

Water that isn't Hot.
Nature continues to play queer tricks sometimes as when she melts a glacier out into a sunny valley, where its icy surface sparkles in the warm sunshine and its foot rests on the dais started turf. And now comes a writer in the Times, a Democrat, of New Orleans, who calmly assures us that boiling water is not always hot. This is the way it happens he says:
When water boils ordinarily it is because great heat has separated the tiny particles of the water, forcing upward and outward in lively bubbles the air which is contained in them. This is done in spite of the downward pressure of the atmosphere. After the water has become hot enough to boil it can get no hotter, because the air escapes as it is sufficiently heated to do so.
There are places on the earth where the pressure of the atmosphere upon the water is so slight that it requires but a little heat to push apart the particles and set free the air bubbles which are confined in the water, so it begins to boil before it becomes very hot. It ought hardly to be called cold water, perhaps, but it is certainly not from being as hot as ordinary boiling water. This state of things is found on all high mountain tops, where the atmosphere grows weaker and the pressure less as one ascends.
A gentleman traveling at a great elevation in the Andes mountains, put some potatoes in a pot of water over a hot fire. The water began to boil almost immediately, but the potatoes did not cook. All the afternoon and all night the water bubbled and boiled, but still the potatoes were not cooked. The boiling water was not hot enough.

Rest Before Eating.
Edward Everett Hale's advice to brain workers and over-energetic women is to "rest, rest, rest; not all the time, but before eating. Ten minutes rest before eating is a necessity. You should never eat when you are 'dead' tired, but wait until the machine is rested." The application of this admonition to shoppers who remain on the go until the last possible minute and then hurry down to dinner should be very evident. **†**

BUDS, Society buds, young women just entering the doors of society or womanhood, require the wisest care. To be beautiful and charming they must have perfect health, with all it implies—a clear skin, rosy cheeks, bright eyes and good spirits. At this period the young woman is especially sensitive, and many nervous troubles, which continue through life, have their origin at this time. If there be pain, headache, backache, and nervous disturbances, or the general health not good, the judicious use of medicine should be employed. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the best restorative tonic and nervine at this time. The best bodily condition results from its use. It's a remedy especially indicated for those delicate weaknesses and derangements that afflict women at one period or another. You'll find that the woman who has faithfully used the "Prescription" is the picture of health, she looks well and feels well.
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HUNTING THE TIGER.
Exciting Experiences in the Jungles of the Punjab.
Among the arrivals here Wednesday was Colonel Charles B. Hicks, who for nearly a year past has been visiting the various Oriental countries in quest of wild animals for his show.
"I went on a number of tiger hunts while in India," said Colonel Hicks. "One of the most exciting was on the Patialla estate, owned by the powerful Rajah of Patialla, 500 miles from Calcutta, in the Lucknow Presidency.
The Rajah himself was along, and we had a troop of natives, forming a caravan, which was a splendid thing in itself to look upon. We entered a great jungle and began to scour about for the tigers. The Rajah had placed some skilled native hunters on high platforms in the jungle, who were to pick off any tigers that came along. The Rajah was also well equipped, as I was, with fine guns, and we were ready to get in our work on the slightest notice.
Suddenly a great tiger bounded out. As he leaped over the obstructions in the jungle he appeared to me to be fully forty feet long, so large and splendidly agile was he. A hunter on a raised platform near at hand shot at him, intending to shoot him in the heart, but he was not accurate in his aim and just gazed the edge of his breast.
At this, while he floundered in the bushes, the Rajah descended from his elephant and, drawing his Winchester, shot him squarely in the heart, killing him instantly. I was surprised at the great bravery of the Rajah, for had he not killed him he must have himself been killed. He seemed to think nothing of it however, and had purposely shot at him while on the ground in order to enjoy the excitement of it.
Up 200 miles in the Punjab, near Jodpore, I encountered fourteen tigers in a jungle. They are very thick there, and the way we took most of them was to dig pits. Straw was put at the bottom and on it a piece of fresh meat, so that the tiger could smell the blood. We also put a sheep into each of the pits.
Then we covered the whole thing lightly with brush. The tigers came, crawled all around the edge, as though they mistrusted something, and then tried it again. Then they would go away and return and repeat the experiment. Now, in this case, as in all other instances, the first to get in was the female tiger. One would hardly believe that, but it was true. The moment the she tiger got in and began to eat the sheep and tear around her mate rushed in to help her, with all the younger ones.
In this way we often got three or four in a pit. We had to starve them there. One end had been made sloping, so that eventually we let down a huge box and by careful digging at the other end got them in it, and finally secured them, one by one, for the show business. In some cases it took a long time to train them, but in others it was very short. We got all we needed, making some ten in all that we reserved, while the others we killed for their skins."

Flying Fish.
The flying fish of the Atlantic is known as the skipjack. It is a member of the California flying-fish family, but dissimilar in appearance. Large schools appear on the New England coast in autumn. It is persecuted by the ravenous inhabitants of the ocean, and offers an interesting spectacle when trying to escape pursuers. Multitudes then mount to the surface, crowding on each other as they press forward. When still more closely pursued they spring to the height of several feet, leap over each other in singular confusion, again sinking beneath the waves. Still further urged they mount again, rushing along the surface by repeated starts for more than 100 feet, without once dipping beneath or scarcely seeming to touch the water. It has been judged that on occasions more than 20,000 of these terror-stricken fish have been out of water together, striving to elude a hungry foe. Though the fins of this fish are many they are small, and the pectoral far from large. Consequently they are capable of such flights of speed is wonderful. The angle of articulation of the fins is well adapted to raise the fish by the direction of their motions to the surface. The power of springing comes from its tail and finlets.—[San Francisco Examiner.]

He Owns a Volcano.
Is the owner of a volcano to be envied? If so, such a one is General Gaspar Sanchez Ochoa, the proprietor of Popocatepete, the famous "smoking mountain" of Mexico. There has been recently put forward a scheme for the construction of a line of cables to the summit of the mountain, strung with buckets operating by gravity, such as are seen in many of the mining districts in the States. By this means the immense deposits of sulphur may be brought on the market.—[New Orleans Picayune.]

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Great Britain raised 31,000,000 tons of turnips last year.

A Year of Confusion.
The year of Confusion was B. C. 46, which consisted of sixteen months (445 days). Julius Cæsar, in addition to the intercalary month of 28 days, inserted two extraordinary months between November and December, one of thirty-three days, and the other of thirty-four days in order to adjust the year according to the course of the sun. To prevent the recurrence of any future confusion, he reformed the calendar, making it consist of 365 days, and a leap year of 366 days, instead of 365, and the mensis intercalaris, attributed to Numa.—[New York Dispatch.]
Medieval infantry were either pikemen or archers.

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