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PLIGHT OF A DENVER BRIDE.

Who is Spending Her Honey-moon in a Snow-bound Mine.

Not many girls can boast having spent their honeymoon in as thrilling a manner as Mrs. Arthur A. Roller, formerly of Denver, Col., is passing hers. Mrs. Roller was Miss Laura Eliska Leet. She is a daughter of ex-Alderman John E. Leet, of Denver. October 13 last was her marriage day. Her husband is an assayer at the Monte Cristo silver mine in the Cascade mountains of northern Washington. After the ceremony was over the young couple proceeded there. A letter from Mrs. Roller has just reached her parents in Denver. It is ten days overdue. In it she says she and her husband are imprisoned at the silver mine, hemmed in on all sides by snow. Provisions are beginning to grow scarce, she says, and it is almost impossible to replenish the now nearly exhausted stock she expects she will be forced to brave the hardships and dangers of a snowshoe trip of 30 miles to civilization. No communication between Monte Cristo and the outside world can be had except by means of daring messengers, who are sent over the frozen crust on snowshoes. The letter says those who have hazarded their lives in making the trip to and from the mine, of whom there have been but two or three, report narrow escapes from avalanches, which the slightest provocation sends rushing down the mountain sides, carrying with them huge trees and boulders of great size. One of the few messengers to reach a railroad station carried Mrs. Roller's letter. The snowbound party lives in hope that the snow will soon melt sufficiently to enable them to pack in provisions on the backs of burros. Mrs. Roller is a leader of Denver society.

PUTS THEORY TO TEST.

Prescott, A. T., Only Single Tax Community in the World.

William O. O'Neill, major general of the Arizona military forces and mayor of Prescott, A. T., the only single tax community in the world, is in New York city. Gen. O'Neill was first impressed with the George single tax theory through his experience with the obstacles to Arizona's development caused by the judgment of vast tracts of land in the hands of a few men who would not cultivate it, but waited for more enterprising men to improve surrounding lands. For that reason Gen. O'Neill is a single tax man and mayor of Prescott, and what he says goes. Last January he informed Prescott that it was going to be a single tax city and now it is. The single tax law has now been in operation for four months. Gen. O'Neill says that it is working satisfactorily. He added: "The charter provides that taxes must be levied upon property values. We get around this provision by imposing taxes based partly on a rent value and partly upon market value. To let none escape, the least tax that can be imposed upon a lot is two dollars. Our personal property taxes were levied largely through taxes upon all sorts of business and industries. These are now done away with almost entirely, the exceptions being gambling and liquor selling. "Business men, manufacturers and their employees are all pleased. One tax is now paid instead of four, and if a workingman does not soon have a home it will be the fault of his lack of industry and thrift."

ROME'S ART TREASURES.

Poverty of Princes and Repeal of Anti-Export Law May Lose Them.

A painter of considerable note, Ludovic Bukhtievich Spiridon, of Rome, is visiting in St. Louis. His brother is Inace Spiridon, the famous painter. Signor Spiridon said: "I regret very much that the anti-export law has been repealed. It means that in the course of a decade Rome will be robbed of the treasures that have made her the art center of the world. Some of our princes are still rich, but most of them are comparatively poor. Their lands are heavily taxed by the government, yet the lands cannot be made profitable. I went to school and was raised with most of the Roman princes and I know their predicament and sentiments. They are individually anxious to preserve the priceless art treasures that have been accumulated by generations of their ancestors, but their poverty will compel them to sell them. Other countries richer in money will in the end procure by purchase the treasures of Rome and rob the city of much of its attraction. Possibly there is some consolation in the thought that Rome's loss will be some other city's gain."

GIVEN MEDALS BY THE KING.

Swedish Singers Remembered by the Ruler of Their Land.

King Oscar of Sweden has again shown his kindly regard and interest in his former subjects. Through the controller of the royal household the secretary of the American Union of Swedish Singers has been informed that King Oscar has ordered each singer that visited Sweden last summer to be presented with the jubilee medal struck in commemoration of the king's twenty-fifth anniversary as ruler of Sweden and Norway. About 50 singers of the union, mostly from Chicago and members of the Swedish Glee club and the Svithold Singing society, visited Sweden and were given a reception and lunch by King Oscar at the royal palace at Stockholm. To prevent runaway freight cars. To prevent runaway freight cars on the main track after being placed on a switch, a steel bar is set across the rail in a slanting position, with the inner end pivoted on a socket and the outer end fitted with a loop to hold it in place.

VICTORIA'S FIGHTING POWER.

The whole effective strength of the British army, regulars and volunteers, is 663,007.

A CURIOUS ELOTHERIUM.

Monster of the Past Age on Its Way to Chicago.

Discovered by Prof. Farrington, of the Field Columbian Museum, in the Bad Lands of South Dakota.

An elotherium is on the way to Chicago. So far as is known he has no relatives living near Lake Michigan and his immediate ancestors are unknown to the oldest inhabitant. Prof. C. O. Farrington, of the Field Columbian museum, will introduce the stranger and the scientist vouches for his eminent respectability. Prof. Farrington has not yet been able to fully trace the ancestry of the high-toned elotherium, but he believes that some in the blue blood of the anoplotherium commune once flowed in his veins. The learned geologist and biologist thinks that such evidence ought to be sufficient for an introduction to the most exclusive circles among megatheriums, dinotheriums, mammoths and mastodons who have their home in the museum at Jackson park. The exact location where Prof. Farrington found his new acquaintance is not known in Chicago. It was somewhere up in the Bad Lands, 50 miles or so east of Rapid City, S. D. The professor is on a geological expedition in the interest of the Field Columbian museum, and it was on one of his journeys in that region of bad roads and worse Indians that he came across the freak. He has written Director Skiff, of the museum, that the specimen is one of the most perfect in existence, but beyond this little is known of the strange creature. Several specimens similar to the one found by Prof. Farrington have been unearthed in New Mexico and Arizona, but if reports are true the last find is the king pin of them all. Complete specimens of any of the prehistoric mammals and sea monsters are extremely rare. Prof. Farrington's curiosity is the most complete specimen found up to date. From the description and name Chicago scientists believe it belongs to that family of mammals that made the shores of the Gulf of Mexico a stamping ground thousands of years back. The elotherium, as its name indicates, probably inhabited what were then the swamps of the Dakotas, a sort of a "swamp angel," more terrible in its day than were those before Charleston.

WILL BAR THE SONG.

Kansas Town Intends to Legislate Against a Popular Air.

The town council of Mankato, Kan., intends to stop, by ordinance, the singing, humming or whistling of the song, "A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight." At Topeka's fall festival this song was adopted by the Carnival Knights, and the thousands who visited Topeka went home singing, whistling or humming it until one-half of the Kansas population have joined in the chorus, and in the ways it has become an intolerable nuisance. Mankato's council will pass an ordinance to stop it. In 1894 the city council of Mankato effectually quelled the singing and whistling of "After the Ball." It passed an ordinance under the nuisance law "fining each and every person 50 cents for each and every time he or she might be proved guilty of whistling or singing "After the Ball" during the hours of six o'clock in the morning and ten o'clock at night. The "Hot Time" song, the Mankato people say, has become an intolerable nuisance and must be abandoned.

COLLECTION OF SALMON EGGS.

Results of Season's Operations the Most Remarkable on Record.

The collecting of salmon eggs at the California fish commission hatchery on the Sacramento river at Anderson, Cal., has just closed. The results of the season's operations are the most remarkable on record. Forty-eight and a half million eggs were collected. This exceeds the previous records made at this station by 22,000,000, and is 25,000,000 more than were collected at all the other hatcheries on the coast this year. These eggs will be hatched and the fry planted in the waters of the state, with the exception of 3,000,000 that will be sent to Oregon and 6,000,000 that go to the New England states station on the United States commission's car Tuesday.

CALIFORNIA MARBLES.

Series of Tests Prove Them Equal to Those of Other States.

Prof. Frank Soule, head of the civil engineering department of the University of California, has completed a series of tests for determining the strength of California marbles, which show that the product of that state compares very favorably with the best marble of other places. Specimens were tested from various sections of the state. The highest resistance was that of 15 tons to a cubic inch, the amount of pressure being necessary to crush a single piece of marble. A decorative art society has been established at Paris under the name of "Societe de l'Art Precieux de France," with Gerome, the painter and sculptor, at its head. Its object is to improve the artistic standard of French "objects of art." Works approved by it will be stamped with its mark, which will serve as a guarantee to purchasers, and only French productions will be examined.

RAILWAY SLEEPERS.

One million acres of forest land are used up every year in Europe to supply the railways with sleepers.

GORDON HIGHLANDERS.

Until further orders, only Scotchmen are to be accepted as recruits for the Gordon Highlanders.

COMPRESSED AIR AS A MOTOR.

Compressed air is to be the motive power of a woolen mill at Almonte, Ont.

CASE OF CATALEPSY.

Columbus Hospital Has a Patient Who Amazes the Doctors.

The Jewish hospital physicians at Columbus, O., have been treating a case of catalepsy in that institution which has caused them considerable anxiety. The case is that of A. C. Kent, aged 28 years, of 1398 Cleveland avenue. According to the statement of the physicians Kent wandered away from home some time ago. One morning he was found by a Montgomery county constable standing with his arms folded in the middle of the road in Hathoro. On being addressed by the constable Kent was unconscious of everything about him. The constable took him to the jail at Hathoro. Kent's condition did not change and he was removed to the Jewish hospital. The physicians spoke to him, but received no reply. They moved his hands and arms in different positions, and they remained stationary. They placed food in his mouth, but he would not eat. Pins, needles and pen knife blades were stuck into his flesh; electricity, hot and cold water were applied. Strong ammonia was placed in his nostrils, which he inhaled until his eyes bulged almost from his head, but the man's condition remained unchanged. A leading neurologist of Philadelphia, who was summoned to examine the patient, said Kent was likely to die in that state for several weeks. Last Monday, however, the physicians saw signs of a change. On Tuesday the patient began talking, and informed the physicians that he had received a message from the Lord not to talk, eat, sleep or walk. He said he would not sleep, but the physicians said he kept his eyes shut as though sleeping at intervals. Since then Kent has gradually improved, but it is believed he will never fully recover from the malady, although he may be able to leave the hospital in the near future. Kent's parents missed him and after inquiring about the country located him at the hospital. They stated that he is a machinist and has been out of employment for some time, which fact preyed upon his mind. He became melancholy and talked much about religion. He left home without giving any information of doing so.

CHAMPION QUAIL EATER.

C. B. Buckley, of Springfield, Ohio, Breaks Dr. Tanner's Record.

C. B. Buckley, now champion quail eater of the world, has just finished his 60th quail at Springfield, O. They were eaten at the rate of two a day for 30 consecutive days, on a sewer of \$25. Dr. Tanner eat 48 and had to quit. Buckley is in the best of health, and offered to bet one dollar per quail that he could eat another 60 within 30 more days, making 120 quail in 60 more days. Buckley says he had severe pains in his kidneys after the 12th quail, but by drinking a wine glassful of milk tea each day since and taking pills twice a week he has been all right, and thinks he could keep up for a long time yet. Buckley offered to bet \$250 that he would eat nine fried rats within 15 days after he has eaten the 60th quail on this bet, or would bet the same sum that he would eat six dozen chicken eggs at one sitting not later than 18 days after he has eaten the 60th quail on the present wager.

THE GERMAN WINE CROP.

This Year It Will Be Only One-Third to One-Half Average Crop.

The German Rhine wine crop for this year is all in and will be only one-third to one-half an average crop. The quality, however, is better than was expected in September, when it was feared that the inclement weather had utterly ruined the grapes. The state department has received a long report on the subject from Consul Schumann in Mainz, in which he states the conditions in each province and district. On the whole, he says, the vintage of 1897 promises to produce quite a palatable and rich "middle wine." National treatment will, however, be necessary. Besides a moderate addition of sugar, a thorough fermenting of the grape juice will above all things be necessary on account of the quantity of half-decayed grapes among the crop.

HAWAIIAN SUGAR CROP.

Total Output for the Year Just Closed - 249,507 Tons.

The total output of sugar from the Hawaiian islands for the year just closed, according to the figures of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' association, transmitted to the state department by United States Consul-General Haywood, is put down as 249,507 tons, against 245,555 tons last year. The planters have had more trouble than usual on account of desertions, especially with the Japanese. Of the 22,000 laborers on the plantations, 6,109 were contract Japanese, 5,285 free Japanese, 4,050 contract Chinese and 1,911 free Chinese. The number of laborers whose contracts expire next year is 2,017, and the number wanted is 4,273. The Japanese seem to be preferred by the planters as laborers.

PLACES A BAN ON WHISKERS.

Evangelist Interdicts Use of Tobacco and Certain Hat Trimming.

Rev. B. H. E. Irwin, an evangelist from Lincoln, Neb., who has been holding revival services in the King Street United Brethren church at Chambersburg, Pa., for a month past, has created a sensation by his remarkable pulpiter utterances. He has condemned the use of tobacco and the wearing of whiskers, and predicted the punishment for those who would offend in those two matters. At his last meeting he condemned the wearing of feathers, and so worked upon the feelings of the women in his audience that some of them tore the feathers from their bonnets in sight all the audience in the church.

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