

HERE AND THERE

Interesting Results of Excavations in Palistine

A FEW ANCIENT CASTLES

One an Arabian Structure, One of the Time of King Solomon and the Oldest a Canaanite Fortress

Doctor Sellin, professor at the Evangelical Theological Faculty in Vienna, has given an account of the results of the excavations which he carried out in Palestine for the Vienna Academy of Sciences. During a previous visit to the Holy Land he had noticed a large mound, or small hill, which he considered was probably of artificial origin...

Under the mound no fewer than four castles or fortresses were discovered. In the middle were the ruins of an Arabian castle; on the east, a castle of the period of King Solomon; on the northwest, one of a late Israelite period, while on the west was found the earliest of them all, one of pre-Israelite or Canaanite date. All the castles had been plundered before they were destroyed, so that no valuables were found, but objects of stone and clay and weapons were discovered, which assist in fixing the approximate date of the various buildings.

The late Israelite castle appears to have been a fortress only. The Arabian castle shows more architectural skill than the others in its arches, etc., and recalls the style of the period of Haroun-al-Rashid. Vessels and lamps were found, and inscriptions of a religious character. Beneath the ruins buried were vessels bearing inscriptions, while close to the Solomon castle a cemetery for children seems to have existed. Professor Sellin describes the excavation of the Canaanite castle as his chief feat, for though remains of such castles have been previously discovered by Englishmen, none hitherto have been completely laid bare.

POSTMASTERS BARRED.

May Contribute Cash, But Not to Take Part in Campaign. Washington, Aug. 28.—May a postmaster contribute to the campaign fund? Yes.

These questions were asked by some Western postmasters. They have just been answered officially by Acting Postmaster-General Wynne. There is no doubt that the new ruling is just what the President would have made had the questions been submitted to him direct.

It is merely a coincidence that Representative Littauer, of New York, the President's personal friend, will be re-nominated, because a postmaster who was sent as conferee to help nominate a candidate for Congress turned against Senator Platt, who had recommended him for appointment, and supported Littauer, instead of the man picked out for the place by Platt.

Hears Through Its Legs.

One of the strangest and most unexpected uses of which one could imagine a leg being put is that of an organ of hearing. Yet such seems to be one at least of the functions of the forelegs in the cricket. On the outer side of the tibia a small oval space may be seen, in which the strong armature which covers the rest of the body is reduced to a thin and membranous condition, making thus a sort of window or drumhead. Communicating with this inside the leg, are the ends of a nerve, and it can hardly be doubted, therefore, that the organ of hearing is situated in the leg.—Exchange.

A court house is like the devil's abode—easy to get into, no outlet, and nothin' but scorch while you're there.—Ober Daniel.

MALARIA MOSQUITOES.

Where They Come From and How to Get Rid of Them.

The July Bulletin of the North Carolina Board of Health contains an interesting article on malaria and its cause. The ubiquitous mosquito is charged with originating and spreading the disease. The old idea that malaria is caused by breathing the miasma of swamp has been exploded. Malaria is contracted only through the bites of mosquitoes of the genus Anopheles.

The breeding places of the harmless mosquitoes are more numerous and more varied than the breeding places of the malarial mosquitoes. Anopheles, however, are found under many diverse conditions. They are found in still side pools of small streams, in the swampy pools at the margins of larger ponds, in stagnant water in ditches, in the beds of old canals, in the still water at the side of springs, and occasionally, though rarely, in old horse troughs. They are perhaps more frequently found in such situations as described when a certain amount of green scum has accumulated, and it is upon the shores of the water, plants constituting this green scum, as well as upon other very small objects floating on the surface of the water, that they principally feed.

To prevent malaria mosquitoes from breeding in a given vicinity, one should be prepared to recognize their larvae when they are seen, and to distinguish them from other mosquito larvae; then a most thorough search for all possible breeding places should be made within a radius of a mile. This distance is mentioned, since it seems rather definitely proven that the Anopheles mosquitoes do not fly for great distances. After the breeding places are found they should be drained or filled in with earth, or they should be rendered uninhabitable to the Anopheles larvae by covering the surface of the water with a thin film of kerosene oil, or by introducing certain fish which feed upon the larvae, such as top minnows, sticklebacks, young sunfish, or goldfish.

The city could heed such advice with advantage where there are ditches in which the water becomes stagnant, as is the case in the northern part of the town. Individuals could, with but little cost, cover the surface of small pools of water in back yards with kerosene oil.

Pending the result of such exterminating measures, all houses in malarious localities should be carefully screened to prevent the entrance of mosquitoes. After screening, thorough search should be made in the house for mosquitoes which have already gained entrance. Such as are found roosting upon the walls should be captured by placing an inverted vial over them or they may be stupefied by burning a small amount of pyrethrum powder upon a tin-dish cover. Persons wishing to avoid malaria should not sit out of doors exposed to the bites of mosquitoes at night. Persons having malaria should be carefully screened at night to prevent them from being bitten by mosquitoes, which, becoming thus infected, would become potential carriers of the disease. Such patients should be systematically treated with quinine, the dose being always given at the beginning of the disease. The time of the dose is important, and the reasons for the time have been abundantly proven by the study of the life of the parasite in the blood cells.

Wireless Test a success.

Communication between Washington and Annapolis was established yesterday by wireless telegraphy under the auspices of the Navy Department. Some months ago Lieut. Hudgins, of the navy, was sent to Europe to procure the apparatus of as many different systems as possible for experimental purposes here. He returned about ten days ago with duplicate sets of apparatus of four systems, not including with Marconi for sample apparatus failed. By direction of Admiral Bradford, chief of the Bureau of Equipment, Lieut. Hudgins proceeded to set up the apparatus at the Washington navy yard and at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, between which points it was decided to make the tests.

One of the systems was tested yesterday, signals being interchanged for the first time. The distance from Washington to Annapolis is about thirty-five miles, and the exchange of signals upon the first attempt is considered encouraging. In this initial stage of the tests the question of interference from stray currents, which is one of the principal purposes of the tests, remains undetermined. The other systems will be tested in succession, and a board which is to be appointed shortly will decide the merits of the respective systems and report to the Secretary of the Navy.

The various systems will be tried at sea upon the warships before a final conclusion is reached. Having selected a system, the board is to work out a general plan for the use of wireless telegraphy in the navy. This will include a plan for training electricians for operating the machines.—Washington Post.

An old Pet.

Not many women have owned more unique pets than the baby rhinoceros which amuses Mrs. Cook, wife of the Governor of North Borneo, a British possession. The Governor's house is near a jungle, which is filled with wild animals. Out of this jungle of undergrowth a baby rhinoceros strayed one morning and was captured without much difficulty. Sixteen quarts of milk a day is the amount the hungry baby usually demands, and on it has thriven and grown fat. This child of the jungle looks very little like the full-grown rhinoceros. If it were not for its single horn one might take him for a peculiar species of hog, says Home Chat. He is about the same size and covered with a shaggy coat of black hair. The baby rhinoceros follows Mrs. Cook about like a faithful dog, but it will not be long, if he keeps on growing, before he becomes too cumbersome even for a North Borneo pet.

Christian Science is all right when you are truly well—in good physical condition. It is a sure cure for imaginary troubles, but when you are really sick it is not of Olympus, but of Hades.—Olympian Nights.


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