

ODD TRIBES LIVE IN MADAGASCAR

Women on Island Wear Odd Hair-dress—Scientist Has Large Field Here.

Washington.—The Bezananos of Madagascar, where radium has recently been found, are wearing their hair in coiffures which produce the same effect as the wig, the "hat" worn in hairdressing among the ladies of fashion at New York.

The Madagascan lady, however, plants her locks in fine braids and coils them in flat disks low over her forehead and ears and over her head to the base of her neck.

The Bezananos tribe is one of the great number of races and tribes of Malaya and Polynesian origin which inhabit this third largest of all the great islands of the world, lying off the southeastern coast of Africa.

Curious Human Reflex. The ethnologist who is hunting a combination of occupation and a museum will find stimulating traces of the traditional Vazimba who were powerful before the coming of the conquering Hova, the fairest and most intelligent of all the islanders.

In its 230,000 square miles of territory, larger than the areas of France, the mother country, and Belgium combined, the botanist, the zoologist and the mineralogist will also find stimuli for their various hobbies.

The botanist's paradise includes a wide range, from the sparse vegetation of the drought-parched slopes of the west and south to the forest belt with its flowering lianas, tree-ferns and fungi, bamboo and rattan, or "traveler's tree," from the leaf-beaters of the last mentioned tree a pure, cool supply of water is obtained.

The zoologist has an interesting field for his endeavors. Though some of the large animals which make hunting in the interior of Africa so exciting are to be found in Madagascar, the island has one animal found nowhere else in the world—the aye-aye, a squirrel-like specimen about the size of a cat, which is nocturnal in its habits.

Harmonious is Common Carrier. To him who seeks the wilds untrammeled by civilization Madagascar holds out fascinating lure—roads are almost totally non-existent throughout the island, in many places the only possible means of conveyance being a crude hammock swung on a pole and carried on the shoulders of natives.

Gold and precious stones for many years have been brought from this land, and the recent find of radium nearby adds one more rich treasure to the long list which the island's mines have been yielding.

Whale Meat Liked in Japan. Seattle, Wash.—The manager of a large whaling station at Akutan, Alaska, just returned from the season's work, reports having in storage 125,700 tons of fresh whale meat.

Answers of Pupils. "Revise" History. London.—The magazine of Oley Park, the Harrow preparatory school, publishes the following examination "howlers":

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GEORGE'S INCOME IS GROWING

King of England Said to Be Making Money Through His Realty Investments.

From England comes a report that King George V has increased his income this year by several million dollars through his realty investments. It is said the greater part of that increase comes from the king's Regent street holdings—and thereby hangs a tale.

Many years ago, as the New York Herald reports the circumstances, Regent street was developed with a row of stucco houses which became the laugh of London because of their odd appearance. The wits of the town poked so much fun at the houses that no one would occupy them.

Finally the rents were lowered to such a point that people decided to pocket their pride along with the saving in rent and the buildings were tenanted soon for an average rental of about \$100 a year.

Those who accepted the king's offer had to sign ninety-nine-year leases. The inequality of the contract grew in importance as a business thoroughfare, but none of the successive rulers of England ever tried to force their tenants to pay higher rents. Bad business though it was undoubtedly, the rulers realized that law was paramount and neither sovereign nor subject could circumvent its provisions.

Now the leases are expiring and King George is reaping the benefit of renewals at current market values. Under the new leases tenants will pay as much a week as they did a year.

YANKS WIN THE FOURRAGERE

French Decoration Given to Organizations an Imitation of the Old Forage Cord.

The "fourragere" (originally a forage cord or rope used for tying hay or grain) is the French military decoration for bravery. Several generations ago the grain band was worn by soldiers as an ornament.

It is now a collective decoration which is conferred by the French and other European governments, a colored cord having been substituted for the band of grain, says the Detroit News. Fifteen American organizations were awarded the fourragere by the French government for heroic deeds in the World War. One of these, Section 649 of the American ambulance service, received four citations in orders of the army, and therefore was awarded the fourragere in the colors of the ribbon of the Medaille Militaire.

In addition to these many other organizations had their colors decorated with the Croix de Guerre, but had not the two necessary citations in army orders to receive the fourragere.

Angler Fishes of Strange Forms. The family of the angler fishes contains more strange forms than any other.

Living on the sea bottom and seeking their prey by stealth, angler fishes do not need powerful swimming muscles, says the Detroit News, consequently the size of the body and tail has become considerably reduced, so that the head, relatively to the size of the body, is unusually large and villainously ugly.

The rays of the back fin are very long, and the foremost is provided with a flaglike flap of skin at the top, extremely sensitive to touch and playing a very important part in the capture of its food.

The Pilgrimage. When the faithful followers of Mohammed reach the Holy City on a pilgrimage they must be garbed in seamless cloth, must have four baths before they go to kiss the black stone, then must travel seven times about the city, three times running and four times walking, then must run up and down some of the sacred hills, then must go to Mt. Ararat, stand on the summit all afternoon and repeat their prayers, then return to Mecca, on the way stopping at a village to sacrifice a goat, a sheep or a camel, then cast seven stones at each of several cairns. Then they may shave and cut their nails, the pilgrimage having been concluded.

Dotting a Libel Suit. "Mr. Strong has been in today and he had murder in his eye," said the city editor. "How in time did you come to speak of Mr. Strong's alleged husband in that paragraph about her accident?"

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USE FOR SULPHITE LIQUOR

Alcohol and Fuel to Be Derived From Paper Mill Waste by New Process.

Waste sulphite liquor that now pours from paper mills into rivers will be utilized in manufacturing alcohol and fuel by means of a new chemical process recently discovered and thoroughly tested by chemical engineers.

This announcement, considered one of the most important in years in the paper industry, will be made before the cellulose division of the American Chemical Society by Prof. R. H. McKee, head of the chemical department of Columbia university, who was associated with Dr. Max Kabra, New York, in the discovery and preparation of intarvin, one of the two recently discovered substances that check diabetes.

"At present, for every cord of wood used in the paper mills the manufacturer obtains 1,000 pounds of pulp and 1,000 gallons of waste sulphite liquor, which flows into the rivers adjoining the plants, causing death of fish, disagreeable odors and other inconveniences so great that stringent laws have been passed in some states, and were they rigidly enforced, mills would have to close down," declared Doctor McKee.

"Under the new process this waste liquor will be fermented and a good grade of commercial alcohol obtained. Then after the alcohol has been distilled off, the residual material will be evaporated and may be used as fuel."—Milwaukee Journal.

LEADS IN MEDICAL SCHOOLS

United States Has Eighty-two Out of the Total of 445 in the World.

Out of an approximate total of 445 medical schools in the world, the United States predominates with 82 schools, according to a list prepared by the Rockefeller Foundation. Next come the British Isles with 43, followed by France with 32, Russia with 28, Germany with 25, China with 24, Italy with 22, Japan with 20, India with 18, Spain with 11, Mexico with 11, Brazil with 10, Canada with 9, Netherlands with 8, Poland with 5, Switzerland with 3 and Belgium with 5. Fifty-four other countries support from one to four medical schools each.

Not only do standards differ greatly between countries but even within national areas, notably in the United States, medical schools are of distinctly different grades as measured by personnel, equipment, resources and ideals. In spite of great variation in quality, however, all these centers of teaching are more or less directly dominated by the aims and methods of modern medicine. It is one aim of the Rockefeller Foundation, says the report, to hasten the development of international co-operation in medical education, by all available means.

New Sugar Beet Digger. It is said that a machine for toppling and digging sugar beets promises to eliminate much of the back-breaking work of harvesting. The apparatus resembles a potato digger in general outline but in front of the lifts that remove the roots from the ground is a revolving disk twenty inches in diameter, so adjusted by a spring and roller that it measures the cutting distance from the top of the beet instead of from the ground. Immediately behind the disk are two lifts that remove the beets from the ground and deliver them to an endless chain elevator that frees them of dirt and dumps them out behind the machine. As the top and head of the sugar beet contains an acid that counteracts the sugar in the rest of the root, a harvester must measure the beets and cut them at the right place.

Rearing Wild Furbeaters. Important progress has been made in investigations pertaining to the raising of wild fur-bearing animals in captivity, says the Scientific American. Fur farms are reported from 25 states where foxes, skunks, minks, opossums, martens, muskrats, squirrels and beavers are raised.

It is estimated that 500 ranchers are raising silver foxes in the United States, that they have between 12,000 and 15,000 foxes in captivity, and that the value of the investment is about \$3,000,000.

The discovery of the fact that martens breed the last of July and in August has solved the problem which has heretofore prevented the successful rearing of these animals in captivity and has opened up an important field to the fur farmer.

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DON'T "IMPROVE" ON NATURE

Introduction of English Sparrow in United States an Example of Its Unwisdom.

There have been some disastrous experiments in the direction of "improving" on nature. For instance, when rats became such a nuisance in Jamaica the East Indian mongoose was introduced to rid the island of the pest. But today the mongoose is a greater nuisance than the rat, and being bigger and hungrier and quicker on its feet it is worse than the thing it was introduced to destroy.

A settler thought he would make home in a strange land more homelike by introducing the British sparrow, which hitherto had been unknown on the other side of the Atlantic, says London "Tit-Bits." Mr. Sparrow liked his new quarters and quickly made himself at home, with disastrous results to crops and native birds.

And what shall be said of the colonist who brought a pair of rabbits from English fields so that they might breed and supply him with his favorite rabbit pie? There are enough rabbits in Australia today to make rabbit pie for the entire population of the earth. The authorities have spent millions of pounds in efforts to exterminate them, but they still go on breeding and eating the grass the sheep should have.

MUST CHANGE MAP OF ETNA

Recent Eruption of the Sicilian Volcano Probably Has Made Great Alterations.

Seventeen years ago when Vesuvius was angry all maps had to be rectified after the eruption. The extreme summit of the mountain had become considerably lower and the crater was much deeper. Now the Etna eruption was much more violent than that of Vesuvius, which means probably the sides of the Sicilian volcano will also have to be changed on the map.

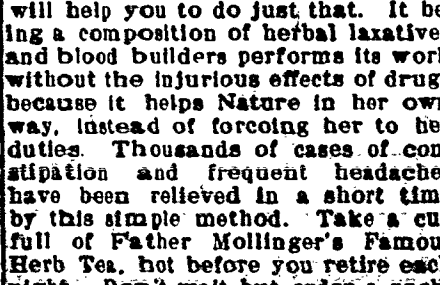
In spite of its great activity the eruption of Vesuvius can be observed from one end to the other by an expert. Doctor Matteucci spent three days and three nights in a recess of the smoking crater. He was thought to be dead. When he returned he could not hide his joy, not at having escaped death by a miracle, but at being able to make observations on the spot of this tremendous phenomenon, of which he had been certainly a most indiscreet witness.

His successor, Professor Malladra, has been observing the different phases of the recent Etna convulsions. "But he was not able to approach as near as Doctor Matteucci on Vesuvius—L'Opinion.

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DEATHS

STEIMES—Entered into rest, suddenly, in this city, Sunday morning, October 21, 1923. Lawrence P. Steimes, aged 65 years, 11 months. Funeral took place Wednesday morning, SS. Peter and Paul's Church at 10 o'clock. Interment was made in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

DWYER—Suddenly, on Friday, at St. Mary's Hospital, Phillip J. Dwyer. Funeral was held Tuesday morning at St. Bridget's Church at 10 o'clock.

O'NEIL—At Pavilion, N. Y., Sunday, October 21, 1923, Eugene O'Neil. The funeral took place Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, from the immaculate Conception Church. Interment was made in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

GAFFNEY—Entered into rest, at No. 17 Lawrence street, Monday evening, October 22, 1923, Mrs. Margaret Gaffney. Funeral October 25th, at 9 o'clock at Our Lady of Victory Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

GROSSMAN—Adolph Grossman at St. Mary's Hospital, on Tuesday morning, aged 77 years. The funeral took place on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Joseph's Church.

HEBERLING—Entered into rest, Monday, October 22, 1923, at her home, No. 16 Upton park, Mrs. Charlotte A. Heberling. The funeral took place October 25, 1923, at 9 o'clock at Corpus Christi Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery in the family lot.

LIPANI—Passed away Monday afternoon, at the family home, No. 624 North street, Nicoletta Lipani, in her 57th year. Funeral took place Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

MONROE—Nora Monroe, wife of Michael J. Monroe died Monday evening, at the family home, No. 5 Lorimer street. Funeral took place Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock from Lady Chapel. Interment was made in the family lot in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

SCRANK—Mary Maier Schrank, widow of Simon died Wednesday morning, October 24, 1923, aged 68 years, at the home, No. 215 Weddell way. Funeral Saturday morning, October 27th, at 8:30 o'clock from the home and at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's Church. Interment will be made at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

TURPEY—Mary Gartland Turpey entered into rest at her home, in Wheatland, N. Y., Tuesday October 23, 1923, aged 52 years. Funeral was held Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock from St. Mary's Church, Scottville. Interment was made in Holy Angels cemetery.

ELLA M. GERAGHTY The funeral of Ella M. Geraghty took place at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning at her home, No. 209 Westminister road and at 9:30 o'clock at Blessed Sacrament Church. Burial was made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery. For many years she had been a teacher at school No. 9 and performed her duties as usual on Friday. She had been forty-five years in the service of the city schools, all but five years in School No. 9 where she had received her primary training. A delegation from the school attended the funeral.

FRANKLIN—In this city, Wednesday, October 17, at the Lee Hospital, Mrs. Gertrude A. Franklin, of No. 133 Lyell avenue, aged 47 years. Funeral took place Monday morning at 9 o'clock from Lady Chapel, St. Patrick's Cathedral. Interment in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

TOBIN—Mrs. Mary Tobin died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald, No. 548 Plymouth avenue on Thursday evening, October 18. The funeral took place Monday morning, at 9 o'clock from St. Monica's Church. Interment was made in St. Mary's cemetery, Fairport, N. Y.

ZIEGLER—William John Ziegler, died Thursday evening, October 18, at the home, No. 353 Bernard St. Funeral took place Monday morning at 9 o'clock at Holy Redeemer Church. Interment was made in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

GERLING—Passed away, Saturday evening, Oct. 20, at St. Mary's Hospital, Mrs. Julia Gerling, of No. 21 Penn street. The funeral took place Tuesday morning, from Immaculate Conception Church at 9 o'clock. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

HOFFMAN—Entered into rest, in New York city, on Saturday, October 20, Mrs. Edna Hoffman, aged 22 years. The funeral was held from her home, No. 140 Hayward avenue on October 23, and from Corpus Christi Church at 9 o'clock. Burial was made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

LOCKHART—Suddenly, Sunday, October 21, 1923, Harry C. Lockhart, of No. 497 Caroline street; aged 36 years. Funeral was held Wednesday at 8:30 at the Blessed Sacrament Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

MICHELIS—Peter Michela died suddenly, Sunday afternoon, at his home, No. 612 Hollenbeck street, aged 48 years. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

MCCAFFREY—James McCaffrey died at the family residence, No. 9 Lambert park, Sunday afternoon, October 21, 1923. Funeral Wednesday morning, October 24, 1923, at 9 o'clock at SS. Peter and Paul's Church. Interment was made in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

MYKINS—William Mykins died Wednesday morning at the home, 85 Pullman avenue. Funeral will take place Saturday morning, October 27th, from Sacred Heart Church. Interment at Holy Sepulchre cemetery in family lot.

HARRIS—Mrs. Frances E. Harris, widow of Davis Harris, died Thursday morning at her home, 69 Greig street. Funeral will take place Saturday from Immaculate Conception Church at 9 o'clock. Interment in the family lot in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

HORNING—Entered into rest, at St. Mary's Hospital Wednesday evening, October 24, 1923, John W. Horning, aged 35 years. Funeral Saturday morning, October 27th at 8:30 o'clock from the residence of his sister, Mrs. J. Fakar, No. 63 Priem street, and at 9 o'clock at Blessed Sacrament Church. Interment in the family lot at Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

McCusker—At her residence, 316 Jones street, Ella McCusker. Funeral will be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from Lady Chapel.

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