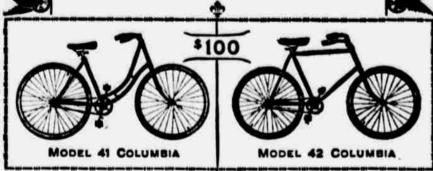


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desire to join he is placed in the center of the room on his tip-toes, with his arms extended full length over his head. The crowd circles around him, singing, shouting, ringing bells and hammering anything that will make a noise. Frequently one of the heavy bells is broken, and this is hailed with delight, as it is supposed that the bad spirit has left the candidate and entered into the bell, filling it to bursting. When this happens the candidate is completely cleansed from all evil and is born again. The candidate for admission, after standing in the position for a short time, commences to shake through fatigue. This is taken as a ign that the good spirit is entering: and the noise and din are, if possible, increased as the poor victim's shaking increases, until, from sheer exhaustion, he falls trembling to the ground. His conversion is then complete and be is admitted into full membership.

AN EASY SHAVE.

a Olden Times Shaving Was a Torturous Business A Bronze Bazor.

"An easy shave?" The words come trippingly, as if the art, or rather the mystery of shaving were facile. From the very earliest ages the problem of shaving, like all really great problems, has perplexed thoughtful men. Why our paleolithic ancestors began to thave is unascertained, says the Saturday Review. It seems so easy to let the chin alone. There may have been some religious reason, or sexual seection may have intervened. Women nay have preferred a beardless wood.

Yet this is contrary to all analogy. When Alma Venus behaved in the nanner so poetically described by Lucretius. "the most eloquent of blasphemers," then the wanton lapwing rocured for himself another crest. and the peacock spread abroad the man, being reasonable, must needs cut off his beard. To run in the face of nature has ever been his way of asserting his independence and demon strating his lordship of creation.

Ere metals were invented, ere fire subdued the copper to his will, man plucked his beard out, or he tooled with a sharp shell. A soapless shave with a shell-it cannot be called easy. and travelers have described the agonies of the brave. Conceivably, man shaved because the beard might be caught hold of by an enemy with the left hand, while with the right he drove the pointed flint under the fifth rib. For whatever reason, man in the bronze age shaved with a bronze razor, as if we should do so with a paper-cutter. The process must have been slow and painful-as much so as tattooing-but fashion

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