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Feared That Live Stock as Well-as stringe Human Beings Are Becoming Infected With New Disease.

COLUMBIA, S.C., Nov. 4 .- Not alone corn and the ordinary products of food made of that cerea! but the distilled spirits of the grain, corn 'lleker,' lays on important part in causing the dread disease pellagra, This declaration was made at the

ond day's session of the National aference on pellagra to-day by more

on Hamilton Carter, in McClure's-you happened to visit the state hospital for the insane at Columbia, South Carolina, you might have stood by while the nurse loosened the bandages from the hand of a young negress, and as the doctor said, "Now undo the her hand," you might have exclaimed with me, "One-hand is enogh, doctor!" A few moments later you might have found yourself at another bedside where a girl moaned all day long, and when the nurse unwrapped a foot and you sa wthe horror of it, and heard Show the other foot-this isn't the bad one," you might have put all your firmness, as I did, into the words, "Doctor, I don't want to see the other foot-I have seen enough-I have seen all I can-for just now.

committees to enquire into its causes—built special hospitals, pellagrosari, where no other disease is treated—established rural bakeries for the sale of wheat bread at cost, free diet kitchens, corn-drying plants in which the peasant may have all the corn for his family's use cured without charge, and agricultural experiment stations devotoning themselves to the corn question. To-day "Education" is the watchword of the Italian crusade—nothing else has been found effective in reaching the situation. Popular medical and agricultural pamphlets are distributed in great numbers; popular lectures on the are held everywhere; big wall charts,

The Italian peasants live principally upon polenta—a porridge or mush made of cornmeal—which they cook up in Still a and yet, pellagra to-day is as much time, and set away in a corner of the hut, exposed to dirt and flies. Long before the end is reached the polenta is spoiled and often decayed. Pellagra is terrible," they say, "but it is still more terrible to starve." Out of 3964, pellagris 1022 declared that they often at spoiled polenta; tast pellagris 1022 declared that they often at spoiled polenta; and are polled polenta; tast pellagra was due to lack time as mystery in its final causes as it was in 1844, when Ballardini reported to the certificate of merger are United States. Massachusetts and Arkansas naming their first known yielims in August. The most conservative estimate I have heard—Dr. Lavinder's—places the number of cases for the country at 5000; but there are physicians of high stand-times, and 1385 that they never did.

rural bakeries that they have increas- cure, is never relaxed.

here are now 22. It was at these that ventive measures were of any real

Its Growth in Centuries. pellagra broke out simultaneously in the districts of Milan, Brescia, Bergamo and Lodi. As early as 1776 the board of health of Venice passed laws, based on the view that the disease torbidding the sale of it in the markets, or its harvesting in lands that had been inundated—laws that seem to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in checking the progress of the disease. By 1839 Lombardy alone had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had little effect in the had been to have had been

And yet, the whole question was a and shambling in their motions, always puzzle of contradictions. In some re-gions the fall of pellagra ran closely to suicide. The taint is peculiarly

the finest minds in Italy, France, Spain, Austria and Roumania have given years to it; why taly has spent fortunes on its prevention and cure—passed laws—appointed government committees to enquire into its causes—built special hospitals, pellagrosari, built special hospitals, pellagrosari,

Still a Mystery. times, and 1385 that they never did.

But denials must be taken very humanly, for the admission is equivalent to the admission of utter destitution;

the modern zei-texic theory. This is the control of the modern zei-texic theory. This is the control of the modern zei-texic theory. This is the control of the modern zei-texic theory. This is the control of the modern zei-texic theory. with some peasants it would be a confession that they had stolen corn out of the landlord's field before it was ripe and hidden it where it was bound to spoil.

The diet kitchens—locande sanitarie—have been almost as much an advection

The diet kitchens—locande sanitarle—have been almost as much an education as a blessing. Curative diet, including medicines, is allowed for two periods of 40 days each year. Provisions are sometimes distributed direct to the homes of the patients; otherwise the patients go once or twice a day to the patients go once or twice a day to the Hished the fact that peliagra is primarlocande, where they are obliged to eat the food on the spot. Corn of every not of the skin or of the digestive tract, where they are obliged to eat the food on the spot. Corn of every not of the skin or of the digestive tract, which is the skin or of the digestive tract, and obvious kind is excluded from the diet, and soup, meat, vegetables, bread, wine, milk and cheese make up the fare. In 1907 Italy had 534 locande santarie in action, and the santaries and the santari tive operation; and so popular are the and unsuspected, whose grip, once se-

ed from 77 in 1904 to 591 in 1907. Recently, school lunches have been pro- what happens — that pellagra attacks vided for the children in pellagrous first the degenerates of a comcommunities, and are showing excellent munity. Marie says, "It is not The cases too acute for diet treatment tients," which explains the proverb are sent to the pellagrosari, of which in Venice that runs: Pellagra can give

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six ills; It drives one crazy. It draws one backward. It bends one over. It gives one the vertigo. It gives one the hunger. It occasions erythema.

Peculiarities and Sengations.

Even districts develop local peculari-ties. In Pavia, contractures and mutism are common; in Mantua, cranial anomalies and epileptic fits; Venetian pellagries complain of a salty taste in the mouth. In the district of Mugello the disease is slow and intermit-tent, while in Romagna and Tuscany it runs a violent course with severe, extensive erythema. Suicide is rare in Gascony, but at Cannes the case are numerous. In Triest there are very few insane; in Pavia, Cremona, and the hapelessness of all treatment, once in the disease was established, became evident and it was seen that only preas such--he calls it "salt rheum"

an accidental eruption."

One of the curious sensations that But the Italian situation was sufficiently grave to warrant the most stretched across their backs pulling first made it appearance in the forties of the Isth century, following the introduction of Indian corn, from Turkey, probably, as its colloquial name—grane turco—would seem to indicate. In 1750 pellagra broke out simultaneously in

Conference on pellagra to-day by more in an one of the distinguis of physicians in attendance. Among these professional men, who are bare investigating what in this counter is considered a "new" disease, there is a growing conviction, according to several of the speakers, that pellagra already is raveging horses, cows, hogs, etc. as well as human beings.

To-night a permanent organization cuttled the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Pellagra was perfected.

THE HISTORY AND HORRORS

OF PELLAGRA.

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Lombardy alone had twenty thousand the underly thousand the profession in the stemach; as one pellegrin said, "It seems to me I am filling a body already full—I am full to the neck." But others, deeply religions, have the hallucination of the sarched Host on the professions that seems to me I am filling a body already full—I am full to the neck." But others, deeply religions, have the hallucination of the sarched Host on the profession in the stemach. It is largely full the neck." But others fear of po

itself to the northern provinces exclusively. Then suddenly, in 1881, cases of it appeared about Rome—"sporadic," "imported," the doctors hopefully said. Five years later pellagra was endemic on the Campagna, and Sicily was falling into line. What is most striking is that the disease invaded southern Italy in 1908, cases having occurred in even unto the third and fourth general sixther the fascination of delight runs the fascination of terror, even in the same patients. The water seems to call them, to hold them in a spell. They cannot withdraw their gaze from it, but look into its depths till nausea and vertigo come on and they fall into it.

Nor is this all, for pellagra seems to pass on horrible hereditary taint, Italy in 1908, cases having occurred in even unto the fascination of delight runs the fascination of terror, even in the fascination of terror. is that the disease invaded southern pass on normble hereultary land, Italy in 1908, cases having occurred in the vicinity of Naples and in Calabria. The children of pellagrins are often born with asymmetrical heads, the upper portions of the Italian pentipula. The capacity of the pass of normble hereultary land, even unto the third and fourth generates are set on wrong and sticking out, harelips, and the appearance of idiocy.

parallel with the fall of the price of corn, in others it rose; in some pellagrous. Whole families have been seen gra fell as the harvets rose, in others where not a single member has escapand you will understand then why a man like Lombroso devoted his life to the study of pellagra; why some of the finest minds in Italy, France, Spain, Austria and Roumania, have of the corn have a description of commerce; here, a matter of the corn have a description.

are held everywhere; big wall charts, some provinces pellagra goes by popupituring a healthy laborer who eats lar names taken from the places of 18 years he had been worrying over ingood corn and a poor pellagrin who eats spoiled potenta, are hung up in public Sainte Rose, mai de Saint Amans. This last is communitient of sainte Rose, mai de Saint Amans. This last is communitient of sainte Rose, mai de Saint Amans. This halls and rural schools as a lesson and last is a corruption of saintes mains—
sacred hands—where the hands of a was under discussion, the words "pelcolossal crucifix were covered with lagrous insanity" occurred in a refersalve which the pilgrims took to rub ence. When the account of the disease had been read out, Dr. Babcock jumped with 7 dends.

Wife Asks Attorney-General for Protection-Decide To-day.

Mrs. "Bob" Cook, wife of the desperado who is running amuck in Orangeville, is agitated over the condition of her husband, and came to the city yesterday and stated to the attorneygeneral's department that her husband was insane, that this was the second occasion on which he had become violent, driven her from home and threatdamage to himself or others. on the scene before to-night.

Build Up Suburban Parishes. Church extension will be discussed et a meeting of the rural deanery of Toronto, called by Bishop Sweeny for this evening at St. Luke's schoolhouse Among the proposals to be discussed cial to be called the "lishop's mission-ary," to visit and build up suburban parishes and make recommendations regarding possible extensions.

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# H.S. PUPILS ON STRIKE

And Also Object to the High Prices of the Midday Lunches-Trouble May Spread.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 4.-The strike of the pupils of the West High School against forenoon and afternoon sessions and the high price of lunches continues to-day. When school convened there were not more than 100 scholars in the held a meeting in a vacant lot near the school and adopted resolutions to

the school and adopted resolutions to prolong the fight.

During the meeting the pupils decided to invite the pupils of other high schools to join in the strike.

During the last ten years only forenoon sessions were held in the high schools. At the beginning of the present school year the double sessions were revived and the school board is in favor of that plan at present.

COTTON MANUFACTURERS MEET

Consider Higher Prices for Cotton Yarns.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 4.-A conference between a committee representing the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' As-North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' Association and cotton yarn commission men of this city, New York, Boston and Providence, was held here to-day for the purpose of considering higher prices for cotton yards, because of the advance in the raw material.

The conference is secret. While no higher price is likely to be agreed upon to-day, according to some of those in attendance the meeting may have the effect of establishing a higher quotation for

Realizing in Cotton.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Persistent rumors that the bull leaders were gradually selling out their cotton, accompanied by further heavy realizing sales, resulted in a severe break in the cotton market today. Wakness in Europe caused a lower opening and the market became very exciting, owing to the absence of any support from the bull leaders. Selling became general, stop orders were uncovered.

Price of Oil.
PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 4-Oil closed at

Huge Rubber Merger.
TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 4.—Papers were filed with the secretary of state to-day merging the Inter-continental Rubber Company, and the Continen-tal Rubber Co. of America. The merged company is to be known as the Inter-Continental Rubber Company. It has an authorized capital of \$40,000,000, of which \$10,000,000 is preferred stock with 7 per cent, accumulative divi-

At Harrisburg, Pa., yesterday, the Bethlehem Steel Company filed at the state department notice of increase of bonded debt from \$22,000,000 to \$29,500. 060. The increased issue is to be used for improvements.

SHOT BY HIS WIFE

Brother of Col. Talbot, M.P., Is Dangerously Wounded.

QUEBEC, Nov. 4.-Colonel Talbot, M. has received news which shows that Alfred E. Talbot, dangerously wounded by his wife in Reno, Nevada, is his brother.
Alfred Talbot is a miner and book-

maker, a well-known sporting man, ened her with bodily injury. She asks trouble with his wife, who sued him for that he be placed where he can do no divorce. The two were in a lawyer's After hearing Mrs. Cook's story Mr. Cartwright promised to lay the matter occurred over the financial arrange-Cartwright promised to lay the matter before Hon. J. J. Foy this morning. Hon. Mr. Foy left the office just before Mrs. Cook arrived, and under the circumstances none of the recognized provincial police will be able to arrive die.

Mrs. Talbot is an actress and a very beautiful woman, and sang in Ottawa once last winter.

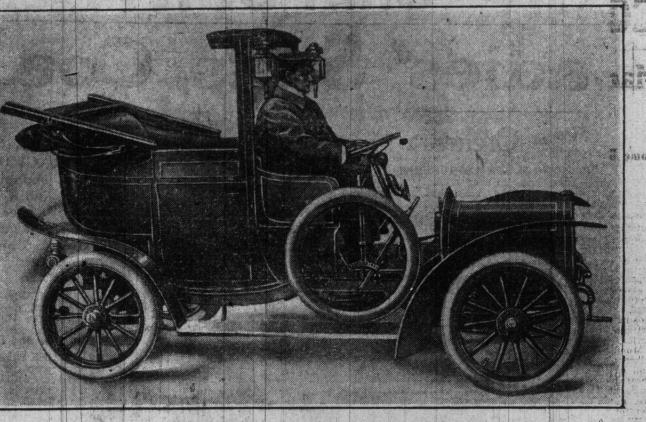
GUNNERY AS A SCIENCE Artillery Instruction on Modern Lines at Quebec.

QUEBEC, Nov. 4.-The inauguration of modern science in artillery warfare will shortly be organized at the Quebec Col. English, assisted by Captain Mills GUTHRIE, Okla., Nov. 4.—Judge Cot- of the imperial army, who will shortly erall in the United States District enter upon their duties. In the mean-Court here to-day reaffirmed his deci-ltime a large fine building is in course sion that state officials cannot inter- of erection in the citadel, which is infere with the interstate commerce shipments, thus restraining the state enhall will be fitted with miniature forts forcement officers from seizing shipments of liquor before they have been delivered to the consignees.

and cannonery, and will in itself be a regular military museum. Lectures will be delivered on the science of artillery and defence of forts in case of war.

ter University, has been stricken with tuberculosis and obliged to refire from active work.

National hospital. Among the distinguished company by the King was Lord and Madame M. Rondin. Before each all the members of the other organizations in good standing to be accepted at the control of the other organizations. Strathcona.



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Conservative Shuffle In Ward Six. Conservative Association

luncheon held at the Chateau Fronte- into the larger association. It is posed that the ward be divided into groups of subdivisions and each sec tion will be under a chairman and At the executive meeting of Ward 6 secretary, who would be members of conservative Association Wednesday the ward executive.

King Opens Jubilee Hospital.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The King opened the jubilee extension buildings of the jubilee extension bu