

**NEW GAUGE OF HORSEPOWER**

Method of Showing the Relation Between It and a Kilowatt Has Been Devised.

More than 100 years ago James Watt took the strength of a "strong London draft-horse" as a unit of measurement to indicate the power of his steam engine. This unit, which was the amount of energy that would raise 33,000 pounds one foot in one minute, is called one horsepower.

Electric motors, automobile engines and all other forms of energy-producing machinery have been measured in terms of Watt's horsepower ever since, says a bulletin of the New York State Committee of Public Utility, The "strong London draft-horse" is dead as Belphegor and his bones are dust, but his mighty throws have been so imbedded in tradition that from that time to this no one has questioned the horsepower of a horse.

Now the unit of measurement, originally taken from a horse, is to be used to measure the strength of other horses, to determine, in terms of mechanical horsepower, how strong they are. There has been designed a wagon, the wheels of which are geared to a hydraulic pump by means of which any required pull can be established and a uniform load resistance maintained. To this wagon will be harnessed various types of horses, from the lordly Percheron, weighing a full ton, to the 900-pound light-harness horse, and from the results there will be established a ratio between weight and strength similar to the tables for electric motors, showing the number of horsepower delivered for every kilowatt of energy consumed.

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**CEYLON IS LAND OF WALKING FISH**

Famous Cinnamon Gardens of Colombo Given Over to Park and Home Sites.

Washington.—A land where fishes walk along the roads and climb rocks and trees, where crabs fling sand into the air and elephants play tricks like sportive children—such, says a bulletin from the National Geographic society, is Ceylon, where Great Britain is negotiating with the natives concerning important government reforms. "Colombo, the present capital," continues the bulletin, "has a magnificent artificial harbor built by the British. That city superseded the former principal seaport, Galle. In the new port city the native quarter, with its beautiful Sinhalese girls, its jewel grinders and lace makers, contrasts sharply with stately government buildings and European customs of the English section.

**Ancient Wonder-City.**  
"The famous Cinnamon gardens, where the Dutch formerly cultivated that spice in enormous quantities, today are given over mainly to a park and bungalows and here houses of well-to-do residents nestle in bowers of wondrous beauty and sweet perfume.

"Scanty remains of the ancient capital, Anaradhapura, lie in lofty mountains amid matted jungle growths. Glowing descriptions of this ancient wonder-city by Arab, Persian and Greek voyagers led to the excavation work, now going on, which has been slow because of its vast size.

"Near by is the sacred mountain of Mihintala, with its huge irrigation tanks, one of them begun five centuries before the Christian era. This tank covered 40 square miles with its waters when it was new.

**Buddha's Enormous Tooth.**  
"Kandy, the last native capital, sits picturesquely above the blue waters of a little lake, also artificial. In making it the native ruler ruthlessly drowned out scores of his subjects' rice fields. Hidden in gold and ruby-encrusted bell shrines a mythical 'tooth of Buddha' is preserved.

"The present 'tooth' obviously could not have grown in any human mouth—it is two inches long and half an inch thick at the base. The visitor forgives the fiction for the sake of the August 'night' celebration, when the 'tooth' is carried about the town accompanied by a procession of devil dancers in their grotesque masks.

"Adam's Peak, a strange mountain top where a huge natural depression resembles an enormous human foot also is an object of veneration. From this mountain Buddha is supposed to have ascended to heaven. Millions of devout pilgrims worship there. Even the non-believer is impressed by the scene at dawn, when the sun first tints a sea of clouds, and projects slender shadows upon the countryside.

**Immigrants Supplanted Natives.**  
"When the civilization of the Sinhalese was at its height, more than 2,000 years ago, the capital, Anaradhapura, was a marvelous city extending over some 250 square miles. It was clustered with magnificent palaces, pagodas and monster relic-shrines of delicate design. This civilization was overthrown by Tamil mercenaries whom the Sinhalese imported from India; subsequently the island was held successively by the Portuguese, Dutch and now by the English.

"The 'walking fish' performs its terrestrial antics when ponds dry up in the hot season. Then it either burrows into the soft mud to wait for rain, or, by night, crawls out of the last shallow depressions and goes writhing off through dripping grass on the hunt for other ponds. The natives then literally 'catch fish,' sometimes gathering them up by the bushel.

"The island's area is about that of West Virginia and on it live more people than there are in Texas."

**Russians and the Poles Disagree on War Spoils**

Moscow.—According to information received by Rul from Warsaw, serious misunderstandings have taken place between the Polish and Russian delegations of the commission for re-education, at Moscow. In keeping with the stipulations of the Treaty of Riga, this commission has been entrusted with drawing the lists of factories, machines, stocks of goods, etc., evacuated during the war from Poland to Russia and which should be returned to Poland.

The soviet delegation, refuses to comply with the Polish demands, asserting that most of the evacuated articles perished. Another commission dealing with the re-education of paintings and other museum pieces has reached a deadlock.

**DOCTOR REGAINS MEMORY WHILE ACTING AS ORDERLY**

Physicians and Nurses Astonished at His Diagnosis.

Detroit, Mich.—Relating that he had been a victim of amnesia and that his memory had been restored by performance of a hospital orderly's duties, Dr. James H. Anderson, Detroit physician, who disappeared last November, returned home recently in full possession of his faculties.

"I have no recollection of taking this job," he said, "but I do recall that one day when a nurse asked me to take the temperature of a patient I suddenly straightened up and said, 'This man is dying.' The nurse laughed at me, but a moment later it was discovered that what I said was true. In a few minutes the patient was dead.

"From that moment a mist began to roll away from my brain. The physician's instinct that had warned me of the patient's condition aroused a mental process that gave me no peace until I awoke one morning recently in full possession of my memory.

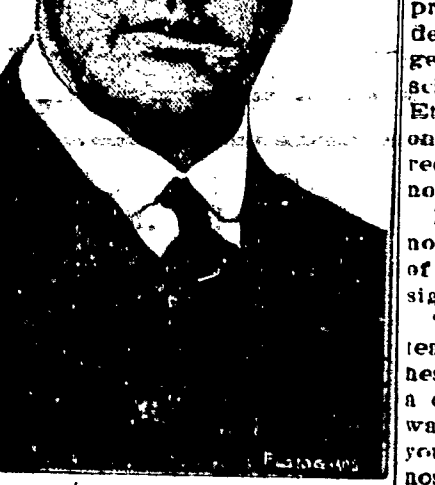
"Often I diagnosed cases as I attended patients as an orderly and sometimes my diagnosis was in conflict with that of the attending physicians. The physicians and nurses at the hospital regarded me as a 'nut,' but once an autopsy revealed that I had been right and the physician wrong, and then they regarded me with curiosity.

"But I was not completely master of my secret until it all burst upon me suddenly that morning, and then I revealed my discovery only to two friends in Chicago."

Doctor Anderson, who is fifty-six years old, told of a week of indecision, during which he found it difficult to decide whether to return to Detroit and start life anew or to keep his secret and start over somewhere else.

"I did not want to come back to Detroit, for a reproach seemed to attach to my experience and I feared it would be difficult to attain my high position in society again. But for the sake of my wife and son I determined to come back and try again."

**English Naval Inventor Given \$1,250,000 Bonus**



Commander P. O. Boney, famous English naval inventor, who is a recent discussion of warfare of the future, stated that the warship would soon become obsolete as a fighting force, and would be used as a carrier for planes, which in turn would carry torpedoes to do the destructive work.

For his great invention during the World war, the anti-submarine preserver, known as the paravane, he received from King George the Order of St. Michael and St. George and from the government a bonus of \$1,250,000, more than double that voted Field Marshal Haig.

**Ancient Skull Shows Attempt at Trephining**

New York.—Discovery of an ancient skull, bearing evidence of an effort by an aboriginal surgeon at cranial surgery in the era when man's keenest instrument was a flint knife, was announced by the American Museum of Natural History.

The skull, found at Mitten Rock in the Navajo reservation of New Mexico by an expedition headed by Earl H. Morris, famous explorer of Aztec ruins, had been extensively trephined, an oval section two inches long and an inch wide having been removed from the frontal bone immediately above the right eye.

**"AUNT JEMIMA" VICTIM OF AUTO**

Colored Mammy of Pancake Fame Crushed to Death in Chicago; Born in Kentucky.

Chicago.—Pancake season is here, but in some Chicago households the sizzling of the griddle will bring memories tinged with sadness.

"Aunt Jemima" is dead. The aged negro woman whose ability to make "flapjacks" was capitalized by millers, whose bandanna-wreathed smile forms a mental picture for thousands of lovers of a plate of waffles, and whose skill with the pancake turner furnished amusement for and drew the envy of those who have attended exhibitions and fairs ever since the Chicago World's fair of 1893, fell a victim to an automobile in Chicago recently.

Her death marks the passing of an interesting character who will be mourned not only by the negro race but by numerous wealthy Chicago families as well. Fog Mrs. Nancy Green will live longest in memory as "Aunt Jemima."

**Was Born in Kentucky.**  
"Aunt Jemima" was born in Montgomery county, Ky., in 1834 and came to Chicago as a nurse for the Walker family. She nursed and made pancakes for the late Circuit Judge Charles M. Walker, chief justice of the Municipal court, and his brother, Dr. Samuel Walker, now a leading North side physician, when they were boys. They spread her fame among their boy chums, and before long "Aunt Jemima's pancakes" became a common phrase in Chicago when good things to eat were discussed.

A milling concern heard of her, searched her out, obtained her recipe and induced her to make pancakes at the World's fair. After that she went from one exposition to another demonstrating her skill. There was one, however, that she refused to attend—the Paris exposition. All inducements that could be made were put forward, but "Aunt Jemima" refused to budge.

**Refused to Cross Ocean.**  
"No, suh," she said. "They ain't no man gonna git me on th' water. I was bo'n in this country an' I'm gonna die heah, not some where 'twix heah an' some where's else."

She was one of the first colored missionary workers and one of the organizers of the Olivet Baptist church, now the largest colored church in the world, with a membership of over 9,000.

**Urges Chinese Manners for American Children**

Bridgewater, N. Y.—"Chinese manners" as an antidote to the all-too-prevalent habit of young women powdering their noses in public, was suggested as a course to give in public schools by Dr. Henry Neumann of the Ethical Culture school of New York, one of the principal speakers, at the recent sixth annual conference of state normal schools.

Popular jazz songs he flatly denounced and declared that the singing of "Yes, We Have No Bananas" is a sign of mental poverty.

"I think it would be a good idea to teach our children a little about Chinese manners in the public schools, as a corrective against what I term 'subway manners.' We might get the young women to stop powdering their noses in public."

**Boys Discover Skulls While Playing Pirates**

New York.—Jacob Goldberg, aged eleven, and five young companions, fierce in their burned cork eyebrows, wooden swords and bandanna-swathed heads, went seeking treasure they had buried on a previous sailing of the South seas.

An old map pointed to a sand heap in Brooklyn, a short distance from Jacob's home. They began to dig, and they found four bleached skulls.

Policeman McDonough took the skulls to the Miller avenue station, accompanied by the "pirates."

Investigation showed the sand had been hauled from an excavation for a school at New Lots road and Barbary ground, the site of a 100-year-old burying ground.

**EXPEDITION TO EXPLORE LARGE AREA IN UTAH**

Evidence Points to Cliff Dwellers in Southeastern Part of State.

Washington.—An expedition sent out by the National Geographic society, which has been assembling its personnel and equipment at Gallup, New Mexico, recently started for a reconnaissance of a hitherto unexplored portion of the United States, the San Juan country of southeastern Utah.

Leaving Gallup, the geographic party will go by automobile, carrying its supply of gasoline in drums to Kayenta, Arizona, and then on horseback across the Utah line into a land of knife-edge canyons, bold buttes and green-topped mesas until the pack animals encounter impassible barriers. Then it will proceed on foot.

The expedition will attempt a preliminary survey of the region between the Colorado and San Juan rivers, much of it never traversed by white men, which constitutes one of the largest unexplored areas in the country.

The area of observation lies within San Juan county, a county which is larger than the state of New Jersey.

Occasional news of an Indian "war," such as the Plute outbreak of last March, brings sharp reminder that there still is an American frontier. Usually the outbreak ends by the Indians fleeing beyond the fringe of the canyon country into what is a "no man's land" for their white pursuers.

Dr. Neil M. Judd, archaeologist, of Washington, leader of the National Geographic society expeditions which excavated and studied the remarkable pre-Columbian communal dwellings of Chaco canyon, New Mexico, heads the Utah expedition.

Accompanying Dr. Judd is Edwin L. Withered, a staff photographer of the society, and a party of assistants and guides.

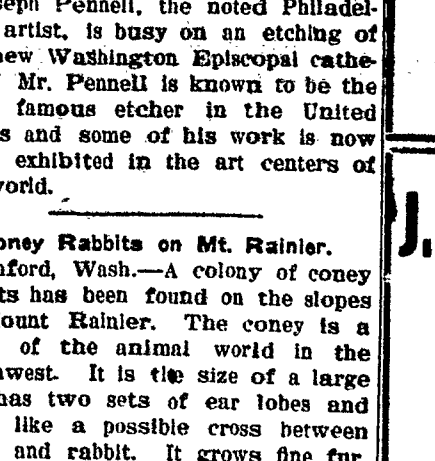
It is apparent, from geological evidence, that the unexplored area continues, on a greater scale, the weird grandeur of the red sandstone cliffs with their purple shadows, and may disclose obstacles which make it impossible.

Dr. Judd's primary attention, on his reconnaissance, will be to determine whether the cliff dwellings and skeletal remains, the traces of pottery, basketry and cliff inscriptions believed to abound here will justify other larger expeditions of the society which shall include experts in every phase of scientific inquiry which the area warrants.

Evidence of the outskirts points to cave dwellers, as well as cliff dwellers in this territory, for early Indians seem to have found shelter in the egg-shaped, and shell-smooth, caves of the vari-colored rock.

The fantastic beauty of this rugged desert, with its red rock canyons, its ever-changing color, and gargoyles promontories offers exceptional photographic opportunities; and it is possible that an incidental result of the trip will be the finding of such other spectacles as the natural bridges and rocky spires which occur in contiguous areas.

**Most Famous Etcher in the United States**



Joseph Pennell, the noted Philadelphia artist, is busy on an etching of the new Washington Episcopal cathedral. Mr. Pennell is known to be the most famous etcher in the United States and some of his work is now being exhibited in the art centers of the world.

**Coney Rabbits on Mt. Rainier.**  
Ashford, Wash.—A colony of coney rabbits has been found on the slopes of Mount Rainier. The coney is a freak of the animal world in the Northwest. It is the size of a large rat, has two sets of ear lobes and looks like a possible cross between a rat and rabbit. It grows fine fur. On the rocky hillsides it is a fast traveler. Its food consists of berries and roots in summer and in winter the coney hibernates without eating.

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