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THE BUTTERFLIES

Ink on White Paper Does the Trick

To show you how you can get the pictures of butterflies have no artistic ability. Use sheets of writing paper and black ink. Drop a drop of ink on the center of a paper, fold the paper over and comes about the center



of the crease and rub gently, using just enough pressure to spread the ink between the folds. Now unfold the paper and see what you get. If you want to make real fancy butterflies you might try using colored inks. These shown in the cut were made as described.

Building Extraordinary

A remarkable engineering feat was accomplished recently at a factory in Pennsylvania, when a steel roof weighing 600 tons was lifted from one of the mills to a height of 40 feet above the perpendicular sides of the mill, 35 feet high. This was done in less than four hours. Artisans immediately began to build the sides of the mill to meet the suspended roof, which was held in air, mainly by cables suspended by large steam cranes.

An Eleven-Storey Liner

The Hamburg-American Company's new liner *Imperator* is the largest liner in the world. She is an eleven-storeyed floating palace, 710 feet long, with engines of 80,000 horse power. Her displacement is 50,000 tons, and she can accommodate 5,000 passengers. Among other luxuries the *Imperator* has been fitted with three electric lifts, winter garden, summer houses, theatres, gymnasium, Ritz restaurant, swimming baths, ballroom, telephones, "Cottage" cafe. The first class dining saloon in the *Louis XVI* style is 300 feet long.

Whisky for Monkeys

Monkeys kept into captivity in the Zoo at Richmond, Indiana, are supplied with a drink of whisky every other day during the winter months, and their drink bill amounts to a considerable sum. The Zoo authorities say that the monkeys look for the whisky which helps to keep them warm and in good health. It is now proposed to save money to the city by giving the monkeys all the whisky instead in raids on "shebeens."

UNLUCKY DAYS

Many families look upon some particular day every year with dread, for on this day they seem to be persistently dogged by bad luck. Others have an unlucky month, whilst for others leap year proves the harbinger of disaster.

Old-time soothsayers and prophets were firm in their belief in the unlucky day: Julius Caesar was told to beware the ides of March (March 13th) and on this day he was brutally murdered by Brutus and other conspirators.

For Charles II. September 3rd was a day fraught with ill-omen. On this day he lost the battle of Dunbar, and again that of Worcester; but, singularly enough, September 3rd was the date of the death of his enemy, Cromwell, after which day, it may be presumed, September 3rd no longer signified the adverse workings of fate to the restored king.

From the Middle Ages the month of May has been shunned by brides, as it is proverbially unlucky for weddings. Curiously enough, however, if a man or woman is born on the 13th

that it is lucky rather than otherwise for him or her to embark on matrimony in that month.

There are many remarkable instances on record of a certain date being fraught with ill-luck for the members of a family. In one typical case May 11th was the day of ill-omen. On that day the father of the family was drowned at sea. On the 11th, some years after, the eldest son was killed in the Boer War. When the 11th came round again great money losses were sustained. Another year it signified the breaking out of an epidemic of fever in the family; and yet another year the bread-winner of the family fell downstairs, breaking his leg, thus being incapacitated from work for several weeks. Small wonder that members of the family without exception breathe a sigh of relief each year as the fatal date is left behind.

Umbrellas of Ancient Origin

As a shade from the sun, the umbrella is an implement of great antiquity, and can be seen in the paintings and sculptures of very ancient Egypt. From Africa it passed, as an object of distinction, to Greece and Rome.

During the Middle Ages, umbrellas ceased to be used in Europe; but during the 16th century horsemen, of all people, revived the fashion in Italy. And in the next century the umbrella found its way to Britain, but it did not become popular until, during the reign of Anne, a covering of oiled silk was substituted for feathers.

Even then, only ladies used umbrellas. The 18th century had half-slapped ere a man was seen carrying one in London, and that brave fellow bore the name Jonas Hanway.

TO MAKE SNOW SHOES



Barrel staves make fine snow shoes if you know how to use them.

The staves should be sandpapered until they are smooth. Two staves are used for each shoe. They are fastened together as shown in the sketch.

The fitting for the foot is made from the sole and heel of an old shoe, which is cut as shown, with straps to go over the ankle. The shoe soles are nailed securely to the boards.

Such a pair of snow shoes will do as well as the very best kind for short trips.

A picture theater in Leeds, England, is financed and controlled by the local unionists.

An Encounter With a Bear

Chased by a bear, Andrew Craig of Brightside, near Kingston, Ont., had a thrilling experience. He was on his way to get his cows, when he ran across a bear and two cubs. The mother sent her cubs up a tree and then set out to attack Craig and his dog. Craig did not have his gun with him and so was caught at a disadvantage. Believing that to retreat was the best policy, Craig and his dog ran for all they were worth. As he was jumping a fence, Craig slipped and man, dog and bear fell in a heap. The bear then coolly walked back to look after her cubs, much to the joy of Craig.

Grain Storage Capacity

The grain storage elevator of Fort William and Port Arthur is 41,935,000 bushels, and ranks second among the cities of the world as a grain storing centre, exceeded only by Chicago, Ill., with elevator capacity of 45,000,000.

Riddles and Answers

Why has the shoemaker wonderful powers of endurance?—Because he holds on to the last.

Fall to the brim, without crack or beam.—An egg.

What is that which, if you take away all letters remains the same?—The postman.

What is the greatest thing to take before singing?—Breath.

What flowers are always under a person's nose?—Tulips.

What belongs to yourself, but is used more by your friends than by yourself?—Your name.

What is that which makes everyone sick but those who swallow better?—Flattery.

What is that which is often brought to the table, cut, but never eaten?—A pack of cards.

What is a put-up job?—The paper on the wall.

Silver From Sweepings

In the manufacture of silver wares the loss of silver in floor sweepings would be great were it not for the methods of recovery. The smelting of sweeps requires a special plant which but few concerns can afford to have, therefore most of them prepare this material so that it can be sold. The most satisfactory method is to grind the sweeps to a fine powder, so that a fair sample can be obtained for assay. One assay of the material may then be made by the purchaser and another by the seller. Unless the sweeps are ground very fine, however, and then mixed thoroughly, there is but little chance of agreement between the two assays, as coarse material is filled with fine shot silver, which, when samples are made, is not evenly distributed.

When the Clyde Wanted Water

In the days when the Clyde was navigable to Glasgow for only small vessels a steamer stuck in the mud near Renfrew and the skipper was not sparing in strong language. While waiting for the rising tide he saw a little girl approaching the river with a bucket to fetch some water. This was too much for the poor captain, and, leaning over the side, he thus addressed her: "If you tak' a drap o' water oot here till I get afloat, I'll warm yer ear for't."

THIS FRENCH LADY A "MOVIE" MAGNATE

Madame Alice Blache is the only woman owner, president, manager and producer of a moving picture concern. She is the founder of the Solax Co. at Fort Lee N. J., and she is a gentlewoman with a drawing room personality and a man's mind for business.



She started as a private secretary to Gaumont, the French picture manufacturer. The technical and the artistic side of the industry pleased her. She studied it and became thoroughly conversant with every phase.

Dan Cupid brought about an introduction between the French girl and Herbert Blache, who was then the London representative of the Gaumont Co.

They were married. Herbert Blache was transferred to the United States, "and zat's zee reason I am here," Mme Blache says. Eventually she went into business for herself and made a success of it, directing all the plays herself that are produced in front of her "movie" camera.

Ghost in a Negro Church

A ghost which appears nightly in a window of a negro church in Alabama has caused much fear. The spook is described as being six feet tall, wearing a white gown with a long train, and standing with arms out stretched and extended toward the sky in an attitude of worship. It is surrounded by a phosphorescent glow.

Some advance the explanation that the figure is a freak caused by strange lighting angles. Others contend it is a reflection from the baptismal pool some distance away in a natural formation of rock. Still others think the apparition is a demented person or a hermit who comes to the building each night. But the figure apparently is light and phantom-like, without definite lines or features.

No one has made any sort of investigation and members of the congregation declare they will not. However, it is becoming a serious matter with some of them, who say they will not go to church so long as there is any indication that it is haunted.

How To Study

Many people think that after they leave school their education is finished, but in this they are decidedly wrong. When one begins business life he enters another school and constantly learns something new, as time passes.

The successful man is essentially

a student. In studying technical subjects the matter should be read and reread until the student fixes it in his mind so that it can be recalled at any time.

Prominent electricians have told us that they have read certain textbooks many times, and it is this fact that has enabled them to become leaders in their profession.

More reading is not study. If a subject is worth studying at all it should be studied well, and not read superficially. Each reading makes a deeper impression on the mind, and if repeated often enough the impression becomes ineffaceable. Knowledge thus absorbed becomes a part of ourselves and no one can rob us of it.

How Animals Prefer Bath

Pigeons, larks and cockatoos like their baths in the rain. Game birds and poultry take dust baths. The common sparrow likes a dry shampoo in the dust and plunge in the water. Reptiles soak themselves; elephants wash their calves with mud, then wash off. Rhinoceroses, buffaloes, dogs, bears and tigers like to wallow; the squirrel tribe favor a roll in the sand; cats, mice and their respective relatives lick themselves clean; bats lick and scratch, and it is said that the continual scratching of monkeys is not so much in the search of parasites as a kind of self-cure-combing.

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