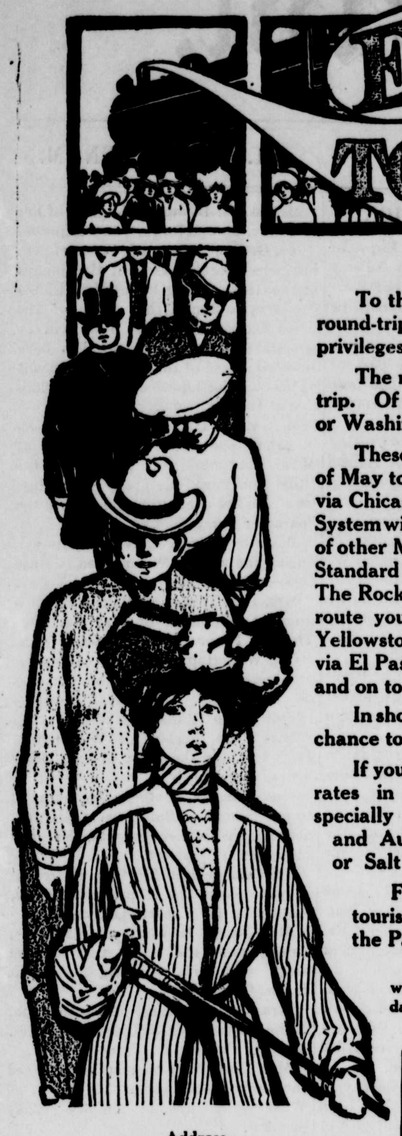


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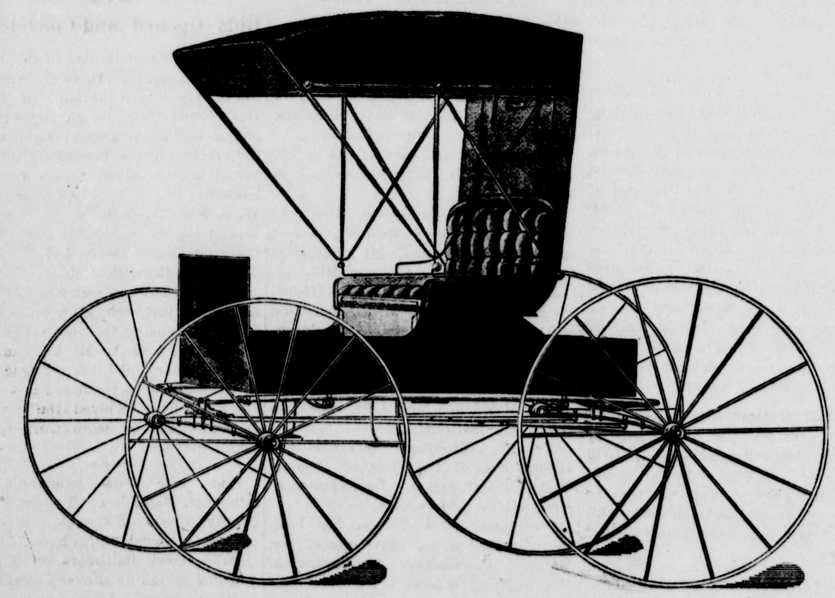
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Process of Tapping the Trees and Preparing the Sap.

India rubber, or caoutchouc, is a dry, coagulated, milky juice, the sap of trees and shrubs indigenous to the most unhealthy and inaccessible regions in the equatorial countries of South America, in certain areas of west Africa and the Uganda protectorate. The mortality among the natives in the quest for rubber is enormous. The natives are equipped for their hunts by the brokers and venture to the haunts of the caoutchouc trees in boats and by marches through miles of thick forests. But the climate carries off the rubber hunters like flies, and the percentage of those who return from the expedition is very low.

Many properties of a vegetable emulsion are possessed by the sap, which contains the caoutchouc in the form of myriads of minute globules. The process of tapping the trees for the sap is closely akin to the method of extracting sirup from the maple trees in North America. The sap is collected in large vats. The juice is then submitted to a heat and smoke treatment. A fire of palm nuts is made, and a pole is inserted in the vat containing the viscid fluid. When withdrawn from the vessel the end of the pole is besmeared with the sticky substance. The rubber is then held in the smoke issuing from the palm nut fire until the sap coagulates. The treatment in the peculiar smoke effects the curing of the rubber.

When the operation is completed the pole with its charge is once more immersed in the vat of raw caoutchouc and the smoke and heat process repeated and so on several times until there is a large knob or accumulation of rubber upon the end of the pole constituted of hundreds of thin layers of rubber. The end of the pole is then cut out of the rubber, and the spherical mass is duly examined by the broker and labeled according to its quality.

ENTERTAINING ROYALTY.

The Task Is Always a Most Trying and Tedious One.

It must at times, despite the honor, be a somewhat tedious function for a British subject to entertain the king, for the house and all therein are for the time of the king's visit royal property. At luncheon or dinner the host and his guests remain standing until royalty appears. Then the host, if the queen or a princess be present, escorts her to the table, the hostess following with the king. If the king is alone he leads with the hostess.

Neither host nor hostess can give the signal for leaving the table, but must await the royal pleasure. If the queen or a princess be present, when she rises she is followed by the hostess, who for the moment is the lady in waiting. As it is not the proper thing for a servant to hand anything to a sovereign, when tea or coffee is served it is first handed to the hostess, who herself offers it to the king or queen. Oddly enough, finger glasses at dessert are, when royalty dines, placed for them only. When the sovereign dons a wrap no servant is permitted to help, but a lady or gentleman must assist.

Another rule is that if there is card playing for money coin fresh from the mint must be on hand for the occasion. The guests for these royal house parties are selected by the royal personages often weeks and sometimes months in advance, and an invitation to them is really royal command. These house parties are always very small, and it goes without saying of the very smart set.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Snubbing a Grand Duke.

When the Russian Grand Duke Sergius, who was blown to pieces with a dynamite bomb, was governor of Warsaw he thought it would be a good idea if the people of that city would contribute to a fund with which to buy sunflower seeds to be given to the Russian soldiers, who are very fond of chewing them. Sergius announced that every one sending money would be given a receipt, but those sending 1,000 rubles ($510) or more would be thanked personally by himself. It is said that the response was excellent. But, though no one sent in 1,000 rubles and asked to be thanked personally by the grand duke, many sent in 999 rubles and asked for the receipt.

A Chinese-Jewish Colony.

There is said to be a Chinese-Jewish colony in the Yangtsekiang valley in China. This colony has existed since 200 years before the Christian era. Its people have a synagogue in which they attend worship, extract the sinews from flesh before eating it, erect tablets to Moses and Abraham and are called by some "blue capped Mohammedans" because of their blue headdress. Otherwise they are but little different from other Chinese citizens, hold high offices in the land at times and because of Chinese tolerant principles have never been persecuted or oppressed.

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If you've been plaanning a western trip and held off for a favorable opportunity, this summer's the time to go. Rounb-trip summer tickets on sale, certain dates May to October—Colorado, California, Oregon, Washington. The Rock Island offers choice of routes and a chance to see the most for your money. Full information, rates and literature from John Sebastian, Passenger Traffic Manager, Rock Island System Chicago.

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The Law Allows no Delay,

therefore, I must proceed at once to advertise and sell the property of all delinquents.

Extract from Chapter 211, Section 68, Code Public Local Laws of 1892, says:

All tax bills unpaid on the 1st of April in each year shall be placed in the hands of the Sheriff of the county, who shall forthwith proceed to sieze, levy upon, advertise and sell the property of such delinquents, or so much thereof as is necessary to pay said taxes, interests, charges and costs of sale, and for this purpose the said Sheriff is hereby clothed with all the powers possessed by collectors of taxes under the Code of Public General Laws and the Sheriff shall report and pay over to the Treasurer before the 1st day of June in each year all the taxes collected by him.

NOTICE—The law requires me to settle with the County Treasurer by June 1 all taxes placed in my hands for collection. All parties whose taxes are not paid by May 1st will be advertised Saturday, May 6th, as the law must be complied with.

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