

DROVE CLEMENCEAU TO FIELD

Former Paris Cab Driver, Now in America, Tells of French Premier's Dueling Days.

Running a chicken ranch near Tacoma, Wash., is a man named Nicholas Thien, who, in his younger days was cab driver to Clemenceau, and who has accompanied the French premier to many a combat on the "field of honor."

"No one in any country," he remarked the other day, standing among his chickens, "has fought so many duels as M'sieu Clemenceau. They came from what he wrote in his paper. But he was so strong. He always won. No adversary could hold a sword against him."

"It was against the law, of course," added the old Frenchman, seventy-two now, in a whisper, "so we always slipped out of the city for these fights."

M'sieu Thien's cab stand used to be in front of L'Intransigent, Clemenceau's paper. Almost nightly, he says, the present premier would come out of his office and hail cab 8088.

"He got the name 'Tiger,'" M. Thien explains, "because he was always the boss, like the big striped cat is the boss of all animals."

"Ah, my friend, those were the happy days! Of course I will not insult my chickens. They are good ones, as chickens go. But it is a tame life here. I dream often of the old days when M'sieu Clemenceau would hail me 'long about two o'clock in the morning and we'd be off."

KEPT SHOES AS ORNAMENTS

American Footgear Considered by Unfortunate Serbian Woman as Altogether Too Beautiful to Wear.

Anything that will keep the feet from the ground is considered a shoe in Serbia.

In the remote rural districts of the country it is said that many of the people live and die without owning a pair of shoes. In the bitterest weather they travel through mud and snow without adequate foot covering. They consider themselves fortunate if they can secure old gunny sacks or heavy cloth, which they tie about their feet with twine in winter.

The first American-made shoes that were distributed by the American Red Cross created a tremendous stir among the people of the distant villages. One old woman who had never owned a pair before took the shoes that had been given to her to her home and put them on a shelf above the fireplace. She was as pleased as a child to own them, but nothing could induce her to wear them. She said that she intended to save them for fetes, or perhaps for her burial. They were "much too beautiful to be worn," she said.

Gem's Romantic History.

Truly romantic is the story of the Brazanza diamond, a stone of 1,660 carats, and "as large as a goose's egg," which, for more than a century, has been the proudest possession of the Portuguese crown. This amazing stone, which Mr. Streeter, the great authority on gems, has valued at \$58,000,000, was picked up by three Brazilian outlaws in the half-dried bed of the Abalte river, in the province of Minas Geraes.

The outlaws took the stone to the nearest village priest, who obtained access for them to the governor, into whose possession it was given. The diamond, the largest and finest hitherto found, was dispatched to Lisbon, with the result that the three outlaws received the royal pardon and a rich reward, while the padre to whose friendly offices they owed their good fortune was given high preferment in the church.

Flower Gardens of Holland.

It was only after the fall of Constantinople in 1453 that Holland became such a gay land of flowers as it now is. Many Dutchmen went to the East during the years of the great crusades, and those of them who loved beautiful things brought seeds with them. When these were planted in the rich soil of Holland such wondrous flowers appeared as had never before been seen in that country. The people became wildly enthusiastic over the new colors and scents and foliage brought to them from the East, and in Holland there sprang up a great love for gardening.

Orchid Hard to Secure.

Nearly all the orchids found in Burma can be grown with a little care and attention in private gardens. There is one exception, a sweet-smelling species called tazin by the Burmese, and which is usually brought to market in Christmas week in Rangoon. It only seems to flower in the most malarious and least frequented localities, and at a time of the year which is the tigers' mating season, and when they are most dangerous to human beings. It is in great demand by Burmese and sells for its weight in silver.

Honor Cuban Generals.

Cuba is to pay honor to the memory of General Maximo Gomez, the island republic's military hero, by erecting a costly monument. A first prize of \$25,000 was awarded recently to Aldo Gaba, an Italian sculptor, for a model of the memorial, which is to cost \$200,000. Second and third prizes went respectively to Huertas Cabarrocas, a Spanish-Cuban, and Gutson Borglum, an American. General Gomez became popular as the leader of the Cuban forces in the war for independence from Spain, from 1895 to 1898. He also took a prominent part in the Ten Years' war, a revolt which began in 1898. On the day of his death, June 18, 1905, the general's family was presented with a gift of \$100,000 by the government of Cuba. At the conclusion of the Spanish-American war, General Gomez was honored at a public reception given by the American forces occupying Havana at that time. —Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Helium Gas Cheapened.

Up to 1915 the total output of helium gas in all the world had probably been less than 100 cubic feet, and it was worth about \$1,700 a cubic foot. But just before the armistice was signed a shipment of 150,000 cubic feet of helium gas was sent to Europe, and it costs less than 10 cents a cubic foot.

Helium gas was first discovered on the sun, by spectroscopy. It is the best gas for use in balloons, because it is not inflammable. It is now extracted from the natural gas of Texas and Kansas.

The method is delicate and complex, but is based upon the fact that the principal constituents of natural gas liquefy when cooled to about minus 329 degrees F., but that helium remains a gas at that temperature, and hence is easily separated.

Surveyors Use Airplanes.

Four airplanes are being used to survey the extensive forests of Labrador to determine the value of the wood pulp represented by the growing trees. Aerial photographs will be taken of many parts of the peninsula for use in compiling statistics. The surveying party, which left the United States recently for Nova Scotia, is composed of 40 persons and is headed by a man who served two years as a captain in the British air forces. —Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Rich Gift to Museum.

Field museum, in Chicago, has just been given a rare treasure trove, consisting of a collection of gold ornaments excavated from the basin of the Nechi river in Colombia, South America, last June, consisting of breastplates, aprons, elaborate earrings, bells and necklaces, all in pure gold, forming the most valuable collection in the world of art of Colombia's ancient inhabitants.

All roads adjacent to Oregon City are being repaired.

SUMMONS

Minnie Rice, Plaintiff, vs. Gerald Rice, Defendant.

To Gerald Rice, the above named defendant:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:

You are hereby required to appear and answer the plaintiff's complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and the date of the first publication of this summons is fixed by the order of the judge herein named as the twelfth day of September, A. D. 1919, and if you so fail to appear and answer as herein required, for want thereof plaintiff will apply to said court for the relief demanded and prayed for in said complaint, which is a decree from said court declaring that the marriage contract now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant be forever dissolved and that plaintiff be divorced from defendant herein, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem meet and proper.

This summons is published once a week for six consecutive and successive weeks in the Springfield News, a weekly newspaper published in Springfield, Lane County, Oregon, by order of the Honorable G. F. Skipworth, circuit judge of said county and state, and of date the fifth day of September, 1919, and the first publication is on the twelfth day of September, 1919, and the last publication is on the twenty-fourth day of October, 1919.

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