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Peculiar Quality of Wood Considered to Give It Superiority for Certain Sporting Purposes.

Oxford may use American Rhodes scholars to win the annual boat race, but Quebec spruce is used for her oars. Once British Columbia spruce was tried, but though the Dark Blues won, the experiment was never repeated, owing to three or four of the oars having to be replaced at the last moment. Formerly pitch pine was used. Willows are used for cricket bats, but ash is the sportsman's tree. Without it lawn tennis would be impossible. Anyway, although various substitutes have been tried, including steel, cane, aluminum, and hickory, nothing has been found to approach, far less to equal, the best British ash, for racket frames. Ash is also unbeatable for billiard cues, though they are spliced with heavier woods, such as mahogany; also for hockey sticks, baseball clubs, jumping poles, cricket stumps, and croquet mallet shafts. Cane is also put to a variety of uses. It is used for fishing rods, polo sticks, the splicing of all kinds of bats and handles, cricket pads, and football and hockey shin guards. Greenheart is favored for fishing rods; and wooden golf club shafts are generally made of hickory, greenheart, and occasionally lance wood, orange wood, and sometimes ash being used for "iron." Heads are generally made of beech, but pear tree and apple tree are also used. Bowling enthusiasts have their "woods" made of lignum vitae or boxwood. Cork, like cane, is used for the splicing of handles, also the interior of "cricket" balls. Then where would we be without the rubber tree? There would be no balls, or, at least, no suitable balls, for football, lawn tennis, netball, golf, water polo, cricket on the sands, for which a solid rubber ball is incomparably the best.

RICHES FOUND BY 'CHANCE'

Discoveries Ranked Among the World's Greatest Assets Have Been the Result of Accident.

Some years ago a boy in Australia was tripping rabbits, and his dog, scratching at a hole, exposed a mass of yellowish rock. The boy, who knew the country to be gold bearing, told his father that he believed he had "struck it rich." The father, however, pook-pooked the idea, but when at last the boy persuaded him to go to the spot, he found that what his son said was true. A mine was started and since then it is estimated that \$50,000 has been made as a result of the dog's discovery. One of the most valuable finds made with the help of an animal was in Montana, where a sapphire ledge was revealed to the eyes of a badger trapper. The man was setting his traps one day when his hand encountered something hard in the earth thrown out by the animal in their burrowings. Closer investigation revealed a number of sapphires. Today the trapper is a rich man. In Africa a small diamond find was once made by a man who discovered a diamond in the gizzard of a goose, and explored all its feeding places till he found the valuable one. The finding of a small piece of gold in a dog's paw, responsible for a gold "rush" in Alaska, recalls other instances of animals which have pointed out the path to prosperity to their owners.

Wonders of Education.

The doctor was calling on old Mrs. Ouney. She was not very ill, but she always had some question to ask the doctor that had nothing to do with her own case.

"Doctor," she said on this occasion, "can you tell me why it is that some people are born dumb?"

The doctor thought for a moment.

"Why—hem—certainly," he replied; "it is owing to the fact that they come into the world without the faculty of speech."

The old lady gazed at him in admiration.

"There, now," she retorted. "Now just see what it means to have had a physic education. I asked Thomas more than a hundred times why it was, and all he could say was, 'Cause they is.'"

Autonomy.

Bob—What are revenues, papa?
 Papa—Those are the taxes that Uncle Sam collects.
 Bob—What does Uncle Sam do with them, papa?
 Papa—He spends them to run the government, sonny.
 Bob—Then—Daddy!
 Papa—Yes, sonny?
 Bob—Let's start a government.—Dinner

WHY

Annual Tree Crop Is Urged Upon the Country

In the United States there are some 80,000,000 acres of idle land which is fit for nothing but growing trees. More than a great part of this land is situated east of the Mississippi river—that is, close to the manufacturing centers of the country. In America also during the last five years a 56,000,000-acre area has been swept by forest fires. And there is a very growing danger of a similar disaster in the future. The nation that it is facing a veritable famine of timber unless drastic steps are taken to replace the shortage, which is everywhere so marked, observes the Christian Science Monitor.

There is little wonder, therefore, that the educational campaign of the American Tree association, which has been but fairly recently organized, is finding considerable support in every section.

An important phase of this campaign in America is the town forest idea, involving the planting of trees by individuals, which is being taken up in a number of places, particularly in New England. In Europe municipalities control their own wood supply and the local business organization uses it as an attraction for all sorts of industries. It is almost superfluous to ask how many municipalities in America can guarantee a wood supply to an industry looking about for a suitable site. This campaign has, however, aroused the nation to a realization of the value of tree planting to an extent that has probably never before been the case. As the president of the association said a short while ago: "The best way to get interested in a tree planting campaign, if properly conducted, our forests will produce enough interest for our needs and the 'principal' will always be our greatest national asset."

The nation is becoming a nation of tree planters. The campaign is a praiseworthy one and deserves all possible support.

MILLIONS OF KNOWN COLORS

Why the Human Eye Is Able to Perceive and Classify the Various Hues and Shades.

What is color?
 This question is answered by Dr. William Ostwald, German chemist, inventor of a new classification of color, who estimates that there are about 550,000 known colors.

Light, which travels in waves at a speed of 183,000 miles a second, produces and really is color. The eye is sensitive to waves of lengths between .0004 and .0009 centimeters; anything below the one limit or above the other is invisible.

Within these limits waves of all lengths are found, each affecting the eye differently. Light of a given wave length produces a given color sensation. The spectrum has been divided into six principal sections, red, orange, yellow, green, blue and violet. When sunlight strikes a body all these colors are present.

If the body is highly polished, like a mirror, it will reflect back all the waves—that is, the body (or mirror) will be practically the same color as the sun itself. If the body absorbs some of the waves and reflects others, we see only those waves which are reflected, as is the case of a green wall.

Thus if a body is green we know that the orange, red, yellow, violet and blue have been absorbed and the green reflected. If all the light falling on a body is absorbed, the resultant "color" is black or gray. Black and white have been known as "no colors" for the one does not reflect any color, and the other consists of and reflects all colors.

Wanted in Situation.

A weary-looking fellow who had opened all the doors looking for work happened to see a huge police advertisement headed:

"Murderer Wanted."

"Well," he said, scratching his head, "it's better nothing, anyhow. I'm going in and ask for the job."

Good Wishes.

Mr. Redwell had just become the proud father of bounding twins babies, when he encountered one of his wife's women friends.

"Congratulations," she said. "I hear your wife gave birth to twins."

"Thank you!" he answered, excitedly. "The same to you and many of them!"

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Our Mother's feast-day—Hail its dawning!

A day made glorious by joyous love and praise,
 World-weary hearts to-day to her are turning,
 Asking her aid, thru earth's sin-darkened days.

The Mother of Our Lord to us was given,
 By His own Word, as hanging there on high.

He stripped Himself of all, His own Beloved Mother,
 His final gift—to sinners, such as I.

So Mother dear we come to-day, imploring,
 Thy watchful love, thy tender guiding care.

That thru Thee, we may learn to love more dearly,
 God's only Son and Thine, Sweet Mother hear our prayer.

—BELLE T. REAGAN.

Rochesterians Attend Pope's Private Mass

The Rev. George F. Kettell and Attorney and Mrs. Eugene J. Dwyer of this city, who returned to New York on Friday last on the S. S. Berengaria, after two months spent abroad, were granted a special audience by Pope Pius XIth, on July 5th, in the throne room at the Vatican, and two days later were invited to attend a private mass in the throne room, receiving Holy Communion from the hands of the Pope.

Pope Pius impresses one as being weary with the great cares and problems which are weighing upon him, Mr. Dwyer said, but he was most gracious to the Rochester party. The courtesy and honor paid to the Rev. Dr. Kettell, both at the Vatican and at the Pontifical Biblical Institute, was noticeable and natural, plying to Dr. Kettell's fellow Rochesterians, Mr. Dwyer said.

Coming home on the S. S. Berengaria word was received of President Harding's death and on Thursday a memorial service was arranged and Mr. Dwyer was asked to make the memorial address. Dr. Kettell offered the invocation and Dr. A. B. Dixon of London, pronounced the benediction.

In the congregation were John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Kermit Roosevelt, former United States Senator A. B. Fall, General Samuel McRoberts, Sir Glynn West and a number of other notables.

Protest Barring Catholic Children From Public Pool

(By N. C. W. C. News Service.)

Carnegie, Pa. August 13.—Maintaining that the public schools are supported by the taxes of Catholics as well as members of other denominations, Catholic citizens of Carnegie have protested against the discrimination against Catholic children being practiced by the Carnegie Borough School Board, which has denied them the privilege of using the swimming pool at the First Ward school. Preparations are being made for mandamus proceedings in the local courts.

The school board has ruled that parochial school children cannot use the swimming pool unless they first enroll in the public schools here. According to those who have investigated the State laws, persons between the ages of six and twenty-one, whose parents are citizens and tax payers, are entitled to the use of all school property.

Against the contention of the school board that after the borough's 1,600 public school children get through using the pool there is no time left for the Cath-

olic school children, it is pointed out that the pool is frequently rented out for private parties.

Catholic School Dean Honored At Reception

About seventy-five friends and relatives attended the reception Monday afternoon for Brother Charles Heislein, of the Society of Mary, at the home of his brother John A. Heislein, No. 99 Alexander street. A number of Buffalo friends attended the gathering, which followed a golden jubilee celebration at St. Joseph's Church in the morning. Brother Heislein has just completed fifty years of service as a teacher of boys in parochial and high schools. Francis Heislein, of Boston, and Miss Helen Heislein, of this city, brother and sister of the teacher, assisted in welcoming the guests.

Solemn jubilee mass was celebrated at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Father Tewes. Rev. Father Lieberth preached the sermon. Special music under the direction of Charles Stupp, organist, accompanied the exercises.

Brother Heislein, who is a native of Rochester, is dean of the Marianist Preparatory College at Beacon-on-the-Hudson a normal training school. He was a pupil at the St. Joseph's School in this city at the time when sessions were conducted in the original building of the school by teachers of the Society of Mary. It was when attending this school that he became interested in religious teaching.

In the early 70's the parochial school here, perhaps the only charge of the Society of Mary in the United States. The society now has a university and several colleges training 15,000 young men and boys under 550 instructors.

S. S. Peter and Paula.

Masses on Sunday will be said at the following hours:—6, 7, 8:15, 9:30 and high mass at 10:30 o'clock.

School collection will be taken up at all the masses on Sunday.

The members of the Young Ladies' Sodality will receive holy communion in a body at the 8:15 o'clock mass on Sunday.

The marriage of Mrs. Dorothea Diehl to Mr. Peter Hutting took place Saturday morning, Aug. 11. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. Emil J. Gefell. The attendants were Mrs. Rose Niven and Mr. John Diehl, daughter and son of the bride. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Hutting will be at home to their friends at 28 Rockland Park.

Miss Anna Ruddy and Mr. Wendell Baum were married on Aug. 4th, by the Rev. Arthur Florack. The ceremony was followed by a nuptial mass. The attendants were Miss Bertha Semler and Mr. Simon Semler of Scottsville. Mr. and Mrs. Semler will live in Rochester after a western trip.

Joseph F. Reilly was buried from this church on Monday morning. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by his nephew, Rev. Francis Reilly; Rev. Harry Doerbecker was subdeacon and Rev. George Kalb as master of ceremonies. The bearers who were members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles were: John Holley, Fred Laroche, William Beaupre, Harold Gardner, Henry Gabe and Willis Brewer. About twenty nuns from the Order of St. Joseph with the boys of St. Mary's Orphan Asylum attended the funeral. Four of the boys, Raymond Cannan, George Rogers, Michael Mosu and Lewis DeCarolis acted as honorary bearers. Rev. F. Reilly gave the blessing at the grave in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

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DEATHS

Greene—Alice B. Greene, died August 12 at Wadsworth avenue, Avon. Funeral August 14 from St. Agnes Church, Avon.

Pagano—Lucrezia Pagano, died August 11, aged 21 years. Funeral August 14 from 499 Monroe avenue and 9:30 o'clock from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Carbone—Loretta M. Carbone, died August 12 at 826 Flower City park, aged 20 years. Funeral August 16 from Sacred Heart Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Baker—William F. Baker, died August 12 at Dorchester, Mass. Funeral August 16th, from 230 Brown street, City. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Burke—Mrs Margaret Downey Burke, died at Rochester Hospital. Funeral August 16 from Foster street and at 9:30 from St. Ann's Church. Interment at St. Ann's cemetery, Palmyra.

Duffy—John Duffy, of Pittsford died at the Rochester State Hospital, August 14. Funeral August 17 from late home, four miles south on the Mendon Center road and at 8:30 o'clock at St. Louis Church, Pittsford. Interment at St. Mary's cemetery, Fairport.

Favreau—Joseph Favreau, died at Grand Rapids, Mich. Funeral August 16th from Mat-tell's Undertaking Parlors, and at Our Lady of Victory Church at 9 o'clock.

Di Vito—Pasquale Di Vito, died August 16. Funeral August 18 from 144 Davis street and at 8:45 o'clock at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Quackenbush—H. Vernon Quackenbush, died August 16th at 1 Lapham street, aged 20 years. Funeral August 18th from Sacred Heart Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Facist Jailed; Mistreated Priest

(By N. C. W. C. News Service)
 Rome, Aug. 7.—News has been received here that ten members of the facist who administered noxious potions to the Rev. Mariano Valentino, the parish priest of Straucun, have been sentenced to terms ranging from thirty months to three years.

Why He Didn't Take Train.

They used to tell a story of a youth of Calhoun county, Illinois, who had never ridden on a railway train, or even seen one. He decided to enlarge his knowledge of the world, and with that purpose in view started on a trip to St. Louis. He bought a ticket, and when the train stopped alongside the station he stood gazing at it, but made no effort to get aboard. Presently the train pulled out, he watching it all the last car disappeared around the curve. Then the station master called out, "I thought you were going to St. Louis on that train." "I did aim to," replied the boy, "but they didn't throw out no gangplank!"—Prairie Farmer.

Why Linen May Soon Be Cheap.

Linen, heretofore made exclusively from flax, has been growing dearer and dearer in proportion as the flax plant has become rarer and more difficult to cultivate. Now, it is said, a satisfactory substitute has been found in the flax lily, which grows in abundance in New Zealand. The plant will grow admirably in many parts of Europe and America. It is far easier to cultivate than flax itself, and it has a yield of 2,240 pounds to the acre.

Why Oil Is Preferred to Coal.

Oil is coming into greater use for fuel purposes in Philadelphia to a notable degree. The port of Philadelphia in 1922 received crude oil from Mexico in the amount of 413,000,000 odd gallons compared with 374,000,000 odd gallons in 1921. It is said that the impelling cause for the use of oil for domestic and industrial use is not so much the question of price as the avoidance of periods of shortage and getting fuel that can be bought in quantities whenever needed.

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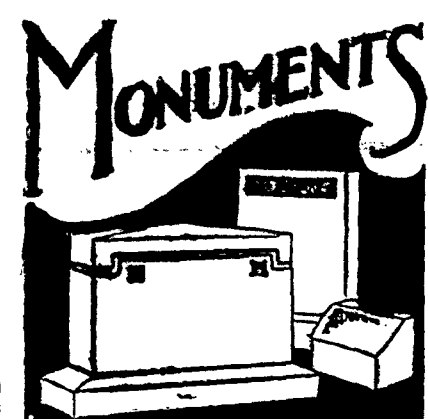
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Strange Experience.

One evening after I had finished helping mother dry dishes I decided to read my story book. I began where I had left off—about the middle of the book. Soon I fell asleep. I dreamed of a strange story, something like the one I was reading. I dreamed to the end of the story. The next day when I finished my book I found it was exactly as my dream had been and also ended the same way.—Chicago Journal.

Cement for China and Glassware.

A cement for mending broken china and glassware may be made as follows: Mix a cupful of milk with a cupful of vinegar, then separate the curd from the whey and mix the whey with the whites of five eggs, beating the whole thoroughly together. When it is well mixed stir in a little quicklime and stir until the mixture is of the consistency of thick paste. Cement made in this way dries quickly.