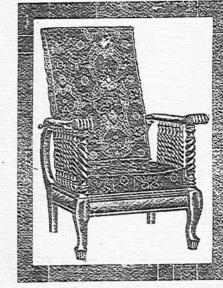
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SHOEING HORSES.

Why This Process, Which Is Very The Operation of Lifting Monster

Ancient, Is Necessary. As soon as the horn of the hoof begins to be worn away faster than it is renewed by natural growth, and that is as seen as the horse is obliged to do regular work upon ground which is not itself in a state of nature or to undergo more than a voluntary amount | chine shop and mill practice. An elecof traveling under imposed conditions tro magnet in its simplest form conon any sort of ground whatever, a shoe of some kind becomes a necessity.

When shoes of one kind or another began to be worn by horses has always been disputed by learned gentlemen. Nor perhaps is it of much consequence whether the horses of Pharaoli were and core of soft iron assume all the shod or how they were shod when they perished in the Red sea or whether Homer, Virgil, Horace and other ancient classics," when they are poets, are to be taken literally rather than figuratively in the epithets which they apply to horses. These would no doubt be considered by a farrier to indicate that reference is made to a hoof gar-

nished with some sort of metal. As for the ingenuous observers who draw inferences from works of sculpture, they might as well argue that the heroes and heroines of antiquity habitually went about winter and sum-

mer "mid nodings on." Xenophon no doubt as a writer of plain prose and of works relating to horsy matters would deserve the most serious and respectful attention, but memory fails to recall any remarks of his about what we should regard as

properly called sheeing. Certain protections for the horse's hoof may be mentioned in the works of Columella and Vegetius, and in the time of Constantine the Great there is said to have been known a footgear for horses which was fastened to the specimen of an iron horseshoe fastenwhich was discovered in the tomb of the frank King Childeric, who died in dustries. In the middle ages, when the 481 and whose tomb was opened in

CURIOUS DESIGNS.

Odd Results May Be Produced by Bropping Oil on Water.

A curious experiment may be made, the result of which will produce a strange natural design, and the attempt may be carried on with almost endless variety in the result. The only things needed are a deep dish of water and the French production, but contracted some oil. Any kind of oil will do, but to Pelouse, which later on was changed better results are obtained with a vari- to blouse (pronounced bluze). The

Fill a deep dish with pure water and let it stand until the water is perfectly still, then let fall into it a drop of pure sperm oil. The drop will spread out, forming a film circular in shape, but very ragged at the edges. If you watch the film you will soon perceive that the center begins to break up, forming ovals and circles, and the combinations of these form endless designs which keep on forming and breaking up from one to another for fully half an hour, making a veritable kaleidoscope.

You will see some designs that you may wish to preserve, and if that be so take a piece of glazed paper and place it gently over the surface of the water when the film is in the desired design. The oil will stick to the paper, and when you remove it from the water, as gently as you placed it there, run an inked roller over it or place the design on an inked plate. The ink will out white against a black background.

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Mosquitoless Cities.

Over in Europe there are many happy towns where the note of the mosquito is never heard and the inhabitants don't care a snap about the pennyroyal market. But in America the cities which can claim to be mosquitoless would not run up to a dozen. Denver is one of them, and, strange to say, Grand Rapids, Mich., only a short way from the gnat Gehennas of Lake Superior, is another. The explanation is that the city is built on hillocks of drift sand so deep and so finely pulthat they absorb moisture like per. Stagmant water does not get a ghost of a chance to accumulate, and mosquitoes have carried their cargo of microbes to more congenial markets.--Health Culture.

Golf and the Liver.

Golf is the greatest of all games. It is the only recreation that is at one and the same time health giving and a complete preoccupation without being unduly physically exhaustive. But I am profoundly convinced that it is far better for a man's liver that he should play a poor game than a good one. I liver like the irritation, the excitements and the paroxysms of a really bad game.-I.ondon Graphic.

The Dog and the Stick. Professor Wilhelm Wundt, the famous German psychologist, tells of teaching a dog to jump over a stick. One day the professor commanded his dog to jump, but held out no stick. At first the dog seemed surprised, and

Man's Debasing Influence. "This African explorer whose expe-

mand to jump when no stick was held

very tough. "But he refers to wild parrots. It's their association with men that makes most parrots tough."- Philadelphia fool a street car conductor with a

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GIANT MAGNETS.

Loads With Them.

Experiment. The peculiar properties of an electric current often lead one to fancy that it may perchance be endowed with the spirit of intelligence, so mysterious are its inner workings.

A most carious use of electricity is the adoption of lifting magnets in ma-

or jarring from the street. Sprinkle over the surface of the wasists of a piece of soft iron wound with a large number of turns of insulated copper wire. When an electric current passes through the windings of wire the electric forces are converted into magnetic forces and the coll of wire characteristics of a common steel mag-

The operation of lifting magnets is quite simple. The magnet is attached to the crane book, and the ends of the wire forming the coil are connected directly with the dynamo. The crane is then swung so that the magnet is suspended directly over the metal to be removed. The magnet is then lowered until it comes in contact with the serve as well. object, the current is turned on, the hoist is raised and the mass of metal

to be moved clings to the magnet. When the load reaches the desired point it may be dropped without first lowering the magnet or it may be lowered, the current shut off and the material deposited gently. The crane operator needs no help to load or unload, and the work can be done in half the time with a saving of from three to four men.-New York Herald.

THE BLOUSE. Its Name Came Originally From Pelusium, In Egypt.

The environs of Pelusium, in lower pastern. However, the earliest known | Egypt, in ages past stood foremost among sunny lands where the culture ed with nails is said to have been that of indigo and the manufacture of fabries died with it were the principal in-Crusaders landed on the coast of Egypt and entered Pelsium, where Port Said is now situated, they purchased quantities of the blue material, which they cast over their panoply of war. Afterward the same material

> to this day. The name of the locality was given the fabric, and this was retained by smock worn by English male peasants is a similar garment and, though it is not written in history that the blouse crossed the channel soon after its entry into France, it would seem probable from the fact that in other times the smock was now and then

of the male peasant was made and is

called a "blowse." This, fair ladies, is the origin of the garment of our warmest affection, to which we have loyally clung for years in spite of many ruthless detractors and will continue to do so notwithstanding the fact that, whether called eratic lineage.

Landor and Wordsworth. Walter Savage Landor was an in-

temperate person in words and hated dor in reference to Wordsworth? "Pascover the paper except where the oil timess and flatness are the qualities of has touched it, and when your process a pancake and thus far he attained his is finished your design of oil will stand | end. Let him place the accessories on the table lest what is insipld and clam-This same experiment made with my grow into duller accretion and castor oil will give a similar result, ex- moister viscidity the more I masticate cept that the designs will be smaller, it." In Landor's letter to Ralph Waldo and every kind of oil will give a differ- | Emerson he writes: "We must now ent design. Indeed, no two drops of descend to Wordsworth. He often gave the same oil will produce the same de- an opinion on authors which he never sign, so that you may preserve an end- had read, Plato for instance. He speaks contemptuously of the Scotch. I praised a line of Scott's on the dog of a traveler lost in the snew (if I remember) on Skiddaw. He said it was the only good one in the poem and began instantly to recite a whole poem of his own on the same subject."

> Your stomach churns and digests the out of order, your whole system suffers from blood poison. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea keeps you well. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Dr. W. E. Brown &

> Buttons. Buttons are certainly as ancient as the siege of Troy, in the ninth century before our era, fer, both in that unfortunate city and at Mycenae, Dr. Schliemann discovered objects of gold, silver and bronze which could have had no other use than that of buttons. In mediaeval times the clothing of the common people was generally fastened with wooden pags of the type and form of those resulted to in emergencies by the country | of the present day. cit's cloth were prohibited by George I, in 1720 to encour-

> age the manufacture of metal buttons. Suspicious. "Mother," says the doubting wife, "I do not believe Henry is all that he

should be." "What is wrong with him now, Agnes? A short time ago you were complaining that he stayed out too late of nights. Is he staying out later than

"No. He spends every evening at home now, and really that looks to me as though he had something on his con-

Incredulous, but Cheerful. Father (at head of stairs)-Ethel, what time is it? Ethel (in drawing room)-It's a quarter past 10, father. Father-All right. Don't forget to start the clock again after the young man goes out to get his breakfast .- Stray

Wagner's opera, "Die Meistersinger," was sung for the first time in America at the Metropolitan Opera House Jan.

Dancing Proves Fatal.

Many men and women catch colds at dances which terminate in pneumonia and consumption. After exposure, if Foley's Honey and Tar is taken it will Arant Co. Drug store.

How He Knew It.

Fair Passenger-They say you can't plugged nickel, but I worked one of on him a few minutes ago. The Other Passenger-I know it, madam. He gave it to me in change just now .- Chi-

The Best Literature.

The best literature of our day is not in fiction. It is in poetry, in biography, THE EARTH'S MOTION.

Easy to Demonstrate It by a Simple

It is quite possible to prove that the earth revolves on its axis by a simple experiment and without having recourse to mathematics. Take a good sized bowl, fill it nearly full of water and place it upon the floor of a room which is not exposed to shaking

ter a coating of lycopodium powder, a white substance which is sometimes used for the toilet and can be bought at almost any drug store. Then upon the surface of this coating of powder make with powdered charcoal a straight black line, say, an inch or two inches in length and lying north and south. Having made this little black mark

with the charcoal powder on the surface of the contents of the bowl, lay down upon the floor a stick or some other straight object, so that it shall be exactly parallel with the mark. If the line happens to be parallel with a crack in the floor or with any stationary object in the room this will

Leave the bowl undisturbed for a few hours and then notice the position of the black mark with reference to the object that it was parallel with. It will be found to have shifted its direction and to have moved from east to west-that is to say, in a direction opposite to that of the movement of the earth on its axis.

The earth in simply revolving has carried the water and everything else in the bowl around with it, but the powder on the surface has been left behind a little. The line will always be found to have moved from east to west, which is good proof that everything else has moved the other way.

WHY CYPRESS WOOD SINKS.

Washington Scientists Made a Most Singular Discovery.

Southern lumbermen take great delight in a story of certain scientific gentlemen who were sent by the government at Washington to study the growth and uses of the bald cypress at a time when cypress lumber was comparatively new to the market. They was made in France and became the went direct to a large camp, presented fabric of which the working garment credentials to the superintendent and watched with minute care the processes of cutting the timber and floating it down stream.

Cypress is a light, spongy wood that grows in swamps and absorbs water readily. The scientific gentlemen requested the superintendent to throw some logs into the river separate from the main rafts and followed their progress down stream in a boat. After floating south for some distance the logs with one accord sank. Much surprised, the scientific gentlemen returned and followed another consignment. The phenomenon was repeated; at a certain distance from the camp all the

logs sank. The gentlemen from Washington, being very scientific, did not think to question the unlettered superintendent about the power of cypress to become "bluze" or "blowse," it is not of aristo- waterlogged, but after numerous observations and much comparing of servations and much comparing of ment of the stomach and indigestion notes reported to their department the Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tabstartling discovery that cypress floated lets correct these disorders and effect north of a certain parallel of latitude a cure. By taking these tablets as soon and south of it invariably sank. Of as the first indication of the disease the cause they were not yet certain, but appears, the attack may be warded off. contemptuous words than these of Lan- hazarded the suggestion that it might For sale by The Arant Co. Drug store. lie in the rotary motion of the earth, increasing in speed as the logs approached the equator until it was powerful enough to draw them under .-

Philadelphia North American.

Fruit Tree Wood. Many farmers who occasionally order the destruction of fruit trees on account of advanced age or unfruitfulness are quite unaware of the value attached to much of the wood thus sacrificed. Cherry wood is largely used in furniture and when polished reveals a beautiful color and provides a passable imitation of mahogany. Apple tree wood is remarkably well adapted to turner's work and is in demand for making cogwheels on account of its great strength and durability. The cogs of wooden mill wheels are often made of apple wood. It is also extenfood you eat and if foul, or torpid, or sively used for fruit presses, where it proves very durable. The value of walnut wood in fine cabinet work is well known, and good prices are obtained for this beautiful and popular

wood .- London Times. The Beard In Tunis. In Tunis when a reigning prince finds it necessary to go outside his immediate family to choose his successor he follows an odd custom. There the wearing of hair on the face is the exclusive privilege of sovereignty. When the prince selects a successor he sends the court barber to the fortunate individual to notify him that he may wear a beard. This intimation is equivalent to a formal announcement that he has been selected as the heir presumptive.

Ambition. "No, Tommy," said his mother; "you can't have any more cake. You've had

enough. "What a fine little fellow he is!" remarked the guest. "And when you're a man, Tommy, what are you going to

"I'm goin' ter buy too much of everything I like to eat," replied Tommy sulkily.-Philadelphia Press.

His Will. "Do you think the widow will break

"Won't be necessary. She did that long before she became a widew."-Philadelphia Ledger. A man's health is something like an

umbrella. When once lost it is hard

to get back, but when worn a little it

may be recovered. Petroleum

The first mention of petroleum in America was made by Father De la Roche d'Allien, a Franciscan, in 1629.

It may be a surprise to many people to know that both the product itself and the names petrol and petroleum were familiar at least as far back as the middle of the fourteenth century. In the Sloane manuscript (fifteenth century) break up a cold and no serious results mention is made both of rock oil and need be feared. Refuse any but a gen- of the correct derivation of the name, uine in a yellow package. Sold by The which is mediaeval Latin and of course has nothing to do with Peter: "Petroleum, oleum est factum de petra. G(allice), petroille." ("Petroleum is an oil made from rock-in French, petroille.") The property of drawing fire had struck the imagination long before the work quoted in "Nature" was published. In 1596 Lodge used it in a metaphor: "As the clay petrol draweth fire, so the looks do gather affection." The word petrol (or petreol) disappeared from English and did not return until the days of the motor car industry, when it was reintroduced from the French in the sense of refined petroleum.

Bernhardt and Dumns. Sarah Bernhardt had just been elect-

ed a life member of the Comedie Francaise. When she found that she had a paper to sign she became nervous and went to see the younger Dumas to tell him that she shrank from the binding terms of the engagement. Dumas' advice was unhesitating. "My dear child, don't sign; your hair is too curly. People with hair like that"and he passed his fingers through his

own crisp waves-"ought never to sign contracts for life. The temperament is too intractable."

Sarah Bernhardt, however, signed, and, meeting Dumas again next day, confessed she had done so. "That's all right," remarked Dumas cheerfully. "I have won 500 francs (\$100). I bet Mme. Dumas that amount after you left yesterday that you would at once go and sign the agreement. Well, I shall buy you something with the money.

The next day Mme. Bernhardt received a magnificent wig of fair hair, absolutely flat, lank and straight. With it came the following sentence on a slip of paper: "Now that you are really one of the house wear this. You will

Elixir of Youth. In former times elder flowers were

treasured not only by lovers of hedgerow beauty but by those who desired to preserve their own beauty and youth. According to the seventeenth century prescription the elder flowers were to be gathered on midsummer day, powdered and put into borage water, which was to be drunk daily for a month, the first thing in the morning and the last thing at night. This was a much prized elixir of youth. By common consent there has always been something supernatural about the elder tree. In Denmark it is protected by the elder mother, without whose leave it is dangerous to pluck the flower. In Germany the hat should be taken off to it. And in England it has been variously considered the tree of the cross and the tree upon which Judas hanged himself, to be treated with reverence or fear accordingly.-London

Written on a Slate. General Lew Wallace wrote the first ough draft of "Ben-Hur" on a slate, giving as his reason that erasures could more readily be made. After satisfying himself with a sentence written in this way he would, with a soft pencil, transfer the writing to paper, and finally, when everything pleased him, he copied the entire manuscript in ink with the precision of an engrossing clerk. It is declared by those who were personally acquainted with General Wallace that "Ben-Hur" as written and rewritten at least thirty times, and that when the final copy was sent to the publishers there was neither a correction nor an erasure throughout the manuscript. The printer set up the copy exactly as it was written, and the author himself never corrected a proof before the book was sent to press.

Sick Headache Cured.

Sick headache is caused by derange-

Has the Wasp Affection? A colony of wasps made a nest in the dark room of a studio last summer. At first the party who used the room did not relish their company, but for certain reasons he did not molest them. He paid no attention to the little buzzers, and they came and went at their own sweet will. After a time he began to study them and soon came to the conclusion that they were gradually becoming acquainted with him, his ways and his dark room. One day a stranger was seated on the window sill. The first wasp entering the room paid no attention to him, but made for the old crack in the wall. Then out came a big fat fellow who darted through the open window like a bullet. Within five minutes half a dozen wasps came with a rush at the stranger and two of them located him. But the writer has never been touched by his wasp colony.-Outing Magazine.

Two Sides of a Word. Miss Sharpe-I've paid this bill once Baker-Indeed, ma'am, I'm very sorry that I didn't recollect it. Miss Sharpe-I dare say that you are sorry that you didn't re-collect it, but I'll take care of

The Good One.

"There is but one good wife in this town," said a clergyman in the course of his sermon-the congregation looked expectant-"and every married man thinks he's got her," added the minis-

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