

TAFT CONFERS WITH ADVISERS. ON AMENDMENTS.

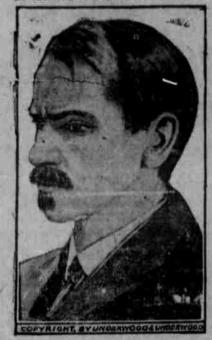
# PUT COMMISSION AT WORK Plans Are Designed to Relieve Interstate Commerce Commission

of Much Work.

Boverly, Mass., Aug. 24 .- President Taft and several members of his cabinet discussed many changes to be recommended in the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws. Attorney-General Wickersham presented to the President a tentative draft of several of the proposed changes, which Mr. Taft in part approved. The final framing of the amendments to the interstate commerce and the anti-trust laws will be left to the commission designated by the President. The attorney-general will take to the commission, which is to meet in New York August 3, a definite statement of the President's wishes in the matter. This will form the main feature of his forthcoming measage to congress.

One of the subjects tentatively disposed of was an amendment to the Interstate commerce act looking to a proper financial supervision and restriction to prevent excessive issues of securities by rallways. Plans approved by the President are designed to relieve the Interstate Commerce Commission of much of the work that is now heaped upon it.

American Lowers Record in France. Rheims, Aug. 24 .-- Glenn H. Curtiss, the American aviator, and M. Paulham, representing France, divided honors of the second day of aviation week, the former in a thrilling flight just before dusk, in which he lowered the speed record for the



# A CLEVER RECTOR.

New Ha Got All the Young Men to Church on Bunday. "Many interesting stories are told of

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noted for its wit and shirp repartes." wild a derightan. "A story which is considered churacteristic of the man was told by a Virginia minister; "When Bishop Wiltnes was rector of the tittle Protestant Episcopai church at Upperville, Va. he was much worried by the nonattendance at service on Sundays of the unijority of the young men of the community. On inquiry he found that Instead of going to thurch they were in the habit of to thurth they were in the habit of playing marbles for stakest Marbles in those days, it must be remembered, was a much more serious game than it is now, accupying much the annemodition in the reality of sports as do dillards and pool in these days.

"Bishop Wilmer, then a parson not well known, determined to break up this practice. He blusself had been an "Xport marine player in his boyhood Accordingly one Saturday be came tions a number of the young men organged in a game. The good bishop asked several questions and finally hadenged the lot to play him for "keeps." They readily consented.

" Much the their astonishment, the y-sing minister won steadily, and soon they had to so to the stores to replen ish their stock. -Toward the close of the afternion Mr. Wilmer had won every marble in the town of Upper-Potting his "winnings" in a CHIP. tong, he remarked as he walked away. "Now, gentlemen, since you can't play unrides tomorrow I hope to see you all as chur is" And he did."-- Washington Herald.

# SERVED THE TERRAPIN.

### Crossed the Ocean to Supervise One Course of a Dinner.

George W. Harvey, the inventor of steamed oysters and a famous restaurant keeper, was once the hero of an incident that in some respects made the exploits of Lucuilus and other noted gourmets of ancient Rome look cheap and commonplace. He made a 6,000 mile journey to cook or supervise the cooking of a single course of a din-

A wealthy Englishman noted for his love of good living while on a visit to Washington was given a dinner at Harvey's, at which terrapin formed the place de resistance. It was the first time the Englishman had encountered the famous Maryland delicacy, and it made an instantaneous and profound hit with him. He decided that he would introduce the dish to his London friends and at once entered into negotiations with Harvey to come to London and do the cooking.

Harvey named his price, and it was accepted without a murmur, although it was a stiff one, as he was a very portly man and did not like to travel. At the appointed time he engaged his massage for England, took a sufficient number of live terrapin along with him and salled for London. He supervised the preparation of the turtles in the kitchen of his generous employer. saw that they were cooked and served properly, collected his £200 honorarium and his expenses and took the next rk -Ex

# UNCANNY GUIDES.

Whan the Gallows Was Used as Landmark In England.

The old time guidebooks in England were hy no means otherrint reading. A journey from London to East tirts stend, a distance of five or six and twenty miles, would note taken the horseman post three gibbers, and it was just as likely as out that from one or the other of them a body would be semiligiting to then at fred

Up till the tectimiting of the nine teenth century the gathows was simple: an frequent a madmark as finger pasts or putterly testagers trave testerne new The travelet approaching York is dirested to the guidebooks to "turn round to the guilous and three windmill's " and the road out of Durham is "botware the guilows and Crokehill." stading out of Wells, you "cross the treas and pass in the gathows."

the number of such directions can he giognest from the old books for the guinture of travelers a hundred years age, and as these interesting objects were put up and the dead todies of matelactors sell upon them for she apochi edification of footpaths and highwaythen there was a suggestive. mess alout them that must have given a special piquaney to cycle touring if it had been in vogue at that time. London Nows.

# OLD ENGLISH COOKERY.

## A Lively Feast With Much Delight and Pleasure.

) study of Robert May's "Accomplisht Cook." published in 1665, will serve to dispel the delusion fostered by many foreign critics that English cookery lacks variety. One of May's recipes is for the construction of a ship of confectionery, with guns charged with actual powder, and a castle of ples, containing live frogs and birds. After giving directions as to the firing of the guns he proceeds:

"This dune, to sweeten the stink of the powder let the indies take the eggabella full of sweet waters and throw them at each other. All danger being seemingly over, by this time you may suppose they will desire to see what is in the pyes; when, lifting first the lid off one pye, out skip some frogs, which makes the ladies to skip and shrick: next after the other pye, whence come out the birds, who, by a natural instinct. fying in the light will put out the candles; so that, what with the flying birds and skipping frogs, the one above, the other beneath, will cause much delight and pleasure to the whole company." - London Chronicle.

## The Ancient Greek Theater.

The performance at Athens, in anclent Greece, began at dawn, and, as several pieces were produced one after the other, these performances insted the whole day. On the days the performances were given all work was suspended, business put off, imprisoned debtors were set free and arrests strictly prohibited. Long before sunrise thousands of people assembled. and outside of the theater noisy crowds of men, women and children congregated, all bent upon enjoying themselves and enger to obtain the best seats. Many of them brought their food with them, and in order to stimulate the enthusiasm of the peo-



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course, which measures 6 1-5 miles, to 5 minutes 35 2-5 seconds; the latter making two impressive high altitude flights of 491 and 56 hilometers, respectively, in the endurance test for the prix de la Champagne.

HOME OF TROPHIES DONE

#### Congress Spends \$3,500,000 House Roosevelt Gifts.

Washington, Aug. 24 .- The largest and most ornate building in the United States has been completed just in time to receive the unique trophies from the hunt gathered by ex-President Roosevelt in Africa and now about to be unpacked in this city. This building of granite with floor space of approximately 93 acres and costing \$3,500,000, has been erected by Congress for the National Museum, and is today being put in order. It is likely that rooms on the first floor will be the future home of the Roosevelt specimens. As soon as the 82 pelts gathered by Mr. Roosevelt are taken from the casks they will be tanned for preservation "for all time."

Forger Finally Captured.

Portland, Or., Aug. 23 .- J. H. Hamlin, wanted for forgery, who has been sought for several years by the detective forces of the entire Northwest, the American Bankers' Association, the Washington Bankers' Association, the Oregon Bankers' Association and the authorities of Gregon, Washington, California and Idaho, was captured in this city yesterday, where he had been living for some months past.

Spanish War Veterans to Meet.

Chicago, August 23 .- Spanish war veterans will gather from all parts of the country during the week of September 6 to attend national encampment which this year it is the fortune of the northwest to entertain. Tacoma having been selected as the place for the first gathering.

Patronize our advortisers.

The New Kind. Among the passengers in a parlor car attached to a southern train leaing Washington were a reticent individual desirous of reading his paper and a talkative person equally desirous of engaging the reserved one in conversation. At first the reticent man took the questions of his neighbor in good part, returning short but polite

of the other "The grass is quite green, eh?" was the idle query that next came from the garrulous one as he gazed through the window

answers. Finally, however, he grew

somewhat irritated at the persistence

"Quite." said the bored one, with a smothered growl. "But, then, consider what a change it is from the pink and nauve grass we've been having lately!"-Harper's Weekly.

## Encouraging.

It was Blikin's wedding day, and he was tensing his young brother-in-law. "Well, Johnnie," he said solemnly, 'I'm going to take your sister a long way off and have her all to myself. where you won't see her any more." "No; really, are you?" said the lad

urlously "Yes, I am, What do you think of 112

"Nothin'. I can stand it if you can." -Pearson's Weekly.

Generous.

"What's your fare?" asked old Flintskin of his cabby the other day and was met with the stereotyped reply: "Well, sir, I will leave that to you." "Thank you: you're very kind," said old F., buttoning up his pockets and walking off. "You're the first person who ever left me anything yet."-Lon don Fun.

Not at First.

"When you first saw Niagara falls did you feel that almost irresistible impulse to throw yourself over the precipice that so many experience?" I hadn't seen my hotel bill yet."-Cleveland Leader.

Quite Simple. "What will you do with your money when you die?"

"I shall leave it to my children." "But suppose you have no children?" "Then it will go to my grandchil-

drep!"

Peace is not mere tranquillity, for tranquillity may be indifference .- Duf-

ple copious quantities of flery Greek whee were given to impecunious citizens by wily authors, who endeavored thus to buy the applause of a discriminating public.

#### Real Sea Serpents.

In New Caledonia sea serpents are frequently seen and sometimes captured. They are curious creatures, the head being very small and scarcely distinguishable from the body and the tail being formed like an oar. In length they are generally between three and four feet. In the jaw there are tiny glands containing poison, but as the mouth is very small it is difficult for them to bite, and the natives handle them fearlessly. M. Kermogant, a European traveler, witnessed an experiment at Noumea which shows under certain conditions the sea serpent can do deadly work. A rat was caught in a trap, and its tongue was grasped by a pair of pinchers and placed in the month of a sea serpent. The serpent immediately bit it, and the rat died in four minutes.

## Lopped It Off.

Towne-Has he sent you a check for your services? Browne-Yes, but it isn't for the amount I expected. although 1 sent him a bBi. Townefour writing's bad. Maybe he didn't decipher the amount. Browne-I'm afraid he did de-cipher it. I wrote \$100 very plainly, and he sent \$10.-Philadelphia Press.

#### The Tempter.

"Yes, sir, I belongs to de army of de unemployed."

"Want a week's work?" "No. I coulda't desert from de army."

"Then just pretend you're on a furlough."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Point of View.

"You saug off the key!" exclaimed the musical director reproachfully. "Sir!" replied the young but haughty soprano. "What you mean to say is that your orchestra occasionally falled to harmonize with my voice."-Exchange

A Limited Brother.

"What does you think of bein' up on high?" "It's all right, I reckon, but you runs

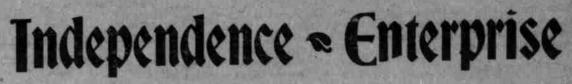
a turrible risk of gittin' dizzy."-Atlanta Constitution.

No man can own any more than be can carry in his own heart .- Chicago Tribune.

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