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Pretty near time to send for a rain-maker.

"D. U. R. is done with politics." Tell it to the marines.

The departing guest at a Japanese hotel always receives a gift, usually a towel.

New York's subway is being exposed again, but it has never yet been fully aired.

Most of us who are the architects of our own fortune only get a chance to build air castles.

It is difficult to preserve one's gravity in the presence of a man who says he has suspended his.

A Jersey minister has married 1,000 couples. The strange feature is that he's bragging about it.

The man who threatens suicide is usually the first to yell for a mustard plaster if he has a pain.

With the vindictiveness of a woman bound to get even with the literary critics, Marie Corelli has shot out another book.

The end of the honeymoon is well in sight when a man complains of the number of buttons on the back of his wife's blouse.

If life were a melodrama, we'd get our reward in the fifth act. As it is we have to wait until the final curtain has dropped.

The man who is compelled to look life in the face would often, after close inspection, prefer to turn his back upon it.

Some of the suffragette banners are described as highly artistic and decorative. The ornamental instinct will not be suppressed.

There is only one person more insistent than an insurance agent, and that is a woman discussing the perfections of her baby.

Now that the country has been so generally denuded of forests all the year round is the reason for disastrous American floods.

St. Louis is talking of having an "ugly dog show." Dachshunds and prize bulldogs are to be excluded in order to give the other dogs a chance.

What with bank robberies, hold-ups and desperate encounters, the small person in search of the sensational need only read the newspapers nowadays.

The war department is going to issue a new cook book for the army. In this book the menu will lead the simple life, and incidentally, so will the consumers.

In reflecting upon the possible future of the airship as a freight carrier allow your mind to dwell for a moment upon the impracticability of establishing custom houses in the air.

The report that a Russian prince is about to marry an American singer is disquieting. It is enough for foreign nobility to be marrying our money without also cornering our talent.

How many Chicago people know, for instance, that Chicago has considerably more than 3,000 acres of public parks, and that these parks are regarded as models for all the world?

A Chicago woman, guided by a spirit, found a large sum of money. A man, guided by spirit, finds it hard enough to find his way home without adding treasure-seeking to his troubles.

Automatic announcers, it is reported, are to tell the streets as the cars approach them. "Automatic" sounds rather wooden for the job, but any kind will beat what street car patrons get now as a rule.

Wilbur Wright has been in the world's record in the matter of sailing in an airship and is now king of the air. But at present his kingdom is but a sparsely populated one, though it is hard to say when it will not be of many subjects.

Idle and inconsiderate persons take pleasure in putting freak addresses on letters, to test the ingenuity of the clerks in deciphering puzzles. The British postmaster general has very properly given orders that government employees must not hereafter waste their time, which is public money, in trying to decipher intentional cryptograms.

In Germany the princes of the imperial family do not have to run for office. They are born elected, so the limb of the family who is cutting down trees so that his form may return to its sylphlike shape of former years will not have to join the woodchoppers' union or get it in the neck at the polls.

All German soldiers must learn to swim. Some of them are so expert that, with their clothing on their heads and carrying guns and ammunition, they can swim streams several hundred yards wide.

The fact that the street railways of Chicago are trying to prevent women getting off the cars backwards should rouse a protest from every thinking member of the sex. It is an infringement of a petticoated right that has been acknowledged ever since street cars were.

The American Audubon society has secured a perpetual lease of an island on the Maine coast where will be maintained a refuge and breeding place for elder ducks. The birds are in a fair way to be exterminated in that latitude without something being done in the way of protection, and the Audubon society has taken a step which promises excellent results, remarks the Troy (N. Y.) Times. The elder duck, because of the high esteem in which the down is held, is capable of attaining commercial importance.

FOREST FIRE LOSSES

SEVERE DRAIN ON THE TIMBER SUPPLY, SAYS PINCHOT.

WATER SHEDS DAMAGED

Destruction Results from Delay in Beginning to Fight the Flames—More Rangers Are Needed.

Washington.—"In many ways the forest fires this year have been the worst I have ever known," said Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forestry bureau, Saturday. "The whole northern half of the country has been attacked, and the losses represent a severe drain on our timber supply. Besides destroying valuable timber and other property, the flames which have been raging during the last few weeks in the east have caused almost incalculable damage to water sheds of important streams supplying power for countless industries. In the Adirondacks the destruction has resulted in marring one of the nation's most useful playgrounds."

Fires Are Not Checked in Time. "There is little or no difference between the fires of 1908 and those of other days, so far as causes are concerned. Unfortunately there is little difference in the way people have met them. In most states the fires have been allowed to burn until they threatened valuable property, and only then efforts were made to check them."

"The forest fire question resolves itself into one of the most important problems before the nation in the care of its resources. The destruction following a fire is not realized by us, and I sometimes believe that the greatest thing that could be done in furthering the movement for the conservation of forest resources would be to give as many people as possible a chance to visit a section that has been impoverished by a fire."

Ranger Patrol Is Favored. "The warden plan has been fairly successful in places, but its fundamental weakness is that it is not a preventive system. To begin work after a fire has gained headway means that from the start the chances are against checking it before it has done great damage. No fire fighting method that did not provide for ranger patrol has shown itself to be wholly valuable. In the national forests we are meeting the situation with a satisfactory system, although the number of men in the field is insufficient and the rangers' districts are so large that the fire risk is raised above the point of safety. The one secret of fighting fires is to discover your fire as soon as possible, fight it as hard as you can, and refuse to leave until the last ember is dead."

Rain Extinguishes Forest Fires. Lexington, Ky. — Reports from the eastern part of the state say rain which fell here did much toward extinguishing forest fires, which have destroyed many thousand dollars' worth of timber, fencing, etc. In some sections the people had left their homes because of the proximity of the fire, and were living in tents ready to fly at a moment's notice. These are returning to their homes.

Pennsylvania Drought Broken. Philadelphia. — The drought which has continued in this state for nearly two months has been completely broken in some sections, while in other localities fresh showers have been falling. A report from Williamsport states that the drought in that part of the state has been broken and that the forest fires have been extinguished. It has been raining incessantly for many hours.

ORVILLE WRIGHT NEARLY WELL. Splint Removed from the Aeroplane's Broken Thigh. Washington, Oct. 26. — Orville Wright, the aeronaut who narrowly escaped death in the accident to his aeroplane during a flight at Fort Myer, Va., five weeks ago, will soon be able to leave for his home at Dayton, O. His most serious injury was a broken thigh and the splint was removed from this Sunday. It was found upon measuring the left leg, the one injured, that it is but a quarter of an inch shorter than the other. An X-ray examination of the fracture shows that the knitting of the broken bones has been perfect.

Mexican Plotters Guilty. El Paso, Tex. — Charged with fomenting a revolution on United States soil against a friendly nation, Preciliano G. Silva and Lecantio Trevino were found guilty by a jury in the United States court for the western section of Texas Friday. Benjamin Silva and Jose Maria Ramirez were acquitted on the same charge.

Trevino and Silva will be sentenced by Judge Maxey. The penalty prescribed is not less than one, nor more than five years' imprisonment.

Forest Fires in Indiana. Jasper, Ind. — Forest fires have been raging in Dubois county, a few miles south of Jasper, for the past 24 hours, and considerable damage has been done. The McCord sawmill in the Patoka bottoms was destroyed.

Murdered by Highway Robbers. Pittsburg, Pa. — Hugh McGuire, a well-known resident of Camp Hill, a suburb, was killed by highway robbers. He was rendered unconscious by a blow and then thrown into the creek, where he drowned.

Des Moines Women Not Indicted. Ashland, O. — The grand jury Friday failed to return indictments against Mrs. Stein and Mrs. Hayward of Des Moines, Ia., in connection with the Stein-Porter murder case, declaring the evidence insufficient.

Nebraska Bank Looted. Omaha, Neb. — Cracksmen raided the state bank at Heartwell, Kearney county, Nebraska, Friday, and secured \$3,400. Explosions aroused the inhabitants of the town, but too late to intercept the robbers.

Wilbur Wright to Be Honored. Paris. — The Aero club will give a banquet in honor of Wilbur Wright, the American aeronaut, on November 5, at which the club's 1908 medal will be presented to Mr. Wright.

MAN SLAIN BESIDE BRIDE

LOUISIANA TEACHER MURDERED BY REJECTED SUITOR.

Grim Tragedy on Train—Persons Concerned All Members of Prominent Families.

New Orleans. — On her bridal tour which had begun scarcely one hour before, and seated in a railroad coach almost between her husband and a suitor for her hand, Mrs. Fred Van Ingen Thursday night saw the flash of the suitor's revolver, felt the sudden grip of her husband's hand as the bullet killed, and then turned and fought about to become the victim of the second bullet from the revolver, her uncle, a man with gray hair, but strong and cool under the excitement, rushed up and thrust his thumb beneath the hammer of the revolver, jamming the mechanism and rendering the weapon harmless.

This was the story which the other passengers on the Texas & Pacific "cannonball" told when they reached this city Friday, but the principal actors in the tragedy, most of whom are connected with Louisiana's leading families, have so far refused to discuss the matter.

The former suitor is F. S. Beave of Plaquemine, La., at which place he was taken from the train and placed under arrest. The unfortunate husband was Prof. Fred Van Ingen, a prominent teacher of Alexandria, La., and a relative of former Gov. Blanchard. The bride is the daughter of James M. Rhorer, one of the leading officials of Iberville parish, residing at Baton Rouge. Beave is 24 years old, and Van Ingen was 23.

The wedding took place Thursday at Alexandria. Beave was in town, having arrived there, it is reported, on the same day as Miss Rhorer. When the bridal couple left for New Orleans, he boarded the train also and after a short stay in a seat where he was facing Mr. and Mrs. Van Ingen, with the bride between him and her husband. Other passengers say Beave talked with the bride couple just before the shooting, and that his manner appeared cordial.

TOKYO FETES COME TO CLOSE. Scene of Entertainment Is Changed to Yokohama.

Yokohama. — The series of incomparably brilliant functions which have characterized Japan's reception of the American battleship fleet came to a close here Friday night with a dinner on board the battleship Fuji, the guests of which were confined to the American ambassador, rear admirals and other officers.

There was also a brilliant reception on the battleship Mikasa to which all the prominent Americans here were invited, with the accompaniments of an illumination of the fleet, fireworks and torchlight processions on shore.

Rear Admiral Sperry endeavored himself to the Japanese people by personally attending the funeral of Gen. Count Nodzu and placing a wreath on the casket. Later a luncheon was given at the Shiba palace and the admiral, accompanied by his aides, walked from the palace to the Shimbashi railway station, passing along the Ginza, the principal street of Tokyo, which was massed with people.

The admiral was recognized and almost mobbed by tens of thousands of enthusiastic people, but everywhere was treated with respect. Thousands sought to shake him by the hand and the ovation lasted the whole length of the street. The stern old admiral evidently was deeply impressed.

Rear Admiral Sperry was accompanied by Rear Admirals Schroeder and Walnwright, who with their aides were kept equally busy exchanging greetings.

STORM WAS FATAL TO 300.

Disaster in Cagayan Valley, Philippines, Worst Within Memory.

Manila. — Belated reports indicate that the storm of October 12 in the Cagayan valley was the worst and most destructive within the memory of living inhabitants of the valley. The official figures are not yet available, but many places have not been heard from, but it seems certain that the number of dead will reach 300.

At Aparri, which was almost completely under water, the American residents, headed by Lieut. Treadway and Clark, Postmaster Foss and Engineer Clark, formed a rescue brigade which saved scores of natives, taking many off their houses which were floating down the river. It is reported that cholera has broken out among the refugees.

Two Die in Wreck of Speeder. Gowrie, Ia. — Two men were killed and five injured, one fatally, in a wreck of a gasoline speeder on the Newton & Northwest river, five miles northwest of here. The speeder, loaded with nine men of Rinard, dashed into a box car which had been moved from a siding onto the main line.

John W. Kern's Son Much Better. Indianapolis, Ind. — The marked improvement in the condition of John W. Kern, Jr., which was noted Sunday, will enable his father, Democratic nominee for vice-president, to continue his speech making.

Accused of Buying Votes. Kansas City, Mo. — Albert W. Wesner, foreman in charge of pipe fitters at the Standard Oil plant in Sugar Creek near this city, was arrested on a capias for buying votes at the August primaries.

American Train Thieves Sentenced. Rheims, France. — Three train thieves, believed to be Americans, who were known under the names of Bard, Bertha and Cauda, have been sent to prison for 13 months for robbing passengers on east-bound express trains.

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SHIPS SAIL FROM JAPAN

DEPARTURE OF THE FLEET IS A BEAUTIFUL SPECTACLE.

Behavior of American Sailors Elicits Praise from Japanese—Not a Case of Desertion.

Tokyo. — The departure of the American battleship fleet Sunday was one of the prettiest features of the week, as well as the final event in the visit of the Americans.

The flagship Connecticut slipped her cable at exactly eight o'clock. She steamed past the Louisiana and saluted and was followed by the remainder of the first squadron. When the eight ships had passed, the Louisiana led the second line, and the entire fleet then formed in single column.

As each of the American battleships passed the head of the Japanese column, the crews of the ships of both nations cheered enthusiastically and the band on each of the American ships played the Japanese national hymn. When the last of the 16 ships was saluting, the Connecticut was invisible on the horizon. Within exactly 50 minutes the entire maneuver had been completed.

The Japanese naval men are loud in their praises of the behavior of the American sailors, and are especially appreciative of Rear Admiral Sperry's bearing throughout. Among the enlisted men there was not a single case of actual desertion.

Amoy. — Order is being rapidly established at the reception grounds where the recent typhoon wrought destruction. Bamboo structures have replaced the ruined buildings, and the original plans for the entertainment of the officers and men of the American fleet are likely to be carried out fully.

All classes consider the visit of the Americans a highly important event. The schools will close for a week, and the custom house, the consulates, banks and large business houses will close at 11 a. m. each day.

The revolutionist plot which was unearthed Saturday causes great anxiety, the government officials fearing that its ramifications may be far reaching.

WARSHIPS FOR ABRUZZI.

Two Will Escort Him and His Bride to Italy.

Rome. — The Italian cruiser Fierozza has been ordered to await the duke of the Abruzzi at New York, whither the cruiser Etruria also will be dispatched. It is understood that the two warships will escort the duke and his bride to Italy.

The statement is made also that no member of the Elkins family will attend the official ceremony of the transcription of the marriage deed in Rome, and that when Senator Elkins visits Italy later he will be given the title of chevalier of Annunziata.

German Prince Is Married.

Berlin, Germany. — Princess Alexandra Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein, daughter of Prince Frederick, duke of Schleswig-Holstein, was married in the chapel of the imperial palace at five o'clock Thursday afternoon to Prince August William of Prussia, fourth son of Emperor William. The ceremony was witnessed by the members of the imperial family and about 60 princes and princesses of the minor German royal houses. The chancellor of the empire, Prince von Bulow, as well as the other high state functionaries, the members of the diplomatic corps, including Dr. Hill, the American ambassador, and the members of the embassy staffs with their wives, with about 800 other guests, were present.

Missouri Saloon Keeper Murdered. Gower, Mo. — E. J. Martin, proprietor of a saloon here, was shot and killed by Wood Arnold, a road overseer. Arnold had been drinking heavily in Martin's saloon and wore Martin's hat away. When the saloon man asked for the hat Arnold shot him.

"Unwritten Law" Plea Wins.

Lexington, Ky. — Setting up the plea of the "unwritten law," Mrs. Nancy Murrill was acquitted of a charge of murdering Miss Mary Terry, in the circuit court at Jackson Friday.

Broughton Brandenburg Arrested. Dayton, O. — As he was boarding a train for New York city here Thursday afternoon, Broughton Brandenburg was arrested by local detectives on the charge of larceny and grand larceny. A telegram from New York city police department advised the local department to hold Brandenburg. He is alleged to have sold the New York Times a letter which he represented to have been written by Grover Cleveland, in which the dead statesman predicted the election of W. H. Taft.

JOE JAMES IS EXECUTED.

Negro Whose Crime Started Springfield Riots Is Hanged.

Springfield, Ill. — Having confessed his guilt and with a prayer upon his lips, Joe James, 18-year-old negro murderer, was hanged in the Sangamon county jail Friday. Chief Deputy Fred Long sprung the trap at 10:32 and in 11 minutes and 39 seconds James was pronounced dead by Dr. J. O. Salyers, and the body cut down and prepared for burial.

James murdered C. A. Ballard, a well-known C. P. & St. L. engineer, on the night of July 3, last. This crime was largely responsible for precipitation of the recent fatal race riot in this city.

In a drunken stupor he wandered into the home of Mr. Ballard, on North Ninth street, entered the bedroom of Miss Blanche Ballard and seized her hand. The girl screamed. Her father came to her assistance, drove the negro from the house, followed him to the sidewalk, where a fight ensued in which James stabbed Ballard to death. James fled. Next morning he was discovered by Ballard's two sons asleep in the grass north of the city. The Ballard boys almost beat James to death. Deputies rescued the negro from the crowd which gathered. While James was in jail the alleged assault by another negro upon Mrs. Earl Halam took place, and the mob moved on the jail.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN SOUTH.

Cowboy and Policeman Kill Each Other at Gulfport, Miss.

New Orleans. — News was received here Sunday of a double tragedy during the night at Gulfport, Miss., in which a cowboy belonging to a wild west show and a Gulfport policeman shot their lives. While the show was packing up, preparing to leave for New Orleans, Lon Seeley, the cowboy, is alleged to have ridden into a crowd of negroes, beating them over the heads with the butt of his revolver. Policeman Lee Varnado started in pursuit of Seeley and the two men were lost in view in a cloud of dust. Later their bodies were found near the railroad, each body bearing a single bullet wound, and each man's revolver containing one empty shell. Seeley was the son of a ranch owner living near El Paso, Tex.

CANNON HIT BY LABOR.

Illinois Federation Adopts Resolution Condemning the Speaker.

Peoria, Ill. — Speaker Cannon was specifically condemned in a clause in the resolutions which were passed at the final day's session of the Illinois State Federation of Labor. The clause met with opposition, but was finally passed.

The politician in labor affairs was killed when the convention amended its constitution to shut out the political delegate who has forced his way into past conventions to the detriment of union labor while attempting to make good with their political bosses.

St. Louis Greeks in Bloody Riot.

St. Louis. — Twenty-five men and women and two policemen were injured, some seriously, Sunday afternoon in a riot that followed the arrest of William Sarkis for fighting. The struggle took place in the Greek colony at Second and Plum street. The mob demanded that the two police men release their prisoner. The officers fired into the crowd but this did not stop the onslaught. Finally a riot call was turned in, reinforcements arrived, and the rioters were dispersed. A dozen Greeks were arrested.

Lad Kills Brother by Accident.

Harrisburg, Pa. — Albert Bell, a 12-year-old schoolboy, was shot and instantly killed by his 16-year-old brother Raymond, while hunting in Wild wood park last Saturday afternoon. With the brothers on a hunting expedition were three other boys, one of whom, without saying anything to any one, slipped a cartridge into the rifle which was the only weapon they had. Later on Raymond playfully pointed the rifle at his brother and pulled the trigger, the youth sank to the ground with a bullet in his brain.

Killed After 1,500-Mile Walk.

Lawrence, Mass. — Peter Marston, 11 years old, of Crawford, N. Y., who received \$250 for walking half way across the continent recently, was struck by lightning and killed on a farm eight miles north of this city.

Confiscated for Being Mis-Labeled.

Kansas City, Mo. — A large quantity of canned apples and blackberries was ordered sold by the United States court Friday. The fruit was grown in Arkansas, canned in Michigan and labeled Michigan grown.

NIGHT RIDERS BOLD

TWO APPEAR IN DAYLIGHT NEAR TOWN OF OBION, TENN.

CLOSE TO SOLDIERS' CAMP

Farmer's Wife Forced to Cook for One Ruffian—Threats Against Trenton — More Arrests Are Made.

Obion, Tenn. — Masked riders made their appearance at two points within three miles of Obion in broad daylight Monday. Obion is 15 miles from the soldiers' camp.

Early in the day a roughly-dressed white man, wearing a mask, appeared at the home of George Beard, on the L. A. Ward farm, and demanded breakfast of Mrs. Beard. Being informed that no food was prepared, he ordered Mrs. Beard to cook breakfast and call him from the woods nearby when it was ready. Mrs. Beard complied. The intruder ordered Mrs. Beard to enter another room while he ate, in order that he might remove his mask.

Two hours later, while Will Brown of Obion was driving, at a point about three miles from the Beard home he was confronted suddenly by a masked man who stepped from the bushes and ordered him to halt.

"What is your name, where have you been, where are you going, what is your business?" demanded the night rider.

Receiving apparently satisfactory replies, the man ordered Brown to proceed.

Union City, Tenn. — Dr. T. J. Hoppel of Trenton, who is here, says an unsigned letter was found on the stairs to his office Sunday which contained many threats against Trenton. The letter was full of profanity and declared it was proposed to give Trenton hell, and to make way with the men and women, white and negroes. The letter said the town would be visited the last of this month, and that the people would soon be "drinking water in hell." On the back was the picture of a horse and rider.

Camp Nemo, Reelfoot Lake, Tenn. — Fourteen more prisoners were brought into camp Monday in connection with the recent night rider outrages in this section.

ARRESTS FOR JURY BRIBING.

Sequel to an Alienation Suit at Laporte, Ind.

Laporte, Ind. — As a sequel to the disagreement of a jury in a suit for \$5,000 damages for a curious case of alienation of affections, brought by Stephen Janovitch against the parents and the brothers and a sister of his wife, and tried last week in the Laporte circuit court, Gustave and George Stevens, brothers of Mrs. Janovitch, were arrested Monday for alleged jury bribing, and William Bell, bartender, and William Blakeman, former city policeman, were arrested on a charge of accepting bribes. All were placed under \$5,000 bonds. Bell and Blakeman were released at night on bonds.

SAY HATFIELD ISN'T DUNHAM.

Ex-Sheriff and Others Fail to Identify the Suspect.

San Jose, Cal. — "That is not Dunham," exclaimed ex-Sheriff George Y. Bollinger Monday as he entered the cell occupied by William Hatfield, the Dunham suspect who arrived here Sunday night from Sherman, Tex., in custody of Sheriff Langford.

Hatfield had a stream of visitors during the forenoon, several of whom had known Dunham more or less, and all of them were of one opinion, that the prisoner was not Dunham.

ADMITS PART IN MURDER.

Kansas City Prisoner Confesses to Helping to Kill a Shoemaker.

Kansas City, Mo. — Thaddeus Diner, arrested with Edward Cassidy on suspicion of being one of the assassins of Nathan Bassin, a shoemaker, who was killed in his shop Saturday night, Monday confessed his implication in the crime. Diner said he and Cassidy had planned to scare Bassin out of his shop and then steal some shoes, and that they had no intention of killing him when they entered the shop.

Big Fire at St. Johns, N. F.

St. Johns, N. F. — Blair, Gordon & Co.'s block, a wharf and two vessels were destroyed by fire Monday. The block was occupied by the owners and by a number of other mercantile houses. The total loss is estimated at \$500,000.

H. A. Butters, Capitalist Dies.

Berkeley, Cal. — Henry A. Butters, president of the Northern Electric Railway Company, died here Monday. Mr. Butters was widely known as a mining man and capitalist.

Registration in Omaha.

Omaha, Neb. — Registration returns this year in Omaha became public Monday. It is shown that 12,322 voters declared themselves Republicans; 8,969 Democrats, while 1,214 were divided among other parties and those who declined to state their political preferences, the total registration being 23,465. This is a gain of 2,624 over 1904. As compared with four years ago the Republican registration shows a falling off of 263, while there is a gain of 3,897 for the Democrats. The registration in South Omaha is 5,185.

Receiver for Egg-O-See Company.

Battle Creek, Mich. — Circuit Judge North Monday appointed John E. Linahan receiver for the Egg-O-See Company, which was organized here as the Battle Creek Food Company. Linahan furnished \$200,000 bonds.

Civil Service Official Dies.

Washington. — Frank M. Kiggins of Tennessee, chief examiner of the civil service commission, died suddenly Monday of uraemic convulsions. His brother, William Kiggins, is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

One of the Essentials

of the happy homes of to-day is a vast fund of information as to the best methods of promoting health and happiness and right living and knowledge of the world's best products.

Products of actual excellence and reasonable claims truthfully presented and which have attained to world-wide acceptance through the approval of the Well-Informed of the World; not of individuals only, but of the many who have the happy faculty of selecting and obtaining the best the world affords.

One of the products of that class, of known component parts, an Ethical remedy, approved by physicians and commended by the Well-Informed of the World as a valuable and wholesome family laxative is the well-known Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

BY WAY OF COMPARISON.

Youngster's First Efforts in the Realm of Natural History.

Four-year-old Clyde was a precocious youngster—very talkative and a close observer. He and his father were strolling through the meadows one morning when Clyde observed, for the first time, some tadpoles in a pond. He waded in and cried out in delight: "Oh, father, what are they?"

"Tadpoles, son," the father replied. "Please, father, let's take them all home with us, then come back and find the mamma and papa, and we'll have the whole family in our pond at home."

The father explained how impossible this would be, and as he walked on a few steps a large ugly frog hopped across their path. Clyde's father said: "Look, son, perhaps there is the papa." Clyde was very thoughtful. He looked at the frog, then at his father, then at himself and exclaimed: "Well, father, was there ever so much difference between me and you?"

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