

the Uganda district.

Unlike many of their neighbors, the Lango do not practice any direct forms of witchcraft, and any who are foolish enough to indulge in the black arts are neatly clubbed to death. The tribe has a large number of superstitions and customs, however, one of the most important ones being the driving away of disease, which takes place in June.

The first part of this ceremony is the dislodging of disease from his hiding-place by the beating of hides and the waving of torches in every house.

When the evil has been driven out in- the two monuments in the world-the in his interesting book, "The Lango." gulls. There are many customs, too, gov- A y

them. perty," continues the author, "except ing decoration attached to the girdle. time the nearest point of civilization Another custom which survives in this tribe is that of marriage by cap- as if the people must be starved. ture, but, as a matter of fact, the "cap-The friends of the bridegroom re-

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tinues until they thrust her into her lover's house. This in no way indi-cates reluctance on the girl's part.

The Lango have on elaborate style of hair-dressing, which consists in the main of the threading of beads on to the voyage. the hair in such a manner that the head appears to be covered with a white skull-cap. The fee received by the hairdresser for carrying out this operation consists of one pot of beer

and one chicken.

## A Bird Monument.

In Salt Lake City, Utah, is one of killed.

not return," writes Mr. J. H. Driberg were saved from starvation by sea- are to be found even among ships'

peared.

cold.

A year after their arrival the white cealment and passage of the human erning the conduct of women. In one settlers were alarmed to observe that contraband. clan, for instance, they are forbidden their crops were being devoured by In British the flesh and skin of leopards, while myriads of crickets and grasshoppers, are rigidly excluded, a huge business are often under 5 ft. They are very the fig-tree must not be touched by which overran the country until it was is done, and each Chinese smuggled good musicians. By nature they are "No woman may possess pro- as if it had been scorched by fire. Attempts were made to stop the lars to the agent who has arranged his but in these days they have given up her ornaments and tail," the latter be plague, but without result. At that entry,

The Chinese are by no means the was 1,000 miles away, and it seemed only nationality concerned in the trade. Not long ago a plot was dis-Prayer was resorted to, and one day, covered on the Clyde for smuggling ture" is always granged beforehand. as if in answer to their appeals, there unemployed men from Britain to the appeared a great flock of sea-gulls, United States.

which proceeded to devour the pests. No fewer than sixteen men were and it was not until the "enemy" had found hidden away on a liner just be-been completely annihilated that the fore her departure for New York. gulls took to their wings and disap. Each had paid twenty-five dollars to the smuggling agents, who had ar-

The monument commemorating the ranged with members of the crew for event was unveiled in 1913. their secret passage. A regular traffic in illegal passages was found to have

A handful of common salt thrown existed for a long time. into a hot bath relieves fatigue, and often helps to break up or prevent a Icebergs weighing 10,000 tons are often found in the Arctic circle.

Serpent. ese, whom the captain had agreed to

Sea serpents have been seen off the smuggle into the United States. In return for this service the captain was coastr of Papua, and one of them en to receive \$500 from cach man-\$250 joyed the unusual distinction of being down, and the remainder at the end of vouched for by a high dignitary of the Catholic Church, the late Archbishop

On arriving off the American coast, Navarre, who was in his study on the captain lost his nerve, and instead Yule Island when an enormous sea of putting the Chinese ashore in small beast, of form unknown, rose out of boats he deserted the ship with his the ocean and terrified everyone on share of the booty. The crew of four, the shore so much that they all rushed maddened by drink, then demanded inland and shut themselves up in their money from the Chinese. A furihouses; even the native police joined ous battle ensued, in which nine were in the general flight.

The archbishop saw the animal and Fortunes are being made just now watched it till it sank, after which he to the street "the whole village es- other is in Italy-erected to the mem- in smuggling such unwanted immi-corts it, raising the cry of victory, and ory of birds. This monument com- grants. The traffic is controlled by says Beatrice Grimshaw, in an article The traffic is controlled by says Beatrice Grimshaw, in an article beating the hides, till it is driven into memorates the fact that about the powerful people, who have a swarm of entitled "Mysteries of Papua," in the a river or swamp, from which it can-year 1850 the original settlers in Utah agents in every country. These agents August "London Magazine."

In (British) Papua, about three days crews, and they arrange for the con- journey from the coast of Mekeo, there are tribes that can fairly be called dwarf. The women are no taller than

an eight-year-old child, and the men In British Columbia, whence Chinese into the country is worth many dolcannibal, and of a quarrelsome type, much of their ancient fighting ways

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