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WOOL SALES. Geo. Hague & Co., Pty. Ltd. report that for their third sale of the season they brought forward a catalogue of 2,617 bales, and sold, including private sales, 2,526 bales. The selection of wool offered was drawn principally from the Wimmera and Western districts and was a most attractive one. With keen and general competition, the market may be quoted as superior, merino was a little irregular, but in most cases firm at latest rates, especially for those showing good quality, which sold in smaller favor good to super, merino were in keen demand and coarse crossbred were from 31 to 40 per lb. doer; 157 lots selling at 40 and over. Top prices and a record in date was secured for both fleeces and lambs—(Horsburn) obtaining for 6 bales sup. com. 31 1/2, and for 100 42; and SC Hill (Maroon) receiving for sup. fine, 45 1/2. Other prices—Merino—Q. Quanny (Cavendish), sup. M 50 1/2; JCS Lanyon, sup. com. 42 1/2; DU Narraet, sup. com. 42 1/2; W. Whitlock (Geelong), sup. com. 42 1/2; SC Hill (Maroon), sup. 1st com. 47, sup. fine, 48 1/2; Balfour (Harambul), sup. 47 1/2; M/Y Allamby (Lanyon), sup. com. 48 1/2; A & E over Kisorra (Maroon), sup. passed, sup. fine, 49 1/2; JMS Lake View (Willetton), sup. com. 48 1/2; Warroneer (Kotare Waterloo), sup. com. 46 1/2; LFG Smith (Waterloo), sup. com. 44 1/2; JJJ (com.) Overdale (Stawell), H 46 1/2; Gunwinnow, sup. com. 45 1/2; Stratton (Harambul), sup. A 46 1/2; sup. A 46 1/2; MO L Ballyroan (Bunangan), sup. com. passed, 1st com. 45 1/2; Balaikya (Elmhurst), sup. com. 45 1/2; HB A (Ararat), sup. passed, AM 45 1/2; LB M (in cir.) (Willetton), sup. com. 45 1/2; Balaikya (Harambul), H 45 1/2; Yawong Springs (St. Arnaud), sup. com. 47 1/2, 1st com. 45 1/2; GV Emmerdale (Ararat), 1st com. 45 1/2; TC Grunt (Stawell), AF 44 1/2; GF Patyell (Horsburn), A sup. 44 1/2; JJ Ramsdale (Ararat), A com. 47 1/2; AA com. 44 1/2; JFMCK (Middle Cross), A com. 44 1/2; SA Rutland (The Vics), sup. com. 44 1/2; JT Ararat, Rec. 44 1/2; ETP (Inverleigh), AAA 44 1/2; Brunyons (Harambul), sup. com. 45 1/2; AA com. 43 1/2; Comeback and crossed—SV Streatham (Creay), AH 44 1/2; MD Amphitheatre (theatre), AAA 43 1/2; AG Streatham, 1st com. 43 1/2; W. Whitlock (Geelong), sup. com. 43 1/2; GHB (Amphitheatre), 43 1/2; DE/D (Lanyon), AAA 42 1/2.

DISTRICT SALES. The following district sales were offered at the Ballarat stock market on Tuesday, 25th ult. By Messrs. Kelly & McDonald—16 wunook, Messrs. Jos. George and Sons, Lake Goldsmith, £15 15 to £14, as ranging £12 1/2 to £10 1/2; 1 lot, Mr. J. J. Yates, Wamburra, 28 10 to £7 2 1/2; 1 cow, same owner, £8 2 1/2; 113 merino wethers, Mr. James Girdle, Lake Bolac (out-side), 39 combined, ranged, Mr. John G. Robertson, Mt. Mitchell East, 39 7 to 28 1, averaging 26 9; 7 wethers, Mr. W. Lynch, Rardone, Lake Goldsmith, 50 10; 3 ewes, Mr. Jas. Stevenson, 20 10; 7; 11 summer woolly lambs, Mr. Wm. Lynch, Rardone, Lake Goldsmith, 53 1.

CHEPSTOWE CHURCH. As a result of the efforts of the Ballarat Sunshine Circle, the soldier's church at Chepstowe, which was destroyed during a heavy gale about two years ago, has been rebuilt. The reopening ceremony took place on Saturday in the presence of practically the whole of the people of the town. The church was opened by the Rev. J. W. Thompson, of Ballarat, fulfilled a promise previously made by her by handing over a library for the club-room associated with the church. On behalf of the Ballarat Red Cross, Miss Brodie McDonald presented a large table for the use of the soldiers. Messrs Hamilton and Power returned thanks on behalf of the donors. The weather was beautifully fine, and the attendance good. On Saturday evening the hall was taken to its utmost capacity. The Rev. E. V. Ryan presided, and said it afforded him great pleasure to welcome the Bishop (Dr. Foley) to Snake Valley. Father Ryan also extended a hearty welcome to Rev. Fathers O'Keefe, Roper, and Darcy. Before declaring the bazaar open, Dr. Foley congratulated the people of Snake Valley and district on having erected such a commodious and handsome structure, where the ceremonies of this church could be fittingly carried out. The building, the Bishop said, reflected the greatest credit on the priest and the people of the district, and he hoped the result of the bazaar would wipe out the debt. He had a few pounds in his pocket, and he intended to visit the different stalls. He had much pleasure in declaring the bazaar open. Mr. A. C. Roddis moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Bishop and visiting clergy. Mr. W. G. Martin endorsed the remarks of Mr. Roddis. He had much pleasure in seconding the motion, which was carried by acclamation. Bishop Foley made a happy response. The cost of the building was £2,200.

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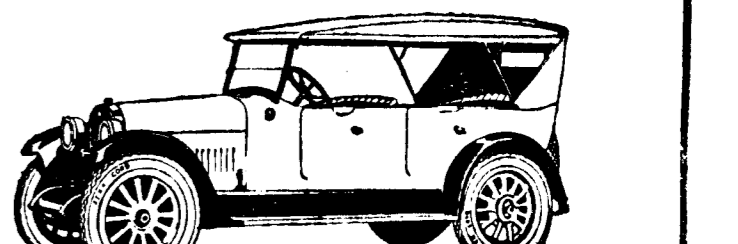
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BEAUFORT FIRE BRIGADE. On Monday night the monthly meeting of the Beaufort Fire Brigade was held at the fire station.

BEAUFORT POLICE COURT. MONDAY, 1st DEC. 1924. (Before Messrs P. V. Elliott, P.M., A. J. Smith, and D. R. Haman, J.P.s.)

BEAUFORT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. There was an attendance of eight members at the Beaufort Agricultural Society's general meeting.

PERSONAL. Mrs. Alex. Russell is to visit Mr. and Mrs. Philip Russell, at Wainmaki, on Saturday.

OBITUARY. The remains of the late Mrs. H. F. Watkins, who died on 21st November, were brought to Beaufort for interment on Saturday afternoon.

USEFUL READY RECKONER. Every farmer should paste this table of weights in his pocket book.

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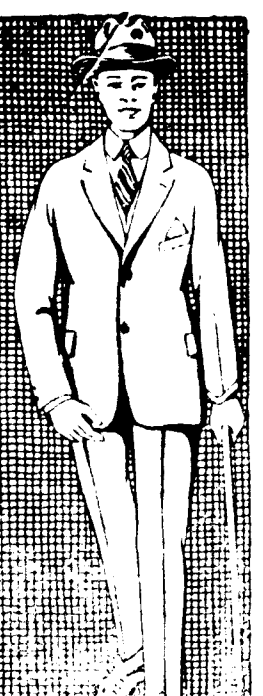
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COMING EVENTS. A meeting of the Ripon Bush Fire Brigade to be held on Saturday, 20th inst.

TENNIS. Additional games in the Beaufort Tennis Club's weekly tournaments.

BAND RECITAL. On Thursday night the Beaufort Town Band gave their first monthly concert.

IN MEMORIAM. NIMAMARA. In loving memory of my dear mother, Honora...

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1924. A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY: Men of character are the conscience of the society to which they belong.

LAND SALE. Messrs Mulcahy Bros. of Lake Collyer, have purchased Mr. King's farm...

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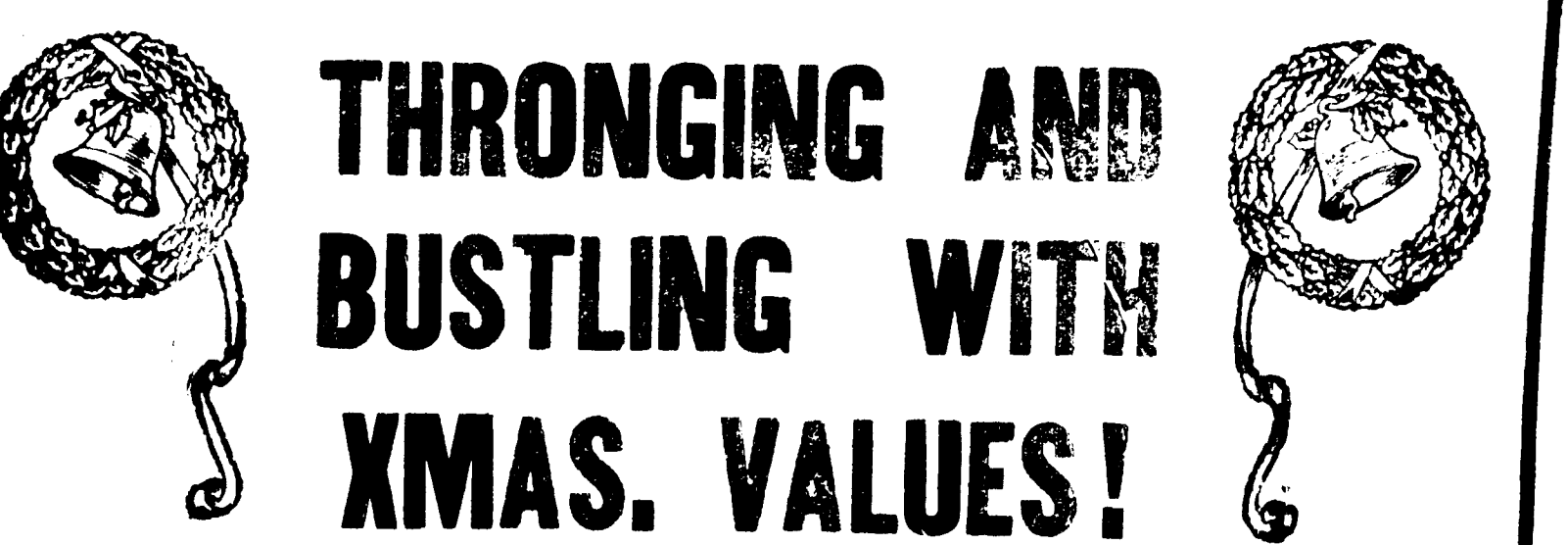
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FORCE OF WINDS.

The lessons talk about the wind force of the force of a gale, of a storm, of a hurricane—whereas the average man has no idea of what the wind force means. Meteorologists have prepared an interesting table of the varying force of winds, with their names.

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PRESENTATION TO MR. A. J. SPAIN.

A number of Diggers and boys of the village presented to Mr. Bennett's back room on Monday evening a presentation to one of their "colliers," Diggee A. J. Spain.

Ford. The car no bad road can keep away from its destination. Universal 5 Seater Touring Car. £185.

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If you value your health. The days in which we live render it more difficult to maintain a condition of perfect health all the time. The system gets "run-down" with rush and worries.

WOOL SALES.

Wool sales were commenced in Melbourne on 10th inst., when the Australian Estates and Mortgage Co. Ltd. submitted a medal catalogue of 3,062 bales of wool.

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BEAUFORT MOTOR GARAGE. WE beg to notify the public that we have taken over the Garage lately carried over by Messrs. Coster and Branch, and have secured the services of an Expert Mechanic, who has had 10 years' experience in the repair of cars on an extensive scale in the Flying Dutch on active service.

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INSPECT THE NASH. Mrs. Jones had ordered and lost three suitcases. She had called and the vicar, a member of fifty, was beginning to feel nervous.

SANDS & JOHNSON, BEAUFORT. Attention: Messrs. Sanderson, Sports and Heavy Motor Sales. We have just completed the Memorial 1924 required for the year.

THE NEW RUGBY. In a Glass by Itself. EVERY Tank we supply is of 24 gauge, English make, corrugated body, 24 gauge bottom, double-reinforced throughout, well-ventilated, complete with flat top and strainer, strong brass tap, and overflow.

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PROPOSED RIPON CRICKET ASSOCIATION. Mr. W. Green of Neill Creek, is making a determined effort to organize a sufficient nucleus among cricket "lovers" to form a Ripon Cricket Association.

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THE PICTURES. The Universal picture, "Thunder Down", was screened by Mr. Clements at the Beaufort cinema theatre on Saturday night, before a large and appreciative audience. A good programme will be shown to-night (Saturday).

CONSISTENT WITH THE LAW. A lady was presenting a cheque at the bank. On examination the teller took the cheque and told her that it was not a cheque.

RIPON SHIRE FINANCES. At the monthly meeting of the Ripon Shire Council on Monday, the general balance sheet showed receipts amounting to £2,150/10s, leaving a debit balance of £1,000/10s.

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IN MEMORIAM. In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother, who passed away on the 22nd of December, 1924.

YOUR DENTAL REQUIREMENTS. Mr. J. Harris, Chemist and Dentist, has been appointed to the position of dental officer for the Beaufort Central School.

CRICKET ASSOCIATION. A public meeting of the Beaufort Cricket Association was held on Saturday evening at the Beaufort Club.

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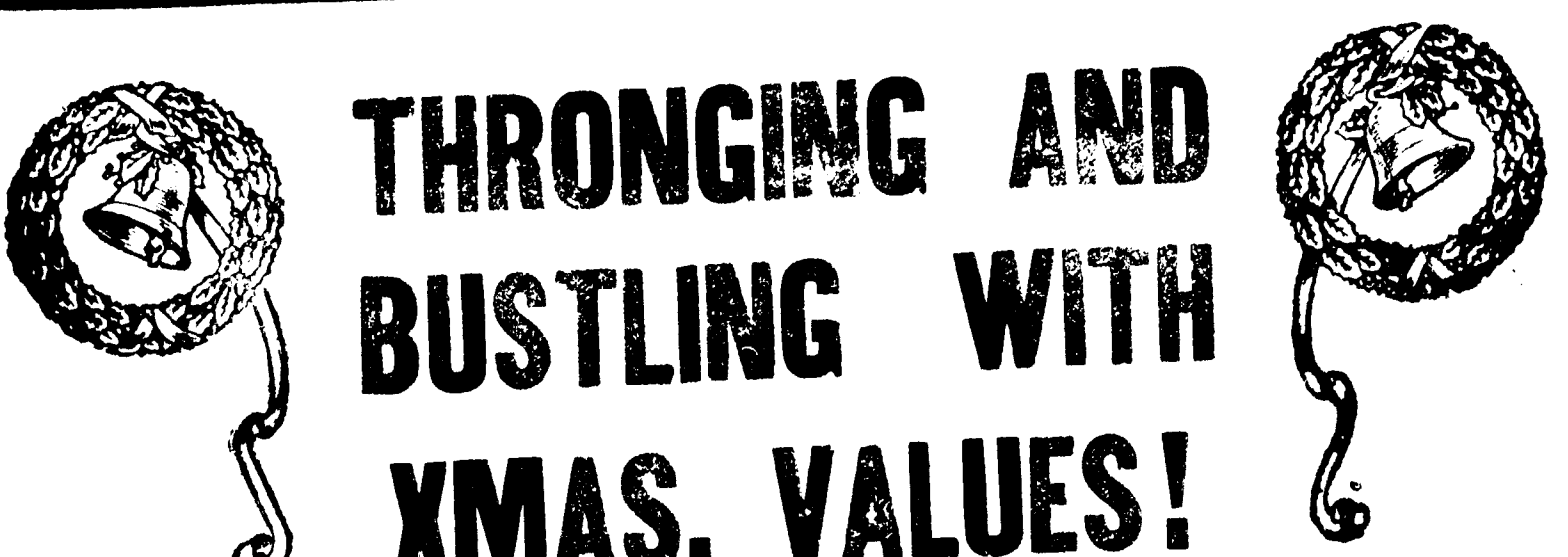
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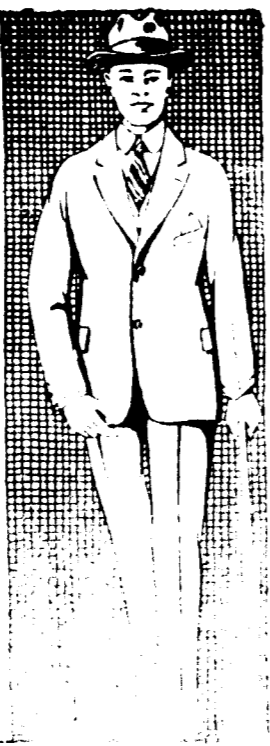
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NOTHING SERIOUS.

"I hear you had McPherson staying with you for the week-end? What did you do with him on Saturday evening?"

"I took him to the music-hall?" "No, I didn't care to take the time," "You might have laughed at that on Sunday."

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A BREAD SUPERSTITION.

At times bread is put to curious uses. It was reported recently that some bread had been thrown on the water in the hope of locating a drowned man, which is commonly supposed to do.

The most extraordinary of all superstitions in regard to bread was expressed in the old-time custom of sin-eating.

It was usual to have poor people at a funeral to take on them the sins of the deceased. When the body was brought out of the house and laid on the bier, a loaf of bread was given to the sin-eater over the corpse.

Also he was handed a bowl of maple syrup, and a little of each was put in his mouth, and he was supposed to swallow up all the sins of the deceased and free him of her from walking after they were dead.

GOLD FROM SEA-WATER.

The modern alchemist no longer dreams of transmuting the base metals into gold, he is more concerned with the possibility of extracting the yellow metal from the sea.

At a dinner of fact, it was reported recently that a profitable method of doing this had been discovered, and that a fortune might be made by repeating the process in a number of spots.

It has been estimated that there is one ounce of gold in every 10,000 tons of sea-water. And this gold is not in simple solution but in what is known as the "colloid" state, thus rendering its extraction a difficult and costly matter.

At present, indeed, the cost of producing gold from sea-water is about twenty times the market value.

MYSTERY OF THE NORTHERN LIGHTS.

From time to time the telegraph wires, the ocean cables and the telephones over a large part of the civilized world whistle and hum and clatter in agitated convulsions.

The business of mankind stops. The Aurora Borealis, or "Northern Lights," has paralyzed the telegraph and telephone wires. But what is the Aurora Borealis? Who causes the extraordinary spectacular displays in the heavens? Science has been theorizing, but no real explanation.

The commercial world, too, is concerned to know why its business is upset by the interference of this strange and peculiar phenomenon.

And it is to try to solve this great puzzle of science and to help the telegraph experts, that Professor J. J. MacMillan, the Arctic explorer, went to the far north with a party of ten men to investigate the phenomenon.

All over the Arctic region, he found only "knows" as "ghostly lights," but in a number of places not confined to the northern hemisphere, it is often seen in the extreme southern parts of the earth, but it is most frequent in the north, and it is there that the phenomenon usually attains its greatest brilliancy.

Of all the many theories which have been advanced to explain the Aurora Borealis, the one which is now looked on with greatest favour by scientists is that which ascribes the phenomenon to the entrance into the atmosphere of electrically charged particles from the sun.

Astronomers, the great astronomer, was the first to suggest this theory and to offer evidence in support of it. It is maintained that the Aurora Borealis is a result of the discharge by the sun of highly charged particles which are called electro-negative ions.

Each ion, when projected from the sun and caught in the earth's magnetic field, are carried towards the magnetic poles, and there brought nearer to the earth's surface.

When they finally reach the lower layers of the atmosphere they part with a good deal of their energy and in doing so they give rise to a discharge which is in appearance very much like that of a vacuum tube.

It is this discharge which produces the dancing curtains and brilliantly flashing rays of different colours which stir the wonder and admiration of mankind every time they appear in the sky.

Some astronomers are inclined to believe that the Aurora is due not only to the discharge of electrical particles from the sun, but also to a discharge of similar particles from the earth itself. They think that the entrance of these particles into our atmosphere over the parts of the globe when the sun is shining set up a compensating outward flow of electricity over other portions of the earth's surface.

Some hold that it is this outward flow rather than the inward flow that makes the Aurora Borealis visible to us, and others are inclined to the belief that both the entering and the emerging charges have a hand in producing this remarkable phenomenon.

DANGER AT THE

Most motorists are aware that the seat at the steering wheel often becomes, after an hour's driving, one of the driest corners in the world.

This fact is often responsible for a dangerous state of affairs, and there have been many serious mishaps from "falling asleep at the wheel."

A medical correspondent has sent some interesting suggestions on the causes of this phenomenon to "Truth".

Commenting on the fact that the other occupants of the car are less liable to succumb, he points to the driver's intense mental concentration, fixation of the eyes on the road ahead, and gentle monotony of driving.

Even in well designed cars which do not hinder natural respiration, the shallow breathing which accompanies voluntary mental concentration might conceivably to the effect in an inexperienced driver.

To this a writer in "Truth" adds the following remarks: "It is astonishing in what unlikely situations human beings will manage to go to sleep. Most men with any experience of trench warfare can testify to this. I have known cases of men reaching the wedding stage even on a motor bicycle which is not on the face of it, a particularly soporific vehicle, but where there are only two wheels, the loss of balance which follows immediately the brain ceases to function normally, leaving the rider at his wits' end with a sharp jerk."

"Not always, however, for a friend of mine achieved, in the days of his youth, the astonishing feat of going to sleep on one of the old high bicycles. He woke up in the ditch."

ISLAND SOLD FOR TOBACCO.

THE Stick Island, mentioned recently in a despatch from the New Hebrides, got its name in a queer way.

Of considerable height, though only a few hundred yards in circumference, it used to be a favourite mark for men-of-war engaged in target practice while stationed in the group, so that it seemed in danger of being gradually shot away.

The chief who owned it protested, and claimed compensation. The captain of the patrol ship to whom the claim was presented promptly bought the island for the British Crown, paying ten sticks of tobacco for it, and the chief went on his way rejoicing.

THE TRAIL OF THE SERPENT

The average number of people killed by snakes yearly in our Indian Empire is 21,000. The great majority of these meet death at the fangs of the cobra or of that horrible little reptile the krait. Large numbers of the krait look like the cobra, and as a bit of broken white, and as a rule they fangs bring death as surely as the fangs of the hooded cobra itself.

We have no knowledge of the number of people killed by snakes in India, Southern China, Africa, or South America, no statistics being published of these places. Yet all these countries, and in fact all tropical regions, are infested with a vast number of them at least as deadly as the cobra.

Some are worse, the great black cobra, for instance. Some few years ago the manager of a mine near India was out with eight dogs, after tea, when a huge mamba ran out of the grass and struck a corner. The other dogs joined in and seven of the eight were bitten, including two great Danes. Every one of the dogs died.

Tropical Africa swarms with intensely poisonous snakes. There is a black one which lives in trees and kills many a negro honey-lifter. Another, mottled grey in colour, despoils great numbers of goats and cattle. There is a small black-and-white cobra which leaps at you as you pass, and a great, greenish snake which hangs from a branch over the path and strikes down at your head. Not of all African snakes perhaps the hideous puff adder is the most dreaded.

Parts of British Guiana and Brazil are almost paved with snakes. In the dry uplands live the pit-vipers, better known as rattlers; lower down reside the huge, yellow bush-master, bright yellow and eleven feet long, whose bite is almost instant death. What is worse, like the great king cobra of the East, this creature attacks on sight.

Then in the swamps lurk monstrous anacondas, of which the Indians live in deadly fear. They are the largest snakes in existence. Colonel Fawcett killed one no less than sixty-eight feet in length, and with a body more than three feet in circumference.

In the southern parts of the United States that sluggish yet deadly water-viper, the moccasins, is terribly common. I have counted fourteen lying coiled on a river bank in a length of thirty paces. Rattlers are plentiful right up to the Canadian border.

Martiniques is infested with the awful fer-de-lance, which moves by night as well as by day, and whose bite means death in twenty minutes.

Even in the warmer countries of Europe poisonous snakes are far more plentiful than is usually supposed. In Bosnia, for instance, scores of human beings, and thousands of cattle, were killed yearly by snakes, until in 1904 the Government offered a reward of about sixpence for each snake's head, and so, to some extent, subdued the plague.

At present the number of human beings killed yearly by snakes is probably not much less than sixty thousand. The death-roll from this cause is certainly four or five times as great as the toll taken by all other wild creatures put together.

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