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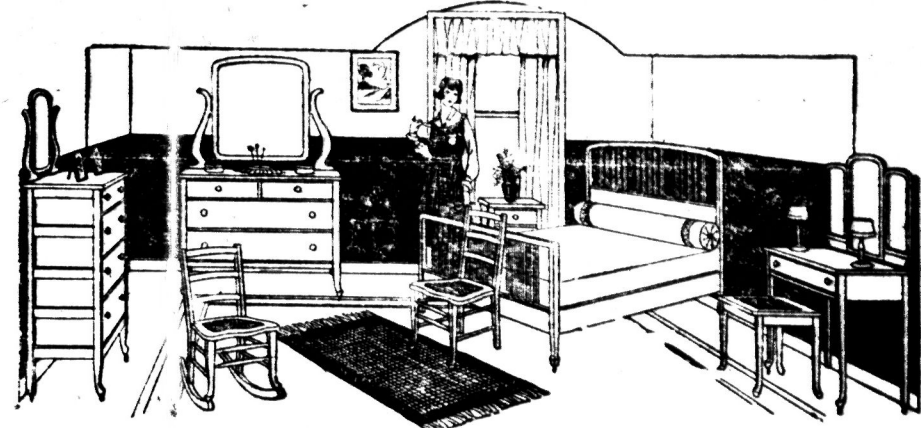
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**THE ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE**  
Whether the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which expires this year, will be renewed is a subject of considerable speculation in Tokyo diplomatic circles. It is pointed out among the Japanese that the world conditions have so changed since the alliance was inaugurated that both parties, particularly Great Britain, may no longer see the necessity of such an agreement. The victory over Germany, for instance, makes it possible for Great Britain to maintain a far larger naval force in the waters of the Pacific, without further dependence on Japan.  
Viscount Kato, who was Japanese Ambassador to London when the alliance originated, recommends the continuance of the alliance. In the Fiji Shimpo he says:  
"In my opinion there seems to be a similarity in the object of the Anglo-Japanese alliance and the League of Nations, but dissimilarity in form and the methods of attaining the object."  
The form of the existing alliance, as well as its substance, are incompatible with those of the covenant of the League of Nations.  
"But there can be no doubt that the alliance has for some twenty years had a great influence, both direct and indirect, on the relations between the two nations and it is not advisable that the alliance, which has this great history should be abolished as a mere relic of the past. It is practicable to continue the alliance if both contracting powers desire it. Even if it becomes merely an agreement, or a mutual declaration, it would be better than nothing."  
I believe it is of vital necessity, and opportune, that our government should lay great stress on this question, and at once exchange views with the British Government. Not only I, but the whole nation, desires to know what the Government intends to do.  
"For myself I should desire the continuance of the alliance, if Great Britain is of the same opinion."  
**Patti Liked "Darky" Music.**  
Adeline Patti, on one of her first visits to San Francisco, was the guest one evening at the home of some people who were her intimate friends and had been her guests in her home in Wales.  
Another guest that Sunday evening was an ambitious young tenor who, at Patti's request, sang and nearly expired in the excitement of the occasion, although he was generously praised by the great artist.  
Then Patti discovered in the company two young fellows who had heard on an overland train singing to their own banjo and guitar accompaniment. To their confusion she demanded that they must "oblige," and insisted that it was just what she wanted to hear when they projected that they sang only darky songs.  
Instruments were produced and the young men began rather haltingly with the quietest and most sentimental songs they knew. Patti was not satisfied. "Those funny, lively ones," she demanded. They, encouraged, gradually worked into brisker songs, to Patti's undoubtedly genuine pleasure. She hummed along with them until they swung into a rattling medley, when she joined with full throated voice in these words:  
Chillen, keep in de middle of de road,  
Chillen, keep in de middle of de road,  
Doan turn onto de right,  
Doan turn onto de left,  
Jess keep in de middle of de road!  
Then, laughing and singing, she led the nonsense when the medley came to these words:  
Shame, shame, 'tis an awful shame!  
Landlady's raised de rent, boadshaint to blame.  
Chuck full of hungah,  
Cain't stay no longer—  
Bye, bye, my honey, I'se a-gwine.  
She sang these and other nonsense patter until she had the youngsters gasping for breath. Then she declared enthusiastically, "I never before had such fun singing. I wonder what a concert audience would do if I gave as an encore."  
Chuck full of hungah,  
Cain't stay no longer—  
Bye, bye, my honey, I'se a-gwine?  
**Old Roman Strikers.**  
On the word of a decipherer of ancient records, there was, in the year 309 B.C., a strike of the musicians' union in Rome. The officials of Rome, it appears, thought that the musicians should play without pay at a forthcoming festival in honor of Jupiter. The musicians thought otherwise, and although Rome, then engaged in one of the Samnite wars, had little money to spend for music, decided not to "do their bit" by performing without pay. Apparently the argument that they were really playing for Jupiter himself was tried without effect. So the city officials decided on an appeal to public opinion; they evolved a stratagem by which they decoyed the striking musicians to the scene of the festival, and, with all Rome looking expectantly at them, the musicians changed their minds and there was "music as usual."—Christian Science Monitor.  
**Insects Give Us Shellac.**  
Shellac is the joint product of insects and plants and comes from India. The lac insects are about 1-25 of an inch long, a bright red in color. They suck the juices of plants, digest them and exude them in the form of resin, which soon encases the whole insect. When the young insects have swarmed out, the resin is scraped from the branches, ground, washed, mixed with colophony and orpiment, cooked slowly and drawn out into the thin sheets we know as shellac.  
**African Cat Is So Vicious That It Eats Itself.**  
Capt. Sylvester Ruddle, formerly of the Formosa Fencibles, and who now describes himself as a dealer in ivory nuts, arrived the other day from Africa, accompanied by his native servant, Dingbad, bringing what he avers to be the only specimen of the striped yellow golybosh of the Udingo forests on the upper Congo in captivity, at least, a New York despatch says they did.  
The animal is said by its owner to be the biggest and fiercest specimen of the wildcat tribe in Africa.  
The captain appeared reluctant to talk about his pet, because, he said, to those who had not explored the great forests of the Udingo his description of the real yellow-striped golybosh might look somewhat exaggerated.  
"This cat is so wild," said Capt. Ruddle, "that the parents eat the offspring and sometimes the offspring eat up their parents. The golybosh hates everything on earth so much that the animal will frequently whirl round at frightful velocity trying to eat itself up and sometimes succeeds. That is why the golybosh is so rare. In fact, it is almost extinct through these causes I have mentioned."  
"Raturuzza, the name of the one I have brought with me, which means in the Udingo language 'Yellow head of the black forests,' was given me by King Umlabo for saving the life of his only daughter, Ulobo, from a round the sacred bushes. One day when she was out collecting some grasshoppers to make a salad for King Umlabo's tiffin.  
"The grasshoppers in the Udingo, I might mention, are much larger than any other insects of their kind that I have ever seen in tropical countries. The natives dry them in the sun and throw salt on them and they are not at all bad."  
"It was a pure fluke," the captain continued, "that I managed to hit the wild pachyderm in the right eye with my express rifle, because he was tearing up the baobabs with his powerful trunk and knocking down everything else that came in his way."  
"Four big lions had just been taking their afternoon prow around the outskirts of the village, and I was lying doggo, as we call it, on my couch quaffing a cup of tea. I had not lost any lions and did not wish to take the trouble in the hot sun to interfere with their promenade until I heard the princess screaming at the top of her voice, in the Udingo tongue, for help. Apparently the lions had faded to the forest when they saw the rogue elephant coming with blood in his eye.  
"The dear, fat old King Umlabo was so grateful that he offered to give me his daughter Ulobo and make me the heir-apparent to the throne of Udingo."  
"I declined his kind offer with profuse thanks," Capt. Ruddle said, "on the plea that I had to go home and my aged mother, as I was her only son, and her sight was growing dim. After many attempts to induce me to change my mind the king presented me with his pet wildcat Raturuzza, which he kept in a huge cage outside the royal huts under the shade of the giant palms."  
"Everything that Capt. Ruddle tells me is very interesting and you may believe him or not as you choose; but, perhaps you prefer the stories of Baron Munchausen."  
**A King's First Smoke.**  
King Alfonso has been telling the story of his first cigarette. The incident, it appears, occurred immediately after he had been formally enthroned as King of Spain on attaining his majority on his sixteenth birthday.  
Up till that time he had not been allowed to smoke, nor even then was the prohibition withdrawn. Nevertheless he came to the conclusion that, as a ruling monarch, he might at least do as he liked in this respect.  
Accordingly he asked his brother-in-law, the Prince of the Asturias, for a cigarette.  
"I haven't got one," said the prince, faithful to family orders.  
Then the king applied to the officer of the guard, who said solemnly: "regret that I do not smoke them, your majesty."  
At last the young king made his way to the sentry at the palace door, who amiably produced a plug of black tobacco from his trousers' pocket and rolled a cigarette for his majesty, who smoked it proudly through the palace.  
"It made me violently sick later on," he said in telling the story; "but I enjoyed it at the time. I felt, as I puffed and puffed, that I was really and truly grown up at last."  
**The Rice Queen.**  
A charming, attractive young woman is at present in London as the representative of the Southern Rice Growers' Association, trying to sell 500,000 tons of rice. She is known in America as "the Rice Queen." In private life she is Mrs. A. M. Hayes, and represents the best type of American business woman.  
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"And to women I would say, in addition, make your self attractive. It is a great asset. Dress for the part in business."  
**Fine Feathers These.**  
A record price was paid for a small bunch of feathers at Oudshoorn recently by two American gentlemen of the Washington Smithsonian Institution Expedition, says the Johannesburg (Transvaal) Sunday Times. The feathers were from a female bird and weighed exactly seven ounces, and changed hands at the phenomenal price of £2 per ounce, or £14 for the bunch.

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