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In addition to the large menagerie and many trained animals including the herd of performing elephants including "Tena" the smallest trained elephant in the world, there are Downie Bros. group of fighting, jungle bred African lions put thru their paces by Capt. Bob Johnson, one of America's most fearless animal trainers. Also a mixed group consisting of a lion, leopard, bear, goat, dog and lamb all performing in the massive steel arena. In this act the bibical prophecy is fulfilled as the gentle lamb lies down beside the large and ferocious lion. The brute creation that for time unreckonable have waged war dwell in happy harmony and proudly show the proficiency of their intelligence. Lions that ride horseback, tigers that leap thru hoops of fire. Cats, bears, camels and monkeys performing peacefully in one grand group.

French Reign of Terror

The Reign of Terror was the period in France beginning about March, 1793, when the revolutionary tribunal was appointed, and ending in July, 1794, with the overthrow of Robespierre and his associates. During this time a great number of persons, principally of the aristocracy, were executed.

Job for the Censor

"The weight of the earth," reads a magazine article, "is 5,997 followed by 19 naughts." A very naughty story.—Farm and Fireside.

Fog Hour in London

During recent heavy fogs railway trains required more than an hour to travel five miles through the city.

Great City of the Past

Tyre, one of the most famous cities of antiquity, was situated partly on the mainland and partly on a peninsula off the coast of Syria. It was the great port of the Phoenicians from the Tenth century B. C. to its capture in 332 B. C. by Alexander the Great of Macedonia, who led his victorious army through the East to the frontiers of India.

Deer Move Eyeballs

There is a belief common among hunters and guides in the North woods that the eyeballs of a deer are set fast in the socket and are immovable. The deer has the same control over its eyes as other animals of this general type.

Romance and Flowers in Long Association

In the development of gift-making in courtship a certain amount of romance centers around the flower. The flower is the gift of lovers, and in early Greek times a flower was worn as a sign of the engagement, the full-blossoming flower suggesting love awakened. The Polynesian men, as well as the women, wear flowers behind their ears when they are in love. The survival of another picturesque medieval custom centering around the flower is found in the bride's flower girls of today. In olden times these little girls, usually sisters, dressed exactly alike, carried garlands of wheat before the bride in the marriage procession as a symbol of fruitfulness and plenty. The very old and universally observed custom of throwing rice after the departing bride and bridegroom as a symbol of a fruitful union had its origin with the ancient Persians. Rice has always played an important part in the marriage ceremony of these people, while the wheat shower, expressing the same sentiment, was common among the early Anglo-Saxons, and certain other people employed corn. Another interesting tradition regarding the rice shower is that rice was thrown after the bride and bridegroom for the purpose of giving food to the evil spirits that were believed to accompany newly married people, and that it was to appease these spirits that rice throwing originated.

Hawaiian Island Has Many Claims to Fame

Maui, one of the islands of the Hawaiian group, has for its motto the phrase "Maui no ka oi," meaning "Maui the First." The island authorities have just cited a number of historical facts in support of their boast. Maui has Haleakala, largest extinct volcano crater in the world, the scene in 1823 of the first Christian funeral of a Hawaiian chieftain. The earliest island newspaper, as well as the first on the Pacific ocean, was published there in 1834. The paper was called Ka Lima Hawaii, meaning The Arm of Hawaii.

David Malo, earliest Hawaiian historian, was a Maui man. The island also had the first telegraph line strung between Haiku and Wailuku in 1878. The first Hawaiian wheat was planted at Makawao, Maui, in 1845, and not long afterward the first potato plantation was started at Kula, where tubers were raised for the California gold miners.

Oxygen in Air

Normal air contains about 21 per cent of oxygen, says the United States bureau of mines. Man works best at this proportion of oxygen. A candle or oil flame will not burn in atmosphere containing less than approximately 16½ per cent oxygen, yet man is sufficiently adaptable to get along fairly well in 17 per cent of oxygen. He will breathe a little faster and a little deeper. But most men cannot work in air with oxygen below 13 per cent, the point where an acetylene flame is extinguished by oxygen deficiency. In an atmosphere containing between 10 and 13 per cent oxygen, men become dizzy, pant, have a rapid heart beat, and often suffer from headache; 8 to 10 per cent usually produces unconsciousness and ultimately death.

Trollope's Cigars

Lord Birkenhead recently boasted a lifelong devotion to cigar smoking, but he can hardly claim to have given more thought and time to his hobby than did Anthony Trollope, remarks the Manchester Guardian. Trollope, as soon as his income was large enough to stand the expense, had one entire wall of his library equipped with air-tight little bins fitted with sliding doors and numbered. These he kept filled with choice cigars, laid across and across like planks of timber, to get thoroughly seasoned. True to the Trollope tradition, he worked through the bins in methodical fashion, refilling each as it was emptied with special imports from Havana. Thus, he declared, he attained the most perfect smokes in the world.

Porpoise's Fish Appetite

The porpoise has a great appetite, is feeding constantly as opportunity offers and lives principally on fish, and scientists were able recently to get a clew to the number of fish a lively porpoise may eat when a giant porpoise was caught and 15,193 otoliths were found in its stomach.

The otolith is the carbone of a fish, is very hard, supposed to be the last remnant of a fish that is reduced by the chemical process in the mammal's stomach, and the large number found may be far less than the number of fish served live and wiggling for the satisfaction of the porpoise. At any rate, it bids fair to hold first place as a fish eater.

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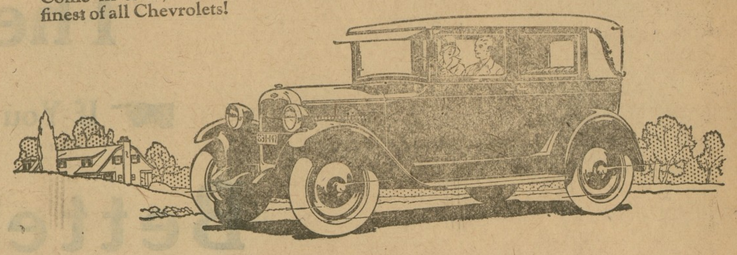

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