HAS MYSTIFIED MEN OF SCIENCE

Inanimate Objects Obey a Hungarian's Commands.

Tables, Chairs, Sticks, Paper and Cther Articles Move Through the Air at His Will.

Europe is greatly mystified at preser supernatural powers of a Hungarian professor named Szenitzi Baslovnaya, who is nothing short of a marvelously incomprehensible human phe-

This unfathomable professor is possessed of wonderful magnetism, according to those who have witnessed his exhibitions, and in his presence in- same dark color, which he placed upon animate bodies become imbued with movement by an inexplicable secret power. By a smple motion of the hand upward and slanting movement of the he holds such things as canes, umbrellas and sheets of cardboard suspended in midair, and makes tables like a rocking horse; then it rocked and chairs follow him around the room and dance at his bidding.

So much interest has attached to Prof. Baslovnaya that he was recentwriter, who not only succeeded in bethe professor in the following way: Prof. Szenitzi Baslovnaya wrinkled of thin, coarse cardboard. his parchment forehead in an ominous

as a proof of his remarkably developed power of magnetic attraction. STRANGE MAN SUSPICIOUS OF STRANGERS.

"The introduction-which took place some two years ago-came, quite accidentally through mine host, to whom I had found opportunity to casually remark that I was in search of phenomena. 'You see yon bourgeois,' said ne, indicating a slim, weather-beaten looking gentleman who was seated the box, which he closed. Then he liftneither German nor Hungarian.'

"Her Prof. Baslovnaya was indeed stationary in the air. a strange man. He rarely spoke, and question about myself.

his unnatural skill and excitable man- most interviewed man of his day." ner that I was ultimately gla! to es-

Prof. Baslovnaya is writing a book. When he considers his studies and experiments completed, and he is able to confidently lay his new magnetic con-clusions before the world, he will become, possibly, the most talked of man of the twentieth century.

SPIRITUALISM ELEMENTARY

WITH HIM. "Already has he brought tablespiritualism, and sometimes magnetism | tites. over inanimate objects, to an elementary science on a working basis.

The most striking characteristic about Prof. Baslovnaya is his intensity that call for too great an expendiof gaze; he gives you an uncomfortable feeling that he can see the chair back behind you through your body. He is of about the average height; his hair is thin, and his lips, which are slightly parted, blue. His face is wrinkled, and marred here and there with patch of blue like a penny mask.

'You shall photograph and write of me.' he said, intently regarding the roof of the garrison hospital, 'if-if you promise not to disclose your informa-tion for nine months, which will give me time to advance in my treatise. While it shall attract attention, I will obliterate myself from the public eye, I should wish my name to be known as the discoverer, but I cannot face the English and Germans before I am absolutely certain of my deductions.'

"He gave the promised exhibition in his own room before a young Hungarian amateur photographer and myself. (N. B .- He would not permit a profcssional photographer.)

POWERS DISCOVERED BY ACCI-DENT.

"Prof. Baslovnaya discovered his gift by mere chance when living at Rukal, a market town on the hills of what is Eckley to Wray, a distance of 14.8 known in Hungary as 'the country beyoud the forests.' He and his significant practiced table turning from a Freach book on the occult sciences. The professor was surprised to find himself gifted with phenomenal magnetic powers over tables and chairs, and he decided to devote his life (when not engaged in looking after his weaving business) to the study of magnetism.

"He has experimented with woods procured from all parts of the world. He has tried scaking, baking, haskinizing, vulcanizing, electrically seasoning, and, lastly, burning them, to discover the relative proportions of potash and carbonic acid. The result of his experiments was that he found one or two woods more than ordinarily reasive to his touch. He varnishes or colishes these himself.

'Certain mahoganies and canes are best,' he said. 'What chiefly puzzled distances, the highest speed having me was how my power to move these woods varied according to the state "Empire State Express" made a speed of my body, and this fact drove me to of 112.5 miles per hour in a mile run the study of nutrition. I sold my inter- to Crittenden. In August, 1895, the est in the weaving business, and in the Pennsylvania made a run from Landyears that followed 'spen' niv days in over to Anacosta, a distance of 5.1 wrestling with this problem. I made miles, in three minutes, making a rate a martyr of my body. 1 starved it, overfed it, dieted it soicir on animal stant improvement in road beds and foods, then on vegetables, and concluded by chemical inoculations. I fol- a question of a short time when a low the last practice alone now, he two-mile-a-minute speed will be easily

concluded with a dry smile. MYSTERIOUS FEATS WITH A

CANE. " 'This khaza cane,' he resumed, more cheerfully, 'I always carry with me. It sleeps with me. Watch this. "He strode into the center of the between his little and fourth firger of his left hand, moved the right rapidly up and down in the air; then he released his hold. Twice the stick [p-] to the ground, but the third time it remained in the air for the space of one and a half seconds, without visible support. I drew near, and saw that the thing was quite genuine.

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naya, fondling it affectionately. I carved myself. It was heavy; it is light. Feel. It has been dematerialized by my process. Here is an umbreila I purchased in Buda-Pesth. The rod is steel, but the handle is made of To-

bago cane. See!'
"He stood them both upon the floor, keeping a hand upon each. Slowly he removed his hand from the umbreila, and it stood up diagonally of its ewn

"'Do you see?" he cried, in a guttural French. He broke into Hungarian, and then, recollecting that I could not follow him, returned to French. grew excited and his eyes flashed.

'Dou you see? I am not touching it and it is not supported.' "To illustrate: He let go the l'haza stick, and the umbrella fell to the ground with it. ent over the remarkable and altogeth- TABLE MOVES AT HIS COMMAND.

"'Watch!' he exclaimed. He rushed across the room and seized a dark, polished table. 'See' and he forced it slantwise by a movement of his hands without touching it, though his coat

flapped against the edges.
"He rushed back again, taking the table with him, and returned with a small, curious-looking chair of the the table. Then taking the khaza stick he enticed the chair backwards by an stick. Invisibly rocking it bit by bit he soon had it working to and fro, too far, hesitated, and finally pitched

with a crash into the fireplace. "The professor took a piece of thick paper from the table. This is paper ly sought out by an English magazine | pulp made from Senegambia mahogany obtained from Africa. This piece was ing present at one of his remarkable performances, but also obtained photographs of his marvelous feats. The up and kept it suspended in the air. magazine writer tells of his visit to On examining the paper I found that it was of the thickness and consistency

'This is made of birchwood,' said frown when I suggested, in the inn at | Prof. Baslovnaya, bringing forward an Schwabeulg, Buda-Pesth, that he oblong box. 'Over this I have no conshould permit me to take a series of trol; but if you will examine this photographs for an English magazine, square of East Indian redwood you will nd that equally genuine, and I can manipulate that,

"I remarked that the block weighed little and emitted a queer odor. INFLUENCE EXERCISED ON WOOD.

"'Yes,' he said, hastily removing it from my hands; 'that is due to this unknown process of dematerialization. But, observe, it is still wood.' "He placed the piece of redwood in

reading in a corner. He is one of the ed the lid with one finger. He persuadmost remarkable personalities in Hun- ed the piece of redwood to leave the gary, and but few people know of it, box by a positively supernatural enercause he is a recluse, 'Introduce me, gy. 'It is attraction,' was all he said, I beg of you,' said I, adding, 'that is, in response to my expression of amazeif he can speak French, for I know ment. Click! and the box shut down while the block of redwood remained

"This last evidence staggered me as I had the utmost difficulty to under- an undeniable proof that Prof. Baslovstand his clipped French accent when-ever he did. Usually he was to ask a he is not robbed of his secret he will one day attain an immortal fame. Now "He kept me a week it suspense be-fore becoming confidential, and then, 'great treatise,' to which end is he acting upon a friendly hint from the buried away in a nameless village on landlord, I turned the conversation up-on fakirs and Mahatmas. He said no-vanian Alps of Lower Hungary. Some thing, but invited me upstates into day-probably in 1903-we shall hear his room, and alarmed me so much by from him, and then he will become the

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FAST RAILROAD RUNS.

train on the Burlington, between Eckley and Wray, Col., the other day, calls public attention to the fact that we are headed in the direction of the two-mile-a-minute speed for passenger trains in this country. The run from Eckley to Wray, a distance of 148

On shorter runs than the one noted above, the Burlington has made as high as 130 miles an hour. This speed was attained in March, 1901, in a run from Siding to Arion, a distance of 2.4 miles, and is the fastest time on record. The New York Central has made several record-breaking runs for short been reached in May, 1893, when the "Empire State Express" made a speed

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WONDERS OF THE OCEAN'S DEPTHS

Reasons for Thinking There Really Are Sea Serpenis.

Animals That Never Come to the Sea's Surface - Battles With the Giant Squid.

The animals of the deep sea which live habitually in water just above the freezing point, in darkness that is profound, are among the most grotesque and singular of living beings, says Professor C. F. Holder, in the Washington Star. The fishes, so far as known, are of small size; but this does not prove that there are no large animals in the deep sea. The method of taking deep-sea forms precludes the capture of any except the small and very sluggish ones, which lie in the deep oze, but the time will come when a large dredge will be invented in which the monsters of the deep will be taken, as there are few naturalists who have given the subject any attention but believe that there are in the greater depths some gigantic animal which is occasionally seen by those who go down to the sea in ships. The many and oftrecurring stories of the sea serpent cannot all be visions, lines of birds or patches of seaweed, but it is the consensus of opinion among conservative naturalists that there is some gigantic animal in the deep sea yet unknown to goine a which occasionally comes to the The animals of the deep sea which live naturalists that there is some gigantic animal in the deep sea yet unknown to science which occasionally comes to the surface, showing portions of its form to the amazement of the mariner who may chance to be in the vicinity.

As to the nature of this unknown animals we have several suggestions. Some years ago a fisherman on the Georges Banks, off the Maine coast, or in that vicinity, brought up a remarkable fish twenty feet in length, which was entirely new to him. Considering it a mere in-

vicinity, brought up a remarkable lish twenty feet in length, which was entirely new to him. Considering it a mere incombrance it was thrown overboard, but the catch was reported and aroused great interest among naturalists; so much that a large sum was offered to the fishermen to fish it up again, which they tried to do without success. The fish was a veritable young sea serpent, and if such a fish attained the length of fifty feet it would well compare with the accounts of sea serpents which are reported so often. Since this occurrence several eellike sharks have been taken; long serpentine-like creatures that when large must be the sea serpent of the deep sea, and have convinced observers that the tales which have aroused the credulity of people are not without foundation, and that this mysterious realm conceals strange and gigantic forms which only rarely rise to the surface.

The eel-like sharks found are in some instances luminous, emitting a strange gilght over the entire surfaces—the lightgivers of the deep sea.

THE RIBBON FISH. Another strange denizen of the deep is the so-called ribbon fish, several speci-mens of which the writer has seen on the shores of Santa Catalina Island. This shores of Santa Catalina Island. This creature is one of the most beautiful of all fishes. It resembles a white or silver ribbon, slashed with black. A long fin extends its entire length, and over the head forms a number of plumes or pompons of a vivid red, that in large specimens wight be easily taken for a mane pons of a vivid red, that in large specimens might be easily taken for a mane waving to and fro. That this delicate ribbon fish attains a large size is generally believed, as large specimens have been captured. Some years ago a fisherman was hauling a net on the coast of Scotland, when it was found that some heavy weight was holding the net back. Additional help was obtained and a dozen men finally hauled in a monster fish, which was estimated to weigh 809 pounds. It was a gigantic ribben fish, thirty feet or more in length, so long and heavy that it required the efforts of a dozen men to carry it along the deck. and heavy that it required the efforts of a dozen men to carry it along the deck. It was a veritable sea serpent, and, extending from its head were tall deep-red or scarlet plume-like fins, which formed a sort of "mane," frequently described as being seen on the typical sea serpent. If these fishes attain a length of thirty feet, there is no reason why they may not exceed this, and it is very possible that some of the "sea serpents" which have been observed at various times were gigantic ribbon fishes, which came up from the deep sea and moved along were gigantic ribbon issies, which came up from the deep sea and moved along with undulating motion at the surface.

During the past year a large specimen of this deep-sea wonder washed ashore at Newport beach, California, where it was destroyed by a Mexican, ignorant of its value. The fish, which was twenty-five or thirty feet in length, and estimating five or thirty feet in length, and estimated to weigh 500 pounds, was seen at first in the surf, presenting a remarkable ap-pearance as its silvery folds rolled over and over and flashed in the sunlight.

The finder waded into the surf, and with
much difficulty hauled the struggling ribbon fish out upon the sands.
How deep the ribbon fish lives in the

the purest health-giving Malt, the whole partially predigested, is whale partially predigested, is what where almost profound darkness reigns. A HIDEOUS CREATURE. One of the most remarkable as well as

grow, their strength, their hideous an pearance, places them on a par with many of the weird and grotesque crea-tures of a past age. The squid untures of a past age. The s doubtedly attains a length of not over, 100 feet, and pieces have been taken from the stomachs of whales which suggested animals far beyond this No more hideous creature can be imag FAST RAILROAD RUNS. ined. The body is barrel-shaped, the tai like an arrow head, the eyes as large as

two-mile-a-minute speed for passenger trains in this country. The run from Eckley to Wray, a distance of 14.8 miles, was made by the Burlington at the rate of 89.6 miles an hour. A few years ago a mile a minute was regarded as very high speed for short distances, but this is now a very ordinary accomplishment for long-distance runs. Recently the "Continental Limited" on the Wabash made a record of a mile a minute from Tilton to Granite City, a distance of 180 miles, including three station stops, one stop to change engines and one to take on eoal.

On shorter runs than the one noted the midvidual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers their endividual. The short arms are provided with extraordinary suckers epidemic appears to have overtaken these creatures, and numbers were found at the surface in Newfoundland waters, one, fifty-five feet in length, giving the man who discovered it a hard struggle. The hideous animal threw its arms over the boat, holding on with vise-like strength, emitting clouds of ink, which permeated the water in every direction. strength, emitting clouds of link, which permeated the water in every direction. It was finally secured, towed in and anchored in the surf, where it lay until the tide ebbed, tossing its arms aloft, filling the water with ink—a terrifying

SENSATIONAL CAPTURES. SENSATIONAL CAPTURES.

The capture of nearly all the giant squids has been sensational. The French man-of-war Alectron sighted one some year: ago lying upon the surface. A boat was lowered, but the captain was loath to allow his men to attack it, fearing that someone would be killed or injured by the flying arms or be hauled into the water Finally a harnoon was thrown jured by the flying arms or be hauled into the water. Finally a harpoon was thrown into it and killed it. When the animal was hauled aboard, by its mere weight it fell apart, yet there was no doubt but that it could have held two men in each arm and drowned them easily in the open water. So uncanny a creature might well involve harror among seamen, but there water. Se uncanny a creature inight went inspire horror among seamen, but there is every reason to believe that they are very timid. The writer measured one of these animals, which proved to be forty-five feet in length, and at the Island of Catalina once observed a school of squids from eight to ten feet long with in unon the rocks, chased by large

pale gray, suggestive of the possibilities of concealment of this strange animal. The writer has seen them poising over a white sandy bottom almost invisible, then when over a dark bottom they took on a darker shade, also almost invisible to any lurking foe. When attacked the animal shot away tail first like an arrow, discharging backward at its enemy a cloud of ink, which filled the water for many feet about—a protective measure at once effective and sensational.

The question of large animals of the deep sea is one of the problems of, the future, and doubtless in the years to come some trap will be devised which will bring to the surface the giants of the deep sea, which in form and shape will be as remarkable as the smaller animals, which are known to be the light-givers of these abysmal regions of the

givers of these abysmal regions of the ocean world.

TO DISTINGUISH FLOWERS OF MAY

Most Wild Flowers Can Be Determined by Striking Color or Shape.

May and June are the royal months for wild flowers. There are no such showy masses of color as come in July with daisies, or in August with the goldenrod, but all the wonderful lower world of the woods, which later sober down to the cool sober greenness, is twinkling with countless delicate flowers, and flowering trees-shad-bush and cherry and hawthorn-are breaking into blossom overhead.

Most of these beautiful little wild

flowers can be easily distinguished by striking color or shape—the violets, purple or yellow, the rose-pink, fringed polygala (sometimes given the name of "lady's-slipper," to which it has not the smallest resemblance); but there are five or six small white flowers, blossoming at about the same time, that are enough alike to be often mistaken for one another, though when you once know and love them you will never confuse them. Last spring a little girl-quite a big little girl—asked me to tell her the name of "that little starry white thing that grows in the woods." Going out to look for it I found she was not quite sure which of four flowers she meant. The best known of these small white blossoms is the anemone nemorosa, crowfoot family), which nearly every child has seen and pick-

The plant which for the most part grows in open pastures, forming little colonies about old stumps and sunken boulders, is from four to six inches high. It has a straight, slender stem, crowned with a whorl of three very smooth, trifoliate (that is, having three separate leafilets), deeply leaves, from the middle of which springs the still more tender flower stem. Each plant has one flower. The small, tightly-closed buds vary in color from purple and pink to blue, which fades as the flower opens. They hang their heads very low, hiding the mass of stamens in the middle, until they open fully, when they stand erect,

pure white, five-pointed stars. The star-flower, perhaps the most beautiful of these delicate white wood flowers (Trientalis Americana, heath family), is somewhat like the anemone in growth, but it has a whorl of many leaves instead of only three, and the leaves are uncut, pointed, and of a beautiful warm light green. Sometimes you will find three flowers to a plant, sometimes only one, but the common number is two-twin white stars. The blossoms, like those of the anemone, spring from the center of the whorl of leaves, on stems as slender as a thread; they are white as snow, with delicately pointed petals, and tiny yellow or orange anthers setting off the whiteness.

Still another plant grows in much the same way as the anemone, though, like the star-flower, it is of an entirely different family. This is the dwarf ginseng or groundnut (Aralia trifolia, ginseng family). It has the same whorl of three leaves, each leaf having three, sometimes five, leaflets; but the leaflets are only notched, not deeply cut, like those of the anemone, and they are of quite a dark green. The manw small feathery flowers are clustered together into a head-an umbel, as it is properly called. Most of the ginseng family have spicy, aromatic roots. Those of one variety are used by the Chinese to mix with opium, and so they bring a large price.

The dwarf ginseng and the star-flower both like the deep woods, though they are also found in open pastures. They do not grow in close groups, but are scattered freely through the forest, springing up between the dead leaves; only the star-flower likes a rather dry, open wood, a young beech-growth, for instance, while the ginseng chooses moister places.—Rosa-lind Richards in St. Nicholas for May.

BACKACHE

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MARKED REVIVAL IN EASTERN SOUDAN

Ancient City of Khartoum Is Again the Seat of Government.

The British are gradually introducing a better state of things in the form-er domain of the Mahdi. The city of Kordofan, the part of the old Mahdist Khartoum, which was nothing but a territory lying west of Khartoum. This heap of ruins when Kitchener's forces arrived there, has been substantially itants. Omdurman, the Mahdist capital, still has a population of 60,000, ing town of 10,000 inhabitants, one of many as 2,200,000 dogs. but is smaller than when it was wrested from the Khalifa. A new town named Halfaya has been built on the is today only a miserable Arab village. other side of the Nile from Khartoum; Bara was a sanitarium for El Obeid, it is the terminus of the railroad from where the richer inhabitants spent Wadi Halfa and has 8,000 inhabitants. Khartoum again the seat of government; but it was necessary first to rebuild the city, and it is only recently the administration has been

capital. cent higher at Khartoum than at Alexandria. The journey from Alexandria power. The city was the supply de-to the capital of the Egyptian Soudan requires about six days by water and rail, the cost of passenger transportation being from 120 to 500 francs. The cost of transporting freight is you neglect it, very serious and per- from 320 to 400 francs a ton. It is toum, was the most important and haps fatal consequences are certain to largely due to these high freight rates that living is so expensive at Khar- dan.

of them follows the course of the Nile and terminates at Kerman, below Dongola, its length being. 327 kilometres The other railroad crosses the Nubian desert from Wadi Halfa and then fol-lows the Nile to Khartoum. Though there are wells at several points along this desert route, the greatest difficulty is to procure sufficient water. Every train across the desert carries five cars

loaded with water for the engine and most of the stations along the route. Dr. G. Linck, of Germany, has revast region has not yet recovered from the terrible distress in which the Mahrebuilt and now contains 30,000 inhab- di involved it. The traveler found, for example, that Bara, formerly a thrivthe first that surrendered to the Mahdi, before his advance on Khartoum, their summers amid lovely gardens It had been the intention ever since full of date and lemon trees, bananas the reconquest of the Soudan to make and vines. The place was completely destroyed by the Mahdi and bushes and thorns now grow among the ruins.

El Obeid is also merely a heap of ruins. The few inhabitants left there, with their herds to better grazing The cost of living is about 50 per lands. It surrendered to the Mahdi eleven days after Bara fell into his power. The city was the supply demiles around, had a population of about 100,000 souls, traded largely in ostrich feathers, Kordofan gum and other commodities, and, next to Kharflourishing town in the Egyptian Sou-

> It may be expected that in course of time the site of this once flourish-

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