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To the department of minerals in the Natural History Museum at South Kensington, says the Westminister Gazette, have just been added some meteoric stones picked up in British Central Africa. At one of the villages natives were found by the scientific officer sent to make an investigation squatting around the stone, discussing the 'miracle,' as they called it. No one would touch or approach it, and it was still lying where it fell when the official arrived. He was told that the stone was enchanted, and each of the natives who sat at a distance round it gave it a version of its probable origin and meaning. The largest of the fragments sent to London weighs 29 ounces, but one of the stones which was picked up near Chiropa's village weighs 3 pounds 5 ounces.

The Pangs of Sciatica.

MRS. PALMER OF FENLON FALLS, TELLS HOW SHE SUFFERED.

Confined to Her Bed for Weeks—Her Limbs Became so Numb That a Red Hot Iron Could be Placed Upon it Without Her Knowledge.

Only those who have felt the agonizing pangs of sciatica can form any conception of the torture which the victim undergoes. The case of Mrs. Job Palmer, of Fenlon Falls, was one of unusual obstinacy and severity, and she makes the following affidavit in reference to her cure, for the good of humanity. 'I am 29 years of age and have lived in this vicinity all my life. I had always enjoyed the best of health until November 1897, when I took a stinging pain in my right hip which seemed to be in my very marrow as it affected every muscle and joint.

I kept up for several weeks although suffering the most intense pain, freely using liniments and many other internal and external preparations that sympathizing friends would suggest. I was then compelled to stay in bed as I got so weak and run down that I could sit up no longer. I received several courses of medical treatment such as electric batteries, poulticing, etc., but got no ease from the excruciating pains which would shoot down through my leg into the very heel where it caused a burning feeling. Often I prayed that my heel would burst thinking this might give relief. The limb at last became so numb that a hot iron could be placed upon it without my having any knowledge of it. The closing or opening of a door or anyone entering or moving about in my room, seemed to increase the pain. For weeks I could not move any part of my body and had to lie in one position all the time. My brother was cured of rheumatism after every other remedy had failed, by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills so I thought as a last resort I would try them. As the direction said that in severe cases three pills could safely be taken at a dose, I took this number three times a day for about a week although I got the relief I so long had prayed for in three days after taking the first dose. Then I kept on taking the pills two at a dose. In a week after commencing the pills I was able to get out of bed and dress myself and a few weeks later when I gained strength enough, I was able to attend to all my household duties and I have ever since enjoyed the best of health. Friends and neighbors who were conversant with my case can also tell you of my terrible suffering and the remarkable cure effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.'

Mrs. SUSIE PALMER Taken and declared before me, at Fenlon Falls, in the County of Victoria, this 11th day of May, A. D. 1898.
JAMES DICKSON J. P.

Twelve Thousand French Women. The London Morning Post Paris correspondent says Madame Lancelot-Croce, the French artist, has just made for the French

government a necklace composed of twelve medals bearing the heads of the twelve most famous women of French history. The subject was inspired by Queen Margherita, of Italy, and it is to be presented to an august personage—believed to be the empress of Russia.

MARCONI'S SYSTEM BELITTLED.

London Scientists Declare it Useless for Commercial Purposes. Marconi's system of wireless telegraphy and its achievements and prospects are beginning to be pooh-poohed by scientific authorities here, says a London correspondent of the New York World. Nature, a scientific publication of high standing, frankly deprecates Marconi and all his works. It says:

'Nothing whatever about wireless telegraphy has given the smallest indication that it is going to supplant wires. It simply fills a want. Wireless telegraphy may maintain communications with outlying islands when cables break down. It is so by the post office with the Island of Mull in 1895, before Marconi was heard of, but is not going to replace one single cable between Great Britain and the Continent. Marconi's system has now been before the public nearly two years, but we have not heard anything new from a scientific point of view since first published. The last report is that it is possible to direct signals to one selected point. Two years ago it was said to be able to do the same thing by tuning. The fact is, we have in these repeated sensational experiments a pure scientific apparatus boomed by energetic financial speculators for their own individual gain, and not for the benefit of the public.'

MAIDSERVANTS IN LIVERY.

Success of a new English Idea That has Been Brought Here.

A year ago a number of English housekeepers took council together with regard to their grievances against the typical manservant. The result was that an impressive number of women declared that they would employ male butlers, &c., no longer, but substitute liveried women. The idea was at first cheerfully laughed at, but these housekeepers had their way, and the result is a goodly showing of liveried women. Very recently an English housemaid, hearing of the discontent and despair that have seized on the American housekeeper with regard to her masculine employees, packed a trunk of nice liveries, imported herself and sought a place with a New York family. She had not the least difficulty in persuading the head of a fine house to give her a place as a butler, and a butler in livery at that. Furthermore, she made so smart an appearance that her mistress was easily induced to put her other first floor maids in livery, and from this beginning the liveried woman servant in New York is becoming a recognized institution.

So far, tall, slender rosy English and Scotch girls monopolize this branch of the business, and one woman who has tried the liveried maid warmly advocates them for three distinct reasons. First, because they are much more faithful and respectful than the men; secondly, because they are vastly cleaner and more honest and less expensive; and thirdly, because their tidy liveries lend a distinction to their appearance that the regulation cap and apron can never give to domestics serving in dining room and hall.

In the New York homes where women in these special costumes serve the butler wears a black coat and skirt made of fine French face cloth, escaping the ground all about, measuring about three and a half yards in circumference at the hem, and

with a strap of black silk running from hip to foot on either side. This is all the trimming. Her coat is an Eton, cut in a point behind and turning back with medium sized silk face revers in front from an immaculate white linen shirt front.

DANGER IN DISTILLED WATER.

A German Scientist Asserts That Such is the Case. In forcible form Dr. Koppe gives an account in the Deutsche Medicinische Wochenschrift of his investigations of distilled water, which article he pronounces a dangerous protoplasmic poison. His studies show that it withdraws the salts from the animal tissues and causes the latter to swell or inflate; isolated living organic elements, cells and all unicellular organisms are destroyed in such water, dying since they become engorged therein; that is, they lose the faculty, upon which life depends, of retaining their salts and other soluble cell constituents, and consequently these are allowed to diffuse throughout the water. Similarly, the same poisonous effects must occur whenever distilled water is used as a drink, the sense of taste being the first to protest against the article, with an immediate movement to rid the mouth of what has been taken; the local poisonous effect of using the water making itself known by symptoms of catarrh of the stomach on a slight scale. The ordinary distilled water, even when freshly distilled, is not in fact absolutely pure, while that used in laboratories and clinics is, of course, generally stale—has been kept standing in open vessels, mostly in rooms where chemicals of every sort abound, and whose gases and effluvia are taken up by the water.

An Eloquent Appeal.

The last session of the Hawville Debating Society, at which time the subject for debate was: 'Resolved, that fact that a lady has been presented at Court in England is prima facie evidence of her complete qualification to enter the most exclusive of Oklahoma's social circles,' was an occasion of pleasure and profit to the participants.

There was no shooting, and the harmonious flow of the debate was but once interrupted, which was by an interpolation by the able editor of the Weekly Clarion, who rose in his place and begged leave to give utterance to a few remarks which, though not exactly apropos of the subject under discussion, had a vital bearing on a matter lying very near to his heart. Having secured the floor, the editor went on to say that he had arrived at a period in his career which promised to prove a full stop if certain of his fellow-citizens did not speedily adopt the never dying tenets of the Golden Rule in their intercourse with him.

He proceeded to state that, after several years spent in laboring unceasingly, in season and out, for the advancement and upbuilding of the community, he now found himself in the position of the late Zaccubus at the time when he made his first appearance in Biblical lore—namely, up a tree—and if his delinquent subscribers did not step forward and do their duty he would undoubtedly be compelled to remain in that unenviable situation until he died of starvation.

He explained that prices and patronage were both so reduced that there was no longer any money in cutting hair. He had not cried an auction for more than eight weeks. There were no 'possunus' left in the timber along the creek. He had lost heavily on his last shipment of old bones, rags and iron, and was forced to decline to take any more of them on subscription. He

declared that in his capacity as Justice of the Peace he had married only three couples during the past two months. In one case the groom paid him a bogus dollar; in another, a calf which died before morning; and the third groom pounded him within an inch of his life because the bride had fits.

He concluded by requesting his delinquent subscribers in the audience to pay up while yet the lamp held out to burn, and added that he hoped they would not say they did not have the money, as he was able to prove by incontrovertible statistics that the wealth of this country amounts to over \$7,000,000. Somebody undoubtedly had his share and he wanted it.—Pack.

Wellington and 'Blucher.' A. V. Kaye sends this story to the London Spectator: 'During the time that the Duke of Wellington, as Warden of the Cinque Ports, resided at Walmer Castle, a maiden aunt of mine occasionally stayed in the then small watering place of Walmer. This lady had a French poodle called Blucher. One day, when passing the castle, the dog ran into the grounds. My aunt remained outside, calling in an aggrieved voice, 'Blucher, Blucher! The old Duke looked over the wall and remarked, 'Madame, time was when I should have been extremely glad to see Blucher.'

Mr. Dunn (unpaid bill in his hand): 'When shall I call again, Mr. Owens?' Mr. Owens: 'Well, it would hardly be proper for you to call again until I have returned the present call.'

Friend: 'Really, Colonel?' Colonel: 'Yes; he kicked me in the weatkit so that I couldn't fight, and the other chaps got shot while I was in the hospital.'

THINGS OF VALUE.

Tea contains an essential oil which is an active poison. So well known are its deleterious effects that the natives of China do not use tea until the leaves are a year old. The excessive use of tea causes stomachic derangements, palpitation of the heart, nervousness, and irritability.

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A statistician says that out of a thousand unmarried men 30 were criminals, and out of a thousand married men only 18 were criminals.

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At a ball given some little time since in a small country town in Ireland, for which the tickets were not transferable, the inscription on the latter ran as follows: 'Admit this gentleman to ball in Assembly Room; Tickets, 2s. 6d. each. No gentleman admitted unless he comes himself.'

Great Things From Little Causes Grow.—It takes very little to derange the stomach. The cause may be slight, a cold, something eaten or drunk, anxiety, worry, or some other simple cause. But if precautions be not taken, this simple cause may have most serious consequences. Many a chronically debilitated constitution to lay owes its destruction to simple causes not dealt with in time. Keep the digestive apparatus in healthy condition and a will be well. Parlee's Vegetable Pills are better than any other for the purpose.

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