

LAUGHED AT BY A GHOST.

Ohio Men Have a Hair-Raising Experience at a Graveyard.

A Good-Natured Spectre Salutes Honest Wayfarers and Then Disappears in the Ground Near a Grave.

Robert Maynard, who lives about a mile from Bucyrus, O., is sure he has seen a ghost. Mr. Maynard, in his walks home, passes a cemetery. Saturday night Mr. Maynard was detained in Bucyrus until after ten o'clock, and started home alone, whistling as he went. When he reached the cemetery he was greeted by a shrill whistle and the salutation: "Hello, Bob!" Mr. Maynard stopped short and looked around, saying: "What's that?" and was again accosted with: "How do, Bob."

He failed to see anyone, but was nettled by the remark: "Peek-a-boo, I see you," in a peculiar guttural accent, and later the sound came from apparently a different direction. Mr. Maynard quickened his pace as he heard a rustle close at hand, with a sudden draught of cold air. A second later he broke into a run, but the voice followed him with: "Good-by, Bob; darn you, Bob. Just tell them that you saw me-ha, ha, ha!" Mr. Maynard had a suspicion that he had been made the victim of a hoax, so he kept the matter to himself, but took occasion on returning from church next evening to be in company with a neighbor. They had reached the cemetery and were engaged in conversation, when they were paralyzed by the exclamation: "Ah, there!" followed immediately by "Hello, Bob." Mr. Maynard's neighbor did not stop to argue the matter, but broke into a run and was closely followed by Maynard. They called several neighbors, and, armed with clubs, went back to the graveyard, where they beat around in an endeavor to find the cause of the disturbances, but their search was fruitless, and they gave up and started home. The last man of the band was climbing the fence into the road when a voice close to him said: "Good-by, Bob—ha, ha, ha!" The man on the fence promptly fell off with a crash and his companions broke into a run. Some of them stopped long enough to see a white specter disappear in the ground near a lonely and neglected grave which was known as the last resting place of a suicide of years ago. A white light rested for an instant over the spot, and then slowly flickered out.

HISTORIC CHURCH BURNED.

Edifice in Savannah, Ga., Containing Valuable Records Injured.

Christ church, the oldest church in Georgia, in which John Wesley preached before he promulgated the Methodist faith, was burned almost to the ground at Savannah. The building contained all the records of Savannah and practically of Georgia since 1825, most of which are a total loss.

Christ church is the mother church of Episcopal communion in Georgia. Christ church parish was founded soon after the settlement of Savannah. The first edifice was begun in 1743, but was not completed until 1750. In 1796 it was destroyed by fire and was rebuilt upon an enlarged plan in 1803. The next year it was partly demolished by a hurricane and was not rebuilt until 1810. In 1838 the corner stone of the present edifice was laid, the old church having been torn down, and the building was completed in 1840. The founder of Christ church was Rev. Henry Herbert, who came over from England with Oglethorpe.

John Wesley was its third rector and on the site of the present edifice stood the rude chapel in which he ministered as chaplain to the colonists.

TO STUDY THE INDIANS.

Expedition of Scientists to British Columbia—Their Mission.

Dr. Franz Boas, curator of the anthropological section of the American Museum of Natural History, and Dr. Livingston Farrand, of Columbia university, have left New York city for the northwest, where they will make a study of the ethnology of the Indians of the North Pacific slope, in British Columbia. Harland A. Smith, who is to work with them, left a few days ago.

The three scientists intend to complete a systematic study of North American Indians and other peoples of northwestern Asia with a view to tracing the historical connection that has long been one of the theories of the origin of the American Indians.

Expeditions will go out every summer, under the auspices of the Museum of Natural History for six years.

Next year's work will be among the Coreans and the peoples of northwestern Asia. Morris K. Jessup, president of the museum, has provided the funds with which the expedition will be equipped.

Perfuming Artificial Flowers.

Perfuming flowers artificially is one of the latest fads in Paris.

Experiment, according to an exchange, has proved that it is possible not only to take away the natural odor of a flower, but also to make it yield a perfume derived from some other vegetable product.

Some violets, for example, are perfect in form and coloring, but without fragrance, while others, while very insignificant to look at, emit a delicious fragrance. The transfer of the odor from one species to the other has been accomplished. Those who have been most successful in this branch of horticulture refuse to tell their secret.

Electric Railways.

Philadelphia has a greater mileage of electric railways than the whole of Germany, according to the Electrical World.

Quarantine of Grip.

The Portland board of health now talks of quarantining grip patients.

TREED BY WILD HOGS.

Whisky Causes a Fight Among Porkers and Their Victims Escaped.

While hog hunting in Manatee county, Fla., the other day Mat Johnson was attacked by wild hogs and nearly killed. While hunting on Turkey Call hammock he was suddenly surrounded by a score of big porkers, nearly wild. A great many of them had tusks four inches long. Johnson was on horseback and had four dogs with him. The hogs charged on the dogs and in a jiffy they were killed, the huge boars ripping them to pieces with their tusks and snapping in a terrible way. They then charged on Johnson's horse, jumping on its legs and trying to reach Johnson. The horse started to run, but stumbled over a gopher hole, and Johnson was thrown into the limbs of an oak tree near by. The horse recovered and dashed off and the wild hogs surrounded Johnson in his tree, compelling him to climb up further.

He had lost his gun and had nothing to defend himself with. He took off his coat and hung it on one of the limbs. As he did so a big flask of liquor which he had in his pocket slipped out and fell to the ground. One of the big porkers dashed for it, and as it broke he greedily gulped down its contents. The fiery liquor told upon the porcine taper, and in a few seconds he acted like a drunken man. He went round with a chip on his shoulder, so to speak, attacking everyone in the lot. The others pitched upon him and there was a free-for-all fight, and Johnson says it was the bloodiest he had ever seen. The whole lot was engaged in it, the big boars charging each other and ripping each other's sides with their tusks, foaming and champing at the mouth.

For half an hour this bloody scene went on, when ten of the largest and fiercest boars were killed. Some of Johnson's neighbors who had seen the horns then came to his rescue, and as they approached the remaining hogs ran off. Johnson came down from his cramped position well pleased with his rescue. He says this is the first time he had ever seen anything of the kind in his life, although he has had frequent encounters before with wild hogs.

exterminating GYPSY MOTHS.

State of Massachusetts Spends \$700,000 Fighting the Pest.

Massachusetts is at last, it seems, to be rid of the gypsy moth. The extermination is under way, and with vigilance, liberal appropriations and scientific methods, it is believed that the end of the long battle is in sight.

It is almost 30 years since Leopold Trouvelot, a French naturalist, brought the pest to this country for purposes of scientific experiment. Some of them escaped, and a hint of the harm they might do was recognized in 1870 by Prof. C. V. Riley, who called attention to the rapid increase of the pest in New England.

The real history of the gypsy moth and the battle for its extirpation began in 1889. Hundreds of thousands appeared in localities where they had never been seen before and destroyed every green thing they touched. In 1890 the first gypsy moth commission was appointed by Gov. Brackett. The first estimate of the infested district was a tract about a mile square, and \$25,000 was appropriated. In May the commission reported that the district was 16 times as large as it had supposed and received \$25,000 more.

Eighty-nine men were employed on the trees, and special police were appointed to patrol the roads and disinfest carriages, so that they would not spread the pest to other points. The matter was finally placed in the hands of the state board of agriculture in 1891, and laws were made governing the action of citizens in infested districts, and \$50,000 more was appropriated. This was followed in 1892 by an appropriation of \$75,000, and up to the present time more than \$700,000 has been spent, and only now is an impression being made on the pest.

SOCIETY ADOPTS SEDAN CHAIRS.

New York Swells Import a Traveling Pad From London.

While New York is trying to accustom itself to the novelty of the horseless carriage, there has been imported from London a demand for the sedan chair as a vehicle of fashionable travel. One firm is busy in the manufacture of these relics, which of recent years have proved useful only as ornaments or on the stage.

The new chairs are not to be decorated, as the old, with paintings or gilded moldings, but the colors popular for the decoration of ordinary vehicles will be used. They will be painted black, dark green, blue or maroon, with yellow, green and red for trimmings. The chairs will be very light, and the promoters of the scheme are said to expect their profit from the use of the vehicles for evening parties, dinners or other gatherings, where the distance to be traveled is not great.

Other passengers will not be carried, and the interior of the chairs will in this way be kept perfectly clean, and wraps and dresses of light color are not likely to be soiled.

American Boots in England.

An English journal, in commenting upon the American boots which are now firmly established in Great Britain, says "the most remarkable feature is the extraordinary flexibility of the leather," and adds that after being completed on the wrong side they are afterward turned inside "in a manner that will astonish some of our shoemakers, who appear to think that the human foot should be shod in the stiffest and most unyielding material, so far as the sole is concerned." The pointed toe, however, is a drawback which prevents many who would otherwise wear them from adopting them.

The Men of France.

France is the only European country which has to-day fewer able-bodied men than it had 30 years ago.

Indian Railways.

There are 30,000 miles of railway in India.

SON VISAGE

Stalwart posture.—Pourquoi le son visage?—Pourquoi le son visage?—Il rendait parfois par l'usage constant du

SAVON D'HEISKELL.

Le savon d'Heiskell possède les pores apatiques, rendant leur peau plus saine et produisant ainsi une peau claire, une peau sans taches.

L'ONGUENT D'HEISKELL

guéri pour toujours toutes les maladies de la peau. Pour les Dames, pour les hommes, pour les enfants, pour les personnes

et pour tous les types de peau.

Il fait rapidement disparaître les boutons, les Graines de beauté, etc. Enfin l'heure des Prothèses ou enveloppes pour les Poux.

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