

We Get the Best Lemons.

Considerable information about lemons, which are now coming into the market in large quantities, is contained in a letter from Louis H. Bruhl, United States Consul to Catania, Sicily, and published in the United States consular reports for April. Lemons, Mr. Bruhl says, begin to ripen in September, and are picked from November to April. The November crop is the hardest and best. It will keep until early summer, and is stored until late in the spring, and then shipped. The lemons are picked green, but turn yellow in the boxes. Before the fruit is shipped abroad it is taken out of the boxes and repacked. That which is bruised or specked and which would probably rot in transit is either peeled and the juice pressed out or cut up with the peel in halves or quarters and packed in barrels with brine (sea water, generally, with some salt added) and shipped to London or Liverpool for confectioners' use. The best of the crop comes to this country. The next best goes to England.

The small, greenish tinged lemons that are sold here early in the fall are secured as follows: The trees are allowed to suffer for water during the summer months. About September 1 plenty of water is given them, and the soil around them is thoroughly cultivated. The trees put forth small dwarfish flowers, which during the following summer will bring forth the small lemons that sell in this city frequently "twenty-five for a quarter." This crop is harvested in June and July, and stands exportation even better than the choice November fruit.

There is no such practice as curing lemons. They are gathered and packed in boxes. After fifteen days they are repacked and held until shipped. Boxes of winter fruit hold about 300 lemons, while from 360 to 400 of the smaller summer fruit is often packed in one crate.—New York Press.

Poison plays an important part in social relations in the Indian Punjab, judging from a recent official report which, for the year 1883, gives a total of 498 cases of homicide by poison and 238 cases of the poisoning of cattle. Opium is the favorite means of suicide. When it is a question of killing some one else, arsenic and datura are the preferred agents. For cattle arsenic and the poisonous seeds of a native plant are employed.

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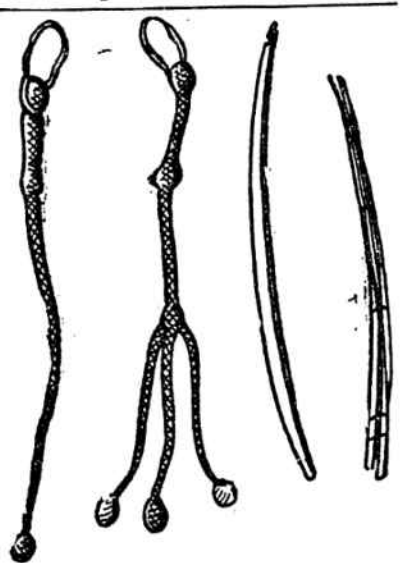
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Punishment by the Knout.

The whip, as an instrument of discipline, has almost disappeared in this country. It is a good many years since the "cat" has flourished over the backs of our seamen and its employment in our prisons is exceptional in these days. And even where it does exist the present day punishment of



RUSSIAN INSTRUMENTS OF PUNISHMENT.

the "cat," inflicted with an instrument that carries no knots and seldom more than fifteen or twenty strokes, is not to be compared with the savage floggings of the past.

The Russian "knout," however, is a much more terrible instrument of torture than the "cat," as will be seen from the accompanying illustration. And, unfortunately, one never knows for certain how much of the knout is left in modern Russia. The telegraph wire still at times carries the horrid whizz of it from remote Siberia, and only the other day came the news from St. Petersburg of a new imperial ukase "abolishing the use of the knout for the punishment of offenses committed by the peasantry, who have hitherto been completely at the mercy of the local judges in this respect, because statistics were submitted to the Czar, showing that in ten years 3000 persons, mostly guilty of thefts of produce, had died after punishment with the knout."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Oriental Flies.

In Egypt and other countries bordering on the Eastern Mediterranean eye troubles are extensively propagated by certain small flies which carry germs from one individual to another, being attracted by the moisture of the organs. Recently two American entomologists, Schwarz and Hubbard, have discovered that similar complaints are occasioned quite extensively in this country by flies of the same kind, or at all events of nearly related species. At least two species of these insects are found in great numbers in the South, and there is one species in the neighborhood of Washington. Where the flies abound they may be seen on any sunny day hovering about the heads of dogs. One species is very plentiful in Florida, where whole schools and communities sometimes suffer from epidemics of sore eyes thus caused, the effects being serious and lasting.

Lost Dog Found by Telephone.

Mr. Wieck, of Cleveland avenue, has a water spaniel, Gyp by name, which he prizes. The other day Gyp strayed away from home. He wandered far down on the South Side, where he was seen by F. M. Miller, residing near Sixty-ninth and State streets. Mr. Miller, knowing a good dog, took Gyp home in his buggy.

Mr. Wieck advertised the loss of his dog and Mr. Miller answered. As lost dogs are numerous Mr. Wieck did not feel sure that the one about which he



THE IDENTIFICATION BY TELEPHONE.

received a letter was his, and to save a fruitless journey to the South Side he conceived a plan to identify his spaniel without going to him. He went to a telephone station at the corner of Lincoln and Garfield avenues and Mr. Miller went with the dog to the Englewood Telephone Exchange. The dog was placed upon a table, and when the two men got the line the receiver was placed to Gyp's ear and Mr. Wieck called the spaniel's name. The dog immediately made demonstrations showing that he recognized his master's voice. Mr. Wieck's spaniel has a habit of barking when anyone says "fire." Mr. Wieck called "fire" over the wire and the dog began to bark. That settled it. Now Gyp is at home. —Chicago Record.

A Cow's Queer Taste.

A Stebbenville (Ohio) despatch says: "Farmer Rudolph Hook, of Gould's Station, near there, owns a fine cow that is fond of drinking oil, and at every opportunity the gentle creature hies herself to one of the numerous oil wells in the vicinity of the Hook farm, in the Gould oil district, and drinks the greasy liquid as it flows from the pipes into the tank. The discovery was made by the dark color of the cow's milk and its oily taste, but it was several days before the cause was ascertained. Yesterday morning Mr. Hook followed the cow as she went off for her daily drink of oil, and watched her as she drank nearly a gallon of the raw fluid as it was pumped out of the earth. The cow has been tied up in the pasture field until broken of her remarkable appetite for oil.

SUMMER GOWNS.

NOVEL EFFECTS IN WOMAN'S HOT WEATHER DRESSES.

Using Artificial Flowers For Trimming—Stylish Way of Wearing Sleeves—Plus Our Grandmothers Used.

THE French dressmakers are using artificial flowers for the entire trimming of some of their loveliest confections, and it will be easily seen what charming effects may be produced in this way. For instance, an evening gown made by Doucet has a skirt with a pink satin front hanging in four godets. On each fold is a group of shaded roses at the bottom, with a rose vine of green leaves extending up the skirt about three feet. The short train to this dress is of green and pink flowered moire. The bodice is of pink mousseline de soie, made with a deep, square neck bordered with roses of various shades with a green vine from each rose brought down to the waist,



PRETTY AND SIMPLE SUMMER GOWN.

and confined with a green velvet belt. A group of the same roses is fastened to the left hip with the trailing vine hanging below, and the sleeves are of the green and pink moire. Another fairly-riche robe was of figured organdie, with a blouse corsage all bunched up with different colored chrysanthemums.

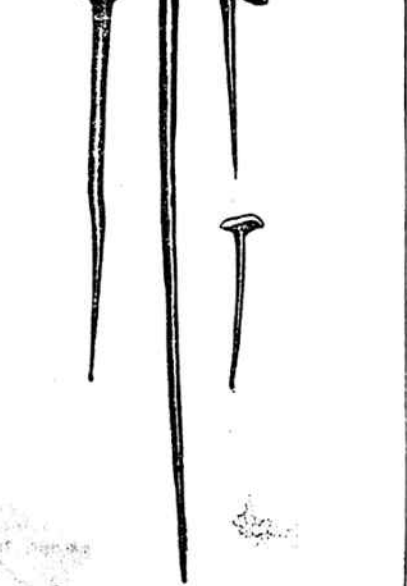
The present sleeve with its balloon puff and tight-fitting forearm offers very pretty opportunities for novel effects. A velvet puff has a tight guinea sleeve below, which ends at the elbow in long points which flare over the velvet to which each point is flatly sewn. Another stylish way is to have the forearm tight-fitting, of course, and finished on the outside seam with five small bows. Then comes the puff, above which the yoke of the dress is cut down over the shoulder in long vandykes, the end of each point hanging over the sleeve and being finished with a bow the same size as those in the sleeve. What is called the "manche Mercedes" is becoming to tall, slender people; this has a puff at the shoulder, then a shirring, then a ruffle, then another puff (a smaller one), then a long, straight cuff, and finally a gathered fall of lace at the wrist.

The little French gown in the double column illustration is the prettiest and simplest thing imaginable. It is of flowered silk, made with exquisite daintiness of cut and fit.

THE PINS OF OUR GRANDMOTHERS.

Colonel John M. Sandridge, now residing in North Louisiana, sends the Pictayune some quaint samples of the kinds of pins our grandmothers used in early days in this country. Our artist has faithfully reproduced several for the benefit of our readers.

Says Colonel Sandridge: "She" knows, doubtless, of the wisecrack of ancient times, who declared the glow-



PINS OUR GRANDMOTHERS USED.

ing locks of a woman's head to be her "glory," and as our grandmothers of the Revolution oftentimes had nothing better than strings and pins from a thorn bush to keep their locks in

place, I beg to offer a sample of the pins so used taken from the locust tree, growing in all parts of the country. My grandmother taught me to whittle them into fancy—if not ornamental—shapes, but none of them, I suppose could be put to use to arrange the spezzeringnams and curlicurums of their granddaughters, who—as represented by "She," in the Pictayune, seem to hold the world in a swing just now—but for the topknot, nothing could be better.

Now, it would be a quaint and pretty style, "She" thinks, for our girls to cut their pins from the locust trees during their outings this summer. When one is loitering in country homes, one still seeks for pretty effects to dazzle the eye of the country swains and the city beaux who follow; the "locust pin" would have a fresh "woody" effect, and the dark brown would be really quite ornamental against golden coils. Another thing, it would be a delightful way of passing the dull summer hours for belles and beaux to go on a "locust pin" hunt, and then one could sit within the shades of the locust tree, and while "He" whittled the pin into



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CURIOUS FACTS.

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English clergy adopted silk gowns for church use in 1534.

One-fifth of the whole of the African continent is a desert.

People knew how to use lamps before writing was invented.

One very common species of ocean infusoria is shaped like a bell.

The skeleton alone of an average whale weighs twenty-five tons.

The polar currents contain less salt than those from the equator.

The Gulf Stream is 110 miles wide and from 400 to 600 fathoms deep.

In a cubic meter of limestone Origny found 3,000,000,000 sea shells.

No Indian tribe north of Mexico has domesticated any animal but the dog.

The waters of North America are stocked with 1800 different varieties of fish.

Korea has a cold wind cave from which a wintry blast continually blows.

Every Indian tribe had a collective name, generally that of the animal or object which served as the token or idol.

The total cordage required for a first-rate man-of-war weighs about eighty tons and exceeds \$15,000 in value.

In 1773 the Dutch lost the vessel Antoinette, an Indian, and with her sank \$3,500,000, besides jewels of great value.

Monads in the shape of men, of bears, alligators and serpents have been found in various parts of the United States.

It is said that the Eskimos give the doctor his fee as soon as he comes. If the patient recovers he keeps it; otherwise he returns it.

There is a spring on Pecos River, in San Miguel County, New Mexico, which throws out a stream fifteen feet wide and three feet deep.

Circus Clown's Luck.

It may not be generally known, says a writer in Le Figaro, that the wealthy diamond mine owner, Sir Cecil Rhodes, has a partner as wealthy as himself. The partner, "Barnato," has within the last few days made a visit to Paris, and he is not a social success, notwithstanding his wealth of \$175,000,000. He dresses in a shabby manner, is small and insignificant in stature, and looks more like a hostler than a man of such enormous wealth and influence. He looks to be about forty-five years of age. Where he was born, his antecedents, and what he intends to do with his large fortune is as much a mystery as he is himself. His only distinguishing trait is to make money and save it.

Barnato arrived at Kimberly, South Africa, twenty years ago as a clown, attached to a little circus consisting of half a dozen persons. This was before diamonds had been found in any quantities and Kimberly was almost unknown, business was poor and one day the owner of the circus found himself "broke," and left his company to shift for themselves. Barnato's wealth at this period of his life was two donkeys and thirty shillings. Having heard of the finding of diamonds in the vicinity, Barnato, who was an observing fellow, picked up in wanderings round Kimberly whatever odd-looking stones and pebbles he saw, carried them to an expert, and soon found himself the possessor of several fine ones. These he sold one and two at a time, and with the proceeds bought land, and this was the beginning of the wealthy diamond mine company, principally owned by himself and Sir Cecil Rhodes.

People Liked to Be Gulled.

The many tricks of trade that are practiced in these times are justified by a prominent soap manufacturer of this city, it being positively necessary to influence a stupid public to buy what is for their benefit. The article in which he takes the most pride is a pure castile soap, purer and better than that made in Castile. He stamped it as American castile and was unable to sell any quantity. The people would not buy what little was taken by the retail dealers. Under these circumstances the manufacturer changed the stamp on his soap to one abounding in Spanish words which meant the same thing. Since the change in stamp the sales have been remarkable, and the soap is ever gaining in popularity.—Philadelphia Record.

Hungarian Children May Not Kiss.

It has hitherto been the custom of the children attending the public schools in Austria and Hungary to kiss the hands of their teachers on arrival and departure. This has now been forbidden by a ukase just issued by the Imperial Board of Education, which bases its decision on a declaration of the Sanitary Council, to the effect that kissing is a dangerous proceeding, and should not be practiced when not absolutely necessary. This may lead to the prevention of a great deal of kissing that is on hand in the country.—New Orleans Pictayune.

Roping a Tiger.

A tiger in Tennessee may be set down as a decided novelty, and the account of its capture makes an interesting story.

One day a circus came to Knoxville, and on the eve of departure the circus wagons were being loaded on the cars. A switch engine was shoving some cars about when one of them became derailed, colliding violently with two cage wagons and the cage containing three tigers was badly damaged. The woodwork was crushed in, leaving a hole of sufficient size for the tigers to get out.

One of the animals leaped from the cage onto the flat car and from there to the ground. The two remaining ones were about to follow suit when the trainer and several other employees of the circus rushed up to the cage and prevented the exit. But one of the tigers was at large, and as soon as the fact became known a stampede of the people in the vicinity occurred, while the circus men rushed to inform the managers.

Preparations for the capture of the tiger were made. One of the Texas cowboys, and the one most perfect in handling a lasso, was detailed to make the attempt. The man handling the tiger was also instructed to assist in the dangerous duty, and the pair went to work.

They located the tiger about a stone's throw from the cage in which he had been confined. The huge brute was crouched under a box car between the rails. His eyes shone brightly and looked to his captors as large as two full moons.

A large dry goods box was procured, a hole bored in the bottom, and the box placed on its side convenient to the animal. One end of the lasso was shoved through the hole and the Texan threw the rope. His judgment was perfect and the lariat dropped over the neck and left foreleg of the tiger to a nicety. Then began the work of landing the animal in the box.

He was pulled up to it slowly, and although he resisted considerably, was at last safely lodged in the box, but not until he had torn off one glove worn by the cowboy and lacerated his hand badly. The box was then nailed up and the tiger hauled away, growling spitefully.—Atlanta Constitution.

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