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Spontaneous Combustion.

The support of the much disputed theory of spontaneour combustion have received fresh grounds of belief from the case of Milton Hardcastle of Baltimore, whose remains were recently found nearly consumed in his shanty on the outskirts of that city, says the Philadelphia Times. Hardcastle was an old negro of unknown age, enjoying a small monthly income left him some years ago by his former owner, Colonel Eustace Hardcastle, and which went almost entirely for whisky. It is said that the negro consumed a gallon and a half a day, and would often buy and drink the pure alcohol in large quantities, often for days at a time partaking of no other nourishment.

He lived all alone, being of singularly taciturn disposition, so that it was some days before he was missed, but his shanty was observed to remain closed and search being instituted, he was found in his bed, burned nearly to a crisp, while the mattress and clothes were only slightly scorched.

The room was in perfect order and no trace of fire was found on the hearth, which was swept clean, and as Hardcastle was known to have been unique among negroes is never smoking, the whole affair seemed shrouded in mystery. Dr. Everhardt was called upon by the authorities to make an investigation, and gave it as his opinion that it was a case of spontaneous combustion. In this he has been supported by several other prominent physicians, who agree in declaring the circumstances admit of no other explanation.

Frozen 6,000 Feet Deep.

For many years scientists have been perplexed over the phenomeha of a certain well at Yakutsk, Siberia. As long ago as 1828 a Russian merchant began to sink this noted well, and, after working on it for three years, gave it up as a bad job, having at that time sunk it to the depth of thirty feet without getting through the frozen ground. He communicated these facts to the Russian Academy of Science, which sent men to take charge of the digging operations at the wonderful well. These scientific gentlemen toiled away at their work for several years, but abandoned it when a depth of 882 feet had been reached, with the earth still frozen as hard as a rock. In 1843 the academy had the temperature of the soil at the sides of the well taken at various depths. From the data thus obtained they came to the starting conclusion that the ground was frozen to a depths exceeding 6,000 feet. Although it is known to meteorologists that the lowest known temperature is in that region of Siberia, it is conceded that not even that rigorous climate could force frost to such a great depth below the surface. After figuring on the subject for over a quarter of a century, geologists have come to the conclusion that the great frozen valley of the Lena River was deposited, frozen just as it is found to-day, during the great grinding up of era of the glacial epoch.

A recent microscopical study by Herr Schultz of the skin of toads and salamanders has yielded some interesting results. There are two kinds of glands, mucous and poison glands. The former are numerous over the whole body, while the latter are on the body and limbs, and there are groups in the ear region behind the eye, and in the salamander at the angle of the jaw. The poison glands are, of course, protective, and the corrosive juice is discharged differently in toads and salamanders on stimulating electrically. In the latter it is spurted out in a fine jet, sometimes more than a foot in length; whereas in the toad after long action of the current, it exudes sparingly in drops. There is no reason for supposing that the mucous glands become poisonous.

An Aztec City.

Another forgotten Toltec or Aztec city has been discovered in Mexico. It is located among the mountains of the state of Vera Cruz, and does not seem to have ever been visited in modern times except by indians. Some of the buildings are four and five stories high and the cornices and windows are skillfully worked out. The buildings are frescoed in colors that appear as bright as if just put on. Many inscribed slabs of stone are found.

Eight years ago a Sacremento woman gave a tramp a dollar. The tramp subsequently went to work, accumulated a fortune of $15,000, and, dying the other day, left all his estate to his benefactress. Tramps should cut this out and show it to the lady of the house when they apply for assistance. It is not quite so certain as the ordinary lottery, but the tramp might scoop in a dollar now and then.

Mrs. Rrfil, of Rhode Island, widow, wanted to prove her love for Charles Jerome, aged 22, She therefore put $15,000 into his hands to keep for a week, and he was last heard of among the windmills of Holland. They won't blow him back until he has squandered all the money.

Mr. Gladstone's new word, "sarcast," which he recently used in describing Beaconsfield, is severely criticised in England.

No Property In Dogs.

Louisville Courier Journal: Every owner of a dog, no matter whether it be a $1,000 German mastiff or a pup of low degree, is up in arms over a decision by Judge Jackson yesterday, that no property can exist in dogs unless they be properly registered according to the state law.

The decision was given in the case of John Doubler, who was charged with stealing a mastiff belonging to John Doewer, and valued at $100, and selling him afterward to Theodore Schwartz, jr., for $10. When the case came up in the circuit court yesterday Judge Jackson gave peremptory instructions for acquittal on the ground that there is no property in dogs unless they have been properly registered. Both state and city licenses had been paid on the animal, but Judge Jackson held that this did not constitute ownership.

The result of the case aroused a good deal of excitement among dog owners in general and the members of the fish and game club in particular. They claim that this decision leaves their pets at the mercy of thieves, and arrangements have already been made to carry the question to the court of appeals. Their attorneys say that the question was settled in the case of the Commonwealth against Hazelwood, 1884, Kentucky reports, where it was held that do were properly in dependent of registration. The statute of 1865 makes dogs assessable and taxable and they claim that this constituted them property. Another point they make is that the general statutes use the word "owner" in the clause making him liable for all damage done by his dog.

The general opinion that China and Japan are a long way behind the other nations in point of civilization and progressive measures is due to lack of knowledge upon the subject. It is true that in many things they are behind some of the other nations, but in others they are far in advance. For instance, the Japanese Government adopted the postal savings bank system several years ago and it is now working successfully. In this country this matter is just being discussed. There are other matters equally progressive which have been acted upon by these countries, which have as yet only been talked of here.

While Brazil was in the throes of revolution her immigration agents were passing from point to point in the United States and telling people what a peaceful, law abiding country it was, and how they wanted the Yankee to come over there and show'em how to farm and do business.

COMMENTING ON THE postponement of the lottery case the New York *World* says:

The Supreme Court has postponed the hearing until autumn in order that the case may be determined by a full Bench, but the briefs are in, and a careful reading of them is not very reassuring to those who desire to see some effective restraint placed upon this legalized gambling. The argument of the Lottery lawyers upon the constitutional questions involved is very strong; that of Assistant Attorney-General MAURY for the Government seems much weaker than a really capable Attorney-General would have made it. If the law lies with the right in the case we must depend upon the Court to discover the fact without much help from the Attorney-General's office as at present manned.

This is scarcely just to the Attorney-General's Office. Mr. MAURY has made the best case that was possible for the government in this controversy, and has, presumably, acted in full harmony with Attorney General MILLER, who has been prevented by illness from preparing the brief in person. The trouble is that the Government has not much of a case on the face of the face of the papers. The measure which the Louisiana Lottery Company challenges before the Supreme Court can be defended only on the ground of moral expediency. Undoubtedly it is, as an abstract proposition, an invasion of the liberty of the press and an infringement of personal rights. Theoretically, if Congress may deny the use of the mails to newspapers containing lottery advertisements, it may with equal propriety take similar action in the case of liquor advertisements, playing-card advertisements, bucket-shop advertisements or any other which the party in the majority at the moment may choose to regard as immoral and pernicious. There is, indeed, no end to the mischief and oppression to which such a principle, once established, may not lead. It is but natural therefore, that the constitution should repudiate it in a general way, and that it should be destitute of support in precedent. We can readily see that the Attorney-General's office may have found it impossible to defend the law on any but moral, and to a certain extent, sentimental grounds As we see it, the question is not whether the Government can find any defense in laws already existent, but whether the Supreme court will, in view of the gravity of the case, originate a law to fit this particular emergency. The strictures on Mr. Maury strike us as unjust. He has no case and he virtually confesses as much. What his brief means is that the Supreme Court should make a case for him.—*Washington*, (D. C.,) *Critic-Record*

The *New York World* comments on the above as follows:

Why did not the Attorney-General then discover the limitations of power and see that the bill was so framed as to be constitutional? The *World* urgently pointed out the necessity for such caution at the time, and the reply uniformly was that the Attorney-General's office had thoroughly considered that matter. How comes it, then, that the moment the law is questioned the best the Attorney-General can do is to confess that he has no case and pray the court "to make a case for him?"

Our Domestic Dog.

The varieties of the domestic dog have lately been discussed by French and English naturalists. M. G. de Mortillet, in a paper read before the Anthropological Society of Paris, assuming from negative evidence the non-existence or the dog in the earlier Quaternary epoch traces his presence onward from the shell heaps in Denmark, in which he considers at length the evidence that can be advanced of the existence of several varieties of the dog among the Egyptians, and later on among the ancient Greeks and Romans, and in the fact that the innumerable varieties of canis domesticus, the author believes we have one of the most conclusive proofs of evolution. Messrs. Winder and Humphreys have also read a paper before the Zoological Society of London on some cranial and dental characters of the domestic dog based on the results of the measurements of a large number of dogs' skulls of various breeds. Its object was to ascertain whether cranial and dental characteristics afforded sufficient information to permit of a scientific classification of the breeds, or would throw any light upon their origin "The conclusion so far arrived at was that inter-breeding had been so extensive and complicated as to make it impossible to distinguish the various forms scientifically from the characters examined." A. D. Bartlett, the veteran keeper of the Zoological Gardens of London at a later date brought before the Zoological Society some observations on wolves, jackals, dogs and foxes. His remarks tended to show that all the varieties of domestic dogs owe their origin to wolves and jackals, and that the habit of barking has been acquired by and under the influence of domestication. He also maintained that the dog is the most perfectly domesticated of all animals

The Milkman's Confession.

A St. Louis lady tells the strange confession of a milkman. For some time past she had suspected that the cream left at her house was diluted. Although it had plenty of foam on top it did not seem equal in quality to good milk. She determined to interrogate the milkman, and so she watched for him. When he came she informed him of her suspicions. At first he insisted that the cream was as good as any sold, but when she persisted in her statement that she had drunk country milk that was for better, he weakened and said:

"Can you keep a secret, mum? Well, to tell you the truth, mum, the cream you got is not cream at all. The foam that is on top is made from the white of eggs, and is put there to make you believe you are getting the genuine article. But you are right in suspecting you ain't, mum. It's nothing but a delusion—and maybe you might say a sham, too. But I don't know. Most people never find out the difference and so long as they don't know as how they are being fooled, why, what's the ouds?"

For Horseback Riders

Avoid the drives whenever possible. The ground is harder than in the bridle paths and your horse is more liable to slip. It stings your horses feet to canter, or even trot fast, over a hard surface.

Never spur your horse to make him "show off." Those you think are admiring your horsemanship are undoubtedly jeering at you as a simpleton. Keeping your horse quiet, yet well up to the bit, bespeaks a steady hand, a firm seat and, in fact, an accomplished rider.

Do not rush by a lady. Her horse grows excited at the rapid approach of another and is liable to bolt.

If you cannot ride well without the aid of stirrups don't put on spurs. More casualties have resulted from spurs than any other cause. Your horse shies, you lose your balance, your spurs prode his flanks and, naturally, he runs away. Horse and rider both lose their heads and the chances are you may both lose your lives.

Unless it is absolutely necessary never dismount in a park or on the road when accompanied by a lady. If there be anything amiss with her habit saddle or bridle the evil can be remedied just as well mounted. Should the lady's saddle have turned, that is, of course, another matter, and the best thing to do is walk slowly until a friendly stroller comes along, who will keep an eye to the horse while you work at the girths.

Nothing is so awkward as "toes turned out."

Keep your elbows close to your sides. Increase or diminish pressure on the bit by movement of the wrist. You cannot control a horse by physical strength.

For morning rides wear a derby; in the afternoon a silk hat. Leggins sack or top coat and derby are harmonious. Long trousers, cutaway coat and silk hat are another combination

Let your horse know that a bicycle will not harm him. Permit him to stand quietly as the machine goes by and, meanwhile, pat him on the neck or shoulder and speak to him kindly.—The Rider.

Not a Hard Hint to Take.

Mr. Faintheart—Are you fond of champagne, Miss Rosa?

Miss Rosa—Moderately so, but what I most admire about a bottle of champagne is the cork.

Mr. F.—Indeed! and for what reason, pray?

Miss R.—Oh, merely because it pops so delightfully.

Electric Lights and Eyesight.

Dr. John A. Payne, oculist says: "Most persons who use the incandescent electric light like a new lamp because the light is whiter and more brilliant than after the lamp has been in use for two or three weeks. This is wrong. It is the dazzling white light that harms the eye. An old lamp is the best, for in these the light has become changed to a pale yellow, which is the ideal color. Just as in noonday brightness human sight is not so clear and far-reaching as at the yellow sunset, so a new incandescent burner is not so good for the eye as an old one. An old burner so adjusted and shaded that the light from it does not shine in the face, is the ideal artificial light. An argand gas-burner comes next. The use of the arc light should be confined to street lamps. Some storekeepers still use them, but they are terribly hurtful to the eye. This is because the intensity of the light is constantly changing, and this jumping of the glaze is much worse for the eye than the flicker of the gaslight. I have had occasion to treat a great many people for inflammation of the retina caused by the light of arc lamps."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Correct Thing.

A number of leading farmers of Rice county have organized the Kansas Alliance Loan Association for the purpose of loaning money on first mortgages on real estate. The secretary is Richard Coyle, Geneseo, Kansas. The plan is to raise funds from alliance men by way of subscription to the capital stock of the company to redeem the farms that are about to be foreclosed.

This is a move in the right direction, and if properly handled will save many Kansas homes from foreclosure. No doubt the eastern investor will rejoice in getting his money instead of Kansas farms. We have advocated this movement all along, but believe this could be best accomplished by the Kansas Alliance Exchange Co., or the state Alliance. There are many thousands of Kansas farmers who have money in bank, and we think after next harvest there will be many more who could safely take in an institution of this kind, which would prove a relief to many who have defaulted, and remunerative to the stock holders. This is practical, and we cannot see why the undertaking has not been made long ago.—Alliance Tribune, Topeka.

Bridal Stockings.

The daintiest stockings to be worn by a bride are of fine white silk with a medallion of Valenciennes lace set in the instep, the design being one of orange blossoms. They are as frail as the proverbial cobweb however. When one is going to save on wedding gown and wedding fan, it is just as well to have the beautiful stockings to go with it, so that the next generation may see just what mamma wore on her wedding day

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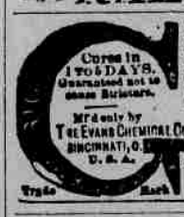

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