

THE STURGEON.

Canada Wonders Whether to Protect the Fish or Not—Is an Enemy of Other Species.

One of the fishery problems now confronting Canadian fishermen, according to the New York Sun, is whether the sturgeon is worthy of protection or not.

At present, in the waters of the great lakes, fishermen are prohibited from taking sturgeon at all without a license, though for many years the fish were slaughtered with almost every conceivable implement of capture.

The spawning time is often as early as the middle of May, but in Lake Superior, where the operation is retarded by the extreme coldness of the water, it occurs as late as July.

They are often successfully taken with a gaff, or by hauling a grapple hook along the bottom. Both methods wound many fish, which escape, to suffer, and probably to die.

On account of the increasing value of the fish and its products, last season's catch was very much larger than usual, and the outcry for more protection for it has been renewed.

In the waters of the great lakes, the limit of size of the sturgeon seems to be about a hundred pounds, but in the lower St. Lawrence and gulf the fish attains to a very much larger size, and is sometimes taken up to 12 feet in length.

EMPIRE BUILDING.

Importance of Athletic Sports Becomes More Evident Every Day.

In the business of empire-building the importance of athletic sports is more than evident, says John Corbin in the Atlantic. There is a saying that the English colonist plays cricket, drinks Scotch whisky and flourishes in numbers, while the French colonist drinks absinthe and dies of the climate.

Extempore preachers of a florid type often adopt mannerisms which they cannot always drop when they should. An English evangelist minister of this sort had a trick of apostrophizing his hearers as "dear London souls," "dear Liverpool souls," according to the place in which he might happen to be preaching.

The largest number of immigrants that ever landed from a single steamship disembarked at New York city recently, this record cargo being composed of 3,692 persons.

PUZZLE PICTURE.



"HURRY UP, CYRUS. WE ARE WAITING." FIND CYRUS.

HUMOROUS.

Summer Boarder—"You wrote me that you didn't have any mosquitoes here." Farmer Wayback—"Yes, but that was toward the end of April."

"Oh, well, my dear," observed he to his wife, "you will find that there are a great many worse men in the world than I am."

"How were the presents?" "I wasn't at the wedding, but I'm sure she didn't get many."

"Grandpa," said the little girl, "I saw something this morning running across the kitchen floor without any legs. What do you think it was?"

"What was it?" "Water," said the youngster, triumphantly.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Farmboys—"Where 'goin' with that truck wagon?" "Holler—Goin' to the store 'git a Sunday paper." Farmboys—"You 're on hitch an' take 't' double team, goldarn quick. Y' ain't goin' to kill off none of my stock puttin' a fool load on one hoss."

The following story is told of a spelling class examination held in the Haverford public school some time ago: "Thomas, spell weather."

ANCIENT AZTEC SWEETMEATS. Toothsome Delicacies of Montezuma's Time Are Made by Mexican Indians.

Some of these days a clever historian will discover and publish the daily bill of fare which Montezuma offered the nobles of his court. It must have been very excellent, judging from the relics which have survived the clash of war and centuries.

They are manufactured chiefly of fruits and sometimes of nuts and fruits mixed, and with but little sugar. They are more like macedoines of fruit than ordinary preserves. The favorites are the guava, loquat, orange, lemon, lime, cocconut, custard-apple, pineapple, fig, banana, pawpaw, grape, currant and berry.

The Mexicans to-day employ brandy, aguardiente, mecal, or strong wine, so that the finished product bears a vague resemblance to our own brandied peaches. With the exception of the guava it is seldom that one fruit is used alone.

When the fruit have been properly boiled down they are transferred to an earthenware jar or a tin can, covered with the liquor, and then the can is sealed with paper or other material. These "dolces" are very economical, coating hardly as much as apple-butter and quince-butter in our own markets.

Overloaded. Mr. Poppington—Daughter, that young Leffington you admire so much is said to be lazy.

Daughter—Oh, papa, he isn't a bit lazy—he told me all about it. He's just so awfully intellectual that he can't make a living.—Detroit Free Press.

LOST "COTTON MINE."

An Old Prospector's Tale of a Really Important Discovery That Came to Naught.

I used to know an old fellow in Prescott, Ariz., when I was holding down a job there," said a mining engineer to a New York Herald reporter, "as much as 20 years ago, who told a story that he swore to before a notary. He never had done so until he told it to me, and when I doubted it, he ambled around to the notary's office, and when he came back he had the story all in an affidavit, with the usual legal trimmings. When a man will do that with a story he tells it ought to be true, whether it is or not."

"But let that part of it go. He died a dozen years ago, and he has had to answer to a higher power if he lied about what he told to anybody who took the time to listen to him. His name was Thomas Stewart, and he was a packer and prospector, according to circumstances. His story was one of his experiences as a prospector. He said he had been out in the Huapuli mountains, about 50 or 60 miles to the north of Williams Fork of the Colorado river, prospecting for several weeks, when one day he saw from a ridge a peculiar looking colored formation on a small plateau across a canyon."

"It was something so much out of the ordinary that he concluded to get across to see what it was. It was no easy job, but he got over in the course of half a day's climbing down and up, and, reaching the spot, he discovered quite an area of low growing plants, very much like cotton in appearance. Instead, however, of being white it was of varying color, red and blue and yellow and green predominating. In fact, what was not pronounced were shades and tints of these colors. A closer inspection proved the plant to be cotton, differing somewhat from the Texas variety, but practically the same thing."

"It was the color, though, that was puzzling, and the prospector, after an investigation which showed that it was not due to any settlements of dust from the many colored earths that are common in that part of the country, and he made the canyon walls of the Colorado famous, examined the location of the cotton patch, which covered about ten acres of a little valley."

"To one side, and hidden at first by the plants, he found a number of springs, warm and cold, with the water in each of a different color, or rather all of them having the colors found in the cotton growing about them, and getting its sustenance from them and the soil which they colored. It was all clear enough to him now, and he looked upon his discovery as nothing more than one of the many natural freaks of that peculiar country."

"Ten days later he was in Prescott and heard a Texas cotton man talking. From that he got an idea, and the next day he was on his way to his cotton patch, with 20 burros, and ten days later he was in Prescott again with about two tons of raw cotton of bright color. He sold the lot to the Texas man for \$500, and proceeded to blow himself. He went to 'Frisco to organize a company to raise cotton of natural dyes, but before he got much of a start he had drunk and gambled all his money away and was stranded. He had his wits about him, though, and would not tell where his cotton mine was, thinking he would go back a year later and harvest another crop."

"About the right time the following year he hurried away to the mountains, and when he came back he looked like he had lost his best friend. He couldn't stand it, and had to tell his story, which was to the effect that there was no crop to gather. He had cleared it up thoroughly the year before, not leaving a seed, and all he found was a patch of withered stems."

"He tried to get seed from the Texas man, but they had been ginned out and lost. Then he tried to plant the ordinary seed, but they would not grow, and so Stewart lost his one chance to be rich, and he never quite got over it."

BRIEF BUT KILLING.

A Horse Remedy That Was Not Recommended, But Was Very Effective in Its Way.

A recent West Philadelphia political meeting was marked by the telling of the following story as illustrative of the evil of being too laconic in everyday speech. Brevity was the distinguishing characteristic of the village wherein lived Jim and Zach, farmers, and each the owner of a horse.

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INTERESTING LITTLE BITS. Seventy feet is the record rise for a tide in the Bristol channel.

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The crown swimming baths at Kensington are the largest in London. They are 160 feet long and 60 feet wide.

A boy is like a fountain pen. You can't tell from what he costs whether he will make his mark or not.—Detroit Journal.

A transatlantic steamer, carrying what is called "a full mail," usually brings 200,000 letters and 300 sacks of newspapers for London, to say nothing of the 500 odd sacks for other places.

AFTER TWENTY YEARS. Lusks Springs, Ind.—June 9th.—It would be hard to find a happier man than Mr. William Catterson, of this place, has been for the last few weeks.

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