

GET ROBUST WHEN CIVILIZED

Ishl, "the Uncontaminated." Now Too Heavy to Get Own Food—Would Starve in Wilds.

San Francisco, Cal.—Civilization has not agreed with Ishl, the unacclimated aborigine, who was captured in the wilds of Plumus county, more than a year ago and cared for at the affiliated college.

It is hardly probable that Ishl will appreciate the return to the light diet of his unacclimated days. Then he used to subsist on scant meals of acorns with perhaps a few snails or grasshoppers as luxuries.

They have had a good deal of amusement out of Ishl at the affiliated college, and, on the other hand, the unacclimated one has enjoyed his dallying with the conventional life.

From all accounts Ishl has been carried as far away from the aboriginal as the fish from the water, and a sudden reversion to the old life might be fatal to the last of the Yanis.

SOME OF CUPID'S FREAKS

Pastor Dalton of Kansas City, Mo., Discusses Developments of His School of Matrimony.

Kansas City, Mo.—Money, comfort, fresh air, good things to eat—such things are not sufficient to tempt marriageable American women away from the cities.

That conclusion has been reached by the Rev. William J. Dalton, pastor of the Annetonian Catholic church here after reading the letters of 5,544 persons who desire to marry and have written to him for help.

"The only woman who expresses a willingness to become wives of farmers are elderly women who find themselves alone in the world," Father Dalton said. "But the farmers who ask for wives are younger men and they do not marry such women."

HER HUSBAND WOULDN'T TALK

As a Result Wife Left Him and Sued for Support—Slept on Monday Until Saturday.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Declaring that she could not live with a man who would not talk to her, Mrs. Anna Foerst explained in the Central police court why she had left her husband's home.

At the hearing it developed that the woman had left her husband's home, although he declared his willingness to provide for her.

Milan, Italy.—A live man was bound to a wheelbarrow with a sailor's coat and belt and both were then hurled from the pier head into the sea at Ravenna.

LINGERED ALWAYS IN MEMORY

Frenchman Long Retained Vivid Recollection of the Face of His Great Emperor.

The Journal Medical de Bruxelles printed, some time ago, an interesting account by Dr. Max Billard of the exhumation of the body of Napoleon in 1840.

BACK TO FAITHFUL STEED

Newark Baker, After Experience With Auto, Decides That He Will Stick to the Horse.

"A horse for mine," said the prosperous baker. "I've tried an automobile for a month, and if I don't get rid of it pretty soon I'll go broke."

The colliding of the auto with a wagon loaded with tombstones, the total wrecking of the machine there by, and the skinning up of the chauffeur, the stonecutter's horses and the teamster.

"When I sold my horse and bought the automobile," said the baker, "I neglected to take into account the dumbness of delivery boys. I did not know then, as I do now, how much I owed to the intelligence of my horse."

What Makes a Nation.

I believe there is no permanent greatness to a nation except it be based upon morality. I do not care for military greatness or military renown. I care for the condition of the people among whom I live.

Makes Death Doubly Sure.

To make doubly sure of death, Max B. Rock, an optician having an office at 106 Fulton street, Manhattan, sent a bullet into his brain after preparing to end his life by inhaling gas at his home, 328 Goldfield street, Hoboken.

Brock's wife and children went out in the afternoon, and as soon as they had gone the man went into the bathroom, fastened one end of a tube to a gas jet, and, lying down in the bathtub, placed the other end in his mouth.

Time for Recreation.

"Old at forty is not conservation, it is brutality," declared Dr. John B. Andrews of New York. Dr. Andrews called forcible attention to the seven-day-week workers of the country, declaring it the duty of every factory inspector to work to the end that every worker in the United States shall be able to obtain one day a week in which to enjoy home life, which we have been taught to regard as the foundation of our social system.

By Contrast.

Hewitt—How do you like your new flat? Jewett—It's so small that every time I get home I feel like the greatest living American.—Woman's Home Companion.

IN BORROWED SET OF TEETH

Prospector Wanted to Appear Well in Photograph, and Effected Loan of Essentials.

Thomas Jefferson Stone was a typical claim holder and prospector. He came from Indiana. He had no teeth, his hair was gray, his features sallow and withered, and he looked sixty-three or sixty-four.

I asked him how he lost his teeth. He said by taking medicine good for neuralgia, but too strong for his nerves. I asked him why he didn't have had a false set made.

"Hello, Stone," I said; "you've got a set of teeth. How's that?" "He gave a smile of conquest. 'I borrowed 'em to be photographed,'" he said.—Gilbert Parker in the Metropolitan Magazine.

CRITIC NEVER TOO POPULAR

Bitter Indictment, Which Seems the Limit, Evidently Penned by One Who Has Suffered.

Critics were created for the sole purpose of telling the public that it has no taste and that its ideas are always narrow and perverted.

A critic makes it his business not to agree with anybody. In his efforts to do this he very often disagrees with himself.

When critics die, it is the generally accepted idea of all people who do not agree with them that they are punished by being placed in the presence of the thing or things they have so persistently lauded and are forced to listen to it or gaze unwinkingly and silently upon it throughout eternity.

Drummer Was Lost.

A Scotch story is that of a diminutive drummer in a local brass band, who was in the habit when out parading with his comrades of walking by sound and not by sight, owing to his drum being so high that he was unable to see over it.

"A hundred years ago, marriage was for an intelligent woman a necessary entrance into life, a legitimate method of carrying out her ideas and her aims. Today she tries to carry them out whether she be married or not."

Modern Marriages.

If a wife or prospective bride wished to have a happy married life, she may rest assured that her desires will be gratified if she bears in mind the following "do's": Don't marry a man for a living, but for love.

Long-Preserved Youth.

An English lady, disappointed in love in her younger years, became insane, and lost all account of time. Believing she was still young and living in the same hour in which she was parted from her lover, taking no note of the years, she stood daily before the window watching for his coming.

Some American Travelers, Unacquainted with Her History, When Asked to Guess Her Age, Placed It Under Twenty Years.

"Education be hanged! That's young Bill Smithers took an engineering course in a correspondence school and then put up a sign on his carriage house, and hadn't no better sense than to spell 'carriage' 'garage!'"—Washington Star.

AFFECTED HISTORY OF WORLD

Influence of Jean Jacques Rousseau May Be Traced to Trivial Incident in Boyhood.

In a village school in Boissey, Switzerland, one day in the first quarter of the eighteenth century, Jean Jacques Rousseau, then a ten-year-old boy, was severely chastised because he was suspected of having broken teeth in a comb which did not belong to him.

Yet his influence for good was felt—his still being felt. It may be traced in the current political movements in France, in England and even in America.

DATES FROM EARLIEST TIMES

Alfalfa, Probably Oldest Forage Known, Can Be Traced Through World's Whole History.

Alfalfa, perhaps the oldest of all cultivated forage or hay plants, has had a history scarcely less interesting than that of many nations which have utilized it.

The First Climbers.

A Munich paper has been searching the records of history to discover who were the first mountain climbers. It gives the palm to Moses and his ascent of Mount Sinai, and rules out Noah for his ascent of Mount Ararat because he made it in a boat.

Hints to Brides.

Don't nag. Nothing is so likely to send your husband out of the house as that.

Wasted Erudition.

A physician at a recent convention of railway surgeons in Philadelphia said of a safety device that has averted many railway accidents: "The advantage of this device is now almost universally recognized. Indeed, the railroader who disputes its advantage is as antiquated as the old resident who said: 'Education be hanged!'

WITH DEATH CLOSE AT HAND

Merry Throng of Careless Sailors Had Luncheon Party That Just Missed Being Tragedy.

Some years ago while a French man-of-war was lying at anchor in Temple bay a number of the younger officers conceived the idea of amusing themselves with an iceberg a mile or so distant in the straits.

As if time and distance had been measured for the very purpose of permitting the young men to view the scene in safety, the great berg lay silent until the boat was a certain distance off. Then, as if its heart had been volcanic fire, it burst with a loud thunder and filled the surrounding water with its ruins.

BEST IVORY MADE FROM MILK

Synthetic Chemists Seem to Have Discovered How to Improve on Natural Product.

One of the latest discoveries of the synthetic chemists is how to make ivory out of nothing more wonderful than cow's milk—and very good ivory at that, according to all accounts.

Johnson on Melancholy.

Talking of constitutional melancholy, he observed: "A man so afflicted, sir, must divert distressing thoughts, and not combat with them."

Soap From Plants.

The horse-chestnut is a plant that contains the saponin principle in a marked degree, and it is said that in out-of-the-way parts of the European continent the fruit of that tree is still used in the simple articles.

Soap Known to the Ancients.

Soap in the form of vegetable ashes mixed with grease appears to have been greatly in vogue among the Egyptians in ancient days, and that the mineral alkali made by people in the time of Pliny was composed of the ashes of plants seems pretty certain.

Alligator Skins in Demand.

The alligator-skin business of the world is controlled by a firm in Newark, N. J., which buys 80 to 90 per cent. of the American production.

The Difference.

Kalcker—In the winter I go out to play poker and my wife stays home from bridge. Bocker—And in the summer you stay home from poker and your wife goes away for bridge.

GOOD FEED FOR THE INDIAN

Cactus Fruit is Never Likely to Become Extremely Popular as a Delicacy for the White.

Nobody but an Indian knows how to eat a prickly pear. The fruit grows on the edge of a thick green leaf, and bristles with myriads of closely set thorns, sharp as needles and fine as hairs.

That float! There was never anything to compare with it before or since. Those white, snowy islands floating on a golden flood were a dream just imported from Elysium.

OF THE DAYS OF BOYHOOD

Memory of the Oldtime Deserts Evidently Still Lingers With This Writer.

In the good old days, when life was simple and sincere, when people were happier than now and didn't make so much money, when society was friendship and home was love, there were two stated and popular dinners at all parties and particular dinner occasions, and they were float and tarts.

Oh, the Sad Day When They Were Supplanted by Less Meringues, Crackers and Rotten Cheese.

Oh, the sad day when they were supplanted by less meringues, crackers and rotten cheese. No wonder pessimism spreads itself so vauntingly!—Ohio State Journal.

Castings the Floating Fly.

It should go without saying that properly and effectively to cast and fish the floating fly it is essential that the tackle be correctly assembled.

Soap in the Time of Pliny.

Soap in the time of Pliny was composed of the ashes of plants seems pretty certain. A similar alkali was used by the Hebrews, and when the prophet Jeremiah said "Though thou wash thee with niter and take thee much soap (borah)," the latter material was probably the "borak" of the Arabs of the present day, which is procured from the ashes of the salt-worts of the desert and other plants containing saponin.

Blanderous Story.

An elderly woman in the recent suffrage parade in New York became greatly fatigued in the last mile or so of the journey.

Very Pleasant, Indeed.

Father—How is it that I find you kissing my daughter? Answer me, sir, how is it? Young Man—Fine, sir; Excellent.