

SMUGGLE IN MANY DIAMONDS

Importers' Protective Union Declares Foreigners, Not Tourists, Worst Offenders.

New York—About \$10,000,000 worth of diamonds are smuggled into the United States annually, according to a statement issued by the Importers' Protective union, which has just offered to pay rewards of \$2,500 and up for information leading to the arrest of offenders.

"An inspection of the returns of sales made by the large exporters in Paris, Vienna, Berlin and London shows that the amount of smuggling is enormous," declared the association's statement. "A good many of the precious stones pass the customs lines in the possession of members of steamship crews, while at the smaller ports of entry, where there are not such expert appraisers as in New York, the government is cheated of a considerable sum of money by under-valuation.

"The amount of smuggling by tourists is, of course, harder to estimate than even the professional smuggling. But it has been said that more has got through in the past without paying duty than ever was declared.

"But the really big smuggling—carefully organized and cleverly executed—is done by foreigners. Hollanders from Amsterdam come over here and travel about the country selling the stones to small jewelers. They offer them at 7 or 8 per cent. reduction on the regular price, and no questions are asked."

DISCOVER REST FOR WEARY

Berlin Specialist Claims to Have Found Cure for Tired Feeling—Experiments With Dogs.

Berlin.—Prof. Loewy of the Berlin Agricultural High school, a famous specialist, has arranged so that nobody need ever be tired any more—has found how to inoculate us against that exhaustion of vital energy which we call getting fagged out. Perfectly serious he is about it.

He has discovered that a substance called spermin injected under the skin removes the symptoms of exhaustion and enables weary creatures to go on working long after nature usually cries "Halt!"

Some trained dogs were set like prisoners to run over a treadmill driven by an electrically-driven treadmill. They were kept at this until the poor beasts looked ready to drop with exhaustion and the chemical tests showed that the drain on what constitutes energy in dogs and men was too great to be longer maintained. Then the professor injected large doses of spermin under the dogs' hides.

In three experiments the immediate result was a great recovery from exhaustion and the dogs were set to work again on their treadmill and trotted off, if not as fresh as ever, yet distinctly no longer overtired.

"Why spermin produces this extraordinary effect Professor Loewy has not yet ascertained."

BEGINS A WAR ON MOSQUITO

New Jersey County and Several Railroads Co-Operate to Exterminate Pest.

New York.—Escorted by Commissioner William Delaney of the Hudson county board of health, the Bayonne board of health and Drs. John T. Conolly and Charles J. Larkin of the medical staff of the city have inspected the swarms of the Bayonne crop of mosquitoes. They found a few hundred thousand larvae and wrigglers. The breeding places were near the Central railroad tracks.

"The Bayonne board decided to ask the council to make a special appropriation at once, so the breeding spots may be destroyed before the mosquitoes get on the wing, which will be about ten days hence. Prof. John B. Smith, state entomologist, has promised to have the state pay half the expense of the fight against the pests in Bayonne.

Commissioner Delaney said a systematic fight would be made throughout the county and that the Pennsylvania, Central and Lehigh Valley railroads would spend about \$25,000 in their share of the work.

LIVE WIRE ENDS MONOTONY

Lonely Man Unwinds Coil and Promptly Feels Livid Presence—Unconscious Several Hours.

Altosha, Pa.—Becoming lonesome at the habitation at Collinsville, a suburb of the other day, Byron Miller, aged twenty, an electrician, started to amuse himself by winding an unused coil of wire, when the end came in contact with a lightning arrester. Miller received a high voltage shock, which rendered him unconscious.

Almost instantly the disturbance in the current was noticed at the hydro plant at Huntington, 30 miles away, and the man in charge there called the Penn Central company's headquarters here to learn the cause, his message reaching the office before the one from the habitation.

Miller was unconscious several hours, being burned about the hands, arms and feet.

Cafe Brings \$200,000

Paris.—The Cafe Anglais was sold the other afternoon at auction for \$200,000 to a Belgian group after a spirited bidding. The price per square meter almost equaled that of the highest price obtained for New York city land.

BAR WOMEN AT HUNT

English Sportsman Shows Indignation at Cancellation of Race.

Reference to "Marsports" Demonstrates Fact That Games Calling for Grit and Determination Are Dwindling in Popularity.

London.—The woman's role on the hunting field has been a continual source of discussion among English fox hunters, but the close of the present season sees the subject crop up in a new light.

Point to point races are a regular feature of the winding up of the hunting with most of the packs, and of late years women's races frequently are included in the program. This year the Essex hunt's point to point races were to have included a woman's race, but that event was canceled at the last moment, although five women had entered.

The incident caused speculation in hunting circles, and now the affair gets additional interest from a sporting challenge by Sir Claude de Craspygn, who, although over sixty years old, is a fine, all around sportsman and an adept with the gloves. Sir Claude has sent the following epistle to an Essex paper:

"At the point to point meeting I was informed the women who had in so sporting a spirit entered for the race were furious at the event being struck off the program. I beg to inform them that I share their indignation, and the elimination was without my knowledge or approval.

"So far as I can make out some silly old women, not of female sex, set about worrying the honorable secretary, threatening to absent themselves if the race was left in. What difference would their nonattendance have had on the meeting?

"A much greater sportsman than any of these marsports offered to produce twelve women from his own hunt who would pound any twelve men of any hunt.

"If any of the objectors resent my description of them they will know where to find me."

Sir Claude's reference to twelve women who would pound any twelve men of any hunt gives a point to the lament raised by a contributor to the Weekly Nation over the decadence of British sport. The games which call for grit and determination, he says, are dwindling in popularity. He especially refers to the fact that while fox hunting attracts larger fields, the standard of horsemanship has not improved among men. This, he thinks, due to the fact that in the rising generation men for the most part devote their attention to motoring rather than horsemanship.

"Fortunately," he continues, "the women seem, upon the whole, to ride better than they used to do, and to be growing keener about it. Plenty of men will, of course, tell you that women who ride across country quite fearlessly do so in almost every instance through ignorance of the danger.

"That theory is a false one. Dozens of times I have seen women, who well know the risks they run in taking certain lines of country when the hounds are running hard, give men who were hesitating at an awkward fence a lead over, for woman's intuition and her quickness of thought and decision serve her in the hunting field just as they do elsewhere.

"It is curious, but it may be significant, that while the vast proportion of men of the well-to-do class seem to be satisfied with amusements needing neither nerve nor grit, the women are becoming more addicted to games and forms of sport that call for the risk of limb and sometimes life.

"Whether the fashion of riding astride, which steadily has spread since Mrs. Alex Tweedy set the example, is to be recommended it is hard to say."

When one notes how the women of England are growing taller, stronger and harder, while there is a general tendency toward physical degeneration in men, one wonders if an Amazonian England is a possibility of the future.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE ROSE

California Is Already Two-Thirds Successful in His Patriotic Experiment With Tree.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Having a rose-bush which produces a red and white flower, Park Superintendent Long of Long Branch thinks he can make it add a blue shade also, and thus he will have a national flower.

Last year a bush in Pacific park bore snow-white roses. This season the flowers are beautifully tinged with red. Long attributes this fact to the proximity of a red rose bush and says that by next year, when the roots of the bushes mingle, the red stripe will be even more pronounced. He is now planning to force the red and white bush to take on the shade of blue.

Policeman's Job Too Easy

Chicago.—The snail that results from being a policeman in Evanston has proven more than Edwin Jameson, assistant chief, can bear. The other night he tendered his resignation, his reason being that he didn't have enough to do. He believes that he will find the joys of an active existence in returning to his former trade, plumbing.

"GIRL" WEIGHS 685 POUNDS

Miss Trixie and Her "Little" Brother Together Tip Scales at Plus Half a Ton.

Seattle, Wash.—Miss Trixie, the 685-pound Astoria (N. Y.) girl who has been exhibited all over the country, gave considerable trouble to the officers of the steamship Aymeric. Miss Trixie, with her brother, Baby Trixie, are being taken to the big exposition at Nanking, China, to be held this summer, and when the fat girl arrived at the wharf the trouble began by the captain being called on to provide a gangplank sufficiently strong to allow Miss Trixie to board the ship.

The gang plank was "made, but a ten-foot section had to be taken out of the ship's rail to admit the 92-inch hips of the fat New York girl. Then how to get her into the cabin and from the cabin into a state room and from the state room to a berth large and strong enough, etc., etc., caused the captain and first officer to have brainstorms.

The two "children"—one is twenty and the other eighteen—together weigh 1,281 pounds. They will have to sleep on the floor of their state rooms on this trip across the Pacific.

Miss Trixie was finally settled comfortably in the finest room on board the ship, but her meals will have to be brought to her, for the door to the saloon is too small for her girth and the stairs are too weak to hold her weight. Strange to say, the fare of these two heavyweights is the same as it is for a ninety-six-pound Chinaman who is returning to his fatherland.

"LADY" BOOTBLACK IS LATEST

Parlors to Be Established in All Parts of Gotham to Accommodate Fair Sex.

New York.—Innovations in the form of women shoe shiners are to be introduced to New Yorkers in the near future by the United Shoe Shining company. The women are to shine the shoes of the members of the fair sex in parlors that will be established in all parts of the city for them exclusively.

Other parlors for men will be established in all the principal hotels, congregating places and street corners. At least, the prospectus of the company says so. The company declares it has an authorized capital of \$1,500,000, with shares at one dollar each. The stock is being underwritten at 25 cents a share.

Shoes will be cleaned and polished, according to the very latest ideas, the prospectus states, and shabby places will have to give way to "conveniently located, sanitary, orderly and tasteful establishments, where will be found the very latest newspapers and current literature."

Options on the principal shoe shining parlors have been obtained, it is reported, and new stands will be established as well. The business will be conducted on "chain" lines similar to restaurants and cigar store systems.

WOMAN'S HOME A SMALL ARK

Chickens, Dogs, Ducks, Pigs and Goats in Three Rooms Gave Woman Into Police Court.

New York.—Outside of having 30 chickens, ten ducks, five pigs, four dogs and two goats cooped about her three-room house in the Rocky Hill road, at Bayside, Queens county, Mrs. Annie Curke hasn't a single pet to keep her company. When brought before Judge O'Keefe in special sessions court at Jamaica, charged with permitting the chickens to peregrinate about the property of her neighbors, it developed that she was conducting an ark.

Evidence showed that the ducks occupied the attic, the dogs one of the rooms on the first floor, while the pigs have a front room and bath directly under the place where there would be a bay window if there were one. The goats occupy a cottage near by and the chickens are not particular where they sleep.

Judge O'Keefe suspended sentence when Mrs. Curke charged that the complaint was made by a land booming concern. She promised to keep her chickens on a leash, but she may hear from the department of health, as a transcript of the testimony was obtained for its use.

DOG CAN SCENT LIGHTNING

Flees Ahead and Gives Warning of Bolt That Killed Eight Cows Under Tree.

Oxford, Pa.—A dog that apparently can scent lightning is the proudest possession of Howard Griffith of Lower Oxford township, and the knowledge of the dog's peculiar gift is the only consolation which Griffith has for the loss of eight cows, which were struck and killed the other afternoon.

The dog is a collie that has been trained to watch the cows and bring them in at night. Nine of the cows gathered under a tree in the field and the dog was with them, when the family heard him give a strange howl and start down the lane as fast as he could run. A few seconds afterward a bolt of lightning struck the tree, killing eight of the nine cows and knocking the other one down.

The dog crawled under the barn and refused to come out for some time. Everyone is at a loss to explain the strange phenomenon which undoubtedly saved the animal's life.

DANGER OF SUMMER

Chicago "Healthograms" Tell of Many Menacing Evils in City.

"Wash Vegetables, Don't Overfeed Baby and Watch Milk, Is Advice of City Physicians to Citizens—Lower Death Rate.

Advice for the feeding of new-born babies, warnings against impure milk and unclean vegetables, and another box of literary pills in the form of the ubiquitous "healthogram" are mingled in the latest report of the health department, with the cheering information that the public health situation is greatly improved over the last few weeks.

In the week there were 47 deaths less than the week before, the death rate being lower than that of last year. The deaths from acute contagious diseases show a reduction of 50 per cent. May, 1910, passed into record with the third highest death rate for the month in 15 years.

Deaths from pneumonia were more numerous than in any May for 50 years, with the exception of two. The reason for the prevalence of pneumonia and the high mortality from the impure air disease is assigned, by the health department to unseasonably cold weather.

Here are some samples of the latest output of the healthogram physician which are guaranteed to prevent many illnesses if read once and thought of twice a day.

"No spit—no consumption. "Summer—the time to shun meats and take to vegetables.

"An uncongenial occupation warps the body and withers the soul. "To relieve worry and sleeplessness take a bath—hot followed by cold.

"When you must drink, drink Adam's ale. Lake Michigan is full of it.

"Dirty milk is better food for bacteria than it is for babies."

The bulletin points out that a stomach of the child at birth holds only one ounce and warns against overfeeding. Artificial feeding is to be avoided and not to be resorted to unless it is absolutely necessary, the bulletin advises.

Investigation of a case of typhoid fever in the family of a wealthy Chicagoan resulted in the discovery that the disease had been contracted by eating raw vegetables which had been washed by the farmer in a pool of dirty water. Taking this case as an object lesson, the health department points out that all vegetables always should be washed in the kitchen. Under no other circumstances, says the bulletin, should lettuce, celery, cabbage, radishes and similar vegetables be eaten raw.

TINIEST BABY STOPS MUSIC

Smallest Infant in World Had Power to Move Amusement Park Brass Band and Stand.

Chicago.—The tiniest baby in Chicago, and probably the smallest infant in the world the other day, had the power to move a brass band and a band stand.

The little one is a baby girl weighing 15 ounces. She was born at South Chicago. The family physician rushed the tiny mite to a Riverside infant incubator to be scientifically cared for until it could be safely handled at home. In the meantime a band stand and baby too had been planned 50 feet from the incubator building to attract the crowd. The first baby 500 pieces was "Baby Mine." The little one strenuously objected. She wanted to sleep.

Mrs. Conry, M. D., who has charge of the babies, protested. She said it was a case of life or death for the world's smallest baby. The band and stand were moved.

This baby is a trifle less than ten inches in length, its head is shaped proportionately with the body and the hands measure but seven-eighths of an inch across the widest part. The forefinger is half an inch long and one-eighth of an inch in width. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson 5923 Belmont avenue.

PAWNS GOLD FROM HIS TEETH

Pennsylvania Man of Prolonged Spree Unjustly Suspected of Robberies—No Offense.

York, Pa.—The empty sockets from which he had pulled four of his gold crowned teeth to pawn them for drink, cleared from suspicion of theft a man picked up by the police the other day.

Chief of Police Bush had weekly for the past month noticed a gold tooth listed among the items of pawned articles turned in by one of the local shops. There have been a number of dental robberies here, and the chief ordered an investigation.

A partly intoxicated man was brought before him, having been apprehended in the act of receiving 75 cents upon one more tooth. He admitted that he had pawned the others, but said he pulled them out of his own mouth in order to raise the money to contribute a prolonged spree. It hurt to extract them, he said, but a few drinks before the operation eased the pain.

As it is no offense under the law for a man to pull and pawn his own teeth, the suspect was set free and started back to the pawn shop with the precious tooth wrapped in a bit of paper.

CAT STOPS CHURCH CONCERT

Pussy Gets Entangled in Pipes of Organ and Instrument Goes Dumb—Finally Released.

Jersey City, N. J.—A black cat born in a church got tangled up in the stops and pipes of the organ the other night and a feature of a concert given there by the Young Women's Christian association had to be scratched. Rev. Paul A. Meury lent his church, the Second Dutch Reformed, in Summit avenue, for the entertainment, and promised to have his organist, Mrs. Prue Robinson, play selections on the \$7,000 organ. The organ music was advertised as a feature.

The church was crowded when Mrs. Robinson went to the organ. The electric blower was set in motion, but the organist couldn't produce any notes. The church engineer examined the electrical apparatus and reported it in good order. Mr. Meury and the engineer then climbed up among the pipes and heard a cat meowing. They discovered the church cat, which was born in the edifice a few months ago, caught in between the piping. It had crawled there evidently while chasing a mouse and couldn't get out.

The organ was out of order. Mr. Meury announced the cause and it provoked laughter. Although some disappointment was manifest the program given appeared to satisfy the disgruntled.

After it was all over the engineer reached in between the pipes of the organ and pulled out the cat. Then he took the animal home so that it shouldn't go mouse hunting in such a place again. Men were busy later on repairing the delicate wires which the cat had destroyed in getting into the pipe.

CHANTECLER BOWS OF BIRDS

Many English Skylarks Being Sent to America for Use in Latest Fashion Fad.

London.—English skylarks are being caught, killed and exported to America, to be made up into decorations for women's bows—called "Chanteclers."

James Buckland, a naturalist of repute, writes from the Royal Colonial Institute, saying: "Of late years a large trade has sprung up in the export of English lapwings for consumption in the hotels and restaurants of the larger cities of the United States.

"Now comes the alarming intelligence of the use of the heads of English skylarks, plovers and linnets to make up what are known to American milliners as 'Chantecler bows.'

"These bows are being sold in great numbers in New York and Albany, and are to be bought in all the large cities.

"I brought the matter of the lapwings to the notice of the home office, but nothing came of it. But if the home office does not awake to action and prohibit the export of lapwings, skylarks, plovers and linnets, very few of these birds, which are of inestimable value to the farmer, will be left."

Mr. Buckland has sent a specimen bow to be worn at the neck, with the bird's head and plumage mounted firmly on velvet.

TELLS SKIPPER OF STEERING

New Device Awakens Captain of Quartersmaster Leaves Course Even Slightly.

London.—When the skipper of a steamship, be it either a common tramp or a swaggar liner, happens to look astern of his ship and see that a "drunken" course is being steered he, of course, wants to know of the quartermaster at the wheel what he means by "writing his name on the ocean."

If the steering is lax when the "old man" is on the bridge, what one might reasonably ask, must it be when that monarch is taking his afternoon siesta in his bunk?

Good steering, even with the skipper in his bunk, should now be assured, even on the poorest manned tramp, from what one learns regarding the joint invention of two New Zealanders, both of whom were at one time steamship officers.

By this invention the fact of a vessel drifting from the true set course is recorded, and an alarm bell is rung when such deviation exceeds a certain prearranged limit.

Before he goes below, the captain can set the instrument to alarm him at whatever deviation he likes. He can set it fairly wide or even fine, and if the limit is not reached he has only to look at the indicator to see by the way the pen has traveled how the steering has been in his absence.

Sends Twenty Thousand Tulips.

Paris.—The queen of Holland has made a charming gift to Paris. Twenty thousand magnificent tulips, of all sizes, kinds and colors arrived from the celebrated collection at The Hague, and have been planted at Bagatelle, Bois de Boulogne, where for a time the beautiful queen of France, Marie Antoinette, lived in seclusion. Bagatelle is famous for its tulips, of which there are 100,000 in the ground.

\$1,500 for a Pearl.

Peoria, Ill.—The largest pearl ever found in the Illinois river has been bought from a local fisherman by Frank Hudson, a pearl dealer of Bath, Ill. The pearl is described as a "double cancer" and weighs 35 grains. Mr. Hudson paid \$1,500 for it.

GUJANA SNOW PEAKS

Dutch Expedition Finds High Range of Mountains on Island.

Existence of Glistening Ice-Clad Summits Prove to Be Fact—Other Explorers Hitherto Unable to Penetrate Wilderness.

The Hague.—Until recently none of the many exploring expeditions sent out by England, Germany and Holland had ever succeeded in penetrating into the heart of New Guiana, the great island which is partitioned among the three nations. Swamps, forests and many other difficulties stood in the way, to say nothing of the natives, who were reputed to be savages devoted to head-hunting and cannibalism.

Some progress, however, was made. The courses of several rivers were determined and the existence of a lofty range of mountains was verified. The goal of several Dutch expeditions had been the Orange range, the highest peak of which had been named Wilhelmina, and considerable information about it had been obtained. "Several of the explorers claimed to have seen snow-covered summits, but about this there was a difference of opinion, some saying that the whiteness might be due to chalky formations of rock.

Last year Professor Lorents and a small party of Netherlands set out to reach these mountains which had seemed so elusive. The professor was familiar with the coast regions and the language of the natives, and he also had the assistance of the government. Following a river into the interior, the party succeeded in reaching a high table land never before visited by white men, but the snowy range of mountains could not be seen on account of the proximity of the foothills.

Feeling sure that they were proceeding in the right direction, the party pushed on in spite of innumerable difficulties and at last saw the glittering goal of their journey in the far distance. One of the peaks they discovered was christened Juliana. Through most of the members of the expedition were suffering from fever contracted in the jungles, they continued on, leaving all unnecessary articles behind and establishing supply depots for the return trip. The doctor in the party was too exhausted to proceed and had to be left at one of the depots with some natives.

Doctor Lorents, J. Van Nouhuys and four natives made the final dash and succeeded in reaching the glaciers and fields of eternal snow on the summit of Mount Wilhelmina, more than 12,000 feet above sea level. Several photographs were taken at the highest point and the Dutch flag was planted. Then a hurried return was made. In the course of which Doctor Lorents sustained a bad fall. He was internally injured and his companions had to remain with him all night in an exposed spot on the mountain while a terrible storm of wind and snow raged about them.

Other mishaps occurred on the return trip and the members of the expedition would have died from starvation if a relief party had not reached them at the last moment. When they finally reached Altamira, the government coast station, they were welcomed with flags and triumphal arches as heroes who had suffered and accomplished much in the service of science.

HIS HORSESHOE WAS LUCKY

Finder Hit Three Times by Automobiles Is Still Alive, With No Bones Broken.

Richfield, N. J.—It was three times and out with John Chester the other day, and he believes he would have been killed had he not clutched a horseshoe all the time. Less superstitious persons, however, answer at him: "If that horseshoe brought you luck, how was it you were hit at all?"

Chester had just picked up a horse shoe when an automobile struck him and tossed him to one side. While Chester was shaking his fist another car came along and Chester leaped to one side, but he was struck and hurled ten feet. Again he was unhurt.

He had almost reached his destination when for the third time an auto mobile struck him. He was flung into a field, where he lay unconscious for a half hour. No bones were broken, however.

Not once did he let go of the horseshoe and he has nailed it over the door of his stable.

World's Record Farm.

Mission, Tex.—It is claimed that Charles Vets of the Mission community holds the world's record for profits from intensive farming. He recently sold his Bermuda onion crop on 54 acres for \$11,921. Deducting the expenses of planting, cultivating, harvesting and marketing, the crop left a net return of \$9,681. The onion yield from these 54 acres filled 13 cars.

Mother of Triplets Honored.

London.—According to time-honored custom, King George has forwarded to Mrs. Jackson, wife of a Hull tramwayman, a king's bounty of \$15 that is given in every one giving birth to triplets. Mrs. Jackson now has three children. The whole town of Hull is proud of the event and is raising a big local fund for her benefit.