

Troy M. Bhee, of Spray, N. C., is believed to have been consumed in the fire that destroyed the Blackstone academy, at Blackstone, Va., last Saturday. Up to yesterday his father had not heard of him, since the fire.

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### BETTY LEGEND OF SILKWORM

Father's Treacherous Act Believed by Chinese to Have Brought Bleaching to the Earth.

The head of the silkworm is strikingly like that of a horse. There is a legend supposed to account for it. In the olden days, when gods lived among the people, there was a man whose prosperity had been changed to poverty by the ravages of a dreadful war. He possessed but one treasure—a handsome horse which had been brave and loyal throughout all trials. In his time of distress the spirited horse offered himself for the work of a common pack horse, and one day, when he came to a halt, weary from unaccustomed labor, the man urged him forward.

"Walk, my good friend," he said; "when better days come I will reward your faithfulness. My beautiful daughter shall be your bride."

The horse sprang forward with joy, and from that time was more faithful than ever, and the man's fortune grew better day by day.

The daughter was very lovely, and one day the governor saw her and asked her to marry. When the father proudly consented, he was so indignantly upbraided by the horse for his forgotten promise that the man, in rage, killed the horse and hung the hide with the head attached on the garden wall. The maiden saw it and the sad eyes touched her heart with pity, but the father laughed and exclaimed:

"I promise again. Win and take!" No sooner had the words left the man's lips than a fierce typhoon came whirling through the air and caught up the horse's hide into its darkness. The thunder god rolled and crashed his whirling drums, the wind god loosened his hold on the great bag of winds, and all the world was filled with roar and tumult and terror. The father called and called for his daughter, but the beautiful maiden was gone.

As the typhoon whirled away, one dark cloud drifted back from its inky trail and fell to the ground, not a cloud, but the horse's hide, and twisted closely in its folds was the maiden, calm and beautiful, but dead.

Then the father knew it was a god he had wronged, and, deeply sorrowful, buried the two together with honors.

The next morning the sunshine glistened softly on the grave. The dewy grass was covered over with a cloud-like silken web, and within the filmy meshes sat numberless fairy spinners with long, twisted bodies and gentle, swaying horse-like heads.

So came the blessing of the silkworm to the world.—Indianapolis News.

### The Spring Straw Hat.

All winter long man wears a hat that is easy and comfortable—a friendly, slouchy, well-worn sort of thing that he can pull down over his ears when the wind blows or throw in to the air at a football game. It's just the sort of clothing a man ought to wear, not tyrannical but companionable. And then along comes spring. In the spring, say the poets, the spirit of man breaks its bonds. A fellow feels restless and indomitable, fit for anything and free as the wind. He brooks no restraint, not he. He looks upon his good old cap or hat and decides he ought to buy another. And he does. He goes and gets himself a straw hat—a stiff, uncomfortable, unbecoming sort of thing that is faithless to every passing breeze. A man can't roll it up and put it in his pocket, he can't throw it into the air, he can't pull it down over his ears, he can't do anything with it except wear it daintily and carefully, until the time comes to smash it in the autumn and go back to the old cloth hat. And that's the best proof of the madness of spring—not love, not blooming flowers, but the new straw hat that leaves a red mark on a fellow's forehead.—San Francisco Call.

### Diagnosis.

A party of soldiers stopped some laborers to search their dinner pails for hidden arms.

All at once a soldier gave a cry and hurried across to the officer in charge, holding at arm's length a hard, heavy mass.

After due examination the officer pronounced it a suspicious metal which would endanger public safety, and started to question the workman in whose possession it was found.

"And you think that's dynamite, do ye?" asked Pat. "Be jabbers, I've been puzzlin' my head over it all day. You see, my old woman calls it cake."

### Giant Telegraph System.

According to the United States bureau of the census there are 21 telegraph companies operating in this country, with a total pole line of 241,012 miles and 1,883,793 miles of single wire. More than 155,000,000 messages are transmitted each year. For the convenience of customers 28,865 offices are scattered over the country. A total of 39,600 employees receive salaries amounting to nearly \$40,000,000 annually.

### Potash Discovered in Japan.

Potassium salts, used as a basis in the manufacture of glass and soap, have been recently discovered in nearly all of the numerous salt wells in Szechuan Province, China, which range in depth from 1,000 to 3,000 feet, states an issue of Finance and Commerce.

## COATS WORTH CONSIDERING FROM MOTORISTS' VIEWPOINT



ENTHUSIASTIC motorists scurry over the country in every direction and at all seasons of the year, some of them following in the wake of snowplows or occasionally doing a little snowing on their own account. Cars are provided with so many contrivances for comfort that few women outfit themselves with especially designed clothes for motoring, but they have learned to choose garments that are passable, or even smart, in or out of the car. Everyone finds a substantial coat of some sort a necessity.

As for coats, whether heavy or light in weight, they must be durable and well made, simple in design and ample. Among the new ones there are very attractive capes and capesotes, which are made of double-faced cloth, plain on one side and plaid on the other, and they look as if a very good steam-

er had been sacrificed to their making. But light-weight cloths are woven in these patterns. Nearly all of these coats are provided with a scarf collar to match, to be brought up about the neck when needed. This scarf collar appears in the coat shown at the right of the two pictured here and is one of the several good points about it from the motorist's viewpoint. Its straight lines, big sleeves cut in one with coat, capacious pockets and neat finish of stitching are others. Where warmth is the first consideration, the handsome motor-coat shown at the left of the picture is sure to be successful.

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