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Freaks of Lightning

A Record of Some Extraordinary Deaths Which Have Happened During the Past Fourteen Years By

An official attended to the United states Weather Bureau has kept, juring the past fourteen years, all he best authenticated accounts comag under his eye of the granks of ightning throughout the world. One of the facts to be deducted from the great mass of stories about the electricity of the heavens is that lightning cannot be dodged or avoided. There are many accounts of lightning striking and killing timid women who had taken refuge under reds and in closets. In the most of these cases it is shown that the persons who have remained in the rooms bandoned by the victims thus killed while seeking safety have escaped unharmed. The State of Kangas seems to have the palm for the ierceness of its electrical storms, with all of the States of Missouri and Mississippi valleys following close

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trying to round up an escaped tiger in a Missouri town, when the tiger was struck dead by lightning. During a running race at an Illinois country fair, in which eleven horses were competing for the purse, the winning horse was struck dead instantly after having won the race by a head on the wire. None of the other horses, most of which were close up at the finish, were not hurt at all.

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An Indiana fiddler was playing at a country dance, having a seat on the porch for the sake of its cocliness. His violin was knocked into kindling wood by a bolt of lightning, while he himself was only mildly shocked. A chicken hawk was struck dead while just in the act of swooping upon a flock of hens on an lowa farm. None of the hens were hurt. A locomotive engineer was struck dead while seated in his cab making a short freight run in Colorado, his firewan not even being shocked. A dozen girls in an Chio seninary were shocked by a bolt of lightning while seated in the parlor. The same bolt killed one of the building. A Tennessee farmer was feeding his hogs, standing in the middle of the pen, when he was hit by a bolt of lightning and instantly killed. The hogs were not injured at all, An elderly woman praying all alone in a little chapel in a small Kentucky town was struck dead by lightning. The chapel was set on fire and consumed.

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A Memphis woman was curling her hair with curlingtongs, when a bolt of lightning came through the window and knocked the curling irons out of her hand. She was rendered unconscious, When she came too she found the curling irons at the far end of the room. They were almost red-hot, and had burned a hole in the carpet where they rested. A bolt of lightning penetrated a cyclone cellar in Kansas, in which a family of four had taken refuge, and all were killed. A captive balloon, the largest ever manufactured, was struck by lightning in Chicago about eight years ago, and two of the aeronauts were killed. Gircus tents have been hit by lightning bolts on numerous occasions, generally with comparatively small loss, considering the size of the assemblages under the tents. A man who was struck by lightning in Westeru New York State, while walking through a forest, had the outlines of two perfect trees indelibly stamped in red on his back, but he was not seriously hurt. To all intents and purposes the lightning branded him. A pressman employed by a job printing house in Omaha was struck by lightning and knocked into a mass of machinery, which manufled him to death. A gang of boys were playing ball on a field in an Ohio town when an ejectrical storm came up. The boy at the bat was knocked down by the shock of the bolt that struck near, but not seriously hurt. The boy who was catching was "taking them off the bat," right back of the boy at the bat, but he was not even shocked. A Russian on steamer was struck

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A TELEPHONE

Scouting with the aid of the tele pphone has become one of the features of modern warfare, and is now being made use of by the Japanese.
The operations are conducted in the following manner:
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Two scouts proceed from the lines toward the enemy, one, the observer, is a skilled army officer who makes the observations, which are transmitted back to headquarters through a telephone line paid out from a reel carried by an electrician of the signal corps. A ground return is used, the ground being made by thrusting a bayonet or hatched into the earth and attaching one end of the line to it. The electrician carries a battery on his back. He also makes the connections and does the talking. A special conductor is used, which will stand the rough usage. In this manner a scout may be able to stay out a long time and give valuable information without being obliged to make a number of hazardous liged to make a number of hazardous trips to the front.

THE SWEET GIRL

ied resources is now drawing many of our young men out to the newer fields. If a derth of suitable young fields. If a derth of suitable young men should arise, it may be possible that Canada's conservative banking circles will consider the employment of eligible young ladies as clerks. Such a modification of system might be said to possess advantages. As the world goes now there would be tess temptation for the female clerk to live beyond a limited salary. — Montreal Star.

Take it altogether, some medicine sn't so bad after all.

Don't go to the hatter when you need a thinking cap.

Don't depend upon other people to do your kicking for you.

It is just as well to think your own deas can occasionally be improved



"The Sign of the Cross," Wilson Barrett's World-Renowned drama, will be the attraction at the Grand on Monday, Feb. 27th. Rome in the days of Nero, when sumptions vice and proflig te luxury ruled the Emperor and his court, is the th. me of many powerful novels, but Mr. Burrett was the first to eproduce on the stage the magnificent surroundings of the noble pagans contrasted with the pow rty and privations of the despised Christians. Senically the production is said to be most comp'ete and beautiful, and one of the largest productions on the roal. The company is composed of twenty-two players of note, and the fact that Mr. Berger, so long identified with the late Sol. Smith Russell, is the manager, assures a production that is first class in every particular. Mr. Berger has bought the American rights of the piece and the company that will be seen in this city is one of the best that has ever presented the play in this country, including Malter Law, the eninent young English actor, who appears as "Marcus Superbus", Prefect of Rome.

EARL RUNS A CARPET FADTORY

many members of the British So many members of the British aristocracy are now engaged in trade, solely for the jurpose of making money, that society no longer looks askance upon the peer who enters the realm of commerce. But in taking over the business of the famous old Wilton carget factory, which is threatened with ruin by

in taking over the business of the famous old Wilton carret factory, which is threatened with ruin by foreign comretition, the Earl of Pembroke is actuated more by public-spirited motives than by the desire to add to the big income he derives from his ancestral acres. It was only after be had fained to induce some of the great London firms to come to the rescue that, with the aid of Lord, Radnor and some other friends, he purchased the ancient factory, to the delight of the weavers, who have long regarded the family, which owns 40,000 acres in Wiltshire, as hereditary guardians of their industry.

The nobleman, however, is only following historic precedents. Something like 150 years ago another Earl of Pembroke, the tenth of the name, saved the business from extinction in much the same fashion when it was beset with financial difficulties.

For more than three centuries the Wilton folk have made carpets. Now working in the factory are lineal descendants of some of the men whose names appear in a charter granted to the factory in 1700.

At the same time the Earl intends to run the factory on business lines, and little doubt is felt of his ability to make it pay. A younger brother, with apparently scant prospects of succeeding to the earldom, he sat for many years in the flouse of Commons, and familiarized himself with business matters. It was his talents in this direction which, on his accession to the title in 1895, led to his appointment as Lord Steward of the King's household with the snug salary of \$10.000 a year.

Some sins show a soft head rather than a hard heart.

He hath riches sufficient who has enough to be charitable.

The first step toward curing a and stiff keep his friends is a won-

HELPING OUT THE FISH LIARS

"During a vacation in the Maine woods I discovered a gold mine, so to speak, that gave me my start in name is now on scores of pictures of stars in the theatrical firmament. An uncle of mine had a farm in the Rangely Lake district. I had just begun to get interested in amateur work with a camera, so I took one along with me. One day while I was fishing by the lake, with my camera and luncheon basket with me, two men in a dugout came along.
"Say, bub," said one of the men, 'can you take pictures?"
"Sure thing," I replied.
"Is that your string of fish?" asked the other man.

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"Sare thing," I replied.

"Is that your string of fish?" askated the other man.

"Right again," I said.

"In less than three minutes the deal was fixed up. Those two Boston sports, who had been fishing all day without getting more than a bite, posed in their dugout, in all their fancy fishing togs. My string of fish was hanging over the side. One of them had his pole over the side of the dugout, as though waiting for a bite. The other was in the act of hauling in a fish—one that I had caught an hour before. I took three poses of them doing the heavy sport act, and, later on, one showing them sitting on a bank after a hard morning's wors, enjoying my luncheon. Five dollars was my bribe for the string of fish and for holding my tongue, and five more was promised when I delivered the proofs next morning.

"The dead game sports were delighted. They ordered a dozen of each negative, and mailed them to their friends in the city.— just a snapshot, you know, taken by our guide.' More than that, they took the string with them for two days and sent presents of fish back to town to back up the photographs.

"I made a good thing and got an idea. I established the reputation of a dozen city sports that summer."—Boston Post.

To accept good advice is but to increase one's own ability.

The Days of Auld Lang Syne

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century

From The Planet fyles from June 22, 1861, to July 16, 1861,

Charles Dickens and his wife have been reconciled and are again living together.

It was in this election that Geo. Brown was defeated and retired from public life.

Birth-At Rose Cottage, on the 13th inst., Mrs. Arthur L. Hill, of a daughter.

There is much news ager talk of war between England and the United States,

Birth-At Chatham, on Monday, the 15th, the wife of Frederick T. Andrew, Esq., of a daughter.

John McPherson was teacher of the Bloomfield Public school in Rar-eigh. When he left he was re-sented with an address by his rupils.

Teacher wanted for School Section No. 8, Little Bear Creek, Dover East. Address Lawrence Doyle, Oungah P. O., or Alexander Gordon, or John Chalmers.

John Murray, the blacksmith of Gretna Green, is dead. During his long and useful life be conferred harpiness on several hundred per-secuted courses.

We are requested to intimate that Mr. Guidness will reach next Sab-bath morning in the church of which Rev. A. McColl is pastor, and in the evening in the open air market

Kuighthood—The Queen of Eng-land has instituted a new order of Knighthood to be called the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, She herseif is its head and the Governor of India the Grand Master. A number of the Indian Princes are among the Knights, also Prince Albert and the Prince of Wales.

This twelfth day of July there was no county procession of the Orangemen of Kent, the several lodges angemen of Aent, the several longes preferring for once to meet in district processions. There were assembleys at Dresden and Morpeth, Lodge Ne. 1031 met in their hall, Chatham, in the morning, and in the afternoon partock of a banquet served by Mine Host Merrill, of the Chatham Arms Hotel.

At the last meeting of the Board of Public Institution John Walker, R. S. Finlay, D. Campbell, J. Badder and T. McQueen each received a first class certificate during the pleasure of the Board; J. Reynolds a second class and Mr. Baby a third class certificate in a like manner. G. M. George, M. Campbell, H. Mcg. Diarmid, M. E. Ward, M. C. Campbell, E. Maine, J. F. Hicks and J. DeCow received each a first class certificate for one year.
H. Youge, L. Fousher, M. Taskey, T. T. Tuttill, M. McKinlay, R. H. Waddell, P. S. Livingston and J. Birch received each a first class certificate for six wouths.

shall, W. Ketson, C. Livingston, T. McIntyre, H. E. Winter, J. McIntyre, J. Ruthven, C. F. Arnold, and M. McKerrall received each a second class certificate for one year, S. Leemley, C. Hawley, J. McDonald, M. A. Bell, J. W. Switzer, M. Smith, S. Houson, S. A. McDonald, O. Richell, A. L. Ransom, J. Campbell, and S. Clarke received each a second class certificate for six months, C. Fordham, A. Ouellette, C. Wigle, J. Mitten, J. Comfort, L. Shewburgh, J. McGregor, E. McIntosh, A. Mahoney, J. T. Rapier, A. Highgate, E. Goff, Chas, Grant, J. J. Henson, J. Smith, and W. N. McQuina received each a third class certificate for six months.

Archibald McKellar, Liberal, is reelected to the Legislative Assembly over Albert Prince. The following was the vote:

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A fine game of cricket was played on the 18th inst, between the Wal-laceburg and Dawn Mills clubs on the ground of the latter. The weslaceburg and Dawn Mills clubs on the ground of the latter. The wea-ther was all that could be desired and the game rassed off pleasantly. Quite a number of persons were op the ground and the presence of sev-eral ladies spurred the players on to their best efforts. Wallaceburg won the second innings by three runs and Dawn Mills won the first by 32. The following were the names of the players:

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Dawn Mills—Jas. Paveley, Melville Smith, Colin Rose, Wm. Martin, Wm. Cam; bell, Faxeu Kimmerly, Wm. Ball, Francis Lloyd, L. Hincks, Thos. Wells and James Hatton,
Wallaceburg—Amos "Purser, Wm. Beatty, Jos. Beatty, F. J. Sawyer, Thos. King, Daniel Johnson, Chas. Johnson, A. McDonald, A. Little, Edward Johnson and A. Fisher.
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The game ending early in the afternoon a cricket match was got up between a number of cricketers from Chatham who were on the ground as spectators: Messrs. Goodyear, Fletcher, Hall, M. Purser, Cross, A. Northwood, W. Northwood, and Butler, eight in number, and eleven jicked from the above named clubs. This game resulted in favor of the Chathamites by three runs and five men to spare.

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The players then adjourned to the Union Hotel, where a first rate dinner was served up, when, after having given three cheers for the Waldell, P. S. Livingston and J. Birch received ench a first class certificate for six months.

A. D. Louis, G. Wilson, A. Mar-



That the round sailor will continue a fashionable design in headgean. This pretty model is of scratched white fe't tri med with dainty stripped ribbon and bunches of morning glories.