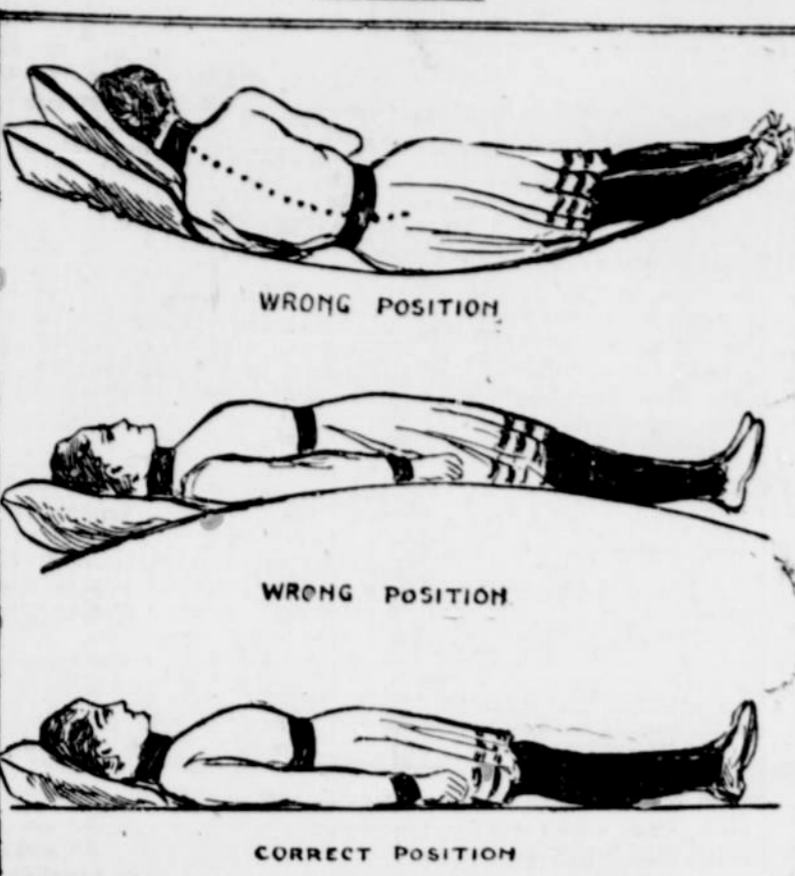


HAWAII

Now do believe me, in this lovely land,
Reverend beauty smiles on every hand,
And soothing fragrance from the balmy
air
Drives a languor, dispossessing care;

THEY ARE TRYING TO PROVE THAT SLEEP IS A MATTER OF HABIT.



An experiment that is as strange as it is interesting is being tried by an organization of students in several American universities, which has for its purpose the lengthening of working hours. This experiment is based upon the belief that sleep is, to a large extent, a matter of habit and that it can be lessened materially if proper care of the system is taken.

Although there is probably no necessary connection between a lack of sleep and a brilliant career it is nevertheless a fact that many of the most eminent men spent less hours in their beds than most of us. It is no unusual thing for Edison to work thirty-six hours continuously at a single problem and seldom does he do more than snatch an hour or two of sleep when exhausted nature proves too strong for him.

of all your friends has seemed to think very highly of you; one who has known you many years; one who is not 'after money.' Of course you will think of the one I have in mind, then go and propose to her, and I'll wager she'll tell you she has loved you many months.

"Has she ever spoken well of me to you?" she asked the unsuspecting young man. "She has told me that she loved you; that you were her ideal of perfection in man, and the only person she could ever make her husband."

WAS RUINED BY A HEADLINE.

Serious but Amusing Typographical Error that Cost a Man His Paper. Amusing typographical error in newspapers that have at times added to the mirth of crowds were under discussion by a small group of newspaper men in a favorite resort one morning last week.

NEW TERROR OF SEAS

THE GATHMANN WARSHIP MAY WRECK ALL NAVIES.

Has No Armor Plate, Is Low in Water and is Almost Invisible to the Enemy - Mounted with Guns Firing Terrible Explosives. Louis Gathmann, the Chicago inventor of the Gathmann gun and the terrible gun-cotton explosive, has invented a battleship which he believes is capable of wrecking any warship afloat with a single shot.



GATHMANN'S NEW WARSHIP ON THE MONITOR PLAN.

length. That is, it is sharp-proved, and the freeboard, or the distance from the sheathed deck to the water line, is very slight. It is almost awash, as they say at sea. When in motion this forward deck is usually under water. If the vessel picks a bone in her teeth it would certainly be washed by the waves caused by swift motion.

OUTPUT OF BESSEMER STEEL.

Last Year's Product Reached the Maximum in Our History. The American Iron and Steel Association has collected the statistics of the production of Bessemer steel rails in the United States in 1899. No account is taken of the comparatively small quantity of standard rails and street rails made by manufacturers from purchased blooms or rolled from old steel galls.

Spread of the English Language.

Writing on the decline of the French language, M. Jean Finot points out that at the end of the last century French was the language spoken by the greatest number of civilized people, whereas now it stands fourth.

Unexplored Regions of the Earth.

Throughout the entire world there are about 20,000,000 square miles of unexplored territory. In Africa there are 6,500,000 square miles; Arctic regions, 3,800,000; Atlantic regions, 53,000,000; America, 2,000,000; Australia, 2,000,000; Asia, 200,000; and various islands, 600,000.

Good All Round.

Smith-I understand you are working half time now. Jones-Yes, and loafing the other half. Smith-Well, working half the time is better than loafing.

Glad She's Still Alive.

"Is it true that Mrs. Dragger reads such exhaustive club papers?" "Exhaustive? Of course, nobody ever says anything, but when she gets through every woman in the club breathes as if she had crawled through a tunnel a mile long."

NOT LOGIC OF THE TRADE.

The Jewelry Salesman Whose Arguments Proved Too Much. "Strange," said a talkative man, in the hotel lobby, to the New Orleans Times-Democrat reporter, "but four statements, each perfectly true in detail, made a whopping big lie in the aggregate. It happened like this: I went into a jewelry store yesterday and asked to see a cheap watch. The clerk showed me a tinclad affair at \$1.50. It came in a small pasteboard box, on the lid of which I noticed the statement that it was the equal of any \$5 watch in the world."

SHE LOOKED FOR A BARGAIN.

When She Found It She Doubted if It Was the Real Thing.

She was a pudgy, bright-faced little woman, and she was hunting for bargains. It was Saturday, and as she walked along on Wabash avenue with a friend explained that there were bargains to be had, so she heard, at a certain picture-frame store.

OVER STORIES

There are scores of places in this country where only one mail comes every fourteen days. The Russian form of salutation is brief, consisting of the single word 'prashchal,' said to sound like a sneeze.

LAW AS INTERPRETED.

To make a person 'learned in the law' within the meaning of a constitutional provision prescribing such learning as necessary to make one eligible to be judge, it is held, in Jamieson vs. Wiggins (S. D.), 46 L. R. A. 317, that he must be admitted to practice, or entitled to be admitted, as an attorney at law in the State.

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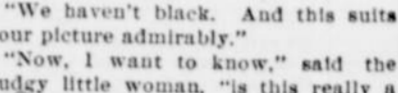
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FEATHER FARMS.

Ostrich Cultivation as It is Carried On in South Africa.

One of the chief treasures South Africa possesses is the ostrich, and great numbers of the birds are yearly raised because of their magnificent plumes. The farm devoted to the raising of ostriches is not, as might be imagined, an essay of management as one on which wild cattle roam. The birds are the most willful and obstinate creatures on earth, and the lot of the ostrich farmer is hard, indeed.



GROUP OF OSTRICHES.

When the chicks grow up, as they speedily do, they take their revenge upon their whilom guardian. They steal their food, they scare them, and would maintain and kill them if the children did not carefully keep out of their way and wield the 'tackey' when they encounter their irate birds. This is a weapon without which the most valiant man is as a babe before an ostrich that is vicious. It is simply a branch of mimosa, with the prickles left on the head of it.

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