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One dairy writer says: "If a cow is off her feed, tempt her appetite with a few shaves of oats. Don't do any such thing as tempt her appetite. That is a wholly unscientific thing to do. Her want of appetite is a sign that she is overfed, or that she is not assimilating her feed well, or that she is out of health. If she is overfed, to tempt her appetite would simply increase the trouble."

If she is not assimilating her food to tempt her to eat more food of precisely the same composition would merely fill her up with more food than she can assimilate.

If she is suffering from some trouble wholly unconnected with digestion or assimilation, which reduces her demand for food, then to tempt her appetite is simply to increase her trouble.

Her refusal to eat her usual average ration is an indication that, from one cause or another, her system has reduced its demand for food, then to tempt her appetite is simply to increase her trouble.

Her refusal to eat her usual average ration is an indication that, from one cause or another, her system has reduced its demand for food. To tempt her to supply her overloaded or enfeebled system with more food than it demands is a manifestly absurd performance.

In this matter let the cow regulate her own affairs. She may be in general good health and her temporary disinclination to eat her average ration may simply mean that she understands her own condition by instinct.

A change of feed is a good thing for a milch cow, but it should be changed for some more substantial, more scientific reason than merely to tempt her appetite.

Appetite is based upon the call of the system for food. So long as the system is not overcrowded or overworked, the appetite will remain good. Therefore, when appetite seems to dwindle, don't try to excite the cow's stomach to supply food for which the system is making no call.—Ex.

There was never a time when the air was so full of solid railroad building talk for Oregon as it is at present. Already three lines into the Nehalem country are projected, extensions are mapped out at various points in Eastern and South-eastern Oregon; the report is that the Coos Bay and Eastern road will be completed to Roseburg and that early spring will see the Corvallis & Eastern railroad going over the mountains at a lively rate and across the plains to an eastern connection. All this is to be accomplished to a great extent by new capital coming in from other states, capital coming in from other states, capital that has faith in Oregon's future and feels safe in casting itself with us.

A St. Paul, Minn., dispatch to the Boston Daily Advertiser says: The tallest living man is said to be Lewis Welkins, who is now arousing great interest in the scientific circles of Europe. Welkins was born on a farm near this city, in 1874. When he was but ten years old he measured six feet in height and now has grown to the tremendous height of 107 1/2 inches—just three quarters of an inch less than nine feet—and weighs 391 pounds.

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

In 300 German towns, with an aggregate population of 15,000,000 inhabitants, medical statistics are now regularly received and compiled.

A curious accident occurred recently in a feather-pod factory in New York. The feathers got to boiling so rapidly that the fire on them caught fire.

Carrier pigeons refuse food after a long and exhausting journey. They drink some water and go to sleep, not to resume their usual mode of life for 48 hours.

James Cantlie, F. R. C. S., recognizes eight types of plague—namely, the bubonic, the septicaemic, the pneumonic, the nervous, the toxic or fulminant, the purpurial, and the two mild types, pestis ambulans and pestis minor.

On November 9, during a test before the Belgian government officials of Marcen's wireless telegraph, a message was sent from the steamship Princess Clemantine to Dover Court, Essex, a distance of between 80 and 90 miles, including many miles of cliffs and sea.

The Royal Wurttemberg railways has just concluded a contract by which its shops at Stuttgart are to be lighted by a new system. This system consists of a central petroleum reservoir from which copper pipes conduct the oil to burners, in which it is vaporized to a gas which affords a very brilliant light with a limited quantity of oil.

The superintendent of foreign mails says in his annual report that there were 8,325,016 pounds of mail matter dispatched by sea to foreign countries during the last fiscal year. Of this, 5,722,433 pounds were for trans-Atlantic destinations, almost 2,599,000 going to Great Britain. The trans-Atlantic mails increased 429,847 pounds over the previous year. The aggregate cost of the foreign mail service was \$2,158,033.

SURE ENOUGH UMBRELLAS.

Gorgeous Gingham, London Made, for Ashanti Chiefs, at \$175 Apiece.

Nearly 20 Englishmen are now at work on seven umbrellas for an Ashanti chief and his faithful staff, says the London Express.

There is nothing under the sun a chief can wear not even excepting a just-off silk hat or a red-lined cavalry coat, so calculated to strike awe into the minds of refractory natives and so imbue them with a spirit of obedience as a "gingham."

Traders, when they want to obtain free access to the country of one of the hostile tribes, make presents of worn-out clothing to the natives, or even a "gambo" to a particularly obstinate and pugnacious chief.

A London syndicate of Gold Coast traders has given the order and are paying for the umbrellas in question, which will be given to bribe the vain, dusky warriors.

Messrs. James Smith & Sons, of Oxford street, are making them, at £35 for the large one and £20 each for the others.

When finished the umbrellas will be gorgeous beyond the dream of the most imaginative negro.

For the chief the present will be nearly 15 feet across, quite a decent-sized tent. In fact, on state occasions it will be so used.

The handle will then be stuck in the ground, and six slaves will act as the tent pegs.

The material from which it is being made is silk, and the colors are to be "red, white and blue." What will some of our political stump orators say to this?

Round the edge will be a deep rich fringe and on the top an elaborately chased cap, surmounted by a British lion rampant.

For the staff the umbrellas will be something smaller and less majestic.

What rejoicings there will be in the land when the carriers arrive with these parasol-tentlike umbrellas, and how pleased will the city men be with the return for their good-natured and thoughtful action.

LIQUID FUEL FOR STEAMERS.

Vessel Travels to London from Borneo Using Only Oil for Its Fires.

In October the steamship Cowrie steamed all the way from Koetie, in Borneo, to London, a distance of 9,235 miles, using nothing but liquid fuel.

When the steamer reached London the boilers for supplying steam for the unloading machinery were fired by the same material. The oil was not burned by a thin layer of incased, soot coal, as is the case in some systems, but was reduced to a spray by means of a steam jet at the furnace door, where it was delivered from tanks above the boilers, says the New York Sun.

The Cowrie was formerly fired with coal, and her owners say that her conversion to liquid fuel has been attended with advantageous results. Only six stokers are now required, though 16 were necessary when coal was used. A great deal of bunker space is also saved. The consumption of oil at sea is only 22 tons a day, while the daily consumption of coal used to be 35 tons, and a ton of oil occupies only 34 cubic feet, against 45 feet required for coal. The coal is also taken on board much more quickly than coal, and recently 300 tons were pumped into a German steamer in an hour.

The oil yield by the Borneo oil fields is said to make an excellent fuel just as it comes from the ground, and it is beginning to be much used for this purpose by the Hamburg-American and other steamers that are engaged in the eastern trade.

Venerable Mule. There is a mule at Torkia, Mo., 47 years old, and it is still hale and hearty and able to do a good day's work.—N. Y. Times.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

Bobbie (reading)—"Pa, what does a better half mean?" "Just what she says."—Life.

Enough to Kill Him.—"Do you think Plummer will get over his illness?" "I hardly think so. He has three doctors."—Town Talk.

She Couldn't Tell.—"Am I descended from a monkey, ma?" "I dare say, but I'm not sure, for I never met any of your father's people."—Truth.

Two Orphans.—"Conversation is only the art of talking back." "Not much; conversation is the art of getting somebody to listen to you."—Chicago Record.

"Pa, is a man's wife called his better half?" "Yes, my son. They each of Mr. Robert's three wives would be a better half, wouldn't she?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Brown—"Millman seems to know a good deal." Black—"Yes; but of course it is impossible for a man to know as much as Millman appears to know."—Boston Transcript.

A Brutal Bachelor.—Aunt Jane—"It's so pleasant to have a baby in the house." Walker—"How can it be pleasant when there is a continual squall?"—Boston Transcript.

"Please excuse William from school to-day," wrote the boy's mother to the teacher, "as he sat up late last night studying his lessons and is too sleepy to come to-day."—North American.

Contingent Circumstances.—"Has Mr. Biden a good memory?" "Well," replied the discreet friend; "I must say it depends somewhat on whether he's owing of collecting."—Washington Star.

Up in Fractious.—Mamma—"Bessie, how many sisters has your new playmate?" Bessie—"He has one mamma. He tried to fool me by saying that he had two half sisters, but he didn't know that I've studied arithmetic."—Tacoma Ledger.

UNLUCKY CHINESE EDITORS.

The Tyrannical Emperor Has Suppressed All Newspapers in the Empire.

Empire. The Hsi has suppressed all newspapers in China. There were 56, though of these those in foreign hands cannot be stopped. The imperial decree of October 9 was as follows: "As newspapers only serve to excite the masses to subvert the present order of things, and the editors concerned come from the dregs of the literary classes, no good can be served by the continuation of such dangerous instruments, and we hereby command the entire suppression and sealing up of all newspapers published within the empire, while the editors connected with them are to be arrested and punished with the utmost severity of the law."

Now, with four or five exceptions, these papers have been very well conducted, and certainly in some cases Chinese editors may take rank among "quite the best people in China." One, who was merely the editor of a local paper till then had been tutor to the children of Chang Chih Tung, the one incorruptible viceroy. Yet these men, and for no other offense than that of being newspaper editors, are to be punished with the utmost severity of the law, and this by the arbitrary will of a woman, hated throughout China, who has summarily deposed her adopted son and made herself ruler in his place. Kang, the modern sage, who has only escaped beheading through the protection of an English man-of-war, begs the English people to take steps for the protection of the relatives of one of these editors, Liang, the editor of Chinese Progress. He has himself escaped into hiding somewhere or other, but by Chinese usage all the relations of a criminal are reckoned criminals, even to the ninth degree; and Mr. Liang's foster mother, aunt, uncle, brother and nephew have been seized by the officials. Mr. Kang's own whole family fled in the night from their home across the Pearl river, at Canton, before officials arrived to seize them; though how a whole clan can succeed in remaining hidden it is difficult to understand, unless under the protection of the British flag at Hong Kong. His brother, of course, was among the first six leaders beheaded at Peking.—St. James' Gazette.

COST OF THE CUP DEFENDER.

The American Racing Yacht Has Cost Its Owners a Handsome Fortune.

A correspondent of the Army and Navy Journal having applied to it for information on the subject, that paper answers that the cost of the building of the Columbia has been variously estimated at from \$100,000 to \$150,000 for the Shamrock at from \$150,000 to \$200,000. It then adds: "A summary of the cost of the Shamrock, based on estimates from various sources, is as follows: Construction and rig, \$200,000; pay roll officers and men, including sailmakers and carpenters (50 men), for four months at average of \$40, \$12,800; provisions for men and officers at \$5 a week for 15 weeks, \$7,200; clothing for crew, \$1,000; for dry docking twice, \$600; tender at \$150 a day for 60 days, \$9,000; tugboat at \$60 a day for 60 days, \$3,600; derrick and lighter services, \$500; lighter for storage of spars for six weeks, \$600; freight for spars and sails by steamer, \$500; passage for 30 workmen, riggers, etc., \$1,800; general expenses, incidentals, etc., \$5,000; total, \$242,600. If the special services of the designer, Mr. Fife, and of Salmaker Batey, who came to this country, are a charge against the account the sum would, of course, be so much augmented. Recapitulation shows that the Erin and Shamrock represent a first cost of \$725,000. The cost of running the Erin increases the expenses to \$875,000."

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MAIE HEIR TO A THRONE.

Son of Queen Victoria's Fourth Son Is in Line, Through Several Renunciations.

Queen Victoria's sons have inherited from their father, the prince consort, a petty principality and throne in Germany. "The Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, a ducy with a territory of about 750 square miles—three-fourths of the area of Rhode Island—and a population exceeding 250,000. It is not a stronghold of power and influence, but a good deal of money goes with it, and makes it worth while to keep it in the family.

The prince of Wales renounced his rights to the duchy because he was heir to the English throne. The duke of Edinburgh accepted the inheritance, but he has no son to succeed him. The duke of Connaught was the next in line, but his son has renounced their rights. The heir to the throne is the son of the late duke of Albany, the queen's fourth son.

He is a schoolboy, in his fifteenth year, and has no prospects in England. He will now go to Germany to finish his education, and will cease to be an English prince. He will owe allegiance to the German emperor, and will probably serve his time in the army.

The inheritance has been arranged by Queen Victoria, whose will is law in the English royal family. She has provided for one of her favorite grandsons a snug and comfortable little throne on the continent, where he will have little to do, and where his income will be large.—Month's Companion.

HAYTIAN CONSERVATISM.

Disregard Innovations and Stick to the Old Laboring Method of Doing Things.

The Haytian is a wonderful example of conservatism. What was, must be right. A few years ago the town of Port de Paix, owing to an unexpected progressive spirit on the part of the government, constructed some fine waterworks. The town was well piped, with hydrants at short distances on all its streets. Decorative fountains were placed in the squares, drinking fountains for man and beast everywhere. The natives, as usual, took not the slightest interest in this important and necessary undertaking. At last, when completed, in accordance with the custom of the country, the water system was opened with a series of fetes. The whole section of the country had a hilarious holiday—balls, processions, cock-fights, etc. When these were all over, says Harper's Magazine, the natives came to the conclusion that the water-pipes must have been put in to give an excuse for them, and the water works were no longer of any service, so they promptly smashed the whole system up and returned to carting the city's water from the distant river by ox teams. Now they tie their animals to the hydrants, fall over the fragments of the pipes scattered round the streets, and are happy.

SMART WOODPECKERS.

They Drop Bad-Smelling Berries Into Hollow Trees to Drive Grubs Out.

Prof. Eastman J. Clarke, with a party of students from Connecticut, has just returned from a long trip after natural history specimens in the Maine woods. Some weeks ago, while on the headwaters of the Allagash, he says he found a family of downy woodpeckers which seemed to be endowed with more intelligence than falls to the lot of the average bird. Woodpeckers feed upon worms that burrow into trees. As an active borer makes a gallery three or four feet long in a single season, the woodpecker is often obliged to make many punctures in order to get at his prey. The favorite bird which came under Prof. Clarke's eye had adopted a labor-saving device which has proved of great service. The rankest plant that grows in the Maine woods is the India poke, the berries of which are charged with an alkaline juice that is very offensive to all animal life. According to Prof. Clarke, the Allagash woodpeckers, having opened up a gallery made by a borer, drop pokeberries in the orifice. The berries give out such an odor that the grubs are forced to come outside for fresh air, and the woodpecker does the rest.

Cordially Agreed with Teddy.

Gov. Roosevelt attended the recent commencement at Cornell, and while there was entertained at one of the village fraternity-houses. When he was about to leave one of his staff said to him: "Governor, the boys have an excellent library in the house and I think they would appreciate its enlargement by a copy of your 'Rough Riders.'" "Teddy," in an outburst of good-fellowship, exclaimed: "All right, boys, I'll be glad to send you a copy with my compliments; the book would be a very small return, indeed, for your hospitality." Whereupon one of the boys replied, excitedly: "That's so, governor; I've read it."

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An English inventor has devised a very ingenious artificial leg and foot intended for use in cases of amputation below the knee joint. It is mainly composed of a hollow rubber chamber, which is inflated in exactly the same way as a bicycle tire. The skeleton of the foot is of wood and contains within it a rubber-faced point which permits of movements like those that take place at the ankle. A pair of rubber pneumatic pads surround the end of the amputated limb, so that no undue pressure is exerted on the tissue.

Boston's British-American Residents.

There are in Boston 44,207 persons born in British America, including Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.

Congress must have thought there was danger of a revival of the "code of honor" in Washington, as it passed a law making it a ten-year offense to send, receive or carry a challenge to fight a duel in the District of Columbia.



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