, bending down, he deliberately wiped his beak on the bar and flew away!

This, then, had been his powerful, mysterious motive-just to wipe his beak, which he could very well have wiped on any branch or barn roof or fence and saved himself that tremendous labor. This was an extreme instance of that tyrannous effect of habit on a wild animal. Doubtless this bird had been accustomed after devouring his first mouse to fly to the vane, where he could rest for a few minutes, taking a general view of the place, and wipe his beak at the same time, and the habit had become so strong that he could not forego his visit even on so tempestuous an evening.

THE COPYRIGHT LAW.

First Measure Passed For the Protection of Literary Property.

April 10, 1710, is a noteworthy date in the history of literature. On that day came into operation an act "for the encouragement of learning by vesting the copies of printed books in the authors or purchasers of such copies." took it upon herself to deny the gossip | This was the first measure passed for the protection of literary property. The word "copyright," according to Dr. Murray, was not used before 1767. In the preamble of the bill, which is said to have been drafted by Dean Swift, the necessity of a measure "to enable learned men to write useful books" is dwelt upon. By its provisions two terms of copyright, each of fourteen years, were created for all future publications, one term to follow immediately upon the other if the author were still living at the expiration

of the first term. According to a subsidiary clause, if any publisher issued a book at a price judged too high by certain "discreet persons" he was liable to a penalty. The "discreet persons" included, among others, the archbishop of Canterbury, the lord chancellor and the vice chancellors of Oxford and Cambridge. On them devolved the somewhat delicate task of fixing the book's value. This clause was repealed in 1739, but the term of copyright remained unaltered until 1842, when it was extended to the life of the author and seven years, or you like to own one of those carriages?" forty-two years from the date of publication, whichever may prove longer. England was the first country thus to protect the rights of authors. France followed suit in 1793, but in Germany no copyright law existed until 1870.-

London News. Missed a Good Dinner. A doctor living in a certain country

town was notoriously fond of good living. He had accepted an invitation to dine with friends, but as he climbed their steps he smelt venison cooking in the kitchen next door.

The neighbors being also his friends he resolved to drop in on them unexpectedly to partake of the venison. They pressed him to share their informal dinner, but when he refused both soup and fish his host began to apologize for the simple fare.

The doctor then confessed that he was waiting for the venison, which he had smelt as he came in.

"Oh, that venison," said his entertainer, "we were roasting to oblige our neighbors, who have a dinner party next door."

A Mountain Climber, At a reception of the Authors' club in New York the guest of honor was Sir Martin Conway, the explorer and mountain climber. One man who did not know the guest asked another:

"Who is here tonight?" "Sir Martin Conway."

"Conway? Who is he? I can't place "The mountain climber." "Oh, yes! But what is he doing in

New York?" "Merely traveling from climb to climb."

Butter In the West Indies. Every pound of butter that goes to SCHOOL. 1790: "We had roast pork for dinner, the West Indies is colored a brilliant and Dr. S., who carved, held up a rib red. The darkies over there won't have on his fork and said, 'Here, ladies, is any other color. They like red butter, what Mother Eve was made of.' 'Yes,' just as they adore red shirts and red Grocers say that if a black and white label should be placed on tinned tomatoes, there would be no sale at all .-

A Guess.

London Chronicle.

"Say, pop," inquired Willie, "why do we call women the opposite sex?" "I guess," replied the old man thoughtfully, "it's because they're contrary."

"Stars" and "Goats" at West Point.

In the early days of the United States Military academy at West Point the men who stood high in the graduating class were called "stars," and the first five names on the list of graduates have always been made conspicuous by having a star placed after them The men who are less fortunate and who stand nearest the other end of the class are known as "goats." The designation "goat" is a comparatively new

one and took the place of "immortal." Some years ago a member of the graduating class learned that he would be in the "immortal" section, and, wishing to spare his parents the chagrin of seeing him among the "low men," he telegraphed to his father, "Chances are I shall be an immortal," thinking that the term would be understood at home.

In reply he received a letter congratulating him, conveying the assurance that his parents would be present at commencement and as a reward for

his "immortality" a substantial check. "The best part of the story is," said a classmate, "the 'immortal' cadet distinguished himself after he left the academy and earned the title 'immortal' in the service of his country."

Poison In Parsnips.

It is a curious fact that the common edible parsnip—Pastinaca sativa when allowed to run wild becomes a skin poison, acting upon the cuticle somewhat after the manner of Rhus toxicodendron. Another peculiar fact is that it is especially poisonous when the dew is upon it, though when dry it is said to be perfectly safe. It produces in the former condition quite a smart rash.

Some years ago in a poisoning case which proved fatal the doctor in attendance kept the parsnips, regarding the identity of which there could be no doubt, as they contained the tooth marks of those who had eaten them. He subsequently planted them, and they grew to be the real garden parsnip. Just why these transformations from poisonous to nonpoisonous should take place has not as yet been made

Character In Laughter. Clearly a person's character is shown by the manner in which he laughs, or, rather, by the sound which he makes, it is maintained by a European psychologist. The following, according to him, are unerring indications:

"Those who laugh in 'A' or who make a sound like 'A' are frank, loyal and fond of bustle and movement and are generally of a versatile character. "Those who laugh in 'E' are phleg-

matic and melancholy. "Those who laugh in 'I,' as most children do, are timid, irresolute, candid, affectionate and ever ready to work for

"Those who laugh in 'O' are gener

"Those who laugh in 'U' are misanthropes."

ous, bold and self confident.

Too Soon For Her. Apropos of those who never enjoy the luxury of a carriage save when the death of some one makes for a free ride to the cemetery the Rev. John Watson (Ian Maclaren) told of a little girl standing at Fifth avenue and Thirtieth street, New York. She was a ragged little thing, and she was watching the carriages rolling past with the

most wistful blue eyes. "Well, little one." he said, "would The blue eyes turned up, and there

were tears in their corners. "I never rode in a kerridge," sh said softly. "Me little brudder died afore I was born!"

Hoar and Evarts. On one of his later birthday anniversaries Senator Hoar wrote to William M. Evarts and congratulated him upon his length of years. In his reply the aged lawyer said it brought to mind an old lady in New England who had occasion to write to a friend about some matter of trifling importance and when she had reached the end of the thirteenth page awakened to the fact that she had been rather diffuse and added, "Please excuse my longevity."

Types Not to Blame.

The talented young authoress was almost in tears.

"In that review of my historical and called it a 'hysterical' novel."

madam," said the literary editor, with ing, and if vexed or insulted by visa frosty eye.

father was a peddler!

The Difference. Mrs. Dash-The idea of Mrs. Rash having society aspirations! Why, her

Mr. Dash-Yes; she's entirely too forward. She ought to hang back until people have forgotten it. Now, in your case, my dear, it was your grandfather who was a peddler.

True Dream. "The other night I took a nap on the sofa and dreamed something sharp was going through me."

"Did the dream come true?" "Yes; when I awoke I found my wire had gone through my pockets. I guess she is sharp enough."-

Infant Prodigy. Visitor (to little Freddy)-Let's see

what you have learned in your school. Now, can you tell me the difference between B and C? Freddy-Thath's eathy. A bee ith a inthect, an' a thea ith full of water .-New York Times.

"Were you positive enough when you told the old man you intended to marry his daughter?"

nati Commercial Tribune.

Extremes Meet.

"Yes, but he was negative."-Cincin-

ONE COWSKIN.

An Instance of German Military Thrift and Red Tapelsm.

An instance of military thrift and of a red tape system which is not pocular to Germany comes from the Prussian war office. In 1866 the guards were treakfasting hurriedly. They had on the previous day fought the battle of Soor and had accomplished altogether a nine days' march. This was not the era of canned meats, and to each regiment had been allotted a certain number of cattle which had been killed, skinned and cooked, but while the men were still eating scouts came in with the news that the Austrians were near

The men got into marching order and in a few minutes were in rapid advance toward the enemy. The Grenadier guards, conspicuous always for their dispatch, hurried to such purpose that they failed to secure the skin of a cow which had been made over to them for rations.

When the official who was responsible for the value of the hide came to ask for it, it had to be reported missing. Inquiries were set on foot, evidence was collected, and a voluminous correspondence lasting fourteen or fifteen months failed to account for the skin.

There had been a cow. She had been made over to the guards. She had a hide. The hide was government property, representing a sum fixed by official tariff. The government must be credited with that sum. The hide was not forthcoming. Who should be responsible for its cash value?

It was at last decided that the colonel of the regiment should be held accountable, and a year and a half after the conclusion of the seven weeks' war he was requested by the war office to remit the sum of 3 thalers, the price of one cowskin lost by the Grenadier guards. When the sum was paid, the subject was at last officially dropped.

COSTLY ACCIDENTS.

Bottomless Pit.

Immense plans which seemed about to be completed, but have been brought to disastrous failure at the last moment, are frequent enough in the histery of industry.

London Answers tells the story of a tin mine in England which might have vielded a fortune but for a storm.

With the finding of a new vein of ore running out toward the sea a new level was driven out below the water; then it was found that the lode bent upward too near the sea bottom for mining to be safely carried on. Undiscourged, the owner borrowed money, built sea wall to cut off the water, erected comps and again went to work.

On the sixth day just as an ener

mous mass of rich ore was being tapoed a gale came up, a ship was blown coon the wall, which went to pieces at once, and the sea drove the heavy stones in upon the thin roof of the mine. In a moment the workings were hopelessly flooded, and the owner was A story equally tragic is told of the

speedwell lead mine in Derbyshire Believing that a rich vein of ore existed in a nearby hill, the owner risked his entire capital to bore a tunnel 3,000 feet long into the heart of the mountain. Suddenly the miners broke through a wall of rock into a vast hidden cavern, through which flowed a stream of water.

They began to dump rock into the stream, and after 10,000 tons a bridge began to rise out of the darkness, and then their farther progress was stopped. Month after month they toiled, and at last, after 40,000 tons in all had been cast into the cavern, they

gave it up. That narrow rift is known to this

day as the Bottomless Pit.

Yawns of Wrath. The singular habit of signifying anger by yawning is confined to the monkey tribe and is most marked in the baboon family, though the Gibraltar apes also indulge in it. It is probable that the gesture is originally intended to frighten an adversary by a display of teeth, just as a dog does, and that the constant wide opening of the mouth produces an involuntary yawn. In fact, if a human being keeps on opening his mouth in this novel in this morning's paper," she way a yawn will result. If two said, "you made a typographical error strange baboons are put together in the same cage, they immediately con-"That wasn't a typographical error, front each other and commence yawn-

itors they will do the same thing.

Fat Crystals. If small quantities of butter, lard and beef fat be separately boiled and slowly cooled for, say, twenty-four hours, the resulting crystals will show very marked differences under the microscope. The normal butter crystal is large and globular. It polarizes brilliantly and shows a well marked St. Andrew's cross. That of lard shows a stellar form, while that of beef fat has a foliated appearance. In course of time, as the butter loses its freshness, the globular crystal degenerates and gradually merges into peculiar rosettelike forms.

An Old Verb. To laze is an old verb. In Samuel Rowlands' "Martin Markall," 1610, we are told that "loyterers laze in the streete, lurke in alchouses and range in the highwaies." The word occurs, I believe, in some of Mortimer Collins' lyrics:

But Cupid lazeth 'mongst the falery lasses, Whose clere complexion he oft sweareth

Every one out of bed likes to claim occasionally that it is force of will power alone that is keeping him up .-Atchison Globe.



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