

STRANGE FEATS OF RATS.

Boundary Committed on a Breadbox Supposed to Be Secure.

A man who was graduated from Yale in 1884 is now a bachelor. He lives in a very old house on upper Broadway, says the New York Sun. The few attentions his house receives come from a charwoman of great age and little activity. Hence there are rats on the premises.

They are remarkable rats, and when you are told of their achievements by their landlord you are inclined to be incredulous. Yet you can't deny the evidences of their intelligence.

In the kitchen is a large cupboard. On its broad shelf rests a rather heavy tin breadbox. Generally it contains bread.

For a long time the tin cover kept rats out. Then the rats held a council of war, appointed a committee on ways and means and lived on potato peelings until the report came in.

The committee did its work well. It decided that as rats were poorly equipped to cope with tin breadboxes in an upright position it behooved them to proceed against the box, push it off the cupboard and allow the well known laws of gravitation to do the rest.

The plan was a success. Morning after morning when the owner of the breadbox came into his kitchen he found the box on the floor in confusion. The bread was gone to the last crumb.

Successive falls dented the poor old box out of shape, and while the owner is a mild mannered person he can't afford new bread boxes every week. So he drove two large staples into his cupboard, fastening them against the box. Since then the rats have had no bread.

Another feat the rodents accomplish handily is even more remarkable. The owner of the house keeps his flour in a large cylindrical can. The top fastens on snugly.

The industrious rats have succeeded in removing the top from the can on a dozen different occasions. The opened can is tipped over and the flour is consumed, presumably with great rejoicing.

It requires quite a bit of strength to remove this cover with the fingers, and how the rats succeed, using their tough little noses and paws, is beyond any explaining. But the evidences were there and the Yale bachelor is an honest man.

Perhaps We Don't Really Miss It. The total and permanent eclipse of some of the knowledge acquired in our school days is perhaps no great loss. At one time I could repeat with fluency and accuracy a list of the kings of Judah and Israel. That knowledge has gone from me. At Cambridge I had to pass an examination in statistics, amongst other subjects, before I was allowed to take a classical degree. At present I have not as much knowledge of statistics as would lie on a three-penny piece, as the cookery-books say. I can part with these things with ease. But there are other subjects on which I wish that I were as well informed as I was 20 or 30 years ago. There is a chance here for any enterprising publisher who would bring out a series of handbooks for middle-aged children like myself, telling them the things they ought to know. I should regard, for instance, to purchase out of my scanty savings a little work on municipal matters, written in words which I could understand and without party prejudice, giving me the facts and leaving me to form the opinions. There is no such book at present, and newspaper articles are either written by experts for experts or are too vague to be helpful.—London Black and White.

Tips Paid to Waiters. Do you know that the American people give over \$5,000,000 a year in tips? This estimate, astounding as it may seem, is probably too low. Think of presenting \$13,718 a day in tips for services that you have already paid for. Take pencil and paper and figure it out—the result is surely startling.

The Pullman car porter is the chief of the tip grafters. There are 8,000 of them in the United States, and the one who does not collect a dollar a day would be considered useless. The company pays them low salaries with the expectation that they will make it up from the traveling public. The 8,000 porters must take in at least \$6,000 a day, and that would be \$2,190,000 a year.

Figure out the waiters' profits. Several years ago a waiter in one of the large New York restaurants brought suit for \$10,000 because he had been so badly injured that he could no longer serve customers. He testified that a good waiter in New York would average \$10 a day. Lesser lights would fall much below this, but taking the thousands of good, bad and indifferent the country over, it is easy to show that they get \$5,000,000 a year.

Preparing Him. "It certainly is raining hard," said the dear girl. "I'll just get an umbrella and have it handy for you." "But surely," protested her favorite beau, "there is no great hurry." "But you can't tell when you may need it. Father's home to-night."

To Complete Her Collection. "No, George, I can not marry you." "Then I start for Siberia to-morrow." "Always thoughtful! I haven't any post cards at all from Siberia."

MORTALITY REPORT

CONSUMPTION AND PNEUMONIA HEAD DEATH LIST.

Statistics Show That the Greatest Number of Deaths From Lung Trouble Occur in Winter.

The Bureau of Census has published a report presenting mortality statistics for the United States for the five calendar years 1900 to 1904.

As shown in the table, tuberculosis of the lungs and pneumonia were by far the leading causes of death. The greatest number of deaths from lung trouble occur during the winter months. Colds are so prolific of lung trouble that they should not be neglected. Persons with weak lungs should be especially careful.

A noted authority on lung trouble advises that as soon as a cold is contracted the following simple treatment should be given. The ingredients can be purchased from any prescription druggist at small cost and easily prepared in your own home. It is said to be so effective that it will break up a cold in twenty-four hours and cure any cough that is curable.

Take one-half ounce Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure), two ounces of Glycerine and eight ounces of good Whisky. Shake well and take in teaspoonful doses every four hours.

Be sure that the Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) is in the original half-ounce vials, which are put up expressly for druggists to dispense. Each vial is securely sealed in a round wooden case, with engraved wrapper, with the name—Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure)—guaranteed under the Food and Drugs Act, June 30, 1906, prepared only by Leach Chemical Co., Cincinnati, O.—plainly printed thereon. There are many rank imitations of Virgin Oil of Pine (Pure) which are put out under various names, such as Concentrated Oil of Pine, Pine Balsam, etc. Never accept these as a substitute for the Pure Virgin Oil of Pine, as they will invariably produce nausea and never effect the desired result.

Admired Statesman's Stature. A German journalist visiting in Washington, himself a man of stalwart proportions, was rather inclined to look with something like contempt on the many undersized statesmen he saw in the national legislature. But when Secretary Taft bore down upon him he gasped in wonder. They were introduced and after a short chat the secretary departed. Just as he disappeared from the German's admiring gaze the towering form of Congressman Sulloway hove into view. The German looked at the New Hampshire man long and earnestly. "He is bigger than any man in his imperial majesty's Uhlan guards," said the foreigner in a tone of chagrin, "and I shall write one whole letter about him."

Where It Hurt Most. "Young gentlemen," said the college president, notwithstanding the fact that he was addressing the students, "young gentlemen, hazing must be stopped and stopped at once. It has injured the college more than any of you ever could guess. Only last week a gentleman declined to give us \$1,000,000 because there was so much hazing. Hazing is a bad thing financially."

"How about morally?" asked the student. "Aw-aw, really, there may be something in that, but—aw—the point has never come up, and I—aw—am not prepared to answer. But the point is worth considering."—Chicago Journal.

The Muggers' Attendants. While clambering up I noticed what looked like the hulk of a ship, about 400 yards away, says a writer in the London Field. It turned out to be a monster crocodile; it must, without exaggeration, have been 27 or 28 feet long, and in its close vicinity were five or six small muggers, looking like a bodyguard. I was afterward told by an old Cawnpore resident that they actually act as such, and give warning of any approaching danger to their overlord.

To Tint Lace. When one desires to color lace for a gown, procure a tube of oil paint the color desired and squeeze it into a cup of gasoline and stir until dissolved. Then pour into a larger vessel.

Dip a small piece of the lace into it, and if too deep, add more gasoline until the shade desired is obtained. When it is the right color, put all the lace into it, take out, shake gently and dry in the open air.

When thoroughly dry, expose it to extreme heat for a few minutes, taking care, of course, that it is not near a fire or blaze, where it might ignite. This exposure to the heat will remove the odor of gasoline.

Lace which has been used and will not wash well can be given this treatment, if first dry-cleaned by being sprinkled generously with fuller's earth, then rolled up and put away for a few days. Upon taking out, shake well and then proceed with the tinting as above.

Wine Cake. Rub into a light cream two cupfuls of sugar and a cupful and half of butter; add three eggs, one at a time, beating five minutes between each; sift together two cupfuls of flour and a teaspoonful of baking powder and add to the butter and sugar mixture together with one gill of wine; mix into a medium firm batter, turn into a square, shallow pan and bake about 40 minutes in a moderate oven; frost after taking from oven.

TWICE-TOLD TESTIMONY.

A Woman Who Has Suffered Tells How to Find Relief.

The thousands of women who suffer backache, languor, urinary disorders and other kidney ills, will find comfort in the words of Mrs. Jane Farrell, of 606 Ocean Ave., Jersey City, N. J., who says: "I reiterate all I have said before in praise of Doan's Kidney Pills. I had been having heavy backaches, and my general health was affected when I began using them. My feet were swollen, my eyes puffed, and dizzy spells were frequent. Kidney action was irregular and the secretions highly colored. To-day, however, I am a well woman, and I am confident that Doan's Kidney Pills have made me so, and are keeping me well."

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Expect Contest Over Will. A contest is expected over the will of Mrs. Isabelle Beecher Hooker, sister of Henry Ward Beecher. Mrs. Katherine Burton Powers of Brookline, Mass., granddaughter of Mrs. Hooker, is expected to contest the will. The bulk of the estate which is estimated at about \$70,000, is given to the son of Mrs. Hooker, Dr. Edward B. Hooker of Hartford. Mrs. John C. Day of New York, daughter of Mrs. Hooker, receives nothing "because," according to the will, "she and her daughter are so amply provided for by the estate of her late husband."

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Company Withdraws from Canada. Consul John E. Hamilton, of Cornwall, Canada, states that the American company which has been erecting a \$3,000,000 tinplate and iron-works at Morrisburg, has abandoned the enterprise because the Dominion government refused to grant any protection in the new tariff schedule.

Many a man's idea of hospitality is to bring other men home and have his wife cook for them.

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