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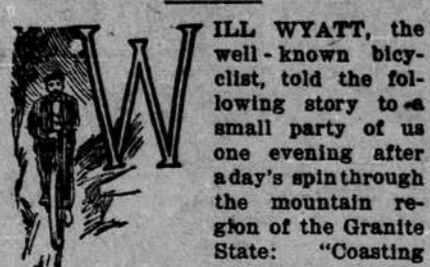
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ON A BROKEN WHEEL.



WILL WYATT, the well-known bicyclist, told the following story to a small party of us one evening after a day's spin through the mountain region of the Granite State: "Coasting these Franconia hills reminds me of a startling experience I had last year in the heart of the Mohave district in Western Arizona," began Will, "and though even its memory is not pleasant, I shall not mind spinning you the yarn to help while away the evening.

"A chum had set out with me to do the country, but at Mohave City he fell ill, and I was obliged to continue alone. Wishing to remain with him as long as possible, I did not start out until nearly noon the first day, but before sunset I was glad to begin to look for some sort of a shelter for the night.

"I had been climbing and coasting hills—mountains, more correctly speaking—ever since starting, and at sunset I saw no indications of reaching a human habitation for miles. I had been told of a small town in one of the valleys to the east, but before this time I had a consciousness of having missed the haven by getting on the wrong road.

"Still I knew I was on a road traveled by a semi-weekly stage, and I pedaled ahead with better spirits than I should have felt had I realized the truth, and at last upon the summit of one of the long upgrades I was gladdened by the sight of a dwelling.

"It did not matter to me that the building was little better than a shanty as long as it was inhabited and promised me protection during the night. "I was met at the door by a couple of rough-looking men, and in answer to my request to stop over night, was told to walk in.

"I left my bicycle in a sort of rade lean to, but regretted it the moment I had entered the dwelling. I found a third man getting the evening meal, and if I had thought his companions repulsive, he appeared absolutely hideous. I felt, too, that he would think no more of cutting a man's throat than he would of shooting a mountain sheep. He eyed me closely, but did not offer to speak.

"The others proved more sociable, however, and asked me all sorts of questions, until, completely tired out, I suggested that I would like a chance to sleep.

"I was then escorted to the loft, making the ascent by a ladder, which was pulled away immediately after the men returned below. I had resolved not to sleep, and throwing myself on a pile of skins in one corner of my cramped apartments, I lay and listened to the sounds underneath, until in my drowsiness I felt like calling myself a fool for my suspicions against the men, who might be more honest than they appeared.

"I had about come to that conclusion, when my attention was called back to the scene below by the opening of the door and the entrance of three newcomers, as I quickly saw. These last were fit associates of the others, and upon entering the room they deposited a heavy bundle on the floor, saying something in an undertone that I did not hear.

EGG HATCHING IN EGYPT.

A Method of Incubation Which Is as Old as the Christian Era.
Among the fellahs of modern Egypt a process of incubation is in use which has been handed down from antiquity, perhaps from the time of Diodorus, who, forty years before the Christian era, said that the Egyptians brought eggs to maturity by their own hands and that the chickens hatched thus were not inferior to those hatched in the usual way. The process is described in Nature.

Ovens are built, consisting of a chamber about eleven feet square and four feet high, with a flat roof. Above this another chamber, nine feet high, is built, with a vaulted roof, having a small opening in the middle to admit light. Below, a larger opening communicates with the room underneath. In cold weather both rooms are kept closed and a lamp is left burning in each, entrance then being had through the lower chamber.

When the oven is ready the proprietor goes to the neighboring villages and collects eggs. They are placed on mats, strewn with bran, in the lower chamber. Fires are then lighted in troughs along the sides of the upper room, the eggs being in two lines immediately below. The fires are lighted twice a day, the first dying out at noon, and the other burning from 3 to 8 in the evening. The first batch of eggs is left for half a day in the warmest place, and then it makes way for the next, until all have been warmed. This process is kept up for six days, when the eggs are examined carefully in a strong light. Those that are clear are cast aside. Those that are cloudy are put back in the oven for another four days. They are then removed for five days to another chamber, where there are no fires, but the air is excluded. After this they are placed an inch or two apart and continually turned, this last stage taking six or seven days.

The eggs are examined constantly by being held against the upper eyelid to reveal if they are warmer than the human skin. The whole process lasts twenty-one days, but thin-shelled eggs often hatch in eighteen. The heat required is 86 degrees Fahrenheit. Excessive heat is undesirable.

CHECK PAYABLE TO CUSTER.

Drawn the Day of the Massacre and Found at Bismarck, N. D.
A recent dispatch to the Chicago Record from Bismarck, N. D., gives the following information: "The tragic death of Gen. Custer and his gallant men at the hands of the Sioux Indians in the massacre of the Little Big Horn, was recalled here this week by the forwarding to Mrs. Custer of a check for \$1,500 drawn to the order of Gen. George A. Custer in 1876. The check is dated June 25, and signed by B. L. Smith, at that time assistant paymaster of the army. It was on June 25, 1876, that the massacre took place. The check is still unpaid, and soiled and tattered though it be, constitutes a valid claim against the government for the amount represented upon its face, which was no doubt intended as part payment of Gen. Custer's salary as an officer of the United States army. Where the check has been all these years no one knows, least of all Michael Francis, who found it in the street here last February, and who has retained it in his possession until now. When Francis picked up the bit of paper it was almost as legible as when it was drawn, but three heavy creases in it showed that it had been carried in a pocketbook until it had been worn through. The parts were joined together by narrow strips of paper pasted on the back, and the edges were somewhat soiled, as though the paper had at one time been dropped in the mud. No indorsement appears upon the back of the check, and the face shows the mark of no cancellation stamp, demonstrating that the check has never been presented for payment. The check was no doubt forwarded to the northwest before the news of the Custer massacre had reached Washington. Had it reached those in charge of the dead soldier's effects it would have been sent back at once in order that one payable to the heirs could have been sent on its place. It has evidently been under shelter somewhere, and the chances are that it was mislaid last February and swept out into the street, where it was found by Mr. Francis."

He Has Squared the Circle.
Boston Transcript: P. Valin, a nervous little old gentleman of Somerville, has discovered that everybody who buys liquids is being cheated. He says the gallon measures in common use do not contain 231 cubic inches, as required by law, and he has proved it to his own satisfaction by testing a standard gallon measure with a set of square tin boxes of known capacity. Mr. Valin has great confidence in his own measures and in his method of proof, which requires a squaring of the circle, but a little thing like that does not bother him. He figured out a method of squaring the circle some years ago, and has been squaring circles ever since, with the greatest of ease. He says that, as a practical result of his figuring, he has found that the standard gallon is about a wineglassful "shy," and he calls on the authorities, in the name of the president of the continental congress, to at once rectify this error. Just what he will do if the government continues to go on cheating the consumers of liquids he does not say, but the mandates of a man who has squared the circle, it seems, should be given some consideration.

The Milkman's Religion.
A man may wear the knees of his trousers out praying, but if he gets the milk he sells from the back yard pump he is a sham and a bumbug.

"I could hear nothing of my pursuers, and, judging that they had abandoned the chase, I moved leisurely away on foot, not caring to remount my wheel. Toward morning I came to a small town, where I told the story of my adventure. A party was at once organized to visit the old house on the heights, which had long known an unsavory reputation, and its inmates were surprised and captured, and I afterward learned, for I had no desire to return over the course which had been the scene of a ride that yet haunts my mind. One of the men found my bicycle handle and brought it safely back to me.



SPED PAST HIM LIKE A FLASH.

overhead them planning to overpower and murder me, I thought it was time for me to look after my safety.

"At the farther end of the long room was a small aperture doing the service of a window, and I quickly made up my mind that the best thing for me to do was to escape by that way as soon as convenient. I hadn't come to that conclusion any too soon, either, for at that very moment the men were replacing the ladder so as to reach me.

"As swiftly and silently as possible I sped the length of the old building, gaining the opening just as the head of the foremost robber appeared above the level of the floor.

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