

### Whims of Birds.

"When the casual observer with little if any knowledge of birds first sees the little pet going through the many stunts that a bright bird can easily be taught to perform, the first thought is usually hypnotism," said Miss Virginia Pope, a bird specialist, when asked for the secret of training them. "In reality," she continued, "the bird lover's hypnotic influence is affection—kindness. This is the only witchcraft used, and it is all sufficient to charm a bird."

"Only a bird lover can train a bird successfully. The process is a slow one, involving infinite patience. Like human education, it is a gradual process, with a humble A B C beginning, to which we add little by little."

"About the worst way in the world to begin is to be harsh to the bird, starving or abusing it, although some little reward, such as a nut, a leaf of lettuce or a scrap of apple (according to the variety of the bird) may be given when the pet has proved specially apt and willing. First of all, gain the confidence of your bird, which of itself is a process requiring time and understanding of bird nature. When at all possible, the little creature should be accustomed to leave the cage now and then, to fly around the room, becoming in this way members of the family circle. This means splendid exercise, which your pet does not obtain in his cage, besides helping him to outgrow any feeling of fear he may have to have in the presence of humans."

"Enjoying this freedom, too, a bird will often develop pretty little traits and tricks of his own devising, which are less often noticed in the always caged pet. These individual traits can be utilized as a basis of his future training. What the little creature likes to do they will perform readily, and by adding to this

cage. This dainty was not to eat from his lordship's point of view, but to perch upon. The whim of another was never to bathe in the conventional white dish provided for this purpose. However, as he seemed to heartily enjoy shaking the drops from a wet lettuce leaf, thus making an impromptu shower bath for himself, it was not hard to see that the dish was at the root of the objection, not the water itself. One day, instead of the ordinary bath, a Japanese dish was placed in the cage. Immediately the tiny creature plunged into it and took a splendid bath."

"An accident occurred later on, and the pretty Japanese dish was broken. The bird refused once more to bathe, and persisted so steadily in its whim that it was necessary to buy another dish of the Japanese pattern that had so attracted his eye."

"To any one wishing to train a bird," concluded the specialist, "I would emphasize above all the necessity of gentleness, kindness and infinite patience. To try to force it or to flirt with your pet when beginning his education is to lay the foundation of a complete failure."

### THE WEE FREES.

Get Only a Small Amount of the Church Property.

In England they find ways of doing justice by law if they cannot get it by judicial process. Six years ago the United and Free Churches joined each other. But twenty-four ministers of the latter Church refused to recognize the merger, and claimed to be the Free Church, all its other members having joined the United Church. In the Scottish Courts they were defeated, but they won in the House of Lords. The decision was a monstrous injustice. It gave the twenty-four ministers, nicknamed the "Wee Frees," fifty or sixty million dollars of property and on the ground of the sacredness of endowed property actually diverted most of this money from the purposes for which it was given. The property was created after the Free Church was organized and the wishes of almost all the donors would have been promoted by the union. As soon as the decision was rendered Parliament created a commission to divide the property. The twenty-four "Wee Frees" are recognized as the Free Church and a small amount of the property is assigned to them. The great bulk of the property is assigned to the United Free Church in which are merged all the Free Churchmen except the twenty-four ministers, mostly in the Highlands, and their congregations.

### Blowing Confusion.

A steam whistle at Muskogee, which blows for fires, sounds the curfew note, advises children when to go to bed, announces the arrival of the milkman, the closing and opening of the stores, the rising of the curtain at the opera house, the quitting hour for government employees, the arrival of trains and other things too numerous to mention. It is driving the Queen City mad. The thing that bothers the intelligent citizens when the whistle blows is, "What in thunder is it blowing for now?"

### Martyrdom Described.

Kingston Man Tells How He Suffered and How He was Cured.

"For years a martyr," is how Chas. H. Powell, of 105 Raglan street, Kingston, begins his story. "A martyr to chronic constipation, but now I am free from it and all through the use of Dr. Leonard's Anti-Pill cured me."

"I was induced to try Anti-Pill by reading the testimony of someone who had been cured of constipation by it. I had suffered for eighteen years and had taken tons of stuff recommended as cures, but which made me worse rather than better. Doctors told me there was no cure for me. Dr. Leonard's Anti-Pill cured me."

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### Supplying the Idol Trade.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Several years ago a work of fiction by a prominent English author introduced to us one of his leading English characters a hypocritical person who had enriched himself by making idols for the heathen trade. Recently England was a good deal shocked by the story that a factory in Birmingham was turning out the same kind of goods and supplying the same heathenish demand. The matter was at once investigated and after a careful canvas of the manufacturing interests of the big town a leading clergyman issued a circular denying the charge emphatically, but qualifying his denial by the statement that such a factory had existed at one time, but that it had been closed in his time, but that it had been reopened by the British public, which has a way of taking these things with a heavy sort of seriousness, isn't quite satisfied with this explanation. British made idols to which the Asiatic or African heathens bow the knee are shameful enough, but to lose the trade in them to the bustling yankee doesn't improve the disgraceful situation.

### Sultan Imports Birds.

The Sultan of Turkey has taken to importing birds from England by the carload. Among them are song birds as well as others that are simply useful as enemies of destructive insects.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Turned Tables in a Hurry.

(Somerville, Mass., Journal.)

Jack—You say you feel perfectly sure that she is only flirting with me?

Tom—Perfectly.

Jack—Hang the luck; why, when I began I was only flirting with her.

### The Revolutionary Leaders Yesterday.

refused to stand by the articles of agreement for surrender, and the President of San Domingo has directed a renewal of hostilities.

### "GOOD FAIRY OF THE HOME."

ANCIENT HEROES AND A MODERN DISCOVERY.

Ancient Greece will always be remembered for the fine types of manhood supplied by the heroes of her battlefields and by the athletes of her arenas. Still more will these heroes and athletes themselves be remembered for the custom they bequeathed to later ages of healing ointments and injured places on their bodies by the external application of some secret balm or salve. The Greek charioteers did not emerge from their mad races without some severe bruise or gaping wound; and to anoint each injury carefully with their favorite balm was an indispensable part of the day's programme. If we go back in history—even to Bible times—we find that this external "rubbing" has prevailed all along the line, and the only explanation of its survival, amidst so many changes in science, seemed to lie in the fact that the external use of salves and balms is dictated to us by Nature herself. Our own instincts tell us to rub a part that hurts, and in Zam-Buk the ideal substance to apply to an injured or diseased part is universally believed to have been found at last.

Most of the ointments, embrocations and salves that have had to suffice in the past are of a coarse consistency, and contain quantities of mineral poisons, rancid animal fats, and turpentine. What healing properties they possess are generally counterbalanced by the grave danger of inflaming and contaminating the flesh.

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### Generals at Play.

Without doubt, the form of recreation that finds most favor with our leading generals is cycling. Lord Roberts, Sir Evelyn Wood, Lord Wolseley, Gen. Baden-Powell, and Lord Grenfell, to name only a few, are all enthusiastic devotees of the wheel. As is only to be expected, hunting is not far behind, and a list of our military leaders who excel in the hunting field would be practically to recapitulate the very best-known names in the army list. Lord Roberts is a great rider to hounds even to-day, and the same remark applies to Gen. Sir Neville Lyttelton. It is rather surprising that more soldiers do not go in for golf, and I can, at the moment, only recall one well-known name among our generals who is more than an average player. This, of course, is Lord Methuen, who, a few years ago, could show the best of them round the links. Sir Edward Ward prefers playing to any other form of exercise, unless it be riding, while general and politician "Stee" otherwhise Baden-Powell, thinks there is no sport under the sun to come up to pig-sticking. This is only right and what might have been expected from a former holder of the Kadir Cup. Tennis, both indoor and of the lawn variety, claims a list of military celebrities, including Sir George Wolseley, whose retirement from the army was announced the other day.—M. A. P.

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### Copper as a Precious Metal.

(Providence, R. I., Journal.)

Natural conditions and a marvelously increased demand due to recent industrial development, have raised the price of the metal to such a point that it is being mined in places in the jeweler's show cases along side gold and silver.

### Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

Right Side for the Heat.

Teacher—Johnnie, on which side is your heart?

Johnnie—On the right side, teacher.

Teacher—No, Johnnie; it's on your left side.

Johnnie—Yes, ma'am; that's what I said.

Teacher—What you said?

Johnnie—Yes, teacher; the left side is the right side for the heart.

### ESQUIMAUX FEAST OF THE DEAD.

The Esquimaux of St. Michael and the lower Yukon River hold a festival of the dead every year at the beginning of November or the beginning of December, as well as a greater festival at intervals of several years. At these seasons food, drink and clothes are provided for the returning ghosts in the kashim, or clubhouse, of the village, which is illuminated with oil lamps. Every man or woman who wishes to honor a dead friend sets up a lamp on a stand in front of the place which the deceased used to occupy in the clubhouse. These lamps, filled with seal oil, are kept burning day and night till the festival is over. They are believed to light the shades on their return to their old home and back again to the land of the dead. If anyone fails to put up a lamp in the clubhouse and to keep it burning the shade whom he or she desires to honor could not find its way to the place, and so would miss the feast. On the eve of the festival the nearest and most goes to the grave and summons the ghost by placing there a small model of a seal spear or of a wooden dish, according as the deceased was a man or a woman. The totems of the dead are marked on these impressions.

When all is ready the ghosts gather in the fire pit under the clubhouse, and ascending through the floor at the proper moment, take possession of the bodies of their namesakes, to whom the offerings of food, drink and clothing are made for the benefit of the dead. Thus each shade obtains the supplies he needs in the other world. The dead who have none to make offerings to them are believed to suffer great destitution. Hence the Esquimaux fear to die without leaving behind them someone who will sacrifice to their spirits, and childless people generally adopt children lest their shades be forgotten at the festivals.

When a person has been much disliked his ghost is sometimes purposely ignored, and that is deemed the severest punishment that could be inflicted upon him. After the songs of invitation to the dead have been sung the givers of the feast take a small portion of food from every dish and cast it down as an offering to the shades; then each pours a little water on the earth, and then it runs through the cracks in the wall. In this way they believe that the spiritual essence of all the food and water is conveyed to the souls.

The remainder of the food is afterwards distributed among the people present, who eat of heartily. Then with songs and dances the feast comes to an end, and the ghosts are dismissed to their own place. Dances form a conspicuous feature of the great festival of the spirits, which is held every few years. The dances are only in the clubhouse, but also at the graves, and on the ice if the deceased met their death by drowning.—J. G. Frazer in the "Pork-shtick Review."



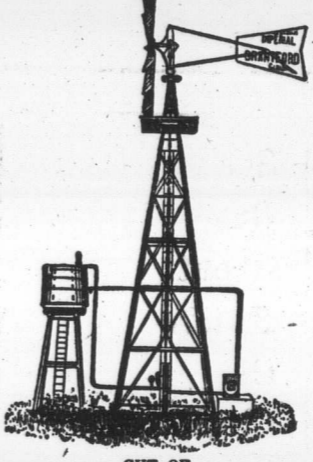
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Russia	...	\$185,000,000
Germany	...	157,000,000
Great Britain	...	153,000,000
France	...	123,000,000
United States	...	112,000,000
India	...	98,000,000
Austria	...	84,000,000
Italy	...	55,000,000
Japan	...	21,000,000

Besides the \$98,000,000 a year, other colonies of Great Britain expend \$16,000,000 a year for local purposes. The German total does not include \$25,000,000 a year for colonial military expenses, and the French total also excludes \$18,000,000 a year for the army serving abroad. The British empire leads with its home and colonial total of \$271,000,000.

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(Boston Transcript.)

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Everything Her Own Way. (Boston Transcript.)