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Clever Fish Hawks. Turks around the Bosporus amuse themselves by playing pitch and catch with the hungry fish hawks. They throw high in the air a lump of raw meat, and the hawks pounce upon the meat before it strikes the ground and

tom.-Christian Herald.

make away with it to the little ones. A Short Christmas. "Christmas day is only three hours long in the Finnish town of Tornea," said a traveler. "I spent last Christwas there. At sunrise I got up to see my presents and to read my Christmas mail and night had fallen before I got

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The Balkan States.

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The countries known as "the Balkan states" occupy the Balkan peninsula, the easternmost of the three great southern peninsulas of Europe, which in its turn takes its name from the mountain range of the Balkan. This great mountain chain, running down into the peninsula, is a continuation of the southern Carpathians or Transylvania Alps. The strict limits of the Balkan peninsula place its base on a line from the delta of the Danube to the head of the Adriatic sea, but part of the territory thus defined lies outside what is conventionally designated as the Balkan peninsula.

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The express was approaching a railway bridge that spanned a deep river, and a stout old lady in one of the compartments showed signs of nervousness. As the train went roaring across the structure she did not speak a word. but, seemed to be holding her breath. "There," said a gentleman in a neighboring seat, "we are over it safely." The old lady heaved an explosive sigh, "Well," she said, "if we had gone to the bottom I should have died with a clear conscience, for it wouldn't have been my weight that did it. I bore up so that I really made the train lighter than it would have been without me!"

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VICTORIA'S LETTERS.

Royal Secrets That Are Stored Away

In Buckingham Palace. "We may wonder if the world will ever be allowed to see the private correspondence amassed by the late Queen Victoria." says a writer. It is stored away in a strong room built into the walls of Buckingham palace, and the queen shared her confidence with no

So long as she was physically able to do so she opened and closed the safe herself and arranged its contents. When she was too feeble to do this she employed an old and trusted secretary; but even he had to work under the royal eye. He was never allowed to keep the keys nor to read the letters that he handled.

Queen Victoria was always a voluminous letter writer, and she was in constant communication with most of the royalties in Europe. Every domestic secret and privacy of royalty during half a century is said to be represented by the contents of this wonderful safe, and it is easy to believe that the modern historian would find his hands full if he were permitted to browse among

But probably he will have to wait a few hundred years, and then his popular audience will be a languid one. It is one of the ironies of life that we can never have a thing when we want it.

Ancient Use of a Kiss. A Roman woman in the ancient time was not allowed to drink wine except it were simple raisin wine, and, how ever she might relish strong drinks, she could not indulge even by stealth-first, because she was never intrusted with the key of the wine cellar and, second, because she was obliged daily to greet with a kiss all her own as well as her husband's male representatives, down even to second cousins, and as she knew not when or where she might meet them she was forced to be wary and abstain altogether, for had she tasted but a drop the smell would have betrayed her. So strict were the old Romans in this respect that a cer-tain Ignatius Mercurius is said to have siain his wife because he caught her at the wine cask-a punishment which was not deemed excessive by Romulus, who absolved the husband of the crime

Beefsteak Smothered In Tomatoes. Some day when the oven is being used for other cooking plan to have for dinner round or planked steak cooked with tomatoes, and for this dish either fresh or canned ones can be utilized. Place the steak in a slightly greased baking pan which has a close fitting cover. Cover it with tomatoes, sliced if fresh or just turned out of the can if canned. Add also one small onion coarsely chopped and a small piece of bay leaf, together with salt and pepper, Cover the whole closely and cook for an hour and a half without removing the cover of the baking dish. Add no water, as the tomatoes are moist

Preparation of Parchment. Parchment is the skin of sheep or other animals prepared in sheets to render them fit for being written upon, The heavier parchment, used for drum heads, is made from the skins of asses, older calves, wolves and goats. All these are similarly prepared. The skin, being freed from the hair, is placed in a lime pit to cleanse it from fat. The pelt is then stretched upon a frame. care being taken that the surface is free from wrinkles. The flesh is pared off with a circular knife, after which it is moistened and whiting spread over it. Then the workman, with a large pumice stone, rubs the skin. He next goes over it with an iron instrument and rubs it carefully with pumice stone without chalk. Finally the skin is gradually dried, tightening being occasionally required.

To Lengthen Life of Necktie. A good many people who are users of four-in-hand ties are more or less bothered by the tie's becoming useless after it has been worn a few times. Take the wide end of the tie with

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Home Grown Oats Best. The Maine agricultural experiment station has by its wide studies of inheritance in oats proved the idea cur-rent among farmers that foreign grown seed is better than home grown to have little basis. As the Journal of Heredity notes, a variety frequently behaves much better after it has been acclimatized for a year or two.

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