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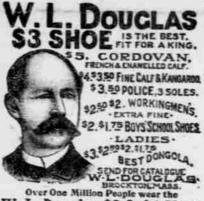
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MAY MARRIAGES UNLUCKY.

Old Superstition Which Has Powerful Influence With European Bridal Couples. The municipal statistics of the city of Marseilles show the observer that on the 28th of April, 1894, there were registered at the mayor's office in that town no less than 94 marriages. Why this enormous number? Because, according to an ancient tradition, couples that marry in the month of May expose themselves to great danger-death will soon smite the unfortunates, or, at the very least, their union will not be blessed with children. Therefore a large number of Marseillaise lovers availed themselves of the last days of April to join themselves in wedlock.

This curious superstition is by means confined to Marseilles. M. le Blaut, a French investigator, ascribes to it an origin in Roman antiquity. The Roman poet Ovid said that May was no time for widows to marry or for young girls, and adds that the imprudent woman who braves fate by so doing will die early. Plutarch agrees to the truth

It may be because of this ancient principle that the Roman Catholic church has made the month of May sacred to the Virgin. However this may be, the idea has certainly perpetuated itself with singular persistence. Tassoni, writing about the middle of the seventeenth century, relates that among the inhabitants of Ferraras many young nobles and princes who were married in May died only a few days afterward. "It is the observation of this strange fact," he observes, "that induced the Ferrarese, so

it is said, to follow the ancient custom." At the present day the superstition has not ceased to show itself in certain regions of Italy, in Roumania, in south Germany, Bohemia, Westphalia, England and France, notably in Saintonge and in the Cevennes, where every one acknowledges the truth of the proverb, "The month of flowers is a month of

"Perhaps," said Plutarch, month of May is regarded as unlucky because it comes between April and June, the months respectively of Venus and Juno, the tutelary goddesses of marriage, or perhaps it is because May is the month of the feast of the Lemures, the souls of the dead."-Paris Letter.

TREE PLANTING IN FRANCE. seless Sand Dunes Converted Into Valu-

able Land With Pines. The French thoroughly appreciate the lande, borrowed, as it is thought, from Tribune. the German, is losing its meaning of "waste." Till a century ago a large portion of the forest of Fontainebleau consisted of bare sand hills, but the Sold by A. C. Marters & Co. planting of pines was begun. A variety capable of standing the severest winters was evidently found, and millions of trees now diffuse healthy and agreeable odors, besides furnishing timber

for fuel. The decomposed fir needles, moreover, gradually form a crust of vegetable mold, permitting the growth of trees and shrubs less able than the pine to live on air. The department of the Landes, once a barren region, with sand so loose that people had to walk on stilts, is covered with pines, and the problem of draining the subsoil has been solved, as described in Edmond About's story of "Maitre Pierre."

The losses by fire and anxiety to produce something more remunerative than pine are now, however, inducing schemes of artificial fertilization. In many French watering places dunes have been transformed into woods, thus holding out to seaside visitors the attraction of agreeable shade and a change from menotonous beach. Shifting sands have been prevented from extending inland. In some cases dunes have been acquired by companies, which, after planting them, have cut them up into building lots and have seen them dotted with villas.

Elsewhere municipalities have taken up the matter, and in large operations the district or the department has provided the funds. - London Times.

He Loves to Work.

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to love to work. "-New York Sun.

Dutch toast is a simple dish for using and place in a frying pan with a slice of butter or drippings. Add salt, pepper and sage if liked. It should be seasoned quite well. Add a small quantity of boiling water, cover closely so the steam will soften the bread, stir several times and serve hot. What with cream toast, edfish and fruit teast, we may have this tureo cooked bread frequently with out its becoming monotonous.-Philadelphia Ledger.

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the War of 1812. This is a chapter of semiofficial, ser domestic history, and it is vouched for by a granddaughter of the hero's family line, a Chicagoan who now lives on

Dearborn avenue Prominent in Mr. Madison's cabinet sat, fourscore years ago, Secretary of the Navy Jones, the son of a famous shipbuilder, a man gallant not only in spirit, but in dress and manner. His fitness for his office is attested by the naval histories of the war of 1812. But the successful secretary had more wit than hair, and a wig was a sine qua non of his political and social life. All went well with this adornment until the luckless August day in 1814 when the British marched from Bladensburg

upon Washington. It will be remembered that President Madison and his cabinet stood not upon the order of their going on that occasion, but went at once-to a very retired summer resort. Every one knows how Lady "Dolly" remained behind long enough to save some valuable White House portraits from having their eyes put out by English bayonets, but few have heard how collected Mrs. Secretary Jones was in this national crisis.

Presence of mind is said to be promoted by absence of body. This lady displayed in the face of danger presence of both mind and body. As the secretary emerged from his doorway, his hands full of such family valuables as his agitated condition had allowed him to collect, Mrs. Jones confronted him with the appalling words: "My dear, you have forgotten my

slippers. You must go back and get

General Ross was almost at his door bringing imprisonment or death, but the unhappy man turned back to hunt the slippers, which, it is only fair to Mrs. Jones to add, were adorned with diamond buckles. In his headlong quest for these treasures-which he secured-his wig dropped off in a dark corner, and he did not dare to take time to hunt for it nor to attempt the purchase of another. The shorn appearance of the sec-retary, hitherto faultless in all appointments of dress, is said to have very much lessened the melancholy of the cabinet journey. It is further asserted that during the time of retirement, no matter how depressed any member of the presidential party felt over public and private woes, if he but glanced at Secretary Jones peal upon peal of irresistible advantages to be derived from systematic laughter was sure to follow and that the tree planting. Tracts of sand have been despoiled Adonis cordially joined in art of making good his opportunity covered with pine forests, and the word | these bursts of merriment. - Chicago

A Malay Water Slide.

tlements, the Malays have one form of land. On this spot, hundreds of years amusement which is probably not to be ago, early Christian missionaries landenjoyed anywhere else in the wide ed, and on top of a shelly mount, half

course of a mountain river, down which | island there stand also the ruins of a the water trickles about two inches church said to have been built by the deep, the main stream having carved successors of St. Columba.-Leisure out a bed by the side of the bowlder. Hours. This rock, the face of which has been rendered as smooth as glass by the constant flow of water during hundreds of years, the Malays-men, women and children-have turned into a toboggan. Climbing to the top of the rock, they sit in the shallow water with their feet straight out and a hand on each side for

into a pool of water. This is a favorite sport on sunny engaged at a time and sliding so quickly one after another or forming rows of two, four or even eight persons that they tumble into the pool a confused mass of screaming creatures. There is little danger in the game, and, though some choose to sit on a piece of plantain, most of the tobogganers are content to squat on their haunches -London Little Folks.

Life In Japan.

"It is a curious, but accepted truth," comments the wife of a naval officer who has resided a number of years in Japan, "that Americans, as a class, do not long stand up against Japan life. There is something in the air, or something lacking in it, which is peculiarly trying to us. So many naval officers serving a three or six years' duty there have come home with an incurable complaint that it is common talk in the service. Two admirals have died of abcess of the liver after several years' residence there, and other officers have had their health seriously impaired under similar conditions. I never was seriously sick in my life till I got out to the island empire, and throughout my whole stay I fought something. The English residents do not seem to suffer as we do, which is also a commented upon fact." -New York Times.

Excellent pianos may be bought in Europe at perhaps two-thirds the cost of that fellow," said a rounder. "He is the a like instrument here, and even indionly man I ever saw who always seems viduals can import planes to advantage in spite of the tariff. But a fact that works pretty effectually to protect the home manufacturer is that either the American climate or the usual steam up scraps of bread. Crumble the bread heat tends to destroy the imported piano, so that even the temptation of saving from \$200 to \$500 on the first cost does not induce many persons to take the risk of an instrument that cannot stand the chimate. - Philadelphia Ledger.

England's Tobacco Law.

An antiquarian says that tobacco cannot be used in England save by a violataon of law. In 1660 a law was made prohibiting the growth or importation of tobacco beyond a few hundred pounds In the house of a Pompeiian sculptor of leaves every year, "to be used in were found 32 mallets, 15 compasses, 3 | medicine." It is said that this statute

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THE KING OF INNISHKEA.

He Dwells on an Irish Island

a Mayo Tribe. About 16 miles from Dugort, in Achill island, out to sea, looking like a thin line of sand in the waves of the Atlantic, is the island of Innishkea. One fine morning our party started to visit it in a trusty hooker. As the hooker came in sight of the shore great excitement was visible among the islanders, and it was very hard to realize that we were still

but 36 hours' journey from London. The inhabitants turned out en masse The women and children in their scanty garments of red flannel crouched outside their cabins, while numbers of the men ran down to the beach and put out in their coracles on chance of rowing us to land. It was a strange scene and curiously like a picture plate in a boy's book of adventures. We knew there was a king of Innishkea, and soon a tall, bronze faced man was pointed out to us as his majesty. On landing all the party were introduced and conducted by him to the palace, where the queen dowager, with her daughter, bade us welcome in

true Irish fashion. The old lady was in her picturesque native costume-red dress and plaid shawl over her head. The princess, however, had evidently on first sight of the hooker arrayed herself in modern fashion to do us honor, and we were amused on penetrating into the reception room to find advertisements from shops in Buckingham Palace road and St. Paul's churchyard hung up to embellish the wall, though only by a favored few

could they be read. The island was destitute of any school or means of instruction for the children, a very small proportion either understood or spoke English, and there was neither watch nor clock among the people, who had a happy go lucky idea of time and troubled themselves little as

to Greenwich regulations. There were no church bells to ring, no trains to catch, no office hours requiring punctuality, so when the sun was high in the heavens they would get through their not arduous farming duties, and when he sank in the great waste of waters they could sleep. The king's word settled all disputes. It was a hereditary monarchy, and his people, so far as he was concerned, were untaxed. Happy those states, thought some of the visitors, where royalty could be maintained with so little grandeur! However, I am in honesty bound to add we found King Philip had other means of filling his coffers besides levying taxes on his faithful subjects and learned the whenever the Saxon stranger ventured to land on his shore. But Innishkea has an interest altogether apart from its sitnation, surrounded as it is by lovel In Perak, a state in the Straits Set- views of mountain cliff and rocky heada mile from the beach, are Christian There is a huge granite slope in the remains of great antiquity. West of the

Jenny Lind must have been the most simple, unpretending prima donna that ever lived. When she first came to England she was bound to sing only at the Royal Italian Opera House, and when commanded to sing at the queen's consteering and then slide down the 60 feet | cert she was obliged to refuse. Very sorry to be compelled to notify this, she ordered her carriage and drove straight mornings, astmany as 200 folks being to Buckingham palace. She handed her card to an official, who, not unnaturally, declined to take it in. A higher authority happened to pass and took it upon himself to present it. As soon as her majesty saw it she said, "Admit her, by all means." Jenny Lind appeared and said simply that she was so very sorry to be unable to sing at her majesty's concert that she thought it better to call herself and explain. The queen was charmed with her natural manner, gave her a cerdial reception and promised to be her

friend. -Today.

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Triumph of Bad Spelling.

Mr. R. E. Bartlett, Chelmsford, writes: 'I can beat the achievement of Charles Edward, who, by spelling box 'botsk,' made more mistakes than the letters admit of. I have in my possession a letter addressed many years ago to my father, in which 13 mistakes are made in a single word of five letters. The word is, or was meant to be, usage; the spelling is yowzitch. There are thus five sins of omission and eight of commission; total, 13."-London News.

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