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For instance, out of the seven and a half million people in London there is only one moss gatherer. Twice a week this man pushes a barrow to a spot several miles out of the city, where he gathers his moss, and later sells it for decorative purposes.

At the last census taken in England a man stated that he was a walrus mustache collector. The hairs are used for the purpose of making toothpicks, and as far as is known he is the only person who follows that profession.

There is only one lady veterinary surgeon in England. A British firm employs a man whose job is simply to strike matches in order to test them.

Still another of these unusual jobs is that of toad breeder. There is one man who does this, and he sells his toads to gardeners for the purpose of destroying insect pests.

There is no overcrowding in these jobs!

Layers of Warm and Cold Waters in Lakes

It has been found that some of the salt lakes in Hungary present the peculiarity of a layer of warm, or even hot, salt water between two bodies of colder water. Thus, in the Medoc lake, the surface temperature in summer is about 70 degrees, but at a depth of a little more than four feet the temperature becomes 133 degrees, declining again to 66 degrees at the bottom.

The surface water is fresh, but the warm water beneath is intensely saline, and the explanation of the difference of temperature is that, since the specific heat of salt water is less than that of fresh water, the salt water is more easily heated by the sun, and, having risen to a higher temperature than that of the overlying fresh water, retains its heat, because the fresh water prevents its escape by radiation. It is suggested that some use might be found for these natural reservoirs, or accumulators, of solar heat.

Heroic Roman Figure

Cincinnatus was one of the favorite early heroes of the Roman republic. In the year 460 B. C. he was elected consul, the chief executive officer of Rome. Two years later, in time of great national danger, he was chosen dictator or supreme commander to lead the army against the nation of Gauls, or modern France, that was threatening Italy. The messenger sent to tell him of his elevation to the dictatorship found him plowing on his little farm. He put on his toga, the robe of a Roman citizen, to listen to the reading of his commission, and then he went to Rome and took command. He decisively defeated the enemy, and 16 days later he was at home again at work on his farm.

He Wasn't a Bigot

Like Sir James Percy, the Irishman who never forgets a good story that he hears, and later gives it an extra twist of interest through the glow of his own personality, Sir James Taggart, ex-lord provost of Aberdeen, is among the recognized story-tellers of the country. He is telling just now of a certain man o' the kirk who was found lying drunk not far from his door by a Roman Catholic priest. The priest picked him up and helped him to his home. As he felt for the latch of his door, the intoxicated one turned to the priestly helper and looked hard at him. "Oh, aye," he said, "I ken ye fine!—the Catholic priest. Never mind, mon; I'm no' bigoted." — London Sketch.

Historic Town

Harper's Ferry is a town in West Virginia at the confluence of the Shenandoah and Potomac and is about 60 miles from Washington. It received its name from Robert Harper, an English millwright, who obtained the grant of this site in 1748 from Lord Fairfax, the friend and patron of George Washington. The original survey was made by Washington himself and it is said that he personally selected the ferry as the site of a national armory. Harper's Ferry is famous in American history as the scene of John Brown's raid.

Personal Experience?

A few weeks ago in one of the state high schools, in an English class, this little episode occurred: The teacher had asked the pupils, for the following day, to write an editorial, and in giving suggestions had said that "puppy love" would be an interesting topic to work up. A member of the class, who was busy copying the assignment when the above statement was made, looked up and innocently inquired: "Does it have to be a personal experience?"—Indianapolis News.

Hobby Is Training Worms

Training worms is the hobby of David Masters, London journalist and scientist. Leading his visitors to his garden, Masters would take a blade of grass and stroke the back of as much of a worm's body as chanced to be out of its hole in the ground. Immediately the worm would emerge from its hiding place and he would stroke its back, which the worm would arch after a few strokes. "You see, even a worm likes a good turn," Masters tells his friends.

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In the JUNGLE

With Cheerups and the Quixies

by Grace Bliss Stewart



IT WAS A RAINY DAY

IT WAS pouring. Not a ray of sunshine greeted Cheerups when he opened his eyes. All the world was gray, and nothing could be heard but the sound of great drops tinkling on his tiny roof.

"I guess I shall have to stay at home today, sure enough," chuckled he, wagging his topknot; "and no visitors will come either, unless the ducks manage to get out. I feel a trifle moist, but it's worse for the Quixies out there on their spiderwebs in ah this rain. Oh, Brighteyes, Quickear, Softfoot, Sniffsniff; come here and get under as much cover as this summer house of mine offers!"

The Quixies didn't take long in answering that call. They were all very



These Birds Wear Brown Crests With White and Black Tips.

wet except Sniffsniff, who said he had found a big mushroom to crawl under.

"Now, boys, Old Brother East Wind has just whispered to me that he's going to keep this rain up all day. What shall we do? Supposing we play games!"

"Oh, please, Mr. Cheerups," begged Brighteyes, "tell us a story!"

"Yes, yes, a story," chimed the others in chorus, clapping their hands and squealing with delight.

"Oh, well, if it's a story you are wanting, you provoking young rascals, I suppose I can find one tucked away in my head somewhere," said Cheerups, smiling. "But I am getting decidedly damp on one side, and if you want a story, you will have to keep your story-teller dry in some way."

"I know how," cried Quickear. "We'll get some big leaves and hang them like curtains on the side of the house where the rain comes in." Before Cheerups could suggest that they would get all wet while doing it, they were off and back again with the leaves; almost before he had time to put on his little red shoes and straighten up his topknot for the day. Then the great glossy leaves were fastened on two sides of the house in a twinkling, with strong grasses and bits of twisty vine, and the jolly little Quixies, all snug and warm, sat down in a circle about Cheerups, their eyes shining, and their ears pricked for a story.

"Most stories begin 'Once upon a time,'" said Cheerups, beaming, for he was enjoying himself immensely, "but this one starts with just 'Yesterday.' Do you boys remember Mr. Hoopoe, who came for a singing lesson?"

"Remember him? I should say so!" piped Quickear. "I was out on the edge of the desert eating prickly pears with Jacky Monk, and I heard him all that way. Goodness, but he made a noise, worse than Fourth of July back home."

"There's quite a remarkable story about Mr. Hoopoe," said Cheerups hastily, trying to change the subject. It made him a little homesick to think of the Fourth of July, and he saw a tear in Softfoot's eye.

"Well, in Arabia, which is a country lying beyond the Desert of Sahara and the Red sea, far away from our jungle, the people have a legend about Mr. Hoopoe and King Solomon, who lived long, long ago. Once when King Solomon was traveling through the desert—for other lands have deserts, too, you know—he grew very faint from the hot rays of big bright Mr. Sun. Then a flock of Hoopoes came and formed a screen just above his head to protect him. King Solomon was so delighted and thought it was so kind of the Hoopoes that he asked what he could do for them as a reward. What do you suppose the foolish things asked for? Why, crowns of gold upon their heads! Of course, the king granted their request and they were very happy and proud of themselves for a while, looking into all the pools and even the dewdrops to catch their reflections. But soon men began to trap them and hunt them to get their golden crowns. The Hoopoes were most dreadfully frightened then, and some of them went back to King Solomon and begged that he would take away the horrid crowns. The kind king listened to their troubles, of course, and gave them crowns of feathers instead of their golden ones. Ever since then these birds have worn brown crests with white and black tips. Didn't you notice Mr. Hoopoe's yesterday?"

"Oh, yes, Mr. Cheerups, we did," cried the Quixies in glee, "for we were peeking from behind the breadfruit tree all the time, except Quickear, who was away eating fruit. Thank you, sir; that was a lovely story."

"But you see now, don't you," said Cheerups, with a merry twinkle in his eye, "that

"Golden crowns and all the rest
Are not of gifts the very best."

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SIX EMPLOYEES RECEIVE VAIL GOLD MEDALS



Anna L. Lennan

Vail gold medals, accompanied by cash awards, have been given six employees of the Bell system for noteworthy public service, including Anna L. Lennan, chief operator of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company at Piedmont, W. Va.

The Theodore N. Vail Medal Memorial Fund was instituted in 1920 by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to honor the memory of Mr. Vail, who at the time of his death on April 16,1920, had long been recognized as one of the world's great business leaders, and to whose conspicuous service in the telephone field were largely due the expansion and development of the art of telephony.

Mrs. Mildred Lothrop, chief operator, at Homer, Nebraska, was the first telephone employee to receive the Vail gold medal and cash award. After midnight of May 31, 1920, Mrs. Lothrop took her place at the switchboard and warned people of an approaching flood, her prompt action resulting in the saving of many lives. In her efforts to secure help she barely escaped from the telephone office before the building was demolished.

A gold medal was presented to Byron Ernest Thady, night switchboard-man at Pueblo, Colorado, who on the night of June 3, 1921, by herculean efforts, maintained communication until all lines were destroyed, and then saved valuable property of the telephone company during a disastrous flood that devastated the community.

Harold Cromwell Daggett and Earl J. Taylor, section patrolmen, Cheyenne, Wyoming, were recipients of a gold medal each in 1922. On November 7, these men, by strenuous efforts, repaired storm damage on the transcontinental telephone lines during one of the worst blizzards of the year. Daggett after covering a 27-mile section of line became exhausted and was later found by patrolman Taylor, who after repairing damage caused by the storm volunteered and located his fellow employee who was in grave danger of becoming lost in the snowdrifts of the mountains.

On June 5, 1923, station installer Charles Erwin Rider, of Guthrie, Oklahoma, at the peril of his life, restored telephone service over the Cimaron River, when the derailed cars of a freight train, carrying gasoline and oil, exploded on the railroad bridge Rider located a boat and with the help of other employees restored telephone service by the installation of temporary circuits. For his ingenuity and coolheadedness in this emergency, he was awarded a gold medal.

Miss Lennan, chief operator, early in the morning of March 29, 1924, rendered conspicuous service to the communities of Piedmont, W. Va., and Westernport, Md., in maintaining telephone service under difficulties during a severe flood which threatened to wreck the towns.

In addition to the gold medals awarded, thirty-seven silver medals, each carrying cash awards of $250 have been made to other employees of the telephone company, whose acts of heroism were outstanding but were not the most conspicuous of the year.

This honor has come to two employees of the Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company, Miss Ruth Cleveland Cook, information chief operator at Washington, having been awarded a silver medal in connection with her efforts in the rescue of victims of the Knickerbocker Theatre collapse, which occurred January 28, 1922. The other recipient, Lloyd M. Atkins, is combinationman at Piedmont.

Mr. Atkins helped to maintain telephone service during the flood of 1924 and co-operated with Miss Lennan in furnishing telephone service under extenuating circumstances. Combinationman Atkins was one of the six telephone employees of the 350,000 in the Bell system to receive a silver medal for service rendered in 1924.

THE TELEPHONE AND POPULATION

We telephone five times as often now as we did twenty-five years ago. In 1900 there was an average of three telephone conversations per month for every person in the United States. In 1925 the average number of telephone conversations per person amounts to sixteen every month.

Of course, those who have telephones use them far oftener than sixteen times a month. The above figures mean that if every man, woman and child in the United States—every baby-in-arms and every backwoods settler and newly-landed immigrant—used the telephone with equal frequency, they would each use it sixteen times every month.

The total number of telephone conversations, too, in 1925 is far more than five times the total conversations in 1900. The population has increased greatly since then, but the use of the telephone has far outstripped the growth of population. Even after making full allowance for the increase in population, we are all, on the average, using the telephone five times as often in 1925 as in 1900.

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