Livelier Scenes in Congress Than In Daytime.

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Debates of the Lower House at These Times Especially Are Likely To Be Vitriolio-One Closing Night of Song.

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Washington.-In the desire to ad-Journ, congress probably will begin holding night sessions soon; in fact, When night sessions are going on the capitol is a picturesque and lively place. From without the great building it looks like what in a sense it really is, an illuminated palace of white, the thousands of lights showing through hundreds and it may be thousands of windows.

Washington society takes advantage of night sessions of congress for an opportunity to visit the capitol. Society in the main is not great on early day outings and it is only occasionally. when drawn by some big event, that the social leaders go to Capitol Hill even in the late afternoon. The novelty of a night session attracts not only society, so-called, but the thousands of visitors in Washington and other thousands of residents who, working all day, get little opportunity to see the law makers at their labor in the daylight hours. The galleries at their night sessions almost always are crowded.

Debates Livelier at Night.

Night sessions, especially when the day sessions have begun at 11 o'clock, seem to get on the nerves of the members of both houses and one is much more apt to hear a vitriolic debate and to witness the losing of tempers at night than he is in the daytime. The night before the day of adjournment is always a gala time in the lower house. As a rule then the house is through with its business for the session and is simply waiting on the senate to catch up. The senators work away the last night harder than they have worked at any other night of the session, while the house members frequently give themselves over to play.

It is rather sad to relate, but occasionally the play in the house becomes something more serious than play. If the day has been long and hot and the debates have been sharp and bitter, and especially if politics has been touched upon, the members are led from play to something more serious and while names need not be mentioned, there have been one or two occasions when the last night of the session of the house has developed healthy rows.

One Famous Closing Night.

It is probable that the most picturesque of night sessions of congress in many years was that which wound and eat them. He says that sparrows | inet council at Copenhagen Wednesup the long session of the year 1904. The adjournment was well along into the early summer. Congress was tired and wanted to get away; the house had ended its work completely except for the mere details of closing and the members gave themselves over to frolicking.

On that night the scene of which likely is to be reproduced this year in the United States which no one every representative in the chamber thinks of eating and yet which are was given an American flag and with it there was handed to him a song book. The night was spent in dag waving, in singing and in telling sto-

West Point Frolics.

Maj. Gen. Thomas Barry is the superintendent of the United States Military Academy. If the war department were to believe all the reports that come in General Barry having a hard time of it in enforcing discipline. Government of better than that of the rabbit. ficials, however, have always taken with more than a grain of salt stories that come out of West Point. Gen- ment's scientists found this out a long erally they have been found to grow in the coming.

Major General Barry was sent to the Military academy as superintendent after a notable career in Cuba and in the Philippines, and with a fine record for efficiency and maintenance of discipline. The last story which came from West Point was to the effect that the superintendent virtually put the whole corps of cadets under arrest while he was trying to find out which of the five hundred odd boys it was who yelled "Fore for the supe." Fore is a golf term, as everybody knows, and General Barry, it was said, hearing the cadet's words through an open window of the mess hall, took them as them. He did not find out who it was Every time anything nappens at West will start investigating, but the chances are that congress in this case will have nothing to do.

How Things Are Started.

it was said the affair at the academy tion was when the cadets of 25 years prejudice could be killed.

AT NIGHT SESSIONS ago managed to haul the reveille and sunset gun up to the top of the barracks and there discharge it, to the smashing of a few windows and the breaking of many regulations.

The class of 1880 wanted in some way to mark the incoming of the year of their graduation. So its members resolved to have a celebration at the stroke of twelve at midnight of the New Year, January 1, 1880. Now this affair at the academy, instead of being a mere matter of taking a cannon on the roof and firing it off, was really a terrific outbreak of noise, confusion and regulation breaking. Some members of the corps had been given a Christmas leave of three days, and on their return from New York they brought to the academy a large quantity of fireworks, which they hid in a convenient place after they landed at the dock. Later these fireworks were they may be the order at any minute. transferred to barracks and hid in mattresses and from that time until the night of December 31, the eve of New Year, a great many cadets slept on veritable mines.

Fired Off All the Guns.

A detachment of cadets tolled off for the purpose went down to the river early on the night of December 31 and loaded all the seacoast guns, the siege battery gun, and old smooth-bore guns of Battery Knox. At ten minutes before midnight 20 cadets left barracks and made their way to the river bat-At the stroke of 12 they began pulling the lanyard and it was "roar and boom and tear" from every gun along the plateau's front. The echoes were awakened far up the Hudson to Newberg and down to Sing Sing. It sounded as if the post were under bombardment, and in a twinkling the whole post was up, officers running here and there in half waked condition, not knowing just what had happened. Across the parade ground came the veteran General Schofield in his uniform, but with something white showing which proved that he had not completely tucked in his clothes in his hurry to get dressed.

Simultaneously with the bombardment every window in barracks was opened and forth came fiery sky rockets, roman candles and all the other similar devices known to the ingenuity of man. In addition to this 75 members of the plebe class had devil's fiddles which had been manufactured under cover. Round shot were rolled down the iron-bound stairs, and the uproar and the firing and confusion were, in modern slang, "something fierce."

The whole corps was put under arrest and later every man had all his privileges taken away from him, and they were kept away for five months.

English Sparrow as Food.

One of the expert biologists of the department of agriculture, Mr. Dearborn, says that the English sparrow is a pest, a thing which hardly needed repetition, and that one way to get rid of them is to eat them.

Mr. Dearborn has issued a bulletin telling how to trap English sparrows, how to shoot them and how to cook as food compare favorably with the Years ago some one tried to induce the people of the congested districts in the cities to eat English sparrows.

One can learn from the agricultural department if the members should choose to write about it or tell about it that there are scores of animals perfectly delicious food when properly cooked. Can anyone imagine a man eating a skunk? And yet a skunk properly prepared is by no means to be despised. It is said that the edibility of the skunk was learned by an experimenter who noticed that great horned owls were very fond of skunks and that they would catch them, kill them and eat them in preference to rabbit. So one experimenter tried the skunk and found that the meat was

A great many people know that the muskrat is good eating. The governtime ago and they have written bulletins about the muskrat as food. It has been found that the name rat destroys people's appetites for this creature. In the markets of Baltimore and occasionally in Washington muskrats are sold in large quantities, but are they called muskrats? No, they are called marsh rabbits.

Snakes Good to Eat.

Some men squirm at the thought of eating eels, while others eat them and consider them the best of fish. If an eel, why not a snake? Down in the southwest rattlesnakes have been eaten frequently with no bad results The flesh of the rattler is said to be white and of good flavor. An army of being subversive of discipline and as ficer who was also a great ornitholohaving the ring of impertinence in gist. Captain Bendire, once was given some rattlesnake to eat. He did not that had used the offending words, know what it was but pronounced it but the story of his method and of a mighty good. Later he was told what good many other things connected with he had eaten and although in his the incident were found to be untrue. tramping affeld he had been compelled many a time to eat all kinds of things, Point which is enlarged in the telling the thought that he had eaten a snake there are intimations that congress was too much for him and nature revolting, he parted with his breakfast

A good many field scientists say that it is prejudice alone which prevents men from eating what they To give an idea of how attempts are might eat and perhaps in the interest made frequently to start the war de of economy ought to eat. There is partment "going" with stories about vegetable matter which some people West Point, it should be said that in regard as poisonous and against which connection with this General Barry there is other prejudice and yet many matter, which was a trivialty in itself, of the wild vegetables of the field are wholesome and if they were transwas the most tremendous disciplinary planted to the garden could be raised breach in a quarter of a century and in quantities and be sold for good that the only thing which equaled it in prices in the market—that is, provided the history of the government institu- the name could be changed and the

DENMARK'S NEW RULER



KING CHRISTIAN X.

parts of the world poured in here.

Those that came after the departure

The queen mother and her children

will accompany the remains to Copen-

Troops Act as Escort.

the Hamburg Hof hotel to the railway:

station with full military honors. A

company of the Seventh Imperial Ger-

man infantry had been provided for

panied by the regimental band. The

troops carried cased colors of the

regiment in honor of the dead. The

streets were lined with solid masses

of humanity. Many stood with bowed

Flags upon all the buildings in the

.The king's body had been inclosed

King Frederick VIII., accompanied

in a coffin of steel and oak, in keeping

by Queen Louise and their aides and

attendants was on his way to the Ki-

veria, where physicians had advised

fects of a severe attack of influenza

and incipient pneumonia, of which he

air is believed to have brought on a re-

lapse, and his insistence on walking

through the streets in the chill night

nir, despite the entreaties of his at-

tendants, is thought to have aggra-

Queen Louise Hysterical.

that the body of a man of rank, richly

dressed, had been found near the wa-

ter front she became hysterical and,

with a strange premonition of evil, de-

clared that it was the king. No de-

scription of the body had been given

and members of the suite ridiculed the

idea that the body found almost at the

entrance of the docks was that of

The body had been carried to a pub-

lic hospital ward, and after life was

declared extinct a search revealed doc-

uments identifying it as that of Count

Kronberg. This, although the local

authorities did not know it, was one of

the king's titles and was adopted by

The instant that the queen entered

the barely furnished ward she recog-

band, and in a paroxysm of grief

Physicians hastened to her side and

she was led, sobbing, from the room.

Restoratives were applied and when

she became more calm she ordered

that the body be removed to the Ham-

burg Hof hotel with all possible dis-

Great Britain in Mourning.

lic buildings and government offices

are at half-mast in memory of the

king of Denmark. This is the second

been plunged into mourning, and the

social season, now in full swing, will

London, May 17.-Flags on all pub-

When Queen Louise was informed

A long motor ride through the damp

heads as the cortege passed.

city were at half-mast.

was recently the victim.

vated his condition.

their sovereign.

him as an incognito.

Frederick's body was conveyed from

of the Danish royal party were for-

warded to Copenhagen.

hagen on the Dannebrog.

PRINCE CHRISTIAN PROCLAIMED KING

Officially Made Ruler of Denmark By Cabinet Council.

GREAT BRITAIN IN MOURNING an escort and the soldiers were accom-

Flags Throughout Europe Are at Half-Mast in Memory of Danish Monarch, Who Succumbs in Hamburg.

Copenhagen, May 17 .- Crown Prince Christian was officially proclaimed king of Denmark by the cab- with the simplicity of his life. day upon the receipt of the news of the death of his father. Frederick VIII.

The body will lie in state in the chapel of Christianborg palace at Copenhagen. The funeral will take place on May 24, the services being conducted in the cathedral at Roskilde, which is 19 miles from Copenhagen. The cathedral contains the tombs of most of the Danish kings.

Warship Escorts Body.

Hamburg, Germany, May 17 .- Accompanied by Dowager Queen Louise and three of her children, the body of King Frederick VIII. of Denmark, who dropped dead in the street here Tuesday night, was shipped for Lubec on a special funeral train. The bereaved queen was prostrated with grief and was under the care of two physicians. The entire royal suite was in mourning and showed evidences of deepest grief.

The three royal children who accompanied the queen were Prince Gustay and Princesses Tagmar and Thyra. They were inconsolable over the death of their father and insisted that the private coach in which the coffin was carried should be strewn with white roses.

Warship Acts as Escort.

From Lubec the body was carried to Travemunde, which is nine miles north of that city on Neustadt bay. nized the corpse as that of her hus-There it was taken on board the Danish ship Dannebrog, which, convoyed threw herself across the cot on which by a Danish warship, will carry the the body lay. remains of the late monarch to Copenhagen.

The coffin containing the royal body was carried from the Hamburger Hof hotel to the railway station early in the day as the train was scheduled to leave at 9 o'clock. The hotel was draped in black and at a very early hour a crowd of curious had gathered to see the cortege leave for the raflway station. The members of the royal family and the suite were conveyed in closed carriages. Dowager Queen Lou- time this year the British court has ise was dressed entirely in black and held a handkerchief to her face. Telegrams of condolence from all be seriously affected

Hit by 11,000 Volts; Lives.

New York, May 17 .- Samuel Ehrhardt, a porter connected with Buffalo | Sacred Heart convent have commis-Bill's Wild West company, was walk sioned Theophile Papin, Jr., of 3765 ing on top of one of the animal cars Lindell boulevard to go to Rome to in the Mount Vernon freight yards present the testimony of certain memwhen his head came in contact with bers of old families here before the one of the feed wires which furnish the electricity for trains. There was founder of the Sacred Heart order in a blinding flash and Ehrhardt was hurled from the car to the road bed. Eleven thousand volts had struck him. He

Urge Woman Be Beatified.

St. Louis, May 17.-The madames of commission of Rev. Mother Duchesne, America.

This commission of cardinals' consideration of the beatification of Mothwas taken to the Mount Vernon hos- er Duchesne is the second step in the long process in canonization.

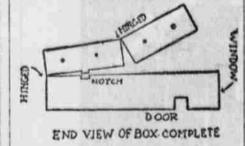


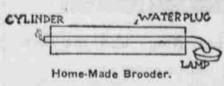
MAKING YOUR OWN BROODER

Directions and Illustrations Given of Suitable Shelter for the Little Chickens.

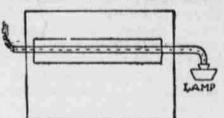
In describing a brooder that she had constructed herself and used successfully, Mrs. Belle Stiles says in the Missouri Valley Farmer:

A box 214 feet wide by 314 or 4 feet long is made of matched lumber, eight inches deep inside measure. A box cover six inches deep is hinged to





one side, and is hinged again in the center. A notch is made in each end of the box one-third of the way across from the hinged side, with corresponding notches in the cover, and in these notches rests a cylindrical tank for heating the brooder. Windows should be put in the front, and a door in one end. Small holes should be bored in the ends of the cover for ventilation. The cylinder tank is made of gal-



With Tank in Place.

vanized tin, with a hollow tube through the center of such a size that heat from a lamp can be turned in with an elbow. On the top of the cylinder there should be a screw plug for putting in water. The tank when filled with water is heated by the hot air in the hollow tube. This center tube should be long enough to extend through the brooder box and to the lamp set outside. The box should be carpeted with paper or litter, the tank put in place and filled with boiling water, the lamp put in position and the brooder allowed to warm up before the chicks are put in. When in position the cylinder should be two inches from the bottom. After the him to go to recuperate from the et- heat is up the lamp may be turned very low. If the chicks are too warm the cover may be raised and a stick slipped under the edge to give more air. Don't overcrowd. Give planty of warm water in cold weather. Don't overheat. Give plenty of grit. Keep clean. It's a joy to raise chickens by this method, and these brooders if properly cared for will last for years.

MARGIN OF PROFIT AND LOSS

Record of the Cost of Production and Sales Will Determine Whether Hens Are Paying.

A flock of hens should be made to pay a good dividend on the investment. If they do not do this there is something radically wrong somewhere along the line.

If you have kept a record of the cost of production and the sales you will be able to tell whether or not your hens are paying. Hens that are laying an average of 50 or 60 per cent. are doing well and will make a good showing on the right side of the cash book. Any averages above that will be so much more gain and will more than justify keeping the birds.

If they fall way below this mark you better investigate and find out the cause of the trouble. It may be that you have a poor strain of birds, that you are not feeding the right kinds of foods or in sufficient quantitles, or that you are not giving them the proper attention that they must have in order to be great producers.

Studying Needs of One Breed. It is poor policy for a beginner to endeavor to keep several breeds of poultry. The probabilities are that he will give them all like attention and food when they need to be treated according to their natural dispositions and peculiar needs.

The results are that he will favor a certain breed because they do better for him, when in reality the others would have done just as well if they had received the treatment which was due them. Do not attempt too much but select a breed and then a variety left." and stick to them.

Discard Mongreis.

Mongrel fowls should not be kept for egg production because the eggs will be uniform neither in color nor size. This factor of itself is of enough importance to induce one to select a pure breed, even though the mongrels might possibly lay as well as the purebred fowls, but this is very doubtful.





His hair was long; his eyes were set Deep in his head as they could get Conveniently.

He held his poem in his hand; The editor said, grave and grand: "Read it to me.

"The little breeze crept down and sighed." He read; the editor then cried:

"If that's a fact— That little breeze that crept and sighed— State just how long it was, and wide; Please be exact."

The poet flushed and read some more: babbling brook its message bore"-The editor Demanded then to know the cause Of the brook's babbling—"And who was The message for?"

The poet hitched about, and then Read from his manuscript again In flustered tones: "The groaning trees beat hands and cried"-

The editor asked, steely-eyed: What caused the groans?"

The poet just read on some more; The swooping swallows skimmed the shore"-And then the grim

Old editor asked, soft and low:
"Those swallows—I should like to know
What did they skim?" The poet clutched his poem then And did not read a line again-

He'd naught to say Until the editor asked for Its name: he told the editor: "They Dying Day." "Oho!" the editor smiled thine, "Obituary verse you pen-And it is fine. The advertising manager Will print the verses for

The poet rose, and straightway took His groaning trees and babbling brook utside the door;

And O, if poets ever swearis, if such things they would dare-I think he swore."

THE HOMEBODY.

When your old pipe becomes too strong you may easily remedy it by boiling it in milk for several hours, then giving it to the janitor.

A neat and effective way of keeping your cravats within easy reach and at the same time preventing their getting wrinkled is to stretch a wire from wall to wall of your room and suspending them from it.

Never leave your wet umbrella to dry of itself. This is apt to rot the material or to rust the ribs. Close it and place it in the oven over night.

Boot trees are expensive. You may easily make them for yourself by securing a large piece of mahogany and whittling it to the shape of your shoe. If you have a wooden leg you may saw off the foot and use this as a tree for one of your shoes.

Should you spill paint or ink or shoe polish upon the bosom of your only clean dress shirt, the stain may be removed by applying nitric acid. This will leave a hole in the fabric, perhaps, but a piece of white paper may be neatly pasted above it.

Learn to cut your own hair. You have no idea how much time you waste at the barber's. By dint of a few months' practice you should be able to cut most of it.

Grip of the Habit.

"She is so generous," said the first deaf mute, speaking of a friend who was similarly affected. "Is that so?"

"Yes. Why, do you know, when no one is around for her to talk to she makes her right hand talk to her

A True Gallant.

Miss Sweete-Oh, dear, it is simply impossible for a girl to look any other way than wilted this warm weather.

Mr. Softelgh-Yes, but ice cream is just as sweet after it is melted as it was before.

Thebur Dresbit