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New Orleans Invention.

London, July 13 .- At the Bournsmouth aviation meet tomorrow T. R. Phillips, the Liverpool inventor-engineer, will attempt a demonstration in connection with an aeroplane of his new invention for controlling and directing aerostats by etherically transmitted electricity.

Phillips recently gave a demonstration with a 20-foot Zeppelin airship and showed his ability to raise, lower, drive, stop and turn it at will by the manipulation of the keyboard of a transmitter. Phillips claims the principle is applicable to man-carrying ry was sent to a magazine; but, alas, it airships and aeroplanes, but primarily is intended for aerial torpedoes.

lin, and with equal ease I can make it and sent to that periodical at the elevdrop explosives wherever I like, I believe it will revolutionize the exist- Albert Bigelow Paine, who was

tance of 100 miles. The experiment spots never worn threadbare by pilwas conducted between Mr. Milne's, grim house, on the Isle of Wight, where the seismologist and four physicians, using an ordinary telephone, listened od by which the interestedly to the beating of a woman's heart in London.

A stethoscope held over her heart in the familiar manner was attached to a telephone recently invented by way to light. He Sydney Brown by means of which says Cain emplosed sounds are magnified.

In her new book, "The Girl From the Marsh Croft," the first to be published since she achieved the distinction of winning the Nobel literary prize of \$40,000. Selma Lagerlof, the now world famous Swedish author, tells how she wrote her masterpiece, "The Story of Gosta Berling." As a girl of nine living on a farm she aspired to be an author and for many years filled every scrap of paper she

could lay her builds on with verse and

she was two and twenty she traveled up to Stockholm to prepare to become a teacher and wrote no more. Later on the story commenced to take shape, part by part, and the name of the hero, Gosta Berling, came to her. When it had

reached the novel-SELMA LAGERLOF. ette stage the sto-

was rejected. Then long after she had been a teacher at Laudskrona the story had "I can sit in an arm chair in Lon- grown to novel size, and when in 1890 don," he says, "and make an airship the Idun offered a prize for a short drop a bunch of flowers in a friend's novelette she decided to submit five garden in Manchester, Paris or Ber- of her chapters. These she rewrote enth hour. It won the prize.

ing methods of warfare. I have of, Mark Twain's biographer and literary fered the invention to the British gov- executor, displays a strong outcrop of ernment, which will inspect it soon," native humor in his new book, "The A test that was carried out recent- Ship Dwellers." Mr. Paine's unconly shows it is possible to diagnose ventional record of his Mediterranean heart troubles by telephone a dis- voyage is a charming account of the ways and wonders of the historic shoes and

> theory of the methstones of the pyramids were lifted to their places: "It takes an Englishman to lead the

staff. Here is his

mastodons to do his moving. Now we are on the way to truth, but we must go farther-a good deal farther. Cain

did employ mastodons, but only for his light work. Even mastodous would balk at pulling stones like these. Cain would use brontosaurs for such work as that. There were plenty of them loafing about, and I can imagine nothing more

impressive than Cam smuding on a handy elevation exertosting his force saur team yanking a stone as big as a stage. Well, our challenge ran: bonded warehouse up Baalbec hill."

HOTEL SPOOF.

Harry Lauder's Joke on an English Newspaper.

"I'll tell you a story about Arthur Roberts and me," said Harry Lauder, the Scotch comedian. "The pair of us were in Manchester when we saw on the sporting page of the Guardian a paragraph that said:

"In consequence of the number of unsupported challenges recently forwarded to this paper we give notice that in future only genuine challenges can be accepted for insertion in our columns. As a proof of good faith each challenge must be paid for at the uniform rate of 1 shilling."

"'Arthur,' said I, 'here's a chance for

"'How?' said he.

"I read the notice to him, and then and there we concocted a challenge of which I shall never cease to be proudhotel spoof challenge. Of course there is no such game or sport as

of giants and a sixteen span bronto- get off impromptu nonsense on the

"'Hotel Spoof .- Harry Lauder, hearing so much talk about A. Roberts being the champion spoof player of Eugland, will play Roberts a game of ho tel spoof for £500 a side, catch-as-catchcan, over eight flights of hurdles, bathroom barred. Address, money and man, H. Lauder, Comedy Theater,

"That was the challenge, and we had no idea what it meant after we had drawn it up. Nevertheless we carried it boldly to the Guardian office. The clerk read it in a dazed way. "'One insertion, please,' said Rob-

erts, planking down a shilling. "'Excuse me,' said the clerk, 'but

what is spoof?

"Roberts glared at him. "'None of your nonsense with me, young man, be growled. 'What is spoof? You'll be asking what ches or whist is next."

"And the following morning, directly under the editorial notice that 'only genuine challenges could be accepted for insertion,' appeared our little paragraph about hotel spoof."

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