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The only valid excuse for despondency is unwillingness to leave a cherished sin.—Boston Congregationalist.

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By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out of this tube the hearing will be permanently lost. Hearing will be restored if you use our Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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SORES AND ULCERS.

Sores and Ulcers never become chronic unless the blood is in poor condition—is sluggish, weak and unable to throw off the poisons that accumulate in it. The system must be relieved of the unhealthy matter through the sore, and great danger to life would follow should it heal before the blood has been made pure and healthy and all impurities eliminated from the system. S. S. S. begins the cure by first cleansing and invigorating the blood, building up the general health and removing from the system a constant drain upon the system. A CONSTANT DRAIN UPON THE SYSTEM. When this has been accomplished the discharge gradually ceases, and the sore or ulcer heals. It is the tendency of these old indolent sores to grow worse and worse, and eventually to destroy the bones. Local applications, while soothing and to some extent alleviate pain, cannot reach the seat of the trouble. S. S. S. does, and no matter how apparently hopeless your condition, even though your constitution has broken down, it will bring relief when nothing else can. It supplies the rich pure blood necessary to heal the sore and nourish the debilitated, diseased body.

Mr. J. M. Talbert, Lock Box 245, Winona, Miss., says: "Six years ago my leg from the knee to the foot was one solid sore. Several physicians treated me and I made two trips to Hot Springs, but found no relief. I was induced to try S. S. S., and it made a complete cure. I have been perfectly well ever since."

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DECLINED A CROWN.

MANY HAVE DONE SO SINCE JULIUS CAESAR'S TIME.

Some of the Persons Who Have Refused to Become Kings—Throne of Greece Went Begging for Some Time—Similar Experience in Roumania.

It is no mean distinction to have refused a crown. There is probably not one man in a million who would decline a kingdom if it were offered him, in spite of the restless nights and fearful days that are commonly supposed to be the lot of a King. Even Cromwell is said to have refused the crown of England more from fear of others than from any other motive.

But there have been many men since Cromwell who have refused to wear a monarch's crown. Thirty-five years ago, when the throne of Greece was vacant, more than one great English statesman might have ruled over the destinies of that classic country, but the difficulties in the way were formidable. Mr. Gladstone's name was freely mentioned in connection with the crown of Greece, though, as Mr. Gladstone was a member of the government at the time, the proposal never took definite shape.

The late Lord Derby, however, who had strong sympathies with Greece, was offered the crown and refused it, throwing away £50,000 a year and a kingdom. It was not the first time a man had declined to sit on the throne of Greece—Prince Leopold, the father of the present King of the Belgians, having refused the crown when Greece was declared a kingdom, in 1830. Prince Leopold's reason for refusing the crown was that the boundaries of the country were insufficient, the exclusion of Crete especially influencing his decision.

One of Queen Victoria's sons, the Duke of Edinburgh, has also been offered the Grecian crown. He was appealed to in the '60s, at the time Lord Derby declined the crown, but was compelled to refuse the office, owing to the attitude of the powers, who strongly declared their opposition to Prince Alfred being crowned King of the Greeks. The throne was then offered to the present King, on whose behalf it was accepted by his father, the King of Denmark.

The crown of Austria-Hungary was refused in the middle of the century by the Archduke Franz Karl, the father of the present Emperor. King Ferdinand I. abdicated in December, 1848, the throne then descending in the ordinary course to Archduke Franz Karl. The Archduke, however, declined the crown, which he handed over to his son, who still wears it.

Another crown which has been more than once refused is the crown of Roumania. When Roumania was declared a kingdom it was settled that the throne should descend to Prince Leopold, the eldest brother of the then reigning King. The Prince, however, voluntarily yielded his rights to the crown in favor of his son, Prince Wilhelm, the renunciation being registered in the Senate in October, 1880. Prince Wilhelm remained heir apparent for eight years, but toward the end of 1888 he formally refused to accept the crown, and his brother became heir apparent, being now Prince of Roumania. The Prince has since married Princess Marie, a granddaughter of Queen Victoria.

Not many years ago a nephew of the great Napoleon died in exile, after refusing a crown. Prince Napoleon, nicknamed "Plon-Plon," son of a brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, was invited to sit on the throne of Roumania as the first King of that country, but he declined the offer, believing at the time that he might ascend the throne of France. So the bird in the hand flew away, and the bird in the bush was never caught. The man who had hoped to be crowned King of France died out of that country in solitary exile. He had sacrificed one crown in the hope of receiving another, and lost both.

Early in the present century Ferdinand VII. renounced the crown of Spain in favor of his father, who again refused it in favor of Napoleon. The great conqueror had to face a nation in arms, however, and never took the throne.

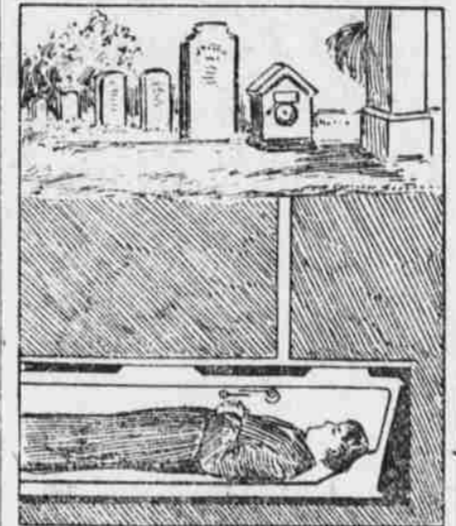
The story of Lord Beaconsfield's golden crown provides us with another instance, though there was no throne with this strange crown. The man in whose brain the idea of crowning Lord Beaconsfield originated is now dead, but as long as he lived he never recovered from the blow of Lord Beaconsfield's refusal of this tribute. Tracy Turnerell received subscriptions from 50,000 people toward his gold laurel wreath, but in June, 1879, when he formally offered the crown to his idol, it was refused.—Philadelphia Times.

PREMATURE BURIAL SIGNAL.

Device to Prevent the Possibility of Being Buried Alive.

The horror of being buried alive is a cause of worryment to many people long before death, and the stories frequently seen in the paper of cases of this kind cause one to shudder and

wonder if it is not possible to prevent this. This thought has, no doubt, led Walter J. McKnight of Buffalo, N. Y., to devise the electrically operated apparatus here illustrated. There have been times when the doctors have pronounced the person dead and life has returned later, sometimes after the burial had taken place. This is where the utility of the apparatus would prove itself, as it forms a means of direct communication with the surface of the ground, and gives a warning signal the instant a movement of the body occurs, which would admit of the coffin being exhumed oftentimes before the victim fairly realized the horror of the situation. The mode of operation is simple;

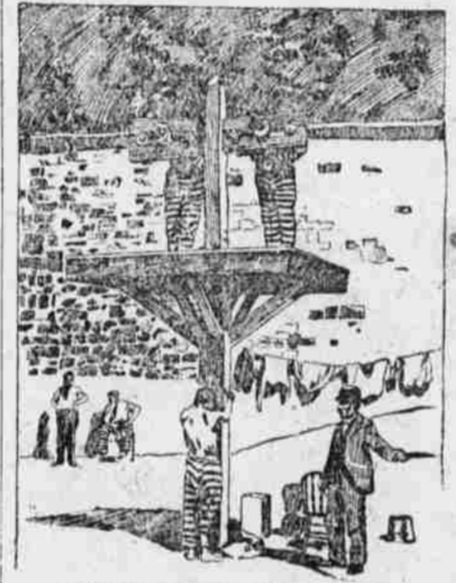


A pair of contact points being attached to the under side of the coffin lid, in close proximity to the hands and chest, so that the slightest movement will cause the points to touch and complete an electric circuit to start a bell ringing on the surface. The wires run through a tube in passing from the circuit closer to the bell, and this tube allows a circulation of air and also provides a means of communication with the buried person.

DREAD POST AND PILLORY.

Why Delaware Clings to This Relic of Barbarism.

Alone among the States Delaware still clings to the whipping post and pillory, and instead of being ashamed of what is generally considered a relic of barbarism is proud of it. Pictures of the pillory and whipping post while



WHIPPING POST AND PILLORY.

both are occupied are even offered for sale as souvenirs to all who visit the Delaware State prison at New Castle.

Among the classes of criminals who are punished by whipping are wife-beaters, and Delaware people say that no other punishment so well fits the case. There is also a class of petty criminals by whom a chance to board a few months at the State's expense is looked upon as a privilege, but to whom a few lashes at the whipping post is looked upon with horror, not so much because of the ignominy of the punishment as because of the physical pain which is inflicted. Cruelty is prevented by a provision which forbids the administration of more than sixty lashes or the confinement of a prisoner for more than one hour in the pillory.

About Paderewski.

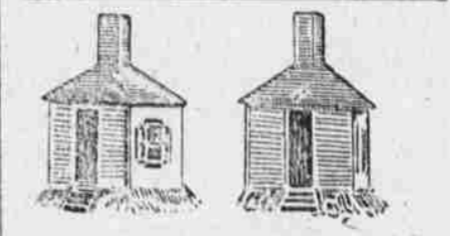
That superb pianist, Ignace Jan Paderewski, who has had the honor of playing before the Queen, owns one of the most beautiful homes in the world at Rioud Bosson, on the borders of the lake of Geneva in Switzerland. As he says, it is too beautiful for work, but, none the less, it was here he composed and orchestrated the greater portion of his opera, which is to be produced at Dresden. By birth he is a Russian-Pole, having first seen the light of day at Podolia on Nov. 6, 1860. After studying at Warsaw and Berlin he became a music teacher, and in 1884 he decided on his life career as a virtuoso. He first went to London in May, 1890, when he played at St. James' Hall.

Boats to Run in Six Inches of Water.

Two distinct curiosities in American shipbuilding have been recently completed in San Francisco. They are stern-wheel launches that, when loaded, will draw but six inches of water. They have met all tests so far successfully, and with their light, compact little engines, easily make seven knots an hour in a six-inch water basin. They are to be used in the Anoor river, Liberia, a shallow stream of local commercial importance.

VALUE OF FIREPROOFING.

Experiment Which Demonstrates How a Fire May Be Stopped. The great desirability of a thoroughly fire-proofed wood has been demonstrated in recent years in warfare and in the peaceful pursuits of man, and a recent experiment was made in Chicago which demonstrates the value of this process in staying the progress of the flames. Two frame buildings were built identical in every respect, except



READY FOR FIRING.



AFTER TEN MINUTES BURNING.



AFTER SIXTEEN MINUTES BURNING.

that one was of ordinary wood, while the other was of wood which had been treated chemically to render it fire-proof. These buildings were fired at the same moment, and the pictures clearly show the progress of the fire at different stages.

The method of treatment followed consists of subjecting the lumber to great pressure while submerged in a secret chemical solution. After that it is kiln-dried and is then ready for use.

LAW AS INTERPRETED.

Right of a telephone company to place its lines in streets under statutory authority is held in Michigan Telephone Company vs. Benton Harbor (Mich.), 47 L. R. A. 104, to be not subject to the consent of the municipality.

Contributory negligence of the owner of property destroyed by fire communicated by a locomotive engine is held, in Boston Excelsior Company vs. Bangor and A. Railroad Company (Me.), 47 L. R. A. 82, to be no defense to the railroad company under a statute imposing an absolute liability on the corporation for damages caused by fire thus communicated.

General deposit by an administrator of money of the estate in a bank owned by him is held, in Shute vs. Hinman (Ore.), 47 L. R. A. 265, to destroy its identity, if any portion of the fund is afterward checked out, so that the fund cannot be traced into the hands of bank's assignee in case of insolvency, although more than the amount of the deposit remains in the bank.

A statute which excludes the property of railroad companies on which a fire tax is levied from the benefit and protection which is to be afforded to other property by the use of the fund, is held, in Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company vs. Clark (Kan.), 47 L. R. A. 77, to be invalid for unconstitutional discrimination and denial of the equal protection of the laws.

Permission granted to a telephone company to maintain its lines in a municipality is held, in Michigan Telephone Company vs. St. Joseph (Mich.), 47 L. R. A. 87, to be subject to alienation to another company without consent of the city, by virtue of the general provisions of the statute authorizing corporations to alienate their property. In a note to this case the authorities respecting the transfer of privileges to use streets for such purposes are collected, and most of them hold that such privilege cannot be alienated without legislative sanction.

The Most Valuable National Scepter.

Russia possesses the most valuable national scepter in the world. It is three feet in length, is made of solid gold, and ornamented with 268 diamonds, 330 rubies, and fifteen emeralds. The scepter, which forms part of the regalia, is handed to the Czar on his coronation as the emblem of sovereignty. At the coronation of the present Czar, which took place in Moscow Cathedral, in May, 1896, the Metropolitan of the Russian Church handed the scepter to the Czar with these words: "God-crowned Czar, and Grand Duke Michael Feodorovich, Autocrat of All the Russians, receive the scepter that the Lord gives you to govern the great dominion of Russia, and take care of it, for it is thy strength and thy power."

They are getting rubber tires on everything. We wonder if they will ever put rubber tires on a baby's scream.

If you had to find five good friends, or be hanged, would you feel easy?

Don't Want Pure Water.

Speaking of the health of the British army in South Africa, the London Lancet says that "one of the greatest difficulties which confront the medical officers is to induce them to drink water which has been rendered as pure as possible by boiling or filtering. After a long march the average soldier will run any risk to obtain a draught of water, however bad."

Russia's New Calendar.

It is said that Russia is about to adopt a new calendar. Each year contains 13 months of twenty-eight days each. The main feature is its apparent stability, and in this it resembles the sovereign remedy, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Try it for dyspepsia, constipation, nervousness or insomnia. Be sure you get the genuine.

From the great shipyards at Stettin, which have already sent forth the Deutschland and the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, is soon to come another leviathan of the sea which, it is affirmed, will make an hourly speed of 24 knots. It may yet come about that a person who has a week and some cash to spare for an ocean voyage may cross and recross the Atlantic in seven days.

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A man in Scranton, Pa., who sold liquor illegally, was for a second offense sent to jail six months and fined \$500. Others were sent three months to jail for first offenses and fined \$500 each.

Activities of a presidential campaign explain the comparative neglect of the sea serpent this summer, but a San Francisco roundist does his best to make amends by describing how a whale nearly upset a steamer. That the whale should be roaming around in a small bay and that a marine "artist" should present the sole proof add to the beauty of the fiction.

DYSPEPSIA

"For six years I was a victim of dyspepsia in its worst form. I could eat nothing but milk toast, and at times my stomach would not retain and digest even that. Last March I began taking CASCARETS and since then I have steadily improved, until I am as well as I ever was in my life."

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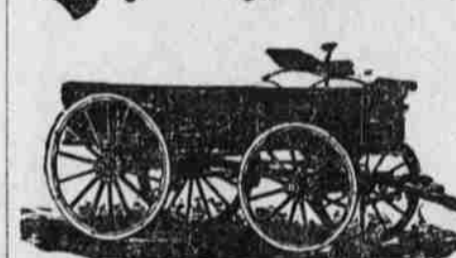
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