

PEDAGOGUES.

Although Glad to Get Foreign Pupils, They Are Ashamed of Them.

All of us have our experiences of the inevitable contempt in which we are held by our stolid mentors, who accept our presence with the air of a chief levying tribute from his retainers.

To fully understand the bearing of this new process it is necessary to know how gun barrels are ordinarily made. The rifle barrel is simply a bar of steel rolled out to the right size by passing it through grooved rolls.

In subguns heavier charges of powder are used, and on account of the size of the bore and the limit that must be put on the weight of the shot.

Each of these processes, except the one producing the plain barrel with a longitudinal fiber and the last one mentioned, requires a deal of hand labor.

But the new process not only makes a good fiber, but it makes one much superior to the fiber found even in the welded barrels, while the work is all done by machine.

Three rolls of a conoidal shape are so placed that a rod or ingot may be fed lengthwise between them. One end of each roll being larger than the other, it follows that the surface of the big end of a roll travels faster than the surface at the small end.

In active practice a mandril is driven into the opening tube as the bar is whirled into the shape of a tube. The mandril is used not to make the hole, but to perfect it.

The process has been partly understood for some time, but iron masters of experience doubted its practical development, so that it was not adopted in practice by any one until within a few months it expanded into the new process is sure to be the lowering of the cost, and probably the price, of first-class guns, as well as those of other grades.

—Leopold, King of the Belgians, has never signed a death warrant, and although the statute has never been repealed, capital punishment is practically abolished in Belgium.

LONG WALKING TRIP.

An English Family with Six Children Walk Five Hundred Miles.

Mrs. Acton, an English lady who has one residence in St. John's Wood, London, and another in Llandudno, Arran, is the heroine of the latest remarkable pedestrian feat—a walk of five hundred miles in England and Scotland, beginning in London and ending in Glasgow, and performed, not alone, but in the company of her whole family of six children, the eldest of whom is twelve years and the youngest twelve months.

Our party consisted of six children, the youngest in our famous baby coach, which has been, oh, thousands of miles on the Continent and in England and Scotland, and my husband and myself and two maids—ten in all.

As soon as we got into the North of England we always had porridge for breakfast. We never had much meat; on the only two occasions when we had really a good dinner, we found that we could not walk afterward.

"Of course the trouble was boots," Mrs. Acton continued. "We recommended all sorts of hygienic soles, and every thing, and we tried every thing, and we had to give them all up. We gave up boots altogether and took to 'sand shoes'—canvas shoes with India rubber soles.

George was Not Afraid. Young lady (badly frightened)—O, George, here comes pa. George (ditto)—Where? Where? Young lady—Hear him stepping along the hall in his stocking feet? George (greatly relieved)—Be calm, darling, be calm. George is not afraid of stocking feet.—Washington Critic.

The Pool of Bethesda. The pool of Bethesda has been satisfactorily identified at Jerusalem, according to the chairman of the Palestine exploration fund. All early authorities agree in representing this pool as being near the Church of St. Anne, but nothing was known of the pool in later years until some Algerian monks recently unearthed a large tank in the rock under the church, reached by a flight of twenty-four steps.

—A fight between a rattlesnake and a coach-whip, near Maclisto, Fla., is thus described: The rattlesnake watched his antagonist, but could not obtain an opportunity to strike. Thinking that the coach-whip did not mean business, the rattlesnake leisurely uncoiled himself and started to go when, quick as lightning, the whip started for him, seizing him back of the neck, and wrapped himself tightly around his body.

—A Washington Territory young man applied for the teachership of the Port Blakeley school. He sent his application and a supposed letter of recommendation in the same envelope by mistake, however, he inclosed a letter from a young lady, containing charges and threats very damaging to the would-be pedagogue's reputation.

—A German pastor, desirous of traveling from Constantinople to Bosnia through Russia, was not permitted to do so. A recent decree of Emperor Alexander III. forbids the journeying through Russia of any ecclesiastic other than of the Russo-Greek Church.

CHINESE ECONOMY.

People Who Can Do Almost Any Thing, Means of Almost Nothing.

The Chinese are pre-eminently economical, whether it be in limiting the number of wants, in preventing waste, or in adjusting forces in such a manner as to make a little represent a great deal.

Our excuse.—We have been severely criticized because we refused to attend the funeral of old Pete Shilly, who died on the street of two month whisky one night last week. It is claimed that Old Pete was our creditor in the sum of twelve dollars, and that it was shabby in us not to see him panted. In the first place Old Pete owed us two dollars borrowed money, instead of our owing him.

Must Take Their Chances.—Three times during the past month we have surprised ourselves and the public by making a dash for the coast.

The Colonel Has Gone.—Tony society pretended to be all upset last week because Colonel DeClair was arrested for a horse thief and taken to Nebraska to stand trial.

Not on Him.—There are no flies on J. M. P. Brynton, Esq., who owns that beautiful ranch commonly known as Jackass Dell.

He Had Had Experience.—Applicant—Twenty-five dollars a week seems a small salary for the hard work of a reporter, sir. Editor—Perhaps it does, but the field is overcrowded. We refuse applications almost every day.

Cultured Dame.—"Just like a man! You grab a paper as soon as it arrives, keep it all to yourself, and then blame me for not being informed on matters of public interest." Husband—"Well, my dear, I'll read the paper aloud if you wish. Let me see—"Another Ocean Horror—"O, don't read that."

Chestnut gathering is a delightful occupation, and some people obtain so many chestnuts that the matter of their preservation is a serious question. To keep chestnuts from four to six weeks, mix each bushel with a pint of salt, shake thoroughly and keep in a dry place, where the temperature is from 40 to 50 degrees.

—The other day a Boston man received a letter on the envelope of which were the words—"Blood! Blood! Blood!" in big red letters. Thinking that it contained a threat to tell him he gave it unopened to the police. When they opened it, they found it was a harmless appeal from a Salvation Army card.

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BIG NATIONAL DEBTS.

France Leads the List and Hungary Brings Up the Rear.

If a national debt is a national blessing, France is the most blessed country on earth. The last computation of the French debt places it at \$5,502,800,000 to which must be added \$432,000,000 life annuities which will expire with the lives of their owners.

Of the other European nations the debt of Russia is the greatest, amounting to \$8,695,600,000. But Russia has population of 80,000,000, while France has but little more than 30,000,000.

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MOVING FROM MEXICO.

People of Sonora Emigrating to the Southern Part of Arizona.

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A LOVER'S DESPERATE ACT.

"Is there no hope?" he exclaimed passionately.

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