

## MAID OF HONOR

There is scarcely a gentleman in England who does not covet the position of maid of honor to Queen Alexandra. It is the post that requires unusual abilities and aristocratic birth. Although a maid of honor must be in constant attendance on the Queen, there are four of them and the duties are so divided as not to be arduous.

A maid of honor's day commences immediately after the Queen has breakfasted. Though her majesty's private secretary will see to the bulk of the correspondence, the morning post has brought, there will still remain many letters of a more or less confidential and private nature, which the Queen will answer personally, through one of her ladies-in-waiting. That alone, requires a maid of honor to be an accomplished linguist, for almost daily Queen Alexandra receives communications from her numerous relatives in different parts of Europe.

Immediately this is over, and the weather fine, the Queen, who spends a good deal of her time in the open air, especially when staying at Sandringham and Windsor, will order her carriage for a night drive. A maid of honor always accompanies her majesty; while on these rare occasions when the Queen goes out on horseback one of her ladies, similarly mounted, rides with her.

To the management of horses will be added the care of the stock and the poor. For it is on such occasions that the Queen pulls up before some of the cottages of her villagers and sends her maid of honor to inquire as to the health and prosperity of the inmates.

Back to luncheon, there is usually some function at which the Queen, and of course one or more of her maids of honor must attend. If a king or queen or any one of princely rank, is visiting King Edward the maids of honor must be in attendance upon the throne room and are in attendance upon her majesty throughout the ceremony. At the state concerts they sit immediately behind the Queen and her daughters. At state balls they are always close to the Queen, and the Queen's cloak or wrap or to take her fan or flowers from her.

There is no ceremony, indeed, not even of a semi-official nature, such for instance, as the presentation of medals by the King to soldiers returning from service abroad, or the distribution of badges to hospital nurses, at which the Queen is present without her maids of honor. In the royal household, moreover, these ladies occupy the carriage immediately preceding that in which the Queen herself is seated.

Unless requested to join the royal family at luncheon or dinner, maids of honor, after having placed a special bouquet upon the dining table at the Queen's right hand, retire to the dining room kept specially for the ladies of honor. Here, in the house, they are again in attendance upon her majesty. Immediately she enters the drawing room to play the piano, or to sing, to read, to play bridge, to do needlework, painting or any amusement or occupation which Queen Alexandra may decide upon.

Being a renowned musician herself, the Queen spends a good deal of her time at the piano and the maids are usually chosen because of their accomplishments in this direction. All are excellent pianists and singers. They must needs be so, else they would not be able to take part in the duets which her majesty plays and sings to her personally, with the brilliancy of style and absolute accuracy of detail that would astonish many a first-rate professional performer.

While Queen Alexandra is engaged in her work, art needlework, or carving, in all of which she is particularly proficient, she often desires one of her maids to read to her. Here, again, proficiency in foreign tongues is essential, for the Queen may require the book to be translated into English or to be read in the language in which it has been printed. At any rate, the elocution must be of the best order.

Until the Queen retires for the night the maids are not free from their responsibilities. Although very comprehensive are the duties of a maid of honor are not arduous, the Queen being a most considerate and kindly mistress. And, of course, should one of the maids marry during her term of office, Queen Alexandra, as has been the custom for centuries, presents her with £1,000 as a dowry. Her majesty's consent, however, must be obtained for the match. Most of the maids marry exceedingly well, their position in the court naturally bringing them in contact with highly-eligible suitors.

## Liked the Pipes.

A Scottish piper was passing through a deep forest. In the evening he sat down to take his supper. He had hardly begun when a number of hungry wolves, prowling about for food, collected round him. In self-defence the poor man began to throw pieces of his victuals to them, which they greedily devoured. When he had disposed of all in a fit of despair he took his pipes and began to play. The unusual sound terrified the wolves, which one by one turned to their heels and scampered off in every direction, on observing which Sandy quietly remarked, "Oh, an' I'd kenned ye liked the pipes see weel I'd a gie'n ye a spring afore supper."

## Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Not a Horseless Age.

It seems clear from statistics presented in Congress at last session, while the agricultural bill was under discussion, that notwithstanding the increasing use of automobiles and the substitution of electricity for horse-power in street cars and elsewhere, we are still a long way from the "horseless age." In fact, it appears that the horse trade is increasing rather than otherwise. The aggregate of horses in the United States on January 1st, 1906, stood at 18,718,573, against 14,364,667 at the corresponding date of 1897. Their total value increased from \$452,649,396 in 1897 to \$1,510,889,906. This startling rate of increase in value is no more marked than that of mules, according to the same government authorities. There were 2,215,654 mules in 1897 and 3,404,661 in 1906, and the values were respectively \$92,302,090 and \$314,080,520.—Leslie's Weekly.

## The First Bathing Machine.

There does not seem to be much doubt that the first bathing machine was seen at Margate, England, and that it was the invention of a worthy Quaker named Beale, who placed his hopeful invention on the Margate Beach in 1750. But that the old story, the public became grateful after the inventor had been ruined by his enterprise. His successors have reaped the harvest. Old Benjamin Beale's widow could remember in her last days the first family that resorted to Margate for the purpose of bathing being carried into the sea in a covered cart. In 1803 Beale's machines were one of the institutions of Margate. It was alarmingly claimed for them that "they may be driven to any depth into the sea by careful guides."

## The Editor's Lament.

(Clinton, N. C., Democrat.)

When we see so many young men with their hair parted in the middle and hanging down over their foreheads so as to obscure every trace of intellect, and so many young men with their hair all frizzly-frowsy and flopping around over their faces in fifty different directions, we just want to have a say.



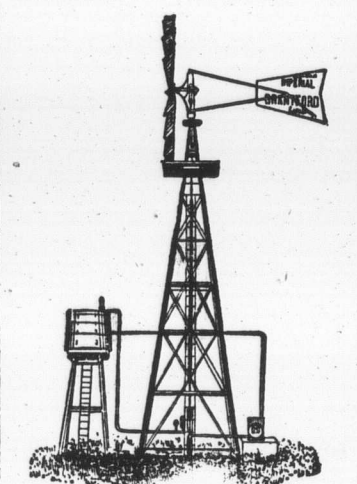
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Pack the washed cucumbers in a stone crock, alternating each layer with a thick one of salt. Pour in enough cold water to cover the contents, then lay a heavy plate on top of the pickles, to keep them from floating. Leave in this brine for a fortnight, stirring up the cucumbers from the bottom every day or two. At the end of a fortnight go carefully through the cucumbers, and throw out all that are soft. Lay the firm ones in a kettle, lined with grape leaves, and sprinkle a little alum over each layer of pickles. Cover with water, and put several thick slices of grape leaves over the top of the cucumbers. Put the top on the kettle, and steam gently for six or eight hours. Drain, and throw the cucumbers into cold water. When cold, pack in jars. Have ready a gallon of vinegar, which has boiled for five minutes with a dozen blades of mace, three dozen black peppercorns, three dozen cloves, 18 allspice, and a cup of sugar. Pour this scalded liquid into the jars, and seal.



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2. Short intervals during the day of fresh air, brisk walking, deep breathing. This can all be secured in the regular order of the day's business. A man can easily spend as much as half an hour walking out of doors every day. This is for heart, lungs and digestion.
3. The rest of the day, at least, one day a week for rest and recreation, for being out of doors, for playing games, etc. This is an essential. This is for both body and mind. A man who thinks he can get along without at least one vacation time a week simply proves his ignorance.

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During a severe storm in Washington, D. C., this summer it is stated that probably a thousand trees were badly injured.

The soft or silver maple, says Arboriculture, suffered by far the greatest loss, which the Carolina poplar, or cottonwood, was also badly broken.

Norway maple, sugar maple, all the oaks, Oriental plane, or European sycamore, honey locust, most of the coniferous trees and ginkgo, were among those which were able to withstand the beating and bending which the storm caused for an hour or two.

There are two trees, the silver maple and the cottonwood, which are more popular with the mass of tree-planters than all other shade trees of America. Both have one fatal qualification, that of rapid growth. Losing sight of permanency and many more excellent qualifications these two inferior trees are planted to the exclusion of all other trees.

Both these trees are short lived, very much diseased, attacked by innumerable insects, while both are seriously damaged by windstorms. Both require much water and send their roots into sewers, wells and cisterns, which they frequently destroy.

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## LARGEST OF CAMERAS.

Plate-Holder Must Be Handled by a Derrick.

The largest camera in the world, three times as large as its nearest competitor, is owned by Professor G. R. Lawrence, of Chicago. With it several noted pictures have been taken, including bird's-eye views of factories and towns. It is also used for enlarging other pictures.

The body of the camera is nine feet four inches wide, six feet high, and 20 feet long, when fully extended, and in its construction over 30 gallons of glass were used. The lens is 12 inches in diameter and cost \$1,500. All moving parts, including the curtain slide, run on roller bearings. The focusing is done by two panels of glass, which can be moved to all parts of the camera.

The plate holder weighs nearly 500 pounds, when loaded, and is put into the camera by means of a derrick. Great care is used in loading, as a broken plate would result in the loss of \$150. The plates are made of glass, 8 feet in length by 4 feet 8 inches in width, and weigh 200 pounds.

In order to dust the plates a man enters the camera through an opening in the front. A piece of ruby glass is then placed over the lens and the slide in the plate holder is withdrawn. After the plate has been dusted, the slide is replaced and the man steps out.

In making enlargements the focusing is done from the inside and the operation is similar to that of a camera during exposure. In this process the entire apparatus is supported by springs, which absorb any possible vibration.—Popular Mechanics.

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## How to Get Into U. S. Navy.

The new law opening to the sailors the avenues of promotion to the commissioned ranks will have a tendency to attract the better class of our youth who are ambitious and whose circumstances have barred them from opportunities for advancement in other directions. In 1901 Congress authorized the Secretary of the Navy to commission each year twelve sailors as warrant officers. To receive this promotion a sailor must be less than thirty years old, must have been in the service seven years, served one year as a first-class petty officer, and pass an examination upon the theoretical part of his calling. This latter requirement renders it necessary for him to devote his spare time to study. If he succeeds in this test he is given a tentative appointment as gunner, boatswain, carpenter, or warrant machinist, and this duty being satisfactorily performed for one year, he becomes a warrant officer at \$1,300 per year, with an increase of \$100 each year for three years. The fourth year his salary is \$1,800, and after twelve years' service reaches \$1,800. At sixty-two years of age he is retired on three-fourths pay for life.

Those whose ambition reaches beyond the warrant officer can have it satisfied through faithful and intelligent attention to duty, as after four years' service in that capacity the aspirant is eligible to a commission. If recommended by his commanding officer, and upon passing another examination. A bright and studious young man entering the navy as a sailor at seventeen may in twelve or fifteen years become a commissioned officer, and retire at sixty-two with the rank of captain.—Joseph Jenkins in Leslie's Weekly.

## A Few Quip Epitaphs.

Beneath this stone, a lump of clay Lies Uncle Peter Daniels, Who early in the month of May, Took off his winter flannels.

Here lies the body of Mary Ann Lowder, Who died while drinking a sedition powder: Called from the land to her future rest, She sought to have waited till it effervesced.

Willie Adam's gone from here, Willie's in a better sphere; Kindly pause and shed a tear, Sir or madam, All diseases, every ill, Came to trouble little Willie; All we could, we did—but still Willie Adam.

## Family Skeleton on View.

She (romantically)—The Robinsons have a skeleton in their family. He (absent-mindedly)—Yes, I know. I saw him bathing this morning.

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The English language was sitting in its corner of the ring, dazed but conscious. "I corner of the ring but conscious. But fools learn only by their own experience. See what he did to the Northern Pacific merger, the best trust, the coal combine, the Russo-Japanese war, the scrap in Central America, the folks without an Indian and the man who wouldn't eat with a negro. I might have known that he would get me and return me!"

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## DRIVES A MOOSE TEAM.

Minnesota Man Reared and Trained Antlered Animals.

Edward Crossman, of Ely, Minn., owns one of the oldest teams in America, says a St. Paul despatch to the Chicago Inland-Ocean. He has succeeded in the unusual task of breaking a pair of moose to drive in harness. In his sleigh Mr. Crossman spins about as rapidly behind these animals as if drawn by a prancing span of horses.

The moose were captured at Bear Island Lake, a few miles to the southwest of Ely, three years ago. The mother had been killed by an Indian, and a trapper in the neighborhood, hearing the dog barking furiously, hurried to the spot, where he found two moose calves. Mr. Crossman bought these calves from the trapper and secured a permit from the Governor to keep them in his possession.

At first the moose didn't relish being hiked up, but as they are young in years they became accustomed to it much sooner than had they been full grown. Their antlers are now growing, and by the time these animals are five years of age they will be of large size. At first the problem of feeding them was no small one. When running wild they live on pond lily roots, leaves of trees or tender shoots of willow.

At first Mr. Crossman fed them willow twigs and young birch. This became a difficult task, for they required about three wagonloads a week. To-day they eat hay, turnips and cabbage, and seem to enjoy the diet as much as the one to which they had before been accustomed. One of the moose will eat as much as two horses. They nibble at something most of the time except when lying down in the middle of the day. Each weighs about 700 pounds.

## The Nuisance of Noise.

(Washington Post.)

The British Government has decided to draft a bill to submit to the house of commons at its session this fall giving power to local authorities to deal with noise nuisances. The conference was attended by several medical men, who strongly urged the passage of legislation to protect the public health. The London Saturday Review says that "a strong public opinion is forming against these barbarisms, of useless, deafening, nerve-racking noises. The time is ripe in which society must take charge of the nuisance of noise and regulate it. The savage, unbridled excesses which are now tolerated much longer. The barbarian who unnecessarily awails the hideous discord to the mutilation of adjacent nerves will be jerked up and punished like any other brawling disturber of the peace."

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Before and After Marriage.

A town-bred board school girl told me she never intended to marry, and she based her resolve on the observation, "Before you marry, it's you shall 'ave this and you shall 'ave that, you shall go 'ere and you shall go there; but when once you are married, if you don't belong to 'im body and soul, why you gits it on the 'ead. My big sister's married, and I know."—The County Gentleman.

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## PICTURE POST CARDS

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## FALL EXCURSION TO NEW YORK.

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## The Rise in the River.

It is little short of astonishing to see how little water is required to float the Southern river steamboats, a boat loaded with perhaps a thousand barrels of cotton slipping along contentedly where a boy could wade across the stream.

Not long ago, however, the Chattahoochee got too low for even her light-draught commerce, and at Guntown Shoshals a steamer grounded. As the drinking water on board needed replenishing, a deckhand was sent ashore with a couple of water buckets.

Just at this moment a Northern traveler approached the captain of the boat, and asked him how long he thought they would have to stay there.

"Oh, only until that man gets back with a bucket of water to pour into the river," the captain replied. Presently the deckhand returned with a couple of buckets, and instantly the steamer floated overboard. Instantly to the amazement of the traveler, the boat began to move.

"Well, if that don't beat thunder!" he gasped.

The fact was that the boat, touching the bottom, had acted as a dam, and there was soon backed up behind her enough water to lift her over the shoal and send her down the stream.—Harper's Weekly.

## Troublesome Times to Come.

Prophet Edmund S. Stevens of Washington says he has discovered the secrets of the universe which has baffled scientific men for all time. He declares that when he said "I just have that's all." And what is worse, this prophet of evil declares more earthquakes are coming if you happen to live in 1908, when the final general shake-down occurs, you will witness all the titles of all the nations laid low on the junk heap. Finally, from 2033 to 2144 A.D. the earth is to be in perpetual confusion, but in the latter year it will right itself to its upright position and the new heaven and the new earth then begin. Really, it's worth waiting for.

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## Prices and Cheapness.

Fred Sterry of the Palm Beach Power Boat Association, was talking about the high prices that motor boats and automobiles bring. "For my part," he said, "I don't object to these prices. The workman is worthy of his hire. Fine things, rare things, would not be fine and rare if they were cheap. I think the laborer is worthy of his hire, and I decline to sympathize with a grocer's clerk whom I once knew in the west."

"This young man had a very business-like score for bargains and bargainers. One day a woman entered the grocery and said: 'What is the price of your cheapest butter?'"

"Eighteen cents a pound, ma'am, said the young man."

"Oh, that's certainly too dear," said the woman. "Haven't you something cheaper?" "Some soft soap at 6 cents a pound," said the young man.

"Well," said the young man, "we have Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc."

## The Cause of His Attention.

Ella—When I was at the seashore one man was very attentive.

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