Rite of Fire Walking Still Deep Mystery

Despite investigations of competent waservers, the famous Tahiti firewatking ceremony still remains a secontrol a small company of natives in

the island of Rainten, Tahiti. The coremony was given on this is-Early secently for the first time in many years and outsiders were not witnessing any stage at the preparation of the fire pit.

When the proper time comes and the celebrants pass through the fire, my bystander asking permission may wowdrough beside them without disexomfort.

Ontsiders who have passed through The fire say they felt no sensution of Best except on the face, although, when standing outside, the radiation made the pit difficult to approach.

There trying to solve the mystery Elegant ed out a large stone from the rat war the ceremony was in prograces and thrown it into a pail of water. "Make W" er would go up in steam, Some son. salso have tried crawling to the edge of when sit and touching one of the white scones with the finger. They were re- tor. wanded with ugly burns.

Scientists who have seen the firesmalking have propounded a number of citizen. wheories, but practical tests always Elitical to establish such explanations.

The ceremony, harking back to theathen times and the worship of old make, is frowned on by the missionseries and the Christians among the extives. Hence it is seldom per Samed, even in Rainten, the place of origin.

Unable to Duplicate Paper Made Long Ago

Who ever thought when some of the Salky old volumes were published that a time the few blank pages in front nd in back would be the most valuis part of the whole book?

That time seems to have arrived, for 1 id that a distinguished British etche spends many of his spare hours securitying through old book stores and waste unper depositories for the massaine . .. wholly unread volume of the navy pay office. esther days. For years he has been "fearing out the clean leaves to get pamer that is paper, and is not an asmody of all sorts of modern makewhite, which will disintegrate after a Sew years.

The books, many of which are so and ponderous that some of the serves remain uncut, can be bought 🗪 a few cents. The paper, it is said, tot duplicated today, and, if it were, the price would be prohibitive.

Animais Get Good Food

Gld and wornout horses in London bought by the managers of the made fat and sleek, then slaugh- Thomas Browne. record and fed to the animals, the num-Der of horses thus disposed of last weer being 440. And the walrus col- Alfred Tennyson. ony must have codfish, so nearly five were fed to them, besides 40 tons at hearing, while other articles of food |-Henry Fielding. the animals included 14,000 tins of 128 pounds of honey, 258 pounds ents' eggs, 77 pounds of meal -Goeffrey Chaucer. weens, 150 bunches of onions, 213,000 Seed bill for the year reaching \$50,000. God.—Edmund Young. -- Milventure Magazine.

SIRES OF THE GREAT,

Homer was a farmer's son. Virgil's father was a porter.

Lucian was a sculptor's son.

Pope's father was a merchant. Murat was an innkeeper's son.

Milton was the son of a copyist. Marshal Ney was a cooper's son.

Mozart's father was a bookbinder. Goethe's father was a bookseller.

Charles Lamb was a servant's son Rollin's father was a knife maker The father of Cowley was a grocer

Glotto, the artist, was a peasant's terested.

Handel's father was a country doc

Napoleon was the son of a humble

Oliver Cromwell's father was

Schubert's father master. Cardinal Wolsey's father was

butcher. Power's, the sculptor, was a farm

Shakespeare's father

merchant. Doctor Doddridge was the son of an

Wagner's father was police court.

Dicken's father was a poor clerk in

Martin Luther's father was peasant and a woodsman.

NATURE

All nature is but art .- Alexander

Some touch of nature's genial glow--Walter Scott.

Nature is always wise in every part. -Lord Thurlow.

Nature is the art of God -Sir

Nothing in nature is unbeautiful.-

All nature wears one universal grin.

Nature, the vicar of Almighty God.

snas, 848 gallons of fresh milk, the The course of nature is the art of

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SPRINGBUCK'S STORY

"All right, no one says you're not. Africa.

"We're both small antelopes."

the Springbuck. "Have you indeed?" remarked the appear too curious and too much in-

"I have," repeated the Springbuck. "Well, if you feel like telling the rea son I won't stop you," said the Reedbuck.

"Not that I care especially one way or the other."

the Springbuck. "()h very well, if you say s. " an swered the Reedbuck "I will agree. I like to be pleasant."

"You would like to hear the rea son," muttered the Springbuck

"Well, I will tell you" And at that the Reedbuck almost jumped with joy but stopped just in time for he did not want to flatter the Springbuck too much

"I was named my fine and howorable name of Springbuck and so were all my family, because we can spring high



"I'm a Springbuck."

into the air when we are hurrying or running to get anywhere.

"So instead of being an ordinary

season of the year.

soms do.

"I'm a Reedbuck," the other said, who can read.

"My name is spelled differently in the able to read

"I am named after the reeds that grow in the water for I'm a waterbuck. Fair," by Michael Arlen and a handsome one, too, if anyone should ask me"

"No one did ask you," said the Springbuck

"If anyone should ask me I have buck proudly,

only they're horns," said the Spring some day find himself in dutch and but there were many minutes at a buck.

cross and good-looking.

"I took a broom the keeper left here and broke it all to pieces. "He tried to get it from me but he

couldn't. "He tried and tried and tried, too " "It's all right to be pleased with your looks, but there is nothing to be

proud about when you are so cross.

"You should be ashamed of that,"

said the Springbuck. "Well. I am so thankful I'm in the

and faguars go a hunting."

Not far away two Miss Angora Goats

were talking. ne," said one, "that I was born in the there is so little that the pack is ut like l'ete I didn't mind. Only—I didn't 000 per year for these purposes. It zoo last spring. She said I stood up terly at loss? Scent does not depend when I was half an hour old on my upon the weather-that much we own feet, and that I was born with know. my eyes wide open as all angoras are. It was nice to hear that I did the right

thing." "My mother told me," said the secwas nicely clipped so she could have a

new coat." "So did we all," sald a Mrs. An-

were talking together. They were Scotch shield contained the lion ramspeaking of the young ones who came pant (standing on its hind legs) on a in the spriffg, of the days back in field of gold. Asia which the older ones remembered about-the ones who had not been born in the zoo.

Saw Last Man Hung

School Teacher-Percival, why are ou so late? Percival-I went with papa to a lynching party and we stayed until the

last wan was hung. Teacher (in her severest tone)-Was hanged. Percival! - Country Gentle heads on threads that make a mop of gets by on four'n half tons. - Notre

Painless Surgery Has Made Rapid Advance

The surgery of a century ago was a painful and almost brutal procedure, the Scientific American says. With the coming of antisepsis and later of asepsis, following the work of Lister and Pasteur, the mortality which reterial infection following operation.

but I'm the Reedbuck from South use of narcotics preliminary to operation to reduce the patient's sensibility and, more recently, the development Jenny lived all day. The great mo-"I have reason for my name," said of another gas anesthetic, ethylene, physicians have been able to work ther came home to supper, more slowly, more carefully and more Reedbuck, who wanted very much to accurately, extending surgical proceask what it was but did not want to dures to organs heretofore unapproachable by the surgeon's knife, with the cold, her delicate nose sniffing to the people. When approved it will thereby saving many lives in conditions previously called inoperable.

Moreover, continued study of nerve routes and nerve paths, with the development of anesthetic substances which may be applied directly to nerves, permits effectively blocking the anesthesia with such drugs as procain and butyn enables surgeons to operate on patients who are fully conscious and therefore are better able to resist the shock which may accompany extensive operative measures.

Comes Under Head of "Better Left Unsaid"

It was our first call on the new neighbors and Mr B- - and I were about the peculiar names of certain dogs of the community.

to our conversation in its beginning. dogs, and when there came a moment of silence between Mr. B--- and me I heard the end of Mrs. B -- 's remark about "Fanny." Wishing to rather disgusted inflection in my host-"Fanny, good Lord, who's dog's that?" I never have been more embarrassed in my life than when, after an awkward pause, my wife said: "Mrs. Tribune

Faithful but Fractious

buck I'm a Springbuck, meaning I'm a love as though it was a naughty boy who should be made to stand in a cor-"My name has nothing to do with the ner except as a great treat once in slx weeks . "I don't just appear during the very tiresome Wives can be intolerspringtime as the buds and spring blos. able. England and America are strewn with good men suffering from "Oh no, that would not sult me at their wives virtues. It is damnable. When a woman is faithful to her husband she generally manages to take "but it doesn't mean that I'm a buck it out of him in some other way. The her think that she has a right to be --well, disagreeable. I'ldelity can the home unless it is well managed. Fidelity needs just as much good management as infidelity -- From "May

The Safe Thrift Side

The advice of the thrift editor of the Tifton Gazette, given in rhyme, is my answer all ready," replied the Reed- to avoid getting "walloped by adversity" He says-"Who spends his income as it comes

curly—naturally curly like curly hair, and saves no systematic sums may need his money very much.

"I have finely curved horns," said the and crown your future with success, "If you would prosper and progress Reedbuck, "for I pride myself on being adopt some systematic plan of banking window, where she sat peering out order that these accumulated arrears all the cash you can.

"The banks are here for you to use -by saving right you cannot lose; in fact, you're really bound to win -de-Constitution.

Secret of Scent

Scent is still in many respects an unsolved mystery. We know that almost every object gives out tiny particles which produce the sensation of zoo and away from where the leopards scent. But the size of these particles The Reedbuck said he was thankful, of musk will scent a drawer for a generation without losing any weight. Again, why is it that on one day a how did you know?" fox leaves a scent which hounds can

Old National Emblems

Previous to the union of England and Scotland the shield of England ond Miss Angora, "that she shed a was upheld by two lions. The shield gread deal of wool after I came and of Scotiand was upheld by two untcorns. After the union the lion appeared on one side and the unicorn on the other. Before the union the English shield contained three lions pas-By this time all the angora goats sant (walking) on a field of gold. The

Old Egyptian Dolls

Judging by findings amongst the wrappings of mummified infants, the ly. "That is a mother's job." favorite toys in ancient Egypt were dolls. Some have a grotesque appearance, but a common kind of doll consisted of a flat board-like a large. bowlless spoon—the round part paint | tell when spring is here? ed or carved to represent a face. Legs were usually absent. Others are so mail that they can be strung like big a month and when spring comes he hair for the doll's head.

They Had Ma's Help

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

sulted from surgery was greatly re-TENNY CARTER, enveloped in duced through the elimination of bac- | kitchen apron, flung open the oven door and gingerly, holder in each With the development of anesthesia, hand, drew forth the steaming meat beginning with the work of Morton pie. This she set on the back of the "I'm the Springbuck from South and Long on ether, and following with stove to retain its heat while she made chloroform, nitrous oxid-oxygen gas, coffee, dipped out the last of the stovain and intraspinal anesthesia, the French fries and cut the apple pie

into five equal pieces. This was the moment for which ment when the children and their fa-

Tonight Jim and his father came in all, Thea, her thin little face reddened Legislature before being submitted gratefully the delicious aroma.

Jenny was apt to look wistfully at Thea, wondering how her dainty, elflike beauty happened in the midst of rendum, in order to erect urgently the others' healthy robustness. She needed State buildings and other perwas what Jenny, who had always been manent public improvements such as stoutish, would have liked to be and normal schools, hospitals, parks, "You know you want to hear," said sense of pain which may proceed along Jenny always hoped that the sort of the nerves to the brain. So-called local thing she would have liked to happen to herself would happen to Thea. She never felt that there was any State.

real harm in Thea or any actual dan- The amendment is intended entireger in her little escapades. After all, it was more normal for a young thing to enable the State to catch up on its like Thea to be interested in the boys delayed building program. At the end than to wear heavy spectacles, like of ten years, the constitutional re-Rita, and find one's greatest pleasure in the reading room of the public library No. Thea was doing just as she, Jenny, would have liked to do

when she was young—gad a little, lengaged in a casual conversation fiirt a little, enjoy herself a great deal. Tonight there was an unusual shine partisan organization composed of in Thea's blue eyes, although in the members of both parties in all sec-The women, who had been parties casual supper conversation she gave tions of the State, urges a favorable no inkling as to what might be the vote on the amendment at the elect seems, had switched to the subject cause. Afterward she insisted on help-tion of their own names and those of their ing her mother do the dishes and was families, while we were still talking rather more than usually affectionate toward both parents and forbearing issue proposal and a definite statewith her brother and sister

About eight o'clock she went up-for: stairs to dress for going out. She show my interest and having noted a was rather vague as to just where she was going, and Jim took his mother ess' voice. I said sympathetically, to task in a filial way for not insisting tive Session of 1924 the leaders of the

B---'s name is Fanny."-('hleago gave no one any doubt as to her and the chairman of the Ways and at night That's why she always Committee, and the Governor. Two

> care, ma!" When Rita had gone and Jim had ability and long experience. settled down to the radio, Jenny stole . Women can be upstairs to the room Rita and Thea penses, wages, salaries, food, fuel, shared. She found Thea dressing hur- etc., they took up the requests for riedly -her suit skirt and a soft silk buildings and permanent improveblouse being slipped on as Jenny stood ments received from the State dein the doorway

mere fact that she is faithful makes tip of her tongue. Then ran down decades before, they cast up the total the hall and threw her arms about her and looked at it in dismay. Here mother "They pester you about me, were the actual obligations and imfirst place, and in the second place it cause the devil of a lot of trouble in don't they, ma? But never you mediate necessities of the State's would never do a buck any good to be the home unless to the wall course. worry!"

> have been had she seen Thea take a from the point of view of the annual little week end bag out of the closet, tax bill. raise her window, and let it fall with from hearing any possible sounds in

When the clock struck eleven she grew restless and crept over to the through the lace curtains down the deserted street. Thea was late

posit savings, and begin "-Atlanta turned so abruptly to the others that they limited to ten years. the two men removed their phones and Rita looked up from her book. "Thea and Pete have been married."

'ı bea !" A moment later and Thea was in her mother's arms "Your note did it, ment was reintroduced for passage

is minute beyond belief, for a grain mother. I found it on top in my bag a second time, as required, and again when I opened it at the parsonage to passed, this time with but one disslip in my wedding certificate. Oh, senting vote. "My mother has just been telling follow at full speed, while on the next |ny "But I suspected, and because I mitting the State to borrow \$10,000,-

> siderable, but now, married to a good unescapable facts, and represented young man I kind of feel as if you the serious and sober judgment of the were safe. Thank you, dear, for com- wisest men in both parties in pubing home first." A little later, as Thea and Pete Nothing has since occurred which turned to leave the house to catch in any respect modifies the above facts their train which was to take them on and circumstances. The needs are

> held a handful of rice. "Good-by!" she cried, and flung it not been secured, but the deficits about them. "Cood-by!" But when they were gone Rita and

knew all the time," they reproached "Yes, I did," returned Jenny serene-

You Hit Him

First Soak-How does an Eskimo Second Same-That's easy. When

it's winter he hurns five tons of coal Dame Juggler.

BOND ISSUE AMENDMENT IS NON-PARTISAN

Both Republicans and Democrats Voted for it Unanimously in the Legislature.

Constitutional Amendment Number One, to be voted on at the election

on November 3, is non-partisan. It was passed unanimously by both together. Rita followed. And, last of Republicans and Democrats in the permit the State to borrow \$10,000,-000 a year for ten years, without refarmories, bridges, prisons and State office buildings in various parts of the

ly as an emergency measure, simply striction against issuing bonds without referendum automatically has full

force again. The Citizens' Committee on Bond Issue Amendment, which is a non-

The committee gives the following explanation of the origin of the bond ment of what the money is needed

How the Amendment Came About "Toward the close of the Lerisla-Lagislature and the Governor set "I'll wager it's to meet l'ete ()s-down together to frame the major good," offered Rita, who was going out items in the appropriation bills of herself with an armful of books which the year. They were the speaker destination. "He walks to work with Means Committee of the Assembly, her in the morning and home with her the Chairman of the Senate Finance Some of these young women treat comes in last. And you don't seem to of them were Republicans and two were Democrats. They were men of

> "After dealing with current expartments. Cutting out all the new Jenny watched her wistfully, but projects, and limiting themselves to turned away without saying anything, actual needs of the State in meeting although she had many words on the obligations which it had assumed after the war had been postponed un-Jenny was comforted. Would she til the total was a staggering sum,

> "They seriously considered how the Rita came in promptly at nine-thirness. They were all conservative Jim and his father, too, sat over the men. They wished to retain all pracradio, the earphones preventing them ticable safeguards against unwise ter long consideration, they all agreed the house Jenny held a magazine, that the wise, safe, sound, conservative and only practicable plan was temporarily to suspend, for a limited period, some of the present restrictions on borrowing by the State, in could be met. They limited the amount that might be borrowed in Suddenly she started and a little any one year to \$10,000,000, and the smile played about her lips. She period of catching up with arrears

> "They reported to the Legislature a recommendation that a constitutional amendment of this nature be she announced "And they're coming submitted. So convincing were the to tell us. Oh, please be kind to facts that all members of the Legislature, of both parties, voted for it. "The next year, 1925, the amend-

> "Such was the origin of the pro-"I didn't for sure," whispered Jen- posed constitutional amendment perwant you sneaking away without your was wholly non-political, wholly bubfamily's blessing. I've worried con- licepirited, grew out of hard and

> lic life at Albany. their honeymoon. Jenny remembered the same, and are freely admitted. something. "Wait a minute!" she The impossibility of securing these begged them. She was gone but an large amounts from current revenue instant, and when she returned she is abundantly proven by the fact that over long decades of years they have

have steadily become greater. What the Needs Are

Jim took her somewhat to task. "You "These were some of the chief purposes for which the money is needed: Normal Schools \$15,000,000 Health 2,000,000 Prisons 8,000,000 Hospitals and Charitable Institutions 25,000,000 Portks 18,000,000 Armories 6,500,000 Bridges 6,500,000 State Offices 19,000,000

Total\$100,000,000