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FENCING OUT RATTLERS.
 A Precaution of Animals That Man Uses to Advantage.

Did you ever hear of a rattlesnake fence—not one made of rattlesnakes, of course not, but one made of prickly thorns to protect one from the rattlers and keep them away? That is what the Arizona campers build, and the only way to keep these deadly poisoners away is by building one of these fences of okta, a shrub covered with thorns which grows on the desert.

As the tents have no doors and are not set much above the ground, it would appear easy for Mr. Rattler to effect an entrance. Imagine the sensation of crawling into bed some cold night to strike against the clammy skin of a snake, and this is just where Mr. Snake likes to snuggle, in among the warm blankets.

To avoid this men who work in the mines have found that a snake will not go near this okta, and they have built closely knit fences around their tents, with little gates to go in and out, and beyond this the rattler will not penetrate. It was first the Indians of the desert who discovered this deadly shrub, and they got the secret from birds and animals, which, to protect their young, travel sometimes many miles back and forth, bringing the thorns with which to cover their little nests. Gophers and other small animals there cover their nests in this manner.

It is strange that in that country, so dry and forbidding many things grow in exuberance, and especially noticeable are the great fields of Brown Eyed Susans, the yellow daisies with the brown centers. They grow so high and wild that you can step in a field and your head will just peep over the top of the nodding sea of bright eyed faces.—Los Angeles Times.

Hold It Down!

It is the short piece, be it letter or editorial, that catches the reader, and correspondents who wish their letters to be read should never extend them beyond a quarter of a column, and half that length is preferable. Condensation is an art, but it can be acquired with a little practice. Never try to see how long you can make your article, but how short. Use never a superfluous sentence or word. Be as brief as an intelligible statement of the case will allow and you will have ten readers where the long winded fellow will have one.—Richmond Dispatch.

Given Back.

Never say of anything, "I have lost it," but, "I have given it back." Is your child dead? It has been given back. Is your wife dead? She has been given back. Is your estate taken away? Well, and is not that likewise given back? "But he who took it away is a bad man." What is it to you by whose hands he who gave it has demanded it.

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The Last Course.

"Paw, when there's a big banquet, why do they always have spoiled cheese to wind it up with?"
 "Because, my son, it makes you forget the earlier courses."—Chicago Tribune.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

It is always better to throw a bouquet than a pickle.
 The friends who flatter us are the ones we say "understand" us.
 Nobody knows much, but everybody should know enough not to go to law.
 If you have a good opinion of yourself and wish others to have it, keep it to yourself.
 No use talking, it is very hard to feel just right toward a friend after you have heard him praise your enemy.

We suppose it is "broadening" to travel for the reason that the traveler discovers what a lot of people there are on earth who never heard of him.
 This is what the ambitions of life finally amount to—that a man may have a warm corner and enough to eat when he is old and that his final illness may be a brief one.—Atchison Globe.

Receives a "Collect."

Oliver Herford, who is equally famous as a poet, illustrator and brilliant wit, was entertaining four magazine editors at luncheon when the bell rang and a maid entered with the mail. "Ah," said an editor, "an epistle."
 "No," said Mr. Herford, tearing open the envelope, "not an epistle; a collect."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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 February 15, 1907

Notice is hereby given that JEREMIAH J. OHLER, of Ione, Oregon, has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 14788 made Nov. 9, 1905, for the NE-1/4 of Section 29, Township 1 South, Range 25 E., W. M., and that said proof will be made before J. P. Williams, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Heppner, Oregon, on March 25th, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, the land, viz:
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