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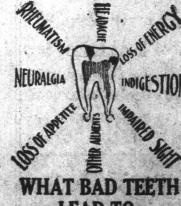
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And it seems that soon shall his cour-

needs; He must bind with his faith every wound that bleeds, And cling to his faith through sor-

If he cannot look through the gloom and see light of his faith still shining

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Inventions Suggested by Insects and Animals.

plane-making, which we learnt from the flight of birds, the latter are responsible for several other inventions which man has adopted to his own

weaver-bird of South Africa which builds a wonderful nest, gave us the idea of thatching. The woodpecker and the nuthatch are really living pickaxes. If you watch these birds, you will see that they cling to the tree-trunk with their claws and swing the body backwards and forwards in order to bring the beak down with greater force. This is just

Animals, and insects too, posses features upon which we have improved and adapted for ourselves. What is more thorough than the

way in which beavers build dams, so that their homes may not be overwhelmed by floods? The main principle is the same as that adopted by the engineers of all the most wonderful dams in the world.

Have you ever examined the claws

tures of the wings of the bee. You just passed, namely, £1,353,000. But may not know it, but bees have two Mr. Burton proposes economics and wings on each side of the body. When new taxation sufficient to bring the and become one.

and beetles. By means of its saw, of the revenue, and that the deficit the saw-fly cuts grooves in the back will in actual fact be far smaller of trees, to make hiding-places for still. It is to be hoped that the critits eggs. The principle of the circu- ics are right, for the Union of South . lar saw is employed by the sawyer- Africa seems of late years, like so beetle of South America. This in many other nations, to have acquired sect's jaws are curved and toothed, the habit of accumulating deficits. enabling it to sever branches with The real deficit in the past three ease by swinging itself round them, years in the Union's accounts has and cutting through the wood in a been over £41/2 millions. The railsimilar way to a circular saw.

tion for pincers.

possible imitation of the brush and these budget problems difficult. To comb you have in daily use.

To the sea we might naturally go Cape duties on patent medicines. In for a filter, and we find it in the addition, he courts obvious criticism throat of the whale, which lives on by introducing a series of increases what it strains from the water in import duties on goods ranging through its specially constructed from boots to plywood, and from

with a flexible metal pipe, and you tariff expedients is only £110,000. will see where the idea for the latter and one would have thought that the comes from. The pincers used by a goal of a budget balance might have shoemaker are made on the same been pursued more wisely and effectprinciple as the lobster's claws.

Heidelberg to Receive Help From Abroad.

HEIDELBERG-Faculty and students of Heidelberg University are rejoicing over the announcement that the institution will receive 50,000 English pounds from the estate of the late Dr. Mond, who founded one of the leading chemical houses in England and is the father of Sir Alfred Mond who was a member of the Lloyd George Cabinet, Dr. Mond was born in Germany, but became a British

Heidelberg is one of the most intertional of the German institutions of dents during the term which recently closed, about ten per cent. of whom

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The expression "a pig in a poke," originated in Northampton Market, when some wags put a cat in a bag or poke, and sold it as a pig to a countryman. When the buyer opened the bag, out jumped the cat. This also gave rise to the expression, "letting the cat out of the bag."

"Kicking the bucket" is a phrase that owes its conception to the days of the great gold rush to California and Australia in 1849-31. Many unfortunate seekers after gold, losing their all in an unavailing effort to find the precious "dust," committed suicide. The suicide tied a rope to a beam in his hut. Then, standing on an unturned bucket, he would adjust the other end of the rope round his neck. When all was ready he simply kicked the bucket from under his feet.

"Worth a Jew's eye" probably came from the fact that King John extorted large sums of money from Jews under threats of mutilation. All the teeth of one Jew in Bristol were extracted to satisfy the King's rapacity.

From a corruption of the Anglo-Saxon we get the phrase, "as mad as a hatter." It has nothing to do with a "hatter," really. The word "mad" in Anglo-Saxon meant furious, angry, or ven venomous, and "atter" meant an "adder or viper." Thus the whole expression really means "as venomous as an adder."

South African Budget.

(Empire Review.) In a recent number I examined

the expenditure estimates of the Union of South Africa for 1923-24, of a mole? Do so if you get the the total of which amounted to chance, and you will see that they are £281/2 millions in round figures. similar in shape to a miner's shovel. Allowing for a supplementary esti-And there is a good deal of resemb- mate of £90,000, Mr. Burton, the lance in the work which both have Finance Minister, faced a deficit of £896 000 This was less than the Hooks and eyes are one of the fea- deficit actually realised in the year in flight, these are hooked together estimated deficit down to £436,000 while some of his critics believe that Saws are possessed by both flies he has under-estimated the buoyancy ways have an accumulated deficit of The faws of the leaf-cutter bee £2,300,000, and the Provinces, folgave us the idea of scissors, while lowing the example of the Central from the earwig we got the sugges- Administration, also fail to balance their annual accounts. Large and Examine the feet of a spider under thinly populated territories and backmicroscope, and you will see a very ward industrial development make return to the Union estimates for Another comb will be found on the 1923-24, Mr. Burton proposes to raise bill of the toucan, that dandy amongst £130,000 by doubling the duty on watches and re-introducing the old confectionery to acetylene lamps. Compare the tail of the lobster The net revenue expected from these ively by concentration upon speeding up those economies through which, as he explains, Mr. Burton hopes to save £850,000 in the course of a few

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