

FIGHTING CYCLONE 8,000 FEET UP IN AIR

EXPERIENCES DURING A BIG THUNDERSTORM

Navigator in Plane Describes Thrilling Descent to Calm and Sunshine.

An observer in an airplane describing an experience in a storm thousands of feet above the earth writes: "The sky was strewn with the remnants of a morning cirrus, as the climb was made carefully but swiftly on the wings of a warm wind. Eight thousand feet were reached with the merest effort. The salient features of the countryside could be picked out without glasses. The air had a milky tinge, but it was such as the eye could 'speak' through, and it gave no impression of the moisture with which it must have been heavy. It seemed warm and brilliant, and as the machine throbbled its way through it two warm slip streams flowed back over the wind screen.

"Some time must have elapsed before the pilot, in twisting the craft round to a new direction, caught a glimpse of a livid purple-gray bank of clouds which had crept up from the south. It had come quite unheralded, but although the sight was not attractive, there seemed neither cause for alarm nor need for a premature descent. Even the growing rumble of thunder at a great distance, which came at last, failed to disconcert, and the airplane soared on with bracing wires singing and the engine in deep, full-throated roar.

Storm Burst Suddenly.

"Then, without further warning, the storm broke in full fury. A mighty crash of thunder, which seemed to deafen and deaden and almost shake the machine out of the sky, was accompanied by a wild burst of hail and rain which washed the machine mercilessly and made it toss from one side to the other like a cork on the surface of the sea. In a steaming cloak of rain and mist it was impossible for the eye to see the ground.

"Peal after peal of thunder followed in swift succession between vivid flashes of furious summer lightning. The heavens had opened to pour forth the accumulated passion of centuries. At nearly 7,000 feet up it would be suicidal to descend into the unknown and unseen. Which was safer—air or land? To the pilot, anxious almost beyond endurance, came the thought, in common to every flying man, of fire in the air; and as if to confirm this horror a flash in a moment illuminated the whole machine as though it were caught in the probing beam of a searchlight at night. The sky was rent from vault to horizon by a vivid streak of electric fire. The indicating fingers on the navigation instruments oscillated wildly.

Quivers Like a Wounded Bird.

It seemed the last moment; but it passed, and still the machine was air-worthy. The hail still tore fiercely at the fabric of the planes; the machine was becoming more and more unstable; but it still hummed on. Down below a cloud of vapor made it impossible to see the earth or to sight a stretch of ground whereon to land. The thunder broke with unabated fury at regular intervals, and at each onslaught the machine quivered like a wounded bird.

"If the pilot continued to fly on it could only be a matter of moments before all control of the craft would be wrested from his hands. It was equally hazardous to plunge down into the sea of mist in total ignorance of the lie of the land beneath. But to the latter course only could a shred of hope cling. The engine therefore was suddenly shut off and the nose of the machine dropped.

"By the altimeter, watched feverishly, the descent of a few thousand feet seemed to take many minutes. In the thick of a swirling mist a sudden and violent contact with the earth was momentarily expected. But down—down; until at what seemed the critical second there came a sudden rush of steady grateful air from a region of smiling content and peacefulness, with the earth a thousand feet below. There was no sunshine, but there was also no storm. It had been a cyclone of the upper regions only."

What Size Do You Take?

Few people understand the meanings of the numbers and sizes on articles of clothing. In hats and caps the size is one-half the sum total of the long and short diameters of the head. In other words, if your head measures 13 1/2 in., your size in hats is 6 1/2. The size in gloves indicates the number of inches round the knuckles when the hand is closed. The length in inches of your foot is the "number" you take in socks. In women's hose the length of the leg is usually three times the length of the foot. If a woman's foot measures 9 in., her size in shoes is 2. Every quarter of an inch above 8 1/2 increases the size by one. A man with a foot 11 in. long should wear size 7 boots. The size increases by one in every 1/4 in. in men's foot-wear.

Paderewski could play the piano when three years old.

CLOTHES FOR THE SCHOOL BOY



9551 9264

9556—Boy's Suit (knickerbocker trousers). Price, 25 cents. In 5 sizes, 6 to 14 years. Size 8 requires 2 1/2 yds. 36 ins. wide, or 1 3/4 yds. 51 ins. wide; lining for coat, 1 1/2 yds. 36 ins. wide; waistband and inside pocket, 1/2 yd. 36 ins. wide.

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Old Ocean's Bed.

To an enormous extent the bed of the ocean is covered with lava and pumice stone. Still more remarkable is it to find a floor of the ocean covered in many parts with the dust of meteorites.

These bodies whirl about in the heavens like miniature comets, and are for the most part broken into innumerable fragments.

We are all familiar with these heavenly visitants as shooting stars; but it has been only lately discovered that this cosmic dust forms layers at the bottom of the deepest seas.

Between Honolulu and Tahiti, at a depth of 2,350 fathoms—over two miles and a half—a vast layer of this material exists.

Falling upon land this impalpable dust is indistinguishable, but accumulating for centuries in the sea depths, it forms a wondrous story of the continuous bombardment of this planet by conetary bodies.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

When a "shooting star" passes athwart the sky it leaves behind it a shining streamer. We do not notice the fact, but astronomers say that the streamer sometimes remains visible for fifteen minutes or more.

At first the streamer is a vivid green or scarlet streak. Presently it assumes a snaky form, becoming more serpentine and irregular until it vanishes.

Belief is entertained that the meteor leaves behind it a tube-shaped layer of highly heated air, which expands and is finally dissipated. The atmosphere along its track is electrified by the transit of the celestial projectile, and is thereby rendered brightly phosphorescent. Air currents blow the tube about, producing the snaky effect.

Her Soldier.

Dear and young, here's the prayer I pray for you: Heaven be full of new life and play for you! Swift as an arrow, light as a swallow! So may we find you, boy, when we follow.

FREQUENT HEADACHES

A Sure Sign That the Blood is Watery and Impure.

People with thin blood are much more subject to headaches than full-blooded persons, and the form of anaemia that afflicts growing girls is almost always accompanied by headaches, together with disturbance of the digestive organs.

Whenever you have constant or recurring headaches and pallor of the face, they show that the blood is thin and your efforts should be directed toward building up your blood. A fair treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will do this effectively, and the rich red blood made by these pills will remove the headache.

More disturbances to the health are caused by their blood than most people have any idea of. When your blood is impoverished, the nerves suffer from lack of nourishment, and you may be troubled with insomnia, neuritis, neuralgia or sciatica. Muscles subject to strain are undernourished and you may have muscular rheumatism or lumbago. If your blood is thin and you begin to show symptoms of any of these disorders, try building up the blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and as the blood is restored to its normal condition every symptom of the trouble will disappear. There are more people who owe their present state of good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills than to any other medicine, and most of them do not hesitate to say so.

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Irish Punctuality.

The following story is the experience of a woman who travelled a good deal in Ireland before the war:

Although she was naturally punctual, she had grown a trifle careless through familiarity with the easy-going manner in which the tables seemed to be turned. One day she arrived at a small country station just too late, but she was not at all behind her mistress.

She dashed frantically down the platform, waving her bag and umbrella, but the train glided away just ahead of her, gathering a breathless left her at last hopeless and abashed as the real and a good deal of race yet. The sight of the spectacular quality of her vain sprint. She turned, panting, to encounter the station master, who was holding out a magazine that she had dropped.

"Sure, thin," he told her sympathetically. "It's no wonder you're hurried, ma'am—and a grand race you made of it—yourself near enough at the step, savin' only the width of a pig's ear. They'd not be having the hearts of men in thin not to stop for ye. But that's how it is, ma'am, once folks do get bewitched with the word 'punctual'."

Punctuality be hanged and the respect due a lady! Meeself would have held the train for ye a minute, and nobody the worse, the days when I ran me engine; but these new lads, they stick to the time-table, worse luck, and a fine nuisance they make of themselves. And thin well know the day! I'd not blame ye, ma'am, if ye writ a complaint to the management. 'Tis scandalous!"

Although the traveller did not complain, she admits that she found his point of view convincing. Much to her amusement, it was her fortune shortly afterwards to hear it emphatically echoed by an old Irishwoman who, loaded with bundles and baskets and carrying a live duck, missed a train much as she had done, except that the old woman's run was a waddle, and what a bystander picked up for her was not a magazine but a squawking and flapping duck. The old woman turned upon those who had gathered about her eye of incredulous indignation.

"And the by that drives the engine me own son!" she proclaimed. "Black shame on him for desertin' and abandonin' his mother, and him knowin' well the thrain I was to take and the state of the rod and the lameness of old Maggie's forefeet! Niver would I have believed that my by Thaddy could play his mother such a trick!"

"Whist, woman, he couldn't help himself!" some one suggested. "He had to run her on schedule." "And if schedules are to be allowed

to upset the duties of bys to their mothers," cried the old woman wrathfully, "thin the devil fly away wid the schedules!"

A murmur of sympathetic applause greeted the wish. "In which," confessed the traveller, "I felt an unholy desire to join. Sometimes I do get tired of schedules!"

Door-Steps.

A doorstep should be made To face the West

So that When a man is through

He can sit And watch the sun go down And say:

Go along With you! My Job's done!

Random Remarks.

To be a Christian is no mug's game.

—Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard.

Meet us of are humbugs, not from wicked motives, but from lack of character.—Mr. A. G. Gardner.

A man will tell his wife everything in the world except how much money he is getting.—Lady Astor, M.P.

People are not saving half as much as they should. Everyone should save, from the office-boy to the millionaire.

—Sir Robert Kindersley.

I have no patience with model young men. Model young men delight their mothers' hearts and ruin their wives' tempers.—Mr. Edgar Saltus.

Difficulties exist only to be overcome; anything that presents difficulties is generally worth the effort spent in their solution.—Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour.

No one will ever persuade me that a girl who cannot do housework and cook well is anything but a fool, and just a devil's trap for men folk.—Rev. Walter Mitchell.

SUMMER COMPLAINTS KILL LITTLE ONES

At the first sign of illness during the hot weather give the little ones Baby's Own Tablets or in a few hours they may be beyond aid. These Tablets will prevent summer complaints if given occasionally to the well child and will promptly relieve these troubles if they come on suddenly.

Baby's Own Tablets should always be kept in every home where there are young children. There is no other medicine as good and the mother has the guarantee of a government analyst that they are absolutely safe. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A Small Price.

At last little Freddy was allowed to visit grandpa all alone. They were great friends, and had long waited for the great day.

Freddy had the time of his life. Grandpa saw that he wanted for nothing. The small boy ate more cream buns in those three days than he would otherwise have done in three years, while his pockets bulged all the time with sweets.

But there comes an end to everything, and Freddy went home again, pale yellow of complexion, and languid and feverish. Mother promptly sent for the doctor, who ordered him to bed, and sent him some very unpleasant, but doubtless healing, medicine.

Grandpa came next day and was permitted to creep upstairs to see how the sufferer was faring. He found the small boy lying wan and pale on his pillow, but received a watery smile as a welcome.

"Oh, grandpa," said the weak little voice, "I've been awfully bad—but it was worth it!"

MONEY ORDERS.

Remit by Dominion Express Money Order. If lost or stolen you get your money back.

What Kisses Microbes Do.

"You claim there are microbes in kisses?" she asked the young doctor. "There are," he said. "What disease do they bring?" she asked.

"Palpitation of the heart."

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere

Careful Hubby. They hadn't been married very long and, strange to relate, both their birthdays fell on the same date. But already he had learnt a thing or two about the shopping propensities of the fair sex. So he tackled the subject of presents manfully.

"Darling," he said lovingly, "we mustn't have any acrols from each other, now, must we?"

"No, sweetheart!" she cooed gladly. "Well, duckiest," he went on "if you will tell me exactly how much you intend to spend on a present for me, I shall be able to work out how much I shall have left to buy one for you."

Father (endeavoring to blend instruction and amusement): "Yes, children, Mr. Lloyd George saved his country, just as Joan of Arc saved France." Bright Child: "And when are they going to burn Mr. Lloyd George, daddy?"

A good life is nothing more than a lot of days lived well.

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SUMMER ASTHMA— HAY FEVER

—sleepless nights, constant sneezing, streaming eyes, wheezy breathing—
RAZ-MAH

brings relief. Put up in capsules, easily swallowed. Sold by reliable druggists for a dollar. Ask our agents or send card for free sample to Templeton's, 142 King St. W., Toronto.

Plant Pick-Me-Ups.

A farm and garden machine of great ingenuity is now being tested in the South of England.

Its function is to bestow a pick-me-up of the cheapest and most stimulating sort to every seed put into the ground.

As it is drawn along it punctures a little hole, drops in a single seed from one cylinder, and simultaneously a pinch of artificial manure from another. The hole is immediately filled in, and from a third cylinder falls a pinch of powdered lime, which encourages the beneficent bacteria that assist growth.

If hopes are justified, the machine would save a fourth of the usual amount of seed and an immense deal of artificial manure.

Montreal, May 29th, '09. Minard's Liniment Co., Limited.

Yarmouth, N.S. Gentlemen,—I beg to let you know that I have used MINARD'S LINIMENT for some time, and I find it the best I have ever used for the joints and muscles.

Yours very truly,
THOMAS J. HOGAN.
The Champion Clog and Pedestal
Dancer of Canada.

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Whether or not the man is already married is of no consequence, as one wife is not the legal limit.

"DANDERINE" FOR FALLING HAIR

For a few cents you can save your hair and double its beauty

Not Aspirin at All without the "Bayer Cross"

For Colds, Pain, Rheumatism, Aching Joints, Lumbago, Sciatica, Neuritis, and for Headache, Neuralgia, Toothache, Earache, take Aspirin marked with the name "Bayer" or Handy tin boxes containing 12 tablets cost but a few cents. Druggists accept only "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" in an unbroken "Bayer" package which contains complete directions. Then you are getting real Aspirin—the genuine Aspirin prescribed by physicians for over nine-tenths of the world.

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BITS OF HUMOR

FROM HERE & THERE

The Irish of it. Mary—"Sure, Mike, ye're a boy at me own heart!"

Mike—"Darlint!"

Mary—"But yez won't get it."

How He Felt. "Did my husband appear to miss me during the month I was away, Mary?"

One asked a matron. "Well, ma'am, at first he was in very high spirits, but about a week ago he became less cheerful, and yesterday, ma'am, he was just miserable."

Poor Cow. The seventeen-year-old daughter of a city man was visiting a farm for the first time.

She immediately became interested in the prize cattle, and asked many questions.

One evening, just at dusk, as the girl was standing at the open door of the farmhouse talking to the manager, there came the low, mournful note of a cow.

"Just listen to that poor cow," said the girl, "mewing for her colt."

Lift off Corns!

Doesn't hurt a bit and Freezons costs only a few cents.

Freezons is a simple system. A prisoner in any jail in the kingdom may gain freedom and pardon by marrying one of the king's charges, and as many eagerly take advantage of the right as there are available freedom-bringing maids.

Whether or not the man is already married is of no consequence, as one wife is not the legal limit.

Yours very truly,
THOMAS J. HOGAN.
The Champion Clog and Pedestal
Dancer of Canada.

If you want to make life a harmony, hit the note "Do!"

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