

## MEMORY OF ANIMALS.

### A FRENCH WRITER DRAWS SOME CONCLUSIONS.

Which Go to Show That the Lower Orders Always Remember Things That Become a Habit with Them—A Cavalry Horse That Liked Evolutions.

Monsieur Henri de Parville, a French writer, has collected instances of animal intelligence, many of which are of a character to indicate that animals always remember things which have become habitual with them. In many cases they remember a single kindness or a single unkindness, and treat the author of it accordingly; but the habitual thing may be said to be always remembered, and the unaccustomed thing only occasionally. Monsieur de Parville gives an amusing account of the performances of six coach horses which were regularly driven on the diligence between Berne and Gurnigel, Switzerland. They reached Gurnigel each day after a long and hard journey, and at the inn were detached from the vehicle and allowed to find their own way to the stable. Before going to the stable they invariably set out on a little tour through the hotel grounds, where the guests were in the habit of giving them lumps of sugar. Marching from one guest to another, the horses gently demanded their sugar. This was an established custom at the place, and although newly arrived guests sometimes objected to it, they soon fell into the way of liking it, and frequented the grounds for the sake of meeting the horses. The diligence plied only four months of the year, and the horses were employed elsewhere during the other eight months; but on the resumption of the trips in summer, these horses, who were used from year to year in the diligence, eagerly resumed their tour through the hotel gardens, showing on the very first trip the greatest haste to go the familiar round of the year before in quest of sugar. Monsieur de Parville also tells of a cavalry horse named Menelas, belonging to the Tenth regiment of Chasseurs, who, after being ridden in the cavalry maneuvers in the ring at the barracks, became so fond of the evolutions that he would manage to escape from his stall at night, betake himself to the ring, and go through the required movements alone. His nocturnal performance became known, and the officers and men frequently went to watch it. Menelas would be left unhitched in his stall, and when all became quiet, would go out, find his way to the ring, and solemnly but briskly go through the whole drill, apparently remembering every detail of it in the proper order. The writer of this witnessed a curious demonstration of the excellence of a dog's memory. He possessed a collie, who, at the age of about one year, had an attack of distemper, and was sent from Boston to a farm in Vermont, where he remained several months. While there he spent a good deal of time in digging out woodchucks and barking at their burrows, all over the large farm. He was sent back to Boston. Some five years afterward he was taken by his master on a visit to the same farm in Vermont, and he had no sooner arrived than he started out on a tour of the old familiar woodchuck holes. The farmer, who had been very familiar with his ways, said that he did not omit a single spot where the woodchucks' burrows had existed during his previous sojourn, and went straight to them without any search. The dog also fell instantly into all the old routine of the farm, and kept the dish out of which he ate in the spot where he had formerly kept it. He showed that he had forgotten no detail of his habits on the place five years before.

### It Pays to Be Cheerful.

A manufacturer of Kensington tells this true tale: "Fifteen years ago I was very rich, but ten years ago there came a time when it seemed that I'd surely fall. One day when a smash appeared a certainty I walked down Chestnut street toward the wool warehouses, blue, blue as indigo. On a corner I went in and hit one. It was a big drink to take, but I needed it. It cheered me up. Just then a man I knew came in and said: 'Say, Bill, what makes you always look so cheerful? Don't you ever have any trouble at all?' 'Oh, yes,' said I, 'jollying a little, but to look blue doesn't do any good,' etc. 'Well,' this fellow said, 'I tell you what I'm going to do. I've got \$25,000 lying idle and I'm going to get you to invest it for me. You're so well off, so lucky in business always and so blamed cheerful I'm sure nothing ever falls with you, and I want you to invest this money any way you please, and I won't even ask you how you invest it.' Well, I took this man's money. It was just the amount my tottering business needed. A year later times and prices were vastly better, and I paid the \$25,000 back with interest at what do you think?—9 per cent."—Philadelphia Record.

### Which is Correct?

Two men were holding a heated argument as to the correct pronunciation of the word "either." After much discussion they agreed to seek the opinion of an Irishman who was present. "I say it should be pronounced either," said the first. "And I contend that it should be i-ther," argued the second. "Now, Pat, which is it?" "It's nay-ther," was Pat's bland reply.

### Obstructions Removed.

Mrs. Good—What are you doing, Tommy? Tommy—Takin' the windows out o' gran-ma's specs, so she can see better.—Jewelers' Weekly.

## A FIRE IN JAPAN.

The People in a Tumult and Everybody Carrying a Lighted Lantern.

At Kyoto, among hundreds of queer sights was that of a fire at night, says a writer in the Baltimore Sun. All Japs who have friends within a radius of half a mile must present themselves or their representatives at their friend's house during or immediately after the fire to inquire if they can be of any assistance. The result is that thousands turn out at every fire. The almost deserted streets were quickly crowded by thousands of Japs, each carrying a paper lantern. They came racing down every street and rushing in a confused mass. Some of the paper lanterns were four feet long and as big as a barrel, carried high above the crowd at the end of a bamboo and followed by a dozen lanterns half so large, such special delegation representing some rich family or a prominent firm. Our hotel was out in full force, all the guests with their lanterns, and made visits of condolence to friends in the vicinity of the fire. The firemen upon the roofs of houses carried paper lanterns and fought the fire with water forced by a hand pump through a few lengths of bamboo poles, answering for hose. To gaze from more elevated heights down upon the scene, whither your jinrikisha was swiftly carrying you, was a glittering, weird panorama, a unique spectacle not soon forgotten. In some respects it was a sort of pandemonium; the noise of the crowd, the frightful calls and chattering of thousands of running Japs, each with a paper lantern, the yell of hundreds of jinrikisha coolies shouting for gangway as they sped along, the clatter of the wooden shoes of the multitude afoot, resounding upon the stone-paved streets, the darting of lanterns to and fro and the confusion at the fire were all very, very strange indeed. Japanese newspapers the next day contained entire pages of cards of thanks of those who received visits of condolence due to the fire.

In winter there are on the average three fires per day in the large cities, resulting in plenty of advertisements for newspapers and work for carpenters. Carpenters are often accused of practicing incendiarism to secure work. Fire insurance is very rare and expensive. Business firms endeavor to build fireproof shops. Usually mud plaster is used for the walls and tiles for the roofs. The openings which answer for windows are closed with doors a foot thick. Block after block of such shops, all painted a solid black, line the chief streets of Japanese cities, giving a very somber look to the thoroughfares.

## OVERRUN BY RATS.

Enforced Closing of the Postoffice in London.

Something like twelve months ago an important district postoffice in London was closed. It had been opened for stamps, money orders and postoffice orders and telegrams till midnight, and it was in the center of a thickly populated district. One day, without any previous notice, the doors were closed and a card affixed stating that it was closed for repairs. Weeks passed and it was not reopened. The postmaster-general received complaints by the score. But the weeks became months, and still the doors remained closed. And the people around wondered why. The murder is at last out, and some of the families residing near know it to their cost. The postoffice in question had to be closed because it had become the happy hunting ground of vast hordes of rats who consumed letters by the bagful, and many postal orders, money order forms and other official papers. The rats forced the postoffice to be closed, and after numerous attempts to rid the place of the rodents it was found possible to do so only by putting down entirely new cement foundations and entirely retimbering the place. As nearly as possible the postoffice had, but for its mere shell, to be rebuilt. That done, the troubles of the immediate neighborhood became accentuated. Driven from the postoffice, the rats have journeyed to the surrounding houses, which are now infested with them. The correspondent from whom this information comes has had several cats in his place, and they have done something to keep things down, but, to use his words, "to go home is to find the wife and the maids with flying petticoats rushing up the stairs; servants won't stay in the house except for a very short time; mats and pictures, some of the latter several feet up the walls, have been consumed. My wife is terror-stricken, and when I reach home at night I often find her locked half starved, in an upper room afraid to move about and too nervous even to go near where the food is kept until I come in." The informant states that his experience is similar to that of many residing near him.—London Daily News.

### A Treat.

A little girl who was being taken into the country for a day's outing by the Chicago vacation school committee was observed to be very sedate as she sat in the open street car, says the Youth's Companion. "Have you ever had a ride on the cars before?" the teacher asked. "Yes, I've hitched, but I never sat up straight like this before," she answered.

### Why He Was Not Believed.

A practical, matter-of-fact young woman was trying to describe a certain unpopular man that she knew. "He is the sort of person," she said, after careful thought, "who goes to Paris twice a year, but never asks you what she gives you wear."—New York Commercial Advertiser.

## Financiers Fond of Funny Stuff.

The man whose daily life runs in the channel of finance frequently resorts to diversions which are antipodal to his business. The head of the finance of the nation, Secretary Gage, is fond of humorous literature after he has quit his office. The writings of several of the more prominent authors of this class are marked as they appear in the daily prints and are laid upon the secretary's desk. The work of the clever cartoonists of the day are also clipped, credited to the paper in which they appear, and put under the proper paper-weight on his desk.

## JASON CROW, OSCARVILLE, GA.

Writes us, May 21, 1899: "I feel it my duty to write and let you know what your medicine, '5 Drops,' has done for me. I have had rheumatism about eighteen years, but was able to be up most of the time until a year ago last May, when I was taken down and not able to move about. About six weeks ago I saw your advertisement and wrote for a sample bottle. After taking a few doses it did me so much good that I ordered some more for myself and friends, and in every case it has done wonders and given perfect satisfaction.

"Dr. Woodruff, my family physician, who has had rheumatism for fifteen years, is taking the '5 Drops,' and says it is the most efficient rheumatic medicine he has ever used."

"5 Drops" is the most powerful specific known. Free from opiates and perfectly harmless. It is a perfect cure for Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Dyspepsia, Backache, A-thma, Catarrh, La Grippe, Neuragic Headache, etc. If you or any of your friends are suffering, do not delay, but send for a bottle of "5 Drops." Large-sized bottles (300 doses), \$1. For the next thirty days we will mail a 25-cent sample bottle for 10 cents. SWANSON RHEUMATIC CURE CO., 160 to 164 E. Lake Street, Chicago, Ill.

Most men begin to save after they have spent all.

### For Every Household.

The sewing machine bargain advertised by the John M. Smyth Co. in another part of this paper should interest every housekeeper. The firm is thoroughly reliable, having been established in Chicago over 30 years and anyone dealing with them may be assured of square treatment. Get their mammoth catalogue of everything to eat, wear or use.

Some men cut acquaintances while scraping them—barbers, for example.

## Mrs. Pinkham's Medicine Made a New Woman of Mrs. Kuhn.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 64,492]

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I think it is my duty to write to you expressing my sincere gratitude for the wonderful relief I have experienced by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I tried different doctors, also different kinds of medicine. I would feel better at times, then would be as bad as ever.

"For eight years I was a great sufferer. I had falling of the womb and was in such misery at my monthly periods I could not work but a little before I would have to lie down. Your medicine has made a new woman of me. I can now work all day and not get tired. I thank you for what you have done for me. I shall always praise your medicine to all suffering women."—MRS. E. E. KUHN, GERMANO, OHIO.

"I have taken eight bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and used two packages of your Sanative Wash, also some of the Liver Pills, and I can say that your remedies will do all that you claim for them. Before taking your remedies I was very bad with womb trouble, was nervous, had no ambition, could not sleep, and my food seemed to do me no good. Now I am well, and your medicine has cured me. I will gladly recommend your medicine to every one wherever I go."—MRS. M. L. SHEARS, GUN MARSH, MICH.

## Transvaal Stamps More Costly.

The price of old Transvaal stamps seems to be rising in value. Among the First Republic Transvaal stamps disposed of at a sale in London a few days ago were a 3d (1877) stamp, surcharged at back, £7; a 1d error, (1877-79), surcharged "Transvaal," £29; a 3d lilac on green of the same period, without surcharge, £15 10s. Among the Second Republic stamps was a half-penny on a 6d stamp with queen's head, £16. At the same sale a 15c reunion, first issue, brought £23, a 30c reunion, first issue, £46, and a pair of 2d Mauritius, £43.

In a recent talk about the Algonquin language, Dr. Edward Everett Hale observed that 600 words of any language are enough for human communication. "Six hundred words," he said, "are said to be sufficient for the couriers of Europe, and it is the outside limit of the vocabulary of Italian opera. It is true that this is the minimum of human intelligence, in both cases, but still it answers for the conveyance of thought. In the book of Judges, for instance, there are not 700 different words.

### There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-fourth as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

### New Inventions.

Four hundred and ninety-six (496) inventors received patents during the past week. Of this number 51 per cent were able to sell their inventions before the same were patented. Amongst the curious inventions were found a machine for thinning seed sprouts; a cap which can be converted into a turban; an automatic lamp extinguisher; a milk-pasteurizing apparatus; a smoke purifying tobacco pipe; a revolving shed for storing bicycles; and an automatic rolling cutter for plows. Amongst the gruesome inventions is one for a coffin hinged in sections so that the corpse can be raised into a sitting position, while an Omaha inventor obtained a patent for a trolley which cannot jump or become detached from the trolley wire. The last named invention patented was procured through Sues & Co., Patent Lawyers, Bee Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

The only tea gardens in the United States are at Pinehurst, S. C. Dr. Shephard's estate comprises about 700 acres, of which between 50 and 100 acres are now planted to tea.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known E. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out all obligations made by their firm. West & Trux, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.; Waidling, Kinman & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 50c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Care-not is a greater hindrance to success than cannot.

### THE GRIP CURE THAT DOES CURE.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets removes the cause that produces La Grippe. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 5c. The first thing you see in boiling water is the scum. I shall recommend Pivo's Cure for Consumption far and wide.—Mrs. Mulligan, Plumstead, Kent, England, Nov. 8, 1898. The individual who tells the truth with deliberate caution isn't believed half so often as the fellow who can lie gracefully.—Chicago News. The moon revolves from one point in the heavens to the same point in 27 days, 7 hours and 43 minutes.

## Wilson Barrett's New Play.

In "The Sign of the Cross," Wilson Barrett reversed the usual process by first writing a play and then making a novel of it. Now in producing a new novel, "In Old New York"—in which he has the collaboration of Mr. Elwyn Barron, of Chicago—he returns to the customary plan of procedure, if, indeed, it is customary to look forward definitely to dramatizing a novel of your own production. This is what he proposes doing with his "In Old New York," soon to be published, and further intends to act the resulting play when next he comes to America.

### How to Save Money on Shoes.

Members of the United States Co-operative Boot & Shoe Purchasing Association save 33 1/2 percent on all purchases of shoes.

Mr. E. H. Tilton, Secretary of the Association, 105 Summer St., Boston, will send an illustrated book on shoes, instructions how to join the association and full information concerning it to anybody upon request.

### A Big Fill

On the Deadwood, S. D., branch of the Burlington Railroad is a gulch 700 feet wide, known as Sheep's Canyon. This was crossed, until recently, by a wooden bridge, 126 feet high, which took over 240,000 feet of lumber in the building. Recently this trestle was filled in, and the great undertaking attracted the attention of railroad men all over the country. It took twenty weeks to accomplish the task. It was necessary to haul 2,850,000 cubic feet of earth one and one-half miles up a two per cent grade and unload off the high bridge. This required 1,486 trains of fifteen cars each; 22,000 carloads in all. It was a stupendous undertaking, but now the bridge can't burn, and it doesn't cost a lot of money every year for repairs and watchers.

Christians are like eggs, there are no medium ones.

### Taxes on Patented Inventions.

A. C. L., Steamboat Rock, Ia.: Your inquiry concerning taxes due in towns, counties, cities and the state from inventors who make and sell their productions is received.

Materials used for manufacturing inventions and thereby increasing the value of such personal property is taxable. Towns and cities may therefore have ordinances to regulate sales.

Pedlers are subject to a license tax. But county supervisors may remit the tax on articles of an educational nature or on account of the age and infirmity of the sellers. But "persons selling their own work or production, either by themselves or employees," "who have served in the Union army or navy," are exempt from license tax as set forth in Section 1347 of the Iowa Code.

Your patent clothes pounder is your own invention and manufacture; you can therefore sell it without a pedler's license.

Where town and city ordinances call for a license fee the tax may be remitted upon petition or proper presentation of the case to the mayor. But it will cost less to comply with such ordinances as a rule than to ignore them.

Consultation and advice free. THOMAS G. ORWIG & CO., Registered Patent Attorneys, Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 11, 1899.

The world-spoiler has no use for the steady toiler.

Mr. Four Miles of Bridgeport, Conn., has made application to the court to have his name changed to Frank Miller, on the grounds that his present appellation is frequently used to hold him up to ridicule. His father had five children, all boys, and instead of giving them ordinary Christian names he called them by the first five numerals. One and Three Miles have already had their names changed by the courts; Two Miles seems to be satisfied with his unique cognomen, and Five Miles can not take a new name until he shall have become of age.

## My Mother Had Consumption

"My mother was troubled with consumption for many years. At last she was given up to die. A neighbor told her not to give up but try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. She did so and was speedily cured, and is now in the enjoyment of good health." D. P. Jolly, Feb. 2, 1899. Avoca, N. Y.

## Cures Hard Coughs

No matter how hard your cough is or how long you have had it, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best thing you could possibly take. But it's too risky to wait until you have consumption, for sometimes it's impossible to cure this disease. If you are coughing today, don't wait until tomorrow, but get a bottle of Cherry Pectoral at once and be relieved. It strengthens weak lungs.

## DR. ARNOLD'S COUGH KILLER

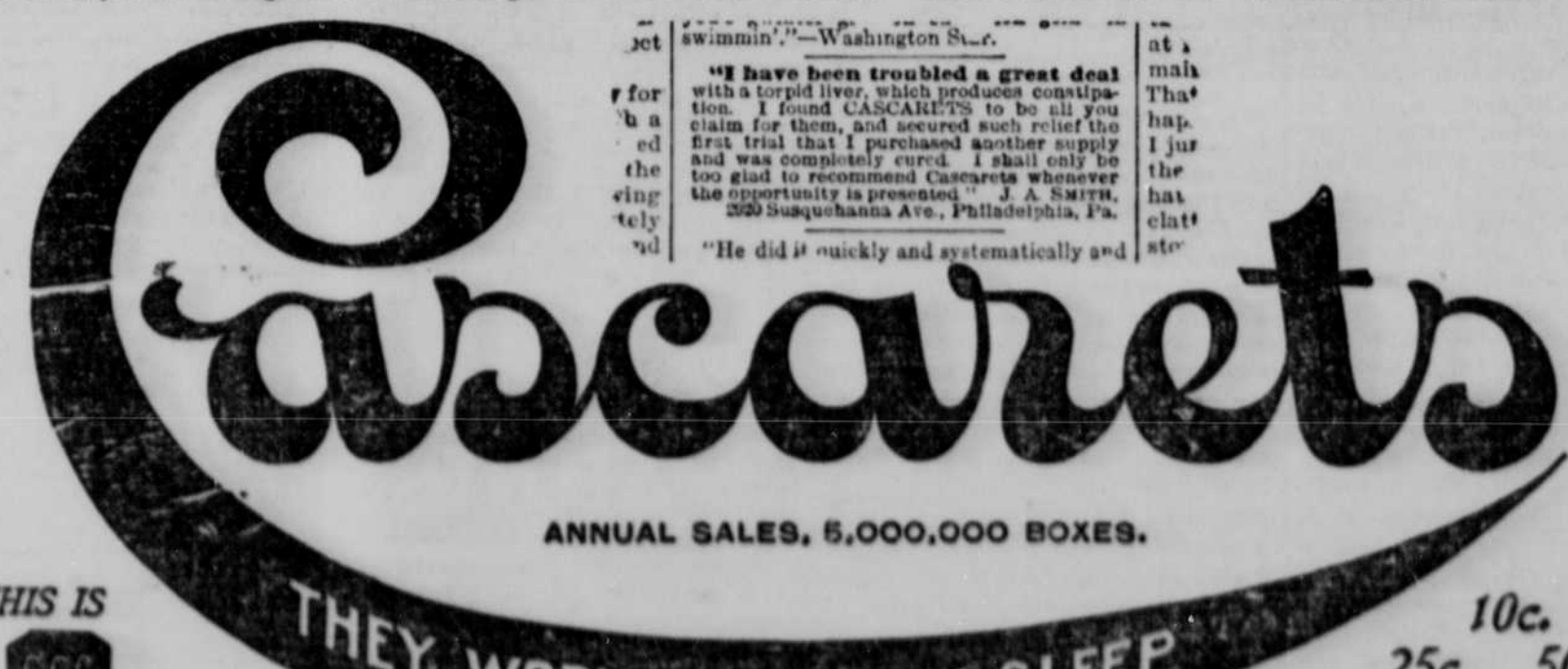
CURES COUGHS AND COLDS. PREVENTS CONSUMPTION. All Druggists, 25c. Mention this paper to advertisers.

## HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR ALL.

A DOLLAR STRETCHER One lady writes that the greatest "Dollar Stretcher" she has ever found is the new and original method by which J. C. Hubinger is introducing his latest invention, "Red Cross" and "Hubinger's Best" starch. She says: "With your Endless Chain Starch Book, I received from my grocer one large package of 'Red Cross' starch, one large package of 'Hubinger's Best' starch, and two beautiful Shakespeare pencils, all for 5c. How far my dollar will go, I am unable to figure out. Ask your grocer for this starch and obtain the beautiful Christmas presents free."

# Lazy Liver

You know very well how you feel when your liver don't act. Bile collects in the blood, bowels become constipated and your whole system is poisoned. A lazy liver is an invitation for a thousand pains and aches to come and dwell with you. Your life becomes one long measure of irritability and despondency and bad feeling. CASCARETS act directly, and in a peculiarly happy manner on the liver and bowels, cleansing, purifying, revitalizing every portion of the liver, driving all the bile from the blood, as is soon shown by increased appetite for food, power to digest it, and strength to throw off the waste. Beware of imitations!



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