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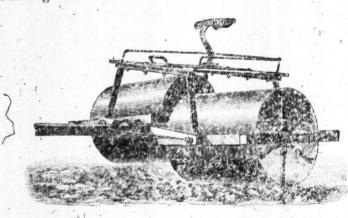
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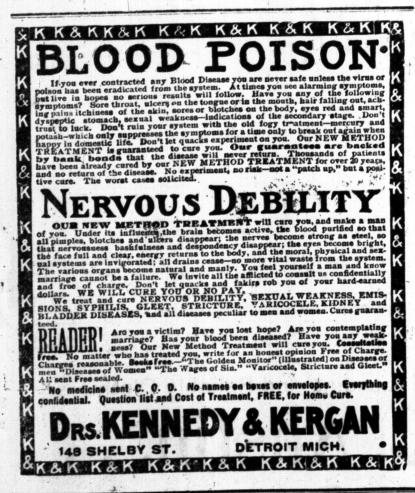
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ALL SORTS.

A Louisville man has a little house dog that chews chewing gum like a hu-

The aeolian harp was the invention it is believed, of Athanasius Kircher, who lived in the seventeenth century A five-year-old Philadelphia boy fell out of a third-story window and his life was saved by lighting on a man

wearing a silk hat. A book published in Japan 1,000 years ago notes that at that time good silk was already produced in twentyfive provinces of that country.

Rarely indeed is a wealthy Turk seen at his wife's dinner table. He usually dines in a part of the house remote from that occupied by his connubial

A Delaware farmer recently purchased a horse which had been in the Spanish-American war, and on being clipped several shot were found imbedded in its flesh.

A Kansas man not long ago shot a dog by accident, and in showing the owner how it was done, he shot him, and fater, in showing the coroner how he had shot the man, he shot the cor-

A rare and beautiful sight was recently witnessed at Mt. Vesuvius during a snow-storm. The volcano was in eruption and three streams of red hot lava were sent spouting through the

The young Duchess of Marlborough and several young ladies of much wealth and rank are going in for falconry. It is an expensive form of sport, an ordinary hawk costing as much as \$500 and requiring quite an outlay for maintenance and training.

A Perkins (O. T.) bachelor started to Joplin, Mo., not long ago with a wagon load of peanuts and on the way he met a widow with seven children. It was a case of first sight love, and, marrying her the next day, he carried a wagon load of family back home with

The 10,000 Indians, Cherokees Creeks and Delawares, who have voluntarily gone from Oklahoma to Mexico to establish a reservation, declare they are actuated by a desire to get as far away as possible from the white man's civilization. They have about \$425,000 and expect further additions after they have organized their settle-

The largest flower in the world is the rafflesia arnoldi of Sumatra. Its size is fully three fee: in diameterabout the size of a carriage wheel. The five petals of this immense flower are oval and creamy white, growing round a centre filled with countless long, violet hued stamens. The flower weighs about fifteen pounds and is capable of containing nearly two gallons of water. The buds are like gigantic brown cabbage heads.

Fred Huson of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers writes from the Philippines: "I am not much afraid of battle. I would lots rather go into a battle than climb a Kansas windmill. The Kansas City Journal thinks that this comparison "will be appreciated by every man who has climbed a rickety tower to pour oil into the cogs on one of those buzzing demons."

ODD THINGS TO HAPPEN.

A Kansas City Irish girl was naturalized in order to become a notary

public. An Ohio minister is in trouble with his congregation for saying that rainbows existed before the flood.

A Pennsylvania kodak fiend was in stantly killed while attempting to get a snapshot of a blast as it exploded. One Kentucky farmer has an otherwise well-developed calf, born without eyes or stail, and another farmer has four roosters sitting on duck eggs.

A Pennsylvania boy teased a cat with kittens till she jumped at him and mangled the calf of his leg so that he will probably be a cripple for life.

Seventeen victims to Easter eggnog were picked up in the streets of Cambridge, N. J., after that day and classified with the ordinary drunks. A Pennsylvania woman aged 102

years committed suicide recently because she was tired of living. The coroner might have rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide. A San Francisco man who died not

long ago with pleurisy, was found to have had three-quarters of an inch of a needle an his heart, which had been there long enough to rust.

A young man in New Jersey became unconscious on a Diesday, recovered sufficiently on Wednesday to ask what day it was, said he would die on Friday, became unconscious again and on Friday kept his word.

King Humbert is a vegetarian. He lives entirely on vegetables and fruits. The doctors have forbidden him to drink coffee and his beverage is Bordeaux and plenty of water. The Queen has made repeated attempts to become a vegetarian, but finally has given up n despair, being fond of a generous

Honolulu has one theatre, a ramshackle building, in which various crude performances are given by natives. Once in a long while a dramatic company makes the trip from San Francisco, the latest doing so last summer without pecuniary profit. Single entertainers stop there on the way to

A fifteen-year-old Indiana boy attempted to drown his father, locked his mother in the cellar, stole a basket of eggs she had waiting for a huckster, sold them and bought whiskey, got drunk, was arrested and lacked up, tried to hang himself with his suspenders, was cut down in time to steal a hat and vest from a fellow prisoner and

SOLOMON'S MINES FOUND

Carl Peters Asserts That He Found Ophi Where the Looked for It in South Africa.

I have this summer explored the country between the Zambesi and the Pungwe, in Portuguese East Africa and Eastern Mashonaland. Before I started from England I had acquired geographical information which led me to believe that Fura was near the eastern entrance of the Lupata Gorge. There I have found it. It is situated on the banks of the Muira River, about fifteen m.les south of the Zamb si and half-way between Sena and Tete. At the time of my discovery I had with me Mr. Puzy and two min ng engineers, Messrs. Gramann and Napolski. I should perhaps explain, here that Fura is the native corruption of the word Afur, by which name the Arabs of the sixteenth cornery knew the district of which I am speaking. Afur is the Sabaean or South Arabian form of the Hebrew name Ophir. I have ample proof that the Fura we discovered and explored this summer is the Ophir of the Old Testament. After, or Ophir in the Sem tic language, means mine. Fura in the language of the people who now mabit the district also means mine.

The natives, who are under the pow-erful chief Macombe, call themselves Makalanga, which means People of the Sun. Unlike any other Africans I know, they are to this day sun and fire worshippers. They are quite unlike the ordinary African, and have a distinct Jewish type of face, and in my opinion they are a maxure of the Asiatic conquerors with the original in-habitants of the country. On arriving in the district, I soon

found that the natives had some idea of the existence of the ancient Opnir. In fact, they wash gold themselves after the rainy season and after storing it in quil s, do a fairly large trade

in it with Beira and Tete.

At first I had great difficulties with these people. For five weeks they re-fused to sell me food and performed war dances to frighten me. Macombe te to me, demanding what I meant by entering his country. By this time ting food from other sources, Cuntete seemed inclined to be friendly. I made friends with him and I have brought him to England. Up to the present his greatest surprise is that he has not seen the sun. This chief subsequently gave me valuable information regarding the position of the ancient runs, and workings, which I at once investigated. Going to the spot indicated, I found ancient ruins of undoubtedly Semitic type. I discovered phallic emblems, which have always been con nected with the ancient Semitic sun worship. Fura itself I found to posses a formation of quartzite slate and diorite, between which gold reefs were running. Under the ruins I found a large alluvial tract, in which we discovered gold and neas it magnificent quartz reefs. The ancient workings which I found were not only surface workings, but there were also shafts and roads hewn into the rock. I have built a station in this district and also one In Invanga, both of which are in charge of trustworthy Europeans. intend next summer to further investi-gate the traces of damonds, coal, white mica and saltpetre which we

found. "My theory with regard to Ophir," said te doctor in conclusion "is this The ancient conquerors heard at the mouth of the Zambesi of rich alluvial gold up river and sailed up to the eastern entrance of the Lupata, beyond which rapids made navigation difficult. They then proceeded overland and found, under the very walls of the fort-ifications (ruins of which we have discovered), alluvial and also reef gold. They then settled for a considerable period, and afterward migrated to the west toward the Ruenye. They event-ually settled all the districts west and southwest as far as the Sanyate River and Tete, and built a great empire along the Zambesi and Sabi rivers. The Sabaean empire monably lasted for thousands of years. Its existence was well known among the Semitic nations, and it is interesting to note that Ophir is always mentioned in the Old Testament without any explanation as to its locality. I have seen enough to be assured that all the products of the ancient Ophir are to be

found on the Zambesi. "As a result of my investigation, the Arabian and Indian theories regarding Ophir fall to pieces, and I claim unhesitatingly to have located this year the Golden Ophir of King Solomon and King Hiram."

Here are Some New Cures for Lunacy "The cures which we have to resort to are in many cases," said the head physician of one of the largest Scottish lunatic asylums, "as curious as our patients' whims.

"One patient had for six years been under the delusion that his head was turned the wrong way physically. We put him in a chair, tied him securely, and then, having b indfolded nin gave him an electric shock. He got up crying with delight, and after that moment he was as sane as you or I. Another declared he was topheavy. We weighted his feet, with two three-stones weights and left him for a day. Whether the extra weight effected the cure or not I don't know, but he today holds a very responsible position under the Government, and is one of clearest-headed men 1 know. Another thought that if he went to sleep the world would stop moving. We dosed him with chloroform. When he woke twelve hours later and found everything all right he wept with joy then turned over and went to sleep again, waking six hours later sane.

Charting Ocean Beds.

The British government keeps eleven vessels at work sounding and charting the ocean beds to find out where davgers lurk. Last year 10,000 square miles were carefully charted in different parts of the world-Asia, Africa and the South Pacific.

Sweeping by Electricity. St. Louis is experimenting with electric ty for operating street-sweepers. The great modern cry for cleaning ness can never be reconciled with the use of horses. There is every prospect of success in the experiment, and likely every city of the Union will soon have electric sweepers.



"After having a mishap, I suffered with pain in my left side and a lingering cough which grew worse and worse," writes Mrs. Cora Brooks, of Martin, Franklin County, Georgia. "Last spring I got past doing anything and my husband went to the drug store and called for Wine of C——, and the merchant recommended Dr. Pierce's Favorities Preceight one bottle. ite Prescription, so he bought one bottle. I began to take it as directed in the pamphlet wrapped around the bottle. The book said if the disease was complicated with cough to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Favor-ite Prescription' alternately, and Dr. ite Prescription' alternately, and Dr. Pièrce's Pleasant Pellets, on rising every morning. Mr. Brooks went back to the drug store and got the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and I took it as directed. The cough left me at once and I began to get better so rapidly my husband was astonished at my improvement. I am now able to work on the farm and also de the weshing for two familes." do the washing for two familes."

FOR THE FAR WEST.

Well-known Young Raleigh Can Given a Send Off by His Friends.

A rather sadly sociable evening was spent at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David Walker, 13th con., Raleigh, Mrs. David Walker, 13th con., Raleigh, on Monday evening, on the eve of the departure of their son Tom, for Brandon, Manitoba. The choir, of which he was a member, and the young people of St. George's Church, Charing Cross, gathered together to bid him farewell and wish him God-speed and prosperity. The evening was spent in games of various kinds, but the feeling of hardly suppressed sadness prevailed among the company. Everyone felt it keenly that Tom was to go from our midst. His kindly spirit and from our midst. His kindly spirit and genial unselfishness will be greatly missed by all his friends and acquaintances. When all wwere ready for luncheon several members of the choir presented him with an address accompanied by appropriate gifts as tokens of their esteem. The address, given below, was read by Frank Drew-ery; the gifts were presented by Miss Ellen Skinner, Miss Maude Pardo and Miss Joe Russell.

Charing Cross, Mar. 12, 1900. Our Dear Tom,—It is with deep ser row and regret that we have learned that you are about to depart from our midst, to seek a new home and for-tune in the west. We have always esteemed and respected you because you have been so faithful in your atendance at our church and our choir, you were always among the first lend a helping hand. end a helping hand.

We feel that we cannot let you go

without gathering together with you to wish you God-speed. May God's blessing and prosperity ever attend your way. While wee are loath to see you go, yet we would not lay a stray in your way if by going you feel that you can do better than by staying

Therefore, we ask you to accept this Bible, Prayer-book, and Hymn Book as a slight token of our regard, with the hope that they may ever remind you of the many pleasant days you have spent in connection with St. George's Church, Charing Cross, and that they may prove a blessing to you in many other ways. We pray that the God whose habitation is all the corners of the earth, may bless you and keep you wherever your lot may be cast. Though you may be many miles from us, please remember that you will never be forgotten by your fellow members of the choir. Signed in our behalf, your friend and

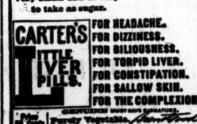
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