

PLAYING THE FLUTE THROUGH THE NOSE

Strange Custom of Tribe of Agricultural Experts in the Philippine Islands

The Tinguians, who live in the northern part of the Island of Luzon, one of the Philippine group, are by no means savages, even if they do prefer a fashion which does not include much clothing.



Tinguian Playing Nose Flute

their flow ingeniously so that the streams drip down from one terrace to another, soaking the thirsty land and making it bloom like the rose.

There are very many interesting things to say about the Tinguians, but we started out to tell you about the Tinguian musicians who play flutes with their noses.

A plaintive little tune is played on the nose flute by gently blowing with one nostril while the other nostril is blocked with wax or any handy substance.

to be repeated and connect the wires with the battery. The hammer falling on the gong will close the circuit and the extra bell will ring every time the hammer falls.



A very serviceable drinking cup can be made from an empty baking powder can. A length of good stout wire is all that is necessary. Two holes are made side by side near the top of the can and the wire passed through them, with an even length on either side.

England has 11,500 ships engaged in foreign trade, Germany over 2,000, Japan nearly 1,000 while the United States has only nine ships so engaged.

In Paris there is a corps of professional dinner-tasters, whose duty it is to test and pass judgment upon all food prepared for banquets and similar occasions of State.

Never feed chicks, turkeys, ducks or geese any more than they will eat up promptly at each feeding time.

Animal Courtships

It seems fairly certain that animals, in many cases, have a set of definite conclusions in regard to the married state. These vary from the highest to the lowest forms, just as they do amongst different races of human beings.

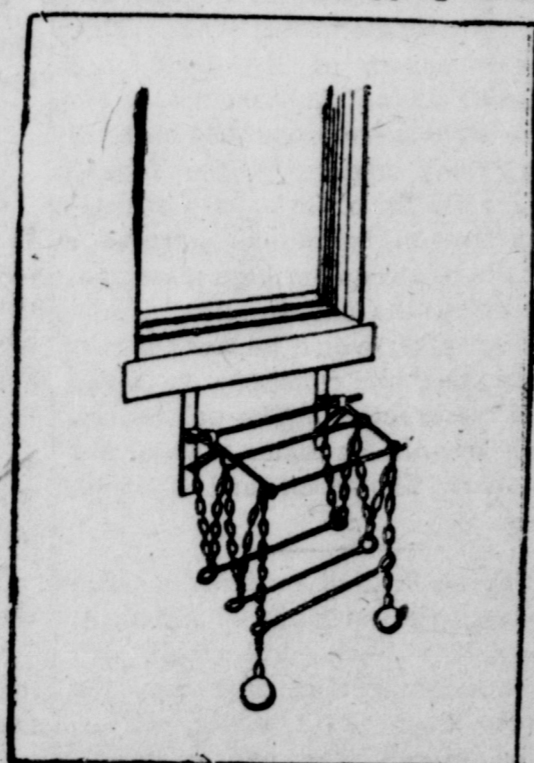
Among wolves is found the state most like that believed in by the more civilized races of man. For wolves marry for life, for better or for worse, and only by the death of one is the other at liberty to marry again.

Another and possibly a more advanced type of marriage is found amongst wild geese, wild pigeons, and parrots. With these, as with wolves, the marriage is for life, but with this difference. In the event of the death of one of the pair the other does not marry again, but mourns for its mate during the remainder of its life.

Ovens will not rust if after being washed and wiped they are stood near the fire. Ordinary tin can be cleaned effectively with a rag dipped in paraffin and powdered whiting.

Novel Fire-escape

A novel and apparently effective fire-escape has been patented. It is of the ladder type, but instead of being rope, as are most ladder escapes, is of iron or steel chains, with rungs of the same metal, and is, of course, non-inflammable.



FLAMES CANNOT HURT IT. It is a ladder which is supported outside the window. By means of rings at intervals of its length the ladder is looped and it takes only an instant to shove the rings of the arms and let the ladder drop its full length.

ICEBERG DETECTION.

New Marine Thermometer Records Sea Temperatures Accurately

During the summer of 1910, experiments were made in the northern portion of the gulf of St. Lawrence with a new type of marine thermometer, the results of which promise to aid in the detection of icebergs in fog and at night.

By means of this new type of marine thermometer it is possible to record sea temperatures to one one-thousandth of a degree C. The microthermometer is of the electrical resistance type, in which variations of the resistance of the metal wire serve to give a measure of the changes of temperature of the medium in which the instrument is immersed.

The coil is made with a resistance of 125 ohms and consists of 250 feet of pure iron wire with covered and wound on a copper cylinder about four inches in diameter and six inches wide. The cylinder is fitted accurately inside a second copper cylinder. The ends of the cylinders are carefully soldered and rendered water tight, while the connecting wires pass out through the middle of the outer cylinder.

The instrument is supported over the side of the ship about five feet under the surface of the water. It has been found that the exposure of the bulb of the thermometer by the waves produces no irregularities, as the temperature of air in direct contact with the

water.

Hence the proximity of icebergs has been determined by means of the bridge thermometer and by immersing a mercury or alcohol ship thermometer into buckets of water drawn up from varying depths. These instruments are not, as a rule, graduated to less than a single degree, which represents an interval on the stem of only one-eighth of an inch.

A WONDERFUL CLOCK.

Radium Driven Timepiece Could Run For Centuries.

It is claimed that if not touched the radium timepiece invented by the Englishman, Harrison Martingale, could run for 30,000 years. On a quartz rod, in an exhausted glass vessel, is supported a tube containing a small quantity of radium.

The most trustworthy clock in the world is said to be that in the basement of the observatory at Greenwich.

started in 1855. This clock is enclosed in an air tight glass cylinder and has frequently run for two or three months, with an average daily deviation of only fifteen one-thousandths of a second.

The Literary Waitress. "Will you have a cereal for your breakfast?" asked the waitress.

"A cereal? No, thank you," replied the witty guest. "I should prefer some short stories."

Whereupon she brought him some lambs' tails.—Chicago Post.

A Mean Dig.

Miss Pensee—I've had many chances to marry. Only a short time ago a man told me of his love, Miss Pert—Did he also tell you the name of the lady?—Meggendorfer Blatter.

A jealous man always finds more than he looks for.—Mlle. de Seudery.

To Repair Tungsten Filaments.

As persons using the brilliant tungsten filament electric lamp have reason to know, they are easily broken by a sharp jarring of the bulb.