

DECAPITATED ACED SNAKE.

New York State Woman Pins Bopple to Earth and Uses Pocket-Knife.

Helen K. Y.—A large rattlesnake is on exhibition in this village which was captured by the wife of Marcellus Rice, a settler of this town, who resides on a farm near Washington, in a region noted for rattlesnakes. Instead of killing the snake with a stick, she adopted the method of decapitating it with a pocket-knife.

ROMANCE IN HUNGARY.

Young Nobleman in Love with Poor Girl Finds Himself in Prison.

Berka.—A romantic story, with all the details of a medieval tale—imprisonment in a tower, opposition of obdurate parents, rescue and abduction, culminating in marriage, comes from Czechoslovakia, in Hungary.

COLT KILLED BY MOOSE.

Wild Animal Causes Consternation in the Pastures of Maine Farmers.

Danvers, Me.—At Fort Fairfield one day lately a commotion was heard in a pasture where B. S. Smith had a young colt and his mother, and upon investigation it was found that a moose had visited the pasture and had killed the colt.

FIND CURE FOR LEPROSY.

Many Cases Healed in the Philippines by Treatment of American Surgeons.

Manila, P. I.—American surgeons connected with the board of health of Manila declare that they have discovered a positive cure for leprosy. Of those treated, all have improved, six having been absolutely cured. Several persons, portions of whose bodies were gone, have recovered.

PARIS HONORS FRANKLIN.

The city of Paris is to have its streets adorned by the honor of the fine statue in Philadelphia. It has been arranged that it will be placed at the corner of the Rue Franklin, opposite the Grandmuseum.

BIG FEARL IN GIANT TURTLE.

Helen Edward Morrison, of Jamaica Bay, N. Y., who, while fishing for crabs at Rockaway inlet, caught a turtle weighing 576 pounds, has found that a big lump on the creature's back is a "pearl baroness" 100 years old and worth \$500.

ODD METALS PRODUCED.

The production of spiegelau, ferromanganese, and similar metal for the first half of 1905 was 129,040 gross tons, against 105,882 in the last half of 1904, and 104,510 in the first half of 1904.

DESIRE STATEHOOD.

AGITATION IN INDIAN AND OKLAHOMA TERRITORIES.

Governors of Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations Resist Interior Department—The Tribes Involved.

Vinita, I. T.—The commercial interests in the Indian territory are preparing to take up the fight in the coming session of congress to make one state out of Indian and Oklahoma territories. It is contended that Indian territory should be admitted as a state with Oklahoma on the same footing.

SEA-LION IN BATHTUB.

Hotel Employe Thought It Was a Monster, But It Was Only a Pet.

"Gimme a revolver, gimme a shotgun," shouted "Tom," a window washer, as he dashed up to Clerk McHenry in the Victoria hotel the other afternoon, his eyes looking like china nest eggs.

CHINAMAN WANTED A WEIGH.

Tried All Kinds of Coins on the Machine, But Couldn't Find One to Fit.

As he walked out upon the platform of the elevated station he attracted attention immediately, relates the New York Post. He was rather different from the ordinary Chinaman.

SHAH AFRAID IN DARK.

The Light Must Not Be Turned Off Where the Persian Monarch Is.

SPAIN TIRING OF ALFONSO.

He Is a Good-Hearted Lad, But of Little Use to the Needy Nation.

Madrid.—The Spaniards are busy just now trying to make out whether they really have "a good king," or simply "a good-hearted king." There is no doubt that young Alfonso's love for Spain and the Spaniards is sincere, but so far, he has not been capable of doing anything practical for his people.

MODEL HOTEL BEING BUILT.

At last the government is making some determined effort to make the Panama canal employes comfortable. Plans for a 250-room hotel have been approved and building will begin forthwith.

PROOF OF LIFELESS MOON.

Results of Scientific Telescopic Observations Are Most Conclusive.

The moon being much the nearest to us of all the heavenly bodies, we can pronounce more definitely in its case than in any other. We know that neither air nor water exists on the moon in quantities sufficient to be perceived by the most delicate tests at our command.

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WHAT HE WAS ANGRY ABOUT.

Hit by an Automobile, But He Didn't Mind the Bump So Much.

The tall, angular man in the wide-brimmed felt hat was evidently a southern merchant on a pleasure trip, relates the Chicago Inter Ocean.

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WORK OF THE BAYONETS.

What Is Meant by the Order "Throw Yourself on Their Bayonets?"

It is a phrase merely to those who do not know war at first hand. "Then the men threw themselves on the bayonets of the enemy," sounds desperate and dramatic, but this account in Blackwood's Magazine by a naval sublieutenant at Port Arthur shows what it really means.

ONLY ONE IN ODD BUSINESS.

But One Man Who Knows How to Write Insurance on Flywheels.

Only one company issues flywheel insurance, because only one man can write it. He is monarch of all his inspectors survey, his right there is none to dispute, says Leslie's Magazine.

EARLY CRICKET IN INDIA.

As Played in Seventeenth Century, the Game Would Hardly Be Recognized Now.

Cricket, which has now taken such a firm hold in India among both European and natives alike, has been played in the east very much longer than most people would imagine. In the New English dictionary, for example, there is a reference to a game taking place at Aleppo as early as the year 1670.

INTRIGUING DISTANCES.

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SMALL MONARCH.

The youngest king in the world is Daudi Chua, king of Uganda, who is now about eight. He holds his court seated on a scarlet throne with a leopard skin mat under his feet and bearing in his hand a toy gun.

ROMANCE OF IMMIGRATION.

The pleasantest Ellis Island report of the year is that of the 223 marriages which took place at the station in the six months ending June 30. This is a gain of 23 over the corresponding period of last year.

LONG DRIVE FOR SHEEP.

Without losing a single animal seven shepherds recently drove a flock of 14,000 sheep from Mamuga, in Queensland, to Narrabri, in New South Wales, a distance of 900 miles—Sydney Bulletin.

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