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### Newest Notes Of Science

French doctors have invented a form of banana flour for use as a tonic.

To save space the lower part of a new kitchen cabinet contains an ice chest.

Electrical apparatus for removing impurities from clay has been developed in Europe.

A hinged lever operated by a thumb pushes hot food from the end of a new cooking fork.

Using radium, a European scientist has forced woody plants to bud in dormant seasons.

A device to enable one armed persons to play cards is the idea of a New York inventor.

The Mexican government is planning to establish 33 new radio stations in the near future.

For carpenters a work bench has been invented which can be folded and carried in a tool chest.

Trinidad lizards are raised to prey upon insects which seriously damage growing sugar cane.

An upholstered window seat has been invented that can be converted into a couch or full size bed.

Scotch makers have produced a rough paper from reeds which grow abundantly along a river near Dundee.

Ink is fed to a new fountain pen through a flexible tube from a reservoir strapped to a writer's wrist.

High grade talc, in a deposit believed to be most inexhaustible, has been discovered in the Transvaal.

The face of a new washboard is composed of numerous wooden rollers instead of a corrugated metal surface.

Enjoying practically a monopoly of the world's supply of jute, India is planning to extend its cultivation.

Tongs for picking up potatoes without requiring a man to bend to the ground, are a Minnesota inventor's idea.

In proportion to population Serbia leads the nations for centenarians, Ireland ranking next and then Spain.

Equipped with what might be called an elongated dust pan, a new rake gathers all debris from finely kept lawns.

South Africa, with 67 mines in operation, exported more than a million tons of coal last year for the first time.

On the principle of the hydraulic press is a portable machine for mounting and demounting heavy motor truck tires.

Using ordinary coal tar as a basis, a factory in Europe is turning out about 200 tons of artificial rubber daily.

An inventor has patented a decorative metal band and handle to replace the handle of a tea cup that has been broken.

The French government of Cochín, China, will experiment with caterpillar tractors in the cultivation of rice fields.

In a new toy swing, which can be suspended indoors from a door frame a child is seated on the figure of an elephant.

Acetylene is used extensively for illuminations in Denmark that nearly 200 types of lamps have been invented there.

Its inventor has patented a portable receptacle in which leaves and other rubbish can be burned as it is wheeled about.

A process has been developed in Australia for using pulverized lignite for steam generation and metallurgical purposes.

A hair brush and mirror and combined in a two part metal pocket case which separates as a button on one side is pressed.

With a wicker body and driven by an aerial propeller, an automobile built in England is light enough for two men to carry.

Guard rails raised by compressed air have been installed on California ferries to prevent automobiles running overboard.

Paris's underground railway has installed a number of cars without seats for the convenience of passengers with bulky parcels.

Transportation of music from one key to another has been simplified by the invention of an instrument resembling a slide rule.

For catching certain game fish Japanese fishermen use lines made of wild cocoon silk, which is practically invisible in water.

Screwdrivers of three sizes are carried inside the handle of a new hammer and can be screwed on the end of the handle for use.

Statistics compiled by Italian scientists have corroborated a theory that more earthquakes occur at night than in daylight hours.

For sterilizing water in large quantities a portable chlorinator has been invented that supplies chlorine gas at any desired rate.

A chemical treatment for soiled absorbent cotton, permitting it to be used a second time, has been developed by a French scientist.

A holder for electric lamp shades has been invented which is claimed to be proof against vibration from machinery or street traffic.

Successful experiments have

been made with the production of alcohol economically from a palm which grows prolifically in Australia.

An inventor has patented a motor driven machine to pick nuts from the ground and convey them into a container, saving much hand labor.

Recent official Swedish figures placed the number of sheep in that country at about 1,200,000, the property of about 300,000 persons.

To rid chickens of insects an inventor has patented a box in which a fowl is confined while a fan drives a powder beneath its feathers.

LISTENING TO MUSIC.

It is, apparently, very difficult to listen to music in a room full of people without feeling self-conscious.

The young person in pink is asked to play. She consents. She begins. Que diable allait-il faire? One man fixes an eye on the shiny knob of a poker and keeps it fixed till the piece is over. Another looks at his boots.

A perfect lady plunges her head between her hand and sits wrapped in it—is it admiration or despair? Someone else keeps time, wagging neck or ankle. Everyone, obviously, is ill-at-ease.

And when it is all over, what are you to say? If the young person in pink is a confessed amateur, perhaps "Thank you so much," will pass. But if she's one of those outrageous professionalists? It is not easy to burst into rhapsodies of unfeigned enthusiasm.

Perhaps the best thing is to say nothing at all. To be struck speechless. To draw just one deep breath. And then silence. Silence is golden. And frightfully useful.

Southern Ontario Gas Co. customers have been notified that their supply will be cut off Nov. 1st.

A. G. Mitchell, Owen Sound, has a raspberry bush that is now yielding its third crop this year.

The Western Golf Association has effected drastic changes in the playing rules.

Silence is an excellent remedy for gossip.



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