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Plucky Ida Minton and Her Life in the Mountains.

The road from Castlow to Andersonville is through one of the roughest regions of Kentucky, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. Robberies are frequent, and many a brave man has hesitated and looked well to his gun before entering on the trip. To Mrs. Minton, however, the highway has no terrors. She enjoys the unique distinction of being probably the only female mail-carrier in Uncle Sam's service who rides horseback fearlessly through the forests with her pouch, which contains the missives which are the only means of communication with the world at large to the residents of Andersonville.

She is a typical Kentucky mountain girl, active, strong, fearless and very intelligent. She is an excellent horsewoman. No animal is too high spirited for her, nor does she need help in mounting and dismounting. With the mail pouch thrown across the pommel of her saddle, she rides fearlessly along the lonely highway, and it is safe to say that anyone interfering with Uncle Sam's mail would have to be a better and quicker shot than the ordinary man, or very well mounted, to stop the mail.

Mrs. Minton has been married two years. It was from her own inclination to help earn money that she took the contract to carry the mails for three years. She has now completed eight months of

The Cat's Religion.

The late Father Stommel, of Doylestown, Pa., who died recently in Philadelphia, was something of a wag, and many instances of his wit are told by his friends. One of his neighbors, it is related, who was not of the same faith as the reverend gentleman, once presented him with a very pretty kitten, being very emphatic in her avowal "that it was a good Catholic cat." A few days later, when out for a walk, she was hailed by Father Stommel after this fashion: "Mrs. B——, I thought you told me the feline you gave me was a good Catholic cat. I beg to assure you that you were mistaken. It is a blue-stocking Presbyterian, and eats meat on Friday!"

Negroes Who Talk Irish.

The Irish language still lingers in the Bahamas, among the mixed descendants of the Hibernian patriots banished by Cromwell to the West Indies. One can occasionally hear, it is said, black sailors in the London docks, who cannot speak a word of English, talking Irish to the old Irish apple women whom they meet, and thus making themselves intelligible without a knowledge of the Saxon tongue.

The hydrographic office has issued a new chart showing the limits, according to the numerous reports received at the United States hydrographic office, of the enormous ice fields encountered by mariners in those waters during the exceptionally severe years of 1892 and 1893, says the Washington Star. All of these reports agree in describing the icebergs seen during these years as colossal in height and extent and herded so closely together that any attempt to force a passage through the main body of the drift was attended by grave danger, many vessels being more or less damaged by collision and two lost.

Some of the bergs are high and perpendicular, and are regarded as of recent origin. Others are known to be old. Their character is such that they could not have been formed on low, flat lands. Scientists believe there are high mountains in the Antarctic continent.

What an Expert Says of Insomnia.

Sir James Crichton Browne, the expert on brain diseases, holds that insomnia is not attended with such disastrous consequences as is commonly supposed. It is not as dangerous as the solicitude of the sufferer. He suggests that the brains of literary men, who are the most frequent victims, acquire the trick of the heart, which takes a doze of a fraction of a second after each beat, and so manages to get six hours rest in 24. Some brains, in cases of insomnia, sleep in sections, different brain sections going off duty in turn.

Reporters Assault Boer Names.

During the Jameson trial in London, the stenographic reporters had a hard time with the Boer names that came tripping off the tongues of the witnesses. In one instance a place is mentioned which appears in the depositions as Van Uithoouis Winkelspruit. The nearest the Evening Standard reporter got to it was Van Nit Hookiswinkel Sprint; the Globe gentry modified this to Van Nit Hooriswinkel, while the Sun simplified it to Van Oudtshhoorn's, and the Evening News boldly made one fearsome word of it, thus: Vanoudtschawanswinkle. The rest of the reporters, like prudent men, declined it altogether.

How a Train Sweeps Air Along.

Interesting results of an investigation of the effect produced by a railroad train on the air through which it moves were presented at a recent meeting of the St. Louis Academy of Science by Prof. F. E. Nipher. It appears that motion is communicated to the atmosphere many feet away, so that a large amount of air is dragged along with the train. A peculiar danger arises near a swift-running train from the tendency of the moving air to topple a person over, and at the same time to communicate a motion of rotation to the body, which may cause it to roll under the train.—Youth's Companion.

Consumption of Iron.

In the year 1888 the consumption of iron, per inhabitant, was: For Great Britain, 400 pounds; Belgium, 310; United States, 290; Germany, 204; Sweden, 170; France, 112; Austria, 45; Spain, 37; Italy, 22, and Russia, 19 pounds.—N. Y. Sun.

The Usual Course.

Mrs. Greathead—Why is it that since you were nominated for an office you have been drinking so heavily?

Mr. Greathead—Can't be helped, m' dear; I musht spend m' time 'mong the boys, m' dear, an' try t' prove to them I'm worthy of the suffrages o' the people, m' dear.—N. Y. Weekly.

A Precious Ring.

Queen Victoria's coronation ring is never out of her sight, and is worn by her every evening. It is a band of gold, containing a cross in rubies surrounded by white brilliants. A coronation ring is supposed to symbolize the wedding of the sovereign with the nation.—Albany Journal.

LOCAL SQUIBS.

John Turley is down at Crow, Lane county, Or.

Will Lee, the wool buyer, left for San Francisco Monday night.

Is Life Worth Living?

If there is an individual on earth who is excusable for thus interrogating himself, it is the unhappy mortal who suffers from malaria in some one of its diabolical forms. This is no difficult conundrum, however. Life is worth living by any man or woman who enjoys good health, and is not harrassed by a reproachful conscience. The malarial scourge, heavily laid on is a terrible one for the poor sufferer to endure A series of freezings, scorchings and sweats—the last leaving one as limp and as strengthless as a dish rag, are hard indeed, recurring as they do with fiendish regularity. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the world-wide known preventive and curative of this class of maladies, either in the form of ague and fever, bilious remittent, dumb ague and ague cake. Used with persistence they will, rely upon it, eradicate disease from the system. They also conquer rheumatism, kidney and bladder complaints, nervousness, dyspepsia, liver complaint and constipation, and renew failing strength.

R Allen and wife, of Toll creek, were down to Heppner last Saturday. Mrs. Allen had been ill for some time, but the Gazette is happy to state that she is recovering rapidly.

You and Your Grandfather

Are removed from each other by a span of many years. He travelled in a slow going stage-coach while you take the lightning express or the electric car. When he was sick he was treated by old fashioned methods and given old fashioned medicines, but you demand modern ideas in medicine as well as in every thing else. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine of today. It is prepared by modern methods and to its preparation are brought the skill and knowledge of modern science. Hood's Sarsaparilla acts promptly upon the blood and by making pure rich blood it cures disease and establishes good health.

Dock Matlock and Ed. Smith are over to McDuffie springs, where the latter is endeavoring to get rid of a severe attack of rheumatism.

Terrible Accident.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and the frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. For sale by Conser & Brock. *

John Cochran, of Ione, was in town Wednesday and made the Gazette an appreciated call.

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Teacher's examination began in Heppner Aug. 1st, with the following applicants in attendance: Cora Driskell Maud Rush, Myrtle Hornor, Mrs. Ooey, Mabel Glasscock and Hattie Schofield applying for county certificates and A. W. Skinner for a state certificate.

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DOGS ON THE WAGON SEATS.

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One of the familiar sights of city life in Chicago is the dog perched on the seat of a delivery wagon or with his head protruding from the rear of the vehicle and barking lustily at some supposed intruder. The sight has become so common as to attract but little attention from the passers-by, but only a few years ago its rarity would have demanded instant attention. Take it around the big wholesale grocery houses down-town and the majority of the wagons that are backed up to the curbstone have a vigilant four-footed guardian in them. Most of these dogs are shaggy-coated terriers of one kind or another, without any claim to high breeding, but with the merit of incessant and wiry watchfulness. Let anyone but the owner lay his hand upon the horse, wagon or contents and at once the dog sets up a savage and noisy protest, in which all the dogs in the line of wagons join.

One of these truckmen, when asked why it was that so many of them had a dog on the wagon, answered: "To watch out for thieves. You see," he continued, "we carry many small packages, and maybe before I get rid of my load I have to visit a dozen places, leaving my wagon and contents unprotected while I go into each house. There are always thieves watching for just such opportunities, and before I had a dog every little while something would be stolen from my wagon and I would have to pay the loss. Since I have had my dog I have not lost anything.

"How did I train the dog to stay in the wagon? Oh, that was easy. I just tied him there and kept him tied for three or four months, and by that time he was on to his job. Then the dogs develop generally great affection for the horses and stay nights with them. My dog sleeps in the stall with my horse and the animals are almost inseparable. I have tried to take the horse out without the dog once or twice, just to try him, but the pup set up such a racket when left in the barn alone that I was glad to let him out."

Some of the big express companies are now putting dogs in their wagons as additional safeguard. One noticed yesterday had a bull terrier of most ferocious mien on the seat. Pity the sneak thief who ever attempts to filch anything from that wagon! He never will get away with it.—Chicago Chronicle.

HOW KEROSENE IS

Something About a Remarkable American Industry.

How many housekeepers, as they fill their lamps with kerosene oil or their summer stoves with gasoline, have any idea how these oils are made? And yet a few miles from Chicago, at Whiting, Ind., is the largest oil refinery in the world.

Naphtha, benzine, gasoline or kerosene, the last often called coal or illuminating oil, belong to the same family. The three first named being lighter oils, do not require nearly so much handling to bring them to perfection as the kerosene. This, of course, is easy to believe, but when it is said that from the same crude oil, after all the lighter oils have been distilled out, wax is made so closely resembling the product of the bee as to deceive even an expert, and that it is used in chewing gum factories, candle factories, laundries and even in candy factories, one is often met with a polite look of doubt or an incredulous shrug of the shoulders. Yet it is so. It is possible to go yet further, and say that hundreds of homes in Whiting and Chicago will be made comfortable this winter by the refuse that adheres to the bottom and sides of the "stills" after even the wax has been pressed out. This refuse makes a good coke, is easily lighted, and is warmer, cleaner and cheaper than coal. Hundreds of tons are removed from the stills daily before they are "charged" again, and hundreds of those who use this fuel do not know that it was once crude oil, dug in the Ohio fields and piped on to Whiting. The carbon used in electric lights is also made from this coke. Nothing is wasted.

As the most common the kerosene oil is perhaps the most interesting of the products. After leaving the crude still it appears again in "sweetening stills," or in the "compound cylinders," which perform the same work as the sweetening stills, but in a newer invention, and is patented by an outsider, who allows only 40 in each refinery. The "sweeteners" form an important factor in the refining of Ohio oil. Owing to the "compound" before mentioned and the continuous friction of the immense wire brushes, which keep the oil in a mad whirl, it loses much of its bad odor. It is again vapored off, cooled in the condenser boxes and passed off into the "steam stills" for the next process.

In the steam stills it is treated just the same as in the two previous processes, with the addition of a washing by steam from perforated pipes passing through it. It is "vapored" off as before, and now one would suppose that it was ready for use. Not quite. The kerosene oil now passes into the agitator for the final process. The agitator is a funnel-shaped tank in which the oil is treated with acid and beaten and blown about by a machine called a blower and washed by torrents of water until it roars like the lake in a storm. Every particle of foreign matter is thus expelled. It is then pumped off into the storage tanks for shipping.—Chicago Tribune.

She Knew the Combination.

The next time Sergt. Willard and Detective Wells attempt to "josh" any little girls they will wait until no one else is around. The other afternoon Chief Rogers, Detectives Phillips, Wells and Philbrick, Jailer Peer and Clerk Reed were on the front porch of headquarters, when a little girl, not more than six years of age, stood on the sidewalk below listening to the conversation. "Hello, little one, what are you 'rubber-necking' there for?" said Willard. "Yes," added Wells, "take the rubber out of your neck and go along." With a look of scorn, mingled with one of amusement, the little one said, pointing first to Wells and then to Willard: "If I had the rubber out of your neck and the wheels out of that fellow's head I could make a bicycle and ride away." With this quick retort the young miss walked away with a self-satisfied grin on her pretty face, amid peals of laughter from the chief and other listeners.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

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LAND OFFICE AT THE DALLES, OREGON.
July 21, 1897.

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by O. B. Dowis against S. E. Walker for abandoning his Homestead Entry No. 4322, dated March 15, 1892, upon the E½ NW¼ Sec 34 E½ SW¼ Sec. 27, township 3, South Range 23 E, in Morrow county, Oregon, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 24th day of Sept., 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

J. W. Morrow, county clerk, is authorized to take the testimony in this case at his office at Heppner, Oregon, on Sept. 18, 1897 at 10 o'clock a. m. JAS F. MOORE,
67-78 Register.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE of Oregon, for the County of Morrow.

The Oregon Mortgage Company, Limited, a Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
Berend Poppenga and Ella Poppenga, Defendants.

To Berend Poppenga and Ella Poppenga, defendants above named.

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer or otherwise plead to the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the first day of the next regular term of the Circuit Court for Morrow County, Oregon, to-wit:

Monday, the 6th day of September, 1897;

and if you fail to so answer or otherwise plead, for want thereof, plaintiff will take judgment against defendant, Berend Poppenga, for the sum of $450.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the 1st day of December, 1895, and for the further sum of $50.00 attorneys' fees and for the costs in this suit, and plaintiff will apply to the court for a decree of foreclosure and sale of the following described mortgaged premises, to-wit: The SW¼ of the NE¼ and the S½ of the SW¼ and the NW¼ of the SW¼ of section 19, township 4, south of range 25, E. W. M., and for the application of the proceeds of said sale of property to the payment of the judgment and costs herein prayed for against defendant, Berend Poppenga.

This summons is published by virtue of an order made by Hon. Stephen A. Lowell, Judge of the above entitled court on the 23rd day of July, 1897. ELLIS & LYONS,
64-77 Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

SUMMONS.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE of Oregon, for Morrow county.

Rothchild Brothers, Plaintiffs,
vs.
Robert Krick, Defendant.

To the above named defendant, Robert Krick:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause of action on or before the first day of the next term of the above entitled court, to-wit:

Monday, the 6th day of September, 1897;

and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of $141, the costs and disbursements of this action, and for the sale of the property belonging to you heretofore attached in this action, and will apply the proceeds of said sale to the payment of said judgment, costs and disbursements.

This summons is served on you in pursuance of an order of Hon. Stephen A. Lowell, Judge of the above entitled court, made and entered in said action on the 21st day of July, 1897.

BROWN & REDFIELD,
64-77 Attorneys for Plaintiffs.

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