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the holes thus become exposed, they are stopped up at once with sticks and mud, and other passages are dug at a lower level.

There are several obvious reasons why the muskrats are so particular in passing to and from their homes under water. Were they to venture into the open the position of their stronghold would at once be betrayed to any watching enemy, while they themselves would run a prominent risk of being snatched up by passing owls or eagles. More important still is the fact that water retains no scent, and therefore their enemies cannot smell them out as they could if the burrows were on dry land. Also the muskrat is capable of remaining below the surface far longer than his sworn enemy the mink, and by making a stand at the mouth of the burrow he is no doubt often able to hold this ferocious freebooter at bay. Add to all this the necessity of gaining the underside of the ice without exposure, and it is evident that self-preservation is the prime factor taken into account by the muskrats in building their homes.

The bank burrow is usually provided with two separate chambers, both of which have their individual use. The floor of the first is littered with husks and other debris, and is evidently the dining room. From this chamber usually extends the ventilating shaft. The second is comfortably lined with gnawed up rushes, and it can safely be assumed is the bedroom. The burrows are kept scrupulously clean, the droppings being deposited in the water at the mouth of one of the passages, or at some recognized place. Here also, or somewhere adjacent, the musk, from which the animal derives its name, is deposited. As to what object this musk depository fulfils seems uncertain, but certain it is that it acts as a lure for mink, and many trappers make use of it when hunting these animals.

That the musquash possess a certain love for their homes they construct with so much toil and care is clear from the fact that when wounded they invariably return there to die, even though it be the very centre of the danger zone. By nature the animals are quiet and peace loving, but they have learnt by long persecution to fight well and savagely when cornered, in defence of their young.

The muskrats are essentially water rodents, and when away from their beloved element are as much at a loss as the loon in the Indian legend. Should their home quarters dry up the animals are sometimes forced to make journeys overland, and on these occasions they will face anything that threatens to molest them. Unable to seek shelter under water, their courage is the courage of desperation, and men and horses have been held up by a single muskrat. This may sound rather tall to the uninitiated, but innumerable instances of children on their way from school during the dry season being held up, and of horses and oxen being frightened from the trail by a musquash viciously holding the centre of it, have been recorded.

The fur is of low market value, but owing to its abundance affords a substantial revenue to many of our Canadian provinces. The usual price paid per pelt is from twenty to twenty-five cents, and in many parts of Manitoba, for instance—the home of the musquash—an experienced trapper should take from twenty to fifty pelts a day.

In Quest of Beauty

Summer is now with us and if we wish to derive the pleasures of a sun-bath without its inconveniences, it will be necessary to protect and strengthen the delicate skin tissues, so that they can withstand the scorching rays to which they will be exposed. Whilst having a distinctly beneficial effect on the skin inasmuch as they purify same, and enable it to withstand the attack of the numerous microbes with which the air of all large cities and towns is laden, the sun's rays has its inconveniences, since it dries up and coarsens the delicate surface and tissues, thereby causing much inconvenience.

The best preventative is the use of a reliable emollient, and there is nothing on the market to equal La-rola (obtainable of all chemists and stores) for this purpose. A little rubbed into the face before going for a walk, a game of tennis, golf, etc., will make the skin beautifully soft and enable the user to defy with impunity the effect of the sun's rays, cold winds, etc., etc.

Another cause of the ruination of complexions is the dust and dirt to which we are invariably exposed when out of doors, since same clogs the pores of the skin and prevents them fulfilling their proper functions.

If you have used a little La-rola before your outdoor excursion, and upon your return rub your face with a soft piece of leather, silk or other material, you will find you have brought away quite a quantity of dirt. The La-rola has filled the pores and has been acting as a skin food and tonic, and the dust and dirt which would otherwise have entered the skin, have been excluded and can be removed with the greatest of ease.

So good a preparation is it for this purpose that numberless mothers wisely use it for cleansing the faces and hands of their children on their return from their daily walks or rides out of doors, as it is so purifying, cooling, healing and soothing to their sensitive skins.

A few drops added to the bath or washing water render same delightfully soft and refreshing, and no bath room or toilet table can be considered complete without its bottle of La-rola.

Health and Helpfulness in Schools

Out in Oregon they are a little ahead of the rest of the states in looking after the health and welfare of the child in school. In one country school the teacher supervises the preparing of hot lunches on the school room stove. The boys bring the material for soup. The girls prepare it. All eat at one table. After the meal is over the dishes are washed and put away in cupboards built by the boys. In the Oregon schools the teachers are encouraged to study each pupil as an individual. For this purpose a chart is supplied to the teachers to record the habits and tendencies of each child. The records include state of health, industry, self-control, altruism, including politeness, home industrial work, etc., etc. A regular system of encouragement to the children to make themselves useful in the home is also one of the features of the rural schools in Oregon. The boys and girls are given credits for simple tasks performed at home, and a certain number of credits entitles them to a prize or to a holiday in some instances. Thus the school becomes a very important factor in developing the altruistic and helpful spirit in the child which is so necessary to its future well-being and happiness.

New York's Highest Building

"I am very interested in high buildings," writes a Highgate Chum. "What I want to ask you is: What is the highest building in New York, how many storeys has it, and 's height?"

The highest building in New York is the Woolworth Building, which is on Broadway, between Park Street and Barclay Street. It is 750 feet from the street to the roof-top, and contains 51 storeys. I believe it is not actually completed. Other buildings of over 600 feet high are the Metropolitan Insurance Company's building, which is 700 feet 3 inches high, and contains 50 storeys; also the Singer Manufacturing Company's building on Broadway, which is 612 feet high, and contains 41 storeys. There are several other buildings in New York of over 30 storeys.

It may also be interesting to know that Mr. Woolworth, who built this high building, started in New York with what is known as a "10 cents shop," which we call a 6 1/2d. bazaar. From this modest beginning he has been able to amass a huge fortune and erect this tremendous building.

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