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At the Portland canal Alaska begins, and as you sail up the thousand miles of this wonderful inland sea, of scenic beauty and grandeur surpassing anything in the world, you are in southeastern Alaska, which includes the islands along the coast and the mainland from the shore line to the summit of the coast range as far north as Mount St. Elias. From the summit of this high peak the boundary line between Alaska and British Yukon territory runs directly north to the "frozen ocean," as the old Russian treaty called it.

The territory of Alaska is about equal to the combined states of Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Kentucky. Maps are deceptive for comparison unless they are drawn to the same scale, and unfortunately maps of Alaska are generally drawn to a small scale. But put Alaska on the United States, and it will extend from Savannah, Ga., to Los Angeles, Cal. The climatic conditions differ as greatly as those of North Dakota differ from those of Florida. The mean annual temperature of Sitka is about the same as that of Washington, though the extremes of heat and cold are greater at Washington.—William T. Perkins in World's Work.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

We never knew any one who did not talk "shop" too much.

How you admire the man who catches you doing a good deed on the sly!

What a sorry spectacle a spoiled child is when away from its mother!

A whipping never hurts so much as the thought that you are being whipped.

Some men are washed of their sins so much that they finally have a faded look.

Tell a bad story without names, and every one will have an enemy to attribute it to.

Ambition dwindles away in time like a cake of soap, and by the time a man is seventy he can't remember that he ever had any in the tub with him.—Atchison Globe.

Surf Bathing Abroad.

Unlike Americans, Englishmen prefer to have their surf bath before breakfast. They slip out of their rooms and into the surf as a sort of duty and prefer a buff bath, or one without the incumbrance of a bathing suit, if they can be permitted to enjoy it. With them the bath, even in the breakers, is more of a duty than a pastime, as it is with the French and Americans. Neither do the people of continental Europe enjoy the pleasures of the surf with the same avidity as marks the summer day along the American coast. There is more or less of custom or fashion to dictate to the temporary dwellers along the seashore.

Enough to Kill Io.

The Greek room is usually not a place for humor, nor is the professor of Greek at the College of the City of New York a very humorous person. Nevertheless the following joke was sprung on him. The class had just returned from the chemistry room, where they had bravely listened to a discourse on the elements. The Greek lesson was commenced with a history of Io and her endless wanderings. Finally Professor Tisdall asked, "What did Io die of?" A student who had been awakened by the question gasped out, "Iodide of potassium."

A Youthful Agassiz.

"And what did my little darling do in school today?" a Chicago mother asked of her young son, a "second grader."

"We had nature study, and it was my turn to bring a specimen," said Evan.

"That was nice. What did you do?"

"I brought a cockroach in a bottle, and I told teacher we had lots more, and if she wanted I could bring one every day."

A Long Felt Want.

Flannery—What's the matter wid ye, Mike?

Finnegan—'Tis near kilt I was be fallin' down an open coal hole.

Flannery—Well, well, 'tis too bad they can't invint a coal hole thot'll stay shut whin it's open. — Philadelphia Ledger.

One Good.

"You say he is a financial wreck. Then why is it that he appears so happy?"

"Well, I guess his credit's so poor that he can't even borrow trouble."—Cleveland Leader.

Disproved.

"Do you think time is money?" said Biffson.

"Can't be!" replied Bangs. "They say there is no end to time—and I'm broke!"—Detroit Free Press.

DREAMLESS SLEEP.

There Is No Such Thing, According to an English Scientist.

According to Sir Arthur Mitchell of English fame, there is no such thing as dreamless sleep; that thinking is involuntary—to the extent at least that we cannot cease to think under any order of the will; that thinking never ceases during life and is essential to the continuance of life; that dream thinking is uncontrolled and undirected by the will, is never coherent and concentrated, is more or less of the same character as thinking in delirium and constitutes a state of mental disorder which is not a state of disease; that thinking when awake is always to some extent under the control of the will by which it is directed to a subject and kept there; that there are many degrees of sleep and wakefulness and as many degrees of efficiency in the controlling power of the will; that thinking, like breathing or the beating of the heart, does not cause a sense of weariness, though all three have a wearing effect on all the organs concerned; that the will's inhibiting and directing work brings fatigue and a demand for rest; that the will finds this rest and refreshment in sleep and that the frequent occurrence of a state of disordered mind in sleep does not do us harm, but on the contrary does us good.

A BABOON HUNT.

Horribly Suggestive of Slaughter of Human Beings.

A traveler writing from South Africa describes a baboon hunt as follows: "Very slowly we spread out round about the base of the kopje and began a crawling ascent through the thick scrub. Kaffirs and farmers together, we formed something of a loose circle around the kopje. Daylight found us drawing near the higher spurs of the kopje and the Kaffirs were busy beating.

"Then the sport began, and pretty uncanny it was. A good many baboons broke through our circle, for we only mustered seven guns, but as we neared the top of the kopje I could tell by the noises all about me that some execution was being done. My first kill gave me a most uncomfortable thrill. It was horribly like picking off a man.

"The baboons were great big, human looking brutes, quite capable of picking up a lamb in their hands and running off with it. As a fact, they generally content themselves with ripping the beast open to get at the curdled milk within. But their cries were the most horribly human thing about them and the gestures of their waving arms. When we all met a careful count was made. Thirty baboons had been bagged. Seven had fallen to my gun."

HAARLEM IN HOLLAND.

An Old Description of the Bustling Dutch Town.

There may not be many points of resemblance between Harlem in New York as it is at present and Haarlem in Holland as it stood more than a century ago. The following translation from an old description of the European Haarlem shows, however, that it was quite a bustling place:

"Haarlem, that wonderful grotesque, with its canal, where the blue water trembles, and the church where the golden glass windows flame, and the stone balcony where the linen dries in the sun, and the roofs green as hops, and the storks that flap their wings round the town clock, stretching out their necks high in the air and catching the drops of rain in their beaks, and the beedless burgomaster who strokes his double chin with his hand, and the infatuated florist who grows thin, his eyes fixed on a tulip, and the Bohemienne who falls fainting on her mandolin, and the old man who plays the remmelpot, and the child who blows out a bladder, and the drinkers who smoke in the dingy wine shop, and the maidservant at the hostelry who hangs up a pheasant at the window."—New York Herald.

The Teacher.

The teacher must get away from his work for awhile if he wants to regain freshness of life. The weariness of Friday afternoons, when relaxation makes him conscious of the strain of the week's work, is nature's call to the need of rest. If he does not heed this call his efficiency will decline. A jaded teacher cannot arouse interest, and without interest instruction is devoid of value. Dull teaching is a fraud upon humanity.—Teachers' Magazine.

A Mystery Explained.

"It's strange that you should always be so gaunt," remarked the bear to the wolf.

"Well, you see," replied the wolf, "it's all because of the part I'm compelled to play in life. You see, I'm always obliged to keep from the door until there's not a thing left in the house to eat."—Philadelphia Press.

An Also Ran.

Clara—Did the papers notice your father at the great banquet? Johnny—Yes. Clara—Well, mamma said she could not see his name on the list. Johnny—No, but the list ends up with "and others." That means papa. They always mention him that way.—Illustrated Bits.

Customary Proficiency.

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