

ODD WAYS OF THE BEAVER

HOW HE MANAGES TO STAY UNDER WATER IN WINTER.

Interesting Information About This Busy Little Animal.

The current number of Rod and Gun in Canada has an article on the habits of the beaver in which the writer, Frank H. Risteen, tells some interesting things about that most interesting of North American animals.

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A VERY SLOW SWIMMER

His front legs hang by his sides, and he uses only his webbed hind feet for purposes of swimming. It is easy to capture one in a canoe if you can find him in shoal water.

A Run Down System.

SHOWS THAT THE BLOOD AND NERVES NEED TONING UP.

This Condition Causes More Genuine Suffering Than One Can Imagine.

When the case or point is frozen over a beaver will come up to the under surface of the ice and expel his breath so that it will form a wide, flat bubble.

LEAVING HER KITTENS.

They were so young that I had no way of feeding them, so released them in the hope that the mother might find them.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

Mrs. Hunskeep—Goodness! This meat is absolutely raw. This neck is wretched; she never cooks anything half enough.

Germany has now 19 millions more people than France, and France has 3 millions more than Italy.

Nervous old Invalid—Well, Miss Nipper, I think it's quite time the passage walls were repaired!

A doctor giving advice to a patient who was a furious smoker, said—Never smoke cigars without using an amber mouthpiece.

TRIPLES WITH HISTORIES

KNICK-KNACKS WHICH TELL OF HUMAN TRIAGEDIES.

Disasters of Long Ago Brought to Mind by the Finding of Relics.

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MIND THE DETAILS

Of some forgotten tragedy. Hunting for sea-birds' eggs in the cliffs near the harbor of Mendoza, in South America, two boys from the British ship "Emerald" saw something shining in the cleft far above the high-water mark.

THE ELUNG HIMSELF

heart and soul into the cause of the King and Queen.

SIXTEEN HANDS HIGH.

The creams, like the blacks, are of Continental extraction, although for many years both have been bred at Hampton Court.

ACTUALLY RAISING HIS CLUB

with a shriek and a roar, a shell swept in from the sea, and burst among the savages.

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HE WOULD'NT DO.

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SMART BOY.

Huh! exclaimed Mr. Rox, after reading his morning mail, "our boy's college education is making him too blamed smart."

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ings nearly sixty years ago, Russian droskies, a French char-a-banc, and many other historic vehicles, which ? the King will treasure in memory of his mother.

KNEW SHE WOULD COME BACK. A young man who looked as if he might be twenty-five years old, was sitting in the waiting room of the railway station.

At this point a waiting passenger a fat and amiable looking man, crossed the room and said to the distressed baby-tender:

"A young woman gave you that baby to hold while she went to see about her luggage, didn't she?"

Yes. You expect her back, I suppose? Of course.

Ha, ha! Excuse me, but I can't help laughing. A woman once played the same trick on me. You're a cunning young man. She took you for a greenhorn.

Oh, she'll come back, answered the young man, as he looked anxiously around.

She will, eh? Ha, ha, ha! What makes you think so?

Why, because she's my wife, and this is our first day at home. Oh—um—I see; I muttered the fat man, and he was in such haste to get back to the other side of the room that he nearly fell over a passing pug dog.

WAY FREIGHT HOTEL

PROPRIETOR OF THE POPULAR MONTREAL HOSTELRY TALKS ABOUT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Used Them Some Years Ago for a Bad Case of Kidney Weakness. Recommends Them Highly to All Those Who Are Worried by any Urinary Sediment.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Dan W. Allan, proprietor of the Way Freight Hotel here, made a strong statement about the well-known remedy Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Mr. Allan's hotel is at 433 St. James street and enjoys considerable popularity with railroad men.

Some of the latter were discussing ailments peculiar to engineers, brakemen, firemen, conductors, and train crews generally. It was acknowledged that the greatest difficulty a railway man has to contend with is Kidney Trouble.

The continual jarring of the train weakens the filters of the system and various forms of Kidney Trouble result.

"Every man that works in an engine cab or on any part of a railroad train ought to use Dodd's Kidney Pills," said one man.

"Ar, Dodd's Kidney Pills, what they're cracked up to be, though?"

"Yes, sir," returned the first emphatically, "Dodd's Kidney Pills are what they're cracked up to be, and I'll leave it to Mr. Allan."

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Allan, "I firmly believe Dodd's Kidney Pills will do everything that is claimed for them. They are a genuine medicinal preparation to their high rank and duties."

The blacks, which are of Dutch origin, are still larger and finer, many of them being between seven and eight hands high.

The Palace Road side of the quadrangle is devoted to the carriage-horses, about thirty in number, nearly all magnificent bays averaging about seventeen hands, and all equal to fourteen mites in the hour.

In the coach-houses on the east side of the quadrangle are to be seen some of the most costly and magnificent carriages in Europe, including the gorgeous State-coach which after forty years of disuse, was seen at the opening of Parliament some months ago by King Edward VII.

It is interesting to note that this gorgeous coach is eight yards long, 15 feet in height, and weighs no less than

FOUR TONS. The carving on it cost over \$7,500, the gliding nearly \$5,000, and the coach-maker's bill was \$8,305.

But this truly regal, if not very comfortable, coach is only one among many distasteful carriages of more subdued splendour. The semi-State coach which was built by a Lord Mayor of Dublin is a beautiful vehicle in all the glory of "laka, vermillion, and gold, surmounted by one large centre crown and four smaller ones, one at each corner of the roof. The hammer-cloth is a gorgeous arrangement of purple, scarlet, and gold, embossed with the royal arms.

For State purposes there are also a dozen other coaches of lake and vermillion in decoration, with similar regal hammer-cloths and crowned tops.

Perhaps the most interesting of these royal carriages is the comparatively plain landau which the Queen invariably used in London, and to which she remains loyal during the last quarter of a century of her life.

The Windsor stables are almost equally interesting, with their magnificent greys and their army of carriages of all degrees of statelyness and simplicity. Here may be seen Queen Victoria's favorite garden chair, low, four-wheeled, and canopied, which used to be drawn by Black Sam, the Queen's favorite Exmoor pony.

Here, too, are the large, high phaetons, the favorite carriage of Prince Consort, religiously preserved in his memory; the odd-looking basket-carriage in which the infant Prince of Wales took his air-

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NOTABLE CLIMB OF A BRIDE.

Ascent of Mount Sir Donald, in the Selkirk, by a Woman.

The Matterhorn of the Selkirks, Mount Sir Donald, has at last been ascended by a woman, says a letter from Glacier, B.C. Only about a dozen men have succeeded in getting to the highest point of this pyramid of stone with its needle point piercing the sky at an elevation of 10,700 feet, although many have come from all parts of the globe to attempt its ascent.

There are higher mountains, but few on this continent so difficult of ascent, and so small a woman, a bride, not more than five feet two inches high, and weighing only 96 pounds, has succeeded where strong and experienced mountaineers have failed.

Mr. and Mrs. Berens of Kent, England, are on a bridal tour around the world. Mrs. Berens learned of the other evening that no woman had ever climbed to the top of Sir Donald. She had never done any mountain climbing except she had ascended Mount Stephen, but only to the fossil beds, which is an easy ascent. Neither had she suitable clothing.

She donned her husband's breeches cut as to come a little above the knees, but, womanlike, stuck to her pink shirt waist. This shining mark enabled the interested spectators to watch through the long telescope her progress over seracs, crevasses, and the most difficult kind of rock work.

Accompanied by her husband and two experienced Swiss guides stationed at Glacier, B.C., the party left at 3.10 in the morning, and after spending a little more than an hour on the extreme summit, returned at 5.30 amid the cheers of the spectators.

Mrs. Berens was apparently none the worse for the trip and appeared at dinner at usual. She was so modest concerning her achievement that she was with great difficulty induced to speak of it. She thinks there are at least 3,000 peaks and as many glaciers visible from the top of Sir Donald. She had any number of narrow escapes. Once the snow cornice upon which she was sauntering gave way and precipitated her, luckily, upon a huge bank of snow many feet below.

She climbed perpendicular walls saturated with the waters from the melting snows and fell into a crevice at one time, from which the guides, to whom she was roped, rescued her.

At another time she slipped upon the ice and was held dangling over a precipice, and had the guides not held her would have fallen several thousand feet to the rocks below.

She says she had simply determined to go to the top, and she did; but she does not advise any other bride to spend her honeymoon that way nor any other woman to make the trip.

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