

WOMEN NOT WANTED

Government Departments Now Generally Requiring Men.

Prejudice Against Their Appointment Among the Department Heads and the Civil Service Commission Gives Hurdle.

While it is true that more women than men successfully pass the civil service examination...

When a vacancy occurs in any division of a department the civil service commission is notified and three names are certified from the eligible list.

Last year out of 10,391 persons certified for appointment through the civil service, and who received appointments, only 783 were women...

Not long ago the civil service commission was called upon for ten stenographers and typewriters.

The submission of 30 names of successful applicants, who after much study, had passed the examination...

An official of one of the departments in talking about this movement against the appointment of women as clerks said:

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WOMEN DEER HUNTERS.

Expensive Shooting Camps More Conducive to Lounging Than the Pursuit of Game.

Deer hunting in the Adirondacks is said to be on the decrease among women.

The various amendments to the game laws have left only one lawful method of hunting deer...

Many of these modern Dianas who have entered the Adirondacks this year have had success.

One was singularly fortunate in the Fulton chain country.

While following an old log road she saw a deer, with branching antlers, moving apparently with little concern.

"I suppose," said she, sarcastically, when he came back to her after the permission, "that all you men want out merely to get your opera glasses?"

"No," he replied, promptly. "I think most of us went out for our eye glasses." —Philadelphia Press.

TONES AND COLORS.

Discovery of a Remarkable Phenomenon by a Scientist.

Base of Light Which Produces Certain Colors Corresponds Exactly With Certain Tones—see Musical Instruction.

It has been the dream of poets that some subtle, sympathetic relation exists between tones and colors...

It is amazing to learn that the seven colors of the rainbow exactly correspond with the seven notes of the gamut...

It is claimed by the discoverer of this phenomenon in science, and he has devoted the last 20 years to the study of relationship between tone and color...

Before scientific experiments and research established these facts, argues the professor, impressionists, poets and painters felt this close union between tone and color.

While certain sequences or combinations of colors are being exhibited, sympathetic melodies and chords are heard...

When they have grown older the ordinary method of musical tuition is aided by the printing of each note in its corresponding color.

There is a thrifty man in England who makes his living out of a pond. The water is about 13 acres in extent and close to a village street.

Several years he has worked it for profit with good results, the crops being three in number—reed, fish and water fowl.

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

Brick kilns are now fired with petroleum, 100 pounds of oil being sufficient to burn a ton of brick.

At a sanatorium near Melbourne, massage with olive or cod-liver oil has been found a great aid in shortening the time of treatment for consumption.

A notable feature of Wyoming scenery is the predominance of shrubs. Among 124 species of woody plants less than one-sixth are certainly to be ranked as trees.

It is only within the last 60 years that coal has been mined on a large scale in France. In 1700 the output was only 100,000 tons.

The French factory laws permit the employment of children 12 years of age, provided they show a certificate of having attended primary schools four years, and are in vigorous health, attested by a medical officer.

The aggregate capitalization of the industries at Pittsburg, Pa., is more than two billion, five hundred million dollars.

Dr. Patrick Manson has recently shown that Chinese tobacco of certain, introduced apparently mainly with the idea of giving the weed a garlic flavor.

The sky within the orbit of Mercury was carefully photographed at the Lick observatory during the 1901 eclipse, in the hope that the hypothetical planet of Leverrier and others might be discovered.

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Louis Gorsline has a peculiar and unique story. His name and picture have appeared in both state and national papers, and thousands of people who have never seen him are familiar with the peculiar points in his life.

He shot them and trapped them at odd times until he found the work so profitable that he hired a man to do his work as flagman and gave him his whole time to sparrow hunting.

Once upon a time there was a fair young girl who had many suitors, but she received them all with equal graciousness and waited for her affections to dictate which should be the especially favored one.

When next she met the young man she showed quite plainly that her affections had begun to dictate.

The result was that they were married when the next June came around.

Moral:—Titles are attractive, even in America. —N. Y. Herald.

What a Rude Editor! An authoress of some note in her day once asked a famous editor to give his opinion on a book which she intended to publish.

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STEAMER GRAVEYARD

New Jersey Town Where Many Old Eastern Vessels Lie.

Well-Known River Craft That Have Become Worn Out Find a Resting Place on the Baritan's Banks.

It appears to have been left for the residents of the little town of Perth Amboy to prove that the Hindoo belief in the transmigration of souls is a reality, at least, as far as boats are concerned, says the St. Louis Republic.

The steamer Drew which in years gone by made great records in the local waters and later were dragged out of the busy swirl of the struggle, are today so much a part of the Baritan river town that their names are household words there.

The graveyard of old vessels has had a day of resurrection.

The valiant spirit of each has left cold boiler and paralyzed engine to take up its abode in dwellings, decorations and the hundred and one things into which its dismembered but resurrected body has been transformed.

The giantess of them all is the famous old Albany boat Drew.

The side-wheel ferryboat Central and the ill-fated Northfield are rubbing their noses in a friendly way with the rise and fall of the tide against the Drew's port quarter.

The half-burned Thomas McMaus keeps well under water on the river side of the fleet.

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From the outside she appeared to be a great unwieldy hulk of little value, but within she has proved to be a veritable treasure ship.

There is one stateroom which has been left just where it was when the old river boat made her last trip.

Money cannot buy it from the junkman.

The pleasant memories of his honeymoon still linger with it.

From one end of the craft to the other it is the only spot which will not feel the sharp edge of the wrecker's tools.

With the exception of that part of the Drew which has been used by the junkman himself in the construction of living quarters for his men and a combination office and storehouse, in the heart of the town, all the material has been sold at a good price.

An elderly widow is the proud owner of a comfortable home made entirely from the Drew.

Her dog and chickens are also snugly housed within a portion of the resurrected craft.

So extravagant were the builders of the boat in the selection of materials used for her construction that carpenters and decorators of the town have purchased almost the entire superstructure, although it is as yet not more than half dismantled.

The foregoing is the spirit of the Drew made manifest in Perth Amboy.

It is not confined there alone, however, for all over the country there is a demand for some part of her construction.

The giant parts of her engines have already gone to the steel works of Pennsylvania and Connecticut to be fashioned into car wheels, axles and building material.

Side-Tracked. Epitaphs was the subject; the Riggs house, Washington, was the place, and Lufe Pence, former representative, was the speaker.

FOUND IN THE HOLY LAND.

Most Interesting and Extraordinary Discovery in the History of Palestinian Exploration.

A remarkable testimonial to the truth of Bible history has recently been discovered in the Holy Land.

According to a most reliable authority, the house in which John the Baptist was born has been located, and a tablet found in it on which was written the name of John and his father, Zacharias.

The method by which this interesting and valuable discovery was made was a most unusual one, and perhaps the most extraordinary in the whole history of Palestinian exploration, says the New York World.

About eight years ago a mosaic map was discovered at Madaba, in the hilly country east of the Dead sea.

A native Christian, seeing this map, noticed that one of the sites was named Beth Zahar, which means "the house of Zacharias."

Before this time had been that the house of Zacharias was somewhere near Ain Karem, west of the city of Jerusalem.

A party of archaeologists at once recognized the importance of the discovery and set to work making excavations on the site indicated by the Madaba map.

More than this, an inscription was discovered on the pavement, which, when interpreted, was found to be the names John and Zacharias.

The place where the excavations have been made is 20 kilometers from Jerusalem and 16 kilometers from Hebron, lying to the right of the road that connects the two places.

The domed church was situated near the point where the road crosses the river Ain Harub, whose waters Pontius Pilate brought to Jerusalem.

It appears to have been a fair-sized building, 12 meters in length. The domed roof is significant in view of the fact that every other ancient building that has been excavated in the vicinity has a gable roof.

The name given by the natives to the site was found in Herbat Beit Shakkar, which means "the ruins of the house of Zacharias."

WU'S GAS METER. He Sprung It on the Empress Dowager and It Was a Puzzle to Her.

"This," observed Wu, as he lifted a box-like affair from his trunk, "is one of the greatest wonders of America."

"It doesn't look very wonderful," commented Tsi Ann, tucking one foot up where she could sit on it and the throne at the same time, relates the Chicago Tribune.

"No, but even in America no one can understand it. Listen."

"Don't put that thing to my ear," cautioned Tsi Ann. "Is this another of those telephones?"

"O no. This is worse than the telephone. It is a gas meter."

"A gas meter? What does it do?" "The consumer?"

"How does it work?" "That is a mystery. It is only known that it works always and untriflingly. It works while you sleep and while you wake. It never stops. It is constructed after the Newtonian theory of creation. It has something in it that just keeps it whirling on and on, at so much per revolution, and nobody knows what keeps it moving, and nobody can stop it."

"That's funny."

"Funny, yes. But very sad in America. Listen to it. Hear it running right along. Thank Confucius and the 900 gods of the Pale Green mountains! The gas company never will get the chance to read what this meter has recorded."

"But," said the empress, "is there no escape from this in America?"

"None."

"It must be worse than manifest destiny."

"It is."

"Wu," remarked Tsi Ann, with that intelligent smile which has enshrined her in the hearts of curious collectors, "Wu, I am glad you were sent to America. At one time I almost had decided to become civilized."

A MEXICAN CRESUS.

An Illiterate Peon's Wonderful Accumulation of Riches.

Struck \$750,000 on Outcropping of Silver Quartz and in Four Years' Time Has a Fortune of Forty Million Dollars.

Living in a 30-room mansion, with a piano in each room, carrying thousands of dollars on his person as "pin money," guarded day and night by 30 armed men, and worth fully \$40,000,000, is an illiterate Indian mine laborer whose home is in Parral, Mexico.

Four years ago Pedro Alvarado was penniless, except for the 75 cents a day he earned by ten hours' toil underground.

A little more than three years ago Senior Alvarado, who was then just plain Pedro, was wandering over the mountains near Parral in the half-hearted hope that he might find some sort of mineral showing that would justify him in staking a claim which he might sell for a few dollars.

In a lonely canyon an outcropping of quartz attracted his eye. With a small bowlder he broke off a piece of it.

Through the white quartz in every direction ran lines of native wire silver. He realized that he was a rich man!

All the latent ambition of this shrewd toiler was awakened. Powers that he himself had not realized were aroused in him.

Through all its steady growth Alvarado remained its executive head. Though practically without even the rudiments of a school education, he developed remarkable business acumen and foresight.

That is how Pedro Alvarado became worth \$40,000,000 in less than four years.

Moreover, this remarkable silver producer is still outputting an enormous amount of high-grade ore, and the wealth of the multi-millionaire peon of Parral is still growing like magic.

With the acquisition of great wealth Alvarado did not lose his head or his heart. He became a great philanthropist and he spends almost as much time in planning ways of using his great wealth for the good of his countrymen as he does on the management of his mine.

He built at Parral a great cathedral, and on its completion gave it to the Roman Catholic church, of which he is a devout member.

Senior Alvarado is coming to the United States before long. He has a great admiration for Americans, a fact which makes him the victim of a great many tramps and vagabonds, who flock to Mexico during the winter.

He is very anxious to see New York and other large cities of which he has heard much. He will travel in state and it is said his entourage will be of unique magnificence.

Recently Alvarado dictated a long telegram to the Mexican minister of finance, Senior Ives Jose Limantour, asking to be informed of the exact debt of his country and expressing willingness to pay the debt himself.

"I stand ready to make my offer good at any time the government gives me the word," said he. "I have my millions. It all came out of the ground. I got my title to the ground that produced these millions from the government. Why should I not help my benefactor? The least I can do is to pay the debt of my government. That would not be much for me to do. I hope it can be arranged."

But Minister Limantour could not see it in that light. He at once advised the philanthropist that his generous plan was impracticable, but that the offer was none the less appreciated.

Thus the matter stands and the money continues to pile up in the coffers of the peon of Parral till he is at a loss to know what to do with his wealth, and often, in his worry over the great responsibility that has fallen upon him he wishes that the mine might "peter out," leaving him time to get his head above the golden flood.

Chloroform and Gaslight. In general the profession in this country is united in the belief that ether is a much more satisfactory anesthetic than chloroform.

A not inconsiderable number, however, prefer chloroform, particularly under special circumstances, and some operators who have no well-equipped clinics at their command tend to use chloroform when working by artificial light, and particularly in ill-equipped houses.

It is, however, known by most pharmacologists and by many others that chloroform has dangers when used by artificial light, but this fact is by no means generally recognized.

Persons have been killed by the decomposition of chloroform by gas light. It has been attempted to overcome the danger of the production of this form of poisoning by placing soda or borax solution of milk of lime in the operating room, but these methods have been shown to be wholly insufficient.

Ready for the Blow. "Mother—Johnny, your pop ain't well, so you better run for the doctor!" Johnny—Yes'm.

"An' Johnny, stop on your way at the florist's an' ask him how mine, he'll charge fur a pillar o' white flowers with 'My Husband' in red on it." Philadelphia Record.