

ICE HAD PRESERVED MAMMOTH.

Remarkable Discovery Made in Frozen Siberian Bog.

Sixty-one years ago a young Russian engineer, Benktendorf, saw the River Lena in Siberia release a dead mammoth frozen ages ago in the bog.

PROBABLY NOT ON PAY ROLL.

Father's Occupation Would Likely Be News to Lord Clare.

"The late Frederick McNally had occasion," said a Chicago lawyer, "to consult me about an infringed copyright."

Went Out the Snow.

My old friend Crabtree of the real early Oklahoma days tells this tale about an early day snowstorm.

Streets With Queer Names.

Edinburgh has some queerly named streets, among which are Jacob's Ladder, Gabriel's Ladder, Coffin land and Cuddy lane.

Valuable Dwarf Palm Fiber.

The fiber of the dwarf palm—a tree well lately regarded as worthless or harmful—is developing an important industry in Algeria.

Queer Breed of Chickens.

"It does me good," said the girl who has just returned, "to get back to a country where they serve a whole chicken."

The Measure of His Love.

Miss Homely-Rich—"I heard something to-day that would indicate that Mr. Hunter simply cannot love me as he said he did."

Who Knew.

Lady customer—"I wish to tell you how these shoes of mine are to be made."

APPRECIATE LAND OF LIBERTY.

Returning Immigrants Go Back With Fond Thoughts of America.

The steerage passengers who sail from America may be roughly divided into two classes—those who go home because they have succeeded, and those who go home because they have failed.

WAS ALMOST TOO PARTICULAR.

Colored Man's Literal Obedience Caused Slight Embarrassment.

An old bachelor, who lives in the suburbs of a southern city, hires a negro to clean up his room, fill the lamp and perform like services.

Trying for Faker Prize.

He didn't set himself up to be a nature faker, but he confessed he knew a story which, if not exactly accurate, was at all events somewhat brilliant.

Cow Caught by Her Tail.

Caught by her tail in the cleft of a tree, a cow belonging to Joseph Blake of Geonoland subsisted without food, except the bark of trees, or drink for five weeks.

Russian Fighting Geese.

In Russia pits for cock fighting are unknown, but "goosepits" some 60 years ago were common throughout that mighty kingdom.

Who Kills a Good Book Kills Reason.

Unless wariness be used, as good almost kill a man as kill a good book. Who kills a man kills a reasonable creature—God's image, but he who kills a good book kills reason itself.

His Present State.

"What state does the young fellow belong to who wants to marry old Billy's daughter?" "Judging from his appearance when I saw him come out of the old man's office I should say a state of collapse."

Popularity.

"Doesn't Mr. Keoteote play any popular music?" "No," answered Miss Layenne, "his style of playing would make anything unpopular."

NO ROOM FOR CONTROVERSY.

Old Gentleman Fully Indorsed Actor's Declaration.

Like other actresses Miss Jessie Busley delights in seeing a good play, and takes advantage of every occasion, when she is not playing herself, to visit one or another of the theaters in the city where she may happen to be.

ARE IN TRUTH SKYSCRAPERS.

New York's Buildings Piled Atop Each Other Would Pierce the Clouds.

If all the skyscrapers in New York were piled one atop of the other a building of 6,553 stories would rear itself toward high heaven.

Limit Advertising Pages.

Australia has placed a heavy duty on all magazines containing advertising matter in a proportion of more than one-fifth of the general contents.

Chinese Nurse Girl.

The Chinese nurse is an addition to the curiosities of the Manchester streets, says the Guardian of that city.

Church Built by One Man.

Stitchell, near Coventry, England, possesses a piece of worship unique among English churches. In 1810 John Green, a mason of a strongly religious turn of mind, laid the first stone of the edifice, and seven years later he completed the building.

Power of Imagination.

Illustrating the strange power of the imagination, E. F. Benson, author of "Dodo," tells this incident. A doctor he knew had found it necessary to give a patient for many evenings an injection of morphia to enable him to get some sleep.

Roosters Barred in Waltham.

The board of health is determined to have its rules relative to the keeping of fowl lived up to, as was shown at the meeting last night, when a man living in the west end had his license revoked because he kept a rooster.

The Alert Lexicographer.

"I observe," said the professor reprovingly, "that you sometimes use slang." "Do you think so?" replied the vivacious young woman. "I do my best, but it's very hard nowadays to get any use out of a slang word before it is put into the dictionary as correct speech."

Valuable.

"Do you think the speeches you intend to deliver will exercise any real influence on events?" "No," answered the statesman, "but I am going to deliver them, just the same. They are valuable as rehearsals for my next lecture tour."

Reiteration.

"You have used this phrase several times before," said the secretary. "I know it," answered Senator Sorghum; "I'm going to keep hammering away at it until people learn it by heart. Then it'll be considered an epigram."

The Appraiser.

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CURE FOR MUSCULAR FATIGUE.

Best Method of Obtaining Sound and Refreshing Sleep.

Real fatigue may be divided into the mental and muscular varieties. The latter is decidedly the simpler of the two. Where one has so overworked physically that one cannot sleep, the first thing to do is to learn to relax.

AS EXPLAINED BY THE EDITOR.

Drastic Action Evidently Was Necessary, and It Was Taken.

The Bule's Creek (S. C.) Index to the Times recently came out with a double-headed editorial as follows: "We wish to make our abject apologies to Hon. Heskiah E. Kinney for having said of him in our last issue that he 'fumigates his garments.'"

Life's Sails.

Some day when you go down to the shore of a large body of water, make a little study of the sailing vessels you see. Of course the wind blows in the same direction over every part of the water, but you'll notice that some vessels go one way and some another.

Honor Due to the Shakers.

Shakers were probably the first among modern peoples to recognize and uphold the equality of woman in domestic, business, social and religious economy.

Two Sure Cures.

"If you want to know a sure cure for rheumatism," said the pretty woman, "take a long piece of twine and tie it around your waist, up under your arms and down again around your wrist and let it stay there. In three days you will be perfectly cured."

Vegetable with Old Lineage.

Asparagus is the aristocrat of the food plants. None other has so distinguished a lineage, for its records reach back almost to the beginning of authentic history.

English a Puzzling Language.

A Frenchman in conversation with a friend said: "I am going to leave my hotel. I paid my bill yesterday and asked the landlord: 'Do I owe you anything?' He said: 'You are square.' That's strange, said I. 'I have lived long and never knew I was square before.' Then, as I was going away, he shook my hand, saying: 'I hope you'll be round again soon.' I said: 'I thought you said I was square.' He laughed and replied: 'When I said I hoped you'd be round again soon I meant I hoped you wouldn't be long.' English is a difficult language."

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WET SUNDAYS LEAD TO POKER.

Prize of Thoughtless Youth in New York City.

"It's funny," said the stationery man, "you're the fifth man that's come in here to-day asking if we had any poker chips. I'll bet you some friends have dropped in for a while and you thought you would have a quiet, cosy little game instead of going out in the wet."

FIRE-PROOFED BY WATER.

Effect of Pressure of Ocean's Depths on Whaler's Boat.

"Did you ever see wood that wouldn't burn?" said the sailor. "Oh, yes. There's briar, pipe briar, you know; and there's ironwood, and there's—"

These Were Big Hailstones.

The wildest storm story in years comes down from the Downville and Snow Tent country, where it is alleged that chickens were killed by hailstones and a horse was knocked senseless.

Perfect Substitute for Ink.

Signature in Indelible Pencil on Wet Check Will Be Accepted.

Who has a fountain pen?

"Who has a fountain pen?" asked the nervous man as he fished out his check book. "I have to pay mine out of town for a couple of weeks. I want to get the job off my hands. He hasn't a pen and ink here." "Here is an indelible pencil," said a friend, as he reached into his vest pocket. "That won't do," snapped the nervous man. "No bank will take a check written with a pencil." "Oh, yes, provided you wet the check first," said the friend soothingly. "If you can't get water, lick the check as you would a stamp and then do your writing while it is still moist. An indelible pencil is filled with nothing but ink powder, compressed into solidity. When it is moistened it becomes ink. Try it."

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