

A CORNER IN BEETLES.

Anybody Who Wants a New Amblychila Cylindricornis Must Go to Prof. Snow.

When legislators are stingy and the cause of higher education is threatened by reason of financial depression all Chancellor Snow, of Kansas University, has to do is to swap beetles for dollars. He is the only living man who ever ran a corner on a natural product and made it hold good for a decade, says the Kansas City Star.

It was in the spring of 1878 that Prof. Snow and two collaborators who were students at the time in his department went in search of tiger beetles known to entomologists as Amblychila cylindricornis. At this particular time specimens of this species of beetle had a ready sale in the open markets of the world at \$25 each. There was a clamorous demand from Berlin and Heidelberg, Edinburgh, Paris, London and New York, which no one could supply. There was no suspicion in the scientific mind that this species of beetle ought to be found in western Kansas. Prof. Snow made confidants of two favorite students, promised them one-third of all the beetles they could catch, and the expedition set forth in the summer of 1878. It was in Wallace county that the expedition finally landed. So many beetles of the rare species were captured that the young men sold a third interest in the collection to Prof. Snow for enough money to pay their way through college for two years. And at that the wily professor drove the best bargain of his life. With more than a thousand beetles of rare species which entomologists all over the world were clamoring for in his possession, Prof. Snow sold a sufficient number to students, pay all the expenses of the expedition and complete through an exchange a collection of 5,000 species of beetles, the largest collection in the world. The chancellor of the state university still has beetles of this species left, and they are the only available ones for the collector in the world.

Never before nor since this famous trip has the Amblychila cylindricornis been found save in rarest cases, when one at a time would be captured. He is the head of the tiger family of beetles, and until 1878 many of the finest entomological collections could not secure a specimen. The prices had gone higher and higher up to 1873. But the harvest reaped by Prof. Snow had such a bullish effect on the market that Amblychila was quoted as low as silver bullion. But Prof. Snow refused to be stampeded. He withheld his product temporarily from the market and beetles of the head tiger species jumped back to \$25 each and began to soar again. Others sought beetles in western Kansas, but had a loss of time and money only for their pains. Wallace county had either lost its beetle population or Prof. Snow had captured it entire. The collection of beetles at Kansas state university is famous all over the world. Any species of beetle that Prof. Snow wanted he could get for his Wallace county find. Not only beetles but any other insect that the university needed other collectors were anxious to exchange.

The remarkable find which resulted in the corner of the tiger beetle market was not the result of a plunge in the dark. Prof. Snow and his companions stopped in three or four western counties without getting off the track of a single Amblychila. They spent three days in unsuccessful effort in Wallace county, but on the evening of the fourth day, just after dusk, Prof. Snow shouted: "Here's one, boys!" There was a hurried examination and consultation. The search was continued and six of the species found. At that particular place the professor and his students decided to camp. They began their search early the next morning and prosecuted it with vigor throughout the day, but could find no trace of the Amblychila. But as dusk came on the beetle was once more located. A score or more were gathered the second day. For three months the party bottled beetles in the twilight, for three or four days' experience taught them that it was useless for them to search at any other hour.

Since that time numerous expeditions have been made to Wallace county, but no further traces of the head of the tiger beetle family have been found. Prof. Snow has designated the exact location where he reaped the greatest scientific and financial harvest of his life, but other entomologists have sought there for beetles in vain. This particular species of beetle has no eyes and has to feel its way feeding on insects. There are in the United States 70 species. Twenty-five species of insects have been named after Prof. Snow, many by them by the best-known entomologists. The Cotocoola snowiana, a species of moth discovered in Kansas, and the largest new species ever found in the state, was found by Chancellor Snow and is named for him. This species was found before it was considered a crime in Kansas to drink beer. Prof. Snow was in the habit of luring flies and moths into his net by offering a compound of sugar and beer and the Cotocoola snowiana came among others.

Misunderstood. Young girls with lofty aspirations are often misunderstood in this vulgar world. An Atchison girl soaked her pillow with tears one night, because her soul yearned for the unattainable. Her mother saw the wet pillow next morning, and, being too prosaic to understand poetic souls, is doctoring the girl for night sweats.—Atchison Globe.

TO WARN MARINERS.

The Approach of Storms to Be Signaled Them.

New and Improved Signal Tower with Powerful Light Devised for Use of the Weather Bureau Department.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has just started an important improvement in the weather bureau of great interest to commerce. Realizing the great value of the storm warnings of the weather bureau in the saving of life and property, the secretary directed that careful experiments be made with the view of adopting an improved method of issuing warning signals from marine ports. With the cooperation of several important manufacturing establishments a new iron storm warning tower has been constructed and adopted by the secretary. This tower, being constructed in sections, can be extended to a greater or less height in accordance with the visual conditions of different ports. Near the top of the tower two powerful lens lamps are located, and above the lamps is the flagstaff from which day signals are to be displayed. The old inferior marine lantern, which consumes oil and which has been displaced only from wooden staffs will be discarded by order of the secretary, and the display of danger warnings more efficiently made by the introduction of the new iron tower. Congress, in accordance with the recommendations of the secretary, made an appropriation to equip one-half of the 300 display stations of the bureau during the coming year. Secretary Wilson has directed the chief of the weather bureau to distribute these new towers as equally as possible between the lake and seaports, as only one-half of the service can be equipped during the coming year.

Faculties Ban on Wedlock. Divinity Students Holding Scholarships at Chicago University Lose Them if They Marry.

Divinity students at the University of Chicago must no longer allow their fancies to "lightly turn to thoughts of love," whether in the spring or at any other time of the year, if they would retain their scholarships. A rule recently passed by the faculty of the divinity school puts matrimony under the ban. It is as follows: "In the assignment of scholarships netting more than \$35 a quarter the recipient will be informed that the scholarship will be withdrawn in case of his marriage while holding it."

The divinity students are indignant at this action, arguing that if they need scholarships when they are single they need them so much the more when their expenses are increased by matrimony. They regard the rule as an unjust attempt to deprive them of the right of liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The other day they stood about the dormitory and halls discussing the situation with clouded brows and doubtful voices.

The faculty members, on the other hand, contend that a student who can afford marriage has no further claim on the university for support and ought to yield his stipend to some one more in need.

Love Laughs at Locksmiths. Mexican Senorita Liberates Her Sweetheart from a Dungeon at Jimulco.

For love's sweet sake Senorita Maria Gonzalez, a beautiful descendant of the house of the Montezumas, aided by her sister, broke open the dungeon at Jimulco, Mexico, the other night and liberated Frank A. Howard, an American conductor on the Mexican Central railway. Five days before Howard was arrested by the Mexican authorities because a jerk of his train had slightly injured one of the brakemen, a native. He was placed in prison, and while his friends were seeking to secure his trial by the slow and uncertain methods of the Mexican courts his pretty sweetheart was maturing a plan of her own for his release. Assisted by a roundhouse employe, she forced the door to Howard's cell with a crowbar, and the American was liberated. He was told to board a train which was waiting for him a block away, and arrived at El Paso, Tex., in safety. He says that the average American prefers liberty at any risk to risking his fate to Mexican laws.

Arsenic in German Fabrics. Made Evident by Contention Between German and Swedish Government.

Arsenic is being used in German fabrics, according to a report from Consul Hughes at Coburg. He says a contention has arisen between German exporters and the Swedish government, the latter claiming that there are traces of arsenic in textile material exported from Germany, such as carpets, wall papers, furniture covers and toys. The German manufacturers claim this is not so. In one way, says Mr. Hughes, this will be a strictly chemical fight, as the Swedish officials will say that their examinations were properly made, and the Germans will insist that if arsenic was found it was due to the use by the Swedish chemists of impure chemicals in making the tests.

Tell-Tale Fingers. Employers look at a boy's fingers how when he applies for a job, says the Chicago Tribune. If the fingers have a yellow stain on them the boy doesn't get it.

MEN'S MEANNESS.

It is Sure to Drop Out When Two Occupy the Same Stateroom.

"There's one place above all others where a man exhibits meanness," said the traveler, according to the Washington Post, "and that's aboard an ocean liner and toward the man who is obliged to occupy the same stateroom with him. You are mad to begin with that you have to bunk in with some fellow. If he gets the lower berth he's done you a mortal injury. If he's sick you get a contempt for him; if he is not, you are a bit envious. I've crossed the Atlantic nine times, and always shared a stateroom, and I was never more than on speaking terms with my roommate. You can be all right toward anybody else aboard, but he's your enemy. The case is worse when it's a pair of old travelers, as each is posted as to his rights and privileges, and is zealous in enforcing them. When I crossed to London last year I had a Chicago man for a chum. No doubt he was an all-around good fellow, but it was his sixth or seventh trip, and he'd got posted as to when and how to exhibit his meanness. I found him in the stateroom when I came aboard. We recognized each other as veterans, but a few words must be uttered for decency's sake. "Name's Jones," says I, and I chucked away my steamer trunk. "Name's Brown," says he, as he hanged up his hat. "We didn't speak again for four days. Then we got a heavy gale and a big sea, and as I was lying in my bunk he came in for some cigars and growled: "Got it?" "No; have you?" "No. Hoped you had!" "Ditto!" "An hour before we landed I handed him a paper on which I had written down my feelings concerning him. I called him a crank, a curmudgeon, a beast, a heathen and lots of other things, and expressed the fervent hope that it might never occur that the same hotel would give us both shelter in Europe. As I handed out my paper he extended one. He had written down his feelings toward me, and I pledge you my word if the two papers were alike to a word! I met him in Paris six weeks later, and we rushed to greet each other like old friends, and for two weeks we walked about like two brothers and were grieved when the parting came. That was on land, you know, and we weren't bunkmates. I'm going over again next month, but I'm making no promises of better behavior. Whether my roommate is a minister from Boston, or a cattle raiser from Arizona I shall probably do all I can to make his position uncomfortable, and I am sure he will do as much for me."

Don't Carry Business Home. Its Care Should Not Be Permitted to Mar the Serenity of Family Life.

If men and women who are obliged to work hard during the day, declares Orison Sweet-Marden in Success, would only learn to drop their business when they leave the office, store or factory, and not carry it, with its attendant worry and anxiety, into the home, it would work a revolution in the American character. If business men and women and wage-earners of all kinds would lock up their businesses or occupations when they leave them in the evening, and free their minds from all care concerning them until they open the doors the next morning, what a change would be wrought in the home atmosphere, in the mental, moral and physical well being of the workers themselves.

There is nothing whatever to be gained, and everything to be lost, by perpetually thinking and planning about one's business out of office hours. It is a trite saying that the bow that is bent all the time soon loses its elasticity and tension. So the man who is everlastingly thinking of his business affairs soon loses his elasticity and buoyancy of spirit and becomes jaded and worn out before he has reached middle life. On the other hand, the man who leaves his business at the store or office in the evening, brings a fresh mind and a clear head to the next morning, and, consequently, makes fewer mistakes and accomplishes much more than if he had dragged it into the home and made himself and everybody about him irritable and unhappy by his incessant worrying over his daily cares.

When a Bachelor Calls. An unmarried man in paying at a house where there are a mother and daughter, or any married woman and other women relatives, leaves one card for the host and hostess, one for the daughters and one for any guest who may be staying with them. No matter how many there may be in the family, he should leave no more than three cards. Whatever the terms on which he may stand with the brothers or other masculine members of the family, he leaves no cards for them at the time of making his general call on the family. The exception is the head of the house, and he leaves a card for him after he has had a call from him, or its social equivalent, an invitation.—Leah Lancelotti, in Woman's Home Companion.

Asparagus a la Vinaigrette. Boil two bunches of asparagus. Rub the yolks of two hard-boiled eggs fine, add drop by drop three tablespoonsful salad oil, then two tablespoonsful white vinegar, two tablespoonsful of very finely-chopped shallots or onions, one teaspoonful salt and one quarter teaspoonful white pepper; mix well together, serve with the boiled asparagus, either hot or cold.—Ledger Monthly.

Bulletin Financier.

Lundi, 25 juin 1900.

COMPTOIR D'ÉCHANGES (CLARINER HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

Table with columns for 'MARCHE MONETAIRE', 'Futures de la Nouvelle-Orléans', and 'Marchés divers'. Includes exchange rates for various currencies and commodities.

CHANGÉ. Le STERLING est facile. Les lettres de change (60 jours) 4824 4/83. Les lettres de change (à vue) 484 1/2.

VENTES A LA BOURSE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS. Appel de 10 A. M. \$3,000 City 45. Appel de 2 P. M. \$1,000 City 45.

ACTIONS ET BONS. Dernières cotes de H. G. Black Exchange.

Table listing various stocks and bonds with columns for 'Société', 'Valeur', and 'Offre Demandée'. Includes companies like Union National, Louisiana National, and various banks.

TONNELLERIE. Nouveaux barils de sucre et de café, 42s.

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MARCHE DU HAVRE. Cote de sucre et de café.

SUCRE ET MELASSE. Jobbing 49 1/2 plus élevé par livre que le prix en gros.

MARCHE DE LA CAMPAGNE. No cotés représentent le prix en gros au landing. Les marchés obtenus le 15 à 2 c. de plus par baril.

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MARCHE AUX BESTIAUX. Bœufs en Texas et de l'Ouest—Bœufs...

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GRAINS ET FOURRAGES. AU BOARD OF TRADE. Maïs en Ohio, 42 1/2 à 43 1/2.

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Bulletin Commercial.

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MARCHE DE LA Nlle-Orléans. Le Coton Exchange a rapporté samedi...

Table with columns for 'COTON', 'Futures de la Nouvelle-Orléans', and 'Marchés divers'. Includes cotton prices and other market data.

MARCHE DE NEW-YORK. Futures de New-York. Cote de coton.

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Table listing various commodities and their prices, including sugar, coffee, and other goods.

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AU BOARD OF TRADE. MARCHÉ DE LA Nlle-Orléans.

Table listing various hardware and building materials, including nails, lumber, and other goods.

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MARCHE DU HAVRE. Cote de sucre et de café.

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