

BIRD AND ANIMAL LIFE.



1. CHIPMUNK ON TOP OF STONE FENCE. 2. RACCOON FINDS COMFORT IN THE BOTTLE. 3. YOUNG SPARROW HAWKS. 4. AMERICAN OSPREYS WATCHING THE SWALLOWS. 5. ARCTIC SNOW OWL, A RARE CHANCE FOR THE CAMERA MAN.



AMONG THE RUSHES.

A sociologist in conversation with a practical person from the middle west concerning the labor problem in her part of the country thereby learned the lesson of the situation. "Are there many men out of work?" he asked. The lady admitted that there were quite a number. "What," said he then, "do the unemployed do?" "Nothing," said the lady. "That's the trouble,"—Youth's Companion.



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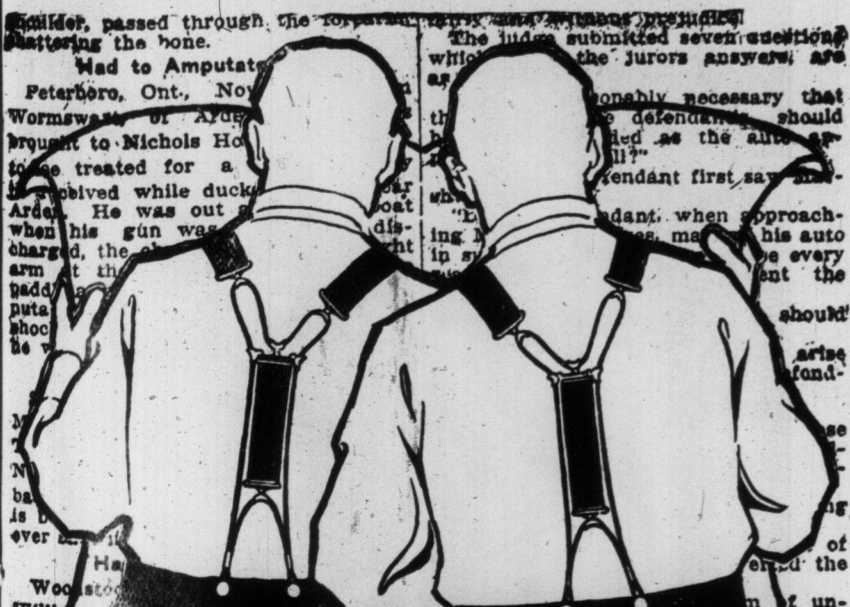
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Government Consular Report. Earth colors are mined in Sardinia exclusively by Cav. Carlo Bellegrandi of Carlotorte, Sardinia, at Capo Rosso and Capo Becco and Cola Figu. The annual production of red oxide, both light and dark, ranges from 3000 to 4000 long tons. In addition to the above-named oxides, thousands of tons of the dark yellow and light yellow oxides are mined every year. These yellow oxides when treated with calcium are said to give a very fine quality of red. The same mines yield a jasper having the same color as yellow, red and violet ochre, and is at times extracted in blocks that measure a cubic yard. Violet ochre is also mined. Manganese is also obtained from the mines at Capo Rosso and Capo Becco to the extent of 3000 long tons per annum. The concessions held by Cav. Bellegrandi amount to over 400 square acres, and the red, yellow and violet oxide fields, as well as the manganese and jasper beds, extend throughout this whole area.

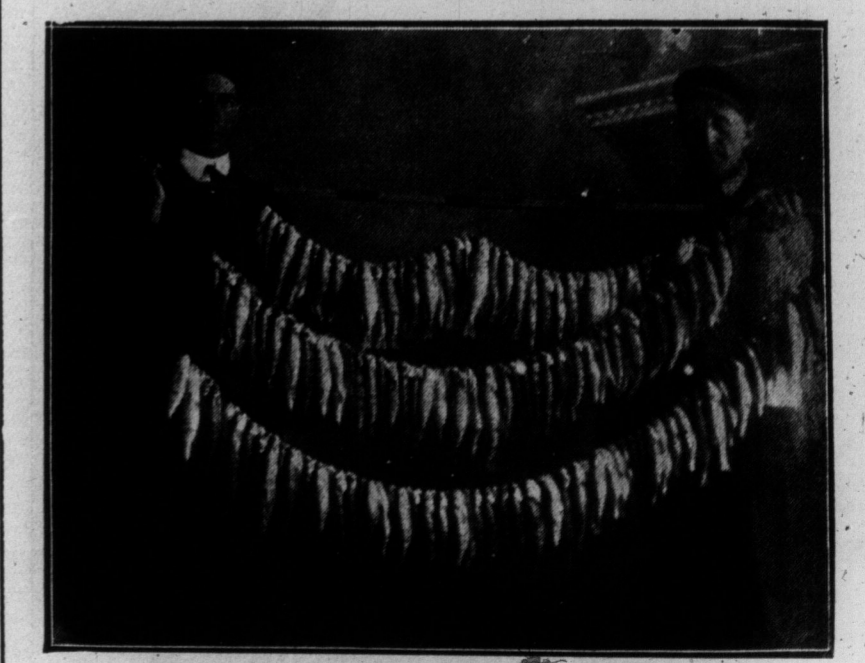
Aerial Transportation in Africa.

From The Scientific American. It is said that the French colonial army intends to establish aerial transportation across the desert of Sahara to link the French North African possessions with those of the Congo. One critic remarks that in alighting sand is likely to work itself into the motor and that unless the aeroplane flies at a height of over 1000 feet sand storms may play havoc with the machinery. The French are likewise considering carrying mail by aeroplane in Madagascar between Antananarivo, Amboitra, and Fianarantsoa. The distance each way is 250 miles and it takes a week to deliver the mail at Fianarantsoa.

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