Meskels Europed with I ternar Conbustion Engine Expected to Solve the Problem.

New York The possibility of the adoption of invernal combustion engives for the propulsion of battleships has been discussed pro and con for the last two years by naval experts on both sides of the Atlantic. England taking the lead in the experiments. Now according to the Eng-Hab press, the internal combustions engine for such purposes has ceased to be only a possibility and has be come a fact

England's experiments, it is claimed. have been so successful that a huge] pattleship, 540 feet long, 8% feet broad and having a displacement of 21,000 tons, has been designed and will soon be laid down, if, indeed, the work has not already been secretly reemmenced.

If the reports are correct, the vessel is designated for a speed of 29 miles an hour and will carry an armament of 12 guns of 13.5-inch caliber, firing projectiles of 1,500 pounds weight, capable of piercing 32 inches of armor at a distance of 9,000 feet.

The advantages of the internal combustion engine over steam power are numerous. There will be no smoke to draw the attention of the enemy, no funnels to obstruct the decks, the engines will be better protected and oil tanks will be easier filled both at sea and in harbor than bunkers with coal

It is the absence of funnels. however, that will cause the most radical change in the exterior appearance of the war dogs. Except for masts, bridges and conning towers the decks will be practically clear, making possible the arranging of big guns for firing in any direction. The huge funnels now in use offer fine targets to the enemy.

FRATERNITY BOYS DUCK GIRLS

Get Even with Sorority High School Members for Not Being Invited to Slumber Party.

Logansport, ind -Secority highschool girls to the number of an even dozen, in attendance on a slumber party at the residence of Miss Beulah Vernon, No. 814 High street, ran screaming from the house, attired only in night robes, shortly after midnight. They were drenched to the skin with water, and the flimsy night robes clung to them like bathing suits. They were hysterical with excitement, and neighbors were aroused

by their excited clamoring. Bad boys, members of a high school fraternity, had caused the general exodus. They had been barred from the party, and some of them on passing the Vernon home late at night discovered that the parlor windows were open.

The girls were asleep on the floor, in chairs and on couches in the parlor, and the boys attached a hose to the hydrant in the front yard and directed the nozzle at one of the open windows. They then turned on the water and the stream entered the house, splattered against the wall on the opposite side of the room and then showered down on the sleeping forms. The water deluged the girls, and, half mwake, they ran and stumbled from the room.

> The boys ran, but if they are found out they will be turned over to their

DUMB THROUGH STAGE FRIGHT

Young Singer Breaks Down in Middle of Song Through Some Disease as Yet Unknown.

New Bedford, Mass. - Whether Charles J. B. Paquette, a young singer who broke down while singing at the Pastime theater in Boston, was made dumb through stage fright or some disease is a question upon which two medical experts cannot agree.

Paquette, who is 23 years old, has not been able to utter a word since he started to sing his second song on, his first appearance as a professional in the Boston amusement house.

Dr. Alphonse Normaudin of this city has twice examined the young man and says that he can find nothing! at all wrong with his vocal cords and believes the patient could speak if he

A Fall River specialist, after examining Paquette, declares he was stricken dumb from some mysterious cause, which as yet he has been unable to fathom. Paquette scrawled on a piece of paper: "I am dumb!" when a theatrical manager demanded what he meant by rushing from the stage.

Walks to Capital for Job. Washington.-Daniel McNamara, a weteran of the civil war, who says he lives near Peoria, Ill., has, according to his own story, walked all the way from Illinois to Washington in search of employment.

He appeared on the streets of Washington a couple of days ago and accosted Congressman Rainey with the request that he produce him a job in the government service.

McNamara apparently is about seventy years old. He says he started From Chicago on June 19 and waiked to Washington at the rate of 19 miles

Fies Has Eyes; Can't Sec. Berkeley, Cal.—Following a series of exhaustive experiments with the California flea, Prof. C. W. Woodworth of the University of California anmounced that, although that insect has eyes, it does not see. To be more exact, the professor stated that the fice merely sees a variation of the rays of light when near an object.

PATHOS IN REUNION

Prothers Thought Each Other Dead for Sixty-Two Years.

They Meet in the Hoosier State for the First Time Since the Battle of Cerro Gordo in the Mexican War.

Nashville, Ind.-When Everett Johnson came here from St Louis to visit his brother, Charles, the final chapter was written in a romance that was brought about by strange combinations and circumstances. Their meeting here was the first since the battle of Cerro Gordo, in a mountain pass of Mexico, in 1847, and the fact that each thought the other dead all these years made their meeting all the more remarkable.

The reunion of the two aged brothers was brought about by the sweethearts of their boyhood days. Charles Johnson is 81 years old and Everett is 80.

It was in West Virginia, their native state, that the romance began. There, while the two brothers were atill mere lads, they began courting two young women of their own age. Miss Woods and Miss Asbury. The two young women were cousins. This courtship lasted for two years and then came the call of the great west. The two brothers decided to leave their native state and go to Kentucky. Shortly after the war with Mexico broke out and they enlisted.

After many exciting experiences in which the two brothers were ever ready to sacrifice for each other, the eve of the battle of Cerro Gordo arrived. Before entering the battle each promised that in case either was injured the other would stay by him until he recovered or until death relieved his suffering. During the battle Charles was shot. Everett saw him fall and helped carry him to the rear, where the injured man fainted and it was thought he was dving. It was in the thickest of the fight and believing his brother dead, Everett returned to the firing line.

Charles gradually recovered and after receiving his discharge went to New Orleans, where he engaged in business. At the beginning of the civil war he enlisted in the confederate army and at the close he went to the southern part of Indiana, where he was married. After his wife died, a few years ago, he set out to find the sweetheart of his boyhood days. He found that she was still in his native state, that she had been married, but that her husband had died a few years ago. He went to West Virginia and when he returned he Woods in the days before the Johnson boys left their native state.

After the Mexican war Everett Johnson went to California where he made his fortune in the gold fields. He married and was prosperous. After his wife died he removed to St. Louis, where he met a widow. Mrs. Elizabeth Williams. He found that Mrs. Williams was once a resident of his native town, that she was once Miss Asbury, the sweetheart of his boyhood days. Three weeks ago they were married at St. Louis. Through her Johnson learned that his brother was alive and that he had married the one-time Miss Woods.

The meeting of the two brothers was pathetic. With tears streaming down their cheeks they kissed each

PROTECTS THE RARE BIRDS.

Australian Government Prohibits Their Importation from Papua, Except for Scientific Uses.

London.—The Australian government informed James Buckland, whose work for the preservation of vanishing species of birds is well known, that a customs proclamation has been issued prohibiting the importation into the commonwealth from the territory of Papua of birds of paradise, goura pigeons and ospreys, "or of the skins, feathers, or

plumage of any such bird." Importation is allowed when the written consent of a principal customs officer of Papua has been obtained, but consent is only given when the birds or plumage are for a museum or a purely-scientific purpose.

Boy is Successful Aeronaut.

Los Angeles, Cal.—A large number of spectators were greatly impressed; by a successful ascension to a height of 25 feet achieved the other day by irving Harnes, a 14-year-old boy, in his own aeroplane. The flight was made on the Thirtieth school grounds. Young Harnes' machine is of his own invention and construction. Harnes was cheered as his peculiar looking machine slowly circled about the school yard, attaining each second a greater height. What the yard had_ been twice circumnavigated the youth brought his craft safely to the earth.

Doctor Rebukes Church. Middletown, N. Y .- The people of the city are laughing over the controversy between the First Congregational church and Dr. J. B. Hulett,

whose property adjoins. The church officials erected a high board fence shutting off the view and light from Dr. Hulett's barn. The doctor raised a large sign, overlooking the church yard, which reads: "He who wantonly cutteth off his neighbor's light shall be as an abomination in the eyes of all his people."

YOUTH A HOPELESS FIREBUG.

Michigan Boy Has Strange Mania for Starting Fires, and Says: "Ain't It Nice?"

Ithaca, Mich .-- Gratiot county has a seven-year-old firebug in Arthur Bobier, son of Richard Bobier, a Bethany township farmer. The child is exceptionally bright and lovable but for that one failing. He has been taken to the state school at Cold-

Ever since he has been able to toddle around, say the parents, Arthur has had a liking for flames and took especial delight in starting them himself. Therefore, the matches in the Bobier house have always been kept high above his head.

On several occasions he has started fires in buildings near his home, but they were discovered in time to prevent serious damage being done. Each time when asked if he had started the fires Arthtur cheerfully admitted that he had, giving as his reason his strange love for a good blaze.

One day recently he was passing the house of Charles Mills, a neighbor, and spied a box of matches on the window sill, inside the house. He promptly secured a box, climbed to the window and with a stick broke the glass. The Mills family was away on a visit, so it was an easy matter to go to the Mills barn near by and set some straw afire. While the flames rapidly spread. Arthur did a little war dance in his delight of the spectacle.

A passer-by saw the blaze and succeeded in rescuing the three horses, but the barn, a granary and all their contents, were destroyed. When the buildings were a mass of flame Arthur exclaimed to his mother, who had come in search of him: "Ain't that a nice fire, ma?"

WIZARD PLANS 100-ROSE BUSH

Hugo Lilienthal of San Francisco Working on Freak for Horticultural Gardens of Japanese.

San Francisco.-A single bush containing a hundred varieties of roses! That is the ambition of George Shima, better known as the California "potato king," one of the wealthlest Japanese in the state.

And Shima's dream may come true. With infinite care Hugo Lilienthal, Berkeley horticulturist and landscape gardener, founder of the Juvenile Horticultural society, is pruning, trimming and grafting in an effort to produce the wonder bush. Lilienthal has promised Shims that he will produce a rose bush that will grow 100 varieties, in red, yellow and snowy white.

Shima recently built a magnificent home in College avenue, Berkeley. He commemorated the event by writing a check for \$100 for the University of California to furnish a students' room in the university sanitarium.

Then he began the planting of a garden. Lilienthal was employed. Now Shima's garden is rapidly becoming talked of throughout Berkeley, though the college town has always been the home of magnificent flowers. But the wealthy Japanese was not

ferent from his fellows. So he conceived the idea of a rose bush bearing 100 varieties. "It can be done," said Liliental. "Go ahead and produce it, then,"

satisfied. He wanted something dif-

said Shima.

Woman Tells Governor of Kentucky Her Testimony Caused Him to Leave Her.

PREFERS TRUTH TO HUSBAND.

Frankfort, Ky.-Mrs. Emma Daly of Covington is one woman in this world who would rather take a chance on losing her husband than to swear to a lie. She has written to Gov. Willson that she was a witness in the Uhly case in Kenton county, and that her husband told her that if she testified in a certain way that he would leave her.

Mrs. Uhly was a sister of her husband, Charles Daly, but in a letter to Gov. Willson Mrs. Daily says that she swore opposite to the way her husband wanted her to, although he threatened to leave her if she swore the way she did.

She tells the governor that her huskept his promise, and has gone, but she says she told the truth, and now she wants her husband back and wants the governor to help her find

The letter is the biggest puzzle that Gov. Willson has received since he came into office.

Check to Growth of Berlin. Berlin, Germany.-The people of Berlin have met an unwelcome surprise in the disclosure that the growth of the city's population has come to a

The official figures show that, in 1909 the population is 2,007,000, which is a decrease of about 80.000 from 1907. Of the suburbs belonging to "Greater Berlin" all but one show decreases. Altogether they and the city proper aggregate more than 3,000,000, but the result is a disappointment to the local enthusiasts, who have been claiming that the city would reach 6,000,000 in the next 26 years. The decrease is attributed to the depressing effects of the recent business crisis.

Captive Parrot Lays Egg. Muncie, Ind.—The theory that parrots in captivity do not lay eggs has been disproved by one whose owner is C. C. Radabaugh, a Muncle comtractor. The bird is very intelligent and has been in Radabaugh's family for 21 years. She is about 25 years old. The egg is now being exhibited.

MUCH TIMBER LEFT

Prodigal Use of That Product Is Still Going On.

Original Forests of Country, Which in Quantity and Variety Exceeded Those of Any Other Region on Globe Being Depleted.

Washington - The annual report of the forestry bureau as to the timber supply of the United States indicates that a prodigal use of that product is still going on, despite the publicity given and the widespread interest in national conservation of all resources. It is pointed out that the annual consumption of timber in the United States is still ten times that of France, per capita, and nearly eight times that of Germany. Some of the striking features of the report are as follows:

The original forests of the United States, which in the quantity and variety of their timber exceeded the forests of any other region of similar size on the globe, have been reduced by cutting, clearing and fire from an acreage of 850,000,000 to one of not more than 550,000,000, with a total stand of some 2,500,000,000,000 board feet.

Most of our forests are private property. About one-fifth of the standing timber in the country is held by the federal government in national parks and on the unreserved public domain, and by the states in state reserves or other state lands. These public forests contain more than 100, 000,000 acres of saw timber.

The private forests are of two distinct classes, (1) farmers' woodlots and (2) large holdings, either individual or corporate. The woodlots are chiefly scattered and detached remnants of the original forests. They are mainly in the eastern half of the United States and cover some 200,000, 000 acres, with a stand of perhaps 300,000,000,000 board feet of saw timber and 1,500,000,000 cords of wood. Aside from their protective and ornamental value, they furnish much firewood, many posts, poles and crossties and some lumber and cooperage stock.

The large private holdings contain about 1,700,000,000,000 feet. These holdings generally include the best timber in the regions in which they occur. They are the principal sources of the timber which is used to-day, and upon the manner in which they are managed depends in a large degree the timber supply of the future.

The value of the forest products of the United States in 1907, the last year for which detailed data are available, was approximately \$1,290,000,000. The fact that timber has been chean

and abundant has made us careless of its production and reckless of its use. We are cutting our forests three times as fast as they are growing. We take 250 cubic feet of wood per capita annually from our forests, while Germany uses only, 37 cubic feet and France but 25. On the other hand, Germany makes her state forests produce an average of 48 cubic feet of wood per acre.

The necessity for more farm land may eventually reduce our total forest area to 100,000,000 acres less than it is at present. It is entirely possible, however, to produce on 450,-000,000 acres as much wood as a population much greater than we have now will really need if all the forest land is brought to its highest producing capacity and if the product is economically and completely utilized.

SAVES LIFE TO WIN BRIDE

Young Man, Resident of Washington, Proves Champion Lightweight Rescuer and a Speedy Love Maker.

Washington.-Joseph Booker, 23 years old, is the champion lightweight life-saver and the speedlest love maker in this community. Joseph met Miss Blanche Wilson of Cumberland, Md., a short time ago. Miss Wilson is a welterweight and has the best of Joseph by 28 pounds.

Joseph proposed a boat ride on the Chesapeake & Ohlo canal, and had pulled the boat as far as Glen Echo when it capsized in 18 feet of water. When Joseph came to the surface Miss Wilson was a dozen feet from him, vainly trying to reach the overturned boat. A heroic effort negoti-, ated the distance just as Miss Wilson had sunk for the second time. Joseph grabbed her and pulled for the shore.

The bedraggled young man and woman were taken to the home of Manager Shaw of Gien Echo park. Dry clothes were given them, and while their own were drying they took a stroll. En route Joseph proposed marriage and was accepted.

Farms to Fenian Foes. Halifax, N. S.-In recognition of their services in 1866, when Canada was threatened with an invasion by the Fenians, the Canadian government is about to award to the 175 living members of the impromptu "army" of this city grants of 160 acres of land each. The grants are from the

public lands of the Canadian north-

Dog Reveals Woman's Death. Pittsburg, Pa.-A .dog's mournful whines at his mistress' door resulted in the finding of Mrs. Annie Graham dead in a trunk in her home. She was a widow, aged 55, and lived alone. The coroner's deputies reported that she fell, accidentally, her neck being broken by striking a trunk, into which her body tumbled. She had been dead several days.

WOMEN PLAN WAR AIRSHIP.

Women's Aecia' League of England to Build One for Defence of Empire and Made at Home.

London. -- An important movement associating the women of the empire with aviation in Great liminin was launched when a public meeting in support of the Women's Aerial league was held at the Society of Arts rooms, Lady O'Hugan presiding

"We hope," said Lady O'Hagan, "to present to the nation an airship of British design, made by British work men, of British material, from the women of the empire in defense of the British empire." They proposed to found scholarships in acrial dynamics or polytechnics and aviation scholarships at the great engineering schools and colleges.

Mrs. Tree moved a resolutionwhich was carried with enthusiasmwarmly approving the league. "I speak," she said, "as one not only devoid of any particle of scientific knowledge, but also, to my shame, as one altogether unversed in the great subject of aviation; though, being a woman, nature has naturally made me somewhat flighty."

The league has nothing to do with any political party or with "the ragged army of female fire eaters. We hope to build a British airship, followed by a fleet-or shall I say a flight?-of airships. -If we accomplish only half of what we hope to do we shall aviationize society, and, although I have no pretension to the name of Wilbur Wright. I have yet to know in the end I will be wrong."

An objection was taken by Maj. Baden Powell to the use of a French airship in England. "The idea now seems to be," he said, "to get a French airship built regardless of cost, but what good will that do us? It is better to have a British airship, British built and British owned. One is not enough; we want 50. It is better to develop this industry than to buy from the foreigner.

Col. Massy probhesied that England would require a dozen airsnips within the next six months.

POLICE CAT RECOVERS MONEY.

Paper \$10 Dropped by Mother of Arrested Boy Found by Feline in Busy Station.

New York .- Thomas, son of Thomas and Maria, attached to the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street police station as discourager of rats and mice, proved his honesty and earned the highest praise of Lieut. McNulty and the everlasting gratitude of Mrs. Helen Dorn of 1332 Amsterdam avenue.

Mrs. Dorn's son George, 18, was arrested for playing baseball in the Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station, which is quite a busy place. Mrs. Dorn hurried around and asked Lieut. McNulty how much of a fine her son would have to pay in night court. The lieutenant said it wouldn't be more than two dollars at the most, so Mrs. Dorn gave two one-dollar bills to the doorman to pay the fine and went

Four hours later Mrs. Dorn re turned, greatly distressed. She said she had lost a \$10 bill, and thought she must have dropped it when she took out the money to pay George's fine. Every one began to look for it at once, but it could not be found.

Then it was that Thomas came to the front. With a deft swipe of his dexter paw he knocked a little round green ball in front of Mrs. Dorn and sprang after it with a graceful bound, his tail held high in the air. Mrs. Dorn picked up the little green ball and found it was her missing \$10 bill.

COST TOO MUCH TO PRODUCE.

Artificial Diamond Discovered Recently by French Manufacturer Has No Commercial Value.

Paris.-The diamonds which a French manufacturer, Vicomte de Boismeau, claims to have artificially produced and winich have been submitted for examination to a committee of the Academic des Sciences aided by other experts, are said to be so small that it would take about 100 of them to weigh a carat.

The largest is worth only about 75 cents. Since it costs \$75 to \$100 to produce each stone, the discovery. however genuine, has no commercial

Such, at least, is the opinion of the experts engaged in the investigation.

Wife's Awful Mistake. London. A lew days ago a man was

run over and killed at Wolverhampton, and at the inquest a Walsall woman had no hesitation in identifying the body as that of her husband, John Three days later, however, the wom-

an was astounded to receive a letter from her husband, who, it appeared. had gone to Stourport to work at fruit picking. Not only was there a remarkable re-

sembiance in the form and features of the two men, but the clothes and small articles in the possession of the unknown man were almost identical with those of the real John Bates.

Defends Americans in the Conga. Brussels.-M. Vandervelde, the cialist leader, announces that he with go to the Congo to defend the American missionaries, Eev. Dr. William M. Morrison and Rev. Dr. William Heary, Sheppard, who are under indicament there for criminally libeling the Kasal Rubber Company, a Congo Free State corporation.

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Scata Dakota Victim of the Ancient Legacy Trick to Have \$1,200 Returned to Him.

Madrid - The Spanish swindling agendes which have fleeced the innocent in all parts of the world with stories of buried treasure and legacies continue to find victims in the United States The latest is Morgan N. Jones of Aberdeen, S. D., who will learn for the first time through this dispatch that the \$1.200 he sent in the form of a draft did not fall into the hands of the swindlers, but will be returned to him by the Spanish authorities.

A decoy letter signed C. Burrel Lopez informed Jones that a relative had died in a Spanish prison, leaving a daughter in a Spanish convent. A large fortune had been found concealed in his baggage, and the man's dying request was that the relative in South Dakota would give his daughter a home and take over the management of his fortune. But there were death charges amounting to \$1,200, and unless these were immediately paid the government would confiscate the dead man's money. So Jones of Aberdeen mailed the draft.

The address of C. Burrel Lopez was known, and the authorities opened the letter.

Two months ago a young lawyer from the state of Washington mortgaged his home, and, with \$6,000 sewed in his undershirt, left his home to receive an involved legacy. He was instructed on reaching Gibraltar to cross to Algeciras with a blue ribbon in his buttonhole, so that the dead

man's friend could recognize him. After the lawyer left New York nothing was heard of him for several months, and his wife became frightened, fearing that he had been killed. It was reported later he returned

FINDS CAVES OF ANCIENTS.

Archaeologist Discovers Wonderful Caverns in Arizona Containing Natural Bridges of Beauty.

Denver, Col.-That mammoth caves, containing caverns large enough in which to place a city office building, with natural stone bridges exceeding in beauty and grandeur those of Utah and Virginia, exist in northwestern Arizona, is officially annouaced by Prof. Edgar L. Hewett, director of the branch of the School of American

Archaeology at Santa Fe, N. M. Stories of the existence of these wonderful natural caverns have been told by indians of that section for centuries, but were thought by white men to be merely legends of the abori-gines. Prof. Hewitt, in conducting an investigation of the records concerning Spanish occupation and control of the southwest, made a trip to Spain a year ago and unearthed written

proof of the claim of the Indians. Carrying out his determination to explore the region, Prof. Hewett or ganized an expedition which started from Gallup, N. M., and, after a sevendays' journey by pack mule, the caved were reached. Indians guided him to the spot and conducted him through gigantic underground passages. Prof. Hewett, who is in Denver, gave publicity to the story the other day. He will make another expedition to the caves next spring. He claims to have found many evidences of a race of cliff dwellers hitherto unrecorded.

FISH STOP OCEAN STEAMER:

Pack Valves and Completely Cripple Wessel When Water Cannet Be Pumped Into Cendenser.

Boston.—That an ocean steamship could be completely crippled by fella fish, brought to a standstill and finally compelled to anchor until the engine room force could overcome the diff. culty seems impossible, but such was the experience of the British steames Indramayo on the passage from Boston to New York.

While going through Vineyard sound the engines finally began to act strangely, and the chief engineer re ported the matter to Capt. Thirkel Investigation showed that it was impossible to get water into the condensers.

The engineers found the cylinders sucked with a substance recembling soft soap, but which was the bodies of thousands of jelly fish.

Fortune Found in Bustle. Port Plain, N. Y.—More than \$100, 600 in bonds, bank notes, and gold has been found hidden in the home of Elizabeth Diefendorf, an eccentric maiden recluse who died here the other day, leaving an estate estimated to be worth \$1,000,000. The rear yard is to be plowed and the house term down if further search promises returns. Some of the wealth was found hidden in old bustles, bonnets, and dresses that were worn before the civil war.

First Calls Doctor at 96. Maryville, Mo.-William Huls, 96 years old, and the oldest person in Nodaway county in point of residence. was taken ill the other day and for the first time in his life was attended by a physician. Huls uses tobacco and has been a user of stimulants in limited quantities all his life. He had until his recent iliness, been a man ed exceptional vigor. He was born in Kentucky

Aluminum Coine Abandoned. London.-The aluminum coins is seed to Nigeria, East Africa, and Uganda during 1906 and 1907 have been found unsuitable for such trepical climates, and are being replaced by nickel bronse coins.

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