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TIME TABLE NO. 10
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Daily Pass.	STATIONS		Daily Pass.
	South Bound No. 2.	North Bound No. 1.	
Leave	2:15 p.m. Biggs	11:20 a.m. Arrive.	
"	2:25 p.m. Gibsons	11:10 a.m. "	
"	2:35 p.m. Sinks	11:00 a.m. "	
"	2:45 p.m. Wasco	10:50 a.m. "	
"	2:55 p.m. Kio'dyke	10:40 a.m. "	
"	3:05 p.m. Summit	10:30 a.m. "	
"	3:15 p.m. Hay C. Co.	10:20 a.m. "	
"	3:25 p.m. McByde	10:10 a.m. "	
"	3:35 p.m. DeMoss	10:00 a.m. "	
"	3:45 p.m. Moro	9:50 a.m. "	
"	3:55 p.m. Erskipvl	9:40 a.m. "	
"	4:05 p.m. G's V'y	9:30 a.m. "	
"	4:15 p.m. Bourbon	9:20 a.m. "	
"	4:25 p.m. Kent	9:10 a.m. "	
"	4:35 p.m. Wilcox	9:00 a.m. "	
"	4:45 p.m. Shaniko	8:50 a.m. Leave.	

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Science AND INVENTION

A new Swiss watch contains a tiny hard rubber phonograph plate which calls out the hours loud enough to be heard twenty feet away. Sentiment can be had by having the words recorded on the plate in the tones of a dear friend—as those of a man's wife or children.

The amount of albumen necessary in man's food has been proven by French physiologists to be much less than has been supposed. From three to five ounces daily was thought to be required, but later investigators found that two and one-half and even one and one-half ounces would suffice. In the new experiments, continued for thirty-eight days, the real need was shown to be less than one ounce per day.

Eucaine, the new local anaesthetic, is adapted for many operations where chloroform cannot be used on account of heart weakness. It is injected under the skin at the point of incision. Cutting may begin in a few moments without pain, and more of the drug is dropped in at intervals of a few minutes as new portions of tissue are exposed. A recent successful operation in London was continued an hour and a half.

A recent French invention is a ship's compass so mounted that as it swings round with the variations in the pointing of the vessel it produces automatically, through electric connections, a chart on a sheet of paper, by consulting which the ship's officers can see what the course was at any moment of the voyage. The same apparatus also registers the speed of the vessel by recording the number of revolutions of the screws, each stroke of the piston closing an electric current.

The accelerometer, designed for measuring the power exerted in starting a train and to indicate the proper speed for curves, is the invention of F. M. Gilley, a teacher of physics. It consists essentially of two glass vessels connected by a tube and containing liquid, such as mercury and red alcohol. As the train starts, the liquid passing from the forward glass to the rear one—shown by suitable graduations—indicates the force exerted, and in the same way the instrument, when placed on its side, makes evident the jerk or centrifugal force in rounding a curve.

Joseph Wharton, of Philadelphia, suggests, in a paper read before the American Philosophical Society, that in the prevailing scarcity of platinum the metal palladium might be a practicable substitute. It belongs to the platinum group, although in some respects it resembles silver. Among its valuable characteristics are hardness, ductility and malleability. It is also decidedly non-corrosible. It occurs, along with nickel, copper, silver, gold, platinum, iridium and rhodium, in the ores of the Canadian nickel mines in Ontario. Out of 800,000 tons of these ores about 3,000 ounces of palladium are annually produced.

Dr. J. C. Ewart, in discussing the problem of the origin of horses, describes as one of the most distinct kinds now living the Celtic ponies, which are found in the most northern parts of Iceland. They reach a height of only four feet, and are so abundantly furnished with hair that in winter storms they are practically snow-proof. Dr. Ewart observed the conduct of one of these ponies during a snowstorm. As soon as the storm began she turned her hind quarters to it, and in a short time the snow had formed a kind of shield or disk upon the long hair growing about the root of the tail. Thus protected, the pony did not shift her position while the storm lasted, except to turn with a change of the wind.

The Submerged Seventh.
Just after the convening of the new House of Representatives there was a member from the West who was boasting of the enormous majority given him by the voters of his district.

"Why," the new member would exclaim, "do you know I was elected by the suffrages of seven different nationalities?"

One day some one asked him to name the nationalities. He gave them: "Irish, German, Polish, Bohemian, Swedish and Greek."

"But you have named only six nationalities," said the seeker after knowledge. "What was the seventh one?"

The new member again ran over his little list, but could not remember the seventh nationality. At this juncture some facetious bystander chipped in with the remark: "Maybe there were some Americans in the bunch."

"Good for you!" shouted the new Representative, lustily, slapping his thigh. "But it was funny that I should forget them, don't you think?"

It is one of the inexplicable attributes of women that they really like to get a long letter.

TRAINS BUTTERFLIES

California Woman Can Do Many Things with Her Pets.

Miss Mabel Adams Ayer, of 1822 Clay street, a prominent Sunshine Club worker and a member of the Forum Club, has succeeded in training butterflies.

At first the idea seems almost absurd, but if one can see the way Miss Ayer handles her pets it seems the most natural thing in the world. In speaking of them to-day Miss Ayer said:

"Why, it doesn't seem at all strange to me. They are just like any other trained pet. They have their likes and dislikes, and they are really lovable little things when you come to know them. The first thing that started me to studying them was when I was asked to deliver a lecture before the Forum Club. I chose for my subject 'Butterflies and Rainbows,' and, wishing to give something more than could be learned from books, I went into the garden and captured one or two of the butterflies. The more I studied them, the more I loved them, and now they are almost like people to me.

"When I first got one I uncoil his tongue and feed him with sugar and water, and the rest—why, I don't know; they just come to know me, that's all. You know, the butterfly has six legs, and the two front ones he uses to wash his face and preen himself, much as a cat would.

"They live on sugar and water, and I always keep plenty of flowers in the room for them. One big fellow, called a 'Morning Cloak,' I was unable to do anything with. He seemed to have no affection. They are sensitive, and nervous temperaments affect them always. Some of them are quite playful, and two or three would run after and try to catch the end of a stickpin when I drew it in front of them.

"One evening I wore several of them on my shoulder as an ornament. Of course, it was in my own home, but they stayed on my gown all evening. "I have had in all over forty butterflies, but you know, they live only three or four weeks, and most of them are dead now.

"No, I do not use a net for catching them. I simply go out and pick them up. I always breathe on them, and that seems to warm them, and they get so they will fly all around me and bathe or eat from my hand."—San Francisco Post.

The Cookie Jar.

My mother's got a cookie jar, a great big crock'ry one, An awful large and heavy thing, seems if it weighed a ton. It's got a lid that's crock'ry, too, and has a knob on top; You take both hands to lift it off, for fear you'll let it drop. It's in the kitchen closet, there, down underneath the shelf, And if you're good she says that you can go and help yourself. She keeps it solid, brimmin' full of cookies all the time, And when a feller's hungry—say! well, ain't those cookies prime!

And when the long vacation's here, or on a holiday, And you've been playin' all forenoon as hard as you can play At "hide-and-seek," or "three old cat," or marbles, like as not, Till you're all tired and tuckered out and sort of starved and hot, And dinner time seems if it was a whole year off or more, Why, then's the time you want to go to that old closet door And step in where it's dark and cool and smells so good and sweet, And reach down in that cookie jar—and eat and eat and eat.

And sometimes when I sit in school and everything's so still That you can hear the outdoor sounds, the splashin' by the mill, The rattle of a cart, or else a red wood-pecker's drum, While close around is quiet 'cept the sleepy, schooly hum, I think of that old closet shelf and of the jar beneath, And how the cookies crack and crunch between a feller's teeth, And how tremendous good they taste, till seems if, I declare! I couldn't wait till school was out—but, when it is, I'm there.

A feller's mother always knows just what is good for boys, She ain't like aunts and other folks who hate to hear a noise; She understands a chap, she does, and knows just how he feels, And that he has to eat a lot besides his reg'lar meals. She knows that school and playin' makes you have an appetite, And that to wait and starve to death till dinner time ain't right; And so she puts the cookie jar beneath the closet shelf, And fills it full of bully stuff—and lets you help yourself. —Saturday Evening Post.

Almost Eavesdropping.

Among the public men in England is a well-known speaker whose remarks are inaudible twenty feet away, and of him a wit said: "No one admires Mr. X. more than I do, but I always feel that I am taking a liberty in overhearing what he says."

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