

PERILOUS JOURNEY IN UNKNOWN LAND

Ice Found on Mountain Top Near Equator—Strange Dwarfs in High Altitude

After encountering great hardships, and losing three of their members, a British expedition led by Dr. A. F. R. Wollaston penetrated to the Great Snow Range of New Guinea for the first time, and made a successful ascent of Mount Carstenz, almost to the summit. A valuable collection of birds and plants was obtained. Although it was only sixty miles from the spot where the expedition landed to the highest point reached, almost incessant rain, swollen rivers, and the difficult country made the work so hard that to cover this apparently short distance occupied four and a half months. At the end of the expedition nearly came to grief through the capsizing of Dr. Wollaston's canoe. The explorer was rescued with difficulty, but lost diaries covering three months and a large quantity of kit. Three members of the expedition died. Dr. Wollaston left England determined to ascend Mount Carstenz, the highest peak of the Nassau Range in Dutch New Guinea. He was a member of an expedition which unsuccessfully tried to accomplish this feat three years previously.

After conferring with the Dutch authorities at Batavia the doctor went to Borneo, and spent eight weeks collecting Dyaks before returning to Batavia. Here he was joined by Mr. C. E. Kloss, curator of the Kuala Lumpur Museum, and the two, with five native collectors and seventy-four Dyaks, proceeded by boat to the south coast of Dutch New Guinea. They were escorted by forty Dutch soldiers and eighty convicts from Batavia under a Dutch officer.

The party disembarked at the mouth of the Utkwa River, which had been ascended by Dutch travellers two years previously, and appeared to be the best route into the unknown interior. From the deck of the ship could be seen the snow-capped peaks of the mighty Carstenz. A motor-boat, built in England, and all the stores and equipment were landed, and a base camp was made twenty miles up the river.

All this region was quite uninhabited, and the expedition had to carry every bit of its own food. Canoes were made by the Dyaks, and the river was ascended for two days beyond the base, but after that the expedition travelled by land. Depots were established three days' march apart, the first being three days' travel up the foot hills of the Snow Range. From the fourth depot the ascent was made to the snow line. Progress was very slow, the ridges being appallingly steep and the track rough. In the high mountains the sun was never visible except for an hour in the morning, and the travellers were always in the clouds.

At an altitude of about 5,000 feet, the expedition met some curious, but friendly folk, small of stature, but pigmies, who showed the travellers their track and helped them. The highest point, 15,000 feet, was reached after five days' march from the last base. The rain descended in a continuous torrent, and although Mount Carstenz is almost exactly on the equator the fog-laden air was freezing cold.

During the ascent a fine panorama was observed, but the mist again closed in, and when the party were within a very short distance of the top the steep ice and dense fog necessitated a retreat. Two attempts to reach the actual summit were made but eventually food gave out. It was as the last load was being taken to the base camp that the canoe containing Dr. Wollaston and six Dyaks struck a snag in the swirling torrent, and capsized. Dr. Wollaston was carried a long way down the stream, and was almost exhausted.

Postman Walked 138,700 Miles The oldest rural postman in the Newry district, Ireland, Owen McAteer, has retired after a service of over thirty-eight years, performed between Newry and Besbrook. As his official route averaged ten miles per day, he walked, he calculates, 138,700 miles during his career.

Earl Fined One Penny The Earl of Longford was, at Killiney, Ireland, fined one penny for having in his possession an unjust weight, the chairman remarking that there could be no suggestion of intended fraud.

Farmer's Drink of Milk A prominent West Country farmer who was present at the opening of a new co-operative milk depot at Bath declared that he had not drunk a glass of milk for twenty years before attending this gathering, when he had a drink, "for the novelty of the thing," and was delighted with the taste.

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ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST CULLED FROM ALL SOURCES

George Siddall, aged 14, died at Bedford, Me., recently, as a result of a dislocation of the neck, caused by diving in Saco River.

The highest and lowest points of land in the United States are both in California and less than 90 miles apart, the summit of Mount Whitney and a spot in Death Valley.

Following the finest day in two years the weather, in London, recently, was again brilliant, with sixteen hours of sunshine. In the shade the temperature was 81, and there were fifty cases of heat stroke.

Mrs. B. Wolfe, of Ferndale, Sullivan County, N. Y., tried to spank her young son recently, and in so doing upset an oil stove. In the fire that followed 12 business houses and three dwellings, including the Wolfe house, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

Nature's most deadly antipathy seems to have been overcome. A rat was killed in a produce company's plant in Missouri, and left four young rats, which the cat has undertaken to bring up, meantime not neglecting her duty of keeping the place clear of all adult rats that come in sight.

Diamonds of the weight of 28.25 tons, which would fill a space of 10 1/2 cubic yards and have a value of nearly \$1,000,000,000, uncut, have been taken from the earth from the earliest time to the present day, according to an estimate just made by de Launay, the French metallurgist.

Eight boys in a McLear County, Ill., school constructed a colored township map of the county in corn. The map shows the 30 townships and all the cities, villages and railroads on a scale of 3/4 inch to the mile. Nearly a half bushel of corn and 10 pounds of putty went into the making of the map.

The oldest citizen of Illinois, Dr. Jas. Lynn, of Oconee, entertained 108 guests in celebration of his 108th birthday anniversary. The birthday cake, the diameter of which was almost five feet and which bore 108 candles, was cut by the aged physician. It was in keeping with his wish that there were exactly 108 guests.

Letter boxes are used on suburban street cars in three American cities—Des Moines, Ia.; Burlington, Ia.; and Grand Rapids, Mich. This gives the suburban residents a chance to send mail to the post office every hour. If the car is signaled for the purpose of putting mail in the box, the driver is required to pay the conductor the minimum car fare.

Appraisal of the estate of John Jacob Astor, shows that the total value of assets was \$86,966,611, and the net assets \$85,311,228. The interest received by Vincent Astor, the son, was placed at \$28,984,598.80; that of Mrs. Madeline Forc Astor, the widow, \$7,678,896; that of Ava Elsie Muriel Astor, \$4,856,758; and that of John Jacob Astor 3rd, Mrs. Madeline Astor's son, \$2,922,672.

Mrs. Elizabeth Maughterman is dead at Bryon, Ohio, just 12 days after she celebrated her 108th birthday anniversary. She was born in Pennsylvania, June 1, 1805. Mrs. Maughterman was the mother of 17 children, four of whom are living, and her progeny extends to the fifth generation. Her father served in the war of 1812 and her husband in the Civil War. She was an inveterate smoker.

Nicotine from a discarded pipe which two-year old Harold Thornfield, of South Norwalk, Conn., used in playful imitation of his father smoking, recently, is believed to have caused his death. His mother had let him take the pipe without having any suspicion of danger. Ten minutes after the child had used it in puffing imaginary smoke, he toppled over in convulsions which shortly gave way to coma. Several physicians were summoned but they were unable to stay the poison and the baby died.

Five thousand men, directing the efforts of as many teams of horses, will build a road 263 miles long from Bay City, Mich., to Mackinac City, across the Mackinac Island, in one day. The construction of this highway, which it is proposed to open to automobile traffic by the middle of June, is made possible, with a cash outlay of not more than \$75, through one of the most remarkable exhibitions of public spirit on record. Residents of northeastern Michigan are to make laborers of themselves, en masse, on Bee day, which is the name they have given the day. They are to work with shovel, spade and drag for one day of twelve hours, and they are to do it without a cent of pay. Wealthy lumbermen are to work with their camp crews and mill forces, the services of many of which have been donated by the employers.

A man in custody at Wilesden, Eng., was found to have on him tattooed with the story of his courtships and the names of his loves, while the other arm contained a record of his family bereavements.

Instead of having the playground outside of the Wadsworth School in Los Angeles, it is a large court room formed by the four walls of the building, which is only one story high. Every room in the building receives direct light and air from two opposite sides.

For the first time in the history of the Newport Beach in Rhode Island two policewomen have been placed on duty there. For uniforms they wear blue blouses with brass buttons, blue skirts and sailor straw hats.

The Houston Post says women will wear the kind of clothes they wear so long as the newspapers and men talk about them, and the men and the newspapers will talk about the clothes so long as they are worn, so what's the use of repining?

Dictating extemporaneously at the rate of 211.59 words a minute for nine consecutive minutes, Judge Frank H. Rudkin, of Spokane, Wash., is credited by court reporters with a world record in delivering charges to a jury. For years he has been the dread of court reporters.

The merchants of Kansas City displeased over their freight rates charged by the railroads, have come to their own rescue by establishing a boat line to St. Louis. Boats have already been put on the line, and three barges of 500 tons capacity each are being constructed in Pittsburg.

On the menu card of a tea room in New York appears this notice: "The women employees of this shop receive a minimum wage of \$12 a week. Therefore please do not tip them." The proprietor says he attributes a small part of his flourishing business to the effect this notice has upon his patron.

The French aviator, Edmund Ferrouy, who holds the world's altitude record for an aeroplane, both for pilot and one passenger, recently broke the world's record at Vienna, carrying two passengers. He reached a height of 15,480 feet. The record with a passenger is 16,368 feet.

It appears that the daughter of the new Secretary of Commerce and Labor was her father's stenographer before he was called to his present high post, and she says that she wishes she were back in Indian polis, working at her typewriter, instead of trying to shine in Washington society, which she regards as a bore.

Morenci, Ariz., is said to be the only town in the United States without a street or a conveyance of any kind. Steep trails over the rocks and mountains take the place of roads, and these render the use of vehicles of any kind impossible. Ponies, mules and burros pack all the supplies, and funerals must be attended by train.

William Zimmerman, of Nyack, N. Y., passing a deep pond, heard cries for help. Investigating he discovered a youth struggling in the water. Removing his coat and hat as he ran down the bank, he dived into the pool and swam out to the drowning lad. It was his brother, Alfred, who had tumbled off a log he was floating upon. He could not swim, and had gone down twice before his elder brother, a powerful swimmer, seized him and towed him ashore. Alfred was unconscious, but John Doerzaph, a high school student who has learned lessons of first aid, resuscitated him.

The Calcutta Journal tells us of a peculiar way of "going into bankruptcy" which prevailed among the Marwaris in India until the methods of the white man began to be introduced. When a man could not pay his bills, he summoned his creditors, who were ushered into the room sacred to the bankrupt's household god, now thoughtfully veiled that he might not witness the bankruptcy proceedings. The bankrupt would present himself before his creditors, who, one after another, or all together, as they please, beat the poor debtor with a club, until their wrath was exhausted.

The death of Mary Baker Eddy does not appear to have checked the expansion of Christian Science. At the annual meeting of the "mother church" in Boston recently, it was announced that during the past year 102 new churches were organized, including five in England, and others in Germany, Switzerland, Australia, New Zealand and Porto Rico, besides many unorganized local gatherings of Christian Scientists. In the past year lectures delivered under the auspices of the central board had been attended by 850,000 persons, an increase of 100,000 over the previous year. In Sweden, it was reported, the church had obtained state recognition.

Chicago dressmakers offer a cure for the hobble skirt. The design sustains the idea of two hobble skirts.

The rudder of the Imperator, which weighs 90 tons, is so delicately adjusted that it may be controlled from the bridge by a single hand.

Mrs. Jane E. Gale, of Gullford, Vt., picked up from the road which passes her home the 45th hen from her flock which had been run over and killed by automobiles within a comparatively short time.

Of the 700 members of the San Francisco Dishwashers Union, 100 are college graduates. This is said to be a greater proportion of college men than can be found in any other labor organization in the country.

At Sherbrooke, Quebec, an infernal machine which she received in the mails instantly killed Mrs. J. Bilodeau wife of a wealthy contractor there, and severely injured her sister-in-law Miss Bilodeau, who was in the room with her when the explosion occurred.

At Trouville, France, recently, disobeying his governess, the little nephew of the Comte de Noilles entered a kennel containing twelve savage dogs which were being trained for police service. The animals sprang upon the boy and literally tore him to pieces.

The workmen who have been engaged in cleaning Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square, London (G. B.), have removed no less than 20 tons of accumulations from the platform and statue at the top of the column, which has not been cleared for the last 45 years. The dirt on Nelson's hat alone weighed half a ton.

Three men in the New Jersey penitentiary risked their lives last week by plunging into the six-mile current of the Hackensack River in a vain but heroic effort to rescue a fellow convict bent upon suicide. The three were hard characters. But they had courage and enough regard for a fellow human to risk themselves for his preservation. From which one gains once more the idea that there is some good everywhere if it only has a chance to come out.

A man of Shenandoah county, Virginia, purchased some merchandise at Broadway, Va., fifty-seven years ago. He failed to pay for it before he entered the army. He was severely wounded and has been a cripple since. Life with him has been a struggle, and it required strenuous efforts on his part to meet the expenses of his family. He, however, never forgot that he owed this debt. Having learned that one of the heirs of the man from whom he purchased the goods was living, he made his journey to Broadway, a distance of nearly forty miles, and discharged the debt.

Four vacancies in the House of Commons will require to be filled before the next session. Of the four seats, three are in Ontario and one in Quebec, and only two, Chateauguay and South Bruce, are real fighting ground. South Lanark is practically Conservative, the majority in 1911 being 1,167, while East Middlesex is almost as much so. The majority of the late Peter Elson at the general election was 661. South Bruce, vacant by the elevation of J. J. Donnelly, M. P., to the Senate gave a Conservative majority of 103, and Chateauguay, a Liberal majority of 40.

Double deck cars capable of seating 100 persons may be introduced on the lines of the Washington, D. C., Railway and Electric Company, if an experiment for which the officials of the company are now preparing proves successful. One car of the proposed design has been ordered and will be used in the experiment. If found successful others will be added. That the double deck car is the only solution of the traffic problem is the belief of many officials of the road. J. T. Moffett, superintendent of transportation, has explained that there is no room for the construction of more tracks along the streets over which the company operates, and on some of these tracks, he said, the company is now running as close a schedule as safety will permit. Small wheels, only 24 inches in diameter, are used in the new type of car, so as to reduce their height. Seats on the first floor will be transverse, while those on the second floor will be placed back to back longitudinally. The top floor of the car will be reached by stairway leading from the center of each end of the car. Both the upper and lower decks of the car will be sheathed in steel plate. Lattice steel columns framed into the sheathing of both decks will be used instead of the corner posts, as in many of the present cars. This will allow the entire sides to support the second deck. The new car will be 42 feet long and 8 1/2 feet wide. A clear standing height of 6 feet 1 inch will be allowed. The entire height of the car will be 15 feet 3 inches.

HOW TO WIN A HUSBAND

Dr. C. Franklin Leavitt of Chicago, has made public a lesson in winning a husband by suggestion.

"We must visualize our desires before we can expect to realize them," he said. "A girl should picture the sort of woman she wishes to become, and then impress this picture on her subconscious mind if it is ever with her."

"A woman may turn herself into a hag by depression thoughts. A wise woman creates within herself conditions which attract. The subconscious mind is under direct control of the conscious mind and can be impressed through repeated strong suggestions."

"When a girl is not attracting men comes to me I ask her to look herself over for her weaknesses. If her cheeks are hollow I insist on her exercising the muscles of her face."

"An eye exercise gives her control of the muscles of the eyes. Before the mirror she learns the expression most becoming to her eyes. The control of the muscles of this organ gives her assurance to look in the face. Instead of dropping the eyes she will express force and not weakness."

"The girl should give a handshake as if she had met a friend and not in limp fashion. Thus she will emanate suggestions of love and harmony and not of condemnation and apprehension."

"A woman has two weapons—thought and action. When she is possessed of a 'going mind' she is almost irresistible. A woman with power wins the heart she wants."

"The first lesson to all unattractive women should be to picture themselves in a receptive attitude toward men. From childhood they should be taught to meet the opposite sex without fear and bashfulness. Fear gives depression to the body and a woman depressed cannot be beautiful."

"Thoughts properly directed can change the physical being. From concentration on a subject fifteen minutes a day women have become beautiful. They should suggest to themselves at intervals that they are beautiful."

"Married women should take treatment to retain the affections of their husbands. Going back to the old days of honeymoon attraction she is able to keep her husband interested."

Travelling fifty miles an hour through a fog, an automobile driven by Reuben I. Budd, of Dover, N. J., left the narrow paved center of the macadam road between Dover and Rockaway recently and turned over three times. Budd is dead. A. J. Freeman, a traveling salesman of Paterson, is in hospital, with hardly a chance to recover, and William Grady of Dover, Miss Mary Henderson Bontont and Miss Idella Health of Dover, are at their homes suffering from serious fractures and lacerations.

Eight couples were married in the same church at Waterville, Me., by the same clergyman within six hours recently. The earliest took place at 4:30 o'clock.

A clergyman in Waterville, N. Y., offered to marry free of charge any couple who wished to get married Friday. He had done this in order to try to remove the superstition generally attached to Friday, the 13th.

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"Three weeks for chickens and four for ducks."

"The neighbor met her some time afterward, and, on being asked how the poultry farming was going on, she replied, with a lowering countenance:—

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