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LEGEND OF GRAND CANYON

Indian Story Says That It Was Made by Pack-i-tha-a-wi, After a Certain Big Flood.

According to the Wallapais the Grand canyon was made single-handed, after a certain flood, by their cultus hero, Pack-i-tha-a-wi, who was armed with a large flint knife and a big stick. Once upon a time the world was covered so deep with water that nobody knew what to do until Pack-i-tha-a-wi took the initiative. The knife he thrust deep into the heart of the earth, hammering it in with the big stick and moving it strenuously back and forth until the canyon was formed, which drew all the water from off the earth into the sunset sea.

Another legend says that there was a great chief who mourned the death of his wife and would not be comforted until Taywoats, one of the Indian gods, came to him and told him his wife was in a happier land, and offered to take him there that he might see for himself if, upon his return, he would cease to mourn. The great chief promised.

Then Taywoats made a trail through the mountains. The trail was the canyon gorge of the Colorado. Through it the god led the chief, and when they had returned the deity exacted from the chief a promise that he would tell no one of the joys of that land, lest, through discontent with this world, they should desire to go to heaven. Then he rolled a river into the gorge so broad and raging that it would engulf any that might attempt to enter thereby.—Detroit News.

COUNTRIES FREE OF SNAKES

Ireland, New Zealand, Japan, Tasmania and Patagonia Not Bothered With Reptiles.

The Irish are fond of boasting of the immunity of their island from snakes. It is true that Ireland does not possess any snakes, but she is by no means the only country so blessed. There are no snakes in New Zealand, and few poisonous insects. New Zealand has a spider which is rather poisonous, and, of course, it has its mosquitoes, but on the whole it is remarkably free from venomous reptiles and insects.

Canada for the greater part is free from snakes, especially those of the poisonous variety, and this is more strange because the rattlesnake is quite common in the northern part of the United States. Here and there in the ranges of British Columbia a few stray rattlers may be found, but as a rule the border line between the two countries marks the northernmost limit of this reptile.

Patagonia is another snakeless country. There are no snakes in Iceland, while Japan and Tasmania are also places where these reptiles are rare.

Up to the Widow.

Speaking on the marriage laws at a meeting presided over by an archdeacon, a curate remarked that it was not generally known that a man could not marry his widow's cousin.

"Widow's sister, you mean," corrected the president.

"No," replied the youthful cleric, "I mean widow's cousin."

The archdeacon was on his feet in an instant. His law must not be challenged by a curate.

"I tell you," he said, "a man may marry his widow's cousin, but not his widow's sister. You must really allow me to know."

"But," persisted the curate, "how can a man do anything in the way of marrying when his wife is a 'widow'?"

Man With Six Senses.

At Notodden, Norway, a man has been discovered who possesses a sixth sense. Several times he has been used by the police to trace stolen property, buried in some cases many miles from the scene of the robbery. In one case he described accurately where certain goods were, although he did not leave his own room.

When a valuable dog was lost on one occasion, and the police had pursued a fruitless search for many days, the man said the dog was to be found at the top of a long valley some miles away. Search was made, and he was found to be correct. The man, whose name is Hjeltnesen, is claimed to have found iron ore beneath deep snow.

A Problem for Burbank.

Father was sitting smoking in his chair when up came little Georgie, his son and heir. "Father," he began as he held up a pit. "If I were to plant this pit would it grow to be a large tree in time?"

"Certainly, my boy," answered father. "And if you waited long enough oranges would grow!"

"Are you sure?" asked the excited boy.

"Of course, my boy."

"Oh, but—well—"

"Well, what about it?"

"Oh, nothing, dad; only I thought it was rather funny for an orange tree to come from a lemon pit."

Puzzling a Candidate.

A parliamentary candidate in a rural district made the following remark in the course of his address: "There is no question in the world which cannot be answered with just 'Yes' or 'No'."

An old farm laborer jumped up and said: "Please, maister, might I ask 'e a question?"

"Certainly, my good fellow," said the candidate.

"Well, then, maister," said the old farmhand, "what's the time?"—London Telegraph.

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AN AMAZING AFRICAN RACE

Tribe of "Fish Men" Inhabits Desert Wastes Bordering Lake Rudolf, in Kenya Colony.

The El Molo, a tribe of "fish-men" who inhabit the desert wastes bordering Lake Rudolf, in Kenya Colony, Africa, are undoubtedly the most amazing race of human beings. This tribe represents the only known specimens of semi-amphibious people, and it is a curious fact that any tribesman dies if he is kept from water for about three hours. As a rule they drink every hour during the day, for even an hour and a half without water causes cracking and bleeding of the lips.

The El Molo tribesmen spend their days swimming in the waters of Lake Rudolf, and fishing from frail rafts constructed of palm branches. Fish is almost their only diet, and they have no opportunity of varying their menu unless they are fortunate enough to spear a hippopotamus.

The water of Lake Rudolf is undrinkable to any one but the El Molo, for it contains a large quantity of soda and has an objectionable taste. The proportion of soda in the lake increases yearly, and it is believed to be this fact that has caused the "fish-men" to become a deformed race.

SCARLET DEEP-SEA SHRIMPS

Specimens Fished Up in the Mediterranean at a Depth of More Than a Mile.

A shrimp, a magnificent creature a foot long, with feelers a yard in length, was among the specimens fished up in the Mediterranean at a depth of more than a mile, in researches conducted by the late prince of Monaco. The prince spent much of his spare time dredging in deep waters for strange creatures which live in the black, icy-cold abysses of the sea.

The Mediterranean creature is of a gorgeous red color, and has feathered feet. It is pleasant to eat, and large enough that one shrimp is sufficient for a good meal for a hungry man. But the oddest part about it is the color. Since in the depths at which it lives the darkness is equal to that of the deepest mine, it is difficult to imagine why it should possess this scarlet hue.

How Lifeboat Was Invented.

One day a man named Woullhave was out walking when he was asked by an old woman to help her lift a can of water which she had filled by means of a broken wooden bowl.

The bowl was floating on the surface of the water, and as he talked to the woman, Woullhave turned it over with his finger. It immediately righted itself. Amused by its antics he repeated the performance; then it struck him that he had made a wonderful discovery. The result of his chance meeting was the self-righting lifeboat, which was designed by him on the lines of the broken bowl.

What he had discovered was that anything made of floating material and shaped like one-half of a basin could float only with its convex surface downwards. A boat made on these lines cannot remain upside down for more than an instant when it is turned over by a heavy sea.

From Wool to Suit in a Day.

In numerous industries there have been conspicuous examples of what can be accomplished in the way of speed when human energy as well as mechanical appliances are put to the test against time. For example, an English baronet once wagered that he would dine at seven o'clock in a suit of clothes made from wool which had been growing on the sheep's back the same day. Operations began at five o'clock in the morning with the washing of sufficient sheep to provide the wool. From a neighboring factory the wool was returned as cloth late in the afternoon, but early enough to permit a tailor and his assistants completing the suit by seven o'clock, in plenty of time for the baronet to do it preparatory to sitting down to his evening meal.

Faithful Dog.

The man was trying to sell his dog. "You see," he said, "I bought him and trained him myself. I got him so that he'd bark if a person stepped inside the gate, and I thought I was safe from burglars. Then my wife wanted me to train him to carry bundles, and I did."

"If I put a package in his mouth he would keep it there until some one took it away. Well, one night I woke up and heard movements in the next room. I got up and grabbed my revolver. Two men were there—and the dog."

"Didn't he bark?" interrupted the man.

"Never a bark; he was too busy."

"Busy? What doing?"

"Carrying a lantern for the burglars."



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Plan to Destroy the Tsetse Fly.

Dummy donkeys with sticky legs are proposed for experiments in destroying large numbers of tsetse flies, which carry the germs of the African sleeping sickness. In a publication of the department of agriculture of South Africa, R. H. Harris found that these dangerous insects were attracted to the legs of his donkey. He built a dummy animal with wooden legs covered with old bags, but the flies apparently did not discriminate between the natural and artificial limbs. He suggests construction of many such dummies covered with sticky materials to destroy the insects by the wholesale.

Peculiar Aviation Accident.

As an airman was performing "stunts" 2,000 feet from the ground at Cleethorpes (Eng.) carnival, one of the wheels of his undercarriage fell into a busy street. It rebounded high into the air, but, after a succession of bounces, came to rest undamaged. Discovering what had happened the aviator completed his exhibition, then made a skilful landing upon one wheel in a field at Humber stone without his machine receiving further damage.

Relief for Rheumatism Found.

More than 4,000 sufferers from rheumatism have enjoyed an 80 per cent amelioration of symptoms under the bacteria injection treatment recently developed in the New York University Medical college, according to the Popular Science Monthly. In several instances, it is said, the improvement effected was equal to a cure.

Mahnon Wimer and Iris Taylor

left this afternoon for Portland where they will spend Thanksgiving to return Sunday.

with Miss Taylor's grandmother

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LOCAL NEWS

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resides in Cleveland today for several days after business in

of Wood, California, this afternoon. The Thanksgiving holiday with friends.

Sanburn of Cottage Grove several days in the grandmother, Mrs.

of Eureka is in town, being called here on the illness of Arthur Wolfson stricken with par-

Harvey a resident of Roseburg for several afternoon shopping with friends.

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