

CONNECTS CARACAS WITH SEA

American Built Railway Which Gives Venezuelan Capital Its Only Outlet to the Ocean.

For more than 300 years Caracas, capital city of Venezuela, was accessible from La Guaira, its port town, only by an old Spanish trail, which in the very early days of the country the Indians had traced across the mountains that range along the northern coast. It was not until 1883, after several attempts had been made to build a railroad, that Caracas finally was connected by rail with the hot little town that gives the republic's chief city its outlet to the sea. In that year an enterprising American, who several years before had come to Venezuela as minister or consul from the United States, completed the work on the La Guaira and Caracas railway and immediately opened the line to traffic, which but for an infrequent landslide or revolution has continued uninterrupted ever since. The line today is one of the finest narrow-gauge mountain railways in the world.

Hypodermic Syringe in Crime.

Du Chailion, who invented the hypodermic syringe, seems to have been a sort of Faust. He established in Paris a school of crime from which such youngsters as "Charley Bates" and the "Artful Dodger" graduated. Stimulated by an injection of morphine or some other drug, they went out to do great deeds in the criminal line. When the "school" was raided the principal escaped, but evidence was found to show his part in some daring crimes. Physicians attached to the criminal bureau saw the great advantage of the hypodermic syringe, and it has ever since been a recognized agency in medical practice.

Unexpected Destinations.

People who dig holes in dykes must not complain if they are swept away in the floods they loose. For they generally are. When Talleyrand was asked what he did during the reign of terror in the French revolution, he replied: "I lived." That, for one of the original leaders of the revolution, was no slight achievement. And the French revolution itself, beginning as an earthquake of radicalism and ending with an emperor and imperialistic conquests, remains a classic instance of an historic landslide terminating not at all where its propellers intended.

BAGDAD ASTONISHED BY FIRE ENGINE



The natives of Bagdad, which some time ago was wrested from the Turks by the British forces, are roused out of their morning's sleep by the clanging of a London fire engine, and view the machine with astonishment.

Reliable Weather Glass.

A test tube about 10 inches long and 1/4 inch in diameter is fastened to a base or hung up by a wire. In this test tube are put 2 drams of camphor, 1/2 dram of potassium nitrate, 1/2 dram of ammonium chloride, 2 ounces of pure alcohol, 2 ounces of water. If the ingredients do not mix easily tube should be put in warm water or shaken thoroughly. After a cork is put in the tube it is ready for work, says Electrical Experimenter.

Following is the weather which the changes in the liquid denote:

- Clear liquid—Bright weather.
- Crystals at bottom—Thick air, frost in winter.
- Dim liquid—Rain.
- Dim liquid with small stars—Thunderstorms.
- Large flakes—Heavy air, overcast sky; snow in winter.
- Threads in upper part—Windy weather.
- Small dots—Damp weather, fog.
- Rising flakes which remain high—Wind in upper air.
- Small stars in winter on bright, clear, sunny days—Snow in a day or two.

Enclosures at the Courier Office.

What is Cowardice?

However many phases there may be of courage, bravery, valor and fear, there seems to be but one of actual cowardice. It is moral panic—an absolute destitution of courage. It comes about through surrendering to the initial fear and letting it demoralize one. Panic quickly follows and one flees in terror, oftentimes in terror of something that does not exist, something purely imaginary and born of a fear-crazed brain. The cause of the original fear often becomes insignificant in comparison to the imagined one. This state of panic is contagious. This is best illustrated by a flock of sheep when one of them becomes alarmed and bolts. The others rush pell mell after it, reacting and terror-stricken, not knowing why, or of what they are afraid.—Physical Culture.

Human Skull as Talisman.

The human skull is a gruesome talisman. Down so half a century ago, a belief existed in the north of Scotland that the skull of a murderer possessed supernatural properties. Epilepsy was said to be cured by drinking blood out of it, and ever water from this hideous drinking vessel was alleged to have medicinal qualities.

Will Amount to Vast Sum.

We read that a retired soap manufacturer of the middle West has made testamentary provision for a fund of \$11,000 which is to remain intact until the year 2189, a neat little period. The important document in the case has been placed in an air-tight metal tube, hermetically sealed to withstand the ravages of time, and the fund will be safely kept in such places as will provide for a steady financial accretion. It has been figured that in 248 years the \$11,000 will have increased to more than \$200,000,000, and in the year 2183 that amount will be available for the beneficiaries—"homeless dogs and cats."—Providence Journal.

Man's Advantage.

Muggins—A man is often forced to pocket his pride. Bugbins—Yes, that's where he has a decided advantage over a woman, who hasn't so many pockets.

Separate Fat From Water.

The recovery of valuable fat remaining in water used in washing wool is now being accomplished by means of a new machine resembling a cream separator, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. In the past various attempts to do this have not proven satisfactory. The wash water runs directly into a bowl making 6,000 revolutions per minute, and the fat is separated almost instantly.

Obstacles in Every Path.

Most of us who work for a living have to contend with a full measure of the day's cares and setbacks. We have this obligation to meet, that difficulty to master, and so on. Yet in fairness to ourselves and in justice to the persons with whom we touch elbows during business hours, we should, the minute we come into their midst, put all "our own business" into the background.

Missouri Musical Note.

Some one has discovered that the notes of the quail are the same as the first two notes of the song, "I Dreamt That I Lived in Marble Halls." We always were of the opinion that Bob White would be a beautiful singer if he had confidence enough in himself to get to it, but he doesn't seem to be making much progress in his musical studies.—Brookfield Gazette.

All kinds of legal blanks at the Courier.

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