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Elephant's Shower Bath.

The elephant, in a wild state, is a nocturnal animal rarely, if ever, stirring in the daylight from his haunts in the shady forest, and when domesticated and compelled to work or travel in the day time, his enormous size and dark color cause him to be a great sufferer from heat. To relieve himself the animal has contracted the habit of withdrawing from his stomach a quantity of water by means of his trunk, which he then squirts over his back and sides in order, by its evaporation, to cool his skin. As this process is repeated on an average of once in every five minutes, and as this elephant's aim is not good, his efforts to keep cool cause considerable inconvenience to his riders, who are frequently sprinkled by the water, though the fluid is quite clear and has no offensive odor. The habit is acquired in domestication, for it is not known to be practiced by elephants in the wild state, and is altogether one of the most singular in natural history.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

The total production of American coal in 1895 was 171,804,702 long tons, an increase of 19,350,000 long tons over the product of 1894. The only country exceeding this output is Great Britain, which is credited with a production of 188,277,525 tons in 1894. Of this quantity, however, 33,073,988 tons were exported, while the American product was almost wholly consumed within the United States, the exports being more than counterbalanced by our imports of foreign coal.

TO MOTHERS OF LARGE FAMILIES.

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Free.

In this workaday world few women are so placed that physical exertion is not constantly demanded of them in their daily life.

Mrs. Pinkham makes a special appeal to mothers of large families whose work is never done, and many of whom suffer and suffer for lack of intelligent aid.

To women, young or old, rich or poor, Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., extends her invitation of free advice. Oh, women do not let your lives be sacrificed when a word from Mrs. Pinkham, at the first approach of weakness, may fill your future years with healthy joy.

Mrs. A. C. Buhler, 1123 North Albany avenue, near Humboldt Park, Chicago, Ill., says: "I am fifty-one years old and have had twelve children, and my youngest is eight years old. I have been suffering for some time with a terrible weakness; that bearing-down feeling was dreadful, and I could not walk any distance. I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash and they cured me. I cannot praise your medicine enough."

Admirers of Rudyard Kipling may be interested in knowing that a fatal fire broke out recently in Rudyard place, Kipling street, Long lane, Bermondsey, London.

On the eastern coast of Ireland it rains on an average of 208 days in the year; in England about 150 days; at Kazan about ninety days, and in Siberia only sixty days.

In the case of a Springfield, Mo., man who was on trial in the police court for keeping a vicious dog the somewhat singular verdict was rendered that he was not guilty, but must kill the dog.

Henry Norman has written a book on China. Bribery and corruption, according to him, flourish in high places in that land, while ignorance, deceit and filth of body and mind are universal.

A series of fetes, to take place in Paris in October for the benefit of the poor, are being organized. The municipal council has contributed \$10,444 on condition that it approves of the program.

It is well known that burns by heat differ very little from burns by cold. Precisely, or nearly precisely, the same chemical and physical changes can be produced in animal flesh by exposure to extreme cold as by exposure to heat.

A curious partnership often exists between the sea-anemone and the hermit crab. The latter always has an anemone fastened to its shell, and when he changes his quarters he takes his anemone along, provided he can detach it from the old shell.

In the highland districts of Scotland the custom held for many years of placing on the breast of the corpse a wooden platter, on which was separately placed salt and earth—earth being emblematical of the corruptibility of the body, and salt as emblematical of the immortality of the spirit.

Farmhouses in Carroll County, Maryland, are supplied with a telephone service at \$15 a year, and it is said by those who have tried it that life in the country is made far more attractive when instant communication can be had with the family doctor, the post-office and village stores, to say nothing of an occasional chat with a distant friend. The cost of the service is more than returned in various ways.

According to the census returns of 1890, the value of real property in New York was \$3,025,000,000; of personal, \$336,000,000. Compared with this enormous wealth that of any Western State is insignificant. Missouri, for instance, one of the richest, has real property valued at \$533,000,000 and personal assessed at \$289,000,000. This vast difference had a share in suggesting to the Populists their familiar figure of the cow with her mouth in the West, while her milk is pouring into Eastern buckets.

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