

FAMOUS "COUSIN PEGGY."

To Be Affectionately Cared for in Her Declining Years.

Her Former Owner Buys Her Back for Twenty-Five Dollars—Was the Dame of the Great Geraldine.

Sentiment pure and simple prompted Porter Ashe to pay \$25 for his old horse mare, "Cousin Peggy" at the sale of horses in Kal's yard the other evening. The horse was stood around the stall of a scrapping hand organ. The youngsters were "tiring the goat" according to the ritual of Omega secret society, while an initiatory committee of the organization's members peered from behind a neighboring building and laughed in glee.

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FUN AT STUDENTS' EXPENSE.

Claed as Twins They Grind an Organ for the Coeds.

Cood residents on the University of Chicago campus stood at their dormitory windows and giggled continuously for about 15 minutes the other afternoon. Two beardless freshmen, Edwin Poulsen and Charles Halsey, were the victims of the merriment. They were standing on the campus sod below, turned to the crank of a screeching hand organ. The youngsters were "tiring the goat" according to the ritual of Omega secret society, while an initiatory committee of the organization's members peered from behind a neighboring building and laughed in glee.

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Their faces, like the reddest poppies that ever grew, their limbs trembling like the wings of Omaha ariplane, the boys drew up in front of Kell hall. The lads took turns at the crank. They got along pretty fairly until the time came to scour the dormitories for money. This they were obliged to get, or they could not become full-fledged Omegas. With faltering footsteps they slunk into the corridor. They rapped at all the doors and their entreaty was ever the same: "Please, miss, give me a penny."

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TO RIVY MONTE CARLO.

King of Belgium Hears His Splendid Chateau for Gambling Parcours.

The recent visit of King Leopold of Belgium to London had for its object, it now appears, to conclude a contract by the terms of which a syndicate rents for a number of years the king's splendid chateau in Ardenne for use as a gambling club.

The grounds and park are exquisitely attractive and the king is to build a large hotel adjoining the chateau. The promoters seriously believe that the place will rival Monte Carlo. No one apparently protests against this extension of gambling dens in Belgium, which are becoming unsavory. At such places the gambling, however, is running high now over an exhibition lottery in which recently a journeyman mason of Charleroi won 100,000 francs (\$20,000).

Each chief prize has so far fallen to a laborer and the result is that the working classes are universally investing their savings of years in the lottery.

HOW TO GROW MUSHROOMS.

Secretary Wilson Furnishes the Valuable Information.

Yielding to a demand that has been continuous for a long period Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has bad issued a bulletin on "How to Grow Mushrooms." The report goes into detail as to cultivation and concludes that it is easy enough to grow mushrooms, but that the difficulty is in creating a greater demand for them. The supply has now increased, but prices accordingly have fallen.

The medical men in attendance say it is the first case of the kind that ever came to their knowledge, and the only hope is to have an operation performed which will remove the mother of vinegar. The operation will be performed Wednesday.

THE QUEEN'S HEALTH.

Death of Diamond Jubilee Festivities Contingent on It.

Although the programmes of the diamond jubilee festivities are practically drawn up, with the supposition that their details will be carried out, it is learned on high authority that everything is contingent upon the state of the queen's health, and she will act entirely upon the advice of her physicians. If her majesty is not very well she will remain at Buckingham palace, and if she takes part in the procession and shows signs of fatigue she will sit in a heavy sea. These bilge keels are commonly known as roller checks, and are metal plates that project two feet from the sides of the ship at a point midway between the true bow and the water line. The Indians will follow the Massachusetts in the dock, and will be given bilge keels, as will the Oregon, another ship of this class, but in the latter case the work will be done on the Pacific coast, where the vessel is stationed.

REPAIRING BATTLESHIPS.

The Massachusetts Goes Into Dry Dock—Indiana Will Follow Her.

The battle ship Massachusetts has been floated into the new dry dock at the Brooklyn navy yard and will remain there for the next six weeks undergoing repairs. In addition to having her bottom cleaned and painted with antifouling paint, the battle ship will be fitted with bilge keels, to make her steamer in a heavy sea. These bilge keels are commonly known as roller checks, and are metal plates that project two feet from the sides of the ship at a point midway between the true bow and the water line.

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DUTY ON WHEELS REDUCED.

Opening in Nicaragua for American Manufacturers.

By a decree transmitted to the state department by United States Consul Wieske at Managua the Nicaraguan government has reduced the duty on bicycles to 2-100 cents per pound, or about \$2.13, for a machine packed for that country. The old duty was about ten cents per pound. The consul says there is a good opening for American wheels in Nicaragua now, but the manufacturers must be alert, for the Germans promise to flood the market with bogus wheels bearing American names.

Disease in Dogs.

Encouraged by the success of its two recent campaigns on the Nigre and on the Benin, which have resulted in the capture of the kingdoms of Benin and of Bida, as well as Ilorin, Great Britain has now embarked on yet a third little native war on the west coast of Africa, and a large party of English officers has just left England for the gold coast, with the object of leading a native force against the great Mohammedan chief, Samory.

The Sinful Game of Whist.

The pastor of a Methodist Episcopal church in New Haven objects to the presence in the official board of a man who plays whist.

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS

Fat très répandue en Louisiane et dans tous les Etats du Sud. Sa publicité offre donc un commerce des avantages exceptionnels. Prix de l'abonnement pour l'année: Edition quotidienne, \$12 00; Edition hebdomadaire, \$3 00; Edition du Dimanche, \$2 00.

AN UNWELCOME LOVER.

Miss Daisy Leiter Incurrs Stern Parental Displeasure.

Kept Under Guard to Prevent Her Meeting Her Sweetheart, "Bob," Wallach—Objections of Parents Letter.

There is a vexatious romance in the family of L. Z. Leiter. His daughter Daisy loves Robert Wallach, a young Washingtonian, or thinks she does, and "Bob" Wallach is sure he loves Daisy Leiter. Father Levi Z. Leiter is rich and therefore, it is said, has no soft spot in his heart for "Bob." But "Bob" is persistent and Daisy is rebellious, and the father sees no other way for cooling the lover's passion than that of keeping her in her room until he can find time to take her abroad.

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Mr. Leiter did not see in "Bob" Wallach, the good-looking son of an ex-mayor of Washington, a desirable party. Miss Daisy acknowledged her liking for the young man and was reproached for it. As argument and remonstrance availed nothing and the young lady continued to receive the attentions of the youth, she was ordered to her room, the story goes, and the key turned against her. Then Wallach planned an elopement, but Mr. Leiter hired a detective, it is asserted, to watch "Bob," and the elopement plan was frustrated.

Wallach, however, hearing the other evening his adored one was going to attend the play, hastened to the theater. The Leiter family came in he stood up and made an elaborate bow, which was sweetly acknowledged by Miss Daisy.

An extra precaution father Leiter has just started with his family for London where they will attend the May drawing-room and the queen's diamond jubilee. It is hoped to chill the affections by separation. As a further effort to blast "Bob's" chances he has caused to be drawn a new will, which, when signed, will cut Miss Daisy off with less than a shilling if she marries young Wallach.

A PECULIAR DISEASE.

Town Man Has Mother of Vinegar Grew in His Stomach.

The peculiar case of Alonso Merchel, of Maxwell, Ia., is puzzling the medical fraternity. It has been his daily habit for a number of years to drink from one to three quarts of hard cider a day. Before the prohibition law was in force in this state he was a hard drinker, but stopped entirely for a few years. Then he contracted the cider habit.

Physicians who have diagnosed his case, say he has drunk so much cider a mother of vinegar has formed in his stomach, and to remove it an operation will be necessary. Merchel is a man about 35 years old. The first effects of the cider that were noticeable came in an illness about a year ago lasting for three days. He was confined to bed and suffered with spasmodic pains coming at intervals of every 15 minutes. He was placed under the influence of narcotics and recovered. Since then the spells have reappeared at intervals of three weeks, until a month ago, when they came more frequently, and recently have been no more than a week apart.

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JUROR ALLEN FALLS ASLEEP.

His Colleagues Excused, But He Dreams on Till Room Is Desecrated.

While witness in the case of Patrick C. Jett against the Atlanta Street Railway company were testifying in the grand division of the city court at Atlanta, Ga., the other morning J. C. Allen, a member of the jury, was sound asleep and wholly ignorant of the situation. Judge Berry noticed the sleeping juror. So did the counsel on both sides of the case. The spectators began to laugh, and presently everyone in the courtroom was laughing at the sleeping juror.

The testimony of the witness was lost to the sleeping juror. He heard nothing of the description of the accident which came with the street car collision. The witness told of the crash and the sound of breaking wagon wheels, but the juror was blissfully ignorant of what was going on about him in the courtroom. The members of the jury who were awake caught on to the laughable situation. So did the witness.

Judge Berry announced that he would declare a mistrial with the consent of the counsel on both sides. This was readily accepted. The order of court was then taken and the jury was excused. The members, save Juror Allen, arose from their seats and filed out of the courtroom. Juror Allen slept on oblivious to everything. The witness walked out of the room, the judge left his bench and soon the room was deserted, with the exception of Juror Allen and a few officers of the court.

An officer of the court shook Allen. The shaking was repeated. Allen walked suddenly, looked about him in a startled manner and rubbed his eyes, which were yet heavy from the sound sleep in which he had indulged.

"Where is the jury?" asked Allen, in a bewildered manner.

"They got tired and left you," said the officer, laughing.

Allen was then told the situation. He stated that he had been ill the day before and had lost much sleep during the night.

Skin Troubles from Furs.

Furs are known to produce certain skin troubles, owing to the dyes with which they are stained. Such poisonous chemicals as arsenic, sulphate of copper, sulphate of iron, antimony, arsenic and copper and copper dyes are used to dye sealskins and cubans, and all the dyes are decidedly injurious. Women should be as careful as possible in selecting furs. Chronic eczema may be induced by wearing certain dyed furs next to skin.

The Britons in Africa.

At a recent meeting of the Paris academy of medicine, M. Meguin pointed out that current statistics regarding hydrocephalus were entirely misleading. Many dogs, like human beings, seemed to be more inclined to nervous diseases than formerly.

Penny-in-the-Slot Light.

A Londoner is now able to drop a penny in the slot for a six hours' supply of an eight candle-power incandescent light, and he can take the whole amount at once, or divide it into small daily installments.

Diseases Between the Eyes.

The proper distance between the eyes is the width of one eye.

VENTES A L'ENOAN.

PAR JACOB A. BEINACH.

ANNONCE JUDICIAIRE
PROPRIETE

Augmentant en valeur et non améliorée dans le Premier District Chancery pour un spéciateur.

In re. Vente de liquidation du Maconie Temple Building Association, en liquidation.

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