BIRDS AND THEIR ENEMIES.

A recent report of the United States bureau of entomology constitutes one of the strongest arguments imaginable upon the absolute economic folly of exterminating America's bird life. This country, says a bureau expert, suffers each year through insects a loss aggregating \$1,200,000,000; rodents cost us \$200,000,000; weeds more than \$400,000,000. These are staggering figures, indeed. They need not be minutely accurate to point a moral as obvious as it is important. Every thinking person knows they are near enough the truth to make the warning significant. In nature's fine balance of fiving agencies the birds found their largest utility in keeping the insect pests of mankind in subjection. Not all birds eat insects, but most do. Others destroy rodents, and many eat the seeds of weeds. It was a fine scheme of economy nature had. Man in his cruel blindness has upset the balance. He has made plumage fashionable for hats and glorified bird dinners. Even pot-hunting has been winked at. A policy widely recognized as indefensible has been followed for years. America foots the bill for her own indifference. The first punishment is visited upon the farmers, but its ef-

The rapid transmission of news among Kaffirs and Hottentots is a mystery which even Mr. Rider Haggard is unable to solve. Mr. Haggard was at Pretoria in 1879, at the time of the battle of Isandhiwana. Twelve hours after the disaster an old Hottentot washerwoman told him that Cetawayo had defeated the British troops, and gave details of the fight. So impressed was Mr. Haggard that Illness. he reported the information to his official superior. The British official pointed out that it was impossible for. the news to be true, as Isandhiwana was 192 miles from Pretoria, and no telegraphic or railway communication existed between the two places. On the following day official confirmation of the disaster was brought by mounted messengers, who were dispatched immediately after the battle and traveled at top speed all the way. Yet the natives won by twenty bours, and the washerwoman's story was true in every detail.

The assertion that cats are necessary in bakeries is supported by wide observation and by the judgment of high practical and scientific authorities in all parts of the world. Rats are pests, and no better antidote for them than cats has ever been found, Poison where the smell of the poisoned rats his wife of it be said his name aicoming from the holes into which ways was George Scott and that he they had retreated to die would corrupt the air and the bread. It is ness to explain a loss of memory. captious criticism that would object to Nevertheless his mind had been utbakers keeping cats.

Dr. Hastings, the Toronto medical health officer, complains that only about 23 per cent, of the 500 cattle killed for consumption weekly in that city are inspected, and that an average of 55 diseased animals a week are sold for food. A Canadian government analyst asserts that for the last third of a century the pepper used in Canada has been adulterated 40 per cent. We are doing better than Canada in some things.

How interesting it would be to students of mechanics as well as to students of history to see the first steamboat in which Fuiton took passengers on the Hudson in 1807. By preserving in the National Museum at Washington the first flying machine purchased from the Wrights for the war department, the government is providing a treat for students in centuries to

We are informed that an easterner whose best girl gave him the frigid mitt has gone insane. We have often heard of people who went crazy with joy.

We fall to understand why some people are so badly stung by the aviation bug when all the delights and dangers of the game may be experienced on a roller coaster.

The policemen of Lynn, Mass., are to be armed with clubs made of paper. These will logically go with paper sanitary drinking cups.

Boston highbrows are trying to determine whether "been" should be pronounced "bin" or "bean." If they are patriotic Bostonians the bean will win in a walk.

A woman of eighty in a Connecticut town captured and held a burgiar until help came. Here is the first knockout blow for the age limit.

Advice to the aeropiane operator: Be careful.

TURKS MAKING A STUBBORN FIGHT



TURKISH CAVALRY AND MOUNTAIN BATTERY GOING INTO ACTION

NFORMATION from the seat of the Turco-Italian war, when uncensored by the Italians, indicates that the Turks are still far from being beaten. Though they lost the city of Tripoli, they have had the better of several bloody encounters outside that city and in the vicinity of Bengazi. Their army has been drilled by Europeans and is considered highly efficient.

ber 10, suffering from an attack of

acute insanity, with which he had

been taken in his home in Port Berke-

ley. The doctors found that a portion of the skull was pressing on the

He called for pen and paper and

wrote: "I am in hospital and all O. K.,"

addressing the envelope to Miss Flor-

he turned wonderingly to Dr. Milton

had composed himself today. The hos-

Thirty-second street, New York, His

Dog Burled in Coffin.

Newport, R. I .- "Missy," a French

bulldog, the inseparable companion of

Mrs. James P. Kernochan for 11 years

and as familiar on the fashionable

no more, and its owner is nearly heart-

New York Man Pays Glowing Tribute

to the Mother of His Eight Chil-

dren-Never Cross.

New York .- Alfred A. Wright, presi-

dent of J. A. Coates & Co., thread im-

porters, declares he has a perfect wife

At his home, 7 Glenwood avenue,

Orange, N. J., Mr. Coates said the oth-

"Yes, it is absolutely true that I

have a perfect wife. There is no rea-

son why the whole world should not

know of it, if it interests anyone. I

saw in a paper that Judge W. O.

Thomas of the circuit court at Kan-

sas City, Mo., said from the bench;

There is no such thing as a perfect

"Knowing there was such a thing.

and that I had one of them at home,

and I wrote him a letter for his en-

lightenment. That's how the matter

"I have had one wife, as I told him. for 36 years, and I would not change

her in the least if I could. In all these

years she has been the ideal wife, has

never called me a liar and has been

my inspiration, my helpmeet, my com-

fort in time of trouble, and I wouldn't

take \$10,000,000 for her or give ten

"One of my tenderest recollections

is of the day before my mother died.

We had bolstered her up in bed, and

"'God bless you, Emma. I have

the nerve of that judge appalled me.

er day:

wife.

got out.

Her name is Emily McSheehy, and She had lived with us for 12 years.

ther was the last town clerk, and she she, putting her head on my wife's

cents for another.

animously elected her to the position. never seen a cross look on your face. | for the first time

name was S. Chandler Rogers.

G. Sturgis and his nurse and said:

"Am I really in Seattle?"

the Paulist society be sent to him.

he became perfectly normal.

MINDS CLEARED TIRES OF HIS LONESOME JOB

fects are felt by every family in the Wealthy Lumberman of Vancouver Had Forgotten Wife.

> Woman One Had Married Agrees to Wait While He Returns to Scotland to See If Mrs. Scott No. 1 Was Alive.

> Seattle, Wash .- Curious instances of lapses of memory covering long periods have come to light simultaneously here in the stories of two men whose minds have been cleared by

George Scott, a rich lumberman of Vancouver, supposed himself a bachelor until 1909, when he married. Now be suddenly remembers that, twentysix years ago, he left a wife and children in Edinburgh, Scotland.

The other case is that of S. Chandler Rogers, who was beaten so badly in New York fourteen years ago that he forgot his name. He drifted here and has been known as George Kelly. An operation has recalled him to him-

In all the years that Scott was pliing up a fortune he seemed heartproof until a musical comedy company visited Vancouver two years ago. He then capitulated to Jane Patterson of Allegheny, Pa., one of its members. Although their ages were far apart, they lived happily. Scott finally met with an accident which fractured his skull and brought on, in addition, a serious illness, through which his wife nursed him.

Memory of his youthful domestic next he knew he was in the river, The little kitten had outgrown life came with his recovery. in telling never had a physical mishap or iliterly blank as to the wife and bables in Scotland.

Mrs. Scott did not question his good faith, but said his story dictated a plain course for her, through the dioughly and it was finally arranged that she should bring action for divorce and Scott return to Scotland and learn what had become of his drives as Mrs. Kernochan herself, is family. Should be find the first wife he must make proper amends to her. If she is dead be will come back to Vancouver and the second "Mrs. Scott" will marry him again.

Rogers, or Kelly, was brought to the Providence hospital here on Octo- mark the spot.

U. S. UNIVERSITIES IN LEAD

Better Than Those of Germany,

While Visiting Chicago.

Avers Kalser's Representative

Chicago. - American universities

and American student life are better

than those of Germany, declares Dr.

A. Oliven, commissioned by the Ger-

man government to arrange itineraries

in this country for a group of 300

scientists who will arrive here in

Oliven. "I have visited the universi-

ties of Columbia and Pennsylvania

and the Rockefeller institute. I never

dreamed of such possibilities. Stu-

dents have a better opportunity here

for a general education. In Germany

"Steudents are more sober here, in

Germany they fight and drink beer,

but they are fast learning to be sen-

The German savants are to cross the

Atlantic in a specially chartered

steamer. Five days are to be passed

at Washington, D. C., during the in-

ternational congress for hygiene, be-

ginning September 22, 1912. They are

then to come to Chicago for two days.

A trip back through the eastern cit-

Girl Is Town Clerk.

Sydney.-The Municipal Council of

Byron, New South Wales, now has

the youngest town clerk in the world.

she is just 17. Miss McSheeby's fa-

doing so well that the councilors un-

had acted as his assistant for a year, breast, said:

sible like the Americans.'

les will conclude the tour.

Wonderful! Wonderful!" said Dr.

September of 1912.

we specialize.

cupied, Palace Loses Patience-Building Unfinished.

erected a building at a cost of \$1,000,-000 nine years ago and after installing a caretaker took no further steps brain. Surgery soon relieved him and to utilize it on the ground that it was not quite finished.

In the year 1902 the government decided to create a special audit department and a list of nominations to the ence Douels, 418 West Thirty-second various posts was drawn up. An aged street, New York. A postscript to the Reservist, whose services to the counletter asked that Father Doherty of try entitled him to fitting rewards, was appointed caretaker of a new build-Picking up a newspaper after he ing which was being erected for the had finished his note and seeing the department of the Rue Cambon. The date line, "Seattle, October 20, 1911," conclerge was told to take charge at once. The building was not quite finished, but within a month or two everything would be in order, and the, Then he broke down with a fit of members of the ministry would take sobbing. He told his story when he up their duties there.

Proudly the Reservist took up his pital staff think it one of the most quarters in the vast but unfinished pairemarkable on record. For fourteen ace. For days he walked through the years, he said, he did not know where immense building without seeing anhe had been or what he had been do- other human being, but at last the dising. He was born in New York in pirited man began to beguile his 1880 and lived with his grandmother. time by learning a new variation of his Mrs. Elizabeth Douels, at 418 West favorite game of patience.

Fortunately for the conclerge he had taken the precaution to bring with On May 1, 1897, with a boy friend him in the empty building a kitten and and two girls, he went to the theater. a canary. For two years he saw no Having seen his girl to her home, he one and heard nothing, although he restarted to walk to his own. At Six- ceived his monthly salary with millteenth street and Eighth avenue three tary punctuality. In 1905 the archimen stopped him and asked for a tect rushed in and breathlessly rematch. He said he was no match tac- marked that a little furniture would be tory, and the men pounced on him. brought into the building and it would One struck him with a blackjack. The then immediately become a busy hive.

He said he remembered clutching at gray baired and tired looking cat something in the river and being when, in 1905, the concierge, wearied dragged out, but that was the last he by the strain of waiting, complained to knew of himself as Rogers until he the department heads. He was soothawoke in the hospital after the skull pressure had been lifted from his

soon be right. Finally even the patience of the long-suffering concierge came to an end, for he recently resigned his position. The empty palace in the Rue Cambon which was erected at a cost of \$1,000,000, is still awaiting one or

Stepping Stone on Grave.

broken. In a handsome white coffin, Winsted, Conn.-A stepping stone lined with satin, said to have cost which for years had been at the door several hundred dollars, "Missy" was of his ancestral home, has been placed lowered to a grave on the lawn of the at the head of Edward Denslow's Kernochan estate. A white stone will grave. His family were among the earliest sottlers here.

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has been happy is that Emma is a

good cook and loves her home and

children. We never trouble each oth-

er with individual troubles unless one

is sure the other can give help or ad-

vice. The man who carries his busi-

ness troubles home to his family when

the family cannot help him is a

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Man of 25 Keeps Agreement With Mil-

lionaire Father and Receives

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Los Angeles, Cal.-Because be did

not smoke before reaching the age of

twenty-five Don Gates, son ti A. H.

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dena, the other day received \$50,000

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head of the Gates Lumber company,

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dent of Stanford university, was only

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his business if they refrained from

smoking until their twenty-fifth birth-

Charles reached the required age

seven years ago, after denying him-

self tobacco in all forms, and he re-

celyed his share on his twenty-fifth

birthday. Two years ago he smoked

day was reached.

as a present from his parent.

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Explanations.

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Absent-Minded Professor (great on entomology)-The two species, my dear young lady, are entirely distinct. Now, the common house fly- Then he wondered why she suddenly opened a conversation with the young man on her right .- London Sphere.

"A wife," says the sage boush sage, has to have a lot more patience to let the cat in and out than she has for her husband, because if she didn't the cat would leave."

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Johnny-How about the presidential

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