THE ARCTIC REGIONS.

Astonishing Skill Possessed by the Natives of the F. igid Zone.

The natives of the frigid zone know, too, how to set effective traps for deer, wolves and other animals without the aid of wood or white men's implements. A deer trap, for instance, is made by digging a hole in the deep snow and covering it with snow blocks held in position by resting upon each other For bait little lines of salted water are led to the center of the covering of the pit, and following up one of these the unsuspecting animal falls in and becomes an easy prey to the hunter.

A wolf-trap is made by coiling into as small a space as possible slender strips of whalebone about a foot in length, and tying them with thread made from sinew. Each coil is then imbedded in a small chunk of meat and thrown upon the snow, where it is subsequently found by the wolf and bolted without chewing. In a little is wet and slips the loosely made knots, the whalebone straightens and pierces the stomach and intestines, and the animal dies in torture. In winter the northern native knows how to find the "blow-hole" in the ice fields, where a seal comes up to get a fresh supply of dren spend almost a million dollars air for his lungs. This "blow-hole" is for French and S rman dolls, and very different in reality from that America's children almost double that. which is usually pictured in the illustrated stories of Arctic travel.

pass directly over a blow-hole in winter used. or spring and not see it, as it is not have escaped the notice of even these the present K ng keen-eyed hunters. When found, the location is marked for future reference, and at some subsequent time, when meat is scarce in the snow-hut that shelters the bunter's household. he repairs, with snow knife and spear, to one of the places previously marked, and, building a shelter or break-wind of snow-blocks, sits down to await the return of the seal. Sometimes these vigils are prolonged not for hours only, but for days, at a sitting.

In the spring, when the seal comes out upon the ice to bask and doze in the warm sunlight, the hunter approaches did he say?" "He asked me if I d him by lying down and advancing ever heard Jenny Lind." cautiously, at the same time imitating the motions of a seal, keeping his feet and legs, which he crosses at the ankle, close together, so that they much resemble the hind-quarters of a seal. Indeed, when at a distance, I have frequently found it difficult to tell which was the scal and which the man. It is the early training of the northern savages that has taught them to do all this skillfully .- Comopolitan.

ABOUT TIGHT LACING. Oscar Wilde Denounces the Unreasonable Dictates of Fastion.

Miss Leffler-Arnim's statement, in a lecture delivered recently at St Saviour's Hospital, that "she had heard of instances where ladies were so determined not to exceed the fashionionable measurement that they had actually held on a crossbar while their maids fastened the fifteen-inch corset,' has excited a great deal of incredulity, but there is nothing really improbable in it. From the sixteenth century to our own day there is hardly any form of torture that has not been inflicted on girls, and endured by women, in obedience to the dictates of an unreasonable and monstrous fashion. "In order to obtain a real Spanish figure,'

straight and well made, I was enclosed fer from pains and aches of any kind." in stiff stays, with a steel busk in front, while above my frock bands drew my shoulders back till the shoulder blades met. Then a steel rod with a semi-circle, which went under my chin, was clasped to the steel bask in my stays. In this constrained state I and most of the younger girls had to prepare our lessons;" and in the life of Mrs. Edgeworth we read that, being sent to a certain fashionable establishment "she underwent all the usual tortures of backboards, iron collars, and dumbs, and also (because she was a very tiny person) the unusual one of being hung by the neck to draw out the muscles and increase the growth," a signal failure in her case.

Indeed, instances of absolute mutilation and misery arc so common in the past that it is unnecessary to multiply them; but it is really sad to think that in our own day a civilized woman can hang on to a crossbar while her maid laces her waist into a fifteen-inch circle. To begin with, the waist is not a circle at all, but an oval; nor can there be any greater error than to imagine that an unnaturally small waist gives an air of grace, or even of slightness to the whole figure. Its effect, as a rule, is to simply exaggerate the width of the shoulders and the hips, and those whose figures possess that stateliness, which is called stoutness by the vulgar. convert what is a quality into a defect by yielding to the silly edicts of fashion. on the subject of tight lacing .- Wom-

an's World. -The time of the ocean steamship passage has been reduced by more than one half since 1840, and by more than forty per cent. since 1860.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

-The women of Russia do all the harvesting; the grain is cut with sickles, as it was 3 000 years ago, and is threshed with a flail.

-"The great American deer-stalker," Mr. Wiman, now controls 230,000 acres of deer forest in Scotland, and employes several hundred keepers.

-It is stated that more than 2,000.-000 glass eyes are made every year in Germany and Switzerland; while one French house manufactures 300 000 of them annually.

-The city of Buenos Avres, with a spirit of enterprise superior to that of many cities of greater -pretensions, is about to establish a pneumatic postal serv co on the European plan.

-Sea ot:er has only been known to Europeans as a fur for about one hundred and fifty years. It is the rival of seal in fashionable favor. M never, or while the frozen meat thaws, the sinew gray squirrel, is a very old fur, and was at one time the special favorite of royal y.

-There are whole towns in Germany that do little else but make dolls for American children. They are mostly simple country folk. England's chil-

-An Englishman has invented a brake by which any person in a cons-Generally they are represented as pariment can turn a lever and stop irregular openings in the ice from two the train. At the same time a white to six feet in diameter. The fact is, disk will appear outside of the comone unfamiliar with the habits and partment to notify the conductor in haunts of these marine mammals would which carriage the brake has been

-The heir presumptive to the Belusually more than from half an inch to gian throne, Prince Baldwin of Flanan inch in diameter at the surface of ders, receives with the new year a senthe ice. The native seal-hunters are arate and independent court and greatly assisted in these searches by household, and officially takes his rank their dogs, whose keen noses seent the and place as successor to the crown. odor of seal meat and guide their mas- The P, ince is now in his nineteenth ters to places on the right and left of year, and is a son of Prince Phillipe, the line of search that would otherwise Count of Fianders, the only brother of

-"I would pernaps say yes," said the gentle maiden to her dude lover, "if you had more push, more energy." I could have more push, more energy," he sail, "if I had a mind," "If you had a mind! Yes, that's just it."

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four teaspoonfuls of the best Baking Powder, sav-ing twenty times its cost, besides being much healthier, because mach healthier, because it does not contain any injurious substances, such as alum, terra albasetc., of which many Baking Powders are mads. Dairymen and Farmers should use only the "Arm & Hammer" brand for cleaning and keeping Milk Pans Sweet and Clean.

CAUTION. See that every pound package of "Arm and Hammer Brand" contains full 16 ounces net and the \$1 pound packages full 12 cancer net. Soda or Salerstus same as specified on each package. ON EVERY PACKAGE.

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