#### A SKILLFUL SHOT.

Incoming Bird.

One of the cardinal rules of the old overhead incoming bird, but to wait and then take chances on what is undoubtedly the harder shot of the two.

It is surprisingly how difficult it is for some sportsmen to successfully score on their incoming birds. Many who can seemingly cope with game inany other mode of flight will habitually balk at this shot and acknowledge their inability to make it.

Yet once its principle is understood of an overhead incomer is as easy as anything can well be. The miss is always made by the sportsman shootthe under and behind the bird, and there is but one way in which the error is to be avoided

To make the shot the gunner should wait until the bird is about to pass over him, then, bringing up his gun, follow in from behind, cover the bird and swing in ahead of it and, mainfaining the same rate of speed, press the trigger the justant the bird is hidden behind the barrels. Do not stop the swing of the gun and be sure the bird shall have disappeared from sight. If the shooter will observe this rule he will be surprised how easily and invariably he will kill his bird .-

#### WISHBONES.

On Their Shape Depends the Force of Birds' Wing Strokes.

Scientists call the "wishbone" the furcula, and it is the union of what John Newcomb Was a Close Observer are in man two collar bones. These receive the brunt of the strokes of the wing that turn the creature in its

Few of us appreciate the strength of the stroke of the bird's wing. A swan has been known to break a man's leg by a blow of its wing, and the larger birds are dangerous if they therefore, a large bird is in the habit left in its flight it must be fitted with a "wishbone" capable of withstanding the great strain of the wing stroke on the one side when unaccompanied by action on the other.

For this reason we find in the eagle and birds of its class that turn quickly a furcula that is a perfect Roman poor, at another the house was not arch, widely at variance with the Gothic arch, which is the shape of the "wishbone" of our common fowls. The | mony-and in all the maidens a lack eagle's furcula is everywhere equally strong and lacks those points of weakness that make our sport of breaking the "wishbone" possible. - Harper's Weekly.

Lord Brougham's Oratory. We have no orator in the least like

Lord Brougham since the close of Brougham's public career. Everything that nature could do so far as appearance, manner and voice were concerned she had done to prevent him from being a great orator, and yet a great brator he undoubtedly was. I wonder what the house of lords just now would think of a peer who gesticufated and bellowed as Brougham was possible to listen to Brougham and his intellect, by his torrent of words. by the sudden whirl and eddy of his rapid Illustrations and by the longer and shorter stretches of quietude and repose into which his argument oceasionally flowed .- From Justin McCarthy's "Reminiscences."

History.

depends upon the politics of the his-

History is made by one set of men and written by another. The character of the written history

torian. Most histories are written many years after the history was made. In

these circumstances no one can step forward and dispute the historian, History is studied at school and forgotten at home.

We are told to judge the future by the past, and after we read the histories we are as badly muddled as

Some statesmen make history, but most of them make speeches.-Judge.

John O'Great's House.

expression so often heard, "From John O'Groat's to Land's End," means the whole length of Great Britain from north to south, like the other expression, "From Dan to Beersheba," meaning the entire length of Palestine.

The Important Question. tomer?" asked the proprietor of the #well restaurant.

"When he was through his dinner," explained the walter excitedly, "he asked for his check, and when I gave ft to him he just slmply went crazy," "But did he pay as he went?"-Catholic Standard and Times.

All the Difference.

"I understand that the smart set is anubbing the De Bucks because they have a skeleton in their closet." "Not at all. The snub is because they didn't keep if there."-Cleveland Lead-

The defects of the mind, like those of the face, grow worse as we grow old had a quall in the joint."-Philadel--Rochefoucauld.

#### COAXING SLEEP.

The Way to Bring Down an Overhead Simply a Question of Will Power and Self Suggestion.

Ordinarily we do not sleep by accitime shooting school cautioned the lent or haphazard. We simply resolve gunner against ever trying to stop an to sleep, and self suggestion plays a great part in the production of sleep. until it had passed by and to the rear | We go through a variety of actions, all suggestive of a change from our normal waking condition. We undress; we place ourselves in a comfortable position; we close our eyes; we believe and expect we are going to een, and the result is-sleep.

One of the great preventives of sleep is the fear of not sleeping, but a writer in Harper's Bazar says that once this fear is broken down we sleep anyhow. and the lesson learned the dropping. The insomniac worries about his insommia, and this very worry deepens the mischief; hence the sufferer should suggest to himself again and again, "If I sleep, well; if I don't sleep, I will at least gain rest by keeping my mind calm and my body relaxed."

In a word, our chances of getting sleep increase if we assume the external physical attitude which corresponds to sleep if we relax every muscle and let it stay relaxed, if we breathe lightly and regularly, if we call up the imagination of a sleeping person and talk and think sleep to ourselves, repeating stiently and in a quiet, dreamy fashion such a formula as this:

"There is no reason why I should not sleep. Therefore I can sleep. Therefore I will sleep. My mind is at peace. Sleep is coming. I am getting sleepy. I am about to sleep. I am

#### HIS QUEST FOR A WIFE.

and Was Hard to Suit.

The sister of Simon Newcomb, the great astronomer, tells in McClure's of their father's John Newcomb's wanderings in search of a wife, whom he had decided to select in accordance with scientific theories:

"John Newcomb stopped at farm-In like manner the wing beatings of houses for his refreshment, and in each house, if there was a daughter of strike the human head or face. If, marriageable age, he tarried perhaps a day or even longer to make a study of making sudden turns to right or of the maiden. He always made himself 'handy' about the place, drawing up water with the great well sweep, bringing in firewood-doing anything that he could do and still keep near the daughter.

"Disappointment met him at every door. At one house the cooking was neatly kept, at a third there was scolding or faultfinding, a want of harof desire for learning or education. One young woman little knew by what a narrow margin she missed her fate. All was going smoothly till, when she was molding the dough for the baking pans, he noticed that a considerable portion of the dough was left in the wooden kneading trough. He asked her the reason for this, and her reply was that she left it for the horse because he was fond of it. She always did this, she said; there was plenty. 'Want of thrift,' decided the young man, and he shouldered his bundle and

Told Who He Was.

Dr. Beadon, a former rector in Elin the habit of doing. But it was im- tham, Kent, England, one Sunday preached from the text "Who art not be carried away by the force of thou?" After reading it he made a pause for the congregation to reflect upon the words, when a man in milltary dress who at that instant was marching very sedately up the middle aisle of the church, supposing it a question addressed to him, replied, "I am, sir, an officer of the Sixteenth regiment of foot on a feccuiting party here, and, having brought my wife and family with me, I am come to church because I wished to be acquainted with the neighboring clergy and gentry." This so deranged the divine and astonished the congregation that the sermon was concluded with considerable difficulty.

Ringing For Gofer.

Among the queer church customs in England is the one observed at Newark parish church, called 'ringing for gofer." This custom, which has lasted for over 300 years, arose through a wealthy merchant named Gofer losing himself one October night in the forest that then surrounded Newark, He carried much money, and the forest was infested with thieves. Suddenly John O'Grost's house was formerly he heard the sound of Newark bells situated on Duncausby head, the most and was guided safely home by their northerly point of Great Britain. It music. To commemorate his escape took its name from John of Groat, or | Gofer left a goodly sum for Newark Groot, and his brothers, who came, it bell ringers on condition that they is said, from Holland about 1489. The "rang for Gofer" every year on Sun-

Patti at Fifty-two. Adelina Patti wrote in a letter to Mr. Klein in 1805; "Do you not feel proud of your little friend, who was fifty-two last month and has been singing uninterruptedly every year from the age "What was the matter with that cus- of seven? I am really beginning to believe what they all tell me-that I am a wonderful little woman!"-Musical Life in London.

> Patronizing. "That man Pufferton has a very su-

percilious mauner," "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "He can't even say 'it's a pleasant day' without seeming to patronize the climate."-Washington Star.

Just a Bluff, "How is it that the quail on your bill of fare is always struck off?" "That's just a fancy touch," explained the beanery waiter. "We never phia Bulletin.

#### SHIRKING JAIL WORK.

Bidwell, the Forger, Was a Champion at Malingering.

Malingering is common in jail, but surely a case quoted from his own experience by Dr. Quinton, the late governor of Holloway, in "Crime and Criminals" is a record. The "hero" was a violent prisoner who feigued stiffness of the index finger to avoid oakum picking. He was so angry when the finger was forcibly bent that "on returning to his cell he promptly placed the offending finger in the hinges of his table, which was attached to the cell wall, and violently raised the leaf, with the result that the finger was absolutely shattered and had to be removed."

Another case even more remarkable in its way was that of the notorious American criminal Bldwell, who was sentenced to penal servitude for life in connection with the Bank of England forgeries.

"He was in good health on conviction, but never did any active work. Feigning loss of power in his legs, he lay in bed from day to day and from year to year, defying all efforts of persuasion and resisting all unpleasant coercive measures devised to make him work. When I saw him at Dartmoor at the end of eight or nine years of his sentence long disuse of his legs had renfered him almost a cripple. The muscles were extremely wasted, and both hip and knee joints were contracted in a state of semiflexion, so that he lay doubled up in a bundle. Though he was examined time after time by experts, no one succeeded in discovering any organic disease or any cause for his condition other than his own firmly expressed determination never to do a day's work for the British area lies in the vicinity of King Wilgovernment, a threat which, I believe

Dangerous Sport.

he ultimately carried out."

First Lady (reading a newspaper)-This golf seems to be a very dangerous game. Did you see what happened to a man named Taylor? He went into bunker and was in two when he came out.

Second Lady-How dreadful! "Yes, here are the words: 'Taylor setting out in two, Braid secured a

"Does it say what happened to the other half?" "No, but there was werse to follow According to the report, Taylor then

#### A King Who Left Home.

fell altogether to pieces."-Word of

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#### NORTH MAGNETIC POLE.

It Is Not a Stationary Point, but Is Constantly Shifting.

Only the experts understand that the north pole and the north magnetic pole are two entirely different things. As a matter of fact, there are few localities on the earth's surface where the compass points due north. The reason is because the north magnetic pole or lam's Land, just off the arctic coast of North America, in Bothnia, When this magnetic pole is between us and the north pole the compass points due north. As we go either east or west from this line it is easy to see that the compass is off to a certain degree. If we were to travel north of the magnetic pole the needle would point south; west of it the needle would point east. Sir James Ross in 1831 located the north magnetic pole approximately at a point up in Bothnia. In 1903 Captain Roald Amundsen in the ship Gloa set out on a three years' expedition, relocated the magnetic pole and made the "northwest passage" for which mariners have striven since the days of Henry Hudson. Terrestrial magnetic force is different in every part of the earth's surface and is not always the same at a given set the world to talking, but Paul point, It is subject to regular daily -and that they're a blessing to all his day and night, with his party, took readings of their instruments, both inclination and declination. He also nade short excursions into the region of the magnetic pole and was able by the aid of the declination observations D. S. Barlow and wife, of Eight to prove that the magnetic north pole general location is where Sir James

#### Attack Like Tigers.

In fighting to keep the blood pure the white corpuscies attack disease germs ike tigers. But often germs multip'y so fast the little fighters are overcome. Then see pimples, boils, eczema, saitrheum and sores multiply and strength and appetite fail This condition de mands Electric Bitters to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to expel poisons from the blood. "They are the best blood purifier," writes C. T. Budahn, of Tracy, Calif., "I have ever found." They make rich, red blood, strong nerves and build up your health. Try them. 50c at all d uzgists.

Why Ho Left. Long-Why did you leave the place

where you formerly boarded? Short-Because the landlady had too fouch curicalty. Long-In what direction?

Short-Oh, she was continuously asking me when I was going to pay my board bill.-Chicago News.

The Next Question. "Dora's invited to a swell party," sald the mother. "How much will the gown cost?" asked the father, who knew what was

coming.-Detroit Free Press. Not a Freshman. Caller-I didn't know your son was

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