Pardoned by the Governor.

When a dog has reached up on the kitchen table and absorbed the three pounds of sirloin steak that has just come in from the butcher, he mustn't expect people to pat him on the head and say fondly, "Dear old Bruno!"—Somerville Journal.

Musicians Play Chess.

At a London theater, at which a musical play is having a long run, the members of the orchestra play chess on miniature boards during the waits between acts.

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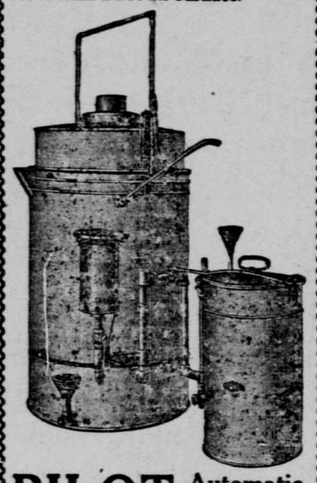

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Rose Leaves in Favor.

Showers of rose leaves figured in a recent English wedding instead of the usual rice and confetti. The old Romans made considerable use of rose leaves both at feasts and dramatic performances. They used them also as perfumes to saturate and refresh the air.

Generally Justified.

There always remains a suspicion in the mind of the most devoted wife that perhaps she could have done better.—Atchison Globe.

Trailing Dresses Barred.

The authorities of Nordhausen, Saxony, have forbidden the use of the streets to any person wearing an article of dress that sweeps the pavement. Offenders are to be fined 30 marks.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. Made of ripe, mellow tobacco, so rich in quality that many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder." Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Englishman's Harsh Criticism.

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Few Suicides in London.

London has fewer suicides than any other great capital. While Paris has 400 suicides per million per year, London has only ninety.

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Cabbages were introduced into England in the sixteenth century.

The LETTER CARRIERS of the WORLD

In the postal service of every government, the work performed by the carriers is one of the most important features of the system. In the carrier service of the world there are employed many unique methods, and the costumes worn, devices employed and the practices relating to mail delivery obtaining in the various countries are of no little interest. If all the men who are engaged in carrying the mails for Uncle Sam alone were assembled in one place it would be a multitude distinctly notable for picturesqueness and variety. Included in this vast army of United States mail carriers there would be the Indian and his dog sledge, the pony rider of the far west, the rural mail carrier, the native Porto Rican and the native Filipino in their quaint costumes, the gray-uniformed carrier of the cities, the native Hawaiian, and the list might be carried on still further. But the costumes of carriers employed by some other governments are even more picturesque and diversified.

Decidedly unique in comparison with the carrier system obtaining in Canadian and United States cities is the method of delivering letters in the Congo district, Africa. The Congo letter carrier is a negro of darkest hue. His uniform, if such scanty attire could be so called, consists of only a breech clout, with no shoes or hat, not even a necktie to accompany this single and singular article of wearing apparel. The ebony-hued and meagerly clad carrier fastens the letter he is given to deliver to the end of a staff, and holding this in one hand high above his head, he starts on a run for the plantation of the person to whom the letter is addressed.

Over sands and wastes, through small streams and jungles, for miles and miles in some instances, the fleet-footed Congo postman speeds onward to his destination, running full to the door of the plantation house and knocking with the butt of his spear, unless previously intercepted. Having delivered the letter, the carrier's day's work is finished in the event he has made a long trip, and after resting a while and partaking of food, he starts leisurely on his return to the postoffice, to repeat the performance to some other part of the country.

A Veritable Santa Claus.

There is a vast difference between the costume of the Congo carrier and that of the postman who delivers mail in the northern part of Russia in winter. The latter wears heavy felt boots, and, over his heavy blue uniform, a thick fur overcoat, with cap of the same material. He loads his mail sacks, together with snow shoes and other equipment needed in traveling in that cold clime, on a low sleigh usually drawn by dogs. Occasionally, however, the north Russian postman is a veritable Santa Claus, for in some instances he drives a team of reindeers, and the frost on his long beard and the snow on his overcoat complete his resemblance to the benevolent old man that fills the minds of the children at Yuletide. Through the snow and ice the Russian carrier drives his load of mail freight for days and days, stopping at the small postoffices and at farm houses on the way to deliver his cargo of missives.

Warlike in appearance and resembling more a cavalryman in the army than a bearer of peaceful messages is the Swedish mounted carrier. He wears a dark blue uniform with long frock coat ornamented with brass buttons, while on his head is a peaked cap, on the front of which is pinned a small plated crown and bugle device Over his shoulders he wears a heavy leather cape. About his waist is buckled a belt, from which a sword is suspended, and in a holster on one side of his saddle is a revolver of large caliber, while on the other is a bugle with which to announce his arrival at the farm houses. In addition to a black leather mail bag, the Swedish mounted carrier also takes with him a postmarking outfit and acts as a postmaster for the families along his route. The Swedish city carrier wears the same blue uniform, with Prince Albert coat and white collar and tie. He also carries a black leather bag.

The French System.

The French city postman's uniform is of the severe military type, dark blue in color. It consists of a short military jacket with red trimmings around the collar and cuffs and brass buttons down the front. The trousers of the outfit are also of blue, with red stripes down the side seams. Suspended at his waist from a strap about the postman's neck is a wooden box bound with leather resembling the outfit of a jewelry peddler on the streets of our American cities. In this box the postman carries his letters and telegrams, calling out the addresses on the missives as he nears the houses whose numbers correspond with the addresses on the letters. The box is also supplied with an ink well and pens, and the lid form a sort of portable writing table on which the recipient signs for the telegrams which are delivered along with the letter mail. Even in the streets of Paris these mail boxes are carried, and in the residence section of that capital the custom still obtains of crying the address on the letter as the carrier nears the house.

In the lowlands and marshes of France the postmen traverse the country on stilts, carrying their mail sacks over their shoulders.

The Egyptian letter carrier is an odd-looking individual. He wears a loose-fitting robe reaching almost to the bottom of his wide, baggy trousers. On his head is a turban of soft white material. The letters are concealed in the folds of his robe. Celerity and haste are not characteristics of the Egyptian postman. He ambles leisurely along on his route in the discharge of his duties, stopping frequently to poke his head in the open window of some house to chat with the inmate. When he has finished his conversation it probably occurs to him that he has a letter about his person for some member of the household, and just before he leaves he fishes out the missive and delivers it with an air of condescension.

There is a camel post in Egypt for the delivery of mail to the far inland communities. The mounted postman dresses the same as the footman and carries his mail in a small canvas sack.

Japanese Postman's Dual Office.

A novel contrivance is employed by the Japanese rural carrier for transporting the mail. This consists of a yoke about four feet long, suspended from either end of which is a sort of basket with wooden bottom and lid and sides and ends of netting made of heavy cord. The carrier places this curious yoke across his shoulders and delivers his mail on foot, usually running the entire length of the route.

The uniform of the Japanese carrier comprises loose coat and trousers of light blue material, a light cape wholly impervious to water, and a flat sunshade for a hat. In conveying the mail to communities far inland, the carriers employ small hand carts with shafts, the carriers being obliged to perform the double duty of a horse and a postman. In the cities of Japan the mail is carried in small canvas sacks.

The costume of the rural carrier in parts of India is similar to that worn by the Congo carrier, merely a cloth about his loins. The Indian postman carries a long-handled spear across his shoulder with the mail sack tied to the staff. Near the point of the spear are four or five bells which are supposed to announce the approach of the mail man.

When the streams are flooded the rural postman in India floats down the stream astride a log, steering it into the bank at various points, while he disembarks to deliver mail to the houses along the way. There is also a camel post in India, the carriers being attired with a scantiness similar to the foot postmen.

The town postman in India is a distinguished-looking in dividual and he struts about with a dignity sufficient for an office of much greater importance. He wears a white linen suit, the coat cut long, while on his head rests a red turban. In most of the large cities of India the carriers wear the usual English uniform.

Australian mail carriers are garbed in pale green uniforms with a red girdle about the waist. The mounted carriers wear long green coats, high riding boots, and strapped to the saddle is a brace of pistols for protection, and a bugle with which to inform the patrons of the carrier's arrival. The mounted carriers are usually accompanied by several fierce-looking dogs as a still further means of protecting the postman and the mail he carries.

No regular uniform has been designated by the Chinese government for its carrier service. One of the interesting features of the mail delivery in China is the packet boat service. Along small streams in thickly populated portions of that country a special mail boats plys back and forth along the streams, the carriers leaving the boat to deliver the mail to the houses on the route.—Montreal Herald.

Georgia Negress Abroad.

A Georgia negress, Miss Burroughes, made an adress at Hyde Park, London, recently, at one of the meetings of the Baptist world's congress. She attracted considerable attention by some of her quaint expressions. Among her oratorical gems were the following:

"It's useless to telegraph to heaven for cart loads of blessings, and then not to be on the wharf to unload them when they arrive."

"The church at my home where I belong is so small that you have to go out to turn around, but it makes Baptists, all the same."

"At a revival meeting down in Georgia so much noise was made that the neighbors were somewhat annoyed. One man asked his cook, Mary, who was present at the meeting, to tell the pastor next time that so much noise was quite unnecessary. 'Have you not heard,' he said, 'how the beautiful temple of Solomon was built without noise?' 'Yes, boss,' replied Mary, 'I know, but we ain't near ready to build our temple; we're just blasting the rock. That's the reason of the noise.'"—Philadelphia Record.

HAD HIS INVENTION STOLEN.

How the Designer of the Hansom Cab Lost a Fortune.

Charles Hansom, the famous English architect, was a talented man in many respects other than in the exercise of his professions, says Donohue's. He was dining on a certain day with a few friends when one of them taunted him with being unable to invent a vehicle which would supersede the old-fashioned hacks and cabs in universal use in London. Mr. Hansom got a sheet of paper, and without delay sketched out his idea of a safe and convenient mode of passing through the crowded streets of the great metropolis. His friends watched him while he was at work and unanimously applauded the sketch which he had drawn. They dubbed it by the name of its inventor, and it was then and there called a "Hansom car." One of those present advised him to take out a patent for it, which he said he would do on the morrow. However, there was one dishonest man in the company, by whom he was forstalled, for on reaching his own house that evening and being like Mr. Hansom, a clever draftsman, as all great architects are, he sketched out a car like the drawing he had seen, and early the following morning he took it to the office and got out a patent for it in his own name, thus robbing the talented inventor of all the remuneration which he deserved to reap from it. It brought an immense but ill-gotten fortune to the one who had perpetrated the fraud, whereas Mr. Hansom was never one penny the richer.

Prince Gustavus Adolphus.

Prince Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden, now the duke of Connaught's son-in-law, is a great-grandson of the German Emperor William I, and his ancestors include King Gustavus III of Sweden, King George II of England, grand dukes of Baden and highnesses of Bavaria and Wurtemberg.

Mile-a-Minute Train.

An express train which makes no stop between London and Liverpool has been introduced by the London & Northwestern Railway company. The 201 miles are covered in 208 minutes.

How the Bishop Judged a Horse.

Bishop Warren of Denver, Col., mentioned the other day a piece of advice that was once given him by his brother Methodist, Bishop Walden of Cincinnati.

"At the time," said Bishop Warren, "I contemplated the purchase of a horse. Walden was visiting in my town, and, knowing that he had been brought up in the country, and that he was a good judge of the equine race, I persuaded him to go with me and pass his judgment on the animal I had selected.

"When the horse was brought out Bishop Walden's eye lighted at once upon its knees. 'See here,' he said to me. 'Look at those knees. Do you see how worn they are? That is a sign of stumbling.' I nodded, much impressed, and Bishop Walden added: 'You don't want this horse, Bro. Warren. Worn knees are a very good sign in a minister, but a very bad sign in a minister's horse.'"

English Divorces Increase.

The number of divorces is increasing in England.

Wren Builds Many Nests.

One of the most energetic nest builders is the marsh wren; in fact, he has the habit to such a degree that he cannot stop with one nest, but goes on building four or five in rapid succession.

Japan's Only Lake.

Lake Riwa is the only large sheet of fresh water in Japan worthy of mention. It is thirty-six miles long, twelve miles wide, and its greatest depth about 300 feet.

India's Foreign Trade.

India has three and one-third times as much foreign trade as Japan; three times as much as China, easily beating Italy and Austria, also Belgium, and surpassing the Russian empire by 25 per cent.

"Baker's Dozen."

The phrase "baker's dozen," arose from the custom of the trade to allow thirteen penny rolls to each dozen sold. The same custom still holds good in the wholesale book trade.

THE TURN OF LIFE

A Time When Women Are Susceptible to Many Dread Diseases—Intelligent Women Prepare for It. Two Relate their Experience.

The "change of life" is the most critical period of a woman's existence, and the anxiety felt by women as it draws near is not without reason.

Every woman who neglects the care of her health at this time invites disease and pain.

When her system is in a deranged condition, or she is predisposed to apoplexy, or congestion of any organ, the tendency is at this period likely to become active—and with a host of nervous irritations, make life a burden. At this time, also, cancers and tumors are more liable to form and begin their destructive work.

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"I wrote you for advice and commenced treatment with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as you directed, and I am happy to say that all those distressing symptoms left me and I have passed safely through the Change of Life, a well woman. I am recommending your medicine to all my friends."—Mrs. Annie E. G. Hyland, Chestertown, Md.

Another Woman's Case.

"During change of life words cannot express what I suffered. My physician said I had a cancerous condition of the womb. One day I read some of the testimonials of women who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I decided to try it and to write you for advice. Your medicine made me a well woman, and all my bad symptoms soon disappeared.

"I advise every woman at this period of life to take your medicine and write you for advice."—Mrs. Lizzie Hinkle, Salem, Ind.

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