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CAUSED BY WEIGHT OF SNOW Simple Explanation of Odd Shapes of

Trees, That Has Been a Mystery to Many.

To the person who is not versed in forest lore the grotesquely bent tree trunks that are to be found in almost all woods are mystifying, and wonder is often aroused as to the cause, remarks the Popular Science Monthly. Foresters will tell questioners that in the case of trees in mountainous country and other sections where the snowall is heavy, the weight of snow is responsible in most instances for the queer twists they assume. When a tree is young the weight of snow that falls on its branches often bends the trunk over until it is flattened to the ground. Sometimes it is buried under six or eight feet of snow and held in that position so long that when warm weather comes the tree fails to spring back into its normal position. The summer sun causes the tip of the young tree to turn upward and if it manages to withstand the weight of the snow of the next winter, that portion of the tree will, as a general rule, continue to grow in a normal way. "Hairpin" bends and other odd shapes result. A curious tree stands on the top of Tunnel hill, Johnstown, Pa., about four miles from town. It is a sugar maple about one hundred years old which has prolonged its own life by grafting branch into a much younger tree.

BECOMES IRKSOME AT TIMES

No Matter What the Nature of One's Occupation, Its Routine Will Occasionally Weary.

Are there times when your work beomes intolerably irksome? Tes? Well, ion't jump at the conclusion that you re in the wrong place when this happens once in awhile. That will be true whatever work you choose. No matter how well adapted you are to your occupation, there will come times when your thoughts will wander, and the routine will weary you, and you will feel that any other work would be preferable to that which you have chosen. One of the best-known woman writers of the last generation wrote an impassioned warning to literary aspirants, telling them to do any work, even scrubbing floors, in preference to taking up a literary career. Undoubtedly she wrote at a time when her chosen work seemed unspeakably irksome, but if she had been cornered, she would probably have acknowledged that the profession of authorship has considerable to commend it when compared with scrubbing floors. This occasional impatience with our

INDEPENDENCE vocation is inevitable. No matter how congenial it is, there are times when it will seem a burden. The people who change their occupation every time it ومحتلق المحمولتين المحطلي المطني المطلق المحطلين المطلي المحطني المحطني المحطمي المحطفي المحطم begins to bore them, are the tramps of the business world. Don't be a slacker; eat Liberty As to Remarkable Longevity. bread. We have all read of Thomas Pair, who lived to be one hundred and fifty-ESTRAY two. Likewise of the countess of Des-One O. I. C. brood sow. Owner mond, one hundred and forty-five; may have same by paying damages Margaret Patten, one hundred and thirty-seven; Thomas Damme, one and costs. hundred and sixty-four; John Rovin, 29 H. D. ILIFF. one hundred and seventy-two; and Peter Torton, who reached the age of one FOR SALE: Rye, cheat, vetch, hundred and eighty-five. But thes cases of extraordinary longevity lach and rye grass seed. proof. VERD HILL. In the days when those persons lived no accurate chronological records Lord of the Sun and Moon. were kept, and dates of occurrences were usually fixed by associating them Great Magician and Great in memory with other events believed Thief"-A Monarch's Title to have happened about the same time. A man's identity was liable to be con-The youthful shah of Persia has an fused with that of a grandfather of imazing array of titles, ranging from the same name. shah-in-shah, (king of kings) to such Nowadays nobody lives to any such poetical attributes as "The Rose of Deages. Why imagine that the extreme light," "The Branch of Honor" and limits of longevity have shrunk within "The Mirror of Virtue;" while his mathe last two or three centuries? jesty of Arracan used to be proclaimed as "Emperor of Arracan, possessor of Winter's Discipline. the white elephant and the two ear-He who marvels at the beauty of the rings, and in virtue of this possession world in summer will find equal cause egitimate heir of Pegu and Brahma! for wonder and admiration in winter Lord of the twelve kings who place It is true the pomp and pageantry are their heads under his feet." swept away, but the essential elements Somewhere in the wilds of Afghanisremain-the day and the night, the tan there is an Ameer who boasts of as mountain and the valley, the elemenmany high dignities as there are days tal play and succession, and the perin the year, among them being: petual presence of the infinite sky. In "The sovereign of the universe, whom winter the stars seem to have rekin-God created to be as accomplished as dled their fires, the moon achieves a the moon at her plenitude; whose eye fuller triumph, and the heavens wear giftters like the northern star; a king a look of more exalted simplicity. as spiritual as a ball is round, who, Summer is more wooing. . . . more when he rises, shades all of his people, versatile and human, appeals to the and from under whose feet a sweet affections and the sentiments, and forodor is wafted." But perhaps the most ters inquiry and the art impulse. Winremarkable title any monarch was ever ter is of a more heroic cast, and adproud to own was borne by the king of dresses the intellect. The severe Monomotapa, whose praises were sung studies and disciplines come easier in by his court poets and musicians as winter. One imposes larger tasks upon "Lord of the Sun and Moon, Great Mahimself. gician and Great Thief." Another striking example of royal Gives Credit to Solomor dignity is that of the former emperor "Solomon was the first human being. of China, whose recent coup d'etat so far as we can find out, to know the ended in such failure. He was halled language of animals," said Prof. S. B. by his subjects as "The protector of Wolfensen, chairman of the departreligion, whose fame is infinite and of surpassing excellence exceeding the ment of Semitic languages and Hellenmoon, the unexpanded jessamine buds istic Greek, University of Wisconsin, and the stars, whose feet are as fralecturing on "Archaeological Exploragrant to the noses of other kings as "The finding of a blast furnace near dowers to bees, most noble patron and the city of Lackish, in Palestine," Pro-Bod by custom."

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fessor Wolfensen continued, "shows that the metal industry is not so modern as most of us suppose.

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