

STUDENTS AS WIRLS.

Electricity Conducted by Two of Them Without Harm.

Two Hundred Thousand Volt Current Battered an Agreeable as a Summer Recreational Spectacle.

The University of Michigan students gathered in a darkened laboratory one day lately holding an electric light bulb between them, like a water pail.

The professor, Benjamin F. Holy, stepped forward, and by the light of his human wire demonstrated how a 200,000-volt current of electricity may be made as harmless and agreeable as a June breeze.

The scientist explained the apparatus through which so strong a current of electricity was made harmless. It was a "step up" transformer.

The electric current used came directly from the university dynamo, with 15 amperes and 110 volts strength.

Just a little common sense as to what one eats and drinks in hot weather will do more toward keeping a person cool and comfortable than all the electric fans and ice concoctions in existence.

WARM WEATHER DIET.

Very Little Meat Should Be Eaten, and Heated Foods as Scarcely as Possible.

As soon as the warm weather comes, change from the heavy, heating diet of winter to a simple, cooling diet. Eat less frequently or eat a smaller quantity than usual.

The person who complains the most of heat is generally suffering from overstimulation due to too much food of the wrong kind or too much food of the wrong kind.

Hot weather is a very trying ordeal, and everything possible should be done to counteract the depressing effects of the heat.

As to drinks, next to pure water, lemonade or buttermilk is the only sensible hot-weather drink. They are cooling and refreshing and really quench thirst.

BABY HAT THE LATEST.

One of the Styles That is Now in a Fair Way to Become Popular.

The type of women who look well in a baby hat is having her number just now as never before. She takes to the country a bunch of washable hats and sunbonnets.

There is a new figure golf hat which, except for its big black taffeta bow, is like the little pink or blue Marcelline chapans that baby girls have worn for so long.

All the bridegrooms' hats this year are being made after the elaborate pattern of imported baby millinery.

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RHODE ISLAND'S PRIZED BIRD.

The Osprey, or Fishhawk, Gets no Much State Protection as Do Short Lobsters.

The author of a recently published novel, the scene of which is laid in Rhode Island, refers to the fishhawk as "Rhode Island's best-loved bird."

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The osprey's foot and back stretch the ocean, rearing with the fish on which it preys. A more desirable location for such a habitation it would be almost impossible to find.

NAVIGATING THE AIR.

The Best of Airships Yet Invented is Far Short of Complete Success.

Impressive as the achievements of the Leblond airship, unquestionably are the claim of practical value for such a machine is still far from demonstrated.

The death rate in Bombay was 62.2 per 1,000 in 1902. Paris 24. Vienna, 194 and St. Petersburg, 27.

ROMANCE IN VARIED GUISE.

Definition of the Much-used Word is Susceptible of a Wide Diversification.

What is romance? Ever the colloquial use of the term is varied, says Harper's Magazine.

It is all that is generally called romance in the common element of strangeness. We easily revert to what must have been the original sense of the word in its connection with those medieval modifications of the Latin tongue known as the romances of France.

About the Wee Hill. Brailoff, the Russian painter, was once correcting a drawing by one of his pupils.

The Acme of Weakness. Meddler (checks) to (said). Well, I should say, he's the acme. Thumpehead is that so?

Little Jim. Your trousers are awful old, isn't it?

HEALTH OF BRITISH TOWNS.

Merthyr Tydfil Takes the Lead as the Deadliest and Hottest the Healthiest.

Heartburning will ensue from the general annual summary of births, deaths and causes of death in London and other large towns.

The deadliest town in the land is Merthyr Tydfil, where people die half as fast again as in the country as a whole.

The second deadliest town is Liverpool, and the next deadliest Wigan, Manchester, Middlesbrough, Burnley, Hanley, Bolton and St. Helens.

The healthiest of 75 great towns in England and Wales is Hornsey, where the death rate is only 9.86 per thousand.

In London itself the healthiest suburbs are Hampton (10.8), a shade below Hornsey, Stoke Newington (11.4), Wardsworth (13.5), Lewisham (13.6), and Brompton (14.2).

WOMEN WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE BACH-ELOR'S DEGREE.

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EXCEL AS STUDENTS.

College Statistics Show Women's Superiority Over Men.

Capture More Prizes and Honors Than Their Masculine Competitors in Some of the Leading Universities.

Are young women surpassing young men in scholarship and honors at American institutions of learning where education prevails?

Reports from colleges and universities all over the country indicate that such is the case, at least so far as the ordinary tests of ability, daily markings and examinations can determine.

The heads of these institutions declare that the women's reputation as learners, her memory better, her industry greater, and her general capacity for absorbing knowledge beyond that of her masculine competitor, says a Chicago report.

At Boston university 15 out of 16 senior students just elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa society, the sole test being scholarship, are women.

The police and university presidents who have given interviews on this subject emphasize the fact that the great devotion to athletics by men students handicaps them against young women in studies. They point out, also, that woman's greatest aptitude is at work in the study of languages and the exact sciences.

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SOMNAMBULISTIC FEAT.

A Writer Stricken with Typhoid Fever Wrote an Article While in a Tranced Dream.

Stories of wonderful somnambulists abound, but this was my own experience, and is beyond question, says a writer in the New York Herald.

I was being driven to complete the writing of an article that had taken considerable time and research, and unfortunately, just as I had my material in shape, along came an attack of typhoid fever. The very hour the physician ordered me to bed I received a letter from my publisher, saying that he must have my copy the following day.

My good little wife tried to remove my anxiety by asking permission to be allowed to put my voluminous notes in shape for me. Such as I was I looked at the idea. Yes, she is clever, but not clever enough for such a task as this. She had done some writing, and though she insists on continually falling into the absurd habit of being prodigal with her capital letters, and using them whenever she could conceivably do so, for it, she had done some fair work. But to write my article was too absurd, and I told her so. She apparently dropped the matter, and I settled back with a hot temperature, and dismissed the writing from my mind.

Then came the strange thing. I fell into a troubled sleep and dreamed the article being the center of my imagination. I thought that my wife had left the room, and that I had wrapped myself in a blanket, gone to my typewriter in the adjoining library and started to work on my article. Finally, "bang" "bang" "click" "click" I pointed on the machine for about half an hour, until my task was completed. Then I returned to my bed, but the click of the typewriter continued to sound in my ears until broad daylight.

For a few minutes I felt a profound sleep, and then I awoke with my article written in the back of my mind. I could not believe it, but when I thought of a dream was the veritable truth, that while asleep I had actually composed 40 typewritten pages, but there they were.

The best part of it is that my publisher said it was the first work that I had ever done, but the first part of it is that I had fallen from my wife's bed and I had fallen from my wife's bed and I had fallen from my wife's bed.

THREE ANTLERS INTERLOCKED.

Only One of the Kind in the World Owned by Indian of Flambeau, Wisconsin.

An Indian from the Flambeau reservation in northern Wisconsin recently came into the fishing resort of Snow Lake with a trophy in the way of deer horns he wished to sell. Being too much of a sportsman to let the horns go to the reservation, he had them sent to the Milwaukee sportsmen.

His trophies were three sets of antlers, necessarily antlers, and they were worth considerable money. The two sets of horns were of the same species as the set of horns which had been taken in the same woods.

The Indian had happened to find them by the banks of a small stream which flows into the forest and is called "Three Antlers." There, while they were hunting for a third buck, he happened to find the three antlers in the water.

The Indian said he found the horns north of Flambeau, about a mile from the water. They were lying on the side of a hill, and there were no horns near them. The condition of the horns proved that the fight occurred but more than two years ago and probably last fall.

The antlers were all of different sizes, showing a big and ten points each. The third pair had been driven into the others just above where they joined, and the branch of them were about equally crooked with the branches of the others.

They were not broken or chipped in any way, proving that when the third buck had made his last charge he was so tired that he fell over the antlers and was killed. There was no room for any one of his horns to play in the forks of the others. Indeed, all of the horns were so closely joined that they could not be moved at all, not as if it had been in that fashion from the start.

Quick Lunches in London. In the appreciation of the convenience of the cheap restaurant tea shops, the people of London. They, too, are quick to take advantage of the fact that the system of public patronage is still in its infancy. Breakfasts are now served at popular prices and the evening of the "cheap break" is the evening of the "cheap break" in London.

Population of Peking. The population of Peking varies from 5,000 to 1,600,000.