

ROUND THE WORLD

Venice has a newspaper founded 313 years ago. Bombay has 37,532 occupied and 7,794 unoccupied houses. Cleveland in 1913 gave nearly \$8,000,000 to charities. Since 1909 Japan has more than doubled its exports of toys. Panama sends about 5,000,000 coconuts a year to the United States. More than 12,000,000 American women are afflicted with mision work in foreign fields. X ray apparatus has been invented for killing the tiny parasites that eat small holes in leaf tobacco. By the addition of magnesia and an oxide an extremely elastic glass has been brought out in France. The ameer of Afghanistan receives from the government of India an annual subsidy of about \$400,000. Since 1857 there have been sixty disasters in the colonies of south Wales with a total loss of life of 2,000. It is said that Chinese girls take more interest in American life and politics than their American sisters. The population of Manchuria is variously estimated between 15,000,000 and 10,200,000, the latter being the customs figures. New York legal aid bureau for a fee of 10 cents furnishes a lawyer to assist immigrants and poor persons in obtaining justice. Women are to be admitted to the faculty of theology, the synd of the canton of Neuchâtel, in Switzerland, has just decided. The new civil code has introduced important reforms in Switzerland since it gives both parents equal rights over their children. It is remarkable to what extent Sweden exports butter. After iron ore it is the second article of importance in the export trade. Chinese in the Hongkong district have recently taken to ice cream. There is a tremendous sale of American ice cream freezers. The foreign commerce of the United States in the calendar year 1913 approximated \$1,750,000,000 of imports and \$2,500,000,000 of exports. Chicago leads the largest twenty-two cities in the United States in the percentage of increase in automobile accidents in the last five years. The postoffice department of India maintains a life insurance branch, which has over 23,000 active policies, with an aggregate insurance of \$10,000,000. The ultra violet ray is being introduced by Paris dentists for whitening discolored teeth and sterilizing them in such a way that they are less liable to decay. In Argentina it is possible to lease not more than 40,421 acres of public land and to buy directly 6,178 acres of pasture land, or 494 acres of agricultural land. In Guinea there is a tree which yields a peculiar kind of fruit—a huge fruit resembling in size a cannon ball and which makes a tremendous noise when it pops. In proportion to its weight California redwood is the strongest conifer so far tested at the United States forest products laboratory. This strength is due to its long fibers. Frightful conditions among the poor were revealed by the Dublin strike. It is said that there are over 12,000 one room tenements which house from three to twelve people each. Three ship trips across the unexplored region of the island of New Guinea are planned by German scientists to make observations to aid men who plan to traverse it on foot. It is said that the Paris Academy of Science has offered a prize of \$2,000 to the person who devises a means for domesticating the heron in order to obtain feathers without killing the birds. Theizam of Haidarabad is reputed to be the wealthiest individual in India and one of the wealthiest persons in the world, with a personal income said to amount to \$2,500,000 a year. After twelve years of experience of girl messengers in Europe, Reuter's Telegram company declares boys to be better, as girls are not at all adaptable to the work, are slower and more expensive. Out of nearly \$20,000,000 spent last year in the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis in the United States 60.3 per cent of the money was derived from public funds, either federal, state, county or municipal. In Stavanger, Norway, even peasants and fishermen use electric lights. The engineer of the municipal electric plant has organized a class of housewives for instruction in the use of electricity heated cooking apparatus. W. F. Pinsett, who has done more than any other man to make the dahlia one of New Jersey's most extensive and profitable crops, has been raising this flower for more than seventy years. He is now eighty-eight. In a new hotel in Worcester, Mass., there will be a floor set into the floor of the lobby. The dial will be of glass one inch thick and will be twenty-four inches in diameter. The clock will be run entirely by electricity and regulated daily by telegraph. The Norwegian government has granted Rind Amundsen, the explorer and discoverer of the south pole, permission to establish a postoffice on board the Fram during his coming trip through the arctic seas. This will be the most northerly postoffice in the world, and its object will be to send souvenirs from the unknown regions through which the Fram moves.

SNAPSHOTS OF NOTABLE PERSONS



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With his appointment as comptroller of the currency John Skelton Williams became one of the dominant figures in the banking affairs of the United States. His office carries with it membership of the organization committee which will choose the locations for the federal reserve banks under the new currency law, and he also becomes ex officio a member of the federal reserve board. Two of his colleagues on the organization committee are Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Secretary of Agriculture Houston. Mr. Williams has been assistant secretary of the treasury in charge of fiscal matters since last March. The new comptroller is a native of Virginia; in his forty-ninth year, and was educated in private schools in Richmond and at Williams and Mary college. He is also a graduate of the law school of the University of Virginia. Shortly after completing his education Mr. Williams entered his father's banking firm and in a few years became one of the best known financiers of the south. Perhaps Mr. Williams is best known as former president of the Seaboard Air Line. He organized this road, which with its consolidated lines amounted to over 3,000 miles. He has also been president of the Bank of Richmond and of several minor railways.

Surgeon General of the Army. The nomination of Colonel William Crawford Gorgas as surgeon general of the army not only fulfills expectation, but is in accordance with the practical universal wish of the public. Over thirty years' experience in the army medical corps has eminently qualified him for the post to which his conspicuous work at Panama commends him. Despite his military title, Colonel Gorgas is a physician and has done his most important work as an investigator of theories based on medical practice. His military promotions have been for ability in combating disease. The battles he has waged have been



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against the deadly mosquitoes that bear the germs of yellow fever and malaria, and his victories at Havana and Panama have won for him the plaudits of the world. For his work as health officer of Havana after the Spanish war he was promoted colonel by special act of congress in 1903 and a year later was sent to Panama as chief sanitary officer, becoming a member of the isthmian canal commission in 1907. Panama he "cleaned up" and had yellow fever under control in sixteen months. Colonel Gorgas is a native of Alabama, in his sixtieth year and was educated at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., and Bellevue Medical college, New York city. He entered the army as a lieutenant of the medical corps in 1880. He was promoted to a captaincy five years later and during the Spanish war was advanced to the rank of major.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT



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Great interest has been aroused by the statement that the Shamrock IV, the new challenger for the America's cup, will have a centerboard. The use of this distinctly American contrivance will indicate that this yacht will have a hull of light draft. C. E. Nicholson, the well known English yachting expert, is the designer of the Shamrock IV.

As to Rough Hockey. The players on our American hockey teams may get a little too frisky at times, but we should be thankful that they are not as bloodthirsty as our friends across the border. A man was nearly killed in a game in Montreal recently, moving a local newspaper to publish across two columns in large type the following warning: "The almost fatal accident to LaLonde again emphasizes the dangers of hockey and the necessity on the part of the team managers to keep down the temper of the men. It would be a great pity if any of our rinks should be shut up through popular clamor as a result of what the law must call at least sporting manslaughter. Hockey officials and hockey rules, no matter how strict either of them are, cannot prevent rough play. It is all in the hands of the team managers. Let them use the power they possess over the players under their control wisely and well-kept the public be compelled to look to the criminal columns of the newspapers, where coroners' courts and prison cells are featured for the latest hockey news in stead of on the sporting page."

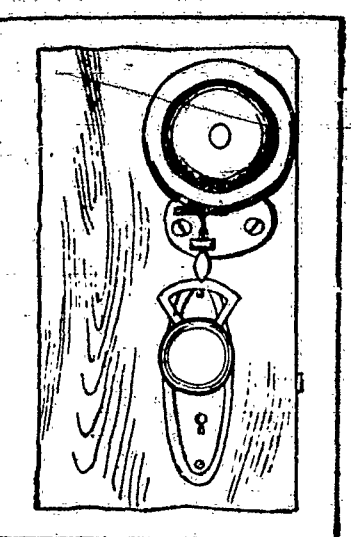
"Will Be Game's Best Year." Connie Mack, manager of the world's champion Athletics, does not agree with Ban Johnson, president of the American league, who recently in a Chicago interview said the year 1914 would be most disastrous for baseball. On the other hand, the master mind of the game in a forecast said it would be baseball's best season. Manager Mack said: "I'm not predicting any pennants at this time but I feel confident that the Athletics will be able to hold their own in 1914. We must have our strongest team. For the other clubs, especially those that finished in the second division, will be greatly strengthened. I look for a much harder race than last year, because all of the clubs will be more evenly balanced. The fans will see better baseball this year, which I have every reason to believe will be the game's most successful in every way."

N. A. A. O. Meeting. The annual meeting of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen will be held at the New York Athletic club on March 21. At this session the date and place for the 1914 national regatta will be arranged. According to an official of the national body, Philadelphia will probably get the big event, although several western cities are after it. Philadelphia has not had the event for several years, and since the Quakers' course on the Schuylkill is one of the best in the country the chances are the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen will vote favorably for Philadelphia. Baltimore and Detroit also are after the date.

Harry Lewis Quits Ring. Harry Besterman, better known to ring followers as Harry Lewis, who is slowly improving at his home from the injuries he received last October, when he was knocked out in the fifth round of a bout with Joe Borrell, an Indianapolis middleweight, declared he will never again don a glove. He says that an injury he sustained in an automobile accident in London a few years ago, is the real cause of his condition. The former fighter made his reputation in the lightweight class and was at one time the sensation of Paris.

Pirate Holdouts. The Pittsburgh Pirates have two holdouts on their hands. Claude Hen drick, the pitcher, says he will not play with the Pirates unless he is given an increase in salary. He demands \$7,500 and says that if Dreyfuss refuses to give it to him he will jump to the Federals. Max Carey is holding out the Pirates, up for a \$6,500 salary. President Dreyfuss refuses to discuss the question, but it is thought that he will make some sort of compromise.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES



In a new invention which has been recently patented the act of turning the knob will ring a bell which is located on the back of the door. This dispenses with the uncertainty of the electric bell, which must be given more or less attention from time to time to maintain it in operating order. The external appearance of the knob is exactly the same as any other, but inside there is a curved segment secured to the shank of the knob. As this is moved back and forth in the movement of the knob a lever which operates the bell is agitated and causes the bell to ring.

Mincemeat. Boil three pounds of lean boneless meat, and when cold put through food chopper. Then add four quarts chopped apples, one quart of ground sweet two pints of fruit juice, cherry or strawberry are the best; one-pound of currants, one and one-half pounds of seeded raisins cut in halves. The juice of four lemons, peelings of three oranges, which have been through food chopper; one-fourth of a citron cut fine; one tablespoonful of cinnamon, one-half tablespoonful of allspice, one-half tablespoonful of cloves, one and one-half pints of weak vinegar, and then add enough brown sugar to suit the taste.

Maple Waffles. Vermont maple waffles are delicious when served nicely buttered and piping hot. To make them, soften one cupful of finely shaved maple sugar in three cupfuls of milk. Sift one quart of flour with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one teaspoonful of salt, then rub in one tablespoonful of softened butter. Beat the yolks of four eggs until light, then add the milk and sugar and stir gradually into the flour; beat thoroughly, fold in the whites of eggs beaten stiff and dry and beat again. Bake in well greased and heated waffle irons.—Rural New Yorker.

Cheese Biscuit. An excellent cheese biscuit is made by sifting together two cupfuls of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one and one-half teaspoonfuls of salt, then with a fork or the fingers work into it one-quarter of a pound of cheese and add gradually about a cupful of water. It is impossible to give the exact amount of water, as dough differs in its capacity for taking up moisture. Toss the dough on a floured board, roll out and cut with a biscuit cutter. When in the pan sprinkle over the top a bit of grated cheese.

Virginia Corn Bread. Three cupfuls of white meal, one cupful of flour, one tablespoonful of sugar, one teaspoonful of salt, two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one tablespoonful of lard, three cups of milk and three eggs. Sift together the flour, meal, sugar, salt and baking powder. Rub in the lard, add three well beaten eggs and then the milk. Mix into a moderately stiff batter, pour into well greased, shallow baking pans and bake from thirty to forty minutes.

Old-Fashioned Soups. Take pigs' feet and head, thoroughly clean and place in salt water to soak for twenty-four hours. Then boil until the bones slip easily from the meat. Take up and when cool enough to handle, carefully remove all bones. Mince or grind through a meat chopper, season with salt, pepper and sage to suit the taste and press in a mold. This is very nice sliced and placed in vinegar, or for breakfast sliced and dipped in batter and fried.

Golden Betty. To make brown betty with cheese arrange in a deep earthenware dish alternate layers of breadcrumbs and thinly sliced apples. Season with cinnamon, a little clove and brown sugar. Scatter some finely shaved mild full cream cheese over each layer of apples, and when the dish is full scatter bread crumbs over the top and bake thirty-five to forty minutes, placing the dish in a pan of water so that the pudding will not burn. Popcorn Balls. Pop corn in popper, put in pan. Take teaspoonful molasses, butter size of walnut and one teaspoonful vinegar. Cook all together until it will harden when dropped in cold water, then pour over corn and make in balls.

FOR THE CHILDREN

How Diana Scored.

In "Milton and Homespan" is this amusing English fox hunting story: "Hold hard, madam! For heaven's sake hold hard or that camel you are riding will be the death of some of my hounds!" cried the choleric master of one of the southeastern counties. Packs of foxhounds to a lady who was riding rather too close to hounds. Without deigning to turn her head she steered her mount a little to the left and clear of the hounds rode her own line like a centaur, led the van stance, a few carpet tacks on a pack-age of tea would represent "tax on tea." Having recovered from his tempe-tance and a sign, "This Tea Came From Boston," would stand for "the Boston tea party." A picture of Washington's head cut in quarters and pasted on paper would be "Washington's headquarters." A card bearing a picture of a soldier's bunk, a letter "H" and "H" lying in bed would stand for Bunker Hill, my favorite hunter for a camel, and I Your imagination can help you work your foxhounds for fox terriers. It out many events of the Revolutionary seems we were both mistaken. Thanks times, and for the one guessing the most correct answers you give a toy cherry tree box filled with candy. Another good game is to give in order the dates of the battles fought in Washington's time. The prize for the best answers can be a toy hatchet. At the table make each sing a patriotic song, awarding a flag as souvenir to the best singer. Candy cherries hidden about the room create lots of fun. The object is to hunt for them and gather them in. The one who finds the most wins a prize.

Washington's Maxims. Here are a few rules which were lived up to by George Washington: "Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience." "A good character is the first essential in a man." "Speak not ill of the absent. It is unjust." "To persevere is one's duty, and to be silent is the best answer to calumny." "Commerce and industry are the best mines of a nation." "Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation." "It is better to be alone than in bad company." "Never wish to promise more than have a moral certainty of performing."

Washington's Accuracy. All schoolboys know something of Washington's adventures as a surveyor when he measured the great estates of eighteenth century, the wearing of Lord Fairfax, but perhaps few are aware of the painstaking accuracy days of the Arabians Night, the hours with which he did his work. Many and tapestries worked by peasant girls, years afterward it was found that the surveys made by Washington when a potter, the brassmonger, the iron-works were the only land measure-ments of that part of the country in colonial days that could be depended upon. Even after his death Washing-ton's surveys passed unquestioned among lawyers.

Washington's Birthday. Washington's birth is recorded in the family Bible as having taken place on "ye 11th day of February, 1732." This was before the adoption of the modern calendar by England, and this day was observed by Washington as his birthday until his twentieth year. The first known public celebration of Washington's birthday was on Feb. 11, 1784. The old style date was still adhered to. This was during the lifetime of the first president and completed his fifty-second year.

Mother Carey's Chickens. Above is the name given by sailors to the stormy petrel, a small sea bird, the appearance of which is an unfavorable sign of rough weather. The expression Mother Carey is said to be a corruption of mother carter, dem-mother, a phrase used by Italian sailors in speaking of the mother of Christ, patroness of seafaring men, to indicate their thankfulness to her for sending these, her chickens, to warn them of bad weather.

Washington's Youth. Washington's proudest youthful possession was a pony and a whip top. He was taught to ride the pony by Uncle Ben, one of his father's slaves, and on this humble animal he acquired that seat on the saddle that carried him through the dangers of two wars. The whip top probably was a toy imported from England. Even in the mother country toys were few and crude in those days.

A Boy's Witty Remark. A teacher said to a boy considered dull in mathematics: "You should be ashamed of yourself. Why, at your age George Washington was a surveyor." "Yes, sir," was the response, "and at your age he was president of the United States."

The Oldest Flower. The rose is the oldest flower of which there is any record. So great is the antiquity of the rose that all time he gets a tooth pulled.—Stan-ford Chaparral. Dear Old Soul! "There are some people who believe that the whole human race will be saved," said an old lady, "but for my part I hope for better things." Real Happiness. To be truly happy is a question of how we begin and not of how we end, of what we want and not of what we have.—Stevenson. Riddle and Answer. We are little airy creatures, All of different voice and features. One of us in glass is set, One of us you'll find in jet. To other you may see in tin And the fourth a box within. If the fifth you should pursue— It can never fly from you. Answer.—The vowels.

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Practical People. A tourist found himself in a German village far out of the beaten track of his kind. There was, however, a lin-best answers can be a toy hatchet. At the table make each sing a patriotic song, awarding a flag as souvenir to the best singer. Candy cherries hidden about the room create lots of fun. The object is to hunt for them and gather them in. The one who finds the most wins a prize.

Hands That Make Beauty. The father of Saint Gaudens, the sculptor, was a bootmaker and put the same enthusiasm into making a good boot that his son put into modeling statues. Millions are spent on paintings and sculptures, but just as many millions are spent on other productions of the human hand and brain. They may not be classed as works of art, yet are they the beautiful handi-works of the cabinet makers of the when he measured the great estates of eighteenth century, the wearing of Lord Fairfax, but perhaps few are aware of the painstaking accuracy days of the Arabians Night, the hours with which he did his work. Many and tapestries worked by peasant girls, years afterward it was found that the surveys made by Washington when a potter, the brassmonger, the iron-works were the only land measure-ments of that part of the country in colonial days that could be depended upon. Even after his death Washing-ton's surveys passed unquestioned among lawyers.

Profane Dances. Harriet Beecher Stowe records that in her girlhood she and her friends used to dance a jig entitled "Go to the Devil and Shake Yourself." This dance must have enjoyed a long spell of popularity. The first Duke of Bucking-ham and Chandos was indignant when, declining to attend an assembly ball at Alresford, his request for a dance, addressed to a local rector's wife, met with the reply, "Go to the Devil and Shake Yourself!" He complained to the rector, and it then transpired that the lady, who was somewhat deaf, thought his grace had asked her what dance was then being played. This incident occurred in 1795, and twenty years later Crabbe, in his "Tales," alludes to it as a book seller for stock-ing the music of a dance with such a profane title.—Mauchester Courier.

It Scared Him. After spending a few weeks one year at a watering place, where he took his daily swim in the open air pool of Christ, patroness of seafaring men, to indicate their thankfulness to her for sending these, her chickens, to warn them of bad weather.

Hit It. Polly (to big sister's admirer)—Guess what father said about you last night. Adolphus—Oh, I couldn't guess, what. Polly—I'll give you a peach if you can guess. Adolphus (flustered)—Oh, Polly, I haven't an idea in the world. Polly—Urr—you was listening.—Sydney Bulletin.

Good Time Lost. "Why do you insist upon having the biggest piece of pie, Harry?" asked the mother of a small boy. "Isn't your older brother entitled to it?" "No, he isn't," replied the little fellow. "He was eating pie two years before I was born."—Chicago News.

Likes It. Miss Goodrich—I hear your husband is a great lover of the aesthetic. Mrs. Nurich—Oh, yes! He takes one every account of his origin has been lost. In Egypt the rose is depicted on a number of monuments believed to date from 3,000 to 2,500 B. C.

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