

DOG ON A LONG JOURNEY.

Traveler Morillera on Cruise Crated Up for Shipments Across the Continent. Passing along a city street the other day, said a town traveler, according to the New York Sun, I saw a dog on at the end of a loaded express wagon standing in front of an express office, a crate containing a dog, a dog that was being shipped somewhere by express.

PUDDLING FOR BULLPOUT.

How the Fish Are Caught with the Bare Feet in Canadiana Lake, New York. "Puddlin' fer pout" is a novel method of catching them which is commonly known elsewhere as bullpout or "bulheads"—a species of catfish common to all the lakes, ponds and mud-bottomed streams of this region.

A few of them, owing to the truly ticklish nature of the pout—frequent the marshes along the bank at the head of the lake at the season when bullheads "take in." A puddler's outfit consists of a bucket or a bak thrown over his shoulder to hold the fish. Nature does the rest. The puddler goes into the marsh in his chief, and sometimes his only—payments, first rolling up his trousers and slaves as far as possible. Then he wades along cautiously, bare-footed, on the muddy bottom, feeling with his feet for the holes that form the hide-out of the female bullhead.

Fiction in Free Libraries. Much of it read by English Readers Would Benefit More. The Hon. George B. Johnston, president of the meeting of the University Extension students at Oxford, and in an interesting address which he delivered, dealing with free libraries, he referred to the complaint that fiction played so important a part in these institutions, reports the London Telegraph. In some he had heard that as much as 80 percent of the volumes issued was of that description, though he is glad to know that in others it was but 15.

Experts of Butter. American exports rose from 5,000,000 pounds of butter annually, nearly all of it to Great Britain. It brings 14 cents a pound at the moment, and the experts are, in average of 24 cents a pound. It is the most profitable export of the country, except diamonds, which are used as prizes. The cows are protected by British troops.

The World Over. American instruments. Mrs. A. Sherman and Miss M. H. W. are our telephone are introduced through by the Chinese, East Indian and Egyptians.

ARE SET AGAINST BEER.

Illinois Farmers Make Short Work of a Cold Storage Plant and Its Contents. "If there is any place in the middle west where the people are out and out against the saloon business it is down in the central Illinois corn belt," said a drummer the other day who knows every merchant in the state south of Bloomington. "The farmers and wise men of the little towns don't mind taking a nip of whisky whenever they get the chance, but they are set against anybody handing it out over a bar."

FISHMONGERING RAILROAD.

New Hampshire Line That Led to Supply Customers at All the Stations. While looking through a pile of old papers the Exeter correspondent came across the following article in a New York paper of the date of February 6, 1850, under the caption of "The Saco Railroad," says the Manchester Union.

Advice to Young Writers. Be Brief Till You Have Made a Reputation. An agent. "If you have a good incident about which to write a story," said one of the literary agents who undertake the job of selling the young writers copy, according to the New York Sun, "that incident is worth a column of narrative. It may be equal to 1,500 words or it may be strong and intense enough to make 2,000 possible. Young writers over-estimate. One came the other day with a story more than 2,000 words long. I told the author that the central idea was good and the story really marketable if he reduced it to 1,500 words. Of course, he was furious and will send another to the publishers. After it has been refused by all of them he will condense it to 1,500 words and bring it back to me."

Electric Cars on Ice. One of the winter sports of St. Petersburg is a system of electric tram ways on the ice in the Neva. One runs from the left shore of the river to the island of Petrovsky and another from the English quay opposite the Senate house to the island of Gubinsky, near the Academy of Fine Arts. Wooden posts suitably embedded in the ice support the trams, which run on rails, instead of on wheels as in the case of the water ice skating rinks. In summer the boats take the place of the roads on the ice.

Remarckable Cases. In La Rensselaire a man has been found whose father was a Chinaman and whose mother was a negro, and the man himself had other strange characteristics. This remarkable case, which is now being investigated by the police, is reported in the New York Herald.

In Memory of Nelson. The British flag on the ship which was around the sailor's throat in a burning for Nelson, and it was never dropped.

THE HIGHBALL IN WAR.

Poetry of the American Patriot Remedy Illustrated in a Panama Revolution. Our esteemed neighbor, Panama, places the world under emphatic obligations by producing something novel in the way of revolutions. The governmental convulsion the other day was due not to a general uprising or disaffection in the army, but to the untamed thirst of Gen. Varquez Cobos, relates the Philadelphia North American.

Mathematics and Launching. The launch of a vessel is primarily a matter of mathematics. In a ship of immense size it calls for a vast amount of calculation before the first step is taken in the actual work, says Franklin Matthews, in Outing in the first place the specific gravity of the vessel must be figured out so as to allow for the various strains to which the hull is subjected on its slanting journey into the water.

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FORBIDDEN MARRIAGES.

Amended Law in Michigan Specifies Distinctly What Relations Are Prohibited.

Under the amended marriage law of Michigan the marriage of "cousins of the first degree" is prohibited, and it will become the duty of the county clerk to ascertain whether such relationship exists between the candidates for marriage, reports the Detroit Tribune.

Proper Automobile Test. Trip Made by Two Men from San Francisco to New York Without Accident. A new transcendental record for automobiles has been established by two men who drove a comparatively small machine of American make from San Francisco to New York, says the Brooklyn Daily Eagle.

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PASSING OF THE PANAMA.

Their Voyage in England and America the Past Two Summers Merely a Craze.

Strangely enough Panama hats are not much affected by Englishmen resident in the lands where they are produced. Their voyage in England and the United States for the past two summers was merely a craze. They were worn by many persons who should have known better, says the London Outlook. Panama hats go naturally with white-tie clothing and soft shirts. Cricketers or boating fannels will do well enough, but a stiff linen collar or patent-leather boots bring discredit upon themselves or upon the Panama hat. Neither does the Panama go well with a fair complexion and light-colored hair. Your swarthy skin and dark hair carry the Panama best. Girls who would wear them should have well-formed heads and a sunny air. Strict decorum and the Panama hat go well together. Fat men who perspire steadily and readily should eschew them, for fat or slim will not wear them much longer. The Panama hat is a link. Any specimens which cost three guineas or over may be kept as a curiosity. Under that price they may be burned or converted into baskets.

THE WOMAN OF THIRTY.

At That Age the No Longer Masquerades and Has Reached Her Highest Capacity.

Keith Clark remarks in the Reader that when one knows the woman of a man one knows the woman. The very fact that she permits you to know her age exhibits her character. She no longer masquerades. She has lost a certain uncertainty, an evanescent delicacy, that is irresistible charm. Women, like philosophy, are divided into two classes, the knowable and the unknowable. Also like philosophy, it is the unknowable woman who is the speculable. Therefore, to get her at her highest capacity, she must be unmarried and about 30.

THE CIRCUIT BARBER.

Takes Temporary Quarters in Each Village Twice a Week and Does His Work. The circuit preacher everybody has heard of, but the circuit barber is less well known. He is a man who goes from village to village twice a week and does his work.

TWO-FOOT DRAGON-FLY.

The Longest Insect Known is One That is a Native of Mexico. Which is the largest insect is not an easy matter to decide as the question of shape has to be taken into account, says Nature.

Benefits of Old Population. Although there is a certain area of about three and a half acres on Manhattan Island where the density of population is at the rate of 10,000 to the square mile, yet the city of Paris shows a far greater average density of population than New York, which shows 40,000 per square mile. The average density of London's population is 27,000 per square mile, and that of Berlin 23,000.

HE WAS ALL RIGHT.

Young Millionaire Kept Company with Customers' Store, and That Was Enough.

They are various ways of establishing credit. It probably is not often that a man gets tried for a bill of goods on such a recommendation as that in which the Philadelphia Ledger in its "Talks Worth Telling" makes reference to. "A stick boy in the storeroom of one of the silk thread houses if he cypeters into the hope of one day being a salesman. To encourage this idea among the boys it is the policy of the house to allow a certain commission on all sales out side where such sales do not conflict with those of the regular salesman. The youth in question, just past 18, sold a bill of silk a few days ago in Manhattan, which has his name. After waiting two days for the order to be passed by the boss for attention he approached the regular salesman and made enquiry about the delay. He was told that before a new account could be opened something must be heard about the quality of the goods being sent to the order. This was never so cured to the young salesman for a moment he said just as what to say. Seeing his embarrassment the credit man said: "Well, son, what do you know about the quality of the goods?"

The Beanstalk Was.

It is true, reported the Cincinnati girl, that your father's customer was short in his accounts."

"Yes," replied her Boston lady friend, "his financial computations were somewhat abbreviated—Cincinnati Enquirer."