

ABOUT THATCHER'S ISLAND

Details of the Melancholy Shipwreck Which Gave the Place Its Name.

The twin lights of Thatcher's island are familiar to many who go down to the sea in ships and to many more who spend the summer months on the rocky headland of Cape Ann.

It was on a long ago August—359 years ago, to be exact—that the Rev. Anthony Thatcher, his wife, four children and several other persons left Ipswich in a vessel for Marblehead.

At the time of this melancholy shipwreck there were not more than two or three families on Cape Ann and no help came for Mr. Thatcher and his wife on the first day or the second.

SWEDISH COPPER INDUSTRY

Present Production Not Large, But Much Interest Is Manifested.

Among the economic phenomena at present attracting attention is the rise in the price of copper. Sweden is largely interested in the copper industry, though the present production of copper ore in the country is not large.

How are we to avoid this unnecessary payment to foreign countries? Is the increase in price momentary, or will the price of copper keep steady at a high level for some time? This is a question of the greatest importance for the Swedish copper industry.

Motor-Car Savings Bank.

A current newspaper paragraph tells of a "motor-car savings bank" which makes journeys in the north of France, stopping in villages on stated days to receive such sums as thrifty country people, having saved, may be desirous of depositing in a savings bank.

Pompeian Bread.

Bread 2,000 years old has been discovered in the ruins of Pompeii. That must be where some of our American restaurants get their supply.—Atlanta Journal.

More Man.

Young husband—I dreamed last night that your mother was dying. His wife—Brute! I heard you laughing your sleep.—N. Y. Times.

WINTER DISTRESS REMEDIES

Managers of Errand Against Want and Suffering in Leading German Cities.

In Cologne, as elsewhere, the winter brings with it a dearth of work and consequent distress among the workers, but there a man is enabled to insure himself against falling out of employment. In a report which Mr. D. F. Schloem has presented to the board of trade this system is fully described.

The Cologne office deals with men, skilled and unskilled alike, of 18 years and over, who must have resided in the town for a year.

Germany is the home of sociological experiments and this report contains some interesting notes on labor colonies. That in Berlin in particular is noteworthy.

Relief works in Germany are undertaken by towns; the labor provided is generally road making, navies' work, street cleaning and the like.

ELECTRICITY AND BREAD.

Experiments in Paris to Devise an Improved Method of Making.

The power of the electric current to decompose substances in a singular way has led to an important development of electro-chemistry.

Laboring under the mistaken impression that the whiteness of wheat bread determines its quality—that the whiter the bread the better—the Parisian public has for years been growing more and more exacting on this score.

There has recently been raised the hope of obtaining a whiter bread by aid of electricity, for which purpose the flour was brought in contact with electrified air, whose ozone possesses efficacious bleaching properties.

The bread made from this flour was whiter than usual but of inferior taste, and the experiment serves to demonstrate that electric treatment, while successfully turning flour whiter, injures it.

Decline of British Agriculture.

Several causes have been assigned for the decline of British agriculture and the depopulating of the farms. One which is potent in some localities has not been mentioned.

The Time to Learn. Pat—Phwat do Mokka call his new wolf? Terrence—Begorra! an' how shud Oi know? Oi've niver bin there while they've bin quarrellin'.—Judge.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

Budget of Domestic Lore From Which Something of Use May Be Gleaned.

Pillows wear out just like anything else, says a housekeeping authority, even though one may change the tick covering from time to time; the feathers become impregnated with dust and dirt and lose the life that is in all good feathers at first.

The following recipe is highly recommended for its efficacy in cleaning fabrics without injuring the texture or "startling" the color, however delicate: Grate two potatoes of ordinary size into a bowl containing one pint of clean, cold water.

Try a poultice of tea leaves as a cure for burns and scalds. Pour boiling water over the tea, and as soon as the leaves are soft, and after they have cooled off a little, form a poultice of them over the burn and cover with cotton. The pain, it is said, will stop immediately.

The various brushes used about the household and for toilet purposes can be made stiff and fresh by a thorough washing in good soap and cold water, and then drying, bristles downward.

ABOUT WASHING THE HAIR.

Severe Rubbing or Scratching of the Scalp Should Always Be Avoided.

There is a right way and a wrong way to wash the hair, says an authority, and one of the wrong ways is to apply the cake of soap directly to the head.

Good old-time housewife offers the following rule for starch: Mix one tablespoonful of starch with four tablespoonfuls of cold water and pour on this three quarts of boiling water.

That salt possesses tonic qualities is well known, but it has remained for a woman suffering from nervous prostration to use a dry sea salt rub with beneficial results.

A young married friend of mine has recently had staying with him his wife's mother, a very dear old country woman, to whom the ways of London are as a sealed book.

SOMETHING UNIQUE IN FOGS

The London Kind That Sometimes Is Audible as Well as Visible.

On the first morning of the fog, coming down after a somewhat restless night, she inquired the cause of the banging which she had frequently heard.

Boiled Rice for Curries. It must be washed thoroughly and thrown into plenty of boiling water containing one teaspoonful of salt to each quart, and a few drops of lemon juice.

At Mrs. Astor's Ball. Mrs. Noodles—John, dear—please do not follow me about so. Remember, dear, now that we are married, it will cause talk if we are seen too much together.—Puck.

BROOCHES ORNAMENT HATS

New Patterns of Jewelry That Are at Present in Favor with the Fashionables.

Women of fashion now adorn their hats with splendid jewels, namely, brooches, enriched with pearls, diamonds or turquoise, says the Jeweler's Circular Weekly.

Back or side comb, hairpins and the like are extensively shown. In this order let us mention a magnificent tiara representing a spray of flowers.

Marquise rings are still fashionable. Besides those consisting of a uniform oval framed with brilliants, there are now and effective patterns, the bezels of which are rectangular in shape and thickly studded with brilliants.

Hand-painted fans are much in vogue. The floral decorations and the landscapes adorning these charming fans are enhanced with figures of women in the most graceful attitudes.

Long chains retain their high popularity. The latest creations in this line consist of links of chased matt gold alternating with small beads of opal.

SETTLED AFTER 43 YEARS.

Ohio Supreme Court Disposes of Novel Case Begun During Civil War.

Bucyrus, O.—After 43 years of litigation a supreme court decision was made in an unusually interesting Crawford county case. In 1862 Bathsheba Bradlock, of this county, died, and an executor was appointed. Kerr and Carhart were bondsmen for the executor.

FAVORS BOXING IN SCHOOL

New York State Senator Frames Bill for Public Teaching of the Fistic Science.

New York.—State Senator Luke A. Keenan, representing President Roosevelt's home district at Albany, has caught the boxing fever. It is understood that he contracted the malady when he read the press reports about what President Roosevelt and his boys had done recently to Prof. Mike Donovana.

Nothing Wonderful.

Ingenuos inventors have devised a way of "turning a buggy into an automobile." An awkward driver, however, says a Chicago exchange, can do the same thing much more expeditiously.

STRANGE CHARACTER DEAD

Massachusetts Man Gave Away Houses, But Kept \$2,000 Till the End.

New Bedford, Mass.—Clark Ridley, often derided as a miser, who started his acquaintances last summer by giving away several houses and other property to his tenants, Charles G. Allen, Catherine M. Ashley, Mrs. Laura Tripp, his housekeeper, and others, is dead, aged 86 years.

Blind Man's Noble Work. Minnan L. Hall, Recently Deceased, Tended for Years in Caring for the Sightless.

Philadelphia.—Minnan L. Hall, president and founder of the Pennsylvania Working Home for Blind Men, the second largest broom factory in the country, died recently at his home here.

FOUND HER MISSING BUNDLE

This Woman Held Up a Train Until She Remembered Having Eaten It.

When the passengers alighted from an express train in the Grand Central station one afternoon recently one of them an old woman from up-state, remained searching for a package.

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NEW NECK AND HAT SETS

Beautiful Creations for the Throat That Are in Keeping with the Head Covering.

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QUALIFIED.

Ponce de Leon had at last discovered the fountain of eternal youth.

FREQUENT SPANKING.

Bobby—How much footgear do you wear out in a month, Tommy? Tommy—Two pairs of shoes and a pair of my mother's slippers.—Chicago Daily News.