

One Man's Way of Getting a Fresh Paper from Honolulu Every Morning.

"Down in the tropics we don't get the newspapers from home every day," said the man with the tanned face.

"When the steamer comes in that brings my week's accumulation of papers from home I just skim across the first page to see what has happened of importance."

"Each morning when I sit down to breakfast I take one paper. I read that carefully through from the first page to the last."

"You fellows beat me," he said. "I know whenever I get down to one of the stations I always find folks who can ask me more questions about the details of articles in the newspapers that I hardly read at home than you would think possible."

"It gives a man a pretty strong sense of how quiet the life must be in some of those places. I should think some of the newspapers would be worn out by the time they get to them."

"It isn't the men alone," said the ex-consul. "who want to see the papers. It would amuse some folks to see the women studying up the autumn and winter styles and discussing the pictures of some fur piece or heavy coat, with a thermometer up in the 90s and not showing any particular signs of falling."

Legal Information

A passenger alighting from a rail road train is held, in Powell vs. Phila delphia & R. R. Co., 220 Pa. 633, 76 Atl. 268, 20 L. R. A. (N. S.) 1019, to have a right to remain in the railroad waiting room a reasonable time, awaiting the arrival of friends who are to meet him, without losing his rights as a passenger.

A stipulation in an insurance policy that no suit shall be brought on a contract unless within twelve months next after the damage occurs is held in Winston vs. Arlington Fire Insurance Company, 32 App. D. C. 61, 20 L. R. A. (N. S.) 960, not to apply to a suit for damages because of the defective character of repairs which the insurer elects to make after the loss in accordance with its rights under the contract.

A town is held, in Shea vs. Whitman, 197 Mass. 374, 83 N. E. 1096, 26 L. R. A. (N. S.) 980, not to be bound as matter of law to place a barrier in every case between a highway and a stone lying immediately adjacent thereto which, if within the limits of the highway, would constitute an obstruction, falling over which might injure a traveler; and it is held to be immaterial that there is nothing to mark the line of the highway.

That the materially false statement of use of which in obtaining credit will prevent one's receiving his discharge in bankruptcy must be intentionally or knowingly untrue is declared in Gilpin vs. Merchants' National Bank (C. C. A.) 165 Fed. 607, 20 L. R. A. (N. S.) 1023; and it is held, therefore, that a statement by the bookkeeper of the applicant for discharge, prepared from books not fully posted, which is believed to be approximately true, but which the actual state of the business proved to be untrue, will not prevent a discharge.

President and Mrs. Hadley were on a train bound for New York, where Yale's president was to speak before a national convention. He made use of the hour and twenty minutes he spent in the train by rehearsing his speech in a low voice, using his hands to emphasize certain passages.

A kindly matron who was sitting directly behind Mr. and Mrs. Hadley, and who had been watching and listening, leaned forward, and tapping Mrs. Hadley on the shoulder, said feelingly:

"You have my sincere sympathy, my poor woman; I have one flat like him at home."—Ladies' Home Journal.

A Decey.

The minister who had exchanged with the Rev. Mr. Talcum was much scandalized to see Deacon Erastus Snowball in the vestry, after service, deliberately taking a 50-cent piece out of the contribution-box and substituting a dime.

"Brother Snowball," he exclaimed, in horror and amazement, "that's plain fishbones!"

"What's the matter, parson?" the deacon asked, gently, conscious of his own rectitude. "'Tis led off with that 'ol-bit piece for de las' fo' yars. That ain't a contribution; that's a sempary loan, as a noble example."

Unburdening.

"You must at least give that candid fate credit for speaking his mind."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "But it's unfortunate that people most willing to speak their minds are so often those whose mentalities are more or less unpleasant."—Washington Star.

Dad's Definition.

"Pa, what is a pony coat?" "Something I've got to work like a horse for to keep your mother peaceful."—Detroit Free Press

RE-APPEARANCE of HALLEY'S COMET

WAITING for the return of Halley's comet after a lapse of over seventy-five years is very much like waiting for a train. We know the track on which the train will speed toward us; but whether the train will be on time or not, we cannot know.

The return of Halley's comet will be an astronomical event of much pith and moment, because it was the very first body of its kind for which a time table was computed, because an opportunity will be presented of revising that time table, and because it will enable the astronomer for the first time to obtain photographs of its striking features for comparison with photographs to be taken by unborn astronomers in 1986 or 1987.

Of such mathematical importance is the return of Halley's comet that at various times scientists have spent months in calculating the exact period of its revolution. Even now, when comets are discovered at the rate of two or three a year, we know only that it may be expected to become a striking object some time in the middle of April, 1910.

Great Age of Halley's Comet.

Of all comets that have ever been discovered, Halley's is the most important, because it is the most historical. It flashed upon the world when Egypt was young and when Greece was a wilderness inhabited by savages.

It was Edmund Halley who urged upon Newton the necessity of publishing that famous manuscript in which the laws of gravitation are laid down; it was Halley who paid for the printing out of his own pocket, although he was sorely reduced in circumstances; and it was Halley who so dramatically drove home the truth of Newton's immutable laws and became the prophet of gravitation, by plotting the orbit of a comet that had alarmed the world in 1531, 1697 and 1682, and foretelling its return in 1758.

"Wherefore, if, according to what we have already said, it should return again about the year 1758, candid posterity will not refuse to acknowledge that this was first discovered by an Englishman."

No Longer an Omen of Evil.

When the comet blazed forth on Christmas day, 1758, it was forever shorn of the dreadful divinity with which for ages it had been hedged, and became an object of dispassionate scientific study.

A comet is more than a neat mathematical problem. Although no longer an omen of evil, it is still wrapped in a veil of mystery which has not been wholly torn away by the physicist and the chemist.

In a general way, it may be said that every comet comprises a nucleus, an envelope (called the "coma") surrounding the nucleus and measuring from 20,000 to 1,000,000 miles in diameter, and a long tail which streams behind the nucleus for sixty to a hundred million miles or more.

THE FIVE AGES OF BASE BALL.



At first the barefoot youngster learns the game upon the city's lots. Then the prayerful, doubting player faces the ogre manager and his com-tract. Then the minor star to whom's accord- id. Then the cheerer that always will attend success. And so he plays his part. The fifth age shifts Into has been and a seat upon the bench.

ATTCHISON GLOBE SIGHTS, HOUSEHOLD HINTS, FACTS ABOUT NEW YORK CITY, THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

There is never plenty of time. The more a man amounts to, the nuster he is. Somehow, we always hate to see a woman handle a gun. How we all admire discipline when it is applied to someone else! You can't work and worry at the same time to good advantage.

DYNAMITE ON A FARM

Experiments of "Shooting" the Soil Successfully Tried in Pittsburg, Kan.

DR. WILLIAM HAMM'S PLAN.

Nearly 3,000 Farmers Saw New Means of Loosening Earth and Many Are Converts.

Farmers in this section are greatly interested in the scheme of using dynamite to loosen up the subsoil of fields being prepared for cultivation.

Dr. William Hamm of Vienna was the first to recommend the use of explosives in agriculture. His idea was that the lowest strata of the soil could not be reached by any of the agricultural implements now in use.

The demonstration was so satisfactory that many farmers are planning to follow up the scheme on their farms as soon as possible. If all the farmers who are talking of trying the explosives in farm work really make the attempt it will soon be a common occurrence in this part of the state.

One-half of the shots were fired by battery and the other half by fuse. The dynamite was in stick form and a quarter of an inch in diameter. It contained 25 per cent of nitrate ammonia powder.

The soil was thoroughly pulverized for a distance of six feet from each shot. Cracks ran in each direction from the shots, showing that the explosions had left fissures in every direction under the ground as well as on top.

It is estimated by those who have experimented in this class of ground culture that each shot leaves a reservoir where several hundred gallons of water can collect and furnish moisture from the bottom, instead of receiving all of the moisture from the top, the water thus carried into the ground feeding the roots of whatever is planted much more readily than if all the water came from the surface.

PEANUT SHELLS CAUSED DEATH.



Peanut shells poured into the cook stove at her home caused a column of flame to shoot upward, which ignited the kimona worn by Mrs. Kate Hoover, of York, Pa., and before the flames were extinguished she was fatally burned.

The Unobtainable.

Bill Higgins yearned to satisfy the men who criticize. When he resolved that he would try to make a name and rise they said he was too young as yet.

He once was slender as the limb That grows upon a tree; Then broader outlines came to him. Quite comforting to see, Approval still he fails to win; His friends assure him that While once he may have been too thin At present he's too fat.

He eats too much or not enough; He's over and or gay, His language is a bit too rough Or too ornate, they say. No wonder that his frame of mind Grows steadily more gloom. How can he ever hope to find The happy medium?—Washington Star.

That the aurora borealis, or northern lights, is an electrical display is evidenced by the fact that during a recent wonderful exhibition of this natural phenomena it was impossible to use the Atlantic cables or the wireless stations.

The government of Brazil has determined to develop iron smelting and the iron and steel industry generally, and thus make use of the vast deposits of iron ore which exist in several portions of the country.

COLD BATHS AID TO BEAUTY.



Cold water will enable corpulent women to acquire svelte forms. Divine Myrma, stage diver and swimmer, is the discoverer of the secret. Since childhood, the diver, whose real name is Ethel May Donoghue, has been a devotee of all aquatic sports, and through these, she says, she learned how the form can be molded into lines most desired.

PERUVIAN MUSIC.

The native music of Peru, according to Geradine Guinness, the author of a recent book on that country, is exceedingly interesting and strange. It seems fitting that the people of such an unusual country—the children of a unique social system—should have a characteristic style of national music.

When first I heard their plaintive notes come wafting through the night air, I listened spell-bound to this new thing. As I came to know and love the ancient melodies they seek hold of me in a strange way.

There is surely a similarity in spirit and construction between these Indian parais and the sobbing lyrics sung by the exiles of Babylon. They are intensely patriotic and deeply mournful. "The memory of former wrongs has tinged their most popular songs with sadness. Their young mother lulls her infant to sleep with verses, the burden of which is sorrow and despair, and the love songs usually express the most hopeless grief."

Indians are always singing. Far out on the pampas away from all human habitations, I have heard strange Kechua words crooned by little shepherd boys; harvesters, as they toil up hill with their immense loads of barley, invariably sing some plaintive old song, and families traveling along the dusty roads unite their voices in strange part-harmonies to wailing melodies in a minor key.

GUILLOTINED BY PAPER CUTTER.



The first man ever guillotined in America was John Drey, who fell to his death under the keen blade of a huge paper cutter in a paper mill at Whippany, N. J. Drey was employed by a paper company, his duty being to see that sheets of paper were properly placed under the knife, which regularly fell and rose, cutting thousands of sheets at each fall.

DEVELOPMENT.

Fast interurban trolley cars. Telegraphy and telephony without wires. The electric propulsion of vehicles and boats.

The luminous arc lamps which turn night into day. The telharmonium, which produces electrical music.

The powerful electric searchlights which are visible for a hundred miles.