AN ODD FISH. NEW SHORT STORIES

Queer Marine Monater a Natural En emy to Whales.

While operating at a fishery in Admiralty island, Alaska, one summer my attention and the attention of the fishing crew were almost daily attracted to a large marine creature that would appear in the main channel of Seymour canal and our mumediate vicinity. There are large numbers of whales of the species rorqual there, and the monster seemed to be their natural enemy. The whales generally travel in schools, and while at the surface to blow one would be singled out and attacked by the fish, and a battle was soon in order. It is the nature of the rorqual to

make three blows at intervals of from feeting himself in the most unexpected two to three minutes each, and then manner. sound deep and stay beneath the surface for thirty or forty minutes. As a whale would come to the surface there would appear always at the whale's right side and just about where his head would connect with the body a great long tail or fin, "judged by five fishermen and a number of Indians, after seeing it about fifteen times at various distances," to be about twentyfour feet long, two and one-half feet wide at the end and tapering down to the water, where it seemed to be about eighteen inches in diameter, looking very much like the blade of the fan of

an old fashioned Dutch windmill. The great club was used on the back of the unfortunate whale in such a number that it was a wonder to me that every whale attacked was not instantly killed. Its operator seemed to have perfect control of its movements and would bend it back until the end would touch the water, forming a horashoe loop; then with a sweep it would be straightened and brought over and down on the back of the whale with a whack that could be heard for several miles. If the whale was fortunate enough to submerge itself before the blows came, the spray would fly for a distance of a hundred feet from the effect of the stroke, making a report as loud as a yacht's signal

What seemed most remarkable to me was that, no matter which way the attacked whale went or how fast (the usual speed is about fourteen knots), that great club would follow right along by its side and deliver those tremendous blows at intervals of about four or five seconds. It would always get in from three to five blows at each of the three times the whale would come to the surface to blow. The whale would generally rid itself of the enemy when it took its deep sound, especially if the water was forty fathoms or more deep. During the day the attack was always offshore, but at night the whales would be attacked in the bay and within 400 yards of the fishers

I do not know of any whales being killed, but there were several that had great holes and sores on their backs. Questioning the Indians about it, I was told that there was only one, that it had been there for many years and that It once at scloud an Indian canoe and with ousd studie of the great club manded the come into splinters, killine metal-occurring several of its occu-Intits. Forest and Stream.

Mixed Types. Some years ago the editor of a down east newspaper undertook to compliment an eminent citizen as "a noble old burgher, proudly loving his native state," but the neatly turned compliment came from the compositor's hands. "a notify old burglar, prowling round in a maked state." This was as perverse and shocking as the blunder in the message Ernest Renan had occa- Globe-Democrat. sion to telegraph across the English

The SPORTING WORLD

Jockey Hildebrand's Great Record. Eugene Hildebrand, the California rider, broke the world's record for win

ning mounts during last season and will command his own price for 1905. The record prior to 1904 was 292 victories by C. Reiff and was made in 1896. Hildebrand's total for this year is 298 winning mounts. At the Oakland track last winter he rode fifty seven winners. Then he went to the Los Angeles track and rode forty-four winners. When he traveled east he began riding at Aqueduct (New York) and followed in all the eastern tracks



during the season. When he went to the Pacific coast in November he led the list with 165 winning mounts. On the California tracks this winter he rode two winners at Oakland and finished the year by riding thirty-two winuers at Los Angeles, thus bringing his total winning mounts to 298. This smashes all records ever attempted be-

Cornell Runners May Go Abroad. A popular movement is being agitat-

fore by a jockey in the United States.

ed among the students of Cornell university to promote an international cross country meet between Oxford 5 o'clock in the evening came and still and Cambridge and an American team there was no result. The convention representing either the Intercollegiate was being held in Lansing, and the Cross Country association or Cornell latest dispatch said that a night sesalone. The former plan would be prefslon might be necessary. The general erable, as the American team would then be representative of all the eastern went home to his dinner and on his universities and not just one college, way down again stopped in at the but in either instance, inasmuch as four "Have you heard anything from Lan-Cornell runners have been in the first five to finish at the intercollegiate cross country meet in the last two years, "Yes," was the reply. "The deadlock the team selected would be essentially

> a Cornell team The English distance runners have the reputation of being the best in the world, and a few years ago it would have been impossible to select an American team that would not be outclassed by them. The rapid advance made in American colleges, especially Cornell, during the last five years in distance .und cross country running causes many experts who have followed closely the meets of recent years to predict that the American team not only could hold its own, but would probably win if such a meet were arranged

> > Ban Johnson's Fear.

FACTS IN FEW LINES By BARRY PAIN

Elsa

you."

worthy of me."

can understand that now?"

or save person can manage to have any

kind of dispute with a mother or with

"That limits me," I observed

"Dress boxes are not rotten: I hate

"Dress boxes are very good boxes

very strongly and neatly made of card-

board and frightfully useful. You nev-

"I didn't know that urgent necessity

was hanging over me. But I'll take

er know when you may want one."

"Years of discretion?"

you won't be, also as usual."

in the right. You always do."

An immense flower market is to be built in New York city by 200 or more tiorists. with mamma again," said my An Englishman has been sent to an

insane asylum through too much study of newspaper puzzles. In the French army soldiers are alowed to have gardens in any spare barrack ground and grow vegetables, which help out their rations. Statistics show that the birth rate in the largest German towns is steadily decreasing, notably in Berlin, Charlot

tenburg, Hamburg and Crefeld. A "Book of Songs For Motor Cyclists" is being compiled by the German Motor Cycle club. Prizes are offered for the six best songs submitted. The Paris correspondent of the London Mail says that mules' brains make very good eating and are frequently used instead of calves' brains in Parision restaurants.

The number of cigarettes manufac tured and sold in Canada increased from 34,000,000 in 1890 to 83,000,000 in 1895. In 1900 123,000,000 were manufactured, while in 1904 the output was 216,000,000.

Some of the old guns purchased by the town of Crewe from the British government and placed in the local park as "war trophies" had never been used on foreign service at all, it has "It was dress boxes." been discovered. "What on earth do you mean?"

There does not seem to be much 'graft'' in Australia. All its public nen who have died in recent years lied poor. The late Sir George Dibbs. whose will was probated recently, left mly about \$10,000.

An inspector a few days ago found that a weighing machine used by the Great Western Railway company of England was sixty-six pounds short in every ton. The company paid a ten dollar line and costs.

anybody else about a rotten dress hax." French naval officers are beginning to complain strongly of the state of the that word. I hate almost all the words zoast defenses at Cherbourg. The comyou use." plaints resolve themselves mainly into this that the guns are largely obsolete and the gamners too few.

The foreign countries which send to do to Ecuador to the amount of S100.0 or more each year are the United States, Eugland, Germany, France, Belgium, Australia, Spain, your word for It. Proceed." Italy, Chile, Feeu and China,

A manument exceed in York cathe and extravagant, and so has mamma. draf to the officers and men of the York and Lancaster regiment who fell in you? As it happens this proves wheth South Africa was unveiled the other day. Besides the names of the faller dress boxes, and I always have done it bears only the word "Remember." since I came to years of discretion." The police of Lancashire have pre sented to the townships over which they have jurisdiction forty-six handsome ambulances, many of them cost-I had a lot more in the spare room ing \$500. The money was raised by wardrobe. In fact, I had them pretty means of football matches and other well everywhere. There were 242 of athletic sports.

Illiteracy among negroes is about seven times as common as among whites, and this ratio between the races has not altered materially in the last ten years. Illiteracy among southern ne groes is more than four times that among southern whites.

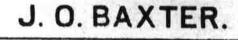
A short time ago Chile solemnly open ed a permanent industrial exhibition The president presided, surrounded by the leading people of Chile and the en tire foreign diplomatic corps. The day is referred to as one marking a new era in the development of the country. The bishop of Worcester in a triennial address to his clergy recently said that the clergy had fallen under the despotism of choirs, and with regard to monotoning on a high note he com-

plained that they seemed to think there



not understand is how you or any oth- tions,

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How He Heard the News.

General Spaulding, who has been at

the St. Louis fair representing the

treasury department as one of its spe-

cial agents, has just returned to Wash-

ington. He was formerly a member of

congress, having served two terms with

credit to himself and his district. Lat-

er on he became assistant secretary of

the treasury and while in that position

showed unusual knowledge of the tar-

iff laws. It was while he was a special

channel on the subject of a propose lecture by him in Westminster abbey The subject as written by him was The Inducace of Rome on the Formation of Christianity." It was annound ed in England as "The Influence of Rum on the Digestion of Humanity!"-Saturday Evening Post.

Wanted!

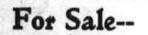
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Barred Strangers.

"THE DEADLOCK HAS BEEN BROKEN."

sing?" he asked the telegraph editor.

"Indeed. And who has been nomi-

"Oh, I forget the name," said the op-

"Would you mind looking?" asked

The man said he had no objection to

"They've nominated an old fellow

And that was how Spaulding got the

news of his unanimous nomination,

which resulted in his election to the

house of representatives .- St. Louis

this, and, going through a pile of dis-

patches, he finally discovered the right

one and, looking up, said carelessly:

named General Spaulding."

newspaper office.

has been broken.

nated?"

the general.

erator.

"Many times," said Colonel Bill Sterrett of Texas reflectively, "I have seen the disastrous effects of butting in. Sometimes the butter in gets the worst of it and sometimes not. Now I call to mind the case of a man down in my state who got into a seven handed game of poker and was done right and

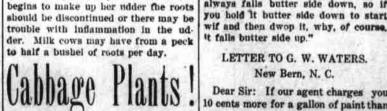
proper. After he had lost his money he went out and formulated the theory that he had been robbed. He meditat ed over this for an hour or two and then determined to go back and tell the people he had been playing with exactly what he thought of them.

"He climbed upstairs and dashed into the room. While he was out the game had changed entirely. There was nobody playing who had been at the table with him.

"He began talking before he looked. though, and said, 'I just come up here to say you are the biggest lot of thieves ever knew.' Then he looked. The men at the table prepared to get up and slay this abusive interloper, but his presence of mind did not leave him. "'Barrin' strangers,' he said as he backed out of the door-'barrin' strangers, of course." - Chicago Inter

Ocean. Roots For Milk Cattle. It will be perfectly safe to feed a

heifer coming next spring a moderate feed of roots until within four or six weeks of calving, says Professor Wing of Cornell university in American Agriculturist. She may have from four quarts to a peck a day. As soon as she begins to make up her udder the roots should be discontinued or there may be trouble with inflammation in the udder. Milk cows may have from a peck to half a bushel of roots per day.



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Bau Johnson is wrought up because the National league has voted to play 154 game schedule, which will neces sltate the American doing the same thing, although the latter had previously decided to cut to 140 games. The American league president fears

that there will not be time after the close of the season and before contracts expire on Oct. 15 to play a post season championship series, but he has the remedy in his own hands in conjunction with Messrs, Pulliam and Herrmann. The schedules of the two leagues. which their respective presidents are authorized to draw up, can easily be made a triffe more compact than they were last season, when for every club there were breaks of from one to several days without games. The regular season can be made to

close a few days before Oct. 8, say on the 4th or 5th, giving ten days or more for playing off the series for the world's championship and any others that may be mutually arranged.

The Bulfered Side

A woman who is a close observer of children was out walking in the country one day, she relates, when she saw a little girl with solemn big blue eyes sitting on a doorstep munching a huge dice of bread and butter. The only peculiarity about the operation was that she was holding the buttered side of the bread toward the ground. "Why do you hold your bread and

outter that way?" asked the lady. "Tause." whispered the little maider confidentially, "mamma says bwead always fails butter side down, so if you hold it butter side down to start

LETTER TO G. W. WATERS.

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Yours truly, F. W. DEVOE & CO.

W. Smallwood sells

was "something sacred about the note G.

> A number of persons in good positions in Budapest have within the last few days received threatening letters bearing the signature "The Hungarian Black Hand." The sum of \$125 is always demanded, and many have paid rather than appeal to the police and

take the risk of assassination. As early as 1875 the first commercia institute was established in Tokyo Since that time similar schools have been established in various parts of the Japanese empire. In 1884 the commercial schools were regulated by minis terial decree, and in 1899 a general law was passed concerning commercial educational institutions.

One of the most remarkable places of worship in the world is the miners' chapel in Myndd Menigdd colliery, Swansen, Wales. It is close to the bot tom of the shaft. The only light is that obtained from a solitary safety lamp hung over the pulpit from the celling. and the oldest miner in the colliery is generally chosen to officiate.

In consequence of the scandals in small German garrison towns, such as formed the staple of Lieutenant Bliss's "Aus Einer Kleinen Garnison," the military authorities have decided to change the garrisons at least once in every five years, so as to avoid too great an intimacy between the officers and troops and the civil population.

Recently in a paper read before a technical society at Odessa Mr. Lokuzejewski described a way of killing the young of insects in fields by electricity. A dynamo is carried on a wagon (horse or automobile), and the current excites an induction coil, giving a high tension discharge. One pole of the coll is to the metal tires and the other to metal brushes passing over the ground. The discharge kills the grubs, etc., in the

Hearing one of his officers say at dinner that "half a dozen Russians could drive the English out of Tibet." a sol dier in Manchuria, who had been serv ing as a waiter at the table, asked some people where Tibet was and, learning that it was somewhere southwest, persuaded seven comrades to join him in an expedition. They had not gone far when they were attacked and seized by Chinese bandits, from whom they were afterward rescued. Cluver Hay.

Farm clover bay is often very dusty. For that reason it is almost traditiona that farmers prefer timothy to clover says American Agriculturist. When it is put up and properly cured there is no dust, and a very fine nitrog feed is the result. The use of clove

hay is becoming more and more com

CASTORS A.

dress box tomorrow?" "To start with, you will not want a

dress box tomorrow, and you know it Secondly, if you did you would telephone to your dressmaker to send you one and all would end happily. Your mother was right."

"It's so easy to say that. Perhaps you will tell me why, if you can."

"Certainly. Dress boxes come in the category of things which to mean. weak, vacillating minds seem to be too good to be thrown away. I should like to work out the cubic space occupied by the lost 242 and calculate for you what rent per annum your mother was paying to accommodate the rubbish. You must remember that dress boxes are not like the 1900 port."

"Really? What a lot of things you do notice! I've never tasted a dress box myself."

"Do not be silly, Elsa. I give you words of wisdom. The 1900 port improves with keeping and increases in value. It helps to pay its rent. Now, the dress box, as you know if you would not palter with your conscience distinctly deteriorates in keeping. It gets dustier and dustier. The corner which is broken-there is always onegets broken worse. By people with clear, practical, sensible minds dress boxes are invariably thrown away. It is a sign of mental inferiority to keep that which is worthless. And leave

that box alone, please." 'Elsa had just opened a brass box on my writing table. It was full of small pieces of string.

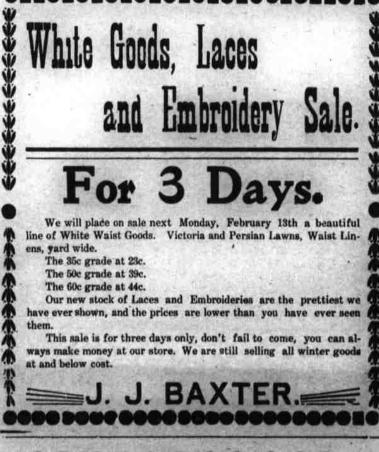
"Why do you keep all these?"

"I sometimes want string." "You've got a whole ball of it in special case there. Don't you know it a a sign of mental inferiority to keep things that are worthless? Those bits of string ought to be thrown away, as your advice will be. And, I say, I cold mamma you would take me to lunch." -Sphere

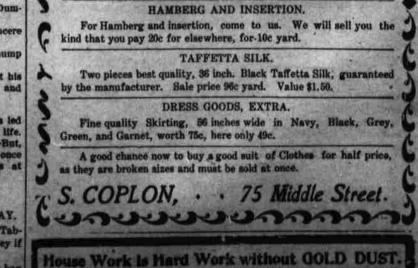
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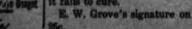
Hicks-Isn't it awful the way Dum ey brags of his ancestors? Wicks-Yes, it excites my sincere Hicks-Pity? Nonsense, the chum doesn't deserve any pity!" Wicks-Oh. I don't pity him, but his ancestors.- Catholic Standard and An Unpartenable Fault. Figg-Goodman is dead. He has led a most beautiful and a correct life. Everybody praises him. Fagg-But, confound him, he trumped my ace once when we were playing partners at

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