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MEXICAN NATIVE LIFE.

Picture of Richest of the South-Central States.

A striking picture of native life in Guanajuato, the treasure chest of mercurial Mexico, is given in a communication to the National Geographic Society by Frank H. Probert. Mr. Probert reveals the Mexican peons as they are known only to the American who has lived among them.

"Leaving the walled inclosure of the railroad yards," says the writer, "one looks down on the apparently cramped and crowded city of Guanajuato, capital of the richest of the south-central states of Mexico. Hard by, to the right is the bull-ring, the scene on Sundays and fiestas of farcical combats between two-legged brutes and four-legged beasts.

"In the soft sunshine of summer days the first vista of the city is striking indeed. Churches of magnificent proportions; ancient and modern architectures, strangely blended in teh same edifice; stately buildings, imposing markets; stores of all descriptions, and dwelling places, rudely bare, variously colored with neutral tints of calsomine, their grated windows and open doors exhibiting to all the sparsely furnished interior, where bird, beast and human eat and live together. The sordid squalor of the many contrasts strikingly with the oppressive opulence of the few.

"The cobblestone streets are crooked and narrow; so narrow, in fact, that caballeros must take to the sidewalk to permit the passing of any kind of vehicle. The dingy tramcars are drawn by relays of mules, three abreast, beaten into subjection by the stinging lash or coaxed into action by the curses of youthful drivers, whose vernacular is wonderfully expressive and effective; indeed, I doubt, if anything but a musician really appreciate the depth of feeling and irresistible persuasiveness of the expressions.

"What strange sights one can see in these main arteries of that city! I have set my camera on the balcony of my room at the hotel and will snap what passes by. At first a herd of patient plodding burros loaded down with slabs of pale green sandstone, quarried nearby and used for building purposes; a legless cripple shuffles along on a board, propelling himself with his hands; a cargador trots along tirelessly with his awkward burden, in this case a sewing machine; more burros overloaded with charcoal; another pack struggles under the weight of sacked ore from the mines; still another bearing grain to the market, and the street car demanding loudly a clear track; a funeral procession where laughing children carry a baby's casket, swaying from side to side to the accompaniment of anything but appropriate music, and behind the mourners in solemn solemnity.

"Strangely superstitious are these people. Grossly ignorant, constant in their faith, pathetic in their simplicity, kindly and respectful, their life is epitomized in the verse:

"'Let the world slide, let the world go;
A fig for care and a fig for woe!
If I can't pay, why I can owe,
And death makes equal the high and low.'

"'Tis Sunday morning. I am awakened at early dawn by the tooting of tin horns, accompanied by the sonorous stretches of bass violas and fiddles as sounds are sawn from their strings; by the shuffling of sandaled feet over the sands of the street, and the babel of voices of passing peons. Church bells clang, sirens scream, whistles wildly mingle in the melody of merriment; for is not this the day when Judas Iscariot is to be hung in effigy?

"Night falls on an exhausted though happy people. What matters it if the prison is overcrowded that night, or that the supply of pulque or mescal is depleted almost to the degree of exhaustion?

"To the casual visitor from the States the habits and customs of these lowly people are strange, but fascinating. They do not need our commisseration or sympathy; they are content in their mode of living, and who shall say that they are the less happy or human in their habitat than many of us?

"The Mexican peon knows that he is born to serve, as did the old southern darky, and caste or class distinction is emphasized on all occasions. The mozo rides silently behind the lordly caballero; the peon woman steps into the street, and bows her head as the padre passes; in the plaz on Sunday evenings, when the melody of martial music fills the air, the upper classes parade in one direction, while the peons gyrate as an outer ring in the opposite direction. As a class they are industrious and skillful if the time element is eliminated.

"The peon miner is a competent workman when unhampered by modern machines and has a "nose" for ore that is truly remarkable. As tillers of the soil their methods are primitive but productive; they still use oxen and the wooden plowshare, and the fields are fenced with imperishable dry-dock walls. In the making of pottery and basketry they excel; in tanning hides, saddlery and the working of metals they are inimitable. The women, too, can grind corn on a metate, cook tortillas and frijoles, raise families, laundry clothes on a rock near the creek, and make the most exquisite laces and the finest of drawn work with equal skill."

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FACTS FOR THE CURIOUS.

The Prince of Wales has been initiated into the craft of Masonry.

A curious custom prevails on the Gold Coast. Every Tuesday is devoted to the seagod. No fishing takes place, but the fishermen utilize the time in mending their nets.

The new "Jacobean saloon" of the Richmond Bar, Buenos Ayres, Argentina, announces on its staff "two cocktail specialists, brought expressly from North America," and 120 cocktails.

Striegau, a town in Prussian Silesia, has pounced upon cats as a suitable object for increasing the community's wartime revenue. Every owner of a cat must pay an annual tax equivalent to about $2.50. The tax is to continue for a period of two years.

If we count the wealth of North America and South America as it seems to-day, we find that the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus has been worth to the world $2,000,000 a day from the time he sailed from Palos in August, 1492, down to the present time, says the Popular Science Monthly. Likewise, the man who discovered the way of drawing tungsten wire gave $300,000,000 worth of light yearly.

An English astronomer of prominence has advanced the theory that there are airquakes, entirely independent of earthquakes, that are caused by the explosion of meteors in the atmosphere.

"Wear yellow and bluff the mosquito," is the slogan of scientists who are fighting this little pest and who have discovered the carnivorous insect's antipathy to the primary color. Their discoveries are supported by the testimony of United States Marines, just returned here from the Philippines, who attribute their immunity from mosquito-bite and malarial infection to the fact that their khaki uniform is of a yellow hue.

In consequence of the almost complete famine in rubber for tires and other military requirements the German government has forbidden pleasure cycling, and has limited the use of bicycles to urgently necessary commercial work, and then only under strict police supervision. Meantime, all tires and inner tubes on wheels not used for industrial or business purposes are declared confiscated and must be handed over to special depots, where they are purchased by the War Office at assessed values. Persons desiring cycles for purposes of business must furnish convincing evidence of their needs and obtain special certificates. They will be punished if machines are used for "joy riding," or any purposes not specifically permitted.

No human being has ever been known positively to be killed by the fall of a meteorite. Probably the narrowest escape was that of three children in Braunau, at the time of the fall of an iron meteorite in 1847. This object, weighing 40 pounds, fell in a room where the children were sleeping, and covered them with debris, but they were not injured. In each of two celebrated meteoric showers — those of Pultusk and Mocs— more than 100,000 stones fell. All observed showers were of stones, but the finding of numerous individuals of iron in single localities, such as Tolnca and Canon Diablo, indicates that showers of iron meteorites sometimes occur. The largest known meteorite is one brought from Cape York, Greenland, by Peary, weighing 36½ tons. It is in the American Museum of Natural History, New York. Twenty-nine chemical elements have been found in meteorites in quantities sufficient for accurate study.—Scientific American.

At the Yarmouth Y. M. C. A. Boys' Camp, held at Tusket Falls in August, I found MINARD'S LINIMENT most beneficial for sunburn, an immediate relief for colic and toothache.

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General Sec'y.

WORTH KNOWING.

To rid the house of insects pests dissolve common alum, one pound in two quarts of boiling water. When thoroughly dissolved, and while still hot, apply with a brush to pantry shelves, cupboard shelves, closets, or other infested places. In bedroom or kitchen, where bugs and roaches hide, apply to all cracks and loose joints, splintered places and holes with an oil can. It is effective, but must be used with care, as it will ruin paint, varnish or oiled surfaces.

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One of the best beautifiers for the skin is oatmeal cream. Put a handful of fine oatmeal in a half-pint of hot water; let stand a few hours, then apply to the face with the hand, or a soft cloth, and allow it to dry. This will make the roughest skin smooth, and will help to whiten it. Oatmeal cream is just as effective for rough, chapped hands as the cream you buy at the druggist and costs you only a few cents.

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One ounce of gum shellac, one ounce of beeswax and 18 ounces of resin make an excellent scalding wax. Melt over hot water and when well mixed it is ready for use. As it cools instantly it must be applied to the jar or can lids boiling hot. If bubbles arise on pressing the cover, drop a little more of the wax where the bubbles are, and it will be effectually sealed.

Minard's Liniment Used by Physicians

House Hibernators.

The fly.
The moth.
The spider.
And other horrors.
Be ready for them all.
An early raid is most effective.
Let them get a foothold again and it's all up.
A thorough housecleaning is quite the remedy.

LIQUOR OF OYSTERS.

A Very Good Recipe Which Leaves Nothing Unsaid.

To make bisque of oysters take one pint of oysters, one tablespoonful of butter, yolk of one egg, one pint of milk, one tablespoonful of flour, salt and pepper to taste.

Drain the oysters free from their liquor, adding sufficient cold water to make one cup of liquid. Chop half the oysters fine. Brink the oysters liquor to a boil, skim, add the chopped oysters and simmer 100 minutes.

Scald the milk; rub the butter and flour together until smooth, add to the milk and stir until it thickens. Add the whole oysters to the oyster liquor, and as soon as their edges curl remove all from the fier. Add the beaten yolk of the egg to the milk, take at once from the fire and mix with the oysters and their liquor. Season and serve at once.

Brazilian English.

"The river of Parana," declares the prospectus of a real estate agent in Parana, Brazil, "is the most watery in the state, one of the most extended in the world, it is navigable until to this state for ships of great profoundness; it is also sufficiently fish-full." The same cheerful chap it is who further asseverates that "the vegetable reign is excessfully represented in resinous, oily and gummous plants."

Says She Suffered For Many Years

THEN DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED HER KIDNEY TROUBLES.

Mrs. Felix Ascah Found No Relief in Doctors or Hospital Treatment, but Dodd's Kidney Pills Brought a Speedy Cure.

Haldimand, Gaspe, Co., Quebec, April 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Felix Ascah is telling her numerous friends here that her complete recovery from kidney disease, from which she suffered for years is due to the splendid work of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"My trouble started from a strain," Mrs. Ascah says. "I suffered for years. I was attended by a doctor and was also treated at a hospital. I suffered from stiffness of the joints. I had a bitter taste, especially in the morning, and at times was subject to severe headaches. I had a pressure and often a sharp pain at the top of my head and my skin itched and burned at night.

"Neither from the doctor nor at the hospital did I get any permanent relief. Then I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, and two boxes did me so much good I feel like recommending them to everyone who has kidney trouble."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys. Cured kidneys strain all the impurities, all the seeds of disease out of the blood. That makes good health all over the body. That's why those cured are so enthusiastic in regard to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

TRACING LOST CARS.

Detectives of Railroads Have Work Following Runaways.

At times when the scarcity of freight cars causes the railroads to place an embargo upon certain classes of goods, the problem of keeping track of its cars to see that they do not run away and become wanderers upon the face of the earth is a stupendous one for each company.

When a freight car is built, it is given a number before it leaves the shop, and therefore it is always known by that number until it is worn out and scrapped. When a new car receives its number, and starts out upon its business career, it is entered in the record book, and a careful account of its wanderings and earning power are kept there. This record book is a history of the car, and by consulting it one can learn how many trips it has made, what cities it has visited, how many times it has been to the repair shop, and also where it is supposed to be at any given time.

But in spite of all this care in keeping a record of each car now and then, for some unexplained reason, one disappears from sight—literally running away. Some of the big companies employ car tracers, but as a rule a printed tracer is first sent after the car to bring it back home. This printed tracer in a blue envelope is sent to the person in whose juriediction the car was last supposed to be, and if it had passed out of his district the tracer is sent on to the next one to whom the car was consigned. This little printed tracer failing to bring the car home in a reasonable length of time, a man known as a tracer is sent after it. The tracer is really a railroad car detective.

And sometimes it is more difficult to trace a runaway freight car than a criminal. There are tens of thousands of miles of railways, and hundreds of thousands of freight cars, and to find the one carrying a certain number is often like hunting for a needle in a haystack. The tracer may arrive in a city where the runaway car is supposed to be at the very moment when the car is leaving it in the opposite direction. It may cross this track on a parallel line, or dodge around him on a short line. It may be headed north, or rolling merrily toward the Pacific while he is going toward the Atlantic.

A runaway car apparently is as depraved as any criminal. It hides on a lonely siding or gets lost in a short swamp line. One such runaway rested nearly a year on a siding in Southern Texas simply because it got lost, and no one seemed to know just what to do with it. The nearest freight agent had no record of it and no tracer had requested its return. Going on the principle that what is "everybody's business is nobody's business," this local agent made no effort to hunt up the owners. If the order had been received by him to return it he would have obeyed, but lacking such orders he left it in the siding. In the course of time, it was occupied by a family of squatters, who lived quite comfortably in it for six months, and were routed out only when quite by accident the car tracer discovered it.—Popular Mechanics.

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SPRING IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

A TONIC MEDICINE IS A NECESSITY AT THIS SEASON.

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Mere Mention.

New York city has two children's clinics of preventive dentistry and a training school of women dental hygenists.

A 72-inch reflecting telescope, the largest of its type, has been constructed for the Dominion Astronomical Observatory at Victoria, B. C.

A State-owned hydro-electric plant has been proposed for erection at Niagara Falls.

The latest refinement of moving-picture galleries is a double screen, on one of which the picture is shown, with explanatory legends on the other.

Magnet iron markets for the location of property lines are recommended for the ease with which they may be located with a compass.

The only dangerous snakes in the United States, according to the Scientific Monthly, are: First, those bearing a rattle; second, those having a series of dark brown hour-glass-shaped markings on a lighter brown background.

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Sir Walter Parratt had an extraordinary memory. Some eight or ten men were assembled one evening in one of the lodges attached to St. Michael's college, Tenbury. Sir Walter Parratt and Herr von Holst played in turn upon the piano such music as was asked for. This went on for some time until at last the chessboard was brought out. Sir Walter then proposed to play two men at chess in consultation, still remaining at the piano and playing from memory what was demanded either from Bach, Beethoven, Mozart, Chopin or Mendelssohn. Without even a glance at the board he won the game in an hour.—London Globe.

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A Hercules beetle proved his right to the appellation, for though he weighed only 6.5 grammes and was only three inches long, he pulled 115 grammes and walked off with a weight of five pounds on his back. If a proportionate weight were put on a man he would be crushed to death.

A housefly, held by the wings and brought close to a match, lifted it up by its feet. To perform a proportionate feat a man would have to lift a beam twenty-six feet long and thirteen inches thick.

It is an old story that a flea can jump 200 times its own heights in the air. A man would have to jump over the 1,000 foot high Eiffel Tower to equal the feat.

The muscles in insects are actually much large proportionately than in man. Prof. A. Schmidt estimates that if a ant can pull an object of ten times its own weight a man would equal the task if he lifted a weight of one-twentieth that of his body. This is explicable on the basis of the far greater muscular equipment of the ant, as compared with man.

Minard's Liniment lumberman's friend

James' Break.

Grown old in the service of his master and mistress, James was a privileged retainer.

He was waiting at table one day, when a guest asked for a fish fork, but the request was ignored.

Then the hostess noticed the episode, and remarked, in a most peremptory manner:

"James, Mrs. Jones hasn't any fish-fork. Get her one at once!"

"Madam," came the empathic reply, "last time Mrs. Jones dined here we lost a fish fork."

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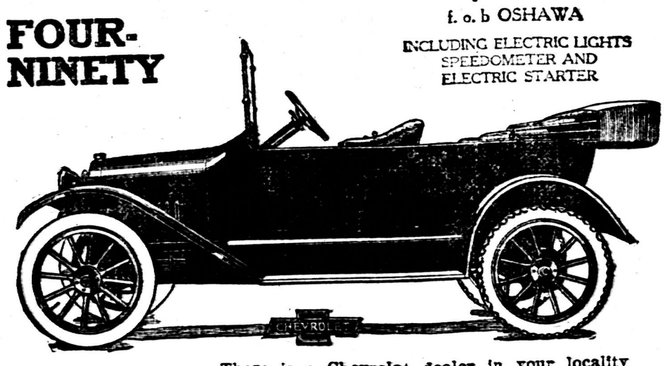

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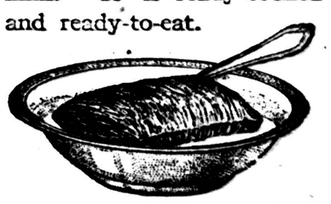

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