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AN OSTRICH CAMP.

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Rearing the Ungainty Birds For Their Grantiful Feathers—They Are Quite Savage at Times —Clipping an Ostrich.

IIE rearing of estriches for the sake of their beautiful feathers is an industry of which little is known. An attempt has lately been made to im-jort the birds into the United States for breeding purposes, but it has not yet aringly interfered with the inyet seriously interfered with the in-custry in South Africa, where the es-trich is at home.

Let me give you rome sort of an idea of the country in which the cetrich lives. It is a country unlike any other on the globe. The general character is that and sandy, relieved only by long, low, rocky sierras. These mountain ranges are the salva-

character is that any scooky sierras. Chose mountain ranges are the salvation of the landscape. Their craggy enthines are carved into a housand clouds of vapor, which the contending am and wind draw together and disperse. Their sides are hollowed into ravince, or "kloofs," and painted by the clear distance into a perfect argosy of changing lines. The apparently parched and sandy flats are covered by different varieties of dwarf bush, which are nibbled at by the ard to conserve, have been dead out, as a bird cannot comfortably cover more than sexteen erges, the remains of spring into a wealth of vertant grasses. Here and there detted about on these flats can be seen the white farm buildings nest. These green spots can be even for miles away, with the white washed buildings plittering in the sun. Folings is only to be seen around the homestends and occasionally at an isolated fountion. The yeld tall round is a lated fountion. T

cheries and name, without so much as a rig of vegetation to cover it, and the eye inneers for a tree; the bones or stone stick panifully out, a sight for the geologist, not the artist.

You strive at the homestead, a square, red-brick luilding, with a right of relief, and glad to be out of the blinding glare and sandy plain. On every homestead the same familiar sights meet the eye. On the one side of the betwee stand the krails; on the other, the shed and wagon-house. In front stands the dam, adjoining the vegetable garden and lands, with farther away the camp. Behind the house are the chall-house, tramp-floor, and butcher's shop, where the natives are rationed. In the camp can the large stock, cattle, ostricine, and horses; and on the flats and mountains the sheep and goals.

A well fenced and secure inclosure is a

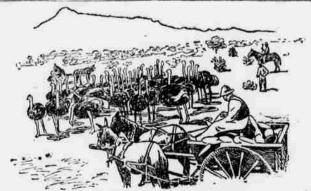
A well fenced and secure inclosure is a luxnry in the colony, and is only to be met with on the wealthier farms, the owners of which can afford to keep them in repair, and to place them in stock of the more expensive kinds. Every ostrich farmer has his camp, which varies in size considerably, from 3000 to 8000 acres, and in it be keeps his 300 or 500 birds, as well as a few cattle and horses. A camp is



OSTRUCK ON NEST,

Eighting, or from scarcity of food in times of drought.

The nest of the ostrich is a very crude affair, consisting simply of a round hollow carved out in the sandy ground. Sometimes the female bird may be seen scratching in the ground preparatory to laying her first egg; but this is not often the case, the hollow generally being made by the con





It is during the breeding season that the male becomes so savage, and his note of defining-"brooming," as the Dutch call it -is heard night and day. Dutch esti it—is heard night and day.

The bird inflates his neck in a cobralitic fashion and gives utterance to three deep rears. The first two are short, but the third very protonged. Lion-hunters all agree in asserting that the rear of the king of beasts and the most foslish of birds recemble one another almost exactly. When the birds are properly sayang than beauty. By an and French statisticians the wars of the last forty years have cost the Nations engaged in them, in money along the same of \$13,000,000,000. Of this amount of \$13,000,000,000. Of this amount course si upon seven thrones, hamely, thus the total of the rear with Prussia.

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A NEW RAILITOAD KING.

The Wealthlest American Woman's Son to Hesse and The Wealthlest American Woman's Son to Hesse and the Duchy of Saxo-Meiningen. to, and might result deastrously to the uninitiated; but old hands are al-

aiwaya selected as being the best piece of grazing ground on the farm, and capable of holding more stock in proportion than any other part of the farm. Here the bird remain year in and year out, and are only collected and brought together, on the average, case every four months.

These occasions are, let us say, in June, to pluck prime feathers. By these we mean the long whites, numbering from a blick, all taken at the same time. Four months later the stumps of these feathers are drawn out, and two months later again—that is, six months after the primes—the stort blacks and tail feathers are taken. Of those it is impossible to give any securate number. As a rule, you pluck as many as possible without indicting pain on the bird, and at the same time leaving enough to keep out the cold.



AN OSTRICH PARM IN CAPE COLONY.

An estrich, like most other snimsls,

I have seen a bird so savage as to In its wild state is terribly afraid of charge seven times in fifteen minutes, then or of any unamiliar sight, and twice receiving the prongs of the fork fiew at the appearance of anything through his neck. On horseback one new to its ken. When domesticated is even more obnexious to an extrict

far more suitable as an effective weapon in Chinese and political warfare than to grace a breakfast table.

From all one had heard previous to becoming oneself an owner of ostriches,

Each head has apparently a so, arate will. The heads light each other. The heads light each other. They must be fed with milk, raw then so young a bag or stocking is placed over the head and neck, while two experienced natives clip the feathers. During winter the birds must be attended to and carefully watched, as sometimes the weather is very inschement for weeks together—the thermometer often registering ten degrees of frost—and birds are apt to fall off in condition. If a bird once begins to the finese gardeners tell with the finese carefully with the act of the season are onlined with braided decorations. A straight hand closing in a sure interests the decorate of the registering ten degrees of frost—and birds are apt to fall off in condition. If a bird once begins to the figure of thinese carefuers, and birds are apt to fall off in condition. If a bird once begins the condition is a sum of the beginning than closing in the medium size will require three yards to forty-four-inch wide material.

Some Chinese gardeners tell with the actual plucking of the birds is very in condition. If a bird once begin to sink in condition, the greatest dif-floulty is experienced in getting him right again, and often no amount of extra feeding will pull him through.— Strand Magazine.

Cost of War.

According to the estimates of Ger- a good do man and French statisticians the wars Register.

Projects of a Queer Genius,

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Colonel D. W. Hughes is a queer genius who lives in Audraia County, Missouri. He has invested many contributes of one sort or another intue course of his smootering career, this most important of which is a cornsplanting machine. Out of this he made considerable money, but his hopes of a fortune are now fountied on an instrument which, by mesus of X rays, perhaps, will not only reveal the guilinary value of egg, but also the guilinary value of egg, int also the guilinary basque is given by May Manton in the first large picture. It is ear ried out in broadcoloth of Hussar-blite and the decoration is of black braid the country.

Stylish Example of the Regulation Military Basque is given by May Manton in the light of the remarkable. The waist is encircled by a girdle of old-blue velvet carried to the front where it is caught up with loops of velvet. The sleeves, presenting the news feature of the season's mode, are called the muchroom sleeve and are close-fitting from the wrists to above the clow where they are met by a short full purition which a standing band, if first large picture. It is ear ried out in broadcoloth of Hussar-blite and the decoration is of black braid used when the bodice is destined for poultry and every dealer in eggs in the country. the country.

Tomb of the First Harrison,

The tomb of General William Henry Harrison near North Eend, on the Ohio River, is soon to be remodeles. The cost of the improvement is estimated at \$5000 and only Indiana marble is to be used. The old tomo, which was built in the latter part of the forties, has for some years been the fortics, has for some years been the subject of much comment. It is on the crest of a besutiful knoll com-manding a view of the lordy Ohio am. the blue Kentucky hills beyond. Na ture has invested the spot with romantic charms, and when the tomb is com-pleted it will add a iresh element of interest to the seems, -Atlanta Consti

A Freak That Fights With Itself

A two-honded stake, hog-nosed-Hoterodon Sinus—lins come from Central America into the possession of E. C. Fischer. It is four mouths old. of a brownish green color, and not yet



TWO HEADED SNARM.

as the cost of her war with Prussia.

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sessumes a position of authority and becomes master of the plansion. From Jane up to September, or, in fact, till Christinas, thousands of chicks are reared every year, and thousands meet with death every year from some form of accident. Chicks up to twelve months old die from various maistier, but seidom after they are till grown are they the vietting of any sickness, death usually resulting from a broken leg, killed to be some sent and on not, but, so long as the horse has being as the horse horse of the most important railway megnites in the Southwest. Mr. Green's wealthy mother, Mrs. Hetty Green, et N. w York, is engineering the deal which will add to be son's power. The Mekand Road, of which Mrs. Green has under way succeed a consolidation of interests will be effected by which from want of breath and falls.

The temple bird is seldom vicious. When she has a next or broad of young chicks one must be prepared, but her manner of charging and whole only son.

BASQUE AND WAIST.

stock of ribbon atvisbly bowed at the



A dainty model sufficiently drossy to be wern as an evening bodies when developed in shituble tabries, is represented in the second big dinstration. As represented, writes May Mantos, the material chosen was colored becoming a contempt with addedness of black velver rision, a little carada constitued with old-blue veltronts and back, which are shaped in rounded outline and gathered at the top with the influess at the waist col-lected in gathers that are drawn well. A mohair gown will wear forever if to the centre-iront and back. The the owner desires it, but if she grows

Income of Chinese Gardenera,
Some Chinese gardeners tell with apparent traiffulness of making \$1000 a year apiece out of their business. Vegetables in five and ten cent lots seems small business, but it counts in the course of a year. There are ten or a dozen wagons making regular trips into falare, and they gather up a good deal of coim.—Tularo (Cal.)
Register.

The Queen of England's descendants either now occupy or will in due to course six upon seven thrones, namely, those of the British Empire, the Ringdom of Greece, the Dauly of Saxe-Coburg and Cotha, the Grand Duchy of Hesse and the Duchy of Eaxo-Meiningen.

body laid in hesspiants, The curving scams are outlined with leaded to fail the individual to living the aim of leading than closing in the light side finishes the needs are same of given and extra visibly on the loft side finishes the needs are same of given and extra visibly on the loft side finishes the needs are continued with leading theory and the top failing the arm closely below.

The smart hat accompanying the cost with valvet and extra visibly on the loft side finishes the needs are closely below.

The smart hat accompanying the cost word of the British Empire, the Ringdom of first, a berned with valvet are blue in po trans, midtary or has sair. Gray, green or garnet are also chosen.

To make this basque for a haly in the intended and the principle of the midting and the first and the control with valvet and extra visibly and the following the control with valvet and extra visibly and the top failing the arm closely below.

The smart hat accompanying the cotten with valvet and extra visibly at the top in the top failing the arm closely below.

The smart hat the top failing the arm closely below.

The smart hat the top of the head, whose gazzy wings are transparent, and when the effect on the person behind is that of no bonnet at all, while the wearer feels that the read is properly dressed with the cotten of the transition would like to be sparred the trouble. Now, we have a spreading butte of forty-four-inch wide material.

Although most women remove their lists in theatres nowadays, many of them would like to be spared the trouble. Now, we have a spreading butterfly on top of the head, whose gauzy wings are transparent, and which takes up so little space that the effect on the porson behind is that of no bounet at all, while the wester feels that her head is properly dressed without the trouble of removing a bonnet. The butterflies are fastened on with

SUBSTITUTE FOR MUTT CHAIN.

A welcome fashion for those who cannot afferd the muff chain is a band of black velvet ridson, a little less than an inch wide, fastened at each Thomas affects it with a first pair to domaid, than an inch wide, fastened at each Thomas affects at with a first pair to domain. brogado continued with old-blue velvet. It is mounted upon a glovefitted lining tearing the usual number of seams and double burst darts and
closing in controlront. Unfor-arm
gores are inserted between the full
purpose. purpose.



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upper portion of the bodice consists tired of it she can still make it do sec-

The River.

When the river reaches the sea, nil's well;
It matters little then
That its course is narrow, with barroa

That its course is introd, stocked backs
That of no beauties tell.
It reaches the sea, and the end is vast—
Full discloreversione:
Exulting it joins in the like of the sea,
And this is too sensy it sums to those:
"When I reach the sea, all s we i at last."
—Janet Remington, in the Chautauquan.

Something for Somebody.

Something for somebally! Let it pent Through the degeneral of the majoring also Something for somebally! Let a stout As a soft seno after pear re-

Something for samebody! For it ling A coar sequence through the common chord:

Something for southedy! Lot it bring A new, fresh grace to the family board.

Something for some body! How or why, It makes no odds how shard it may be -The humblest duty that's one, The The samil excer kindness that's next to

-Parladelphon Times,

Compensation.

Compensation.
On Saturday, at midneys, in a square
in Somers Town, I not a married pair.
The wife was pinched and time, her dress
was torn,
I never san a woman as forterin.
The hisband was a would, as coring man,
Who had a no bee, weary, or used not.
Thus become and exercise the care time and ran.
His arm within her arm.
Welle I dry shed and yearn,
Leitered along the saim, well pleased 15

sole

The mud turn gold beneath the gas lamps

The mod turn goes Just state as they passed I heard the woman say, "My darling"—say it, yes, in such a way As one who forced her harvand tenderly, And was herself by him level tenderly. —The liber.

When I am Dead.

When I am dead, my dearest, Sing no sad somes for my Plant the more recent my head. Nor shady cypress tree. Bathe green gross above me With showers and dewereps wets And if them will, remember, And if them will, forget.

I shall not see the shadows;
I shall not teel the rath;
I shall not teel the rath;
I shall not hear the highlingule.
Sing on as if I a page the twilly.
And dreaming through the twilly.
That do the tries or set,
Haply I may remember.
And haply may force:
—Caristina G. Rossettl.

Winter.

When autumn slice at last upon her throne Amid the rain of a regal state. Bores, clarion trampets sound her fair. And winter knows the realist tencetoria his

Counting the Apple Seeds.

Beside the hearth one winter night Made rosy by the great log's light. That flaming up the chimney mirk, Hit every evancy every mosts. Upon the rog a little mid Sat carled, in pose denous and stall,

In pensive mood, with dreamy eyes she afts, while up the entimely flow A thought with every flow prints Gitating and flowless throats the dark, This with a sign profount and deep. She moves, as one moves in her steep.

Another sight want can it be.

My little maid, that alleth the ?

Ah! What I this Same is satisfied?

Mutbred with soch retterabled.

Hard as each see her bright eyes sea.

These are the words that come to man

*One I love, two I love, Three I love, I has! Four I love with all lay heart, Five-I cast away.

Here a tear rolls brightly down, What the seems she has wong Who can say? But just would be Sound a voice served and kinds "Look again! Those must more Find for me another essal!"

Restor her bright cheese glow In the prelight's red y glow. Sure enough a entert read. Finds the in the cure model over From thy ups I fain would bear What the sixth one means my dear.

"Six he loves," the unmount law,
And the firelicht's flots ring slow
Two happy faces now disclose
With checks account has the rese,
But here we'll fet the errain fail
For the end in best of an.
—Sacramento Unlon.

Gothan's Breathing Spots.

A complete list has been made of the park lands owned by the city of New York. They aggregate 4093 acres. New York, They aggregate a 105 acres, divided into sixty-one different parks, ranging in size from .015 of an acre to 1756 acres, which is the area of Pelham Bay Park. The park lands comprize nearly one fifth of the total area of the city. The consolidation with Brooklyn will add 1465 acres to this besides twenty-two miles of parkways.

Motor Vehicles in India.

Motor cars being the son-ation of the Motorears being the servation of the day just now, wealthy natives in India are introducing horseless vehicles in the big towns. Calcutta was very much astonished by the appearance of a motor wagomette driven by electricity and capable of running twenty-five miles an hour for ten hours without recharging.