Draws Sordid Sketch of London Slum Life

About nine o'clock the miserable little fish shops of London, which punctuate the obscure facades of the long tenement rows like big lamps, are crowded with women and children carrying dishes and baskets, writes Alfons Paquet in the Frankfurter Zeitung.

Even as late as ten o'clock children play on the pavements and weary, dowdy women sit on the steps of their tiny unlighted houses, whose windows glint vacant and dusty into the darkness. Women also gather in clusters on the street corners. Silhouettes of men stand out in front of brightly lighted soup and baked potato caravans. Candy stores and fruit shops are still open.

In the middle of a row of darkened show windows electric lights shine brightly on the varnished coffin of an undertaking parlor. All these little details stand out sharp and ruthless, as they do in China.

Until eleven o'clock the corner pubs are packed with humanity. Each has three or more entrances leading to a little narrow room separated from the private bar by a light partition extending from the wall to the counter. The bartender with his barmaids presides in the middle of this horseshoe counter, directing things in a fog of tobacco smoke and whisky fumes.

Men stand as closely together on the sawdust-covered floor as their half-drained glasses on the wet, narrow ledge in front of them. Dirty hands empty again and again the pot of highly salted shrimps beside the door.

Yard, Distance From Royal Nose to Thumb

More than eight hundred years ago there lived a king—an English king, one Henry, surnamed Beauclerc, Alexander McAdie relates in the Atlantic Monthly. Early in his reign gray-bearded councilors declared that in their opinion it would be nice to have a measure of length called a yard; and this should be the distance between the tip of royal Henry's nose and the end of the royal thumb.

The king's nose may have been large or small or tilted upward. Moreover, the distance may have been measured when the king's nose was swollen, for royal noses can hit a doorpost in the dark just like common noses. And the royal thumb may have been stubby or spatulate. Henry, too, might have playfully extended his fingers and wiggled them with his thumb not quite at, but very near, the end of his royal nose; or he might have wiggled eight fingers with the thumb of one hand touching the little finger of the other. Twirling his fingers thus he could delicately convey to the court scientists who were conducting the royal triangulation just what he thought of them. But at all costs the deed was done and the Englishmen of the Twelfth century achieved a yard.

Dog Carried Danger Signal

A motorist who was driving through a small town in Canada one night was astonished to see a little red light dancing about close to the ground on the road ahead. As he drew nearer he saw that it was an electric bulb fed from a dry-cell battery fastened on the back of a little dog. The owner, a woman who was walking nearby, explained that the dog refused to stay off the streets at night, and that to keep him from being run over she had contrived the canine tail light, so to speak. No doubt the dog will soon become familiar with the rules of the road—will slow down and bark at all crossings, keep always on the proper side of the highway and never go more than 40 miles an hour except when he sees a cat ahead.—Youth's Companion.

Stars in Southern Cross

The Southern cross is not a phenomenon. It is the popular name for a Southern constellation situated near the Antarctic circle, and therefore never visible in northern latitudes. It consists of four bright stars, to which fancy, aided by Christian associations, gives the cruciform shape. Two brilliant stars, which mark the summit and foot of the Southern cross, have nearly the same right ascension. The constellation, therefore, is almost vertical when passing the meridian, and these two stars act as pointers to the Antarctic pole.

Early Monopoly

Monopoly in America began in 1623, declares Edward MacMahon, associate professor of history in the University of Washington. A cow was brought to a Pilgrim colony from England, Professor MacMahon said, and allotted to several families, including Capt. Miles Standish, a bachelor. Captain Standish soon bought control of the cow, share by share, and he and his relatives enjoyed an abundant supply of milk while neighbors went without, related the historian.

Pest Imported in 1885

The cotton boll weevil was originally Mexican, having been found around Monclova, state of Coahuila, Mex., where as early as 1856 to 1862 it did such damage to cotton that cotton-growing there was abandoned. In 1885 the boll weevil crossed the Texas border into the United States. It encroached steadily from year to year until, in 1922, it infested practically the entire cotton-growing region of the ...ted States. The only extensive un...ed territory lies in west and ...west Texas.

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Poultry Notes

Items That Will Interest Our Readers Who Raise Poultry

Those two words "Be Prefared" are th emotto of the boy scouts organization of the world. It is one of the best mottoes that a business man of any kind could put up in his office and try every hour to live up to. "Be prepared" for hatching the moment the hatching time comes. Have in hand as many eggs as you need and of exactly the right quality. "Be prepared" to brood the chicks when they come whether you purchase them as baby chicks or hatch them out yourself. I have seen chicks die by hundreds simply because there was no preparedness for the proper brooding of them. This is absorutely sickening to any man who has a spark of love for the little tender things or a streak of strong business efficiency running thru his mental and physical organization. "Be prepared" for the markets every day in the sale of your eggs and in the sale of stock when stock is to be sold. Know what you are doing, their do it.

Most birds will be closely confined most of this month yet. They will have to eat what you give them and drink what you pour out for them. They will have to exercise in securing their food as they delight to, or stand about and grow moss on their backs which is very unnatural for any animal under the sum. They will lay eggs no doubt this month, for it is egg time, and many of the eggs will hatch; but the chicks produced will be determined by what's in your head and how well you use it—not by what's in the hen's head. Domestic fowls in close confinement are positively at the mercy of their caretaker. If they do well he himself can claim most of the honor—of course he must have good birds to start with. If they fail, the man who feeds them and cares for them will have to answer to himself for it.

A broad rich range for chicks and fowls goes far towrd the making of them. It is as natural to them as water to a fish. Millons of years they wandered free and easy in the great yesterday, too, as geological days are counted. You can't well breed it out of them. If you do you are likly to have left only hot-house birds,pepless, vimless, making rapid progress toward the extinction of their race. Get them out this spring as fast as you can with safety. Do you remember when you were a boy in school and you heard the bell tinkle for the arrival of the noon recess;? As you rushed out of doors you felt like turning a thousand somersaults at the first touch of the ground. That's the way our birds feel when they are let loose from their close and unnatural many a time. Let's take these suggestions which the chickens themselves hand out to us as to the care they need.

In an article by Professor A. N. Smith about a poultry-keeper named Billy Weech out in Idaho, there is an idea for watering hens for any one who has a spring of water located on ground higher than the hen house. This man has a water pipe leading from his spring, running the entire length of his long houses. In every pen a vertical pipe leads up from the main supply and ends in a funnel arranged so that water always stands in the funnels at the same height. Elevated platforms are arranged for the hens to each the funnels of water An overflow and drain cilk are at the lower end of the main pipe. This provides an automatic and never failing fresh water supply. This may be all right for summer, but how about winter? For instance, how would it work with thd thermonmeter hovering around zero, like it was the other night?

Dr. Prince T. Woods takes decided issue with Mr. Turner of the North American Egg Laying Contest who stated that heavy laying hens are under weight hens. Dr, Woods says, "I have not yet found any distinct egg type. The heavy layers come in many shapes and sizes, small and large, Then he adds, "Nearly all of the tests, however, of selecting heavy layers, taken into their entierty, possess some merit. None of them are as accurate and reliable as their sponsors claim. Some of the indications claimed are simply absurd. I don't believe that a postive production type can be demonstrated by external characteristics. the thing is automoaically, physiologically and biologically an absurdity."

Dr. Prince T. Woods mentions the more common characteristics upon which various culling systems are based such as short toe nails, late molting, flexible bones, large abdomen, prominent eyes, etc.. etc., and then says, "Get some honest and sincere poultry instructor where you can pin him right down to cold facts and he will admit that these systems or signs for picking the birds for productive ability are just about as efficient as any other kind of guesswork and no more so. Of the several 'signs' mentioned above, the only two of any real values are the 'flexible pelnic bones' and 'the large moist vent.' The other signs are just so much nonsense introduced to provided novelty and something to talk about in 'culling demonstrations' and Utility talks."

We all like to see good looking birds which lay lots of eggs. Further than that, we like to see pictures of such birds; but I wonden if it isn't carrying things just a little too far to show a picture of five conteht winners, posing under green leafy free range conditions, all five exactly side on td the camera, with smooth, beautifully finished plumage, and full tails of exhibition angle in November? It is a picture of birds which won in a contest which closed October last, and it is published in a January maiaazine. Five hens that can go thru a contest with wonderfully good egg records, including an average of 20 eggs apiece for the month of October, and then appear in full weather time to come out in a January magazine issue are certainly quick molters! And these production Leghorns are shown with Exhibition tails! This sort of thing is unfortunate.—Leghorn World.

About 7,000,000 eggs are sold daily in New York. That seems quite a sizable bunch of eggs. But it is pretty fair proof that someone is going hungry here. New York's resident population numbers over 6,000,000. Each day 550,000 commuters stamp thru ferry househ and railroad stations. About a quarter of a million other visitors arrive daily. Add to them employes of railroads and boat lines and others transiently employed here and the grand total will not be far short of 7,000,000. Therefore only one egg a person is delivered here daily.

Women Interested In Their Work

Recent reports from the various ties of the state, indicate that the women who are linked up with the Home and Community Committee of the State Farm Bureau Federation, expect to accomplish much this year in the way of making the farm home and the rural communities more attractive and better places in which to live. All this, and even more, was shown in the reports of the various women chairmen submitted at the Cambridge meeting of the State Farm Bureau Federation, Mrs. J. W. Jones, of Montgonery county, state chairman of this committee is an enthusiastic worker and expects great things of the Farm Bureau women of Maryland during the present year.

Eastern Shore Bowling League Organized.

The Eastern Shore Bowling League has been organized among bowlers from Easton, Chestertown, Salisbury and Centreville. The schedule providing for two games a week until April 14th.

Three games are played each night, and the club scoring the highest number of pins for the night is credited with one game won. The club winning the greatest number of matches will be declared the winner.

The following is the schedule:

March 3—Salisbury at Centreville, Easton at Chestertown.
March 5—Chestertown at Salisbury, Centreville at Easton.
March 10—Easton at Salisbury, Chestertown at Centreville.
March 12—Centreville at Salisbury, Chestertown at Easton.
March 17—Easton at Centreville, Salisbury at Chestertown.
March 19—Salisbury at Easton, Centreville at Chestertown.
March 24—Salisbury at Centreville, Easton at Chestertown.
March 31—Easton at Salisbury, Chestertown at Centreville.
April 2—Centreville at Salisbury, Chestertown at Easton.
April 7—Easton at Salisbury, Centreville at Chestertown.
April 9—Salisbury at Centreville, Easton at Chestertown.
April 14—Chestertown at Salisbury, Easton at Centreville.

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NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maryland

In the matter of John A. McCauley and Robert E. Ferguson, individually and as co-partners trading as McCauley & Ferguson, Bankrupts.

Notice is hereby given that on January 23, 1925, the said parties, of Galena, Kent county, Maryland, were duly adjudged Bankrupt, and the first meeting of their creditors will be held at the law office of Harrison W. Vickers in Chestertown, Maryland on the 13th day of March, 1925 at 2:30 o'clock p. m., at which time the creditors of said bankrupt may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee or Trustees, examine said bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting.

EDWARD T. MILLER, Referee, Easton, Md.

N. B. Creditors should at once prove their claims before a Notary Public and file same with the Referee or have them ready to file at the first meeting of Creditors.

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"HOW TO EDUCATE A WIFE"

Elinor Glyn has the reputation of knowing the ins and outs of the hearts of men and women better than any other woman. This is by way of introducing the glad tidings to local film patrons that this British authoress' story, "How to Educate a Wife," will be seen on the screen at the Lyceum Theatre Friday and Saturday of this week.

Ever since Eve put over the apple stunt on Adam, while the sly serpent hee-hawed somewhere among the verdurous foliage, men have wondered if women could be educated, and if they could, how it was to be done. Some have counselled keeping their wives secluded, like the old Turks and their "harems"; others have used force and fists. still others kindness and courtesy.

Elinor Glyn has devoted her ideas quite differently in this production, which is a Warner Brothers Classic of the Screen.

The characters are "just folks" such as we all meet every day. Their problems are our problems and the unfolding of the story leaves the spectator with the feeling that he or she has just had a perplexing problem of his own placed in such a way as to show both sides of the argument at once.

A very fine cast has been selected, comprising Monte Blue, Marie Preovst, Claude Gillingwater Vera Lewis, Betty Francisco, Creighton Hale, Edward Earle and Nellie Bly Baker. Marie Prevost and Monte Blue have rapidly climbed into the vanguard of movie stars by reason of their brilliant work in the Ernst Lubitsch production of "The Marriage Circle."

This picture is said to combine good sense and hilarious comedy. It deals with the efforts of a struggling insurance agent to get on top by having his wife help him. When she flirts too violently with his clients, his jealously is boundless—then situations get complicated and the drama mov s on merrily.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Percent of Attendance of the white schools of Kent County for the month of January, 1925:

1.	Cherry Lane	96.8
2.	Melitota	95.6
3.	Pomona	95.5
4.	Broad Neck	92.6
5.	Fairlee	92.4
6.	Hanesville	91.2
7.	Morgnec	87.9
8.	Flatland	87.4
9.	Chestertown	87.3
10.	Lynch	86.4
11.	Sassafras	85.6
12.	Galena	85.2
13.	Skinner's Neck	84.1
14.	Massey	83.9
15.	Cliffs	83.3
16.	Worton	82.9
17.	Janvier	82.9
18.	Turner's Creek	82.8
19.	Quaker Neck	81.9
20.	Worton Point	81.1
21.	Kennedyville	80.5
22.	Swan Creek	79.3
23.	No. Ten	78.8
24.	Millington	76.7
25.	Rock Hall	76.7
26.	Still Pond	76.2
27.	Lankford	75.9
28.	St. Paul	72.7
29.	Betterton	71.1
30.	Golt	70.8
31.	Piney Neck	66.1
32.	Chesterville	62.2
33.	Locust Grove	54.1

ANOUNCEMENT.

Thomas F. Healey, wishes to announce to his many friends and clients that he will return to Chestertown, Md. on or about December first to resume the general practise of the law, and that his office will be located in the Copeland Building, Cross and Park Row.

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