

GOOSE BONE WHITE IN FRONT.

Don't Husks, Kats and Fur Also Tell That There is a Hard Winter Coming.

According to Ezekiel Bonzy, who is held to be the most accurate reader of a goose's breast bone in Maine, the coming winter is going to be a shorter, says the New York Sun. It is to start with a snowstorm which will come in November, and the snow will stay on the ground for the purpose of catching and holding other snowstorms that will arrive frequently and with great vigor until about the middle of March.

ELKS' "TEETH" LITTLE WORN.

The Use of the Bones is Confined to Indians and Members of a Fraternity.

The recent advertisement in a jeweler's weekly of "500 elk teeth for sale," with an invitation to write for prices and samples, led to an inquiry. Though he notices among others which advertise precious stones, and might lead one to believe that the practitioners could be turned to purposes of personal embellishment, it is nevertheless true that they are worn to a very limited degree, says the New York Times.

THE PIRATE'S JOY.

Was Very Largely Increased by the Capture of Victims from Chicago.

The fierce eyes of the pirate chief lined from "neat bushy brows as he coated over his captives, a yacht loaded with Chicago millionaires he had captured while cruising about in the Caribbean sea, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

SHOULD ACT ALIKE.

It's a curious thing about resemblance, said a woman. "How we involuntarily look for the same characteristic in the two persons! We forget that a common look does not by any means insure a common nature.

CHOOSING BRIDESMAIDS.

Prospective Brides Should Select Girls Who Walk Well with Gracefully Poised Heads.

"In selecting bridesmaids," said she of the emerald and diamond ring to the New York Commercial Advertiser writer, "it is not beauty that counts so much as style and carriage. Most brides take a great deal of pride in their bridesmaids' costumes and want them to show to the best advantage. It is very important that a bridesmaid should walk well. The wedding marches are more suited to grand opera stages than church aisles, and while Elsa or Lucia's attendants can walk in gracefully to such music, the most graceful of girls is apt to sway and falter trying to keep time and step with the same strains.

COWARDLY SPANIARDS.

The Dispicable Conduct of the Vizcaya's Crew at the Battle of Santiago.

The contrast between the two nations stands out very clearly in connection with the Vizcaya, says Ir Nelson Hollis in the Atlantic. The torpedo boat Ericson ran close alongside of her, and sent a small boat to take off all that were alive on her crew. A few boats from the Iowa assisted. The Vizcaya was on fire fore and aft; the ammunition on board was exploding, and the guns that had been left loaded were going off one after another in the intense heat, to say nothing of the proximity of the shore. The position of the little craft has been described as perilous in the extreme. Our men risked their lives repeatedly to help their fallen enemy; but no sooner were the Spaniards transferred to the deck of the Ericson than they urged immediate withdrawal without regard to their comrades who had been left behind. To the honor of our navy, Lieut. Usher remained until every living being had been rescued from the burning ship.

CRIMES OF COOLIES.

The Low-Lived Mongols Are as Cunnings as Foxes and as Cowardly as Wolves.

They are a queer crowd, these coolies, whether on land or sea, says the Ludgate Magazine. Cunning as foxes and cowardly as wolves, they resemble the pariah dogs of their own cities in point of inability to hunt any prey save in packs. I heard of an instance where a gang of them, employed as navvies in the cutting of a railway, killed their overseer with shovels and fled into the bush. Nobody was ever hanged for the crime, because some 40 of them were in it—and that would have been rather a large consignment to condemn, even in the far east, where human life is so cheap.

TALLEST IN THE MOVING.

By Evicting Most People Have Shrank Half an Inch—How Men Get Into the Army.

"The singular fact that people are about half an inch taller in the morning than they are in the afternoon has established many a fellow to slip into the army," said an officer who has seen a good deal of recruiting service. "Time and again when the examinations were being conducted at a tolerably early hour men have been passed in my presence who were barely up to the regulation height, in fact, they were under it a shade, and the thickness of a card-board would have resulted in throwing them out. I am perfectly confident that if these same men had been re-measured just before taps in the evening they would never by any possibility have been accepted. I have heard it said that a man can put nearly an inch in his height by staying in bed for a couple of days and meanwhile taking several hot baths, but I have never seen the thing tried. The average morning and evening variation I have found by a good deal of experimenting on myself and others to be a little less than half an inch."

"HIS WIFE, BEING A WOMAN."

A Strange Sounding Phrase Which Started the Disconcerted Utterer Thereof.

If you are a woman, a timid one at that, but imbued with a strong belief that the timidity should be routed out of your character and if possessing that character and that determination you belong to a woman's literary club, you know what it is, says the Chicago Chronicle, to be called upon suddenly to assist in a discussion. Your lack of courage makes you cling to your chair and prepare to shake your head in refusal, but your emphatic effort at self-defense forces you to start a sentence and you hear your voice start a sentence and you hear your voice start a sentence and you hear your voice start a sentence.

Some such experience as this woman went through recently. She is a member of a literary association of the West Side, one of the most faithful in attendance and valued for her sound knowledge of numberless subjects, not as George Eliot would protest, "knowing many things badly," but accurately and positively.

NATURE'S SCAVENGERS.

In Systematic Way She Keeps Her Forces in Readiness Where They Are Needed.

Nature, not being a European power, keeps her forces in readiness where they are needed, in consequence of which the scavengers muster in strength in hot countries, says the Saturday Review. Vultures wander but rarely to these parts, and such sharks as occur are, with few exceptions, but minnows of their race. Yet we have even in these islands humbler purifiers at work, tadpoles and humble beetles, and others suitable to the comparatively easy work that falls to them. One of these days, when natural history is taught in a rational manner in our schools, when the rising generations learn to appreciate the living world around instead of banging pianos and splashing pigments we shall have a recantation of the modern zoological faith and a better appreciation of the beasts and birds.

HE IS A FINDER.

The Curious Way an Expert Pick-pocket Has of Earning a Livelihood in London.

To anyone unacquainted with the complex characteristics of London life it would appear almost incredible that a man could make a living as a pick-pocket by immediately restoring what he has stolen to its original owner. A detective officer, however, has recently informed a writer in Tit-Bits that such, indeed, is the case. For some time past an ingenious individual has made it his business to wait upon ladies as they leave theaters, calling their carriages and aiding them to enter. He is decently dressed, very polite, and has a way of holding up the ladies' dresses behind—especially if the weather is wet—which is particularly pleasing to his patronesses.

But it seems that his action in this respect is not nearly so distinguished as it might appear, for he makes this little courtesy a subterfuge for picking their pockets or removing any article of value within reach. His methods, however, are not those of a common thief, for he persistently proceeds to the police station nearest at hand and there delivers up his spoil, coolly stating that he has found it outside a certain theater.

He, of course, furnishes also his name and address, and in due time his "honorable" action receives its reward. He has "found" so many things recently that the police are anxious to find him.

Shah Is the "Red King." The Shah of Persia is styled the "red king," because he wears a red turban. There have been three red turban rulers upon whom that title has been bestowed—namely: Amadeus VII. of Savoy, Otto II. of Germany, and William II. (Rufus) of England.

Llamas as Freight Carriers. Llamas are the chief freight carriers in central Peru. The usual load for an animal is about 100 pounds. If you put upon his back more than he can carry he quietly kneels and will not budge until the load is reduced.

Hands Displaced by Machinery. A writer declares that 500,000 men now do the work, with the aid of machinery, which needed 18,000,000 persons a few years ago.

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COMPTON D'EGANGES (CLEARING HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

Marché de la Nlle-Orléans. SUR FLAOR.

Le Coton Exchange a reporté aujourd'hui les ventes de 1,500 balles et 2,500 à arriver.

Le marché est stable. Les cotons laines coûtent de 1/4 à 1/2 cent plus bas que les cotons sucrés.

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