

RETURNS FROM EUROPEAN OUTING



Recent photograph of Roger C. Sullivan, Democratic national committee member from Illinois and one of the leaders of his party in that state, who returned the other day from a two months' outing in Norway and northern Europe.

DOCTORING EGGS TO ORDER

Proprietors of Cuban Restaurants Are by No Means Absolutely Devoid of Guile.

"I have been taking fruit and some soft food for my breakfast practically every morning," said the young man in the window seat of the restaurant...

CUSTOM OF HIS PROFESSION

Girl's Reasoning That Convinced Her the Young Lawyer Was Really In Earnest.

He was a bright young lawyer, but very bashful in the affairs of love though he was deeply in love with a young woman who was celebrated among her friends for her reticence.

GOT A LITTLE SATISFACTION

Editor, Unable to Collect Bill for Paper, Could Afford to Affront the Widow.

To the editor of a little Maine newspaper there came the other day an important editorial warning who waved a lot of paper in the editorial face.

METHOD OF INDUCING SLEEP

Self Suggestion Plays a Great Part—Worry Is the Main Thing to Be Avoided.

The next point to be considered is the production of sleep, which is the chief object of the sufferer's desire.

SENT THROUGH AIR

Big Ocean Liners Get Weather Reports While at Sea.

Observations Flashed from Ship to Ship on Every Portion of Atlantic to Aid in Compilation of London's Daily Map.

London—in the meteorological committee's annual report to the lords of the treasury, issued recently, reference is made to the weather reports received by wireless telegraph from American liners since the commencement of the year.

Seventy-eight messages were received in January, 469 in February and 672 in March, making a total for the three months of 1,210 reports.

Of these, 67, or five per cent, arrived at the meteorological office within two hours of the time that the observations were taken, or sufficiently early to be of service in connection with the weather map in current use, and 233 messages, or 18 per cent of the total number, arrived within 24 hours of the time of observations.

Toward the close of the quarter there were, however, indications of a sensible reduction in the time occupied in the transmission of messages.

At present the arrangements for the transmission of messages by radiotelegraphy are not sufficiently developed for messages to be transmitted directly from ships to shore stations from every part of the Atlantic.

For the more western portions of the map the committee is dependent upon the transmission of messages from ship to ship and then to the shore. The ship carrying the message has frequently to wait some time before it comes within speaking distance of the shore station, and in consequence considerable delay occurs in the transmission.

The faster ships tend to become the receiving vessels for messages of all ships which they have passed en route, with the result that the signal officer on board the ships and the staff at the office find themselves in possession of an overwhelming number of messages, some of which are already too old to be of immediate utility in forecasting.

The accuracy of the transmission has been remarkable and the observations have been good. Many of the ships carry only aneroid barometers and in some instances it has been difficult to bring pressure observations into correspondence with those on a neighboring ship or the shore stations.

This, therefore, says the committee, remains to be done before the system of reports by radiotelegraphy from the Atlantic can be brought into a position to give a daily map of the ocean.

Goes Far to Wed. Neenah, Wis.—Charles Gehrbly of this city and Miss Amy Johnson of Salt Lake City went 2,000 miles to get married. They traveled as far as San Francisco and were married there at practically the same spot where they first met, during the San Francisco fire. At that time Gehrbly saved Miss Johnson from death by carrying her out of a burning building which fell as soon as they were safely out.

BLIND BOY RESCUES BROTHER

Directed to Drowning Lad by Cries for Help from Youngster and Others on Shore.

Yeadon, Pa.—Henry Gilbert, 12 years old, and blind, leaped into a deep pool at Baird's quarry and saved his ten-year-old brother John from drowning. The swimming pool is very deep and has a dangerous, rocky bottom.

A dozen boys from Pascal, including the two Gilberts, went there for a swim. Henry, who had lost his eyesight in a Fourth of July celebration, is an expert swimmer and diver, while John is but a beginner.

Henry had dressed when John decided to have a last dive and leaped far into the pool. He reappeared 40 feet from shore and called for help. Fully dressed, the blind brother plunged into the pool and swam straight for John, directed by the latter's voice. Before he reached the spot the struggling boy had sunk. Henry searched about for him in vain, calling to the boys on shore to guide him.

Then John came to the surface some distance behind him. Henry heard him struggling in the water and swam straight for the spot. Again he was too late, but when John came to the surface a third time the blind boy was close at hand and seized him by the hair. Then directed by the shouts on shore, he swam slowly toward them, holding fast to his brother. Other boys waded into the water as far as they could and helped him ashore.

Henry was little the worse for his experience, but John was unconscious and it required long rubbing to bring him to his senses.

AUGUST CORN EXPORTS LARGE

Total of Other Foodstuffs Shipped from United States Less Than That of Year Ago.

Washington—Double the amount of corn was exported from the United States in August over that month a year ago. The exports of wheat and wheat flour were only half as large last month as they were in August a year ago, according to a statement of the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor, issued recently.

There was a decrease of more than \$10,000,000 in the value of exports of domestic breadstuffs, meat and dairy products, food animals, cotton and mineral oils from the United States in August, compared with August a year ago, and a decrease of \$94,000,000 for the eight months ending August 31, compared with the corresponding period of last year.

The total value of these exports for last August was \$36,120,112, divided as follows: Corn, \$591,984; wheat, \$6,338,470; wheat flour, \$3,277,861; all other foodstuffs, \$628,778; meat and dairy products, \$9,395,184; cattle, hogs and sheep, \$895,949; cotton, \$7,182,724; and mineral oil, \$7,629,184.

For the eight month period ending with August the value of these exports was \$431,949,924, every article showing a decrease except corn and cotton.

ROACHES DESTROY RECORDS.

Washington—Rugs of the water-roach variety have invaded the municipal building in Washington in such numbers and have been so destructive as to imperil the official records kept there. It has been found that in every department which contains furniture brought from the old municipal building a year ago the insects abound. Everything digestible by a bug has been attacked in these rooms, including typewriter ribbons, carbon paper by the ream, the glue used in binding the official records in book form and...

TAKES IN CIRCUITOUS ROUTES

Letter Journeys Long Distance to Reach Destination Ten Feet from the Starting Point.

One of the most remarkable mail routes in the world is that in which a letter journey is going from Beebe Plain, Vt., to Beebe Plain, Quebec, Canada. While the two offices are within ten feet of each other—are located in the same room, in fact—a letter mailed from one office to the other must make a trip of 294 miles—67 miles in Canada and the remainder in the United States.

The plain, old-fashioned store building which is situated on the international boundary line contains both the United States and the Canadian offices. There are separate entrances to each, but both are in the same room, have the same lobby and there are no partitions to mark the division between the domain of Uncle Sam and the possession of King Edward.

"If you mail a letter from the Vermont side addressed to the Quebec side," says the postmaster, "it goes from here to the junction, then to Newport, then to White River Junction, and back to Lennoxville, Quebec, over the Boston and Maine. There it is transferred to the Grand Trunk and goes to a south-bound mail pouch and comes to Stanstead Junction and then back to this same building, a distance of 294 miles.

"If we wish to mail a letter from the American side to Derby Line, it must go to White River Junction and then come back over the official route."

LONGEVITY OF BIRDS.

The Duchess of Bedford, in "British Birds," gives some remarkable instances of longevity among birds in her own collection. A Barbary dove which has been in the duchess's possession for 15 years was left her by an old woman who also owned it for 15 years and who always said it was an old bird when it was given to her. A Chinese goose has been in the possession of the family for 57 years. A pintail drake which the duchess bought 20 years ago, when it was an adult bird, still survives. One bird was taken from the nest in 1852 and died in 1900. "It was chained by the leg to a small hutch," says the duchess, "and lived 48 years under these miserable conditions."

Indian Landmarks in Ohio Woods. In the vicinity of Defiance, O., can be found trees that many would think freaks of nature. Such they are, but they are created by the hand of man.

According to the stories of some of the old timers, these trees are much older than the present generation has any idea of, and at one time served as Indian guide posts. It is said that in the early days, when the Maumee valley was one vast woods, the Indians bent these saplings to indicate certain paths. The trees, because of their deformity, grew slowly, and although they are many years old, never attained the size of their brethren in the forests. Similar trees exist near Fort Wayne.

DAUGHTER.

A Seattle man attended a movie picture show where a series of pictures showed "San Francisco at Fire Time." In the picture he saw his wife with another man. She has been supposed to be visiting in Spokane at the time. Suit for divorce followed. Besides being always prepared for death, people these days have to also be prepared for the snapshot.

PUZZLE.

"Two halves of the same thing must be equal, mustn't they?" "Certainly." "Then why is it that a woman who admits half her age always chooses to admit the first half?"

VICTIMS OF MAN'S CUPIDITY

Beaver, Bison, Seals, Whales, Are All Gradually Becoming Extinct.

Dr. A. E. Shipley, F. R. S., in speaking of the extinction of a number of the world's interesting animals, according to the London Globe, says the European beaver has nearly gone, the American bison was represented by a few wild specimens in the Caucasus. The American bison was reduced to a few herds most carefully preserved by the government.

The destruction of the fur seal threatened to soon be complete, and the Greenland sealing industry was now nearly a thing of the past, so few seals were there, though 40 years ago they were being killed at the rate of 100,000 a year. Whales were also disappearing. Only three were killed last year by British whalers, and the whales on the Newfoundland side were also disappearing.

At the present time certain Norwegian whaling companies had been actively engaged in killing off as fast as they could what remained of the various kinds of whales. These were killed chiefly for their blubber, but the economy of the whale factories rivaled that of the Chicago pork packers.

ELECTRICITY AND GRAPES.

There is no denying the enterprise of the persevering Dutchman. One grower at least has sought to improve his output by the aid of electricity. In the vinerias can be seen live wires, which run along the interior of the building. These do not come into contact with either the vine or the soil, but their presence is believed to be beneficial. Experiments were made with two adjoining beds of grapes. In the one case, where the electrical effect had been tried, the vegetable was ready for marketing at the same time that the other had barely commenced to sprout from the ground. Its latest development in fruit and vegetable culture is as yet in its infancy. What will be the outcome of the ingenious idea it is impossible to foretell.—Dundee Advertiser.

PREDICTED THE AIRSHIP.

Horace Walpole is quoted by the Westminster Gazette as having made the following prophecy in 1784 after Blanchard's first ascent in a hydrogen-filled balloon: "The seaports will become deserted villages, and Salisbury Plain, Newmarket Heath and the Sussex Downs will be utilized as dockyards for aerial vessels. There will be fights in the air with wind guns, and there will be a prodigious increase of land for tillage by the breakup of the public roads as intended." This says the Gazette, was intended to be serious, yet if the noble earl had seriously predicted 125 years ago exactly what has recently been achieved in air flights he would have been called a madman, rather than a humorist.

HUNTERS KILL BIG GRIZZLY.

The monster grizzly bear that for years has been making many sleepless nights for the farmers, miners and residents of the northwestern Trinity region has at last been slain. This monarch of the forest and slayer of small domestic animals was killed by Thomas McDonald, a wealthy mining man who has been camping along the Salmon range in Trinity. Single-handed McDonald, who is a mountaineer of marked ability, killed the bear after a lively tussle. The bear weighed 1,000 pounds, and is the finest and biggest specimen ever seen in the Trinity mountain region. The animal had for years defied all efforts to capture or kill him.—Maryville Correspondence San Francisco Call.

RELEASED ON HIS GOOD RECORD.

"Your honor," declared R. Kaiser of Boston to Judge Grover of the Dedham court the other day, "I have traveled 10,343 miles by automobile since May 10, without being held up or arrested for overspeeding." The defendant was given the benefit of the doubt on the charge of overspeeding and was declared not guilty.—Boston Evening Transcript.

TOAD EVIDENTLY A THINKER

Clever Maneuver by Which Batrachian Foiled His Invertebrate Enemy, the Serpent.

The following snake story was told some years ago by a reputable citizen of Anson county. Driving along a public road one day he saw a toad frog crossing the road at top speed—hitting only the high places and few of them. As the frog disappeared in the rocky underbrush on one side a black snake in hot pursuit made its appearance on the other. The story-teller followed the two into the bushes to see what the result would be. He had proceeded only a short distance when he found the frog at bay facing the snake and with the latter circling about in the air. His frogship kept turning all the time, always facing the enemy.

The reason of this maneuver on the snake's part was that the frog had in its mouth, held crosswise and about the middle, a stick about the size and length of a lead pencil. The frog knew the snake could not swallow him so long as he presented such a front. The man watched the performance for some time and when he left the snake was still circling the frog and the latter facing its enemy on every turn.—Charlottesville Observer.

A LONDON PROBLEM.

They are dealing with a psychological problem in London that is not on the cards. The problem is nothing less than a little baby boy in the Wickham workhouse, a scrap of a child only two years and four months old, who no sooner has to make any serious remark than he rolls forth such a string of unmitigated billings-gate that he petrifies all who hear him. He is described as a beautiful child with dark, wavy hair, blue eyes, hair, chubby limbs and the face of an angel. At ordinary times he is the best of boys, but does anything upset his equanimity he brings into play such a volume of foul language that he quite contaminates the infant ward. Where the baby learned to curse and swear is the question. It has been so far a mystery, as his antecedents are unknown, and his age so tender his comprehension of the forms of language might well be of the slightest, but such does not appear to be the case. This little workhouse baby evidently knows what he is talking about.

THE DUTY OF REST AND PLAY.

Rest is just as much a necessity of life as work is. In the face of the popular theory which supposes that work in itself is respectable unless it is proved to be wrong and that rest in itself is suspicious—that it must prove itself to be right; in the face of this popular theory, which is the theory of the spelling books, of careless talk and untrained consciences, I must remind you that Work and Rest have each its own place, and that neither must step beyond that place. In its right place and proportion Rest is as dignified, as creditable, as Work is.—Edward Everett Hale, 1857.

HIS LITTLE DEAL.

"Ha, ha!" exclaimed the boarder. "You actually bought a gold brick?" "Yes," answered the farmer, as he took the specimen tenderly and laid it on the mantelshelf. "All the city folks that came here expected to see one. It seemed like they wouldn't believe I was a regular farmer unless I could show a gold brick. So when I went to town and this was offered me I give the fellow \$99 in Confederate money and a Canada quarter, which is cheaper than I could have made one myself."

ANTS IN BATTLE.

The pugnacity of ants leads them to amuse themselves during long intervals of peace by sham battles. They rise upon their back feet, wrestle, seize each other by the jaws or legs, mount on each other's backs, roll over and over and engage in other antics. Neighboring communities of ants are prone to engage in wars which continue through weeks and months, and usually end with the annihilation of the weaker community.

EASY TO DETECT BAD MONEY

Hold Bill Up to the Light and Examine the Silk Threads in the Paper.

Despite the utmost vigilance of our efficient secret service men the making of counterfeit money in this country has not been wholly suppressed. Spurious coins and paper tokens occasionally get into circulation and some of these are so well done as almost to defy detection by experts.

Among the latest samples of the counterfeiters' art is a \$10 bill one of the latest imitations on record. A specimen of this issue was received and paid out by several banks, being regarded by all who handled it as genuine. In time it reached the sub-treasury at New York and there its spuriousness at once became known.

On first inspection the bill appeared to be a real product of the treasury department, but when held up to the light the little particles of silk, which in a genuine bill are curved and twisted in the paper, are seen to be straight and hard. A magnifying glass shows some very slight discrepancies between the face of the bill and that of a genuine one.

Sub-treasury officials state that the bogus note was engraved by a master in the art who may once have been employed in the bureau of engraving at Washington. Every person who receives a \$10 bill, says Leslie's Weekly, should apply to it at least the simple test above given of holding it up to the light and noting the condition of the silk threads.

TRUE TO MEMORY OF BEAU NASH.

The famous Beau Nash was at one time the favorite of a beautiful girl called Juliana Papjoy, sometimes known as the Bishopstow belle. She used to ride about the streets of Bath on a fine gray horse carrying a whip with many thongs, a fad which gained for her the title of Lady Betty Heom. Juliana was very kind-hearted and during the last five years of the beau's life she nursed him devotedly. After his death she vowed that she would never again sleep in a bed and took up her abode in a large hollow tree, where she lived for many years, earning a scanty livelihood by selling herb medicines and fetching and carrying. At last Juliana became very ill and, knowing she could not possibly recover, she felt an intense longing to die in her old cottage home at Bishopstow. More dead than alive, she set out on this last journey, and managed to reach the house where she was born in time to die there.

EUGENE FIELD'S JOKE ON DR. HALE.

Edward Everett Hale greatly enjoyed a joke which was perpetrated on him by Eugene Field, says the Woman's Home Companion. Field celebrated one of Hale's visits to Chicago by giving a luncheon in his honor, inviting a number of prominent persons to meet him. "Field was aware," said Hale, "that I was a temperance man, and therefore I was somewhat surprised to see that the table on which the luncheon was served was very abundantly supplied with bottles labeled 'whisky,' 'brandy' and 'champagne.' But when these bottles came to be uncorked they were all found to contain nothing but water."

DIFFERENT.

"I wrote him that I was ready to come home." "Was he glad?" "He wrote me that he would have to borrow money to pay my fare." "What did you do?" "I asked him what I should do, and he said he would borrow money enough for me to stay there a while longer."

DESCRIBED.

"Pa, what is meant by a nervous wreck?" "A nervous wreck, my boy, is something that a woman says she is every time she gets a headache."—Detroit Free Press.