

WHERE GREAT MONARCH LIES

Mosque of Bajazet II is One of the Sights of Constantinople.

Constantinople has no mosque more attractive to natives and strangers alike than that of Bajazet II. Bajazet, one time sultan of an empire, known as the dreamer, raised this graceful monument and sleeps peacefully in its shelter.

It is not, however, in reverence to the memory of Bajazet that so many Turks sit languidly in the corners of the mosque court. They are here to profit by the visits of strangers in the city, to tempt them with real Turkish tobacco, oriental perfumes, amber and jewelry. In short, they have set up shop in the very shadow of the mosque, and that shadow being insufficient, strips of awnings have been rigged up as further protection from the glaring sun. Whether Bajazet would approve of this seeming disrespect can only be surmised.

Pigeons, too, in distracting numbers, whirling, cooling, always fluttering from one spot to another, save the mosque courtyard from the solemn silence of the thousand and one other temples of Constantinople. Bajazet's approval of the pigeons' presence is recognized from the time when only two frequented his court. By his order they and their successors have been always fed and regarded as sacred.

The feathered inhabitants have become so numerous and so much at home that the mosque has come to be popularly called the "Mosque of Pigeons." Their cooling softens the sound of bargaining from the corners of the court and blends with the splash of the fountain. Could the dreamy Bajazet behold them now, poised on his minarets, walking sedately about his court, and circling like whirling clouds about the columns, he would realize that they are the final touch to the perfection of his temple.

TRUE TO IDEALS OF HOME

Woman Conductor Would Have No Mud Tracked Into Elevator That She Was Running.

She was a fat, comfortable looking Irish woman. You could see her putting out a good washing or rocking a baby, but it was hard to believe your eyes when you saw her running an elevator at night in an office building. There she was, just the same. And the little Italian who was scrubbing the main hall had left water, quite a puddle of it, in front of the elevator.

All proceedings were stopped. The elevator did not run. With arms akimbo she dressed down the hapless little man and ordered him back with his mop. "Come here, and clean this up!" she ordered. "I'll not have folks tracking water into my elevator." He came. Memories of muddy feet on home-scrubbed porches and immaculate halls. It was her elevator, not her employer's, when she was running it, and tracked it should not be.

Here's a toast to home ideals in public housekeeping. May they blot out worse flaws than the mere tracking of physical dirt!—New York Times.

Ancient Knightly Order.

The order of Knights of Dannebroeg was established in 1219 by Valdemar II, according to Danish tradition, as a memorial of a victory over the Eschoniens, won by the appearance in the sky of a red banner bearing a white cross. Historically the order dates back to 1071 when it was founded by Christian V. It was originally restricted to 50 knights and was family or court decoration. In 1808 it was made an order of merit by Frederick VI and is awarded only for distinguished and meritorious services.

The insignia of the knighthood is a white enameled Danish cross with red and gold borders, bearing in the center the letter W and on the four arms the inscription "God og Kongen" (for God and King). The ribbon is white with red edging. The rank is an honorary one and entitles the recipient to use the title "Sir." The rank and title are not hereditary.

Snaring Birds of Paradise.

To obtain the much prized feathers the New Guinea natives set out for the forest, knowing that the bird of paradise seeks to conceal his rainbow hues in the dense foliage of the trees. If they can find no haunt of the desired birds they start calling in excellent imitation of the shrill, ugly cry of the bird of paradise to its mate. This ruse is usually successful, and a bird shows itself only to be snared or shot down with arrows.

In mating season the male bird dances before the female he desires as a mate, to display his beautiful feathers, and at such a time so absorbed are the birds in their own affairs that large numbers are easily taken by the wily natives.—Savannah Morning News.

King of Poor Penmen.

The palm for illegibility is generally awarded to the late Horace Greeley, but in our own land probably Lecky was king of impossible penmen.

There are veteran compositors alive who remember setting up his "History of Morais." Those who could decipher the manuscript were more prized than their rivals who took Arabic and Hindustani in their stride.

To master Lecky the men were allowed to take home dubious folios and ponder them in privacy. They say that the author was, in printing circles, the best cursed man of the century.—London Chronicle.

VICTORY TO SUPERIOR RACE

Teuton Hosts at the Marne Overwhelmed by Men Possessed of Love of Liberty.

The following passage is from an article entitled "The New Men and the Old World," in Inter-American. The writer, Jesus Semprum, is a noted Venezuelan man of letters, the author of many biographical, historical and literary works. He employs the allegorical style of writing.

"Therefore, men died by the thousand, from Nieuport to the black Vosges," writes Mr. Semprum. "An advance here, another there, thousands of prisoners, hundreds of cannon; but the channel ports continued to be denied them; Amiens and Chalons and Paris unattainable in the distance. The tired chargers went so far as to drink the fateful waters of the Marne.

"Suddenly the wind of wrath blows against the monarch's hosts. In the front rank fight with skillful daring the new men, like veterans seasoned in long campaigns. Without knowing the whips of the sergeants, the destroyers of free will, without having lived covered by the yoke of minute and iron discipline, without calling themselves the favorites of the Most High, Pershing's men pursue the veteran conquerors of the world and throw them back upon the Moselle, astound them with their numbers, their strength, their simple and serene valor. They went forward at a quick and measured pace, and under their feet the soil of France quivered in the joy of liberation.

"The new men had arrived in time!"

YOUNG WIFE'S FIRST LESSON

Mrs. Newlywed Evidently Beginning to Learn Her Household Duties From the Ground Up.

The newly married man came home from his office happy. He was greeted as newly married men are greeted, with a kiss, and this, in fashion of his kind, he returned with interest.

"Of course we shall go out to dinner, darling," he remarked.

"Yes, dearest," replied the happy young woman.

"But one of these days we shall have a dinner here, darling, shall we not, of your own cooking?"

"Of course, dearest," she replied, "I am getting along famously with my cooking lessons."

"And it will be such a change," he continued, "from the monotonous fare of the restaurants."

There were more kisses.

"Did you take cooking lessons today, darling," he asked.

"Yes, dearest."

"And what did you learn?"

There was pride in her tone as she replied. "Today, dearest, I learned how to boil water."—Ohio Observer.

Something to It—After All.

The hostess had talked about her wonderful ancestry until her guests were bored to distraction. No one made any comments, but still she was determined to win some. So she turned to the young woman next to her and said: "Isn't it splendid to have an ancestry of which one can be proud?"

The young woman, who was very successful indeed, smiled and calmly rejoined: "I really don't know. You see I've been so busy all my life trying to do something worth while so that my ancestors, should they suddenly come to life, would not feel ashamed of me, that I've had very little time to hunt information about them."

Temperament and Watch.

That particular kind of temperament exercise a baleful influence on watches seems to be a common experience.

"I once carried four in three months," writes a correspondent, "and all stopped. A watchmaker told me that they behaved as watches do when the spring of the balance gets magnetized, though why they should have done so he could not say."

The fact when mentioned to Prof. Sylvanus Thompson, distinguished electrician, noticed that the clock-stopper fidgeted a good deal, and ventured to suggest that such movements probably generated a small amount of frictional electricity at high tension, which might at times magnetize the spring.

One Frenchman's Sacrifice.

Thirteen sons dead, that represents part of the war's cost to a French farmer who lived at Reninghe, near Ypres—surely a record. He had 36 children, and 20 of his 22 sons fought on the various fronts. In 1917 the widow of one of the sons was killed by a German shell at Dunkirk. The farmer himself and one of his daughters met a tragic end, in October, 1914, they went to Lille to take part in celebrating the hundredth birthday of a relative. They were met on their return by a German patrol and were shot.

Making Mother-of-Pearl.

The secret of another German key industry has been discovered, the manufacture of artificial mother-of-pearl. J. W. H. Dew, a fellow of the British Royal Society of Arts, found the process after much patient experimenting. Doctor Dew was engaged during the whole period of the war in reconstructing, step by step, the method of manufacture.

Artificial mother-of-pearl is used for making fancy buttons, dress trimmings and many other articles. Before the war most of it came from Germany.

ADVANCE IN THE PRICE OF GASOLINE.

The price of Red Crown Gasoline was advanced 1½ cents a gallon on Wednesday, December 17, 1919.

This advance is due to the fact that the Oregon state law specifies that gasoline shall be of 56 degrees gravity, Baume test to be saleable in the state, which law necessitates our refining a special gasoline for sale in Oregon. In refining this special gasoline a lower yield is secured from the crude oil than in refining our regular gasoline, with consequent increase in the cost of the special gasoline.

The advance of 1½ cents a gallon in the price does not fully represent the additional cost to us of manufacturing the special gasoline. At the same time, the higher price of the special gasoline does not secure for the user any greater value than is given in our regular gasoline.

The 56-degree gravity gasoline that we must specially refine and furnish in Oregon is a less efficient gasoline than that regularly produced by this Company and sold in Washington, California and elsewhere. Our regular gasoline comes within the United States Government Standard Specifications. It is refined to a set specification of a chain of boiling points determined by our exports as being that which will give the maximum of power and mileage consistent with due regard to gasoline conservation and the maintenance of reasonable prices to the consumer.

GRAVITY A FALSE TEST OF GASOLINE VALUE

Gasoline is regularly refined by us with regard to its range of boiling points—the only true measure of gasoline value. The Oregon State law establishes a gravity standard for gasoline, which is not indicative of gasoline quality. That "the gravity test is of little or no value in determining the quality of gasoline" was stated by the United States Government's Committee on Standardization of Petroleum Specifications in its report to the Government. Later the United States Government adopted standards for gasoline based on boiling points.

BOILING POINTS ARE THE ONLY TRUE MEASURE OF GASOLINE VALUE

Boiling points determine the vaporizing and combusive, or power, qualities of gasoline. They are the only true measure of gasoline value. The gravity test simply compares the density of the liquid gasoline with the density of water at sea level. It can tell nothing about the vaporizing and combusive, or power, values of gasoline. Only the range of boiling points can do that.

THE U. S. GOVERNMENT STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR GASOLINE.

The United States Government standard specifications for gasoline are based on boiling points—not gravity. Drafted as they were by impartial Government experts, they are generally considered, in the light of conditions today, as the most practical standard for gasoline. They insure an efficient and satisfactory gasoline and at the same time have due regard for the best utilization of our petroleum resources, and the maintenance of reasonable prices to the consumer.

THE GASOLINE PROBLEM.

The demand for gasoline is increasing faster than the supply. To hold down the increasing disproportion between the demand and the supply, it is important that every possible drop of gasoline be extracted from the crude oil refined. At the same time the producers must continue their constant search for new sources of crude-oil supply, and the automotive engineers must continue their efforts to get more power and mileage out of the gasoline consumed.

THE OREGON STATE LAW DEFEATS CONSERVATION.

The Oregon State law, by specifying a gravity standard for gasoline, limits the possible extraction of gasoline from the crude oil and thus operates directly against gasoline conservation, making less plentiful and more costly the supply.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY, California.

Notice.

Sealed bids addressed to the county court of Tillamook County, Oregon, and endorsed "Proposals for operation of Woods Ferry" will be received by the county court of said county at Tillamook, Oregon, for the operation of the ferry at Woods, Oregon, from Jan. 1, 1920, to Jan. 1, 1921. Said bids to be opened at 10 o'clock a.m. January 7, 1920. The County Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Dated this 16th day of December, 1919. Homer Mason, County Clerk.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Tillamook Hotel Company will be held at the hotel parlors in Tillamook City, Oregon, on Monday, January 5th, at 2 p.m. P. J. Worrall, President. B. J. Cloussen, Secretary.

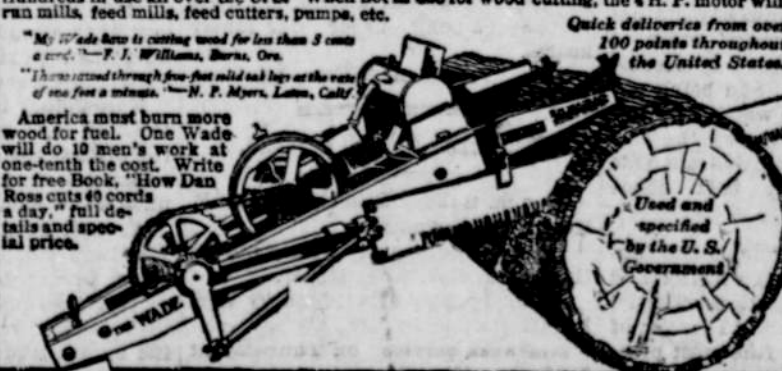
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