

JUDGE HAS A BIG TERRITORY.

C. S. Johnson of Alaska, whose Jurisdiction is One-Sixth of United States.
 Charles Sumner Johnson, recently appointed by President McKinley judge of the United States Court for the district of Alaska, exercises jurisdiction over a domain vastly greater than that of any Federal judge in the Union. It embraces an area of nearly 600,000 square miles, with a coast line longer than that of all the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf States combined, and his jurisdiction is nearly one-sixth of the whole territory of the United States. It extends from south to north from latitude 54 degrees 40 minutes (sixteen and two-thirds degrees) to latitude 71 degrees 20 minutes, and from east to west from 130 degrees west longitude (57 degrees 20 minutes) to 172 degrees 40 minutes east longitude. The position of judge for this country of immensities is no sinecure. The greatest hindrances to the prompt administration of justice are the lack of transportation facilities, the great distances, want of means for communication, and the difficulty of securing competent and reliable juries.
 Judge Johnson was born in a cabin in Jones County, Iowa, in 1854; educated in the high schools of Clarinda,



CHARLES S. JOHNSON.

Agricultural College, and State University of Iowa, graduating from the law department of the latter institution in 1877. He removed to Nebraska and engaged in the practice of law, was elected to various offices, among them member of the Legislature of that State in 1882, prosecuting attorney for his district in 1885, and re-elected in 1887. He resigned in 1889 to accept an appointment as United States attorney for the district of Alaska and served in that capacity four and one-half years, being the only attorney who ever served a full term in Alaska. After the expiration of his term he settled in Juneau, Alaska, and continued the practice of law. He was elected a delegate to the Republican convention at St. Louis in 1896, and was chosen national committeeman for Alaska.

LINES ON THE FACE.

They Tell the Life Story of the Individual with Remarkable Accuracy.

Everybody who possesses character of any sort is laying a system of railway lines on his face which, as old age approaches, will tell his life story and the kind of man he is more clearly than he could tell it himself.

Look at the "cash lines" in sketch No. 1. A constant hypocritical raising of the forehead has made those forehead lines, V-shaped under the eyes, on the baggy chin, mouth and cheek semi-circles, and those little upward curves in the eye-eyecorners.

Face No. 2 has not made the best of things. Everything is wrong, say the drooping lines at either side of the mouth. And the chin itself is a study in woe-begone irritability.

No. 3 is a man who persistently makes the best of things. Life with him is a perpetual circus, and the lines in his face have gradually formed themselves



into a network of jollity and good-humor.

No. 4 is the Bill Sykes type of face. Bill's hand is against everybody when it isn't in anybody's pocket. If you are getting any of these lines look out or you will find yourself enjoying the hospitality of the Government.

Bee's Wings Work Rapidly.

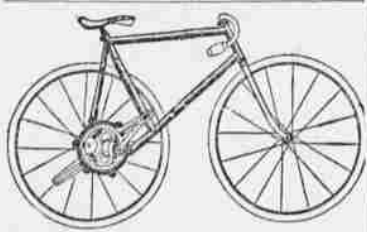
A captive bee striving to escape has been made to record as many as 15,540 wing strokes per minute in a recent test.

HERE'S A CHAINLESS BICYCLE.

Its Inventor Claims Development of Speed of a Mile a Minute.

American wheel manufacturers no longer seek novelties in chainless wheels in European countries. Horatio is giving the subject its best thought and a Detroit man believes that he has found a satisfactory solution of the problem. The new wheel promises to be very speedy and its inventor claims that by its aid the mile in one minute will be an accomplished fact.

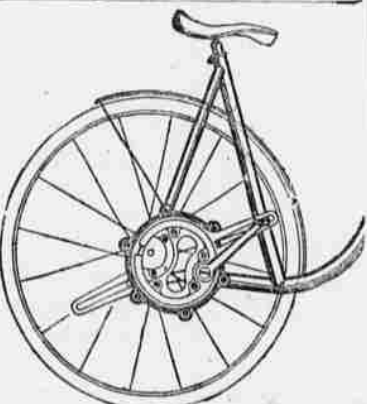
The inventor is a skilled machinist. While working at his trade, making a set of patterns for a shaping machine, the idea for his chainless bicycle occurred to him; namely, the application



THE NEW CHAINLESS WHEEL.

of the principle of the motion of the shaper. To all mechanics who understand the motion the idea will be perfectly clear. The general plan of the driving mechanism is that of an internal gear combined with compound cranks. The internal gear has a projecting arm which contains a slot in combination with the pedal cranks. The tremendous gain in crank power is more than sufficient to compensate for the slight increase of friction in the toothed gear over that in chain gearing. The greatest advantage is that while transmitting the power to the pedal crank there is a gain of three inches actual leverage over the present models. With very little trouble the pinions can be changed (known as changing the gear) so as to convert the wheel from a racer to a road wheel. Another special feature is that the wheel base, or distance between the points of contact with the ground, is 8 to 10 inches shorter than in the chain geared bicycle, which is an advantage in making short turns.

The rider sits directly over the rear wheel, the saddle being changed at will, as in all bicycles—although the position will be identical with that assumed on the ordinary "safety," and one would not feel the difference between riding on this and a chain-driven wheel. The weight will not exceed 24 pounds. All



THE DRIVING MECHANISM.

bearings are either roller- or ball-bearings so as to minimize friction. The gearing and bearings are enclosed in dust-proof shields. The wheel can be placed on the market in first-class style and workmanship for \$125.

RESULT OF A FAD.

Golf Is Everywhere Now the Game of the Moment.

As golf is just now the game of the moment, having shouldered tennis to a back seat, the artists have turned their attention toward picturing and caricaturing the types to be met with on the green golf field.



ATTITUDES IN GOLF.

There is no denying that a man's character is cruelly displayed by his actions on the golf links and the numerous remarkable attitudes people strike are a cause for amusement to lookers-on. Here are some of the positions witnessed at a recent golf game.

Why They Don't Mourn.

"Why don't the Bifftons appear in mourning? Wasn't Charley Biffton, who was drowned last week a member of their family?"

"Yes; but he rocked the boat."—Cleveland Leader.

ASPIRES TO HAWAII'S THRONE.

Princess Kaiulani, Niece of Liliuokalani, the Deposed Queen.

Princess Kaiulani, the accomplished young woman who aspires to the throne of Hawaii, is a typical Hawaiian beauty. She is tall, finely proportioned, with grace and elegance in every movement. Her education is of the



PRINCESS KAIULANI.

very highest order. She is very musical, sings, composes and uses almost any instrument of harmony, even to the violin.

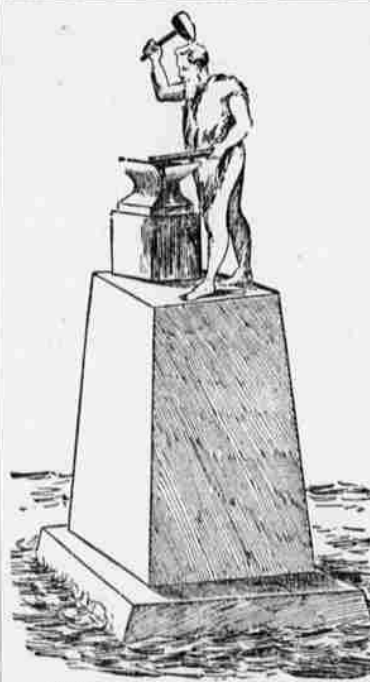
A peculiarity of Hawaiian law is that descent is through the maternal side, instead of by the father. If a member of any of the families of the high chief marries a woman of the people the children, while perfectly legitimate, do not inherit the lands or honors of the father, while if a man not of noble blood marries a woman connected with the noblest families her children by him are nobly born. Succession to the throne is first by descent. The reigning sovereign possessing no heir has the right to adopt and name an heir to the throne. In the absence of descent or nomination, election by the Legislative Assembly, with the proviso that the choice must be from the families of the highest chiefs, provides for the succession.

Princess Kaiulani is the niece of Queen Liliuokalani, and was named heir-apparent on March 8, 1891, the fact being officially communicated to this Government and acknowledged by the United States. But the young Princess was not at this date in Honolulu, for on May 10, 1889, or in her 14th year, under the charge of Mrs. T. R. Walker, wife of the British Consul, she had left that port for England. There she has been ever since with the family of Mr. Davies, and with him Princess Kaiulani visited this country to protest against the Harrison treaty of annexation.

STATUE OF TUBAL CAIN.

City of Pittsburg to Erect a Great Monument to the First Smith.

The city of Pittsburg is contemplating the erection of a great statue, a work with a meaning, a rival to the mammoth Liberty of New York harbor. It is the purpose to erect the statue in the Allegheny River. The illus-



TUBAL CAIN, THE FIRST SMITH.

tration here given is made from one of the suggested designs. It is the figure of Tubal Cain, the first smith, and is intended to typify the iron industry, which has made Pittsburg what it is. Many other designs have been submitted and the favored artist will be considered a lucky man.

Alaska Rose.

Some sort of plant has been exhibited in Portland, Ore., under the name of an Alaskan rose, which is described as looking like a big sunflower, except that in place of the petals of a sunflower the Alaska "rose" has a mass of yellow blossoms, which lie very close one to the other.

Old Fashioned Women.

Amateur theatricals, short-sleeved dresses and swimming baths are forbidden to the women of Dulmen, in Westphalia, by authority of their parish priest, because they are dangerous to morals.

ATCHINSON GLOBE SIGHTS.

A man who sells candy should never chew plug tobacco while at his work.

The ostrich that sticks its head in the sand, and thinks no one sees it, isn't to be mentioned in the same day with the lover.

When a piece of fertile ground becomes too worn out to raise a crop of weeds, you can believe the theory that men never get too old to fall in love.

If women must gossip at church sewing societies, what is the matter with taking up some of the people in the Bible? The characters are not such that they can't be gossiped about.

When a girl leaves home as a bride she travels in a state-room, and the gods have been good to her beyond complaint if she makes her first trip home in a chair car, and feeds her babies from a lunch basket.

Some day a writer will appear who will be bold enough to denounce the custom girls have of cutting their party dresses very low in the neck. It will probably be an old woman whose charms have shriveled up.

Every girl imagines that she can become an experienced cook after she gets married, without previous practice. Still, it is demanded that the man have practice in his trade or profession before trying to earn a living.

In a late magazine there is a long story by a woman over her unfavorable "environments." The story may be reduced to a few words; the writer says in effect: "I wish I could put my environments in a bucket, and kick it over."

A boy of 12, hungry and hearty, recently came to Atchinson to visit two old maid aunts who lived all alone. He arrived on a Saturday night, and as was their regular custom they had stocked the house with provisions enough that morning to last a week. They cut two extra slices of thin bread, and an extra piece of cold meat in honor of the boy's arrival, and sat down to tea. This hungry, hearty boy of 12 ate everything the maiden aunts had on the table, and by Sunday noon had cleared out everything in the house, and the maiden aunts had to borrow from the neighbors for food for Sunday supper. His appetite so alarmed these two frugal old girls that they have called in a doctor to do something for it.

Helpless Lord Chancellor.

The responsible office of chairman or president of a legislative body is one that generally carries with it both powers and privileges, says the London Sunday Magazine. There are, however, exceptions to the rule. In the British House of Lords it is not the lord chancellor but the whole house that is addressed as "My lords."

The speaker is the sole judge of all questions of order in the House of Commons. In the House of Lords such matters, when there is a conflict of opinion, are decided by the whole house and not by the lord chancellor.

If several members of the House of Commons rise simultaneously to take part in a debate the speaker decides who shall speak first, but if two or more peers rise together in the House of Lords the lord chancellor cannot decide who shall first be heard. It is the voice of the house that determines.

Happily etiquette is so strong in the gilded chamber that it rarely happens when the house by cries expresses its desire to hear one of the contending peers that the others do not give way. But some years ago there was a notable scene over the question whether a peer who had risen from the front tory bench should be heard in preference to a peer who had risen from the front liberal bench.

Neither lord would give way, and to bring the curious situation to an end Earl Granville moved that the liberal peer be heard. The house divided on the question and decided by a big majority that the tory peer should be heard first.

It is difficult for the average man to understand why the lord chancellor should not be able to exercise authority which is vested in the chairman of every public meeting, but there is a subtle constitutional point involved in this apparently ridiculous procedure.

All peers are equal as legislators in the House of Lords. No one of them can be vested with authority over the others. Therefore, when a point of order is involved it is the whole house and not the lord chancellor that must decide the issue.

Drying Lace Curtains.

Lace curtains may be planned to the carpet upon clean white sheets if one is without drying frames. Pin the sheets down perfectly smooth; then pin the curtains on them, using a sufficient number of pins to make the edges of the curtains lie perfectly straight.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Cause for Congratulation.

He had come home very unsteady, and she was good and mad.

"Yes, you are my husband, Mr. Stubbs; but, thank goodness, you are no blood relation to me."—Brooklyn Life.

Never do anything you are ashamed of; you can't tell at what moment the kodak fiend may be taking a snap-shot at you.

SEEKS TO BE QUEEN.

Miss White of Indian Territory Claims the Swedish Throne.

An American woman is a claimant to one of the oldest thrones in Europe. She is Miss Louise White, of Indian Territory, and she asserts that she is the rightful queen of Sweden. At present Miss White is right on the ground. From the window of the hotel room which she occupies in Stockholm she



MISS LOUISE WHITE.

can look across the square to the great white royal palace from which she hopes some day to oust Oscar II. She has gone to Sweden's capital armed with bundles of documentary evidence and backed by a formidable array of legal talent, and she is prepared to stay there until she can persuade the Swedish people to help her swap her bunnet for a crown, her hotel room for a palace.

And, mind you, Miss White's ambition does not spring from an unusual mind. She is a bright, intelligent American woman, and actually has good grounds for her claim. She alleges and is prepared to prove, she says, that she is a lineal descendant of Sweden's most popular king, Gustavus Adolphus, whose direct descendant, Gustavus IV., was deposed in 1809 because he embroiled the nation in too many foreign wars. Miss White claims that she could give a better sample of ruling than her unfortunate ancestor.

Every Swede knows that King Oscar is descended from the Bernadotte family, which three or four generations back was not even a noble one, but if Oscar is handicapped in the line of ancestry he has the advantage of Miss White in other respects. In the first place, he has possession, and would probably hold on to his throne as long as possible. Then, he is a very popular monarch, and Miss White, while her claim has been discussed to some extent in the Swedish papers, is personally unknown.

MESSAGE FROM THE KLONDIKE.

Pound of Gold Sent by an Alaskan Prospector to His Mother.

The little bag shown in the picture safely held a pound of gold on the journey from Dawson City to Pittsburg. It was sent by William G. Stoney to the woman he loved best and oftenest remembered in the far-away gold country—his mother. It was first entrusted to Stoney's friend, S. D. Goff, and by him forwarded to Mrs. Stoney. The time was a little more than sixty days. The bag is being preserved by the fond mother, who prizes it more than



A BAG OF GOLD FOR HIS MOTHER.

the assurance it brought her that her son was thinking of her amid the hardships and trials of that far-off country than for the gold it contained.

A Drummer's Mistake.

The Kennebec Journal tells of a Bangor "drummer" who tried to save a lady from leaping from a rapidly moving train. After he had thrown his arms around her and dragged her into the car she recovered from her surprise enough to call him all the names in the feminine vocabulary and explain that she went out on the platform to wave her handkerchief at some friends. The passengers appreciated it all, but the "drummer" didn't seem to enjoy the situation.

To Ward Off Lions.

In a recent lecture the German traveler Prof. Peehuel-Loeschke discussed the danger from attacks by wild animals in the African deserts, and elsewhere was greatly exaggerated, and that the best weapon against attack was an umbrella, which would ward off any lion or tiger.