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As Natural as Life. New York has been having an exhibition of nearly 200 dolls, collected from all nations, and representing centuries of doll development.

PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT MAY LET FORTUNE SLIP



James Armstrong Chanler, descendant of John Jacob Astor, brother of the lieutenant governor of New York, Columbia, '83, chum of the late Stanford White, art patron, and quondam husband of Amelia Rives, the author of "The Quick or the Dead," goes about free and untrammelled in 45 states of the union.

Mr. Chanler is a son of John Winthrop Chanler, who died in 1877. His mother was Miss Ward, a granddaughter of John Jacob Astor. His brothers are Lieut. Gov. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler of New York, Congressman William Astor Chanler and Winthrop Chanler.

CLAIMS GREAT DISCOVERY



Rudolph M. Hunter of Philadelphia claims to have discovered the secret for which mankind has been seeking vainly since the days of the ancient Egyptians, that of the transmutation of the baser metals into gold.

The indications are, too, that Mr. Hunter intends to do that very thing, for he announces his intention of producing gold at the rate of \$100,000,000 a year. At that rate it will be a matter of a few years only before the coffers of the banks are filled with the once precious metal for which little or no employment can be found.

DEFENDER OF PRESIDENT



Senator Samuel H. Piles of Washington is one of President's Roosevelt's strongest supporters. He thinks it a shame the president can't have all the battleships he wants.

PLAYWRIGHT AND POLITICIAN



Augustus Thomas, the greatest of American playwrights, has entered politics as a champion of W. J. Bryan. He is president of the Bryan Progressive league.

PERILOUS AUTO TRIP IN AFRICA

OFFICER OF GERMAN ARMY TELLS OF HAZARDOUS EXPERIENCE IN DARK CONTINENT.

NEAR TO DEATH ON BRIDGE

Mozambi River is Crossed by Means of Shaky Structure Made by the Natives of Sticks and Branches.

London.—Lieut. Paul Graetz of the German army, who is crossing the heart of Africa from Dar-es-Salaam, on the east coast, to Swakopmund, on the west, is encountering formidable difficulties in the tropics.

"At first we journeyed through thick brush. Running and jumping near our automobile, a number of Loba natives sing as they accompany us. Then a terrible thunderstorm bursts upon us in a fury, and streams of water pour down like huge water-spouts.



Crossing Over the Tottering Remnants of a Bridge.

path; the driver grips the steering wheel with great steadiness. We tremble. What if the wheels skid on the slippery road? We are lost if the car moves only one hand's breadth to either side.

The heavy car and ourselves would fall and disappear, without any possibility of rescue, in the wild stream or in the soft, deep mud. The passage seems to last an eternity. Slowly we creep forward.

IN JAIL OVER YEAR, MAN IS FORGOTTEN

NO RECORD OF HIS NAME, CRIME, COMMITMENT OR TRIAL CAN BE FOUND.

Uniontown, Pa.—It would seem incredible that in this age a man could be imprisoned for more than a year in the jail of this county, in this town, not knowing himself the reason or cause of his imprisonment.

The man, a foreigner, was recently released from jail because no ground could be found for his further detention, nor indeed for his detention at any time.



"What Are You in Prison For?"

tions of the jail inmates his attention was called for some reason to this man. "What is your name?" inquired the sheriff.

"Elcex Lenchack." "What are you in prison for?" "I don't know." "How long have you been here?" "More than a year."

The sheriff examined the jail register covering a year and longer, but could not find the name of Lenchack. He did the same with the commitments, but with equal success.

PIES BREAK MAN'S FALL.

Tight-Rope Trick on Roof Ends in Headlong Plunge.

Philadelphia.—While trying to demonstrate to a friend some of the acrobatic tight-rope walking ability which had won him fame in circus life some years ago, Frank Velloski, 25 years old, fell from the third-story roof of his home, to the alley below and was taken to the hospital, suffering from concussion of the brain.

Velloski occupies the fourth floor. Shortly before noon he stepped out of his window on to the roof of the third floor extension, to get a breath of fresh air.

He had successfully gone to the middle of the rope when suddenly it snapped. Velloski went crashing down to the hard pavement of the alley below.

The hospital doctors say that it was due to this fact that the former circus man's skull was not fractured.

SNAKES INHABIT ATLANTA CELLAR

GREEN-EYED REPTILES GIVE GEORGIA PLUMBER AN UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

IS SENT TO REPAIR PIPES

Mistakes Wiggler for Walking-Stick—Store Above Place Formerly Rented by "Zulika, the Snake Swallower."

Atlanta, Ga.—Last fall No. 53 Decatur street, formerly the heart of Atlanta's bowery, was rented to a "snake swallower," and thereby hangs a tale. The store, for it is on the first floor, is located next to the old Young Men's Library association building, and in the heart of that section of the city which likes a show and best of all a side show.

A tenant was secured last week and a plumber sent to look over the job of repairing it. Dave Yarbrough was the man who took the job. Now, he never attends Decatur street side shows, so, of course, didn't know.

Turning quickly to retrace his steps, the candle was blown out and he was left in stygian darkness. He managed to find the foot of the steps with his shin and began his way up to where the door stood open.



He Dropped It in Terror.

staring at him out of the darkness, and made a dash for the door, only to hear the door, with the spring lock, "bang" and "snap." Alone in a cellar with 60 snakes!

Hurrying to the offices of Forrest & George Adair, the renting agents, he told of his experience. Weak, scratched, nervous and bruised, he told what he had seen.

Jabs Hatpin Into Man's Leg. Dallas, Tex.—Miss Susan Niel became so excited while watching a baseball game the other day she jabbed a hatpin through the thigh of Walter Hutchinson, with whom she had gone to the game.

The young woman had removed her hat and had clinched the pin in her hand. When a home run was made she jabbed it downward.

Efforts to remove it caused Hutchinson so much pain that he was forced to wait more than an hour until some one could be brought to sever the pin between his leg and the board.

Hutchinson, who is a member of the council, says he will introduce an ordinance which will forbid the attendance of women at ball games.

WILL NOT SPEAK OR EAT ANY SOLID FOOD

GIRL'S STRANGE CONDUCT FOR THREE YEARS BAFFLING—MAY BE EFFECT OF A COLD.

Elwood, Ind.—One of the most baffling cases that has come to the notice of doctors here is that of Dale Goslin, a 14-year-old girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Goslin, living two miles northeast of Elwood, who has subsisted three years on liquid food, and during that time has not spoken a word or uttered a syllable.

When Dale was 11 years of age she caught a severe cold while attending school and her throat became inflamed. Her voice gradually sank to a whisper, and finally disappeared.



She Absolutely Refuses to Partake of Any Solid Foods.

Her health is not affected. She is well developed for a girl of her age, weighing 110 pounds and is remarkably pretty. When spoken to she says what is said to her, and if pleased she acknowledges it with a nod of the head or a smile, while she has been examined by surgeons and specialists in throat and vocal ailments, who state "that there is absolutely nothing the matter with the girl, nothing will induce her to speak or partake of anything to eat but liquid food."

Entreaties, cajoling and even force have been tried, but without avail. The father has spent hundreds of dollars trying to get his daughter to talk, but she will not utter a sound or give the least intimation that she desires to converse with her parents or friends.

The father has been advised to place the girl in some institution, where it is believed that the formation of new friends and strange, influential surroundings will induce her to talk again.

BURIED ALIVE, HE ESCAPES.

Milwaukee.—Although buried for nearly an hour under a mass of clay and gravel weighing over a ton, after a sewer trench caved in, August Wendorn, aged 60 years, will probably live. Although the man has five ribs crushed in, a fractured breast and collar bone, and other bruises, the physicians at the hospital believe he will recover.

Wendorn was at work with several other men on a sewer, on Twenty-third avenue. He was in the deepest section of the trench while other men were working on the surface when, without any warning, the walls caved in and he was buried in the mass of earth.

Immediately the laborers grabbed shovels and picks and set to work to liberate their companion, while the spectators telephoned for the fire department to send out apparatus. Truck company No. 11 responded and also the police ambulance.

The man was found at the bottom of the cave-in, protected by a timber which had fallen diagonally across him, crushing his right side, but in such a manner as to protect him from a great share of the clay and gravel. He was unconscious when freed and was immediately taken to the hospital, where he revived.

The bracing is what saved Wendorn from death for the timber fell crosswise, relieving the weight of the mass and admitting a slight amount of air.

Reunited After Many Years.

Lake City, Ia.—Adopted in infancy, May Lathrop, now 15, has long been searching for her father, two brothers and a sister, while they have made inquiries in almost every city for her.

While the search of years has been going on, the two brothers and the father have been living in Gowrie, within an hour's ride of the girl, May Lathrop. The queerest feature of the family reunion is that May Lathrop, after all these years, cannot speak to her own father.

Average Age of Accident Victims.

The average age at death of people who die by accident is 35 1/2 years.

"Summer baseball" is a matter which is already rousing the interest of a great many high-school and college boys, to some of whom will come excellent opportunities to earn money during vacation by playing on professional or semi-professional teams.

Signs are appearing that certain good old American traits and habits still persist. Every middle-aged man remembers how the struggles and virtues of previous presidents were embalmed in books bearing such titles of "The Tallor Boy Who Became President," "The Tanner Boy," "Tow-Path to White House," and others which laid stress on the humble origin of the men in question.

Statistics of the cost of living in France show a general increase during the five years ending with 1907. Bread rose 15 per cent, beef, 22; veal, 14; mutton, 25; pork, 27; condiments, 25; pastry, 25; petroleum, 10; essence, 30; butter, 14; cheese, 25; fresh fish, 50; tinned fish, 35; fresh vegetables, 15; dry vegetables, 30; coal, 34; firewood, 24; coffee, 25; chocolate, 25; candles, 10; household utensils, 25. Do the Frenchmen also blame it on the trusts?

The Wisconsin man who dropped \$30,000 in an attempt to corner hamburger cheese pleaded that he "thought there were millions in it." Probably there are, though they may be too small to be seen with the naked eye.

The University of Chicago has secured the skeleton of a huge sea serpent which died in Kansas 6,000,000 years ago. Can it be possible that the liquor question was an issue in the Sunflower state as far back as that?

There is a strong organization at work in this country developing the use of peat as fuel. It is now utilizing many acres of swamp lands which are being reclaimed for agricultural purposes. The by-products of the industry are very promising.

Having secured from eminent counsel an opinion to the effect that a certain provision in the will of the late Jay Gould was not valid in court, Prince Helle gamely signifies his willingness to take a chance.

Had No Liking For Mummies

Servants of Great Writer Did Not Share His Hobby.

Pierre Loti, the French novelist, once obtained a new acquisition to his weird and wonderful collection of Egyptian mummies. It was that of a young princess, with gilded face, almost as expressive under its mask

as it must have been in life. This mummy, one of the best in his collection, accentuated in his study "the small that creeps" from a winding sheet when a mummy is half unrolled. Loti's grievance was that his servants would not move or touch his mummies under any circumstances.

"Only think!" he said. "Not one of my servants would touch this beautiful young woman. They are so superstitious about the dead—I had to carry her upstairs myself. And, would you believe me, as I reached the landing it suddenly flashed through my mind that I was carrying a corpse. I seemed to feel the chill of the dead breast penetrate my own."

Noticeable among the other embalmed bodies of dead and gone Egyptians in Loti's study was that of a little three-year-old girl, who stared down with sightless eyes on

her owner as he sat writing his romances and plays in the still watches of the night.

Delight of Varied Labor. None but the fully occupied can appreciate the delight of suspended, or, rather, of varied labor. It is toil that creates holidays; there is no royal road—yes, that is the royal road to them. Life cannot be made up of recreations, they must be garden spots in well farmed lands.—Mrs. Gilbert-Ann Taylor.