

THE WHITE ESKIMOS

Strange, Fierce Habits of Humorous Northern Dwellers Described

After passing three years in the Arctic regions, George H. Wilkins, an Australian who was a member of the Stefansson Expedition, arrived in England with a choice selection of stories about the so-called "Blonde Eskimos" with whom he lived a considerable time.

Visiting a camp where he had made friends with an Eskimo a few months before and not finding him, Mr. Wilkins inquired after his health. He was told that the man was dead, and the manner of his death was this. One day the Eskimo came across a member of the tribe fashioning a knife out of the native copper which is found in this region.

There is a ceremony of marriage among these Eskimos, but apparently the number of a man's wives is limited only by his capacity to support them. The regular price for a wife is a rifle and 12 months' hard labor in the service of the prospective bride's family.

SOME STRAY PIECES OF INFORMATION

Injections of rattlesnake venom are used to cure epilepsy.

The atmospheric changes during a thunderstorm accelerate the discharge of all gases and it is now asserted that it is these, and not the electrical discharges which sour milk.

It is asserted that the germs of paralysis find their way to the brain through the nose.

The house fly is the principal source of infantile paralysis infection.

Hunger makes the brain heavier. A scientist says that the bassoon player is always cranky and the drummer generally lacks humor.

Where do the birds die is a question which has not been satisfactorily answered, although considerable attention has been given to the latter. A statement has been made that life would be prolonged if persons would acquire the habit of stooping by the hips instead of bending the backbones.

In Prussia a whole new kind of joint has been successfully grafted. Every once in a while lumps of butter are dug up in the Irish bogs which were said to have been placed there many years ago for favoring or preservation.

On the last day of each year the Florentine throws out of his house a straw image of a man, which is said to carry sins and bad luck with it.

Chemicals are more effective in fighting mine fires than water.

Barely one-seventh of the population of the British Empire is composed of whites.

Great Britain carries on more trade with Germany than any other country with France and the United States ranking second and third.

ALBERTA RURAL SCHOOLS

One of the healthiest signs of progress in Alberta is the continual formation of new school districts and building of new schools. All over the Province are these sign posts of civilization to be seen. But neat buildings furnished with an up-to-date equipment are wasted money without the real spirit of education.

POISON WARNING

Attachment to a Bottle Rings a Bell

Some time in the still, dark night somebody, the wife, the baby or yourself may get suddenly ill, and somebody will hurry to the medicine case, or the pantry shelf, or wherever the medicine bottles are kept. In the darkness a poison bottle may be grasped and carried to the sick room, and in the hurry incidental to sudden illness a dose may be administered—and a funeral held later on!

Bell bottles—that's by way of warning. Get a number of tiny bells, and fasten a bell to each bottle containing poison or any medicine which may have a serious effect if taken unintentionally. Possibly a good way would be to tie two bells to the poison bottles, to distinguish the very dangerous ones from the others, the taking of which wouldn't be quite so serious.

A Pocket Typewriter

Just as the pen has replaced the sword and the fountain pen displaced the ordinary pen of commerce, so the time is probably approaching when the typewriter will send the fountain pen back to the scrap heap. Some smart and observing person might fume that the time is already here, as typewritten letters and manuscripts have practically displaced those written by hand.



His genius, with the result that a pocket typewriter has been evolved. A young German is credited with the perfection of the newest writing device. It is a folding machine that its maker guarantees to keep in perfect order for three years, and can be carried in the pocket, requiring no more space than the average watch or tape measure, and a foot rule combined. It is provided with a handle by which it is held with one hand and operated with the other, no desk or table being necessary.

VALUE OF EELS

The Use For Food in Parts of the Dominion

Eels are not in form pleasing to the eye, nor do their habits commend them to the taste. Nevertheless in Europe and America their flesh is in demand, and scientists tell us it has great food value. It may be news to many that eels are caught at certain points in Canada and shipped to the States, where the market for them is steady. The chief centre in Canada for this industry is at Iborville, near St. Johns, Quebec. The Thuot family at that point have a license from the Government for laying traps, which extend in a zigzag line almost entirely across the Richelieu River, the current of which at that point is about half a mile wide. Early every morning the traps are examined and the catch removed and deposited in large vats which lie partly submerged near the shore. These vats are the storehouses from which the eels are taken to the market calls for them.

Where Quality Does Count!



BECAUSE an egg, aged in cold storage, has lost its flavor; has nothing to do with the eggs which the farmer brings fresh from the barn.

Because you can't make a good cup of coffee with poorly nourished and improperly roasted coffee beans; has nothing to do with the coffee you can make with

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Potato Grower's Convention

The Annual Convention and Potato Show of the New Brunswick Potato Growers' Association will be held in the Agricultural School at Woodstock on January, 23rd and 24th 1918. A comprehensive programme and prize list has been prepared. A number of Experts on various phases of potato growing have been secured including H. G. Bell, Chicago, Ill., U. S. A.; W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, Ottawa; T. G. Raynor, Dominion Seed Inspector, Ottawa; L. H. Newman, Secretary Canadian Seed Growers' Association, Ottawa; S. J. Moore, Representative of Dominion Seed Branch; Hon. J. F. Tweeddale, Minister of Agriculture for N. B., and Representatives of the Dominion Experimental Farms. The Prize List of the potato show amounts to \$600.00 covering ten classes of exhibits. Reduced fares on all railways.

From London To Constantinople By Air

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The ship in the harbor which is the headquarters of the German staff. Lastly, the Turkish war office was visited and with some effect. The chief pilot was a young airman in his teens, Lieutenant Savory, who relates how he saw Constantinople and the Goeben blazing with lights, and the surprise was so complete that they were able to come down within 800 feet of the Goeben and drop bombs on it with deliberation. This was the longest distance ever covered in an attack from the air during the

Only One Way Out

(Kansas City Times)

There's only the one way out and we've got to tread it and those that are unwilling, disbelievers or pullers back must be dragged along. In that category we have both Germany and Russia now. It doesn't matter that one is trying to beat our head off and the other is trying to kiss us. Both are blocking the way out and must be taken by the neck and marched. They can love us or not—and we suspect they'll not—but they've got to live in the world with us and it's got to be made a world fit to live in, not one to die in merely as it has been recently.

Church Army In Palestine

London, Jan. 5.—The house in Jopra, (Jaffa) Palestine, where tradition says St Peter stayed with Simon the Tanner, is to be used by the Church Army as a centre for the care of British troops fighting in Palestine.

Church Army centres are located in isolated North Sea bases, in all important coasts in the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Egypt, and Flanders, at Malta, Saloniki, Bagdad, Kut, along the banks of the Tigris and the Euphrates, and in East Africa.

As many as 2,000 letters are written here from one hut in a day, and a hut will supply 2,000 letters with refreshments; but chief honors go to the coffee cart, which accompanies the men wherever they go into action.

Substitute Food Articles in Germany

Amsterdam, Dec. 19.—Ten thousand substitute food articles have been introduced into Germany since the war, according to a statement made in the Berlin newspapers by Professor Juckebeck, a prominent German food expert. He mentions as the most striking examples of successful substitution the following: Artificial butter, eggs, salad, oil, honey, milk, coffee, tea, sugar, tobacco, fish, sausage, cheese and caviar. Some of the substitutes are directly harmful, but others are so good that they will outlive the war and become regular articles of consumption, he asserts.

Swear Not to Trade With Any German

London, Jan. 3.—A firm at Dewsbury received a postcard from a German in a prison camp asking for price lists and patterns of flannels, silks and satins suitable for pyjamas. The firm in reply sent him a copy of the following "Solemn Oath" which they have sworn.

"To mark our horror and disgust at the methods of Germany since July, 1914, we swear that we will not [a] knowingly purchase anything made in Germany; [b] transact business with or through a German for five years after peace is declared. So help us God."

EXTRACTS

From Some Letters About

Gin Pills FOR THE KIDNEYS



PAIN IN THE BACK "I suffered with a continual pain in the back. Having tried Gin Pills... I gave them a fair trial and the results I found to be good."

RHEUMATISM "I have been for the last two years a cripple from Muscular and Inflammatory Rheumatism. Am now cured."

STONE—GRAVEL "I had been suffering terribly with Stone in the Bladder... continued to take Gin Pills... I passed the stone on October 3rd."

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Hungary's Loan Short

London, Jan. 5.—Subscription to Hungary's seventh war loan totalled about 3,000,000,000 kronen [normally \$600,000,000], whereas the government expected 8,000,000,000 kronen (\$1,600,000,000) telegraphs the correspondent at Amsterdam of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Most of the subscriptions were forced on the leading banks, the message adds, only an insignificant share being taken by the populace.

Daylight saving seems likely to receive more attention next summer than ever before. One strong reason for the April to September general adoption of the plan is that it will save in electric light and gas plants alone more than a million tons of coal. It is by no means improbable that the Canadian and American governments will both decree summer daylight saving as a measure of national economy, as have Great Britain, France, Germany, and other European nations.—St. John Globe.

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