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### MAN'S INVENTIONS.

Many of the Ideas Used Were Stolen Directly From Nature.

Houses are not the invention of man The idea was borrowed from the swal-

When the world was young its inhab-Itants were troglodyates. They dwelt in holes in cliffs. One savage, more enterprising than his fellows, puzzled his brains to find out a way to construct a cozy dwelling. On one occasion he clay with its beak. It was a swallow, and he watched it build a nest on a ledge of rock

"Wonderful," said he. 'T'll do like-He set to work at once and built a

clay hut. His neighbors called him the "mudbole dweller" and laughed at his house. But, when they discovered that he was more snug than they, up went

The savages lived in mud huts until the beaver came to visit them. In building a house for himself he gave early man a lesson in architecture. The beaver not only showed him how to build houses that would stand all kinds of weather, but instructed him in the art of dam and bridge building.

The gentlemen of the stone age had boats. This has been proved by the things left behind them. It is doubtful, however, whether they invented vessels themselves.

A well known antiquarian declares fin it can skim over the waters at great speed when the wind is behind it.

It is generally believed that man invented the thatch to keep barns and ricks dry. As a matter of fact, it was the weaver bird that gave the idea to him. With its beak it constructs a perfectly made, large, rainproof shelter, or thatch, over its nest. The Zulu huts in the Transvaal are roofed in almost the same way today.

Dame Nature was a glassmaker long before man was created. Natural glass tles are made, and it is to be found in Iceland, Spain, Italy, Sardinia and almost every locality in which volcanoes have been at work. Its proper name is glass to fill all the window frames in Great Britain.

Mica is another form of natural glass and is largely used in the making of chimneys for incandescent gaslights: It is dug out of the ground, will stand great heat and needs nothing but splitting to be made use of at once.

Old brown Windsor soap, so common ly used for the toilet, is not the real thing at all, but merely an imitation The only soap of that name is not made, but comes from the bulbs of the Porto Rico soap plant, and it was used for washing purposes long before man thought of manufacturing soap from fat and other substances. Its smell is exactly the same as London made old brown Windsor, and there is no doubt whatever that the latter is an exact imitation of the natural soap.

At one time the world was lighted at night with "farthing dips," long sticks of compressed fat with a thin string through the center. Before this the seeds of the tallow tree, which grows in Algeria, Sumatra and China, were used for lighting purposes. The seeds, which are of a good size, need but a wick to burn with a clear, white nam It will therefore be seen that the idea for both ancient and modern candles was stolen directly from nature .- Pearson's Weekly.

## TRUSTING TO FATE.

Incident That Gives an Insight Into Russian Character.

A few years ago I was taking a country walk in Kovno. The road lay through a dense forest, and the day was oppressively hot. I arrived at last at a crossroad and sat down under the shade of the trees to rest. A signpost pointed its two arms down the converging roads. On one of them was inscribed "14 versts to Janova," on the other "17 versts to Shadowa." Presently the creaking of wheels and the slow "clop, clop" of a horse's hoofs on the road behind roused me. A cart piled high with tinware was coming down the road, with the driver perched on

the top of the load. "Good day, brother," I called out as the cart, with its sorry horse, came abreast of me. The man returned my salute, and the horse, glad of any excuse to rest his weary legs, came to a standstill in the middle of the road.

"Which way are you going?" I asked "To Janova. There is a market there

"But there is also a market in Shadowa," I answered, "and it is a more important place than Janova." "So it is, so it is," the driver replied, with perfect indifference.

"What have you for sale?" "Plenty of good tinware, as you can see, brother. I have worked for six

weeks to make this cartload." "Well, good luck to you and your tinware," I said, pulling and eating the

berries within reach. "Will you take it to Janova or Shadowa?" The man picked up the bit of cord

which served as reins and prepared to go on. "I shall leave that to my horse," he answered callously.

The lumbering wagon moved off and finally passed out of sight down the Janova road, which the horse had elected to take.-St. James' Gazette.

## FEATHERED MIMICS.

Ostriches Roar Like Lions and Jays

Are Great Imitators. "The roar of the ostrich resembles the roar of the lion because the estrich stole from the lion this sound, even as one playwright steals from another a plot.

An ornithologist made that odd assertion in a taxidermist's shop. He went on to elaborate it as follows: "Birds from the ostrich down are im-

itative. The ostrich where he lives alone is silent, but in a country where lions abound he roars. Why? Because for centuries, admiring the majesty and grandeur of the lion's roar, he gradually learned to roar himself. Believe me, it is fine to see an ostrich throw back his little head and emit a

roar like thunder. "Buntings imitate pipits, and greenfinches imitate yellowhammers. They seek their food in the winter together, and they gradually steal each other's

"The jay is an insatiable imitator. Some jays will include in their repertory not only the whoo-oo of the kite, the scream of the buzzard and the hoot of the owl, but also the bleat of the

lamb and the neigh of a horse. "Even the nightingale imitates. In a nightingale's perfect song I have often heard the tip-sip-sisisis of the wood warbler and the bub-ub-ubble of the nuthatch."-Washington Post.

The Briton and Washing.

We have come to look upon water as meant primarily to wash in, as an aid ablution rather than a thing of beauty. A story of a Somersetshire peasant will illustrate what we mean. The individual in question had never seen the sea until he was taken to Westonsuper-Mare on a "choir treat" excursion. Naturally the vicar, the curate and the rest of the tenors, trebles and basses as soon as the esplanade was reached gathered around to see how caught sight of a bird gathering bits of the first sight of the ocean would strike the natural man. Will it be believed that the words struck from him by the view of "the unfurrowed deep" lying in vast expanse before his eyes were these: "If I'd known what her were like, I'd have brought down a bit of

like, I'd have brought down a bit of soap and had a good wash." The iron, or, rather, the soap, had entered so deeply into his soul that he could only conceive the sea as a huge washing place.—London Spectator.

Wagner's Shorn Locks.

Wagner, the composer, at one time became afflicted with headaches and determined to have his hair cut. He accordingly arranged with a barber to perform the operation on a certain day. perform the operation on a certain day. That worthy resolved to make a good thing of it and informed all his customers of Wagner's impending sacrifice. Most of them paid him a certain sum down in advance to make sure of a lock of the great musician's hair. To A well known antiquarian declares the barber's horror Mme. Wagner suthat the savage stole the idea for the sailing boat from a small shellfish having a kind of fin attached to its back. The barber, in determined the whole of the coveted locks. The barber, in determined the savage stole the idea for the savage stole the idea for the savage stole the idea for the perintended the cutting and when it was over appropriated the whole of the coveted locks. The barber, in dethe barber's horror Mme. Wagner su-By resting on a wave and erecting the spair, confessed that he had sold them spair, confessed that he had sold them many times over, whereupon madam suggested that her butcher had hair very much like Wagner's. And the very much like Wagner's. And the story goes that that night half Dresden slept with the butcher's hair un-

### Historic Relic.

The Chesapeake, famous for her encounter with the British ship Shannon in the war of 1812, is still in existence. When she was captured by the British she was taken to England resembled the glass of which beer bot- by her captor, Sir Philip Broke, and some years later her timbers were sold. The purchaser was a miller in Wiskham, and when he pulled down his old mill he built a new one from obsidian, and there are enough cliffs of the timbers of the Chesapeake. Many of these timbers still have the marks of the Shannon's grapeshot, and in some places the shots are still to be seen deeply imbedded in the pitch pine. If the builder who made this ship knew that its timbers were being used in a mill which is making money for a subject of Great Britain there is no doubt that he would at least try to rise from his grave to right the wrong.

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## EYE Defects In The

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I will apply to the Judge of Probate for Clarendon County on the 26th day of October 1905, for letters of discharge as executor of the estate of T. James Davis, deceased. RICHARD H. DAVIS.

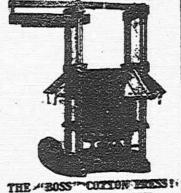
Manning, S. C., Sept. 25, 1905.

## Notice to Creditors

All persons having claims against the Estate of William J. Kelly, deceased, will present them duly attested, and those owing said Estate will make payment

HATTIE J. KELLY. Administratrix.

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EMMIE E. ANDERSON. Summerton, S. C., July 11, 1905.