

BEST HATED MAN IN RUSSIA

Recently Assassinated Member of the Czar's Family Is Thus Spoken Of.

The violent death of Grand Duke Sergius, said an English traveler at the Waldorf, who reports the New York Tribune, had recently arrived from Russia...

He was hounded, for a consideration said to have been equivalent of \$500,000, without petition or the right of return.

WHY A PERSON GETS SLEEPY

Several Explanations Any One of Which Seems to Be Reasonable.

Scientists disagree as to the cause of drowsiness. Some curious and remarkable reasons are assigned for the desire everybody has for sleeping.

CLERK WAS DISCERNING.

He Must Have Been Very Smart to Have Made Such a Discovery.

Many funny things happen at the naturalization bureau. The clerks have all they can do sometimes to preserve their dignity while listening to the answers given by the men who are anxious to cast their first vote for president of the United States.

CURIOUS TROPICAL PLANT.

Vine That Possesses Power of Respiration and Is Given to Coughing.

An interesting vine, known as the coughing bean, is a respiratory plant which is a native of moist, tropical regions.

RAILROADS IN INDO-CHINA.

The French government has appropriated the amount of \$15,000,000 for the construction of new railroads in Indo-China.

LESS EATING IN PUBLIC.

Actively Advocated Theory Is Having Marked Effect on the Business Lunches.

A man who is in touch with the wholesale business of supplying hotels and restaurants with food says the actively advocated theory that Americans eat too much is having a marked effect on the habits of city people.

WHEN PEOPLE LOSE TASTE

Loss of Small Nearly Always Emues, Yet They Retain Old Likes and Dislikes.

"When people lose their taste," said a physician, according to the Baltimore Herald, "they retain their old likes and dislikes, just the same."

GUILTY BUT FELT HURT.

Was Not a Cow, But a "Blamed Old Jackass" He Had Stolen.

"I was governor of my state for two terms," said a well-known western politician, relates the Chicago News, "and I made up my mind as soon as I was sworn in the first time to right any wrong which I might find in the two state prisons."

WERE EVER CLEVER.

COUNTERFEITERS OF ANCIENT TIMES AND OF PRESENT.

Spartans Coins and Imitation Paper Money Skillfully Made Many Centuries Ago—Interesting History.

Writing in the New England Magazine, Sigmund Krausz furnishes an interesting article on ancient and modern counterfeiters.

CONSENT BY TELEPHONE.

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HOW DOES A ROBIN KNOW?

When Mrs. Redbracket Goes After a Grub She Invariably Gets It.

I recently observed a robin boring for grubs in a country dooryard. It is a common enough sight to witness one seize an angle worm and drag it from its burrow in the turf, but I am not sure that I ever before saw one drill for grubs and bring the big white morsel to the surface.

AN ANIMALS' CREMATORY.

Sanitary Method of Disposing of Carcasses on a Model Farm.

There was a crematory on the model farm—a crematory of red brick built in a secluded valley.

PAYS FOR HIS TRICKERY.

Telegrapher Obtained Money Dishonestly, But Paid It All Back.

"We have a regular fund, called the 'conscience fund,'" said a man who sits at a highly polished desk in one of the local railroad general offices.

WHAT HE'D DO.

"Say, doc," instructed the man who was trying to get a little free medical advice, "supposing you had a case of chronic dyspepsia, now, what'd you consider the best course to pursue?"

INGENUITY OF JAPS.

Japanese soldiers along the Sha river have shown their ingenuity in the utilization of an oversupply of rats.

ROBBERIES OF CABLES.

Wire cables will often rust and break down in the interior when there is no manifestation of this on the exterior.

THE RETORT UNEXPECTED.

Rich Wife's Taunt Meets with a Simple But Cutting Response.

Capt. Ingersoll, of the naval war college, was talking about the disaster that came near destroying the battleship Connecticut at her launching, relates the Louisville Courier-Journal.

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