WERE CARRYING OFF CANOE.

Wonderful Story as Told by the Veracious Guard.

· Curlous things happen on the Maine lakes. It isn't the prohibition law that affects veracity, apparentlynot a bit of it! It's the piny air which undoubtedly is stimulating to the imaginative perceptions. A guide told me this story by the smudge fire at the door of a log camp this

wuring: "There was a gang of Canucks at Gnose Lake, where we had our sports' camping 'n' they had some Firt of a trawl rigged up on the lake, with the shore end made fast to a canoe. Laws? They didn't care about no laws! It was cert'in sure a great place for ducks and white perch-schools of 'em-and for geese and 'sports.' At night us would hear 'em honking overhead and settling on the water for supper and lodging-

the geese, not the 'sports.' "One night I went down to the lake for water an hour or so after the Canucks had set their trawi. But I didn't draw no water. I yelled for the Canucks to come quick and get their canoe, an' they come quick. The canoe was going out pretty fast, and there was the greatest honking and splashing out on that lake that you

ever heard. "Well, when they got hold o' that caroe and drew it in they had a perch on nigh every hook o' that trawl, and shooked to the perches and flapping of strageous was the geese. They had tried to walk away with the whole witfit, fish, trawl, cance and all."

"Is it a true story?" %"You city 'sports' make me tired."

TRICK OF THE RAT CATCHER.

Paid by the Piece, the Professional Brings Victims Along.

"There are tricks in all trades, and probably as many in mine as in any ether line." said a professional rat catcher. "Catching rats is not always an easy or pleasant task, but with the methods I have adopted I find it a raore profitable occupation than runming a shell game at a country fair.

In the extermination of codents I u ferrets, and when I receive an order to clear a warehouse or an hotel cellar of the pests I insist that the pay shall be gauged by the number of rats

"I carry my ferrets in a big tin box, zeade something like a trunk, with side ventilators. This box has a false bottom, and in this secret compartment I place from four to five dozen live rats before starting out. On reaching the place that is to be rid of rodents. I let my ferrets out, and when they have killed all the rats they tan reach, often not more than a dozen, I liberate the rodents I have brought with me. Of course, with fifty or sixty rats running around loose There is great slaughter, and sometimes my ferrets will kill all the rats I turn free, as they cannot find any holes, which I have taken the precaution to block up. In this way I am always sure of receiving good money for a few hours' work, after counting and rhowing the carcases to the parties who employ me."

The New Thermometer. A new form of thermometer, which may prove useful in laboratories and factories, has been invented by Monfeur Fournier, of the Sorbonne, Paris. It makes use of the principle that the tension of a saturated vapor depends polely on the temperature, and is independent of the volume, as long as the liquor from which it is produced has not been wholly vaporized. The apparatus consists simply of a reser noir to contain the vapor, connected with a copper tube of any required ength. A manometer at the end of the tube registers the tension, which varies with and so reveals the temperature. By means of this instrument an engineer in his office may watch the changes of temperature taking place at a distant point.-Youth's Companion.

Satisfied Young Litigant. The Independent tells of a newsboy who brought suit against another newsboy who had tried to capture his corner on the street. The paper sent a lawyer to defend #s representative. while the youngster had to present his case himself. He had been watching the progress of several cases be tore his was called, and as soon as

be jumped up and yelled "I object." "State your objection," commanded "Well hes got a lawyer, and I have not, and that's not fair," he answered.

she justice said "Jones vs. Smith,"

"Don't you think you and I can take care of them, young man" in mired the pistice

"Oh, we'll if the court's on my side, im reads, instantly explied the compater and the case proceeded.

Spotting Another Fake

The major states of the ammortal 1605 Fitzsummons had been finished age) a few newspaper men had been admitted to an informal view of it in advance of the great public.

"It a a monumenta' take'" exclaimed one of the sporting editors "What, wrong with it" Inquired

"Can't you see?" he said. "This is pure white and Bob has freckles all over him

Accounted For

Mrs. Simmons: I inherited my money after I was married Mrs Kemmons No wonder men got such a good husband -Puch

WOMEN IN INVENTIVE FIELD.

Many Useful Articles the Product of Female Ingenuity.

Women are stepping at a lively gait into the field of invention. There are many successful devices patented in the names of women, and a few of these have made large returns to their inventors. One woman had offered to her as soon as it was patented \$20,000 for her device of a satchel-bottomed paper hag. The glove fasteners which have almost superseded the old-fashioned buttons and buttonholes are the

invention of a woman. Domestic utensils naturally attract the ingenuity of women, and there are flatirons, pie tins, ovens, stoves and baking dishes which are paying their originators well from every-day-in-the-

year sales. But women are not confined to any field. "No pent-up Utica contracts

their powers." A letter-box with a signal for the postman when there is a letter in the box is one of woman's inventions. Another woman has invented an embalming fluid for undertakers-gruesome thing to think about. There are pages of women's names in the patent office reports. There are wheels, locks, brakes, alarm clocks, fire escapes and all sorts of patents issued to women.

WHAT THE LAWYERS GOT.

The Usual Thing When Two Fools Go to Law About Nothing.

Under the headline, "An expensive Gooseberry Bush," an American paper prints this story: "On the boundary line of two farms near R- there is a large gooseberry bush, from which the two farmers have for years gathered the product. 'What grows on my side is mine, and you may have the rest, was the agreement. Three years ago the neighbors had a misunderstanding, and this came to a climax when the gooseberries became ripe. A lawsuit followed, and appeals were made to higher judicial bodies. The final decision has just been recorded. This gives both parties the right to pick the berries which grow on their side of the line-just as it to destroy the bush to both contest

eriginally and denies the fight ants. The costs were charged half to each litigant. Each farmer had to pay 225 kronen. The yearly yield of the bush will bring about 1/2 krone. and the judge told the fighting farmers: With good luck, it will take you only 800 years to make the bush pay Take good care of it."

The Cock's Comb Trade.

"A trade in cocks combs is gradually springing up," said a chicken farmer. A New York hotel pays me a good price for all the combs I can

"But do people est cocks' combs?" "Epicures do. The French love them; they mix them with giblets, and serve them in a great many sorts of sauces. We Americans are adopting French cooking more and more. and a French cook without his cocks combs is almost as badly handicapped

as a sharpshooter without cartridges "We got our taste for frogs' legs from the French, and is there anything more delicious than the leg of a frog? Now we are learning from these people to eat cocks' combs. which taste like an ethereal kind of liver, and before long, mark my words, we shall be eating the rich escargot, or edible snail."

With the Children.

Two little boys and two little girls were playing "house," the boys being the papas, of course. All went well until the papas insisted upon coming home to luncheon, although their wives repeatedly told them that they should stay downtown in their offices and kill bears until 5 o'clock. The argument finally grew so noisy that auntie came to investigate.

"Boys, why do you come home when the girls ask you not to? Is it because you are so fond of them you cannot keep away?"

"No," said Tom, disgustedly. "Is it because you wanted another look at all your beautiful children?" "No," said Bob, with even more disgust in his tones. "It's because the girls eat chocolate for lunch and we

want some."

The Soy Bean. The culture in France of the soy Lean, whose products are so import ant in the dietary of the Chinese and Japanese, is being urged in Paris. A puree pressed from the boiled seeds yields both milk and cheese, thinning with water, producing a very, good substitute for animal milk, and coagalating with a mineral salt fitting the material for cheese making. The cheese is usually exten fresh though it may be preserved by sairing or smoking first being cooked

Wasted Energy.

"It looks like some people are born to ill tick," sighed the old lady "Why do you think so?" queried the

chance caller Well, take myself for instance said the old lads. "I have collected nearly 10,000 medical recipes and pasted them into a book during the last 50 years and I have never been sick a day in my life"

A Future Magnate.

"Tommy, would you rather be & big frog in a small puddle or a little frog in a big piddle?"

Neither I'd rather be like Rocke feller. Then I could own the whole puddle and he the only frog in 6 "

HARD TEST OF MAN'S PRIDE.

Dislikes to Apply to Woman Manager for a Situation.

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A big city department store has in Its employ a woman whose ability finally gained for her a position of such importance that many persons wishing a situation were forced to apply to her. On her judgment depended the fate of men seeking work in the grocery department, the rug department and the picture department. Soon it became apparent that the demand for labor was exceeding the supply. One day the proprietors of the store found themselves in the anomalous position; of being short of help. One of the managers set out to dicover the cause of this unprecedented scarcity of

"There are plenty of men looking for work of this kind," said one old clerk who was questioned, "but they just can't bring themselves to the point of applying to a woman for a situation. I wouldn't be here myself if I hadn't got this place before Miss A--- was raised to her present position. It's bad enough to have to work alongside women at equal wages with out having to beg them for a job. That is something that no man with a grain of sand in his make-up is going to

stand for." The manager saw the force of the clerk's reasoning and the next day he undertook to hire clerks for those departments himself.

AIRS OF ALL NATIONS.

Each Country Has Its Own Particular Patriotic Song.

Here is a list of the national airs of all nations: Argentina, "Old, Mortales el Grito Sagrado:" Austria, "Gott Erhalte Unsern Kaiser," Belgium, "La Brabanconne:" Bohemia, "War Song of the Hussites;" Brazil, "Hymo da Proclamacao da Republica:" Burmah. "Thaya Than;" Chile, "Dulce Patria;" Costa Rica, "De la Patria;" Denmark, "King Kristian Stod ved Hojen Mast:" Ecuador, "Salve, O Patria;" Egypt, "Salaam, Effendina;" Finland, "Vart Land;" France, "La Marseillaise;" Germany, "Hei Dir in Sieger-Holland, "Wien Nierlansch,

kranz:" Great Britain, "God Save the Hungary, "Isten Ald Meg a Magyart;" Italy, "Royal March," Japan, "Keemee" Gajo;" Mexico, "Mexicanos, al Grito de Guerra;" Persia, "Salamati Shah;" Peru, "Somos Libres, Seamoslo Siempre;" Roumania, "Traeasca Regale;" Russia, "Bozhe Zaria, Chrany;" Salvador, "Saludemos la Patria;" Servia. "God in His Goodness;" Spain, "Hinno de Riego;" Sweden, "Un Svenska Hjertans:" Switzerland, "Rufs du Mein Faterland;" United States, "Star Spangled Banner;" Uruguay, "Himno Nactional de la Repulicia Oriental del Uruguay;" Venezuela, "Gioria al Bravo Pueblo."

Parable of Life. A little clock sat on a little table wishing the time away. The Minutehand bustled by, and taunted the Hour-hand with being slow, "I'm around this dial a dozen times while you are getting over it once." "Very true," * responded the Hour-hand, "but vithout me you would not know da; from night." "Don't quarrel,... you two, gasped the little Second-hand, as he rushed along, "Remember I'm of more importance that either of you. In a quarter of a second of time a thousand lives may be lost and at every stroke of my puny hand a soul is horn." "He is only a child," said the Hour-hand, wearily, "Wait till I strike Twelve! That will mean something." And so the Minute-hand went its eternal way, and the fussy Second-hand never paused, and the little dial grew white in the moonlight that hung over one who was watching and waiting for that mement when his hour should he struck by the unseen hand. At last' But without stopping, the little clock ticked on and on.

Ballooning Records. Many notable trips have been made in balloons, in 1849 Mr. Wise started from St. Louis and came cown in Henderson county, N. Y., having made about 800 miles. This stood as the world's long distance record until the Paris exposition of 1900, when the Count de la Vaulx sailed over into Russia. His distance was about 1,200 miles, and he was in the air over 36

bours. The present record for time was established by two German aeronauts last spring. They succeeded in remaining in the air over 51 hours.—Outing Magazine.

Mexican University. A national university to be located in the City of Mexico is part of a scheme put forward by Justo Sierra. Mexican minister of public instruction, at the recent closing session of the Mexican congress. This national university is intended to be modeled after the French plan, and to unite and coordinate the educational institutions of the republic as a whole with somewhat the same relations that the University of Paris has to the framework of French education.

Learned Lawyer's Pun. One of the most eminent London surgeons at the beginning of the last century was a Mr. Heaviside. His in dustry was phenomenal, and so often were his services requisitioned that the report of a case in the courts of justice hardly seemed complete unless his name was heard in connection with it. "Egad!" said a distinguished legal luminary of the day "we never bave a homicide nor a suicide, nor any other eide now without a Heaviside."

NEW PRODUCTS OF FARM.

Profitable Use for Much That Has ple Snould Know. Been Thought Valueless.

While nearly every product of the farm can be and is distilled for special purposes, the French farmer is chiefly interested in the utilization of the residue resulting from wine and cider manufacture, and in the south of flowers and aromatic plants. It is quite a common occurrence in the Alps to pass farm houses where the crops having been gathered the farmer and his sons are forking fragrant lavender, like so much hay, into a huge caldron from which it will issue in the form of essence.

All of these distilling processes are within the easy grasp of men of ordinary intelligence, and offer new sources of revenue to the farmer, particularly in the fruit-growing regions, where thousands of bushels of wine and cider residue are returned to the soil or burned, and where inferior apples are at times not even gathered for lack of remunerative market. If American manufacturers will provide first-class stills of moderate price, and encourage farmers to make use of them, the latter will have a new rainyday occupation that is both interesting and moderately profitable.

ONE BONG BROUGHT FAME.

Dr. Cowen's Beautiful Ballad, "The Better Land."

Dr. P. H. Cowen, the famous composer, was a young man of only 25 when he wrote the music of "The Better Land:" he is now over 50. During the intervening years he has written much beautiful music, but it is doubtful whether anything from his pen has obtained the world-wide renown of this simple ballad. It was written in in an hour or two on the suggestion of the late Mme. Antoinette Sterling. Dr. Cowen was calling one day upon the popular vocalist, when she read Mrs Hemans' poem to him, saying she thought it would make a beautiful song for her. When the score was sent to her next morning. Mme Sterling liked it so much that she offered to buy the copyright from the composer-an unusual course for a singer o take; but to this Dr. Cowen, for tunately for himself, would not agree.

Where He Got It. Miss Pauline Frederick a young actress of remarkable beauty and skill, tells an amusing story of an author who recently wished to read her a translation of a foreign play. Miss Frederick made an appointment and the writer appeared promotly. He was accompanied by a beautiful little dog. During the reading the actress became more interested in watching the capering of the little animal than in listening to the play of its master. When the dramatist had finally "rung down" on the last act, Miss Frederick "What a beautiful little said to him: dog. Where did you get it?"

The man, who happened to be very deaf, answered: "I adapted it from the German."

Arkansas' Great Peach Crop. Arkansas will surprise the world this year with her peach crop. The peach yield all over the country has practically been a failure this season. and with the exception of California this state will supply nearly half of the markets of the United States with this particular fruit of which the American people are so fond. The Alberta is the peach on which Arkansas depends for this year's output. Arkansas, by the way, has the largest peach orchard in the United States. if not in the world. It covers an area of more than 3,000 acres and is locared about 100 miles south of Fort Smith. This orchard will produce enough peaches this year to yield to its owners a small fortune.

The Castain's Answer.

There was a little girl crossing the ocean last summer who was given to asking many idle questions. The captain of the steamer on which she sailed was a gruff old fellow who did not like to be interviewed unnecessarily. One day, when it was quite rough, the little girl spied the captain, and, running up to him, said:

"Oh, captain, do tell me, is it always as rough here as it is now?" He looked at her for a moment, then said calmly:

"I am not always here. I think God alone could answer that question."

Frenzied Finance. Long-I hear you have married your

landlady? Short-Your hearing is good.

Long-What on earth prompted you to make such a misalliance? Short-Well, I owed-her three months' board and she said if I didn't pay up she would sue me. So I married her to prevent litigation, and now she won't get a cent.

Doubtful Compliment. Mrs. Green-1 told Mrs. Knox the other day that my complexion wasn't

what it ought to be, and what do you suppose she said? Mrs. Brown-Really, I don't know. What did she say?

Mrs. Green-She said she only hoped she would look as well when she was my age-the hateful thing

An infailible Symptom. First Student-What, you foresaw that our tailor, poor chap, would go

niad? The Second-Sure; on the twentyeighth of last month he wanted some money from me!

NEED OF SURGICAL TRAINING.

Some Things, at Least, That All Peo-

"Everybody ought to have surgical training enough to render aid to the injured in the case of a stab or cut in one of the limbs," said a St. Louis phy-

"If the blood flows freely, it is an indication that one or more blood vensels have been severed. If the flowing blood is a bright red and comes in lets, an artery has been cut. If it is dark red it comes from a vein and the importance of this fact becomes apparent when an effort is made to stop the flow. Veins carry the blood to the heart, the arteries convey it in the opposite direction, so when a vein is severed, pressure should be applied below the wound, but in the case of an artery, pressure above or between the wound and the heart is necessary. Sometimes, in the case of an extensive cut, both arteries and veins may be severed, and then pressure ought to be applied both above and below the wound. More in one man has bled to death with acrowd looking on simply because one of the hystanders knew enough stop the flow of blood until a doctor could arrive. A hand kerchief with a knot in it, tied around the limb, will often answer the purpose. Even the pressure of a thumb will sometimes hold back the blood until a surgeon can apply more ettective means."

OBJECTED TO LONG NAMES.

English Clergyman Had His Own Way at Christenings.

An English clergyman, Dr. Frederick Lee, had a prejudice against a long string of Christian names, and held that if such names were proposed the clergyman should after them at haptism, whether the parents were willing or not. It was said of him that he christened all the boys Frederick after himself and all the girls Mary after the Virgin The author of "The Life of Walter Pater" gives Dr. Lee's method of chirstening as follows:

"Name this child," he would say in his authoritative voice tine Fertinand perhaps the mother

would whisper. "Frederick," she would hear, to her amazement, and then would follow the formula of baptism.

In the vestry, of course, there would be objection "This child." Dr. Lee would reply. "will have to get his Hving in the world, and what do you want to handle cap him with Archibald Campbell Cholmondeley and all the rest of them

fort. Anshow it's done, and can't be

Rattler in Bedroom. y near citizen of this coun ty, who resides in the Ridge, or North-

Side community, relates the following "Not long since my wife went fatothe bedroom and was horrified to find a large rattlesnake wrigeling from behind a bicycle, that leaned against the wall. The baby had brawled into the room a few moments. pefore and was playing not three feet from the serpent. My wife attempted to strike the snake with a broom, but it sought refuse behind the bicycle wheel, and occasionally thrust its ugly head at her in a threatening manner. She called to me, but by this time the snake had sought refuge under the bed, and I killed it with a load of shot from my gun. How long the snake had been in the room or just how it had got there nobody knows."-Gallaun Cor. Nashvill-American.

Woman's Home Work in England. The select committee of the British house of commons, in taking testimony recently in regard to the control and regulation of the conditions under which home work is carried on. heard the evidence of the president of the Women's Trade Union league. She said that the difficulty in organizing home workers was due to the fact that they were too poor to help them selves. This witness mentioned the case of a woman known to her who could earn only 75 cents a week by shirt making. She mentioned the case of another shirtmaker who received only 31 cents a dozen for making shirts. The witness produced blue corton shirts which were made for 13 in cents a dozen. She said that without charitable subsidies or poor law re-Bot the persons who accepted these low wages could not exist.-Harper's

to Berlin Streets. Kaiser Wilhelm has filst sanctioned a gigantic street improvement in Bor lin, involving an expenditure of \$17. 500,000. It is proposed to widen the narrowest part of Friedrichstrasse 20 feet and replace the present insignifi cant array of palaces, galleries and horels, making the street one of the grandest thoroughfares in the world. it is announced that four German banks and one British bank will fi nance the project.

Humorist Now Sedate. Rev. Robert J. Burdette, returning to his home in southern California from a visit eastward, congratulates himself on his good luck and remarks that any kind of vacation east of the Rocky mountains is harder than the toughest kind of work on the Pacific slope. This Rev. Mr. Burdette used to be known as Bob Burdette in his younger and gayer days, and his Hawkeyeisms were wont to set the

tables in a roar.

More progress than ever will be made this year on the great map of the country which shows all the surface forms of the land, every hamlet and every house excepting where they stand closely together in towns and

MAPPING HE WHOLE COUNTRY.

Great Work Inaugurated by the Na-

tional Government.

cities. New sheets will be made this Beason in 21 states and four territories. The summer field work is all outlined excepting in New York and Pennsylvania. Survey parties are in the field and the work is being vigorously pashed. No country has ever made such

rapid progress with its topographic surveys, area for area, as the United States. Only a little more than a third of our territory is yet surveyed for the purposes of the big map, but this is merely because our land surface, including Alaska, is nearly as large as the whole of Europe. To make as good a map of our domain as that which we can now buy of nearly the whole of Europe we shall have to do nearly as much surveying as all the European powers have done together. Only four of our states-Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and New Jerseyhave so far been completely mapped. but the maps of several other states will soon be finished.

COMING BACK TO HER OWN. Modern Education at Work in Uplifting Egyptlan Women.

The Egyptian woman is coming back into her own after many centuries. An Egyptian girl and a Moslem has just received the degree of B. A. Two thousand years before Christ the Egyptian woman was the head of the house. The women of Egypt are thus beginning to recain the free and honored position which they enjoyed centuries ago. Then woman was the mistress of the house, she inheritted equally with her brothers, and had full control over her property. According to M. Partere: she was juridically the equal of man, having the same rights and being treated in the same fashion." Sire could also bring actions, and even plead in the courts. She practiced the art of medicine, and, as priestess, had authority in the temples. The girt who has just drawn attention to the way in which modern education is invading Egypt probably will not have the distinction of being the only woman of her country with a college degree very long, as there is a movement on foot to maintain a number of girls in cofleges. .

Hotel's Queer Guest. A Central American monkey arrived at New Orleans on one of the fruit steamers and was given apartments at

the Hotel Grunewald all by himself Of course, he didn't get the brida! suite, nor even a sample room. A cozy soapbox in the baggage room. ficed for his comfort, and last night Mr. Monkey was still there awalling

When the baggage man was at the fruit wharf the other day someone handed him a monkey, with instructions to check it to the Hotel Grunewald, where he would claim it. At the hotel the baggage man collected is charges. But no one came to claim he monkey, or to make good tha charges paid by the hotel. Instead of a monkey, the baggage man gor a 'emon and the hotel a white elephan;

Stars and Stripes on Gloves. A new glove design has been brought out for use on men's fabric gloves only, the features a "star and stripes" in colors of red, white und blue, according to Mea's Wear. The giove with the design on will be used tor parades during national, state and tity election campaigns, or upon any occasion when a dasplay of patriotic sentiment in wearing apparel is desired. The design is very simple and easily made, and its used mostly on cheap cotton goods. The glove now sells at retail scores for 15 cents, and with the design on will cost 25 cents

ing the presidential campaign of 1903. Town Overrun by Snakes.

The patriotic sentiment is always in

evidence during election periods in

this country, and the glove with this

design is introduced to be used dur-

Collinsville, Coun., is overrun with snakes. They are seen in yards, in cedars and in the streets, and daily reports are being made of killing them in dwelling bouses and in stores. Large numbers of the ordinary blacksnakes have been killed, some of them being more than four feet long! Flat headed adders have been killed in ac most as great numbers. Water snakes are nearly as common as growshop-

The generally accepted explanation for the appearance of the snakes is that lack of rain has caused all the small mountain streams to dry up, and the snakes have come to town for liquist refreshments.

Minnesota Tobacco.

Many farmers in Minnesowa are growing tobacco on a small acreage this year and are realizing good profit from same. In some sections of the state farmers are planting 140 to 200 acres with tobacco and expect to make a good revenue from it. Growers of Wabasha have set out 12 acres at an expense of \$30 per acre so far. Before the crop is read; to harvest it will cost in the neighborhood of \$75 per acre. Tobacco in that section will realize about \$200 per acre, which is a handsome profit for the grower.-United States Tobação Journal.

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