

ART OF SELF-DEFENSE.

Fussy Cat Is Mistress of It Because She Is Borne That Way.

A cat is a natural boxer. If you watch two kittens rolling and tumbling about the floor you will occasionally see spirited passages of arms between them. They will "lead," "counter," "block," "duck," and "rush," "sidestep," and, in fact, do all things that your big brother does with his boxing instructor at the gymnasium. The kittens will do it a great deal better, too, for they are much quicker and more graceful. It may seem odd at first for a boy or girl to box with a cat, but just tap her quietly with your index finger. You may tap her once, but not the second time, for she will very nearly block your second attempt with her paw. You must use only one finger of each hand, and be very careful to just touch the cat. Then you must stroke her back occasionally to show that you are only playing with her, and not angry. The cat will understand very quickly that you are only in fun, and do not intend to hurt her, and will keep her claws out of sight, so as not to scratch you, unless she is a cranky old cat with a very sour temper, and if she is you had better leave her alone.

Of course, you do not know much about boxing, but you will learn a great deal from the cat if you watch the manner in which she will handle her paws. After the cat understands that it is only a game, and you have learned how to lead and counter from watching her, you can have some pretty bouts, which will amuse the whole family and greatly help to shorten a rainy day.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

CONVERTED THE OLD BELL.

Friest's Explanation of How a Bell Became Truly Converted.

For many years Father Boyle was one of the most prominent and popular Catholic clergymen in Washington, where he had a great reputation as a wit. Many of his most intimate friends were Protestants and members of the Protestant clergy. A few months before his death he erected a missionary chapel down by the navy yard and bought at a junk shop an old bell which had been discarded by one of the Presbyterian churches. He sent the bell to a foundry in Georgetown and had several inches of metal pared off the rim. Having thus got rid of a crack the harsh and discordant tones of the bell became short and sweet. Meeting a Presbyterian parson not long after, Father Boyle called his attention to the change and the latter could scarcely believe it was the same bell. "What in the world did you do with that bell?" inquired the Presbyterian pastor. "To cause such a change in the tone?" "We blessed it and blessed it until we got the bells," the American replied. "I reported Father Boyle," and then it sounded all right."

CURIOUS INFORMATION.

London sets 11 tons of salt a day, Paris only four tons.

A vessel drawing ten feet rises two inches in passing from fresh water to salt.

Of 100 Irish people 24 are married, 59 unmarried and seven widowed.

English roads cost \$200 a mile to make, French \$1,200, Italian only \$200.

Marble is worth in the rough £4 a ton, and Italy exports 105,000 tons a year.

A sheepdog has 29½ ounces of brain, a record for dogs; but a wolf has 40 ounces or over.

The inhabitants of St. Helena have fallen from 6,444 in 1871 to 4,116 in 1900.

On an average 270 miles of fresh railway line are built each year in the United Kingdom.

The Amer of Afghanistan's mint at Kabul is managed by an Englishman. The kron, or half rupee, is the smallest silver coin struck.

RIVERS AND RIVER SYSTEMS.

There are five rivers in the world which drain over a million square miles. They are the Amazon, La Plata, Obi, Congo and Mississippi.

The Paraguay river, so called from the republic of the same name on its banks, is 1,300 miles in length. At points in its lower course it is from five to fifteen miles wide.

The outflow of the Nile varies from 16,000 cubic feet a second in June to 400,000 in September. From these figures the value of the new Assouan dam from preventing this gigantic waste will be plain.

The Mississippi is the longest river in the world, but estimated by amount of water discharged into the sea it ranks third only, the Amazon discharging 1,000,000 cubic feet a second, and the La Plata 850,000, the Mississippi's 500,000.

MUSIC OF BEETLES.

While the structure of the music of stridulating organs of beetles is extremely simple, they sometimes possess contrivances for varying the pitch. The general construction of such an organ is a hard surface covered with striations, over which some other member of the body furnished with a rasping edge or area is rubbed. When the striated surface is divided into parts with finer and coarser markings, variations of pitch can be produced.

Not Capable.

She—Poor Jack's doctor told him that he had narrowly escaped an acute inflammation of the brain.

He—That doctor is a ignoramus. Jack's brain couldn't develop anything acute.

Tagged for Discharge.

When a man goes out in the middle of the day to get a drink, tag on him; he's traveling the road that leads to discharge.

Irreparable Loss.

He—I've lost a wealthy aunt.

She—Really? When did she die?

He—Oh, she isn't dead; but her niece has just jilted me.

"I did not sleep a night for seven long weeks."

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INSULTED A MOURNING BAND.

New York, Sept. 18.—As Magistrate Cornell was leaving the Essex Market police court to-day he was accosted by a man who spoke sneeringly of a mourning band which the Magistrate wore on his left sleeve in memory of President McKinley. The Magistrate at once arrested the man and took him back to the court, where he said he was William Davis, a shoemaker, of Troy, N. Y. Magistrate Cornell sentenced him to Blackwell's island for two months.

INVADED BRITISH INDIA.

London, Sept. 18.—A despatch to the Times from Simla says fighting has occurred at Pelwar Kotul Pass, at the upper end of the Kuram Valley, between the Amer's troops and the Jargis, a tribe which has long complained of tribesmen moved across the British border, rampaging on the hills. The Amer's troops surprised them crossing the boundary in pursuit. The local British authorities warned the Afghan officer in command that he must prevent his men from transgressing the frontier.

FISHERMEN ON STRIKE.

London, September 18.—An alarming situation exists at Grimsby, 15 miles from Hull, where a mob of locked-out fishermen this afternoon wrecked and set fire to the new fishing fleet of the Great Oyster, where the owners of the fishing fleet were holding a meeting. The owners escaped, and the fire was extinguished, but the police were powerless to quell the riot. A strike has been in progress among the fishermen at Grimsby for several months. Four hundred steam fishing boats are idle, and their families have been suffering great hardships. Food had to be sent to them by sympathetic committees.

FOREST FIRES.

Quebec, Sept. 18.—St. Bruno, a village on the line of the Lake St. John Railway, has been well nigh destroyed by fire. Despatches from Hebertville, in the same district, say that forest fires have been raging around there for the past two or three days. About 50 farm houses, with barns and out-houses, containing the season's crops, have been destroyed. It is hoped to save Hebertville station and the long trestle, but if strong winds continue many more houses will be burned. All kinds of timber, lumber, pulpwood and cordwood along the railway track has been destroyed between St. John and Lanigan.

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Of course, by walking, it is not intended to convey the meaning that the more you walk the better. In a close room or any building, however large, is beneficial. Walking for health and exercise must be in the open air, the more open the better.

People of sedentary habits will find daily walks better than a pint of "tonic." Our breath vitates the air, and the only way to change the air is to keep moving.

Walking expands the lungs as well as strengthens the muscles; it defends the body from lassitude, puts doctors at arm's length, and increases the span of life.

The English live longer than Americans simply because they live more out of doors. In this country a man of 60 is called "old." In England he is in the prime of life; yet the climate of England is not to be compared with ours. It is always damp, and generally foggy and rainy, but the average Englishman cares nothing for that. While the American takes a car to go to his office or shop, miles from home, the Englishman foots it, saves his money and betters his health.

Gladstone at eighty years of age did an enormous amount of work without perceptible fatigue. He always was a great walker, and at the age of 65 could walk 35 miles in a single day, over the hills of Scotland. At 80 he was still good for a 20-mile tour. How many 20-year-old Americans can say the same?

For girls there is no exercise like walking, and, besides, it is "proper." To be sure, they must wear common sense shoes and moderately loose clothing; but if these conditions are complied with, there is no reason why they should not do their five or ten miles a day, like their English sisters. They would not only be rewarded in rosy cheeks, expanded forms and better health all round.—Golden Days.

To England in Two Days.

"Fast electric ships crossing the ocean at more than a mile a minute will go from New York to Liverpool in two," writes John Fife Watson, Jr., of "What May Happen in the Next Hundred Years," in the Ladder, Home Journal. "The bodies of these ships will be built above the waves. They will be supported upon runners, somewhat like those of the sleigh. These runners will be very buoyant. Upon their sides will be apertures expelling jets of air. In this way a film of air will be kept between the ship and the water's surface. This film, together with the surface of the runners, will reduce friction against the waves to the smallest possible degree. Propellers turned by electricity will screw themselves through both the water and the air above. Ships with cabins artificially cooled will be entirely fire-proof. In storm they will dive below the surface and there await fair weather."

Jaded Harems Justified.

A London journalist tells this tale of a famous novelist who recently took up her residence just opposite a school, where, in the course of educational routine, the children are wont to engage in antiphonal chants. The following correspondence, therefore, took place, the authoress to the school mistress, thus: "Miss — presents her compliments to Miss —, and begs that she be good enough to arrange that there be no singing class between the hours of 10 and 11, these being Miss —'s working hours, when distractions are particularly distasteful." The school mistress to the authoress: "Miss — presents her compliments and begs to state that if such course were likely to prevent the writing of such books as 'The Horrors of Satan,' 'The Muscular Traction,' she would rejoice in arranging a singing program for every day from 9 to 2." "Poor Marie Corelli!"

Butter-Making at Home.

Milk should be set in a perfectly clean, well-ventilated place, where nothing else is kept, and the room so constructed that the temperature can be regulated as desired. There should be another room where the cream can be ripened and churned and the work of the dairy performed. Very few farmhouses have proper conveniences. The cellar is often used to set milk in and the kitchen used to ripen the cream and do the dairy work, the cellar is all right if it is not used as a general storeroom for the house. Bad surroundings and bad company are fatal to fine butter-making.

Poor Pasture Causes Loss.

Poor pastures do not pay for the reason that it is to the interest of the farmer that his cows secure an abundance of food at the least cost. The animals should not be compelled to work for their food on the pasture by tramping the ground in the search for grass. As soon as a pasture does not supply an abundance the cattle should be taken off and fed on green food at the barn, as they will fall off in milk if the supply of food on the pasture fails.

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