

POPULAR SCIENCE

Wilhelm Labe, a well-known German zoologist, has just published an interesting book on the Island of Heligoland, in which he states, among other things, that the island is one of the largest graves for birds in the world. Millions of larches, snipes and thrushes are caught there every year. The birds are sold in the many hotels of the islands, and also largely exported to England and the Continent. It is not seldom that from 10,000 to 15,000 are caught and killed in a single night.

The authorities of some of the towns where smallpox has appeared have ordered that all dogs and cats running at large shall be shot. This action is based on the well-established fact that the hair of these animals offers a congenial lodging place for disease germs, and they thus carry them about and increase the spread of contagion. Physicians caution parents not to allow pet dogs or cats to enter the room where a diphtheria or scarlet fever patient is, and not to let their children play with dogs or cats that belong to the families where there has recently been a case of contagious disease.

From the latest reports from Nyasaland it appears that British Central Africa is in a fair way to become an industrial colony soon. The most recent move in the development of the country is a concession which has been granted by the Imperial Government for the construction of a line of railway from Chiromo to Blantyre, connecting the centre of the coffee plantations with the coast by way of the Shire and Zambesi rivers. Operations are expected to begin toward the end of the year, and will probably last for two years or so. Meanwhile, it is stated, experiments are being conducted with a line on the monorail principle, and it is also intended to establish a system of motor trolleys and traction engines for transport work in the protectorate.

Among the many suggestions offered to account for the swift expansion of the nebulous rings surrounding Nova Persei, none seems more captivating to the imagination than that of Professor Kapteyn, who suggests that the phenomenon may be due to the echoing of light. At the probable distance of Nova Persei from the earth the observed velocity of the expansion exactly equals the velocity of light. That being so, it is only necessary to suppose the space surrounding the new star to contain scattered nebulous or meteoric matter, from which the light of the explosion that produced the star is reflected to us at greater and greater distances from the star as the light expands around it. It is like the reflection of the sound of an explosion taking place in a hilly country, and coming to our ears in a succession of echoes as it reaches more and more distant ranges.

The continually increasing demand for india rubber, and the great interest manifested in all efforts to prevent waste of the trees from which rubber is derived, have led our consuls in countries where these trees grow to collect many valuable facts concerning them. Consul Goldschmidt at La Guaira recently transmitted to Washington some highly interesting statements about the rubber, or caoutchouc, trees, of the upper Orinoco by Dr. Lucien Morisse, who has made extensive personal investigations in that region. Dr. Morisse makes the somewhat surprising statement that the prohibition of the Venezuelan Government against the felling of the trees is altogether unnecessary, because "it relates to an immense forest measuring upward of 74,000,000 acres, where caoutchouc exists in abundance, and which it would require millions and millions of hands to exploit, whereas it only contains 3000 or 4000 Indians, not more than the tenth part of whom are engaged in the work."

Duplicated Her Heirloom.
A woman had a candlestick which she prized highly. It had been in the family ever since her mother could remember, and she did not know how long before that. Its owner never had seen one of the same design, and often said that it would be easy to trace if stolen. About six months ago she sent it to be replated. The firm to which she committed it also approved of its form and design so much that they copied it, and now duplicates are to be seen in many shops, to the rage of the owner of the original.—New York Press.

Must Keep It Up.
An advertising agent has taken the trouble to compile a list of men who achieved a world-wide publicity by advertising, but whose names and enterprises are no longer remembered because they are no longer advertised. The conclusion enforced by the list is that "to succeed in business one must advertise; when he ceases to advertise people forget him, and his business dwindles and dies."—Philadelphia Record.

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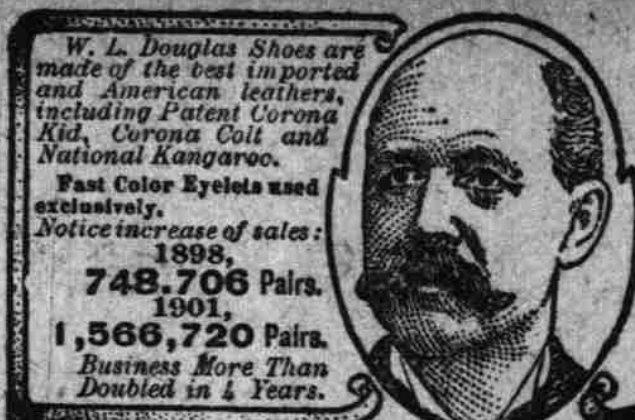
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