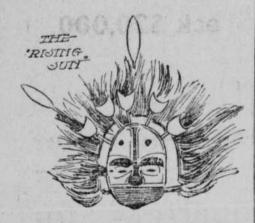
Religious Festival Among the Eskimos.

festival, held in honor of the return much of witchcraft mixed up with it. of the sun to the north, and many An expert in magical arts is believed gods, both greater and lesser divini- to have power to steal a person's ties, take part in it, being represented ghost, so that the unforturate thus by a person disguised in suitable costumes and wearing grotesque masks. and die. Naturally, a misfortune of

cated to the sun god, everybody is busily engaged in making masks. The Eskimos are born artists, and vie with each other as to who shall produce the most grotesque faces. Some of the faces are exceedingly elabo- able specimens represents the head, rate, having attached to them small



wooden images of seals, bears, walruses, reindeer and other animals which are expected to be killed during the approaching summer.

Frequently little boats are hung upon the masks, every such appendage having a special symbolic meaning. The material used is nearly always driftwood, of which plentiful supplies are cast up by the sea along the shores of the Arctic Alaska.

The largest and most complicated masks represent the most powerful divinities, especially the sun god, who is himself a diety of attributes extremely formidable. It is his festival, and even the finger masks, which are held in the hands of the performers during the mystic rites, are made in his likeness.

In order to realize the significance of the masks worn by the Eskimos at their Easter festival, one must understand the belief which those people entertain regarding the quasi-supernatural character of all animate things.

Their notion is that every living thing possesses a ghost of semihuman form and features, which enjoys more or less freedom of movement. That is to say, the ghost of a walrus may, under certain conditions,



deprived of his shade will pine away For weeks before the festival dedi- this kind is greatly dreaded.

The finest collection of Eskimo masks in existence is owned by the National Museum, where the writer was permitted to take the accompanying pictures. One of the most notneck and beak of a sandhill crane, nearly three feet in length.

It is quite a unique curiosity in its way, the top of the bird's head being dug out so as to hold a small lamp. while two holes in front serve as eyes for the light to shine through. The light, it may be imagined, proceeds from the ghost of the crane resident within.

Another curiosity is a finger mask representing a twinkling star-a carved face fringed with long feathers. Then there is a little mask, cleverly sculptured, designed in the likeness of a seal head. From the mouth of the seal projects a slender rod, turned upward, with several small flat wooden | old woman, who still had the tickets,

The Eskimo Easter is a religious | that of the other sem!-savages, has | ing their fares in a little box at the front end of the wagon. The senator to provide public schools, one for saw a vacant space near the pay sta- white, the other for colored children tion. He worked his way toward it, in the town of Warrington, Fla. dropped into a seat, put his ticket in the box, and began reading a bulky document. Before he had read ten lines a lady asked nim if he would employes was large. Many of the per-"Flease be so kind," and he dropped jons working in the ward "squatted" her fare in the box. This occurred upon the unoccupied land comprised

> Finally an old negro "mammy," with a basketful of washing sent up a quarter. The senator poked it out to the driver and was given a slip of tickets in return. He tore off one, dropped it in the box and handed the rest to "mammy." It is contrary to herdic etiquette to buy tickets for a colored woman. She always wants "change," and the senator soon became aware of his breach of custom by the tearful protests of "mammy." "What am I to do?" asked the Bos-

tonian. "I dunno an' I dor't care," she said. "I wants twenty cents; I don't want

no tickets." Finally the senator fished a quarter out of his pocket, handed it to the

Where the Inhabitants Pay No Taxes

and Have No Votes.

The existence of a singular town is prought to notice by the introduction by Senator Mallory of Florida of a bill

At the close of the civil war the pusiness of the navy yard at Pensacola was considerable, and the number of again and again as people got into the within the limits of the naval reservation, and obtain permission from the iepartment to build homes thereon. The number of home builders increased even after the temporary activity of the navy yard was succeeded by the leihargy that came over the navy and lasted for nearly twenty years. In time, the group of houses assumed proportions of a town; then t took a name, and became Warringon. The postoffice department recognized the rights, gave it a postoffice, which later it made a money-order office, and now the town has some 300

> persons. The commander of the Pensacola navy yard rules the town; the inhabiants pay no taxes, and have no votes. The place is kept in order by the cap-

nouses, six churches, several stores,

and a population of more than 1,500

tain of the yard, and "policed" as the rest of the naval reservation is. The bureau of yards and docks installed and maintains the electric lights and the sewer system, though very few of the inhabitants are employed by the government. By far a greater part of those who thus enjoy the nation's care are engaged in fishing or in farming for a living.

IN THE AWFUL GRASP OF LEPROSY There Are 278 Cases in the Country

and Only 72 Are Isolated.

What is credited with being the most oathsome disease affecting mankindleprosy-has not a few victims in the United States, there being 278 all told. Only 72 of the afflicted ones are isolated, although the disease is contagious and deadly once it fastens itself ipon a victim. The number of lepers in the country was ascertained by a national medical commission sent out for the purpose. The cases they found distributed by states as follows:

Alabama, 1; California, 24; Florida, 24; Georgia, 1; Illinois, 5; Iowa, 1; Louisiana, 155; Maryland, 1; Massachusetts, 2; Minnesota, 20; Mississippi, 5; Missouri, 5; Montana, 1; Nevada, 1; New York, 7; North Dakota, 16; WOES OF AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHER Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; South Dakota, 1; Texas, 3; Wisconsin, 2. Of these 176 are males and 102 fe-

males; 145 American born, 120 foreign born, and the remainder uncertain. The commissioners' say that the It is bad enough to be misrepresented foregoing figures do not represent the

LORIDA BOASTS OF UNIQUE TOWN OF COURSE THIS WAS IN INELAND Tamtieted with Thompson's Eye Water Experience of a Lady Visitor to a Little

Souside Town.

I recently heard a good story in the west of Ireland. It concerns the rising little seaside town of Lahinch, a place which has recently developed tremendously through the tourist and golf booms. A few years ago the public baths, like most other institutions in the village, were very primitive. They were situated in a little cottage, which was just above the high-water mark. Shower baths were a specialty, and they were to be had in a room which had a bathtub placed in the middle of the floor. On pulling a string a perfect deluge of bracing sea water came through the ceiling.

A lady visitor once stood ready in the tub and gave the dread signal. But instead of the usual avalanche of green water there came from aloft the gruff voice of the fisherman-proprietor of the baths. "If ye'll move a taste more to the wesht, ma'am," said the voice. "ye'll get the full benefit of the shower." Looking up, she, to her horror, descried the old fisherman standing by an aperature in the ceiling and holding a barrel of sea water ready for the douche! Whether the lady moved to the west and received the shower or not, the chronicler does not relate. But Lahinch has made giant strides since .- T. P. O'Connor, in London M. A. P.

Young Croker's Fancy Dogs.

Richard Croker, Jr., has entered Cornell law school and has taken with him to Ithaca six dogs of the English bull species, said to be worth \$16,000. They are the finest animals of the canine species ever seen in Tompkins county, and their arrival created quite a sensation when they were led through the streets.

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Miss Brandon Once an Actress.

Miss Braddon has published over sixty novels since 1862. Previous to trying literature, however, Miss Braddon appeared on the stage. There is some doubt in the matter, but "An Old Player" has declared that the future novelist made her debut at the Brighton Theater Royal in 1857, and that during the five following months she impersonated as many as fiftyeight distinct characters. Her stage name was Mary Leyton, and, though now known as Miss M. E. Braddon, she is really Mrs. Maxwell and a widow.

Literal Illustrations.

In Dolly Madison's prayer-book, which one of her godchildren gave me, are several quaint wood eugravings, Smith ronu

piece is entitled "Father, if thou be

willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless, not my will, but thine,

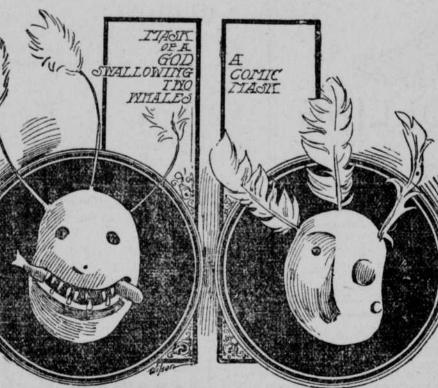
be done." This book was published in

1844; not so long ago, yet this picture



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herdic.

disks fastened along its length at , and jumped out of the herdic. She, regular intervals. These disks are | with a smile of joy, tucked the tickbubbles rising from the mouth of ets and money in her pocket. the seal, which is imagined to be un-

der water. Many such symbolic devices are most ingenious, the rays of the sun, for example, being indicated His Victims Are Sometimes Not Grateby feathers.

All through Mexico and Central America, in ancient times, the faces of the dead were covered with masks of clay or metal, some of them of

leave the body of the animal for a time, and may appear in its semihuman aspect to the eyes of men.

The idea is expressed by some of the ceremonial masks, which have double faces, a wooden muzzle being fastened with pegs in such a way as to be removable, to show a humanlike face beneath. The same effect is obtained by small hinged doors, which open outward disclosing the human-like face, which represents the ghost.

The bladders of marine mammals

beaten copper, and only half a dozen years ago dozens of skeletons wearing copper masks were dug out of a group of burial mounds near Chillicothe, O. In a prehistoric grave in Peru a silver mask was found on the head of a mummy, and in this case, as well as in all others of the kind, a species of deification of the defunct was probably intended.

The Aleutian islanders bury their dead with grotesque wooden masks over their faces, and the natives of the Prince William Sound region follow a like custom, their mortuary masks, for some unexplained reason, having usually one eye open and the other indicated by a slit merely, so as to give the expression of a comical wink. Some of the masks used in ceremonials by the Indians of Vancouver island roll their eyes and snap their jaws in a manner at once lifelike and grewsome.

otal number of lepers in the country. in an out-of-doors group, but when the snapshot man turns his attention because the loathsome character of to heads, and poses them near the the disease causes persons affected to conceal it as long as possible. They camera it is too much.

One of these mental tortures did this also say that it is most frequently conthe other day. He cajoled a much- tracted by inhaling dust where lepers photographed neighbor to allow him to have been living.

The commission recommends the espractice upon her for the full face. His must have been an excellent lens, for tablishment of a retreat for lepers and nothing escaped it. It seemed to have expresses the opinion that it should be X-ray qualities. It brought defects out in the arid southwest or in a similar of that poor woman's face of which region further north, or an island in she had never dreamed. There were the Gulf of Mexico or the Pacific big freckles which she had not seen coast.

since she was a child, wrinkles which

ful for His Efforts.

If the average amateur photographer

would not attempt to make portraits!

made her 20 years older than she DIDN'T CLAIM TO BE ENTICING. really was, savage lines about her

mouth, and her hair was turned into Good Story Fearing on the Aristocracy broomcorn of Philadelphia.

"The story of an Englishman who "There, I think that is a pretty good asked what a Philadelphia Biddle was portrait," said the amateur, as he recalls a recent experience of my turned over the result of his efforts to own," said a New York woman. the victim. "That is a good likeness." "I had only been in Philadelphia a

It was a likeness, too. There was short time when an acquaintance in-But, in their way, the Eskimo masks the same strong resemblance which vited me to accompany her to a lawn here described are quite the most re- the caricaturist puts into his sketches party on the grounds of the Methomarkable in the world. They are and also the same hideous unlikeness. dist Old Ladies' home. We had been



justice, road commissioner and a congressman of the state, H. S. Earle, of Michigan, president of the L. A. W., and Abbott Bassett, of Boston, secretary of the L. A. W., together with the mayor, postmaster and all the local dignitaries.

A philosopher is a man without feelings and without regard for the feelings of others.

It's often the woman that doesn't know her own mind who is willing to speak it.

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FILIGER ITASAS. PRESERTING THE SUIT GOD.

are carefully removed and preserved, and at the time of the Easter festival are inflated and hung up in the ceremonial house. It is supposed that the ghosts of the slain animals continue to inhabit these bladders, which, later on, are-taken to a hole in the ice, opened, and thrust into the water under the ice, so that the ghosts may return to their proper element. Thus liberated, the ghosts swim far out to sea and become reincarnated, so that the animals they represent may be killed and eaten again.

painted red, white and black, and | with not even the humorous excuse for some are as much as four feet high, it. It was all blank ugliness. while most of them are decorated with them with strings and pegs. Occa-

being so good as to be recognizable.

SENATOR LODGE AS A CONDUCTOR. Not a Success-His Experience with an

Old Negro "Mammy."

Senator Lodge climbed into one of those ancient vehicles that run on some of the capital's streets and are called herdics by the natives. The wayfarers who use this brand of conveyance, says the Washington corres-The religion of the Eskimo, like conductors for the owners by deposit- thereby damaged in the sum named.

No one will know the blow it was feathers, in addition to the curious to the woman to receive that awful images of animals, etc., attached to thing as her picture. Her friends only half guessed it when she timidly asked sional specimens are excellent por- if they thought it looked very much traits of individuals, the likenesses like her. She had really believed the statement, sometimes wrongfully

made, that the camera cannot lie. The camera is an unconscionable hypocrite. -New York Times,

His Reputation Was Hurt.

The prosecuting attorney of Natrona that he should die by an instrument county, Wyoming, has entered suit of his own invention. He died with against 175 citizens of Casper, that great reluctance, and declared that state, for damages, aggregating \$100,- when he produced his instrument to 000. The citizens circulated and signed the world it was from motives of hua petition asking that he employ an manity alone." This alleged motive spondent of the New York World, en- assistant in a nurder trial, and he al- was founded on fact, but the date ter through a rear door and act as leges that his , ersonal reputation was of his death and its manner were as imaginary as the initials affix-

tor of the guillotine perished by means of his own invention. As a matter of fact. Dr. Joseph Ignatius Guillotin, a medical member of the Tiers-Etat, who had adopted an English instrument (the Halifax Maiden) as a means of making the death penalty equal for all, died peacefully in Paris in 1814, at the age of 76, says the London News. The common blunder was probably caused by an entry in the Annual Register on this day (February 28), in

or tired, we were directing our steps

to a seat near at hand, when my arm

was hastily grasped and an eager

"In my amazement at the queer

question and wondering if the reputa-

tion of my enticin' ways had preced-

"'No, I think not. I'm sure not.'

"My friend, who was convulsed

"As I turned to her she explained that Tyson was a well-known Phila-

delphia name, and evidently I resem-

Guillotia Not Guillotined.

Most people believe that the inven-

bled one of the bearers of it."

with laughter, said to the questioner

ed me, I answered hurriedly:

voice said to me:

in a decided tone:

"'No, she is not.'

"'Are you a Tyson?'

1794, to the effect that J. B. V. Guillotine, M. D., of Lyons, was executed lately: "It is an extraordinary thing

