

IN FRANCE'S CAPITAL

Substance Containing Greater Force Than Radium Is Discovered in Italy

Excitement reigns in scientific circles in Paris about the reports that come from Pisa on the substance more powerful than radium. Frenchmen will not readily believe that anything more wonderful than radium, which was discovered by Prof. Curie in France should

Prof. Batelli has for over a year been experimenting with the waters of Fluliano, the luminous phenomenon of which he discovered are due to a high degree.

In order to extract the gas from the waters a powerful steam pump was used, which forced it into cylinders, from which when it is released the gas is forced into small tubes and plunged into liquid air and then with sulphuretted of zinc.

The emanation when definitely released becomes visible and color is a brilliant green.

Professor Batelli has not yet been able to determine what causes these

but that they are discovered water and are radio-active is of importance.

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Prof. Thouessart of the Muse-

of natural history here has been

his opinion of Prof. Garner's

periments with monkeys. M.

nessart is rather skeptical as to

American naturalist's success.

Then Prof. Garner published his

about monkeys he had never

the coast," said M. Thouessart

an interview. "He spent his days

a hammock consuming refreshing

When his book was attacked he

had to come to the conclusion

that he had better undertake some

experiments, but nobody

would believe in the bamboo hut in

center of a dark African forest

so on.

Professor Garner had a female

Spanzee named Mise to which it

years he had taught marvelous

things. But the creature got away.

He shall never know just how much

truth there is in Mise's accomplishments for we shall never see what she could do.

"Because Prof. Garner can teach a monkey to talk, it does not follow that he can teach it to reason. Jays and parrots talk, but they do not know the meaning of what they say. The anthropoid apes have brains more nearly resembling the human brain in conformation, but they have never shown half the intelligence of the elephant.

"Monkeys have been known and studied by man for over a hundred years yet no progress has ever been noticed in them. Monkeys will warm themselves by the embers of fires left by travelers, but they will never have the sense to keep the fire alight by adding wood which lies in quantities all about them.

"Prof. Garner may have accomplished great wonders with his monkeys, but I for one, will not believe these things till I have seen them."

Tourists will no longer have to go as far from Paris as Ables in order to see open air plays in a real Roman theatre. On the edge of the forest of Compiègne some excavations which have been going for nearly a hundred years have brought to light a number of interesting archaeological relics, among them being a Roman temple, baths, and a theatre, portions of which are in an excellent state of preservation. A committee has been formed comprising members of the French academy artists and others for the purpose of organizing a theatrical performance to be given among the ruins.

Parisians have been greatly astonished at the discovery that M. Clemenceau, who since his sensational speech in the chamber of deputies recently has been acknowledged the greatest orator of our day, has his voice carefully tended by a throat specialist. For ten days at least before M. Clemenceau makes a speech he is under the daily care of Dr. Poyet, the great throat specialist. He follows a strict regime of diet and vocal exercises. Not only does he limber up his voice cords, with certain medical preparations, but he trains his voice just as the opera singer would do. Dr. Poyet numbers among his patients in addition to M. Clemenceau the prime minister of France, several other prominent politicians, among them being M. Barthou and Ewienne. Not one of these men have any throat disease whatever, but they nurse their organs of speech with all the anxious care that a prima donna

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Prosperity in Yucatan.

Yucatan, fifty years ago one of the poorest of the Mexican states, has become one of the richest. Merida, the capital, has well-paved streets, well lighted and well cared for by a corps of "white wings." Well built homes, some of them actual palaces, and all clean and newly painted, line the streets far into the country. A well built system of mule cars extends all over the city and is an important factor in the growth of the city. On the north and west, where the city is growing most rapidly, are the picturesque and prosperous colonies of Itzimna and San Cosme, where some of the wealthy families have their summer villas. Merida has three prosperous banks, high standard male and female colleges, 35 public schools, night schools, a complete state law school, and a successful state school of medicine, which for years was presided over by Dr. J. M. Tappan, a Harvard graduate.

Merida commercially drains the products of and furnishes supplies to an area of 50,000 miles of territory, with 300,000 inhabitants. The natives are becoming a large factor in the consumption of imported articles. The families have their sewing machines, furniture and portraits, the latter enlarged in the United States, and these people are well worth catering to.

Progreso, the port of entry, is a sea town, with wharves and warehouses, the former being well built structures of wood and iron extending 500 to 1500 feet into the gulf. Owing to the open roadstead and the shelving sea floor, the regular steamers and larger merchantmen lie at anchor some distance out, often five miles, requiring a large number of lighters for transport of merchandise to the wharves and in return to carry out the bales of hemp.

Transference of goods from a ship's hold by tackle to a lighter bottom, from wharf to railway station, and thence into cars tends to breakage. Hence it is well to "pack too strong rather than to pack too light, and pack well." As railroads now extend in Yucatan to nearly all

places where goods are called for, there is no further need to pack in small sizes. The packing and casing, however, must be extra strong to cope with the unloading in a heavy sea into a swaying, heaving lighter, which is often the case.

Progreso is really a city of agents whose principals reside and do business in Merida. Through three firms (names of which can be secured from the bureau of manufacturers) pass all the imports and exports of Yucatan. The principal imports for the calendar year 1905 were machinery and hardware, including railway supplies, corn, flour, and hay, lumber, groceries, including preserves, canned goods, and cheese, druggists' supplies, dry goods, including ribbons, thread, and the finer cloths, felt and straw hats, wines and liquors. During the calendar year 1904 the total value of exportation from Yucatan reached the sum of \$32,000,000 Mexican. Of this considerable sum about 75 per cent, or \$24,000,000, filters out of the country again, of which four-fifths is in payment of imported materials, one-tenth is used in import duties and payments of interest, and one-tenth, or over \$2,000,000, is spent by the people of Yucatan in travel abroad.—Consul Edward H. Thompson.

LOVE HAD 'EM.

Sick Kitties on Excursion—A Thrilling Incident.

The sick kitty passenger on the Sunday excursion trains from Newport is not so much in vogue as formerly. How youngsters of 16 to 20 sat on each other's laps and chewed each other's gums with a dying calf look on their faces was sketched in the Times recently. Of late true love has not seemed to have so mellifluous effect on the youngsters as formerly. They have mostly been content to sit up straight with nothing more serious than a surreptitious holding of hands and an occasional sly glance into each other's eyes. Last Sunday night, however, a batch of seven of them in one car got the mania and fell to with an abandon that would have mortified to death anything else than a bunch of the exceedingly sick-calf variety. Seven of them, about three youths and four youthless sardined into a double seat. They all had that kind of love that absolutely refuses to have a lid on it. Frank Durbin, the old sheriff of Marion county, and ex-Governor Geer and wife sat across the aisle and looked on at the proceedings in dumb astonishment. At last Mr. Durbin got his breath and remarked that, "Superintendent Gardner ought to come along and gather in that bunch of boys for the Boys' and Girls' Home: what do you think of 'em, Geer, eh?" The ex-governor took one swift glance at the outfit, and remarked, "If Mrs. Geer were not along, I would take a hand in the mixup, myself."—Corvallis Times.

Galveston's Sea Wall

Makes life now as safe in that city as on the higher uplands. E. W. Goodloe, who resides on Dutton St., in Waco, Tex., needs no sea wall for safety. He writes: "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption the past five years, and it keeps me well and safe. Before that time I had a cough which for years had been growing worse. Now it's gone." Cures Chronic Coughs and prevents Pneumonia. Pleasant to take. Every bottle guaranteed at J. C. Perry's drug store. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

BOSSSES LIKE THE QUIET GIRL

(John Coleman in Tacoma Ledger.) Two busy business men earnestly discussed the young woman employed by one.

"Such a nice girl," he said, his tone and brow dubiously puzzled. "So bright, so quick, so industrious, so reliable, so obliging. She's worth every cent of the large salary we pay her. But she spoils it all by her being too ready to talk.

"I daren't pass the time of day with her pleasantly for fear she'll pour out a perfect flood of gay chatter. Witty nonsense, you know, and she's a good talker; I'd be glad to listen in a parlor, but that kind of conversational enjoyment is out of place downtown."

The listener nodded in a way that showed his sympathetic comprehension of the situation.

"I know what that sort of thing is, and it's a great pity," he answered. "I've had women like that work for me before now, and I always get rid of them as soon as possible. But it isn't easy to do this when there's no fault to find save the tendency to excessive chatter; one can't well tell a woman she'd be a more valuable employee if she could learn to hold her tongue. And yet I sometimes think it would be kinder to the girl."

Men Leaning Over Her Desk.

The state of affairs suggested by this talk is by no means uncommon. Many a business man feels inclined or even compelled to discharge a valued and trusted employee because of her apparent inability to acquire reserve or reticence. It is not always a girl's fault that her office associates lean toward frequent talks with her, but she should remember that few employers regard with favor the feminine employee who always has one or more uncanonical masculine decorations hanging over her desk.

Heads and instructors of business colleges and training schools should pay particular attention to this point of business etiquette. The sensible, self-respecting business woman would never dream of wearing house gowns, overdressy blouses, jewelry, or high heeled slippers to the office, of serving afternoon tea, or insisting that her masculine associates should rise every time she comes near them.

Why, then, should she indulge in the gay social chatter equally out of place and unsuitable in the downtown region? Merely because, being a woman, the chatty social impulse is strong within her, and it does not occur to her, especially if she is young and merry, to curb it during office hours and occupations. Perhaps, too, she lives away from home or in uncongenial surroundings, finding her business acquaintances pleasanter and more friendly than those with whom she should more legitimately exchange lively badinage and chatter. Most probable of all, being in love with her work, she finds her natural flow of spirits rise higher when engaged in it, and expresses this happy condition in the natural feminine way—by talking.

Sometimes, moreover, the too ready talk means merely a nervous, excited, or overstrained condition due to any one of numerous and widely varied causes. At home, perhaps, the overvulnerable girl might cry a little, take a walk, or even yield for a

time to the "fit of the doleful blues" that may for some reason, possess her. Down town, making a brave effort to subordinate her personal interests to at least an appearance of businesslike calm, wisely determined never to speak of her private griefs and trials, she chatters lamentably and loudly. Nor can it be denied that a small proportion of unthinking business but by no means businesslike girls and women do now and then apparently regard a downtown office as a first-class place and opportunity to giggle and flirt.

Unnecessary conversation of all kinds should, however, be sternly though unobtrusively repressed by the business woman worthy of the name and with her eyes fixed on the goal of success. A pleasant manner should be cultivated, pleasant relations maintained with all in the office, but even where warm friendships exist between different employees of the same house or organization the personal element should be relegated to non-office hours and seasons. It is not necessary to be severe, harsh, or tactful in association with other workers. But it is strongly necessary that anything like gossip or unmeaning chatter should be avoided at all working times.

Quiet Woman Gets Best Place.

Other things being equal, the quiet, reserved business woman who, though friendly with all, says comparatively little while engaged in business, is the one most likely to reach the top of the ladder. Nor need opportunities for sympathy and kindly assistance to fellow toilers be laid aside.

There are men who must have some one to talk to, who exact sympathy and advice from all who come near them, who, falling a patient wife or a tender mother, will insist that the stenographer, bookkeeper, or other feminine employee reap the worry harvest of all their troubles. There are other men—though these are not so numerous—who must share their joys with all about them. A girl habituated to working with a man of either description will, especially if young when undergoing the experience, respond rapidly and even bear the unfortunate business ways thus acquired to offices marked by more desirable modes and conditions.

"Talk only when you must and then to the point" is a good and safe rule for all business women to follow. A woman's wit and inradical social instinct often lead her into mistakes that her common sense should correct sharply. Retain the merry heart, the joyous outlook, the friendly impulse always if you would keep young and of value to yourself and your fellows, but sternly repress all tendency to social chatter downtown.

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