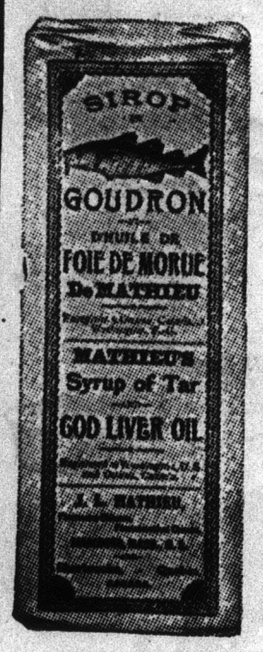

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Mikado's Night Rambles.

The Japanese press has related numerous anecdotes of the Mikado. Most of them deal with his indefatigable activity, for he is declared to be the busiest man of his empire. At night, when everybody is asleep—and in the country of the crysanthemum they go to rest early—the Mikado leaves his palace and, with his hands in his pockets and a cigar in his mouth, rambles through the streets of the capital in order to make sure that everything is quiet and that his loyal subjects sleep the sleep of the just.

A Disappearing Prairie.

Some years ago a topographer was sent out from Washington to make a survey of what was then Payne Prairie, Florida, a bit of land about eighty-five miles in extent. The survey was made and the prairie described. Three or four years later a new surveying expedition found that this land had been transformed into a body of water, and it was put on the map as Lake Alachua. It developed that this lake-prairie plays a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde game with itself, sometimes appearing as one and sometimes as the other.

A Comic Railway.

The Uganda Railway will impress a traveler as being one which, to do it full justice, should be dealt with in comic opera. Named after a colony through which it does not run, starting from a terminus carefully placed as far away as possible from the port it serves, though reaching the island on which that port is situated by a bridge built at great expense, running for a long extent through natural game preserves, with the result that its trains are held up from time to time by objecting animals, every mile on the line has a more or less humorous tale attached to it.

In the early days, while construction was still proceeding and while only a part of the line was open for traffic—in fact, until quite recently, life on the line most almost has been interesting and occasionally very exciting. As recently as two years ago, for instance, the traffic manager at Mombassa received from the Babu station master at Simla the following telegram marked urgent.:

"Lion is on platform. Please instruct guard and driver to proceed carefully and without signal in yard. Guard to advise passengers not to get out here, and be careful when coming into booking office."

The touching piece of advice included seems somewhat superfluous. However, one bold sportsman did get out, and ascending a convenient tree managed to "get" a lioness and a lion within a few minutes. He further wounded another lion, the one waiting on the platform. However, the latter, after being wounded, disappeared and could not be found, so the sportsman went along the siding to look for him. He found him—suddenly—but owing to his swiftness in getting in a blow from the shoulder on the lion's jaw after an exciting rough and tumble, he found himself on top when the lion bolted into the bush.

The conditions of the Arctic atmosphere are so favorable for the transmission of sound that it is possible for two persons to converse through a mile of space.

In Switzerland uniformity, or fixed prices, may be arranged, but agreements to discriminate against or to prohibit the sale of any article are not permitted by law.

Experiments have recently been made with an inflammable paste on bullets. When the bullet leaves the muzzle the paste ignites, leaving a stream of smoke behind it, enabling the marksman to watch its course, and, if necessary, correct his aim for the next shot.

One of the curious things that men of science have discovered in their innumerable efforts to measure and map the earth with the least possible error is the fact that there are places where the direction of a plumb line is not vertical. Irregularities of density in the crust of the globe may produce this phenomena. A remarkable instance has been found in the island of Porto Rico, where the deviation from the vertical is so great that, in mapping the island, the northern and southern coast lines, as shown on the other maps, had each to be moved inward half a mile.

Facts and Figures.

New York City's Police Department has recovered about $400,000 in stolen property during the last year.

The greatest heat is never found on the Equator, but some 10 degrees to the north, while more severe cold has been found near the Pole.

One of the oldest and most curious samples of the locksmith's art is attached to the door of Temple Church, Fleet Street, London. The key weighs 7 pounds, is 18 inches long, and, unlike other keys, it was not made for the lock. On the contrary, the lock was made for it.

In the south of France one may see, at the little wayside stations, women attending to the signals of the half dozen daily trains; while the companies regularly economize at the level crossings by employing female labor. The husband can be seen at work at his vines upon the hillside, while the wife waves the green flag and keeps the children quiet.

Parisians have found a way of turning the rat into a profitable commodity. In that city there is a rat pound. It is a deep walled pit, in which some thousands of rats are kept. A dead horse is thrown into this pit at night, and rats strip the carcass of its flesh. Once a month there is a general slaying of rats by gas. The rats are sleek and plump and their hides are in excellent condition. Their skins are removed and treated and eventually are made into "kid" gloves.

Many birds form their sounds without opening their bills. The pigeon is a well known instance of this. Its cooing can be distinctly heard, although it does not open its bill. The call is formed internally in the throat and chest, and is only rendered audible by resonance. Similar ways may be observed in many birds and other animals. The clear, loud call of the cuckoo, according to one naturalist, is the resonance of a note formed in the bird. The whirring of the snipe, which betrays the approach of the bird to the hunter, is an act of ventriloquism. Even the nightingale has certain notes which are produced internally, and which are audible while the bill is closed.

Germany has been doing some figuring on the annual profit to Europe from the American tourist invasion. It is assumed that 300,000 persons make a flying trip across the Atlantic each year, and their expenditures, exclusive of steamship tickets, are averaged at $700 a head, or a total of $228,000,000. The sum is mostly divided among the railroads, hotels and boarding houses, tailors and dressmakers, and art dealers. It is estimated that 30,000 American women buy more or less clothing in Paris every year, and that they leave $8,000,000 as a minimum with the dressmakers and $1,500,000 with the milliners.

It is thought that the old Caylloma silver mines in Peru are probably situated at a greater elevation than any other considerable mines in the world. Their altitude varies between 14,000 and 17,000 feet. They were worked by the Spanish in the sixteenth century, and before that, it is believed, by the Incas. An English company is now preparing a hydro-electric plant for them. This plant will be situated at an altitude of between 15,000 and 16,000 feet. It will derive its power from a waterfall on the Santiago River, and in a dry season from Lake Huaillacho, one of the sources of the Amazon. The power will be transmitted by cable about 3 miles.

The last discovered and most distant of great planets, Neptune, extended the solar system more than one thousand million miles. Prof. Geo. Forbes is seeking an even more distant planet, so confidently that he has actually named it Vicoria, and he expects that it will be found about 10,000,000,000 miles from the sun.

Trousers were not introduced into England without a struggle—a struggle in which the Duke of Wellington suffered his only defeat. For it is on record that in 1814 he was refused admission to Almack's "because he wore trousers instead of breeches and silk stockings." Next year trousers were admitted to Almack's, and Wellington won Waterloo.

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