

## DEATH IN THE WOODS.

### WANDERINGS OF THE LOST PERSONS IN PATHLESS FORESTS.

Frenzied by Dread When Alone—If You Are Lost Don't Plunge Heedlessly on, but Wait for Friends to Find You.

IT IS NO ODD thing in the pathless forests of Maine and New York to come across a human bones hung about with weather-ragged bits of cloth and leather. Such a sight is to the woodsman no more than a reminder that the greatest peril of the forest is in being lost.

In the woods of Maine and New York are the unburied bones of hundreds of men and women who have lost their way in the pathless miles of timbered country, and have run on terror-stricken until death overtook them in their madness.

The madness which befalls a person lost in the woods most always militates against rescue. Numerous instances are recorded of lost persons wandering past inhabited clearings, crossing well-traveled roads and even evading rescue parties.

An instance is cited of a Bangor woman who was lost in the woods of Chairback Mountain in Maine. She left a hunting camp alone at daybreak to hunt squirrels.

A guide who knew her had seen the woman while he was fishing in Pleasant River. The woman rushed past him, although he called to her, and kept on at frantic speed.

In the Bog River country of the Adirondacks a man who knew something of the woods was lost for two days. He had knelt to drink from a spring, and when he arose his companions were out of sight.

His companions, having missed him, returned to the spring. They fired their rifles in the hope that he would hear the reports, and then cast about in circles to find his trail.

A simple knowledge of woodcraft will in nearly every case prevent one from going astray to death. In every country all streams are drained by some broad waterway.

In a hilly country set your course by some prominent mountain. Allowing for the change of position in the zenith one may set a course by the sun and keep it with ease.

Not a Reporter. In a recent magazine article the author tries to explain why lightning never strikes twice in the same place, but he fails to note the fact that the fluid gets in its work so effectually that there is no reason to try it again.

## A SUBSTITUTE FOR WOOD.

### Planks Made of Cork Are to Be Utilized in Our New Warships.

Several months ago the Board of Inspection and Survey of the Navy Department was directed to make an investigation with a view of obtaining some practicable substitute for wood in fitting naval vessels.

## SALVATIONISTS COME TO GRIEF.

### White Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show Band Keeps Right on Playing.

While Pawnee Bill's Wild West band was giving an open-air concert in Gettysburg, Pa., the other night, the salvation army, twenty-five strong, headed by Ensign Crawford, Lt. James Henderson, Secretary James Main and his band, appeared in the square.

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## SWIM AND HOLD TO A ROPE.

### A New Way for Getting Chinese Over the Line.

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The Canadian Parliament has voted down the bill to give Parliamentary suffrage to women, and also to raise the age of protection for girls to 18.

## THE "BROOK FARM" HOUSE TO-DAY.

The "Brook Farm" house is now a German orphan asylum, supported, I think, by some union of charities in Boston, writes Hezekiah Butterworth. Large additions have been made to the solid house associated with Professor Ripley's literary and philosophical community, then called the "Phalanstery."

## A FACILITATOR.

The perforator will afford much amusement and is very simple of construction. For the cylinder take a goose quill five or six inches long. The piston can be made from a pen handle or a small rule rounded off except at the top, where the square part serves as a handle.

## THEIR OWN EXECUTIONERS.

### How Indians of the Far North Bring Wolves to the Slaughter.

The Northern Indians, particularly in the Hudson Bay region and the Eskimos, possess a fiendish ingenuity in their method of capturing game, and their way of applying it for killing wolves is horrible.

## HE INTRODUCED.

### THE NEW YORK RECORDER.

THE INTRODUCTION into the Henry case of the relation of finger and hand prints to crime attracted general public attention, and also aroused the interest of the Brooklyn authorities engaged in investigating the case, says the New York Recorder.

## MARRIED IN A MINUTE.

### Quick Time in Nuptial Knot-Tying Down in Virginia.

A record time for quick marriage was made in the nuptials of Kennedy Tuttle and Miss Mary A. Hubbs, a 16-year-old groom and a 16-year-old bride, at Staunton, Va., last Monday.

## LIMP MOBILITY AND AMERICAN MONEY.

There are a good many rich girls in America who have never kept their genealogical record, or, if they have, take no particular interest in consulting it, and find more amusement in contemplating their own or their fathers' parkurst, D. D., in the July Ladies' Home Journal.

## THE BICYCLE AS AN EDUCATING AGENT.

The bicycle is, in fact, the agent of health and of a wider civilization. It will give stronger bodies to the rising generation than their fathers have had, and it will bring the city and the country into closer relations than ever.

## CAPPED THE CLIMAX.

An exchange tells that a good story was heard the other day of a father and mother who were trying to find names for their twin babies, who, by the way, were girls.

## WHAT MAN EXPECTS OF HIS WIFE.

A man expects his wife to be better than he, writes Mrs. Burton Kingland. No matter how little religion a man may have himself his ideal wife is always a woman with the purity of soul that only a Christian can have; and to a good man it is usually part of his religion to believe that his wife is morally higher and nobler than himself.

## FATAL HAND PRINTS.

### THEY ARE UNERRING IN ESTABLISHING IDENTITY.

Criminals Readily Exposed—Some Interesting Deductions and Laws by Which the Scientist Has Reduced His System to One of Value.



On this basis he is at present obtaining the assistance of the Scotland Yard detective authorities in London for the gradual formation of many hundred separate fingerprint directions in the form of classified cards or papers.

It is best to take the forefinger and thumb for this simple experiment. These will be found to furnish varieties in the matter of the curves which make the finger-prints, some being arched, some angular at the center, others in whorls, or almost concentric circles, others, again, with a termination in a well-defined line.

It is found that 243 receptacles will contain the finger-prints of 121,500 prisoners, each receptacle carrying an average of 500 cards, all of which are classified and treated so as to form a separate finger-print directory as to each receptacle. It has been found necessary to have a separate classification for adult female prisoners and for those of either sex who have not ceased growing.

Not only is this work being carried on in England under the Galton system, and in France through the efforts of M. Bertillon but in India—especially in Bengal—it is being applied to the purpose of discovering old offenders, very much like the "Rogues' Gallery" in the Central Police Office in New York.

Prof. Galton states that there are no very serious difficulties in the way of classifying the peculiarities of different finger-prints, asserting that it is rare to find "a pattern whose peculiarities are not due to a few easily recognizable characteristics, occurring singly or in combinations of two or three."

In 1894 the Secretary of State for the Home Department in the British Cabinet appointed a committee to inquire into the best means available for identifying habitual criminals. The report of this committee furnished a very full account of the method adopted by Prof. Galton in his finger-tip scheme.

## MARK TWAIN IN COURT.

### Sued for Giving His Wife His Copyrights.

If Samuel L. Clemens, alias Mark Twain, the humorist, is as poor as he looked yesterday, there is not much use in examining him in supplementary proceedings to ascertain if he has wealth concealed about his person or elsewhere, says the New York World.

## A THOROUGHLY MEAN MAN.

### He Worked the Restaurant Waiter So as to Economize on His Wife's Appetite.

The champion mean man paid San Francisco a visit yesterday, says the Post. He was a big, long-legged, raw-boned fellow, with a nose like the blade of a hatchet.

"Would you give me an extra pitcher of cream?" asked the mean man. The waiter brought it.

"Yes, by the way, give me a cup of hot water, will you, please?" The waiter brought it and watched the mean man curiously.

The row was heard three blocks up Market street. He declared he was being robbed because he was from the country, but he finally paid when threatened with arrest.

## USEFUL ELECTRIC LAUNCHES.

### The Norwegians Have Utilized Them for Harbor Passage Service.

An employment has been made in Norway of the electric launch that is sure to be widely followed. The city of Bergen, which is the center of the Norwegian land and sea commerce, ranges on two sides of a narrow harbor forming an inlet and surrounded by rapidly rising ground.

## THE PHRASE "FOUR HUNDRED."

Mr. Edmund Clarence Stedman coined the phrase "Four Hundred," as applied to the aristocracy of New York City, in a satirical poem called "The Prince's Ball," relating to the Prince of Wales' visit to New York.

"For the honor and commerce of the city," "Twas plain to see there must be a committee! So men of means and might were chosen, Score by score, and dozen by dozen, In all four hundred names."