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Light Received by Eyes
The naval observatory says if the atmosphere is left out of consideration, the quantity of light received by the eye from a luminous object is directly proportional to the amount of light emitted by the object and inversely proportional to the square of the distance. If one light is twice as far away as another, it has to be really four times as bright as the other in order to appear equally bright. The enormous size and brilliancy of the stars, however, enables them to overcome the disadvantage of distance.

More Than Fair Average
The orator finally greeted home tired and dusty. His wife reached him with "And how did your speech go, dear?" The orator forgot his weariness and his duties. His chest expanded and one hand went into his coat front in the approved position. "I'll tell you how it went," was his reply. "Six times I paused for cheers and five times I got 'em!"

Indian Disdains Cold
The Indian's body is "all face," as he explains. That's why he can keep comfortable in a breech cloth and really enjoy the cool breeze that blows off the glaciers. In the midsummer season, groups of Blackfoot mountain hunters often climb to the cliffs in the Rocky mountains of Glacier National park, thus thinly clad, paying no attention to the cold air from off the snow-capped peaks. And they are not trying to get in a "peak" condition for a single event, either.

Cop Had Been There
A rickety silver chugged down the street faster than the cop thought the driver ought to be driving. The cop signalled him to stop, but the silver kept right on going. After a pursuit, the cop demanded angrily: "What's the idea? Why didn't you stop when I told you to?" "Well," answered the man, "it seemed a shame to stop after I spent two hours getting the oil bus started." It is reported the cop let him go.

Reason for Belief in Lost Continent

Does the Atlantic ocean roll over a lost continent? Le Plongeon, who deciphered the hieroglyphics among the ruins of Yucatan, in Central America, came upon inscriptions describing a catastrophe which submerged the old Atlantean continent, legends of which have survived in literature from the earliest times.

It may be that this catastrophe gave rise to the equally widespread belief in the flood which destroyed the early inhabitants of our planet. Certain it is that the American continent, although called the New world, is geologically the oldest land on the globe, and the monuments found in the jungles of Yucatan were ancient when the pyramids of Egypt were built.

The catastrophe is supposed to have taken place about 9000 B. C., and at that time there was a highly organized civilization in Yucatan, which would seem to be a remnant of the lost continent. It is not a very large country, yet, in spite of the great difficulties of exploration, the ruins of 172 cities have been discovered. Some of these are so extensive that they must have contained half a million inhabitants, and it is possible that the pyramids found in the jungle gave the pattern at a much later date to the pharaohs of Egypt.

Peruvians Leaders in Highway Construction

The earliest American highways were constructed by the Peruvians. The Incas constructed a highway between Quito and Cuzco 25 feet wide. In places this road was paved with large stones, often 10 feet square. Trees were planted on each side of the roadway, and, wherever necessary, retaining walls of stone were made. Several of the other early American peoples in South and Central America built similar roads. A proclamation issued by the government of New York in 1664 showed how our early roads were made. It stated: "The highways are to be cleared as follows, viz.: The way to be made clear of standing and lying trees, at least 10 feet broad; all stumps and shrubs to be cut close to the ground. The trees to be marked yearly on both sides; sufficient bridges to be made and kept over all marshy, swampy and difficult dirty places, and whatever else shall be thought more necessary about the highways aforesaid."

Poverty and Prosperity

Somewhere in the obituary of almost every successful American you will find this sentence: "He began life a poor boy." Our great men seem to have had a positive genius for picking out poor parents. Although poverty at birth is looked upon as an asset rather than a liability, most successful Americans, notwithstanding the tremendous advantage poverty gave them, began to hustle for riches at an early age. Being born poor may be an asset, but it becomes a liability if you stay that way. When you are a plump, stub-nosed baby being carried around on a pillow and exhibited to the neighbors you are fortunate if poor. But you are a great deal more unfortunate if you remain so.—Arkansas Thomas Cat.

Yielded First Place

A Chicago firm advertising for a salesman received a reply from a man who said that he was the greatest salesman in the world. They engaged him and gave him three lines of goods to sell anywhere in the West.

After he had been away a week, and they had received no orders, they were surprised to get a telegram saying:

"I am not the world's greatest salesman. I am the second best. The greatest salesman is the man who got you to buy these goods."

Life-Saving Cork

The bureau of standards says the amount of cork used to support a body in water depends entirely upon the body. Many things must be taken into consideration, such as the bones and flesh. Nine out of ten people float naturally because the body is supposed to be as light as water. In general, if the body is as light as the water and 25 pounds of the 150 pounds is out of water, such as the head, neck, shoulders and arms, it would take six pounds and ten ounces of cork to support the body.

When Barnum Was Mayor

P. T. Barnum, the circus owner, closed his term as mayor of Bridgeport, Conn., by this address to the common council. He was entertaining a motion to adjourn sine die.

"Now, gentlemen, let us fold our tents like the Arabs and silently steal away, congratulating ourselves that this is the only stealing which has been done by this honorable body."

Barnum's gavel fell and he turned and winked at the councilmen. "Now you are all dead cocks in the pit," he remarked.

Harvey W. Root discovered this and other forgotten incidents of Barnum's term as mayor, which he included in an article upon the great showman in McClure's Magazine.

West African Coast "White Man's Grave"

In the entire globe there is no region of worse reputation than the west coast of Africa. G. Ward Prince, special correspondent, writes from Nigeria. With Devil's Island and Botany Bay it shares proverbial infamy, and by the majority of Englishmen has always been regarded as their national Siberia.

Even now, when growing trade returns are revealing to British eyes the economic value of this notorious coast, the mental picture of west Africa to which most men still cling is that of pestilent mangrove swamps and fever-stricken forests.

The graves of young Englishmen scattered everywhere about west Africa remind one that but a few years have passed since filth, fever and drink were the living conditions of Europeans out here, and death within two years their almost inevitable end.

The harm, too, which this malevolent climate does to white men is not necessarily immediately or even ultimately fatal. Its principal effect is the slow and stealthy sapping of a man's vitality, a process of wastage and decay directed not only against the body, but the brain.

The consequences of this debilitation may not manifest themselves even until a west African official's career is over, and then a commonplace chill caught at home in England, a touch of influenza, some mild internal disorder such as a European who has never left the temperate zone throws off unheeding, claims at last from the enfeebled body another life for the unrelenting coast.

Obstinacy in Babies Merely Human Nature

If your baby girl at eighteen months yells when you want her to comply with some adult wish, or your three-year-old pushes you away and says, "No, I won't," do not be alarmed at this show of obstinacy. Periodic spells of resistance to even pleasant suggestions are part of the normal development of the normal child, according to Dr. D. M. Levy, Chicago psychiatrist, who has made an extended investigation of resistance in children.

Babies of less than six months tend to be calm, even when just awakened or interrupted at meal time, says Doctor Levy, but from six months on the perverseness increases until the third year, often with a minor high point of resistance in the eighteenth month, which is particularly apt to appear in the case of girls. After the third year resistance gradually decreases until the child at five years readily co-operates with an adult who knows how to make himself agreeable. Girls, on the whole, show more resistance than boys.

Red Cross Is Favorite With Happy Women

The woman who does her own housework and is always bright and smiling with a happy expression on her face, ten to one, she has a Red Cross in her kitchen. The Red Cross Range is in the kitchen of many housewives in Rochester, and they are satisfied with this wonderful range. Mr. Charles G. Diehl, 635 Jay street sells the Red Cross, and reports many sales of this popular range.

The Red Cross combination range, is most popular right at the present season of the year, as it makes possible the saving of a large amount of fuel in the furnace, in that, with the range going it gives off a cheering heat that is sufficient to warm the whole house, these cool days.

The Red Cross line contains many different models of ranges, and the new line which was first shown at the recent Rochester Exposition contains features not previously incorporated in any range. Mr. Diehl has a complete showing of the whole Red Cross line on hand at all times.

A Dependable Drug Store

A dependable drug store, and one that can be relied upon at all times to give you only the best in drugs, is the I. S. Hunt Company located at 390 Thurston Road. If you are in a hurry for a prescription, you will be able to procure it here where they make this part of their business a specialty, and persons leaving a prescription will be surprised to see how quickly it is put up. This firm has built up a business that is surprisingly large, entirely on the basis that proper service brings the business.

Anything in the druggist line can also be secured at this store, and you may rest assured it will be of the very best. You need not have to give any thought as to the purity of the drugs, or as to the carefulness of filling the prescriptions, for none but the very best materials and the most expert pharmacists are employed. Any physician will recommend in the highest terms the business principles of this store, as well as to the high quality of the goods carried.

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