

An immense living whale came ashore at Tokeland, Washington, a short time ago, and died on the following day. Its length was 174 feet 8 inches and its weight measured 161 feet 6 inches. Its weight is estimated at 47½ tons. The oil and whalebone yielded by this monster will amount in value to \$10,975. Scientists who viewed this whale say it must have existed 180 years.

Codfish skins are converted into leather by a man in Maine.

Carbuncles Large as Hen's Eggs!

Mrs. NANNIE GOULDMAN, of Dealville, King William Co., Va., writes as follows: "For about eight or ten years my father, Col. T. U. FOGG, of West Point, Va., was laid up with carbuncles, the worst that I ever saw. He tried everything he heard of, his doctor could do nothing for him. Had six or seven carbuncles at a time, as large as hen's eggs. He got so weak and suffered so much he could not walk a step. In 1872 he had his bed put in the middle of his room and got on it to die. No one expected him to get well. He saw Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery advised for all blood disorders. Before he had taken half a bottle of 'Discovery' they began to go away. Two bottles entirely cured him. He is now 70 years old, and enjoys good health."

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LOVERS' VOWS ON PAPER.

How an English Newspaper Proposes to Simplify Breach of Promise Suits.

The London Spectator, moved by the painful spectacle of the modern breach of promise case, proposes a novel expedient in order to overcome the difficulties which such suits present. It says: There would be one very simple method of lightening the task of the jury, which would also afford to young women and their guardians a means of ascertaining whether the lover had any serious intention of developing into a husband or not. Let no promise of marriage be held valid unless it is made in writing upon properly stamped paper. If the plaintiff could produce a formal promise of this kind, there would be no need to go into all the history of a doubtful courtship, or to consider any other factor in the assessment of damages than the respective incomes of the contracting parties. Of course it will be objected that such a proposition is injurious to all that romance of courtship and marriage. But where, we would ask, is the romance in nine out of ten breach of promise cases that find their way into the law courts? These cases are hardly ever brought except by people whose affections have not been deeply engaged in their acceptance of a suit. For one young woman who now brings an action for breach of promise at least nine are jilted and suffer in silence. The more their affections have been engaged the less they can bear to tell the pitiful tale of their disappointment and witness the poor little romance of their life exposed to the ridicule and laughter of an unsympathetic world. If it once became understood that the ardent lover should offer such a proof of his good faith, then a girl would know well what to expect from a lover who withheld it. At any rate, parents or guardians of the lower middle classes would not allow a young man to grow "too particular in his attentions"—as their phrase runs—unless he showed a disposition to furnish this guarantee. Then, if the promise were unfulfilled, even the most modest and sensitive maiden could proceed against her faithless lover without loss of pride or dignity.

Gone Out of Fashion.

Another thing which has gone out of fashion is the art of conversation, says the Pall Mall Gazette. It has of late years been so neglected that it is the rarest chance to meet with a young man who can converse at all in the real sense of the word. Among his own set he can babble about mutual acquaintances, the new singer, the next race or the last scandal. But throw him among strangers and he is silent and dull, perhaps making short remarks in a pretty jerky and confused manner, but certainly betraying to intelligent interest. If a new discovery were mentioned, a piece of important political news told or some information given about a subject of real value. As a consequence he is not only bored, but he shows it, because he has never cultivated that polite art rest in his fellow creatures which would enable him to respond sympathetically. One of the old French nobles was lately heard to remark that when he first went into society his father used to impress upon his mind that at a party he was bound to insure its success as far as he was individually concerned. To make him self agreeable without a grave breach of courtesy, both to the guests and the friends who invited him. In a modern gathering no such antiquated sentiment would be a disciple. A young people, if they do not meet some one to flirt with, will ostentatiously proclaim their boredom. An would stare in astonishment if it were suggested that at a friend's house it was the duty toward the hostess to pay attention to those who seemed neglected, or who found themselves among strangers. To hint that old ladies and ugly girls should have a little share of consideration would be to subject one's self to the charge of being old-fashioned.

She Had All of Him.

A seedy man of letters dropped in to a cheap restaurant in London and called for his British beef. It duly came, but had palpably passed its first youth. The man of letters called the waiter and delivered himself freely of his feelings. "We never has no complaints," said the waiter feebly defensive. "Very likely," growled he of the meat, "for that old row had 'em all. Bring me some mutton, and be something to you."—Chicago Post.

What Was Left of Him.

"A month or so ago," said the drummer, "I stopped at a small tavern in Illinois, and before retiring I sat for an hour in the room used for an office talking to two or three men, one of whom, a lame man was to occupy the double room with me. I went up to bed some time before he did, and when he came I was snugly tucked away, but not asleep. "By the way," he said, "you were talking about pensions down stairs, weren't you?"

"Yes, I rather believe in pensions, economically administered." "So do I," he said, carefully taking off his glasses, and with them a wax nose, which he laid on the table, somewhat to my discomfiture, "but I don't believe in being indiscriminate—here he fished out a glass eye and put it in a tumbler of water and then took out his teeth and put them with the eye. I couldn't say anything and he went on. "I knew men who are today getting from \$10 to \$50 a month—he removed his wig and hung it up carefully—who do not deserve it any more than my grandmother does, and I hate to see"—by this time he had off his coat and collar, and removing his left arm he placed it on the bureau—"good deserving men getting a miserable little pittance whose records are stories of bravery and daring"—at this point he sat down, kicked off his trousers and one shoe, took off a cork leg and laid it by the arm, and I was about ready to jump out of the window. "Good heaven's man I almost yelled as I sat up in bed, don't you get a pension?"

Making Celluloid.

The Par's manufacturers of celluloid have long claimed the most perfect production of the article to be found in the world, though a comparison with the American article will hardly be found to exhibit such superiority. The French process, however, has the merit of simplicity, and the result is most satisfactory. In brief, a roll of paper is slowly unwound, being at the same time saturated with a mixture of five parts of sulphuric acid and two parts of nitric acid, which falls upon the paper in a fine spray. This changes the cellulose of the paper into pyroxylin of gunpowder. The excess of the acid having been removed, it is then reduced to a pulp and passes on to the bleaching-trough. Most of the water having been got rid of by means of a strainer, the pulp is mixed with from 20 to 40 per cent of its weight of camphor, and the mixture thoroughly triturated under millstones. The necessary coloring having been added in the form of powder, a second mixing and grinding follows. The finely divided pulp is then spread out in thin layers on slabs; then from twenty to twenty-five of these layers are placed in a uniform manner in a hydraulic press, separated from one another by some sheets of thick blotting paper and are subjected to a pressure of some 150 atmospheres, this pressure being continued until all traces of moisture are found to have been got rid of. In this condition the material is passed between rollers heated to between 140 and 150 degrees F., when it issues in the form of elastic sheets.

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Facts Worth Knowing.

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