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### HOW SOME PEOPLE CAN BE FOOLED.

"Do you know there are some people in this world who believe all they are told," said a King street merchant this morning "All you have to do is to let them put two and two together and they will jump at conclusions. Let me instance. Some years ago when I was clerking a fellow clerk of mine fell in love with a girl. This he had a perfect right to do as the girl is his wife now. One night he went into a jewelry store in the city and was looking at ladies watches. I happened to be passing on the street and saw him. Next morning going up to the watch buyer I said, "Say, Ed., were you buying anything at Mr. So-and-So's jewelry store?"

"Why?" said he.
""Oh, nothing," said I. "Only the proprietor of the gold watch business

proprietor of the gold watch business was down enquiring how much your

"Nothing more was said about it, but at noon Mr. Clerk went down and but at noon Mr. Clerk went down and raked that jeweller up the back and down the fare and called him everything he knew, and lot of things he didn't know, but had only heard of. In the afternoon he came back, still slightly ruffled. I enquired the trouble, and he up and, told me everything. How he had bought a watch and paid \$5 down on it, and repeated what he \$5 down on it, and repeated what he had said to the jeweller. Then I owned up and told him that the lowner of the trinket shop had not been down at all but I had seen him through the window, looking at watches. The store got too warm about this time, so I went out where the mercury stood nearer very see as to recover my nearer zero so as to recover my breath. When the other fellow went to apologize to the jeweller, I came in again. Since then I never believe anything I'm told, until it's confirm-

Are the Belgian Methods of Getting Rubber in the Congo.

atives Mullated Who Fall to Col lect the Material Fast Enough to Suit Their Masters.

Brussels, April 27.-In the chamerb of deputies yesterday the debate on the massacres in the Congo Free State, arising out of the exploitation of the India rubber industry, was con-cluded. The socialists again asserted that the agents of the Belgian companies, in order to obtain premiums which are given in proportion to the quantity of rubber secured have been guilty of frightful brutality upon the natives, thousands of the large had had had their han at off because of their failure to procure the amount demanded of them.

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The socialist feader, M. Vandervelde, violently attacked the present regime, and repeated his assertion that the king of the Belgians was himself the chief trafficker in rubber and ivory. The minister of foreign affairs, M. De Favereau, replying, denied that the state had anything to do with the appointment of the agents of the Belgian company and he categorically affirmed that King Leopold possessed no firmed that King Leopold possessed no shares in the rubber company in the Congo Free State, adding that the gov-ernment was determined to repress any excesses in its territory.

HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

Making Them Is a Very Dangerous Trade That Beset the Manufacture of Nitroglycerine.

Nitroglycerin and its peculiarities are little known, even in localities where it is made. People generally give it a wide berth, and even a less number know how it is manufactured. Probably in no place in the United States is there such a great amount of the explosive used as in the Indiana; oilfields, says The Phila-delphia Press. Indiana has four ni-troglycerin factories, and they are sel-dom visited by curious people.

The explosive is made from a con

position of acids and glycerin. It is

generally pale yellow in color, and quite colorless when pure. It is odor-less, and has a sweet, pungent, aromatic flavor. If touched by one's tongue, or even brought into contact with the skin, it will produce a severe headache. A large tank, called an agitator, is where the fluid is mixed, and the mixture is compo of equal parts of nitric and sulphuric acids. Inside the tank are several raddles, like those of a churn, and it is here that the real danger exists. The paddles are put in operation and a steady stream of sweet glycerin is Rags, Rubber, Iron

a steady stream of sweet glycerin is turned into a vat artil 250 pounds are thoroughly mixed with the 1,500 pounds of acid. The chemicals coming in contact, produce an intense heat, and in order to obviate the pipes encircling and running through the vat. At 85 degrees F. a red va-

por, almost like fire, arises. If cutting off the supply of glycerin in the agitator does not lower the temperature, it is time to say farewell. fore 90 degrees are reached nothing but atoms of the structure and its contents are left. Colonel William A. Meyers, of Boli-

var, N.Y., was the man who made and exploded the first round of nitroand exploded the first round of filtro-glycerin in an oil well. He built the first factory in the finited States, near Titusville, Pa., in 1868. Up to that time powder had been used to torpedo oil wells. It was then that an explosive that could be discharged under water was found in nitrogly-cerin. Colonel Myers' father was a Philadelphia chemist and taught his

son how to make it. The first well torpedoed was on Colonel Mills' lease, near Titusville, and the dharge consisted of on,y two and the charge consisted of only two ounds. Oil was worth \$9 a barrel hen, and a torpedo that would double the production of a well was worth almost what the maker chose to ask for it. Colonel Myers built 12 different factories in different parts of the oil regions from 1868 to 1885, when he retired from the business. Only one of the original fac-tories stands intact to-day. Myers made several fortunes and spent his money like a prince, but, fortunately for him, he still has a snug sum laid

## EIGTTY PER CENT.

Over Righty Per Cent. of Disease is Caused in the Beginning by Disordered Kidne's Bec use They Pail to Filter the Blood.

Kidney trouble often makes one feel as though they had heart trouble on account of the quick or unsteady heart beats caused by the heart overworking to pump thick kidney poisoned blood through the veins. Rheumatic pains, sleeplessness and nerves upset generally have unhealthy kidneys back of them, which father a hundred symptoms nearly all attended with Backache, sometimes not an ache, but more of a soreness or uncomfortable feeling. When it leaves, other symptoms disappear with it. This is the secret of Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablet success. Citizens of every city, every Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablet success. Citizens of every city, every town contribute evidence of their worth. You need not go a hundred miles away for proof. Right here in Chatham, F. Allen, corner Head and Van Allen Avenue, says:

"For years my back and kidneys bothered me and nothing that I could get seemed to give me anything more

bothered me and nothing that I could get seemed to give me anything more than temporary relief. I was told of Dr. Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets and got a bottle at A. I. McCall & Co.'s Drug Store, and I am most happy to say that they gave me the relief I had so long looked for. I used only about 1-2 the bottle and was in comfort, and since that time I have only about 1-2 the bottle and was in comfort, and since that time I have had no trouble whatever. This in the face of so much trouble is remarkable and stamps the Tablets as the right thing in the right place. I gave them to a friend of mine with equally good results. As far as I am concerned I am very glad to recommend them, as I consider my kidneys sound again."

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To prove the wonderful mefits of loctor Pitcher's Backache Kidney Doctor Pitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets, acrangements have been made whereby every reader of The Chatham Planet can obtain a sample package absolutely free by addressing The Pitcher Tablet Co., 48 Adelaide St. east, Toronto, and enclosing two cent stamp of postage. Kindly mention the Chatham Planet when sending address. dress.

Why is it that the woman who can only afford one new gown a season generally selects one of such nue or fabric that she becomes identified with

The healthy old man wears his gray hairs, like a silver cre. What if he be threeseore and ten if there is still fire in his eye, firmness in his step, command in his voice and wisdom in his counsel? He commands love and reverence. Yet how few wear the in his counsel. He was the and reverence. Yet how few wear the mantle of age with dignity. Dim eyed, querulous of speech, halting in step, childish in mind, they "lag superfluous on the stage," dragging out the fag end of life in a simple existence. The secret of a healthy old age is a healthy middle age. The man who takes care of his stomach, who keeps his body properly nourished, will find that the body does not fail him in old age. The great value of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, lies in the preservation of the working power of the stomach and other origans of digestion and nutrition. From this cengestion and nutrition. From this centre is distributed the nourishment of the whole body, the salt for the blood, the lime for the bones, phosphates for the brain and nerves. A sound sto-A mat who keeps his stomach sound by the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" will wear the crown of gray hairs as befits a morarch, with dignity and ease.

No man is so absolutely disagreeable as the one whose manner is either ov-erly gushing or absolutely boorish.

All who see Mr. C. F. Collier, of Cherckee, Ia., as he is now, cheerful, erect, vigorous, without an ache, could hardly believe he is the same man who a short time ago, had to sit in a chair, propped up by cushions, suffering intensely from an aching back, in agony if he tried to stoop—all caused by chronic kidney trouble, that no medicine helped till he used Electric Bitters and was wholly cured by three bottles. Positively cures Backache, Nervousness, Loss of Appetite, all Kidney troubles. Only 50c. at A. I. McCall & Co.'s, Druggists. He is a Wonder.

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When the upper lid covers half or more of the pupil, the indication is cool deliberation. Dresser covers showing polka-dots scattered over a white ground, are the

### THE CROCODILE.

thpick, His Tears and His Way

To say that the crocidile has seen his best days is but feebly to express the rapidity with which he is lapsing into the class of extinct animals. As a feature of modern Egypt he is perhaps rather a curiosity than a plague; and the traveler has to get far beyond the regions of the Delta before he can begin to hope for the chance of being introduced to one. Crocodile stories are no longer told; in fact, it is safer to trust to the sea serpent. Nothing can make the crocodile attractive, and even the man with the camera is shy of treating him as a subject—whether for personal or artistic reasons is not quite clear. Possibly, the crocodile quite clear. Possibly, the crocodile resents being focussed as Le formerly shrank from confrontation with a mir ror-an ordeal which often led to his dying of chagrin, as supposed, at the sight of his own likeness. Moreover, the experienced photographer is wise in "taking no risks," remembering that the crocodile's tears are only a natural solvent which the saurian applies to the tougher form of animal food.

And this is where the legend of the teatherist properly comes in Herodots.

toothpick properly comes in. Herodot-us noticed the fact. He discovered that the crocodile made friends with a particular bird, which he allowed to enter his mouth in order, as the writer supposed, to rid the reptile of the leeches which infested his jaws. Pliny says nothing of these pests, but consid ers the complaisance of the crocodile to be due to the satisfaction he felt in having his teeth picked by the bird: "He taketh so great delight in this her scraping and scouring of his teeth and jaws." Both authors speak of the bird as a wren; later naturalists de-scribed it as a being as large as a thrush, while it has been reserved for the present generation of travellers to identify this useful friend of the cro-codile as the spur-winged plover. Of the fact of the alliance there is not the least doubt. The operation has been frequently witnessed by numerous independent observers, one of the latest of whom considers that the bird does actually perform the functions of a toothpick, "a process which the crocodile enjoys." With such corroboration the narration of Herodotus, subject to qualification, as it must be is at least to be taken seriously, and no longer regarded as the visionary idea

of a mere fabulist. In the Egyptian bieroglyphics the crocodile is represented by a single wavy line, so perfectly suggestive of the contour of the animal that it is quite impossible to escape from its meaning. It might stand as an excellent contempory illustration of the text of Herodotus, neither author nor artist overstepping the modesty of nature. This was reserved for later times, in which arose so many of the myths and extravagances which we are ready to impute to the lack of practi-cal knowledge by the classic writers. When Fuller lucubrated so learnedly

of the erocodile he doubtless feit that he was correcting the erroneous idea of an earlier period, and the following example of his erudition may serve to show how he set about the task: "The soverign power of saffron is plainly proved by the antipathy of the crocodile thereto, for the croccdile's tears are never true, save when he is forced where saffion groweth; whence ho hath the name of saffron-fearer, knowing himself to be all poison and it all antidote." As to legend of the crocodile's tears, it can only be regarded as a myth grafted upon some served habits. Probably because they could offer less re sistance to his attacks women and children were especially liable to them, the office of the former as water carriers bringing them often to the Nile and the children naturally finding a playground on its shores.

Herodotus gives an amusing account of the manner in which the Egyptian Figthers of the angle used to fish for erecodile, from which it would seem that they had taken a leaf out of the reptile's own book of strategy. They baited the hook with a large piece of hog's flesh, with which they made a real angler's "cast" into the middle of the river. And they employed a very special and alluring form of ground bait, consisting of a vigorous young porker, whom they anchored, Irish fashion, on the bank, and incited by divers irritating arts into energetic squealing. Entranced with the melod-lous sound, the crocodile was drawn in the direction from which it came, and being unable to get at the pig put up with the baited hook instead

Oldost Letter Carrier.

The oldest letter carrier in the United States is Charles A. Tyler, who is attached to branch station P of the New York post office. Mr. Tyler is seventy-five years of age and has been in the postal service in New York since 1845. Since 1880 he has carried the mail from station P to Governor's island. Twice a day he makes the trip delivering the mail on the island and collecting it from the drop boxes at the same time. Mr. Tyler is hale and hearty and does not miss a day from his duties.

"I was a boy of fourteen years when "I was a boy of fourteen years when I first began to deliver mail," he says. "The post office was then located in the old rotunda in City Hall park, at the corner of Center street. My father was a clerk in the office at the time. There were but twenty-three carriers then. Each of them was allowed to have an assistant, but these helpers were not permitted to enter the post office, and were required to give a pledge that they would perform their duty faithfully and promptly, meet the carriers at stated places and receive the mail for delivery each day. I was first employed as one of the assistants during the administration of President Polk, and continued until 1848. Then the California gold fever infected the employes, and I took the opportunity to obtain a clerkship, and served until

"At the time of the draft riots I shouldered a mucket of aid in the defense of the post office against the mob. Seven incendiary fires started by the mob could be seen at one time from the roof of the post office building. Two of our number were killed and two wounded. Pistoi balls, stones and missiles of every description flew past our heads. I escaped with only a slight wound in the wrist."

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Ardenlike Story of Howard Saville of Massachusetts.

Little Rock, Ark., April 28.-Howrd A. Saville, who disappeared from Gloucester, Mass., 16 years ago and for whom a fortune of \$20,000 waits in Massachusetts, has been located near here, After Saville's departure from Flourcester, his wife collected his life insurance and remarried, He also took another wife. Commenting on his strange story, he said. "I left Gloucester 16 years ago and went to Cheimant, where a savere operation Cincinnati, where a severe operation was performed on me for cancer. I then went to Arkansas. For 11 years then went to Arkansas. For Ark. I was postmuster of Simpson, Ark. I suppose the operation started the report that I was dead. As to my first wife's affairs I am wholly ignorant, as I cut loose entirely when I left Massachusetts, and have never had any communication with her since. I did not even know that she was still alive. I am going back there."

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