

AUSTRALIA'S BIG CITIES



Martin Place, Sydney.

THE AUSTRALIAN cities listed by the United States Department of Commerce are Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide, and Darwin. These cities are the largest in Australia and are the centers of the country's industry and commerce.

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It has a great, roomy harbor with the outer portions of its bay some forty miles or more from the city's quays. This harbor ranks high among the harbors of the world, even though Nature did not give it quite such a wealth of natural advantages as were bestowed on Sydney.

mountains, among which many Melbourne residents have their summer homes. There is just one fly in Melbourne's glowing social, political, democratic and wealth diffusion are so strongly marked that the evanescent, transient, and insubstantial nature of the city, like its sister cities in America, is becoming more and more a community of apartment houses and flats.

These things are a passion with the Melbourne of today and each season large pools and parties are made up on the outskirts of contests between famous horses. Perhaps the "prize complex" of the modern Melbourne is a case of history repeating itself. For Melbourne is literally a "prize town," each was first discovered in points of Australia outside Melbourne's straits territory.

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She Got the Hat. A girl has just bought the very hat I wanted. "What then," said her mother (who was old and knew all the tricks) "go and tell her that was the hat you had set aside for your mother."

JOB WAS LOOKING FOR TAX DODGERS

French "Barker" Surely Had Odd Occupation.

I made the gentleman's acquaintance at a way station where both of us were waiting for the trains which were to separate us forever. Both trains were late, as though each were conscious of a desire to postpone the painful parting as long as possible.

The gentleman was much like any other traveler encountered on the trains. That is, he was of a certain age and of medium height. Beyond that it would be difficult for me to give an accurate description of him.

He had opened the conversation with a remark sensible enough—relative to the weather; and I had returned the courtesy with an economic observation. I believe, the high cost of transportation. Soon we had exchanged quite a number of general remarks, purposely formulated to avoid controversy for which there was no occasion, since we were soon to separate.

However, time passed, and the conversation became of a more personal nature, as both of us felt the necessity for more intimate revelations of our individual accomplishments. We discovered that we both lived in Paris; then he revealed his destination and I mine. We were on the road to confidences, so I was not surprised when he asked my profession.

"I'm a clockmaker," I told him. For some reason the man smiled. Evidently he considered clockmaking a sort of pastime, a hobby, but not a regular profession. Somewhat nettled, I intimated that I was by way of being an expert in my particular line. His smile broadened.

"Well," said I rather snappily, "what are you, pray? What do you do?" I expected him to say that he was a doctor or a lawyer or a public official or a fencer, or something quite as impressive.

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"You see, I bark for the dog tax. Every day I bark the stairways of apartment houses, and, at each landing, I get down on my hands and knees and say, 'Woo-wook, woo-wook.' Then, if I hear an answering bark in the apartment, I know they have a dog there. I make a note of the floor and the same evening run in my report to the assessor, who looks up the various apartments to see if the dog is properly licensed. If it isn't, I get 20 per cent of the fine. I make 100 francs a day."

Deserved to Lose

The late John S. Sargent, the famous American political pugilist, was once obliged to attend an unsavory murder trial in London for the purpose of making certain sketches.

The trial was also attended by many society folk, and one morning, when Mr. Sargent arrived late, he found his seat occupied by a great lady. He said nothing, but at the half-past four he saw a very handsome young man, and so it came about that when the great lady came back from her own luncheon she found that her place was gone.

"Dear me, I've lost my seat!" "Matamoras," said Mr. Sargent, "when a lady so far forgets herself as to attend a trial of this unsavory kind, she is apt to lose her seat and her standing."

Vanity

"A little while ago I read a book on psychology," said a Lakewood taper. "It said that if you lay a hair down on the floor and then draw a line up to it, it will be temporarily hypnotized and stay there for several minutes."

"Well, sir, I thought I'd try it. I had plenty of hairs and a pencil to draw the line, so I brought in a good plump chicken and set her down. That stunt actually worked. She sat dead still for about three minutes, then sort of shook her head and walked away. But you can't fool me on the hypnotism stuff. That hen simply had her eyes crossed, and being vain like all females, wouldn't get up until she got them straightened out."—Detroit News.

New Power Computation

Estimating that the average work capacity of one human being is one-eighth horse-power and that there was 700,000,000 mechanical horse-power developed in this country, engineers claim that every man, woman and child in the United States has at his command the equivalent of 48 slaves.—Science Service.

Step Toward Brotherhood

The Federal Council of Churches has recently issued the statement that Jewish rabbis are lecturing in Protestant theological seminaries on race relations as exchange professors. Christian ministers are speaking at Jewish colleges and institutions on the brotherhood of races.

Texas Hero Deserves High Place in History

Some years ago, near the city of Hempstead, in Texas, lived a farmer who proved himself to be a real hero and whose name has always been remembered by the people of his county with all the gratitude they might have willingly bestowed upon a hero in the military forces.

Now, one of the great rivers of Texas is the Brazos, a stream subject to vast floods, which often rise so suddenly that the people living near it have no time to escape the rush of the waters.

In early times a colony of Franciscan friars established a mission on a mound near the bank of the river. They built a church and a village and taught the neighboring Indians. A hostile tribe, however, swept over the country, ravaging and burning, and there seemed no chance for the friars and their converts behind the feeble defenses of their mound. But of a sudden the waters of the river rose, and terrible floods swept the savages and saved the little garrison.

Then the friars, so the story goes, saw plainly the working of the Lord, and they called the river which had enveloped them Las Brazos de Dios—The Arms of God.

But the Brazos is not always merciful. During the floods in Texas from time to time its waters have played a mighty part in the destruction of life and property. One night, as a flood was beginning to overspread the farming lands, a young man named Fritz McGee was awakened by the distant roar. He rose, hurried out, and after some difficulty, secured a single frail rowboat and started alone on the work of rescue.

All through the terrible night he worked among the negro cabins scattered over the flooded bottoms, and before morning he had rescued 70 human beings, men, women and children, and had conveyed them to high and safe ground.

It is doubtful whether a single man ever before saved so many lives, one by one, in so short a time. McGee, farmland, saving his fragile skiff through the darkness over the turbulent waters, is a figure to stir the noblest feelings.

Log as Motor Vehicle

"Around the World in a Log" was the unique title of a motor vehicle which passed through Cascade Locks, Ore., recently, on a world tour to traverse the Pacific coast, says the Portland Oregonian. The body of the car was a huge Douglas fir which had been cut, bored and joined by the men in charge, C. E. Case and J. A. Nutter. After this preliminary work they spent 13 months in equipping it into a modern apartment. The log of car is 22 feet long and 7 feet 7 inches in diameter, and scaled 8,716 feet of lumber.

The car is equipped with electric lights, hot and cold water, shower bath, bed, a breakfast table and built-in seats, a sink and built-in kitchenette and also built-in dressers and linen closets and even a library. The truck, including the body, weighs 14,000 pounds. The men in charge expect to go to New York by way of Salt Lake city and Omaha and Chicago. Before returning to Oregon they will tour Mexico, Central America and Canada.

To Domesticate Musk Ox

Ten musk oxen, brought from Greenland recently on a sailing vessel, are spending the summer on Kiholmen island, off the west coast of Norway. It is hoped they will be domesticated to the climate of northern Europe. The flesh of these animals makes excellent eating, its Arctic explorers can testify, and there is always a demand for them in zoological gardens. The most anxious thing for those interested in the experiment will be during the summer. The natural habitat of the musk ox is among the bleak regions of Arctic America, and it is possible that they will not survive a more southern summer. There is also danger that they will bring along their own deaths through eating toxically of the richer grass of Kiholmen.

Costly Cherries

"Yesterday," says a staff writer in the London Daily News, "I heard a true story concerning an American girl whose father left her at a well-known London hotel while he made a round of business calls on the Continent. "Paper on his return, had a rude shock. The first item on the bill was for 178 shillings. But my daughter never touches alcohol," he expostulated with the manager. Then the girl herself was called in. With a shy glance, first at the manager and then at her father, she remarked, 'I ordered them just to eat the cherries, father.' "And each of those 274 cherry-bearing cocktails cost 18 pence (36 cents)."

Fruit Salad for Dogs

That investigating food specialist and lover of animals, Andrew Kennard of 168 St. Mark, has raised a litter of impaired puppies on a diet of fruit, the puppies making a record-breaking growth as they were fed daily their portions of fruit salad, an appealing combination of oranges, apples and bananas. The fruits were half their daily ration, the other half being approved dog foods.

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