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OLD PLAYMATES.

A Pleading Story of a Celebrated French Sportsman.

The author of "Modern Hunting," in La Nouvelle Revue, tells a pleasing story of one of the oldest and most celebrated sportsmen of France, Prince de Joinville. The prince is perhaps the "senior member" of hunting society in this country. He was hunting in the Chantilly forest, as the guest of Duc d'Aumale.

His party met another party which was following a deer in the same forest, and some disorder resulted. The prince lost track of the animal that he was following, but he took the disappointment philosophically, and set out to find the deer again.

On the way he was stopped by an old white-haired peasant, who told him that the deer he was following had passed by there recently. The son of Louis Philippe asked some simple question, but as the old peasant replied he looked at him keenly, seeming to pay more attention to him than to his words. Suddenly he stopped him.

"Wait! it seems to me that I know you, friend!" he exclaimed.

"Yes, sir," replied the peasant, in his old, cracked voice, which shook with emotion: "Oh, yes, we have often eaten cakes at Auntie Adelside's."

It was sixty years since they had been children together, but the varied experiences of that time had not made the prince forget his old playmate and servant, and he delayed his quest for the lost deer to renew the acquaintance.

A REASONABLE OBJECTION.

An English Clergyman Who Protested Against a Remarkable Name.

Sometimes in English country parishes, where the clergyman has been accustomed to have his own way, he protests vigorously if the name proposed for a child about to be christened does not suit him. Occasionally, however, he does so upon false premises. James Payne writes in the Independent:

The late Dean Burgon, when a curate in Berkshire, was requested by a village couple to christen their boy "Venus," or, as they called it, "Vanus."

"Please, sir," said the father, "we want him called after his grandfather."

"And do you say his grandfather was named Venus?"

"Yes, sir; there he is, sir."

"A poor old man, looking very unlike Venus, hobbled out of the crowd."

"Do you dare to say you were christened Venus?" asked the indignant clergyman.

"Well, no, sir," was the respectful answer, "I was christened Sylvanus, but they always called me Vanus."

CUTTER-RIGGED YACHTS.

River Colne the Birthplace of the Graceful Cutter.

Pearl and Louise were the first yachts with the distinctive cutter-rig, writes Capt. A. J. Kenely in Outing. The river Colne was, in point of fact, the birthplace of the cutter and of the graceful cutter-stern.

The marquis of Anglesey may be said to have been the parent of British yachting, and his descendants have been glorious patrons of the sport. The old marquis christened his son, Lord Alfred Paget, by dipping him head first into the sea while a child in long clothes, from the deck of the Pearl. Every yachtman knows what Lord Alfred did for the sport in England, and how capably the prince of Wales and he worked together in developing it. Lord Alfred had the full management of the prince's yachts, Alexandria and Dagmar, both built for his royal highness by John Harvey.

Lord Alfred, too, was the first to recognize the advantage of the auxiliary yacht, and John Harvey designed for him the Xantha, the first of her kind ever built, and she was followed, in 1874, by the Sunbeam, Lord Brassey's boat, made famous by Lady Brassey's facile pen.

Vitality of the Horsefly.

The vitality of the small horsefly after decapitation is as remarkable as that of the snake that has undergone the same process. He does not use his wings, if the beheading has been done neatly, so as not to injure him otherwise, but walks about, stopping now and then for a "dry wash," rubbing his legs together and cleaning his wings. If touched, he will sidle off. If blown upon he will cling tightly to avoid being carried away. This performance he will continue for a quarter of an hour or so.

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London's Lord Mayor is a Gorgeous Creature While Arrayed in His Robes.

The fountain of municipal honor in England, says the London Telegraph, undoubtedly springs from the Guildhall, London, which justly claims to be accounted the most ancient of our municipal halls, seeing that the lord mayors of the last eight centuries are with justice assumed to have prototypes in the Roman prefect and the Saxon fortreye or portgrave. For a considerable number of years the robes of the lord mayor, the court of aldermen and the common councilors have been settled with a precision that none, save the most reckless of innovators, would presume to disturb. The lord mayor himself has his "gold" robe for the annual Guildhall banquet and for the times when he proceeds in state either to the new law courts or to the houses of parliament. The aldermen have their scarlet gowns, the sheriffs their distinctive and very handsome robes and chains, while the common councilors rejoice in gowns called "mazarines," it being generally understood that mazarine is a term for a dark blue color, although, according to some lexicographers, mazarine also means a drinking vessel and an old way of dressing fowls. Then, again, when the sovereign comes into the city the lord mayor is bound to don a robe of crimson or purple velvet, trimmed with ermine. At the time of his investiture, he wears a massive gold chain, but when he is honored by reelection at the expiration of his term of office he wears two chains. The mace of silver gilt, surmounted by a royal crown and the imperial arms, is carried before the mayor by the authority of the charter of Edward III; while the city possesses no less than four swords, one called the "Pearl," presented by Queen Bess when she opened the first royal exchange, and so called from its being richly set with pearls. This sword precedes the chief magistrate on all occasions of rejoicing and festivity. The sword of state is carried before the lord mayor as an emblem of his sovereignty within the city proper; the "black" sword is used on fast days in Lent and at the death of any member of the royal family; while the fourth sword is that placed close to the lord mayor's chair at the central criminal court.

A RACE OF TOOTHLESS MEN.

Coming Generations Will Have to Masticate by Artificial Means.

There is reason to apprehend that unless some cataclysm occurs to arrest the progress of civilization our descendants will be as toothless as Egyptolimus, king of Cyprus, described by the historian Pliny as reduced to masticate his food with a structure of solid bone, in lieu of teeth. This, at any rate, is the opinion of the New York Tribune, is the inference to be deduced from the statistics recently published by order of the British parliament, demonstrating the alarming small number of cases of in any way sound dentition among the English people. Of 4,000 children attending the London public schools, there were only 707 who had sound teeth; while during a period of three months 500 recruits were rejected by the medical department of the army for purely dental reasons. Of course, part of this state of affairs is due to neglect of the digestion, and of the teeth themselves, a fact demonstrated by the statement that all the girls who entered domestic service from the London public schools last year, five-sixths had never even heard of such a thing as a toothbrush—an assertion that has led the educational authorities to institute in many of the metropolitan schools what is now known as the "toothbrush drill."

PLUCKY YOUNG EELS.

How They Overcome the Obstructions in Passing Up the Thames.

Young eels, in passing up a river, show the most extraordinary perseverance in the most extraordinary obstruction. The large floodgates—sometimes fifteen feet in height—on the Thames might be supposed sufficient to bar the progress of a fish the size of a darning needle, says Rod and Gun. But young eels have a wholesome idea that nothing can stop them, and, in consequence, nothing does. Speaking of the way in which they ascend floodgates and other barriers, one writer says: "Those which die stick to the post; others, which get a little higher, meet with the same fate, until at last a layer of them is formed which enables the rest to overcome the difficulty of the passage. The mortality resulting from such 'forlorn hopes' greatly helps to account for the difference in the number of young eels on their upward migration and that of those which return down stream in the autumn. In some places these baby eels are much sought after and are formed into cakes, which are eaten fried."

Eels spawn like other fishes. For long, however, the most remarkable theories were held as to their birth. One of the old beliefs was that they sprang from mud; a rival theory held that young eels developed from fragments separated from their parents' bodies by their rubbing against rocks. One old author not only declared that they came from May dew, but gave the following recipe for producing them: "Cut up two turfs covered with May dew and lay them one upon the other, the grassy sides inwards, and then expose them to the heat of the sun. In a few hours there will spring from them an infinite quantity of eels."

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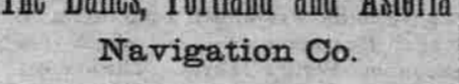
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