

EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN LITTLE OLD NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 13.—The great fire hazard of high buildings annually costs the owners of such buildings in New York City millions of dollars in the way of extra insurance premiums for excessive height alone. The schedule of the New York Fire Insurance Exchange, according to a study made by the Heights of Buildings Commission, indicate that these extra premiums amount to thousands of dollars in the case of certain buildings. For the Woolwich Building they total more than \$10,000 a year.

In the insurance of fireproof mercantile buildings the height element is ignored until the ninth story is reached. The extra charge for height on a nine-story building is one cent per hundred dollars. The charge increases rapidly from that story upward. For a ten-story building it is two cents; for a fifteen story building twenty-two cents; for a twenty-five story building, seventy-two cents. A surtax is imposed in addition to these charges in the case of those buildings where merchandise is stored on or above the seventh floor. Only sample stocks exempt a building from this charge, which is many times larger than the extra charge for height and is intended to prevent the storing of merchandise above the seventh floor. Fireproof office buildings of eight stories and under are free from any height charge. Above that height they are subject to one-fourth the height charge of fireproof mercantile buildings.

At last there seems to be some prospect that a stop will be put to the reckless speeding of automobiles in the streets of the city. For a number of years the reckless speeders of automobiles have been treated very leniently by the authorities. Even if arrested for speeding and brought into court, many of the automobilists were either dismissed with a warning or sentenced to pay a small fine, a punishment which imposed no hardship upon the speeders, most of whom are wealthy men. Lately, however, the city magistrate have come to an understanding that more strictness in dealing with speed law offenders is necessary to put an end to the constant violations of the speed law.

John Kenlon, chief of the New York fire department, issued a statement the other day in which he severely criticized the methods of the civil service commission of the city. One of the charges he made against the commission was that it had passed men with cork legs and even men without arms as available for the fire department, while good and able men had been refused owing to some trivial defect that would not have interfered in the least with their efficiency as members of the fire department.

The National Housewives' League is still continuing its warfare against the naughty dealers who refuse to reduce the price of eggs, although the league has been maintaining a strict boycott against eggs of every description for several weeks. Now the league has sent out an appeal urging those who habitually take their meals in hotels and restaurants to stop eating eggs altogether until the dealers see fit to reduce the price. The hotel men and restaurant keepers have not yet felt any diminution in the demand for eggs by their patrons.

A characteristic illustration of the methods of many of our consular offices is furnished by the fact that a few days ago a man in New York City received through the mail a letter which he had written to a sea captain thirty years ago. He had sent the letter in October, 1883, to the captain in care of the Swedish consul at Marseilles, France. There the letter had evidently lain for thirty years.

The latest fad of New York's society women is to be accompanied by one of those German shepherd dogs which the police department uses for catching criminals. These dogs, which are said to have a little

if the 'wolf in them, are naturally rather gentle, but they are trained to attack men upon a given command and hold them prisoners. The rainer of the police dogs is making quite a little money on the side by raining a number of these dogs for prominent society women, who plan to take these animals with them wherever they go, either walking or driving, believing them to be sufficient protection against tramps or other dangerous individuals.

WHY KEEP ON COUGHING?

Here Is A Remedy That Will Stop It

Do you realize the danger in a neglected cough?

Then why don't you get rid of it? Yes, you can shake it off, even though it has stuck to you for a long time, if you go about it right.

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CARVING CAMEOS

This Delicate Process Was Not Known to the Ancient Greeks and Romans

The carving of shell cameos is a comparatively modern art. The Greeks and Romans, although they made cameos out of layered agate, knew nothing about shell carving, possibly because the Mediterranean did not supply suitable shells. When shell carving first came into vogue, many different kinds of shell were tried, but all were found faulty because of size, color or lack of permanence except one variety of the hermit shell. Of this variety, only one out of many shells is fit to use because the making of a cameo demands a strong, evenly colored under layer, a solid outer layer and sufficient workable surface.

The process of carving the shell requires great skill and delicacy. If the shell is to be carved as a whole, the artist takes advantage of the fact that the coloring of the lower layer is richest next the mouth of the shell and the ridges on the last whorl are thick enough to permit deep carving. For commercial purposes the shell is usually cut into pieces with a tin wheel, running water and emery powder.

The piece that is to be carved has to be shaped with a small grindstone and the surface has to be smoothed and cleared of imperfections. A piece of paper cemented to the back keeps the shell from cracking and is used for fastening a working handle to the cameo.

After the design has been drawn on the outer surface with a pencil it is cut in the soft white outer layer with steel engraver's (much like wood engraver's) tools. The naturally colored inner layer, which becomes the background, requires polishing and developing with pumice and acid, rubbed in with a boxwood stick.

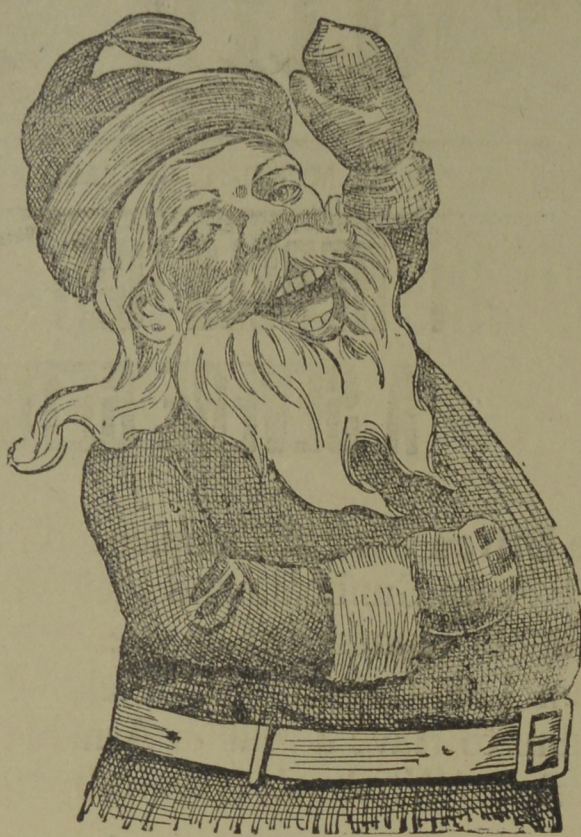
The whole process must be carried out with great care, because the shell is very fragile and can easily be broken or corroded by the acid used in polishing.

The Drain on Scotland

Nearly 200,000 Scottish persons emigrated from Scotland during the past four years. This number is equal to two-thirds of the population of Edinburgh, or nearly to the combined population of Grimsby, Ipswich and Reading.

Looking Both Ways

A new motor cycle rear light, to be mounted on a handle bar, can be covered with a mirror in the day time so a rider can watch the road behind him.



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Knitted and Silk Ties in fancy Boxes 25c to \$1.50.

Wool Mufflers 85c to \$2.

Knitted Silk Mufflers 50c to \$6.

Fur Lined Gloves and Mitts \$2.50 to \$5.

Wool Gloves and Mitts 50c to \$1.50.

Silk Sox 50c to \$1.50 per pair.

Initial and Plain Silk Handkerchiefs 25c to \$1 each.

Initial and Plain Linen Handkerchiefs 25c and 50c each.

Soft Front Shirts in fancy Boxes \$1.50 and \$2.

Colored Excelsior Handkerchiefs 3 for 25c.

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Umbrellas 75c to \$7.50.

Suit Cases from \$1.25 to \$35

Club Bags from \$4.25 to \$28

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SALT FOR COWS

Increases Flow of Milk and Acts Like Condition Powder

Dairy cows in milk require salt daily to do their best work. A lump of rock salt thrown somewhere in the yard may do for the young stock, but cows need a greater quantity than they can get by occasionally licking rock salt. Cows will take a tablespoonful of salt every day, and when they get this quantity they will drink more regularly and give more milk.

Salt is required in the system and animals that are deprived of salt entirely lose their vitality. In "Henry's Feeds and Feedings," an experiment on the use of salt for dairy cows is described, and the following facts are cited: "In every case the cows exhibited an abnormal appetite for salt after having been deprived of it for two or three weeks, but in no case did the health of the animal, as shown by the general appearance, the live weight, or the yield of milk, appear to be affected till a much longer time had elapsed. There was finally reached a condition of low vitality in which a sudden, complete breakdown occurred. This stage was marked by a loss of appetite, a general haggard appearance, lustreless eyes, a rough coat and a very rapid decline in both live weight and milk. If salt was supplied at this period recovery was rapid." The time from which the salt was withheld until bad results showed varied with different animals, from a month to a year.

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