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ANIMALS' EYES

Reason Why Some of Them Can See in the Dark

It is commonly supposed that cats and some other animals are gifted in a way that enables them to see in perfectly dark places where it is impossible for the human eye to discern anything. This is only partly true, however. In a really dark room a cat can see no more than a human being. In semi-darkness, though, a cat can see more, because of a distinctive difference in their eye formation.

The eye of a normal person automatically adjusts itself, in the enlarging and contracting of the pupil, to make it possible to see distinctly in different degrees of light.

When we go from a darkened room out into a bright sunlight the eyes blink and squin' until the pupils have contracted sufficiently to accommodate the eyes to the quantity of light. And in going from the bright light into a darkened room we cannot see clearly until the pupils have expanded to take in all the light possible.

The advantage that cats and some animals have is that the pupils of their eyes are much larger and can expand so as to take in more light than the human eye. In places that may seem quite dark to human beings there may be more light than can be taken in by the eyes of the animals, and this accounts for the superior gift birth. For example, Alexander, Bonawith which they are credited. In an absolutely dark room the cat or any other animal has no advantage.

THE USEFUL QUAIL

destroys 75,000 bugs and 6,000,000 ed to the world such geniuses as knows. It seems to be second nature weed seeds annually (says "Our Dumb Bach, Beethoven, Goethe, Shake-Animals"). A quail killed in a Kansas speare, Raphael, Carlyle and others wheat field had the remains of 2,000 of their status. In the list of states should not be used in the breeding to the wheat growers of the country fifty, Bismarck, Cato, Cromwell, Ma-

birds! It is high time to look to were over fifty-one are: Aristotle, Ba. or shape of eggs, coupled with good the future of the quail, one of the con, Buddha, Confucius, Franklin, most beneficial of all our birds, lest Moses and Solomon. the sportsman and his dog, the snare. It is remarked that Mohammed, ed, that straw color has much to do leg removed near the hip about the trap, and the net reduce him to whose father was twenty-five, though

make it apparent that he cannot be Robert E. Lee, whose father was fifty- thrifty offspring that did birds more Wednesday morning last, Dr. Hall saved from extinction; if classed one, went to war because his moral only as a game bird. He is a song obligation s forced him to do so and bird as well, a pre-eminent insectivor- not because he wanted to. ous bird, such as nearly all the States protect at all seasons. Why not, then, give him peace and security by placing him on the song-bird list?

CARPET SHOES FOR HORSES

Novel Idea Which is a Boon and a Blessing to Man's Friend

The idea came to us from the Minneapolis Humane Society. The sole of the shoe is a heavy piece of any of the cheaper grades of Brussels carpet cut in the shape of the bottom of a horse's hoof. Around the circular part of this is sewed a strong plece of cloth, five inches wide including a broad hem. Through this hem a tape is inserted long enough to make it possible to tie about the ankle when the shoe has been slipped over the foot. 'The purpose of the shoes is to help a horse that has fallen on an icy or slippery pavement to get on his feet and a short distance, perhaps, to some place where he can secure a footing. A pair of these, or sometimes a set of them, answer much better than a blanket under his feet. They are easily made,

and cost 25 cents for four. The Massachusetts S.P.C.A. has had sets of them placed at a number of stores in Boston where, because of the pavement, many horses fall. Notices were inserted in the papers calling attention of teamsters and others to the places where they could be found.-Our Dumb Animals.

Tombstones For Monkeys

Montevideo, Uruguay, is a small, carefully kept cemetery for receiving the deceased pets of wealthy families, who often pay somewhat lavish fees for a small plot of ground. While in some cases the graves are supplied resting beneath tombstones, their without litigation or arbitration. names inscribed in granite or marble, and their graves adorned with flow-

Chiefly owing to the high prices a record in the earnings of men in the crab and lobster fishing is report-Sheringham, on the Norfolk coast. In one week thirty-eight boats, with two men to a boat, averaged \$43. of a Sheringham crew arned \$150 in three weeks' general ishing.

ARE FATHER'S QUALITIES INHERITED AT BIRTH?

Many Geniuses Have Equally Brilliant Sons to Carry on Career-Exceptions Also Frequent

Scientific studies of heredity are showing some very interesting and unexpected results. We know that the typical character of a man undergoes variations at different periods of a to "take after" his father. But we notice, often with surprise, that capacities that were dominant in a father, which gave him sometimes great reputation, frequently are en-

tirely lacking in his son. Literary distinction, genius in any particular, which distinguished a certain father are quite frequently sent in the case of his son. In wondering at this we fail to take note he "made his mark." After patient left hand. investigation science has come to the conclusion that the son inherits from his father only the qualities that were the fingers into the teat, is an undominant at the time of his birth.

father's type of mental energy that was dominant at the time of the son's birth is shown to be substantiated by of manipulating his fingers which he history and biography. An author presents a classified list of world celebrites together with the ages of their respective fathers at the time of their parte, Charlemange, Grant, Hannibal, Pompey and Roosevelt were all born when their fathers were at the age of less than thirty-one, the age of militarism and aggressiveness.

Genius at Thirty-one

a moralist and prophet, would rule the The quail's decreasing numbers world by the sword; also that General

THE REPORTER'S TRIALS

Some of the Questions and Suggestions Hurled at Newspapermen

These are given as some of the

chloride fiends:

must be awfully fascinating.

suit yourself. 3. Remember this is confidential.

lot easier for you reporters.

an't sign your name to your articles. 7. Give us a good write-up, won't

psperman are you, anyway? 9. I just called up .. give you an length.

item for the paper. 19. Don't you have a lot of exciting

experiences? Or can't you?

12. Have a cigar?

14. I want to see the editor.

15. I have nothing to say. 16. Who wrote that piece in the

17. All reporters have to know shorthand, don't they?

The Growth of the Hydro

During 1914 approximately 260 miles of low-tension wood pole lines were constructed in Ontario by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, consisting of about 245 miles in the Niagara District and 15 miles in the eastern merely with headstones, there are section of the Province. The rightmany of them which have substantial of-way department was engaged conmonuments. It is not infrequently tinuously in this connection, arrangthe case that these plots are locked ing pole and tree trimming rights, etc. after almost as carefully as if they These lines are purchased on the 30held the bodies of human beings, year easement plan. Some 700 tarm-There are dogs and monkeys, par- ers have been dealt with, agreements rots, cats, and various other animals, taken and the consideration paid, al

for experimental purposes, it found that in twelve year a depth added to the surface by worm cast- to be kept rich by the application of ings. The original surface had

STEED IN MILKING

right hand, writes W. I. Thomas, of up all right again. Drumheller, Alberta, Until I began of this greater speed of my left hand short, everything is lovely. only as a curious incident, as I am ight-handed and should milk faster day for an extended visit with her with the right hand if there is to be son, Wellington. a difference at all. It struck me that I ought to bring my right hand up to ious illness of Mrs. Matt. Barber of my left and so get through with the the gravel road. Hope she may be milking earlier. Accordingly, I took speedily restored to good health long life, and that the son is likely to studying the difference between again. my left and right hand milking.

When I first started to milk I had an impression that the best results would be gained by pressing the ends of my fingers directly in towards the centre of the teat. As I follow the usual custom of milking on the right side of the cow, my left hand does not readily come into position to follow my early motion and the right hand does. Consequently I clasp my left fingers farther around the teat with less curve in the ingers. once, when I noticed this, I could milk of the period in the father's life when as fast with my right as with my

I am now altogether certain that clasping the fingers well around the teat so as not to press the ends of failing rule for fast milking. It might That the son will partake of the be influenced by the size, length and shape of the fingers, but I am very certain that if a person is a slow milker, it is due to some inapt method could discover and correct if he went nowadays.

STRAW COLOR VS. WHITE

has been claimed that feeding yellow Mr. Piercie Cornish has moved corn is the cause of straw color in to the house he rented in Orchard the plumage of white feathered fowl. and possibly he may enter the It is difficult to believe that corn has arena for mayor of that burg for At the age of thirty-one to forty, anything whatever to do neither has the iron in the soil, as anything whatever to do 'th it; another year. It is estimated that a single quail the artistic age, their fathers present one writer puts it. No one really for a white bird to throw this straw color. It is no sign of impurity. For all that, a straw colored bird

Hessian flies in its craw, and the Hes- men these were born when their pen unless there are a number of sian fly causes a loss of \$20,000,000 fathers were urged from forty-one to other qualities in the bird that are worth more to the flock. In mating for the fancy, of course, straw color longer. chiavelli, Webster. Great names in would be objectionable. But when It is not enough to protect the song philosophy born when their fathers mating for carcass, or for size, color records, do not sacrifice a bird for mere appearance sake.

It has also been said, but not provdepends upon the method of breed withstood the shock well, and a much greater period than 400 ment less than 30 years.

YOUR WRIST WATCH

Remarkably Minute Parts in Simple Watch of Soldiers

It is a marvel of minute workmanreasons why reporters become bi- ship. It is one of the most wonderful things the human hand fashions. The 1. I should think newspaper work pivot of the balance wheel has a diameter measured by the two-hundredth part of an inch, and, more marvellous 2. Now I'm just telling you what still, in order that the pivot may have appened. You can write it up to free play, the jewel hole into which It fits is exactly one five thousandth part of an inch larger. The guage which enables this to be done meas-4. Will this be in to-morrow's ures to the ten-thousandth part of an inch. But not only are the screws of 5. The linotype must make things a watch as minute as its bolts, but they have a thread just like the big screws you drive into the door, but C. I just think it's a shame you the thread of the watch's screw has as many as 260 turns to the inch. What is called a pallet jewel in a watch weighs a pound when there are 150,-000 of them, and of the roller jewel it Don't know the latest news from | would need 256,000. The largest round hair-spring stud in your watch it the four-hundredth of an inch in diameter and nine-hundredths of an inch in

OTTAWA'S ARCHITECT

11. Yes, I'm an old newspaperman Same Man Designed Burned Buildings and Albany Capitol

In the London Times Mr. Vessey 13. Now try to get the names right, Knox has the following letter: "It is curious that two of the finest buildings in the New World should both have been designed by the same architect and should both have been burned down. Thomas Fuller was an Englishman, born at Bath, who emigrated to Canada in 1857. His design for the Parliament Building at Ottawa was accepted in competition in 1857. In 1867 his design (jointly with Augustus Laver) for the Capitol at Albany was accepted—also in competition. It would be difficult to imagine two buildings more unlike than the lavish structure in the style of the French Renaissance which overlooked the Hudson and the severe and simple building on an even finer site by the Ottawa. But both had great merits."

> Canadian Woods Only In order to encourage the use of Canadian hardwoods for interior de-

coration, Lord Shaughnessy has sued instructions to use nothing but Canadian forest products in the sleeping, parlor, dining and observation cars in the offices and hotel buildings of the Canadian Pacific Railways. This decision was made only after careful consideration and experiment. Lord Shaughnessy has had samples of all Canadian hardwoods treated at the Angus Shops in Montreal, where selected specimens were tested with polishes, stains, etc., and the results minute stones that grind the food. showed that Canadian woods compar-On one piece of ground kept especially ed very favorably with imported

> An abundance or moisture is needed for roses, but not swamps. Soils need

BLYTH'S CORNERS.

Most of the farmers in the neighborhood have begun their spring work. The land is very wet I have often noticed that I milked after the snow and rain of last faster with my left than with my week, but is beginning to work

Fall wheat and newly seeded to eliminate all false moves I thought meadows give big promise, in Mrs. John Thompson left to-

We are sorry to report the ser-

Rev. B M. Smith was able to occupy his pulpit in Knox church on Sunday. He got rather a severe shaking up in his brief illness Mr. Piercie Cornish's sale on Friday last was -a splendid success, notwithstanding the unfavorable day. A -large crowd was present and everything sold high -cows from \$75 up, winter calves \$25 each, young cattle from \$60 to \$70 and sucking pigs \$5.25 each. and chunks of pigs \$10. All told. we are informed the sale amounted to \$3600. Auctioneer -McPhail was just slightly over three hours selling from start to finish. He's Hielan, ye ken. That accounts for

Mr. Chas. Halliday took a notion some time ago to go braking on the railroad, but appears to have sickened of the job and has returned home again. Even railroading isn't in it with farming

Lieut. Tommy Allan visited at the old home over the week end and attended Knox church on Sunday. Tommy is a nifty looking soldier and should, if called upon, Causes and Effects of Color in Various give a good account of himself. Our beefring begins the season

again on Good Friday. It is a 32-A veteran poultryman writes: It cattle ring and works successfully.

KEEPING THINGS HOT.

When potatoes or other vegetables are cooked, drain and cover tightly, then wrap the kettle in newspapers and set in the oven without fire. They will keep steaming hot for an hour or

BOTH LEGS OFF.

Mr. Solomon Hardy, a wealthy Culross farmer, who had his left with the stamina of a bird. At any three years ago in the Bruce counrate it has been a fact in the writer's ty hospital, for gangrene, was birds did not always give the strong, amoutated for the same malady on ton Times. or less tinged with straw, but that of Walkerton, assisted by Dr. Tav- JAPAN LEADS IN FORESTRY. this is due to the absence of the lor of Hanover performing the opstraw color, I do not believe. The eration in the hospital here. The health and vigor of a fowl largely patient, who is 78 years of age.

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experience that absolutely white obliged to have his remaining leg seems likely to recover .- Walker- years, and it is this work that

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