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As Big as Lake Eric and Twice as

High as Mount Washington-

Quaint Habits and Forceful

Kick of the Linua.

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Correspondence of The Bee.)-Steamboating

above the clouds. Floating calmly over the

highest navigable waters of the globe. Sall-

ing under the glacial snows of the loftiest

make you think you are on the very roof

of the world. This is what I have been

doing for the last day and might upon Lake

Titicaca. As you read this letter you will

nevs, in Switzerland, and of our own beauti- out.

ful Lake Champlain. Our great lakes freeze

freezes.

over during the winter. Titicaca never

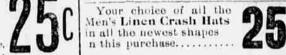
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geographies. They tell you it lies in the brought for hundreds of miles to this point came. Lake Titicaca was the center of a Those boats are of the curious craft known ways have a spinning spool in their hands. an uncovered expanse of shirt front liberally

Jacques St. Cere, the nom de plume of Armand Rosenthal, the Paris journalist, who died recently, is the phonetic equivalent of "Jacques Sincere," which in English would "Truthful James." Rosenthal was for years the detractor and defamer of America. in the columns of Figaro and the Paris New York Herald. He ran away with the wife of his benefactor. Lindau, and was tried about reeds which grow in great quantities on bushes with his vegetables and meats, and three years ago on a charge of blackmailing Max Lebaudy.

> Caleb Wright, who has just died in England and who was a member of Parliament. from 1885 to 1895, began work at the age of 9 years. For twenty-one years he worked

dized Roman gold, silver,

Fuel Supply. On the plateau of Bolivia in which Titlin the same mill, going through the various

caca lies there are not even bushes, and stages of promotion till at 16 he was made almost the sole fuel is composed of the a spinner. When about 30 years of age he droppings of the llama. Every hut has a started a spinning mill of his own in Manof this fuel beside its fireplace, and chester and made a fortune in that business. the better classes of houses have special He was the son of a poor clerk at Tyldsley. quarters for it. La Paz, which is a city of who was the father of thirteen children. nearly 50,000 people, depends entirely on the His career would furnish forth a new chapllamas for its fuel, and the steam which ter of Samuel Smiles' "Self-Help" if that moves the dynamos of the electric light distinguished author were alive to write it.

> Spencer Platt, American consul general at Singapore, has long been intimate with ranging for some concessions from the shah. An enterprising American was on the way official signature when Mr. Platt raised the

point that the Persian minister in Paris had love affairs. The female I am told picks failed to sign the French copy of the papers. out the male whom she especially loves and The documents were returned to Paris for correction. Meantime the American arrived and secured that for which he came.

> A Washington correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch says that in warm weather Speaker Reed rides in a street car to and from the captitol. He usually walks, partly because his action is particularly graceful, partly to exercise his muscles and keep down flesh, partly to escape the staring he suffers in a car, which is so annoying to a man of his modesty. When he boarded a car the other morning to go to the capitol

an unbaked citizen was seated beside him, "Well, Mr. Speaker," exclaimed the man in a loud tone, "when do you think the way will be over?" "Why, is there a war?" drawled Reed, in a tone of alarm. "Who's been killed?" "Oh, come now, really, I want your opinion. When do you think it will be over?" "Over where?" said Reed, and that ended the colloquy.

The medal which has just been presented to M. Zola by his friends is six inches in diameter, and hears on one side the profile of M. Zola, with the legend, "Hommage a M. Zola," while on the other side is a representation of a thunderstorm, with the sun peeping out from behind the clouds. Across the face of the coin on the latter side is a phrase used by Zola in one of his articles in favor of Dreyfus. "Truth is approaching and nothing shall stop it. Emile Zola, 13

January, 1898." The medal, which weight Here is a late penpicture of Edizon, the five pounds, was cast instead of being electrician: "A gray-haired man with a stamped. In order to avoid copies having to boy's face, round, rublcund, beardless, rarely be deposited with the government. The unrippled by a smile; sturdy of figure, with law only exacts that "stamped" coins shall a 7% hat pressed down on a broad forehead, be deposited. No duplicate of M. Zola's with clothing loosely fitting, baggy, an apmedsi will be made, but smaller specimena in bronze will be stamped for the subscribe having been new; with a scant necktle and ers to the presentation fund.

Andes, about half way between the Isth- upon mules and on steamer days it is not civilization generations older than that of as baisas. They have been in use upon this They weave the wool themselves, and out besprinkled with tobacco juice." mus of Panama and Cape Horn, 12,500 feet uncommon to see a thousand mules being the Incas, and upon its shores still stand lake for more than 400 years and were found of it make all of the clothes of the family. above the sea. They represent the lake as loaded and unloaded here. In 1895 more ruins, so old that the Incas could not tell here when the Spaniards came. Until the The llama not only clothes and through the above the sea. They represent the table of the sea. They represent the table of the seal o long, fifty-seven miles wide and that it has Bolivia by way of Lake Titicaca and more only said that the mighty monuments were the freight on the lake, and they do a large rier feeds these people, but he warms them an area of 5,000 square miles. Some of these than \$300,000 worth of Bolivian goods were made by a race of giants who lived about business today. I can hardly imagine any- as well. There is no wood on this high, statements are true. Others are all con- shipped out. There are now steamers once this lake before the sun appeared in the thing which looks more insecure. I tried desolate plateau. Wood all over the westjecture. The lake has in reality never been a week from Puno to Chillaya and return heavens. These ruins are those which lie a ride in one of them yesterday and was ern part of Peru is very costly. In the carefully surveyed. It has great bays which and nearly all passengers and freight to near the little town of Tinhuanaco. They surprised to find that I was not turned out markets of Arequipa each customer carries have never been sounded and it winds in and from La Paz, which is, you know, the cover an area of about three miles and into the water. These balsas are made of home a bundle of twigs or rather roots and and out in places like a river, giving a suc- biggest city and the commercial capital of consist of the remains of massive walls, cession of beautiful scenes of islands, moun- Bolivia, go over this route. I am now on terraced mounds and the ruins of a great the banks of the lake, and they are, in fact, this forms the fuel for cooking the day's tains and coast. In crossing from Peru to my way to La Paz. The city is about forty- edifice which is sometimes called the temple. rafts formed of rolls of reeds so tied and meal. No one thinks of using fuel for any-Bolivia we salled a distance of 110 miles five miles, or almost a day's ride by stage. This building covered about four acres, and woven together that they keep out the water. thing but cooking, and none of the cities of over water which was in many places, the from here, and all baggage, freight and it was made of great blocks of black stone. Only a rol! of reeds about the top of the this part of the world have chimneys, furcaptain said, more than 1,000 feet deep. Lake passengers are carried there by horses or each thirty inches thick. The stones, like balsas ke/ps the passengers in, and they naces, heating stoves or fireplaces. Superior has, I believe, an average depth mules. The United States mail for Bolivia those of the famed buildings of Cuzco, were must sit flat on the floor. These reeds are of something like 600 feet. Some parts of is brought across Lake Titicaca and carried, fitted together without mortar and were so also used for making bridges, ropes and the bottom of Lake Titicaca have never been with other foreign mail, on a wagon to La carefully laid that it was impossible to in-

reached and the captain told me that if he Paz. I tried to bribe the mail carrier to sert a knife blade between them. From them, and they are almost as important should land upon certain parts of Titicaca take me with him today, but the weight these ruins some of the most curious ar- plants to them as the bamboo is to the island he would have to cast his anchor of the mail bags was 1,600 pounds, and he chaeological relics have been taken, many of Chinese, high upon the rocky shores, as the waters said that this was all his eight-horse team the most valuable having been secured by

which wash them are so deep that the grap- could haul on the gallop and that I must Prof. Adolfe Bandolier, who is spending his heaven and earth meet close around you and pling hooks could not reach the bottom. wait for the stage of tomorrow. life in this region as the collector for the The ship in which I crossed Lake Titicaca New York museum.

altitude of more than two miles above the is the largest and finest of the fleet. There Prof. Bandolier has made many new dis sen. Let it be more than 300 miles from are three other steamers belonging to the coveries and investigations about Lake Titi-the ocean in a basin which next to Thibet is Peruvian corporation or English syndicate caca and he is inclined to believe that the the loftlest inhabited plateau of the world, which has a monopoly of the traffic, and in most of what has been published about some and bracing, but so rare that I cannot walk any part of its waters. This is the Desa- were made in England and shipped to the them, Manco Capac and Mama Oello, his fast without my heart jumping up into my guadero, which connects it with its little Peruvian coast and thence carried on the sister-wife. On this account, so says Squier, throat. Some of you will soon be going to sister lake, known as Lake Poopo, which lies backs of men and mules over the Andes. who is one of the authorities on Lake Titi-Mount Washington to avoid the heat of the about 280 miles further south in this same It was ten years after the ships were landed caca, the Incas considered this lake, and city. This great lake is more than twice as Bolivian plateau. The Desaguadero has in on the coast before they got to the lakes, especially Titicaca island, hely. They built high up in the air as the top of Mount this distance a fall of 500 feet. It is a rush- and the English engineers drew salaries dur- their temples here, had wonderful palaces Washington, and it is situated amid scen-ery which is infinitely more grand. Some of navigated by steamers for a part of its of the larger ships was afterward cut in two mainland in order that corn might be grown you will spend your vacations upon our length. It carries off a large volume of and a section of hull fifty feet long inserted. upon the island. This corn, so says one of great lakes. This lake is almost as big as water, but Lake Poopo has no outlet to the This work was done by the railroad shops the old chroniclers, who Prof. Bandoller Lake Eric. It has a greater average depth sea, and notwithstanding this drain Lake at Arequipa, and the ship so lengthened is thinks had a very ligely imagination, was than Lake Superior and its scenery is a com- Titleaca remains at the same level whether used on the lake today. The smaller steam- considered so sacred that when a grain of it bination of that of Lakes Lucerne and Ge- the season be wet or dry, year in and year ers ply to and fro from the lesser ports. was put in one of the public warehouses it

They visit most of the towns upon the coast sanctified and preserved all other grains,

The Sacred Isles of Lake Titlenen. Lake Titicaca has many beautiful Islands.

Those of Titicaca have all of the beauties the clouds and they are nearest the sky The most of them are rocky, ragged mounof the Andean heavens, combined with of any craft on earth. Think of lifting an tain peaks, which have their bodies under others peculiarly their own. I cannot give iron ship of 600 tons over a pass higher the water and a thin coating of soil on the you the sense of loftiness one feels here. than the top of Pike's Peak! This is what rocks above it. Eight of the islands are the sun is shown. This rock, says the same The clouds rise up about the shores of was done with the steamer Choya, upon inhabited, and these are cultivated to the chronicler, was once plated with gold and Titicaca like walls upon which a canvas of which I am now writing. The ship was very tops of the mountains. If the United Rept covered with a veil. The inhabitants heavenly blue fifs closely down, so that you made in Scotland and brought to Mollendo States could be as carefully tilled as the of the island are now chieffy Aymara Infeel that beyond those walls there are in pieces. Here it was loaded upon the parts of Peru through which I have trav- dians, who are said to be descendants of the mighty depths and that if you should sail cars and carried over the Andes to Puno. eled, where every available bit of land is tribes who were so numerous about Lake through them you would drop into space. It was there put together and it now sails used, it would, I believe, furnish enough Titicaca years ago. They live in little huts food for all of the people of the world and of mud or stone thatched with straw, and miles. Leaving Puno, Peru, I was shown as comfortable accommodations as any leave enough grain left to glut the Chicago show no signs of having had gorgeous temthe sacred blue island of Titicaca, fifty steamer of its size in American waters. It markets during a corner on wheat. Patches ples or the more extensive civilization which miles away, and soon other islands came is as beautiful as a gentleman's yacht and of soil as big as a bedquilt are surrounded they possessed when the Incas were their which seemed to float upon the it can make twelve knots an hour without with stones and carefully tilled. Bits of masters. They are Catholics and are superwaters as though they were bailoons or trouble. It is propelled by a screw and its land between the rocks are green with stitious in the extreme. talls and not the outcroppings of the high- fuel is Australian coal, which is brought scanty crops of potatoes, barley and quinoa, est mountain chain of our hemisphere. One over more than 7,000 miles of water and which are about the only things that will

island, I remember, rose out of the waters lifted on the railroad over the Andes to grow at this altitude, and you see people in the shape of a gigantic mushroom of Puno, at the edge of the lake. By the time working on the sides of hills where they in a boat made of straw. I can see a dozen and often they tie bright colored ribbons soft blue velvet, another looked like a mam- the coal reaches the ship it costs about almost have to hold on with one hand while straw hoats from where I am writing. Some through their ears. They always walk be moth whale whose head and tail stood out \$25 in gold per ton, but the traffic on the they use the rude little hoes of this part, of them are filled with people and one has side them when on a journey, stopping from high above the water. These were optical lake is so great that the steamers, I am of the world with the other. This grub- a mule, a donkey and a llama in it in addi- time to let the animals graze upon illusions, due to the peculiarity of the at- told, pay for themselves many times over. bing for a bare existence goes on over the tion to its human freight. The captain of the way. The wool of most of the ponchos mosphere, but they were phenomena which A large part of the freight of Bolivia goes greater part of the plateau in which Lake each boat is an Aymara Indian, who stands which form the overcoats and shawls of the to the markets of the world via Chililaya Titicaca lies. It is the plateau which formed up as be poles the bost along. There is a people of this plateau is from liamas. It is An Unknown Inland Sea. You know of Lake Titicaca from your road to the scaport of Mollendo. Cargo is which prevailed here when the Spaniards which is skimming along over the waves. the flocks or walking along the road, al-

be sweltering under the hot sun of an Remember that you must cross a mighty addition they have little steamers which parts of this region is almost pure fiction. American summer. It is always winter upon Lake Titicaca, a cold, wet winter during half the year and a cold, dry winter during to get to it and you will have a slight idea the remainder. At some times the winds of the wonders of Lake Titleaca. You must founded by the Peruvian government as a on which their Adam and Eve first lived now as fresh as a sea breeze. It is coid rivers flow into it, but only one carries off cost more than their weight in silver. They the children of the sun. There were two of

Steamers of the Heavens.

and carry freight and passengers to the and it was also said that a man who could The steamboats which sail upon Lake Ti- numerous islands. ticaca might be called the steamers of the

I have written of the skies of the Andes. heavens. They sail at times in and out of

Boats of Straw.

have as much as one grain of Titicaca island

corn in his storehouse would not lack for

food during his lifetime. There are today

many ruins on Titicaca island, and the very

rock on which Manco Capac and his sister-

wife stepped when they first landed from

weapon of the polecat. If once hit, it is almost impossible to get the scent out of your clothes, and no one wants to be near you until you have had a bath and a change. I find, however, that most of the llamas have handled are gentle, and I have had good opportunities to study them. They are everywhere about me on this plateau. Some are almost snow white, some are seal brown and a few black and spotted. Their wool is very long and beautiful rugs are their llamas. They pet them and talk to the enemy and for a long time was an exile

baskets. The people roof their houses with

The Liamas of the Andes.

Much of the freight that is brought to Lake Titicaca is on llamas. The word is pronounced "yahmah." These animals are to a great extent the freight wagons of the Andes. You see them by the hundreds plant of the city is created by a fire of everywhere on this Titicaca plateau. I llama marture. The cooking is all done over found them loaded with silver ore at the such fires, and for this reason I have for mines in the mountains of central Peru and the time given up such things as broiled oriental intrique and is unusually sharp saw thousands of them feeding upon the beefsteaks and mutton chops, and am now witted. While stationed at Teheran, Persia, pampas over which I crossed on my way sticking religiously to soups, fries and to at one time a Parisian syndicate was arhere. They are the most graceful beasts all victuals cooked in pans. In this connecfrom the Andes sweep over the waters like add, however, that while it is fed by the part of its transportation system, which, as upon earth and from which they started out I have ever seen. They walk along the tion it seems a curious dispensation of a blizzard, and at others it is as calm as snows and glaciers of the Andes, it has I have said before, was the most expensive to found Cuzco and build up the race. Acthe Dead sea in mid-summer. The air is itself no visible outlet to either ocean. Nine ever plauned or built. The first steamers were air, and seem to tread as though they for making his fuel deposits. He uses the man had the necessary documents at Teowned the earth. They have heads like a same place every day when possible, and heran and they were just about to receive camel, bodies like a sheep and feet and the manure is thus easily saved. Llamas have curious habits as to their legs like a deer. They are not sulky look-

ing, like the camel, and are far more aristocratic in their actions. When you load a camel he cries like a baby.. The tears roll makes all the advances. The males are bigdown his cheeks, and as he marches off he ger than the females, and I have seen it pouts and groans and groans. The llama stated that the latter are not used to carry

burdens. This is a mistake, for the freigh carries his burden with a proud air and pricks up his ears for all the world like trains of llamas which I have seen, often numbering hundreds, seemed to have ala skye terrier at every new thing he sees. most as many females as males. About He will carry only so much, and the usual load for llama is 100 pounds. If you put on La Paz I am told that the females are used as much as the males for carrying burdens, more he does not cry or groan, but calmly but that the sexes are always kept separate kneels down and will not move until the in the freight caravans. load is lightened. If you make him angry he does not bits you, as does the camel. The flesh of the llama is spongy and not He merely shows his contempt by spit-

ting upon you. I would rather be kicked by a government mule than be spat upon by a llama. He chews his cud like a cow and has a special reservoir somewhere in his anatomy well stored for such an occasion. A llama's spittle smells worse than the

made of it. The Indians are very fond of times, has been twenty times captured by iu Cuba.

How would you like to sail over Lake Erie them. They sometimes dye their wool

of agreeable flavor. Still, It is caten by the Indians and Hama stew forms a favorite dish. There are other animals of the same class, as the llama which live on these highlands, such as the vicuna (pronounced vicunya), which runs wild, and which is

not so large but more beautiful than the llama, and the alpaca, grown chiefly for its wool, and which is herded in flocks cs we herd our sheep. FRANK G. CARPENTER.

GOSSIP ABOUT NOTED PROPLE.

General Hernandez, the rebel leader in

Venezuela, who has just been captured, is known all over that country for his bravery. He has been wounded in battle eighteen

I have never seen upon other waters.