

# CAMPERS ARE ENCOURAGED

### ESTIMATED FEE IS TO BE DROPPED DECIDED ON.

#### Various Matters Pertaining to the Coming Chautauqua Gone Over

There will be no charge for camping privileges at the Chautauqua for this year. This was decided upon at regular mid week session of the Chautauqua board last night when considerable routine matters were taken up and finally acted upon. The copy for the program is ready for the printers and the book will be ready for distribution shortly. The reason the nominal fees charged last year were dropped, is given as being that the fee is insufficient to encourage more campers on the grounds—a condition needed to make the entire celebration the greatest success possible.

All churches and fraternal orders will be asked to establish headquarters again, and many other splendid attractions and conveniences were revived by last night's meeting. The board will meet weekly from now on and the members are encouraged to the prospects for a splendid Chautauqua.

#### She Knew.

Mistress—Nora, I saw a policeman in the park today kiss a baby. I hope you will remember my objections to such things. Nora—Sure, ma'am, no policeman would ever think of kissin' yer baby when I'm around.—Louisville Post.

#### Things Unprintable.

Willie—Mother always carves when we have company to dinner. Bobby—Can't your father able to? Willie—Guess he ain't able to without sayin' things.—Boston Transcript.

**Fata Morgana.**  
The kind of mirage known as fata morgana is seen across straits or lakes in southern Europe and shows in calm weather such images in the air as those of towns, castles and palaces. On the Lake of Geneva it is sometimes seen on fine afternoons of spring or summer. F. A. Forel, the well known Swiss investigator, has been giving some attention to the curious apparitions and concludes that they are due to a peculiar distribution of temperature in the air over the water. In the morning, the air being cooler than the lake, the opposite bank seems to be depressed, exaggerating the earth's roundness, and late in the afternoon, the air having become hotter than the water's surface, the opposite bank apparently rises above the true horizon and the earth's circumference is enlarged. For a few moments only, at the change from one condition to the other, the fata morgana may be seen.

#### Why He Had to Have an Office.

An inherited fortune and the disposal of an organized business enabled a well known Chicagoan to retire. He had the inclination for leisure, but could not surrender the idea of having a definite business abiding spot. He rented an office in a lofty building and went to Europe. After a six months' absence he returned, looked the building over and went to South America. Then after again verifying the report that the building was not crumbling, he took a jaunt to Japan. Not long ago one of his old cronies said:

"Frank, why don't you give up your office? You don't need it."  
"That's true," said Frank. "I would give it up, but I don't know what to do with the rug."—Chicago Post.

#### News About Two Great Men.

Even Franklin himself would be surprised at the following information gathered from a freshman's essay:

"Franklin's education was got by himself. He worked himself up to be a great literal man. He was also able to invent electricity. Franklin's father was a tallow chandler."

This followed:  
"Sir Walter Raleigh was put out once when his servant found him with fire in his head. And one day after there had been a lot of rain, he threw his cloak in a puddle and the queen stepped dryly over."—Everybody's.

### COAXING THE MULES.

#### Methods of Stage Drivers in the Mountains of Mexico.

The drivers who pilot the stagecoaches through the mountains in Mexico have a way of their own of coaxing their mules along the rough roads. The method is described by Wallace Gillpatrick in his book, "The Man Who Likes Mexico."

"If you have never ridden on a Mexican coach you have still a new sensation in store. The Chapala coach has a cushion on top, and if you are fortunate in sharing this seat you may ride mule a gusto, seeing the country and the manner of manipulating an eight mule team at the same time.

"There are two about the size of rabbits in the lead, a string of four in the middle and two larger ones on the wheel. The driver has a whip with a lash long enough to reach the leaders. His assistant has another shorter one, but his chief persuaders are rocks. "The assistant earns 50 cents a day and free insurance against dyspepsia. He alights at the foot of every hill and fills his sombrero with rocks on the way up. He then shies several bowlders big enough to dislocate a hip at the leaders, and when the whole team is in a gallop he swings himself on to the box in some miraculous way. I think he stands on the hub. He could never do it if he wore shoes."

### TRAINED TURTLES.

#### Tricks These Clumsy Creatures May Be Taught to Perform.

Of all living creatures, says a writer in the Strand Magazine, the turtle is undoubtedly the slowest in its movement and probably possesses the least brain. Yet a well known American naturalist has succeeded in training three of these creatures to do a number of little tricks. He places them, one above the other, on spoons, and if a piece of cabbage or other green stuff is held out in front of them they will make a complete circuit, all moving in unison, keeping their balance and not tumbling off.

The bigger turtle will also ring a bell. This it grasps in one of its forefeet, jerks it off the ground and then gives it a shake. It is quite amusing to watch the slow, deliberate manner in which this is done. The turtles have always lived in their owner's house, spending their time in the kitchen hunting down the vermin.

One of the turtles draws a little cart about the garden, a task which he apparently does not resent in the least. Of course he is never kept harnessed for any length of time. He is quite tame, follows the children about the garden and will even eat from their fingers.

#### When a Child Has a Convulsion.

When a child is suddenly seized with a convulsion proceed as follows: First. Loosen the clothing, but take off only the shoes and stockings. Second.—Place the child upon a bed or table, with his legs hanging over the edge from the knees down. Third.—Put his feet and lower legs in a pail of hot water to which has been added one tablespoonful of powdered mustard. If you have no mustard use hot water alone. Be very careful it is not hot enough to burn. Fourth.—Put an ice cap to the head. Lacking an ice cap, use plenty of cracked ice done up in a towel. Fifth.—Give an enema of warm soap-suds. Repeat it if it is not retained. Sixth.—As soon as the child is able to swallow give a large dose of castor oil.—Dr. R. H. Dennett in Woman's Home Companion.

#### Pole and Barber's Poles.

The barber is the only professional man whose emblem is a pole. The emblem is a pun. A pole is a head. The verb "poll" means to lop off a head. The earliest barbers were removers of beards. "Barba" is Latin for beard. The French called a man who shears off beards a barbler. But the barber also removed hair from the apex and adjoining regions of the head. With the modesty characteristic of many professional men he magnified his function and adopted for his emblem a device which taken in its fullest significance would indicate that he removed the entire head. Because "poll" is pronounced the same as "pole" he conceived that a pole would be the appropriate emblem of his profession.—New York Sun.

#### His Hand Bath.

Arguing forcibly, if not convincingly, against the custom of taking a bath, still happily prevalent in certain quarters, an English writer relates the savory story of a Kentish farm worker whose horny hand he grasped. "Good Kent dirt," said the man, catching a critical glance. "Haven't had time to wash your hands before tea?" was the question. "Wash my 'ands!" exclaimed the man, then explanatorily: "I never washes my 'ands. When they gets 'ard I fles 'em."

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