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Pater—"Well, for heaven's sake, tell her to get her exercise some other way."—Boston Transcript.

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Forest Notes.
According to the latest figures, the highest prices paid for M feet for raw material by any industry in the State of Oregon was by the manufacturers of vehicles and vehicle parts. Only small quantities and highest grades are used. This covers not only the manufacture but the repair of wagons, carriages and automobiles, and includes the local demand only.

The Florida National Forest is one of the self-supporting forests, due to the system which the Government has inaugurated there in the leasing of the turpentining in such a way that the perpetuity of the forest is assured.

About 5 1/2 million pounds of artificial silk made directly from wood pulp are used annually in the United States. It is manufactured into such articles as linings, tapestries, neckties, ribbons and sweaters.

A plan of cooperation between forest officers and postoffice employees has been put into action, whereby all rural mail carriers and postmasters in or near national forests are to report the discovery of forest fires to the nearest forest officer.

Nearly fifty per cent of the pills and tubes made in the State of Washington are sent to the middle west for consumption.

Wounds cleaned by Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Very Difficult.
Mrs. Crump looked at her friend, Mrs. Binks, and sighed as her husband went out of the room.

"Ah, my dear, it's a sad thing to see my old man losing his hair that way—as none knows better what it is than yourself, Mrs. Binks!"

"You speak truly, Mrs. Crump; said it is. After my George had his illness in the spring his hair fairly moulted off of him, and now his head's as smooth as smooth!"

"It must be so uncomfortable, what with flies and things, not to speak of the cold, Mrs. Binks."

"Well, do you know, it's not the flies that worry him so much, nor yet the cold. It's having to wear his hat in the bed room when he washes himself, as you'll find out with your good man. You see, not having any hair to go by now, he can't tell when he's finished washing his face unless he keeps his hat on. That's the bother of it!"—Toronto Mail.

Inquisitive.
Dauber is a big, healthy, bearded man, who looks as though he could lift half hundredweights in each hand as easily as he picks up his palette.

An elderly rustic, who had been standing watching him painting by the roadside, approached him.

"No offense, sir," he began, "but is anything the matter w' yer?"

"No," answered Dauber, "what makes you ask?"

"Yer hairn't lame, are yer?"

"Lame! Good gracious, no!"

"Yer hairn't ad a misfortune in any way? The sciatrator or lombager, that's kind o' laid yer by?"

"No, I'm as well as I have always been."

The rustic drew himself up and gazed scornfully at the artist.

"An' yer call yerself a man, an' can't sit their a'doin' o' that," he said.

"Well, I'm blest!"

Obstinate sores should be cured by Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Tuti Tuti!
If a Maori wishes to speak words of insult to another Maori he calls his adversary some kind of food. Any kind will do, living or dead. One Maori chief once told another that he was a roast veal. Then he fled to the bush, hid in a cave, was tracked, captured and beheaded.

The cave is still shown to visitors, and when Lord Kitchener was in New Zealand he was taken to it by a pretty Maori girl acting as guide. She told him the whole story, and at the conclusion the stern soldier's face softened into a smile as he said:

"Ah, then, I suppose it would be highly dangerous to call a Maori lady a little duck?"—London Tit-Bits.

The Difficulty.
"I have come to consult you," she said to her lawyer.

"What is the trouble?"

"I have received three proposals of marriage and I do not know which to accept."

"Which man has the most money?"

"Do you imagine?" she asked, "that if I knew I would consult you or any other lawyer?"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Cheerful.
"Cheerful guy, that?"

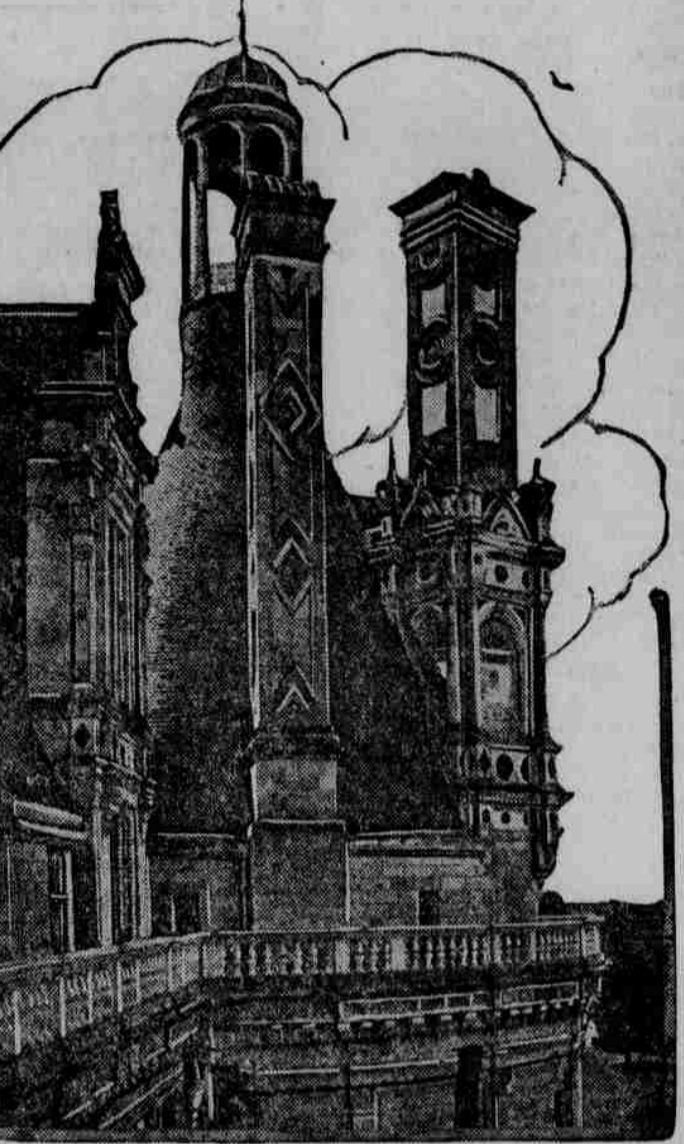
"What's the matter?"

"He called on me the other day when I was ill and the first thing he said was that our front room was going to be an awkward place to get a coffin out of."—Detroit Free Press.

In 1920.
"One of my hens laid an egg with the date 1920."

"You want to encourage that breed. Those eggs can come out of cold storage and sell as extra fresh."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

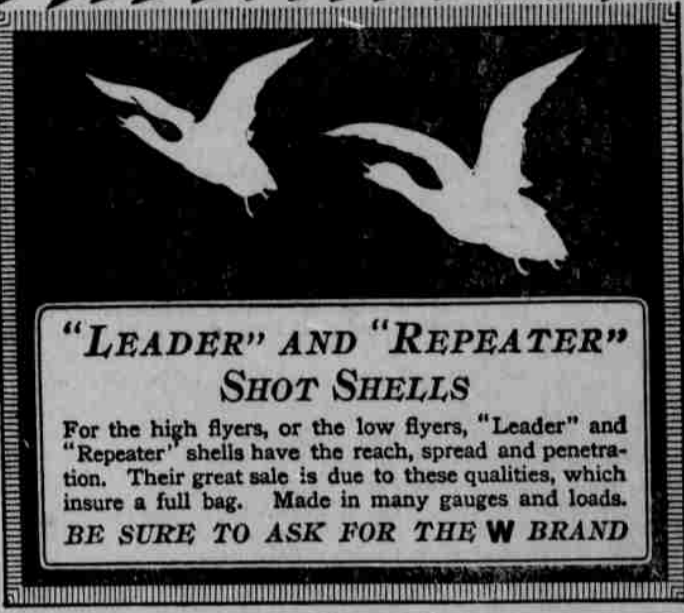
Chateau De Chambord



CORNER OF CHAMBORD'S FANTASTIC ROOF

SOME time ago it was announced that the Chateau de Chambord had been sequestered by the French government, which was a polite way of saying that it had been taken over by the ruling powers, and would be devoted to whatever use it was seen fit to make of it. This announcement was of interest to thousands of American tourists who may have been privileged to visit the celebrated castle in their ramblings to the south of Paris, in the department of Loir-et-Cher—for the chateau is situated about twelve miles to the east of Blois, the principal city of that department, in the midst of a park 21 miles in circumference. The sequestering of the Chateau de Chambord marked the transition of one of the most interesting structures that date back to the renaissance in France. "Francis' folly" someone has dubbed the great rambling pile of masonry whose spires reach heavenward, and to whose lines architects and artists have in vain tried to attribute some semblance of grace. But whatever architectural defects the chateau may present, there is no doubt that it is one of the most notable edifices of its kind in Europe, marking as it does the transition between the fortified castle and the Italian palace, somebody has said with all the defects of both generously incorporated. The Chateau de Chambord was built at a time when money was of little account to the ruling classes if there was a whim to be gratified. It dates back to the fourteenth century. Under the counts of Blois it was a feudal manor house. The Orleans princes converted it into a sort of hunting lodge, and it was such when Francis I decided to make of it the largest and most magnificent chateau in France. Francis I did not believe in doing things by halves. It was a habit of his to wander about from chateau to chateau, of which he had a considerable string, with 1,800 people forming his retinue, with furniture and baggage in proportion. It must have been a bit annoying to the restless and high-spirited king to have members of his personal staff getting close enough so that they could recognize each other. As near as can be figured out, this was the excuse for Chambord, for in its vast halls 1,800 people would rattle around like shot in a gourd, and all the paraphernalia that accompanied these frequent hikes could be deposited in one room and leave plenty of space for a goodly portion of the attendants to devote themselves to terpsichorean pastimes. **Beginning of Chambord.** The foundations of Chambord were laid in 1525, but it was not until some time later that it began to stand forth in its true proportions. When Francis I died at Rambouillet in 1547 Chambord was still incomplete, although 800 men had labored on it for 12 years. But enough of the more than 400 rooms had been finished, so that the royal entourage could be housed here in comfort, while the presence of such a number of persons, and the attendant gaiety, alone made the place endurable as a human habitation. Henry II continued the work on the chateau in an indifferent manner, Charles IX and Louis XIV in turn took a hand at it, the latter appearing in the role of chief tinkerer to the artistic, and erecting the low screen at the back which completes the enclosure of the court and adds to the incongruity of the whole place. The death of its planner did not mark the passing of high life from

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Good Reason.
"I hope you don't associate with that man I saw you speak to in the street just now?"

"Associate with him! What do you take me for? That man, sir, is one of the most rascally, corrupt, sneaking, underhanded, low-down, villainous and depraved scoundrels that ever kept out of jail."

"I know it. But why are you on speaking terms with him at all?"

"Why, I'm—er—his lawyer."

In the Wrong Place.
The childless parson sought to cheer the parent of an overflowing household.

"My man, you must learn to be contented," he said. "Mouths are never sent without bread to fill them."

"Maybe you are right," said the parson, "but the mouths are all sent to our house and the bread to yours."

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Sounded Queer.
"I like to clean up my work in a hurry."

"I find it advisable to string it out a little, so that I will always have something on my desk in case a bore comes in," said his friend, taking up some papers.

Then the other man looked at him queerly and went out.



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